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INCOME TAX REDUCTION IS OPPOSED

AGRICULTURE COUNCIL WANTS LOWER TARIFFS

Delegation Puts Case Before Premier and Cabinet

SHUN HIGH DUTIES Actions of Auto Manufacturers Called "Bluff and Intimidation"

OTTAWA, Ont., April 21.—The income tax to be maintained at its former level and surplus available for tax reduction should be utilized to lessen the burden of indirect taxation.

This representation was made by a delegation from the Canadian Council of Agriculture, which waited upon Premier King and members of his cabinet this morning.

Reduction in taxation, it was declared on behalf of the deputation, should take place by a reduction in the tariff on imports which increase the cost of living and production in preference to the reduction of the sales and income tax.

OPPOSE TARIFF BOOST The attitude of the council towards any proposal by manufacturing interests that the sales tax should be reduced and the loss in revenue made good by the increases of the tariff on import duties was one of strong dissent.

"The sales tax takes from the consumer less, over and above actual revenue, and does not collect, than the tariff," it was stated.

Increase of the tariff in order to provide greater revenue would inevitably result in far more than the revenue sum to pay any private pockets as well as into the public treasury "anything like as much as import duties would do."

AGAINST PROTECTION The council was "unanimously opposed to the whole principle of tariff protection," it was declared.

The government's announcement of a reduction in the tariff on automobiles was gratifying. "The precipitate action on the part of certain automobile manufacturers, whom we have good reason to believe are not only largely benefited, but even controlled by American capital, serves as a splendid illustration of the tactics of bluff and intimidation towards laborers and governments, both of whom they would gladly hold in subservience."

LAUD GOVERNMENT The farm people were quite conversant with the "persistent and aggressive campaign" waged by manufacturing interests and therefore anticipated all the more the courageous stand taken by the government at this time.

"Experience leads us to believe that the resultant reduction in prices of automobiles will stimulate sales, thereby increasing production and giving employment to a larger number of workers," it was stated by the deputation.

SEE GOVERNMENT ON CONSUMPTION

Delegation of Manufacturers Heard in Fredericton—Lumber Case is Factor

FREDERICTON, N. B., April 21.—Manufacturers from various parts of the province, including a committee from the Maritime Branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, appeared before the Provincial Government at noon today and discussed the Compensation Act.

Included in the delegation were A. D. Gannon, of St. Stephen; W. E. Humphrey, ex-M.L.A., and J. L. McDonald, of Moncton; and John D. Palmer of this city. They had a fairly long conference with the cabinet, at the conclusion of which it was said that the principal matters discussed were the situation that would be precipitated by the deficit which existed in the class which the lumber industry is included and which was not taken care of in the usual manner, when the proposed increase in rates for the lumber industry was cancelled some months ago.

The manufacturers want assurance that this deficit will not be distributed over other classes. They want each class to take care of itself in accordance with the practice which has existed.

Girl, Awaiting Verdict in Moncton Assault Case, Marries Son of Accuser

"Drug Store" Dog Dodges Tests; Loses Prizes

Blond Champion Snubs Philadelphia Show, and Owner is Blacklisted

PHILADELPHIA, April 21.—There's a new controversy in Dogdom—and a dandy blond-haired Boston terrier is the target. The dispute cropping out at the annual exhibit of the Kennel Club of Philadelphia was to be clarified at the Arena, but the central figure—the dog himself—failed to appear. In fact, he was reported comfortably incased in a dog pulman for his home kennel in New York.

THE agitation started when Mr. F. S. Waldman's Boston terrier Lyon's Gold Top was charged with having a dyed coat and otherwise being a "drug store" beauty after he had won the limit and open weight championship of the show.

THE withdrawal from the show automatically disqualifies the dog, and the Philadelphia Club's membership in the American Kennel Club was automatically barred. Waldman from exhibiting Lyon's Gold Top or any other dog in the United States, Canada or Europe. The award the dog won at the Philadelphia show is cancelled likewise.

P. E. I. CASE IS BEFORE CUSTOMS Official Says Difficulties Encountered in Maritimes

OTTAWA, Ont., April 21.—W. F. Wilson, chief of the customs preventive service, was the first witness before the customs committee this morning.

Hon. R. B. Bennett questioned him with regard to another Prince Edward Island case, records of which were in the department. This was the case of Augustus Lafferty, who was arrested by Officer G. H. Barber, charged with having part of a still for manufacturing spirits in his possession.

Lafferty was tried in July 1923, for an infringement of the Inland Revenue Act, found guilty and sentenced to serve one month in jail and pay \$200 fine. Before the fine was paid, or Lafferty commenced to serve his time, however, the government at Ottawa interfered and ordered the sentence remitted. Later efforts were made to obtain the \$200 from Lafferty, but without success.

FINE NEVER PAID As the sentence and arrest was made in 1923, according to the files, Lafferty had neither paid a fine or served the sentence during more than two years. G. W. Taylor, assistant Deputy Minister of Customs, was called in regard to the Lafferty case. He said, in answer to Mr. Bennett, that reduction in Lafferty's fine was recommended by him because no still had actually been seized.

Mr. Bennett asked him to explain how the file of this case came before him. He replied that he had received it from the clerical branch of the Justice Department.

"You over-ruled the Prince Edward Island courts?" asked Mr. Bennett. Mr. Taylor replied that he was satisfied that this was a case in which clemency should be granted.

Mr. Bennett asked him if he was aware that Lafferty was still running around Prince Edward Island, showing in what little respect the law was held.

Mr. Taylor said that a warrant for Lafferty was still in the hands of the police.

New Brunswick Members Appreciate Work For East

THE TIMES-STAR received the following message today: "OTTAWA, April 20.—The Times-Star, Saint John, N. B. Members of Parliament representing New Brunswick desire to acknowledge the splendid work which you have so vigorously and consistently carried on in support of the claims of Maritime Provinces. They fully appreciate how helpful your advocacy has been in securing the unanimous acceptance by the House of Commons of the resolution on Maritime Rights, April 12. On behalf of members. (Sgd.) "MURRAY MACLAREN."

2,500 OPPOSE REDUCTION IN MOTOR TARIFF

Mass Delegation To Meet Premier and Protest Revision

1000 FROM OSHAWA Parts Manufacturers Gather Today in Toronto To Discuss Situation

OSHAWA, Ont., April 21.—More than 2,500 people gathered here last night at what was probably the largest public meeting ever held in Oshawa to voice their protest against the recently announced reduction in the tariff on imported motor cars which local manufacturers claim will force them out of business and throw approximately two thousand Oshawa men out of work.

Seats were available for only a few hundred at the meeting and the remainder were forced to stand. While the meeting was in progress plans were going forward for the mass delegation which will invade Ottawa on Friday to meet Premier Mackenzie King and members of his cabinet and protest against the tariff revision.

Friday will be a public holiday in Oshawa, and all business houses and industries will close their doors to allow everyone who can to make the trip to the capital. Lists of those intending to make the trip indicate that more than 1,000 will go from Oshawa. A large delegation from Toronto will join the deputation.

PARTS MAKERS MEET TORONTO, Ont., April 21.—Manufacturers of motor car parts and motor trucks gathered in Toronto today from all parts of Ontario and Quebec to discuss the situation caused by reductions in duties on motor cars, automobiles, tops, wheels and chassis, bodies, tires, and on motor car accessories.

Parts manufacturers will have some voice in the monster deputation which is to meet Premier King and the cabinet on Friday to urge modification of the proposed duty reductions.

QUEEN MAUDE, PRINCESS Victoria in Car Mishap

LONDON, April 21.—Queen Maude of Norway and Princess Victoria, both sisters of King George, were in an automobile accident today from which both escaped without injury.

N. B. APPOINTMENTS GAZETTED TODAY Rex. R. Cormier Named Justice of Peace; F. H. Sprout, Provincial Constable

FREDERICTON, April 21.—George H. Smith of Young's Cove Road, in the county of Queens, is dismissed as Justice of the Peace.

The following appointments are gazetted: Rex. R. Cormier, Justice of the Peace; F. H. Sprout, Provincial Constable.

MAX CORMIER IS EDMUNDSTON MAYOR Defeats Hon. J. E. Michaud By 126 in Vote of 424

EDMUNDSTON, N. B., April 21.—Max Cormier won the Mayor's chair yesterday, defeating Hon. J. E. Michaud by 126 out of a total of 424 votes.

STERLING EXCHANGE NEW YORK, April 21.—Sterling exchange steady. Great Britain 487.8; France, 233.5; Italy, 401.7-8; Germany, 233.0. Canadian dollar 5-32 of one per cent. premium.

WAR GRAVES MEASURE PASSED LONDON, April 21.—The House of Commons last night gave third reading to the imperial war graves endowment fund bill without division. The fund will consist of £2,000,000 (about \$24,000,000) of which the United Kingdom will contribute 81 per cent. and the various dominions the balance.

CHIEF FORESTER TESTIFIES AT TIMBER PROBE

Webb Tells Result of Inspection of 1925 Cut

10 PER CENT. DEAD Declares Budworm Reported First in 1912; Peak Reached in 1919

FREDERICTON, April 21.—Leland S. Webb, chief forester of New Brunswick, told the Public Accounts Committee investigating the Alderson charges against the River Valley Lumber Company this morning that he had made an inspection of the cut in September, 1925, and gave detailed results of it. Asked by Frank Smith, Stephen John George Kestro, of Newcastle, and Dr. Thomas Walker, of Saint John.

Webb said he made no trip survey of the limits, simply walking through the woods.

Objection was by Mr. Hughes to the planing in evidence the reports of classification of the logs raised from the 1925 cut but he was overruled by the chairman. These reports were marked "strictly confidential" and were given to the press and showed percentage of dead spruce from the various sub-sections of the cut in 1925: Murray, 9 per cent. dead spruce; A. D. Bailey, 8 per cent.; James Jardine, 8 per cent. dead spruce.

Under cross examination by Mr. Hughes, witness said he was given an absolute confidence in the accuracy of the reports. He said he would first make a tally and distribute over the territory. It would consist of strips or samples from the entire area. This would not be the only method, as many companies depended on surveys with years of experience. A bud worm disease, witness said, consisted of a defolating attack on the tree.

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CHINESE SMUGGLE WHISKEY INTO U. S. Seizure of 200 Cases Reveals New Source of Illicit Liquor

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 21.—A new source of illicit liquor, coming from China, was disclosed by Federal agents here last night, with announcement of the seizure of a carload of about 200 cases of Chinese whiskey at Port, North Dakota.

The shipment comprising 200 cases and valued at \$37,000, was seized by Federal customs agents just after it had crossed the Canadian border into Port, North Dakota.

Other shipments of labelled merchandise slipped through Port to the Twin Cities and Chicago, where it was dispersed by Chinese bootleggers.

Prohibition authorities said it was the first time they had discovered that liquor was being run across the Pacific ocean into America, and presents an entirely new front on which the dry squall will have to work.

WARDEN OF MARCHES HANDICAP WINNER Captures City and Suburban at Epsom; Sparus, Second, Naldra, Third

EPSON, England, April 21.—Lord Louisa's Warden of the Marches by Handicap, out of Mary Morn, won the City and Suburban handicap, the feature of today's Epsom program. The race was at 11.4 miles, for £1,000 with extras. W. M. G. Singer's Sparus was second and H. Shaw's Naldra, third, twelve ran.

Warden of the Marches won by two lengths, while length separated the second and third. The betting against the winner was 100 to 15, against Sparus, 100 to 8, and against Naldra, 100 to 15.

CASE DISMISSED, FATHER RAISES STORM IN COURT

Threatens To Leave Home If Bride Comes In

RILED BY VERDICT Had Asked For Ruling To Keep Defendant Away From Son

LONDON, April 21.—A marriage, in recognition of the completion of his work during his term of office as Viceroy in India, yesterday was bestowed upon the Earl of Reading by King George. The Earl, who is just home from India, went to Windsor yesterday to visit the King, the marquisate being bestowed in the course of the audience.

The court was somewhat startled to learn that she was a bride of yesterday, having married the complainant's son last night.

A citizen appeared before the police court this morning charged with having passed the chemical engine while on its way to a fire. He pleaded guilty and was dismissed after being cautioned. The judge said in future a penalty would be imposed.

To the judge she showed her ring and produced the marriage certificate. This disclosure came after the complainant told the judge that what he wanted was that the defendant keep away from his son.

FATHER IS ANGRY. After learning that his son was married, and asked by the court if he would not try to get along with them, he replied that if he went into the house he would go out of it.

On being questioned, he admitted that he had earned nothing since last December, that his son had kept him on his way to a fire. He pleaded guilty and was dismissed after being cautioned. The judge said in future a penalty would be imposed.

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THE WEATHER SYNOPSIS—The Atlantic coast storm which has been very severe is now centred in Cabot Strait moving Northward. Gales with snow have been general in the Maritimes. The weather continues warm in the west and has become warmer in Ontario and Western Quebec.

Table with columns: Location, Temperature, Highest during night, Lowest during day. Includes Victoria, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Saint John, Halifax, New York.