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POLITICS AT
FEVER HEAT IN
NEWFOUNDLAND

Royal Commission Is to Hold
Investigation
Charge That Premier and Another
Attempted to Bribe
Member of Resign His Seat
Corrupt Practices Charged
Against the Member.

(Canadian Press.)
St. John's, Nfld., April 19.—The political pot is still boiling furiously here although the general and by-elections are months past. The latest sensation was created in the course of the charging of election petitions against Messrs. Woodford and Jones, elected members for Harbor Main, in November.
Woodford, who stands charged with corrupt practices, declared in an affidavit that Premier Squires and Hon. M. P. Gibbs attempted to bribe him to resign his seat. The opposition papers have been harping on this for some time and the opposition members have petitioned the governor to refuse to allow the local legislature to be opened by Premier Squires until the whole incident is closed. The opponents of the government have also called a public meeting to discuss the situation.
The ground has been knocked from under the feet of the protesters by an announcement that the governor, on the advice of the leader of the government, has decided that a royal commission shall issue an order for investigation of all the circumstances.
The legislature is summoned to meet tomorrow. It is said that the presidency of the legislative council vacated by Sir P. T. McGrath when the Cashin government was defeated will be filled by Hon. J. E. Ryan and M. Frank Steer of St. John's. Hon. S. Alexander Campbell and George Shee will be appointed to the legislative council. Two vacancies out of the five in the cabinet will thus be left unfilled for the present.
The personnel of the royal commission above is understood to be Chief Justice William Horwood and Mr. Justice Kent of the supreme court bench, and Hon. H. K. Bishop, member of the legislative council.

PROFITTEERING
CHARGES MADE

Boston Sugar Man and New
York Potato Dealer Are De-
fendants.

New York, April 20.—Charged with making an unlawful profit on the resale of sugar, E. R. Shurborne, members of a Boston sugar importing firm, was arrested yesterday before United States Commissioner Hitchcock. The complaint, which was made by members of the government's "buying squad," alleges that Shurborne purchased 960,000 pounds of San Domingo sugar from a produce firm at 16 1/2 cents a pound, and resold it for 21 1/4 cents. The complaint alleges that he made \$40,000 more than reasonable profit. Shurborne was held in \$1,000 bail.
The "buying squad" also charged John McElroy, a produce merchant, with profiteering in potatoes. Government agents say McElroy purchased potatoes at \$3.85 a hundred pounds, and resold them at \$8.85. He furnished \$1,000 bail.

SEAL SEASON
WAS A FAILURE

Less Than 85,000 — Action
Against Crew — War Relics
Reach Newfoundland.

St. John's, Nfld., April 20.—Considerable interest attaches to cases against members of the crew of the sailing steamer Terra Nova, just returned from the ice fields. All the ships met with poor luck. They did not obtain enough seals between them to make a good cargo for one. When the period for which they had signed on expired the majority of the crews of some steamers refused to stay out longer, and practically forced the masters to return to port.
The captain of the Terra Nova has now entered test cases charging the men with violation of the Merchant Shipping act.
The total catch this season is less than 35,000 seals for nine ships.
Big shipments of war relics presented by the British government to the Dominion of Newfoundland arrived here on the Furness liner Digby. The shipment includes heavy guns, howitzers, machine guns and other war material captured from the Germans and Turks.

REACH NO DECISION
ON HARD COAL WAGES

New York, April 20.—After discussing for more than four hours the demands of the anthracite mine workers for a sixty per cent wage increase the sub-committee of operators and miners appointed to negotiate a new wage agreement adjourned here last night without taking any action.

Bishop's Charge At
Opening of Synod

Is Read at Service in Fredericton

Diocesan Fund, Forward
Movement, Increased Stipends for Clergy, Restoration of King's College, Some of the Subjects.

(Special to Times.)
Fredericton, April 20.—The 51st annual meeting of the Synod of the Anglican Diocese of Fredericton was opened this morning with a celebration of holy communion in Christ Church Cathedral. His Lordship Bishop Richardson was assisted by Very Rev. Dean Neales and Archdeacons Forsythe, Newham and Crofton. There were about 100 present, including both clergy and lay delegates.
The bishop's charge to the synod was read by His Lordship. He welcomed the various members to Fredericton and referred to the various subjects which will be discussed in the synod. He mentioned the Diocesan Fund, the forward movement, the stipends for the clergy, the restoration of King's College, and some of the subjects.
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SOME THINGS
THEY WANT TO
KNOW AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, April 20.—(Canadian Press)—A fairly long list of questions regarding income tax, particularly as it affects farmers, is due for the house on Wednesday from H. H. Stevens, Vancouver.

CITY CLUB FOR
FREDERICTON

Fredericton, April 20.—A meeting was held last night in the board of trade rooms regarding the formation of a Fredericton city club. There were about forty present and the meeting was very enthusiastic and optimistic. Mayor John A. Reed was elected president and J. Stewart Neil first vice-president. The other officers were not elected. George E. Brown was appointed acting secretary-treasurer. The officers together with Jos. Dolphin of Maryville, P. S. Watson of Devon, C. K. Palmer, A. M. Gibson, R. G. Lee, H. W. MacLellan and J. P. Wislow, will form the managing committee. A. R. Slipp, K. C., was named as the chairman of a committee to take steps to have the Fredericton city club incorporated.

HEAD OF VETERANS

R. B. Maxwell, new president of the Dominion Great War Veterans' Association, recently elected in Montreal.

THE POWER BILL
UP TOMORROW

Referendum Resolution in
Legislature on Thursday
Teachers' Salaries.

THREAT OF 100,000
TO QUIT WORK

Chicago, April 20.—A request for a temporary increase of \$1 a day, with time and a half for overtime after eight hours, Sundays and holidays, pending the decision of the railroad labor, was made last night by the General Chairman's Association of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes and Railroad Shop Laborers.
Some 100,000 of the brotherhood in the district would leave work individually on Monday, May 1, if their demands were not granted, the chairman's association stated in a telegram to E. F. Crable of Detroit, president of the brotherhood, asking him to present the request to the labor board, President Wilson and the general managers' association.
"What's new?"
About noon today he called the Times on the telephone, asked for the news news and got one of the reporters on the other end of the line. He was very much agitated. The writer immediately sensed "a story."
"Say, did you hear?" the informant said. "Yes, yes," said the busy news man; "were there many killed and how did it happen?"
The excitement increased; that man with the story was making a brave attempt at serenity, but the value of his tale was too great for him; he foundered hopelessly.
"Now, just calm yourself for a minute and begin at the beginning," the reporter advised him. A pause and the dazed newsman. A confederate rushed to the phone, placed it to his ear and over the never-ending, ever-to-be-expected news, "The city watering carts have just passed the door!"

BUTTE DISTRICT
MINERS STRIKE

Call of the I. W. W. Is Answered — Some of the Demands.

Butte, Mont., April 20.—Streets of the city were thronged yesterday with idle miners who walked out in response to a strike call of Industrial Workers of the World Local No. 800, or were warned away from the mine by I. W. W. pickets. Between 10,000 and 14,000 men are out. They demand release of all "industrial and political prisoners," a six-hour day, a minimum wage scale of \$7 a day for all miners, abolition of the rustling card; abolition of contract, bonus and efficiency systems; two men to work on all machines and two men to work together in all workings.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "what do you think of the suggestion that our civic rulers and other persons of note should put on overalls?"

"Without alluding to anybody," said Hiram, "they could get me into a libel suit, I'd say some of 'em were onto the overalls off, 'int' right?"

"You surely don't mean that," queried the reporter.

"Well," said Hiram, "we'll say I mean that it won't be fair to the overalls."

"You don't see much point in that remark," said the reporter.

"Why consider the feelings of a pair of overalls?"

"Of course you don't 'em to," said Hiram, "but if I said it wasn't fair to the overalls they'd wear 'em now 'till they were worn out. What I said was that some folks never over took the overalls off, 'int' right?"

"You surely don't expect me to make such a statement as that," said the reporter, "discretion in my middle name."

"Well," said Hiram, "you started here talkin' an 'I'm jivin' you my opinion. If it aint with nothin' you needn't pay no attention to it. As fer wearin' overalls—I got a pair myself—got two pair, but they's some folks—even if overalls did git to be the fashion—'ud want to wear 'em on 'em or some other foolery that 'ud make 'em cost as much as a waddin' suit. You can't stop some folks from lettin' everybody know they got money. An' them that aint got it is awful unhappy if they can't make believe they hev, 'if you offered some of 'em overalls, you'd be gittin' some where—but you can't do that—by Hen."

WHY THE TURKS
NOT DRIVEN OUT

Failure of United States to
Accept Mandate

Allies' Reply to President
Wilson's Note on the Sub-
ject—Turks Besiege Greeks
and Armenians and Aid Is
Sought.

Washington, April 20.—The allied reply to President Wilson's Turkish note is expected to point out that without the solution of the Turkish question the Allies have found it impossible to adopt the president's suggestion that the Turk be driven out of Europe.
The Allies have taken the position, it was said, that the eviction of the Sultan from Constantinople was impossible without the assumption by some power, preferably the United States, of the obligation for the protection of Constantinople and contiguous Turkish territory.
For economic and political reasons, officials said, choice of another power than the United States was precluded and since the United States has refused to accept the mandate over Turkey, no other solution than to leave the Turk in Constantinople under inter-Allied control was possible.
Supervision of the Turk, it is generally believed by officials, will develop upon the Ottoman debt commission, which before the war consisted of representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy, Russia, Austria-Hungary and Germany, but which now is limited to the three allied powers.
The council of the league of nations has agreed informally that it cannot assume the mandate for Armenia, as was suggested by the council of premiers at the Paris meeting, according to information received here.
The fact that it does not control military forces and other machinery necessary to the administration of a state is understood to be the basic reason for the rejection of the league. A neutral state may be named as mandatory for Armenia.

PLANNING MAY DAY
TENANTS' STRIKE

Socialist agitators in New
York City Part of Brook-
lyn.

New York, April 20.—An attempt will be made on May 1 by Socialist agitators to bring about a general strike of tenants in New York and the Bronxville section of Brooklyn as a part of the May day celebration, so it is predicted by Arthur J. W. Hilly, chairman of the Mayor Hylan's committee on rent control.
"The plan is a part of the Socialist's scheme in its propaganda to nationalize property," says Mr. Hilly. It will be their first effort to socialize the city government and the Socialists have planned it to be such.
Brussels, April 20.—The Belgian syndicalist congress has decided on the participation by all branches of the syndicalist government in a twenty-four hour strike on May 1. Only the rail-way men are exempted. The minister of railways agreed to consider May 1 as a holiday.

WOMEN ARE VOTING

Providence, R. I., April 20.—Women in Rhode Island are voting for the first time today, when they participated in the democratic caucus to elect delegates to the party's state convention. Several women have been nominated as delegates.

NOTED DOCTOR DEAD

Troy, N. Y., April 20.—Dr. Kohn Magee, pioneer in the use of diphtheria anti-toxin, is dead at his home in Chestertown. He was sixty-seven years old.

WEATHER
REPORT

Synopsis—The Atlantic coast storm has passed eastward and an area of low pressure is now spreading over the Great Lakes from the southwestward. Rain is falling in southwestern Ontario and in northern Alberta.
Fines and Milder
Maritime—Strong and northwest winds, Wednesday fine and milder.
North Shore—Moderate winds, fine and mild today and Wednesday.
New England—Increasing cloudiness, probably followed by showers late in night and Wednesday not much change in temperature; moderate variable winds.
Toronto, April 20.—Temperatures: Highest During 8 a.m. Yesterday, Night.
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Prince Rupert ... 32 44 30
Edmonton ... 28 40 28
Victoria ... 40 58 40
Calgary ... 36 52 34
Edmonton ... 34 48 34
Prince Albert ... 28 48 28
Winnipeg ... 38 60 38
White River ... 38 52 38
Sault Ste. Marie ... 44 56 38
Toronto ... 50 60 44
Kingston ... 38 56 42
Ottawa ... 46 66 42
Montreal ... 46 66 42
Quebec ... 46 66 42
St. John, N. B. ... 44 56 34
St. John's, Nfld. ... 40 50 30
Halifax ... 40 50 30
Detroit ... 66 82 64
New York ... 66 82

Spread of "Overall"
Campaign Is Rapid

New York to Have Parade on
Saturday

Detroit Women Fix Prices
Beyond Which They Will
Not Go — The Court In-
vaded and Also the House
of Commons at Ottawa.

New York, April 20.—The "overall campaign" to reduce the cost of clothing, which has now become international, continues to spread on this side of the line. It is being given the sanction of municipal authorities in some cities.
In New York plans are under way for holding a big overall parade on Saturday. The organizers announce that persons who prefer to wear old patched clothing instead of committing the "extravagance" of buying new overalls will be welcome.
An enterprising firm this morning advertised "dinner custom tailored" in six and a half spring and summer models at \$107, and denim "tuxedos for evening wear" at \$122. It also offers "modish evening wedding and afternoon gowns" of calico and gingham at \$13.
In Detroit women's associations have entered the ring. One thousand women officers workers have pledged themselves not to accept the following maximum prices:
Hats and shoes, \$10; suits and coats, \$30; dresses, \$35; hosiery, \$2.50, and gloves, \$2.
The women's organizations have asked the United States district attorney's office to investigate "the unjustified advance in the price of women's clothing." All city employees at San Diego were today authorized to wear khaki or other cheap clothing in a resolution passed by the overall club.
The city council.
The rail has also been adopted in legal circles in Columbia, S. C., where a rule in effect since January, 1920, requiring lawyers to appear before the supreme court wearing black coats has been suspended at the request of men-ber of the bar in order that they may wear denim.

NEW TAXES

The new taxation scheme included increase in postal and telegraph rates, the raising of the duty on spirits from twenty-two shillings six pence to seventy shillings six pence; the beer duty from seventy shillings to 100 shillings per barrel; doubling of the wine duties, with the addition of a special ad valorem duty of fifty per cent on sparkling wines; a fifty per cent ad valorem tax on imported cigars; a number of additional stamp duties on commercial and stock exchange transactions and a new tax of a shilling in the pound on limited liability profits. The income tax was not changed, except for an additional super tax of six pence in the pound on incomes exceeding thirty thousand pounds per year.

WAR WEALTH

Two questions were left over for special bills, namely, taxation or levy on war wealth, which the chancellor said the commons would decide when the commission studying the question had reported, and changes incident to the income tax in accordance with the recommendations of the royal commission under which the exemption list for married couples will be £250 and for unmarried persons £150.
The present taxes on motor cars and petrol are to continue in force until the end of the year when they will be superseded by new taxes.
Dealing with excess profits, the chancellor said the yield that greatly exceeded any forecast he should have dared to make and had foreseen the present situation on such reduction by forty per cent would have been made last year.

DEBATE ON THE BUDGET

London, April 20.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The press on the chancellor's budget speech is critical but not general unfavorable, except as to there being no prospect of reduction in the extraordinary expenditures.
The Times thinks that any skill in framing the budget is neutralized because the government is evidently unrepentant in its extravagance.
The Daily News regards the expenditure outlook as hopeless.
The Daily Chronicle, on the other hand, regard the policy as wise and courageous and one which should have excellent effect on our economic stability and on foreign exchange.
The Morning Post hopes that the heavy taxation will attract attention to its cause, which is extravagance in national expenditures.
Both the Telegraph and the Mail express disappointment that there is no promise of reducing the expenditures. The Mail adding that all the taps are still running and that even in this emergency the chancellor had not the courage to turn any of them off.

SAYS RUSSIANS
WILL COME BACK

Vancouver, B. C., April 20.—Typhus has killed thousands in Siberia and thousands are still falling victims to the scourge, according to Dr. A. K. Higginson, an American Red Cross party leader, who arrived here on Sunday on the Empress of Japan. Dr. Higginson said the present chaotic conditions in Russia could not prevail indefinitely, the great masses of Russians being earnestly in favor of stable government.
"Russians will ultimately get on their feet," he said, "and then we may look

FEATURES OF THE
BUDGET SPEECH

IN MOTHERLAND

Bounding Revenue and In-
crease in Excess Pro-
fits Tax

Expectation Was That Latter
Would Be Abolished and
Substitute Proposed —
Chamberlain Says National
Strength Great.

(Associated Press.)
London, April 20.—The feature of the budget statement delivered in the House of Commons yesterday by J. Austen Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, was the revelation of the country's bounding revenue and a surprise by the chancellor in his announcement of a purpose to raise the excess profits tax to sixty per cent, when it had been expected this tax would be abolished and a substitute tax proposed.

In closing his speech, Mr. Chamberlain referring to the gigantic sacrifices that had been endured throughout the war described the nation's position as "one of unexampled and unequalled strength." He made no proposal, such as had been forecast, to institute a sinking fund to redeem the national debt within fifty years, but he announced there would be no more borrowing to balance revenue and expenditures, and estimated that the new tax proposals would enable the redemption of £284,000,000 of the debt this year and £260,000,000 next year.

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VENERABLE
MARGUERITE
BOURGEOIS

Close of Three Day Festival
of the Congregation Notre
Dame.

Montreal, April 20.—The three day festival of the Congregation Notre Dame in celebration of the tercentenary of the Venerable Marguerite Bourgeois, founder of the order, ended yesterday with what is called the Feast of Remembrance. A check for \$10,000 was presented by the old pupils for the erection of a home for aged Sisters who had spent their lives in teaching.

KILLED IN TORONTO.

Charles A. B. Brown, who succumbed in Toronto to injuries which he received from a truck by a motor car. He was widely known as president of the Canadian National Exhibition board of directors, as a prominent educationist and as manager for Canada of Baseball Limited.

PENALTY FOR
GEM DISPLAY

Diamonds at Race Track Lure
Thieves and \$10,000 Worth
Stolen.

New York, April 20.—Two burglars, attracted by diamonds worn at a Maryland race track last week by Mrs. H. Bohm, followed her and her husband to their home in this city and held them up at the point of a revolver in their parlor. They obtained \$10,000 worth of jewelry, including a \$2,800 ring.

OTTAWA DAYLIGHT SAVING

Ottawa, April 20.—Daylight saving will come into effect here Sunday, May 2, and will remain in force until October 2, 1920.