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Ex-Service Men From Ontario Join Dominion Alliance.

WILL SEEK ACTION
Parliament Will Be Asked To Put Findings Into Effect.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, May 25.—Representatives of ex-service men from some 20 centers in Ontario in conference yesterday decided to ally themselves with the Dominion Veterans Alliance with the object of amalgamating all veterans organizations in Canada. A provincial council of the alliance will be formed, from the presidents and four vice-presidents of the sub-councils. The province will be divided into four regions, each with a sub-council.

Satisfaction with the work of the central committee of Ontario veterans which prepared and presented the evidence before the Ralston Royal Commission on pensions, etc., was expressed by resolution. Another resolution strongly worded demanded that the federal parliament take immediate steps to give effect to the findings of the Royal Commission in the G. W. T. charges against the board of Pension Commissioners, and also to put into operation the proposed appeal procedure whereby veterans can have recourse from decisions of the Pension Board to the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, which they consider inequitable. The secretary of the Dominion Alliance, C. C. MacNeil, was requested to place the resolution before the prime minister and parliament.

The discussion of the steps necessary towards amalgamation occupied the greater part of the day. It was decided to keep in step with the other provinces and form a provincial council of the Dominion Veterans Alliance and to divide the province into four regions to simplify the work. Captain W. W. Parry, who acted as chairman of the meeting, was elected president of the central region which embraces Toronto and surrounding districts.

Major D. J. McManus, of Belleville, was chosen as president of the Eastern Ontario region. The officers of the western and northern regions will be announced later.

FIFTEEN ARE RESCUED FROM BURNING HOTEL

Guests In Detroit Building Battle Against Smoke and Flames.

Special to The Advertiser.
Detroit, May 25.—Fifteen persons were rescued from the President Hotel, a four-story structure at 2130 Cass avenue, at 4 o'clock yesterday morning, when flames which started in an elevator shaft spread rapidly from bottom to top of structure.

Approximately 90 persons battled their way through smoke and flame-filled corridors to safety. Four of those who escaped were deaf mutes who lived on the fourth floor.

By the time the fire was discovered it had spread to the second floor. While one man gave the alarm through the firemen from a station two blocks away.

Firemen immediately hoisted ladders to the windows, where stood men and women for whom escape had been cut off, and carried them to the ground.

All the guests were forced to flee only with whatever they could grab at a moment's notice.

So dense was the smoke the firemen were forced to wear gas masks. William McKee, one of the guests, was burned slightly when carrying his wife to safety. With a blanket around her, he carried her through a barrier of flames, and when he reached the air, collapsed.

SIR AUCKLAND GEDDES MAY LOSE HIS EYESIGHT

British Ambassador To United States Suffering Serious Eye Affliction.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, May 25.—A special despatch from Washington to the World says that Ambassador Geddes is suffering from a very serious eye affliction, and as a result is nearly blind. He was stricken on Tuesday, according to the report, and Dr. Wilmer, a famous eye specialist, ordered him to bed in a darkened room. It was said he might have to remain there for weeks. If not months, the World correspondent asserts, and it is possible the ambassador's illness may delay signing of the British debt-funding agreement.

THRONGS GO TO DETROIT TO SPEND VICTORIA DAY

Special to The Advertiser.
 Windsor, May 25.—While local businessmen took advantage of the holiday and closed their stores yesterday, approximately 15,000 Canadians in Windsor, Walkerville, Sandwich and Ford went across the river and spent their money in Detroit shops. On the very conservative basis of \$2 per head, nearly \$30,000 of Canadian money was left in Detroit's big stores, theatres and movie houses during the afternoon and evening.

MONSTER PARADE MARKS CANADIAN 24th BIRTHDAY IN DORCHESTER

Calithumpian Demonstration Commences Day of General Fun In the Village.

MINSTRELS PERFORM
Amateur Actors Greeted By a Packed House In Presenting Comedy.

Special to The Advertiser.
by a Staff Reporter.
Surpassing by any previous celebration in honor of Queen Victoria yesterday's fête at Dorchester was the most successful and largest ever held. All attendance records were broken, and it is estimated that close to 1,500 people were present. Aside from being a record day for Dorchester, the village of the whole affair was a financial success.

The morning of the 24th found the quiet little village that nestles on the River Thames a picturesque sight with its gayly decorated buildings, gay colors and bright flags waving in the soft morning breeze to bid one a cheery welcome.

Commencing at 10 o'clock the grand Calithumpian parade headed by the Springfield Brass Band ushered in the long list of events for the day.

In the parade were presented many novelty features, including Mexicans, Chinese, gypsies and animals galore. The famous Barney Google was there with his race horse, Spark Plug. Jazz bands were numerous and the selections rendered, although the home-made variety received much applause from the crowds.

Women's Float.
Two special features of the parade were a float carrying representatives of the Women's Institute and bearing the banner "For Home and Country," driven by Murray Mahan. The other was a team of young calves hitched to a cart and driven by Raymond Ross. Twelve girls rode brightly decorated floats, and a touch of color to the whole procession. Ending up at Donnybrook Park the judges announced the successful winners of the parade.

The prize-winners were Raymond Ross, the public school, R. Farquhill, Messrs. White, Moxley, Dr. Crockett, Dr. Art Smith, George Holt and the Women's Institute.

At 1 o'clock an appetizing lunch was served under the direction of Mrs. McFarland to all those on the grounds. After lunch baseball games were started. In the opening game Avon opposed Durwent and some lively ball ensued, in which Durwent came out victorious. The game was much faster, the game going an extra inning to decide the winner. Squeezing one run over in the eighth gave the verdict to Durwent by a score of 8 to 2.

Although beaten, the Gladstone players put up a stiff opposition to the local Dorchester nine. The final tilt was a close one, with the home team winning by a score of 4 to 3.

The work of old King Sol left its impression on many. The crowd wandered home to prepare for the minstrel show in the evening, many a tired expression showed itself.

That the local talent of Dorchester boasts splendid amateur actors manifested itself last night, when the town hall was filled to capacity, some 500 persons being present to witness the minstrel show. An added attraction of the show was the presentation of a play, which numerous local jokes kept the audience in a continuous laugh. Dr. Art Smith as Archibald, the hotel clerk, was the outstanding player of the cast.

All the black-face comedians delighted with their ready wit and laughing songs, the whole show, in fact, being one of the cleverest collections of skits staged in Dorchester for a long time.

BUCHANAN ORGANIZES FOR STIFF CAMPAIGN

Labor In South Oxford Transfers Allegiance To Liberal.

Special to The Advertiser.
Tillsonburg, May 25.—Tillsonburg Liberals are now fully organized and prepared for the hottest political campaign in the history of the Pan-dried Town. Dozens of names are being added to the lists, and so large is the number of workers that an entire house, the corner of Brock and Blisset streets, has been leased for headquarters. J. V. Buchanan, recognized as one of the strongest candidates yet selected in Ontario, and his prospects are for a huge majority in this great campaign in South Oxford and surrounding districts.

The Labor forces in Ingersoll have transferred their support from the U. F. O. candidate to Mr. Buchanan, and with the Conservatives and F. O. each having a favored candidate in the field, the consensus of opinion is that the large vote in Ingersoll, Norwich and Tillsonburg will go practically 75 per cent for the Liberal candidate. It appears that Mr. J. L. Wright, the government candidate, will have a hard row to hoe. Several former U. F. O. supporters are working on the platform with the Liberal candidate this election.

HOOPER IS RE-ELECTED.

Associated Press Despatch.
Chicago, May 24.—Ben W. Hooper, former governor of Tennessee, has been re-elected chairman of the United States Railroad Labor Board. G. W. W. Hanger was re-elected vice president. Both are members of the public group.

Provincial Police to Wait For Rogers to Betray Self

Scores of Rumors Have Been Investigated, But Youthful Desperado Remains At Large—Wounded Constable Is Recovering Rapidly.

Canadian Press Despatch.
North Bay, May 25.—Eight days have elapsed since Le Roy Rogers, who was being tried on a charge of having firearms in his possession, but provincial police officials are still without a clue to his whereabouts. Victoria Day passed off quietly in North Bay, despite the usual harvest of rumors which have kept official police circles busy for the past few days.

Interest in the case is not so intense, however, and the police are able to proceed with their investigation practically unhampered. To date every rumor, including many from as far east as Ottawa, south to Orillia and west to Chapleau, have been investigated, but Rogers has completely disappeared. When Gen. Williams, commissioner of provincial police, departed for Toronto Wednesday night, he left without the slightest information that might lead to developments. From now on the police must play a game of cat-and-mouse in the hope that the young bandit will finally betray himself.

Constable McDougall, who was wounded by Rogers, shortly before Constable Fred Lefebvre was killed, is reported to be improving rapidly.

Boy of Eleven Asks Police To Find Stolen 'Bike' So He Can Earn Money

About every other day for the past two weeks a small and very dejected youngster, aged eleven, has strolled into the police station to ask Detective Nickle whether or not he has found his wheel. The small boy, whose name is Charlie Keene, runs messages for folks who want something in a hurry, and some weeks ago, to make this personal service more efficient, he got a bicycle on the installment plan.

On May 19th, the new transportation system was stolen from the Rectory Street School, and since then the little fellow has had to make his rounds on foot, and in consequence do much less work and get much less money. As he says to Mr. Nickle: "I can't make any money without my wheel. And haven't paid for it yet. I don't know if I'll ever have another. Please find it for me."

The number of the wheel, which is a Branford Red Bird, is 5329, and Detective Nickle would be very glad to hear from anyone of the whereabouts of this much-prized and entirely necessary bicycle.

The kiddie is not too old to be learning to ride, and perhaps some fine morning a good fairy or a friend-fairy will leave another Red Bird at the home of the erstwhile messenger.

HOUSE SESSIONS EXPECTED TO END ABOUT JUNE 15TH

Revisions To Bank Act Will Consume Greater Portion of Time.

OTHER ESTIMATES
Budget Resolutions Will Be Given Immediate Attention Today.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, May 25.—With the budget debate out of the way, and the government's proposals carried to the commons, the members will return from their one day holiday to give immediate attention to the budget resolutions, it is expected. Some of these are likely to be taken up in the house today, it is believed, and they will be followed by the balance of the estimates which yet have to be passed, and then the other legislation on the order paper or arising from the reports of committees.

While the reports of the special agriculture committee and the banking and commerce committee are not expected to come before the commons for some little time, there is sufficient material yet on the order paper to keep the house going until those reports come down.

The amendments to the pensions act, designed to make effective recommendations of the Ralston Royal Commission, will be placed before the house shortly, it is understood, and the session will continue until June 15, or later.

The length of the session, it is believed, will depend to a great extent upon the length of the required passage of revisions to the bank act. While the government is understood to have decided to go ahead with the revision, it is thought that the attempts to lay the act over for another year, which have been made in the committee will be renewed when the bill reaches the house, and this may cause some delay in its passage. Present indications are that the session will continue until June 15, or later.

SEES HER ONLY SON KILLED BY MOTOR CAR

Mrs. Ernest Seedhouse of Toronto Claps Body of Dead Child On Trip Home.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, May 25.—Running across the roadway from his father's automobile to meet his aunt, little Francis Howard Seedhouse, aged four, was struck and instantly killed by an automobile on Kingston road, 12 miles east of Toronto yesterday. Mrs. Ernest Seedhouse, mother of the child, an only son, picked up the lifeless body of her boy, and after Dr. Dale had pronounced the boy dead, she held the child's body in her arms while her husband drove their car back to Toronto.

Mrs. Seedhouse had taken his family and friends in his car to spend the day on the platform at Rouge Flats.

ALBERTA FARMER KILLS PROVINCIAL OFFICER

Canadian Press Despatch.
Edmonton, May 25.—Acting Commissioner Nicholson of the Alberta provincial police received a wire from Grande Prairie advising that G. Neilson of the Lake Saskatchewan district had been shot and killed by Ollie C. Williamson Monday, and that the latter fled to the bush. No details of the shooting are yet to hand. Williamson is alleged to have told his farm the day before the shooting, and is expected to be making his way south.

WILLIAM DUNN OF LUTON INJURED IN SAWMILL

Special to The Advertiser.
Aylmer, May 25.—William J. Dunn, a farmer at Luton, on the 4th concession of Malahide, who also runs a small sawmill at his farm, narrowly escaped death Wednesday morning. In working about his machinery in the mill, his sleeve somehow caught in the belt and drew his arm into the pulley. His clothes were completely torn from one side and the muscles of his arm torn, besides which he suffered a terrible shaking up and many bruises on his side. Mr. Dunn managed to walk to the house, a few rods away, when he fainted. The unfortunate man is suffering severely today from shock.

N. ESSEX CONSERVATIVES CHOOSE MAJOR POISSON

Special to The Advertiser.
Windsor, May 25.—Major Paul Poisson of Tecumseh was the choice of North Essex Conservatives in convention yesterday at Tecumseh to contest the constituency against Farmer and Liberal candidates at the provincial elections in June. Major Poisson has twice unsuccessfully contested the constituency. Both times he was defeated in straight fights, the first time losing to Severin Ducharme, Liberal, and four years ago to Alphonse G. Tiedel, Farmer. With a four-cornered contest now threatened by the nomination of Dr. E. Lacasse, Independent Liberal, friends of Major Poisson believe he has more than a good chance to lead the poll.

ATTEMPTING TO RE-ENTER OF A METHODIST CHURCH AT RIDGETOWN

Ministers From Thirteen Circuits and Laymen Hold Annual Business Session.

SEEK RETIREMENT
Rev. George Kerr, Bothwell, and Rev. John Ball, West Lorne, Ask Superannuation.

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Bothwell, May 24.—The Methodist ministers of the Ridgetown district, representing 13 circuits or stations, with an equal number of laymen, held their annual meeting in Bothwell. Besides those in the active ministry, there are also six superannuated ministers who are members of the district, three of whom reside in Bothwell, namely, Rev. Dr. G. W. Henderson, Rev. John Kenner and Rev. James C. Nethercott. Rev. Jas. A. Ball, who resides in Dutton, but owing to continued illness was not able to attend. Rev. Jas. Deacon resides in Ridgetown and Rev. A. L. Russell in Canfield, Ontario.

Three probationers in the district were reported, namely, Geo. H. Penrose, Alex. J. Smale, R.A., both of the past year, and have been recommended by the district to the General Conference. Mr. Deacon has done excellent work on the Northwest circuit.

Presides Over Sessions.
Rev. Arthur S. Whitehall is chairman of the district, and presided over the sessions.

Rev. H. F. Kerr was appointed Journal secretary, and Rev. John W. Button, statistical secretary.

Rev. Wm. G. Bowyer was elected representative of the stationing committee of the conference, with Rev. Arthur Page as reserve.

The following were appointed on the district missionary committee: The chairman of district, Revs. H. F. Kerr, John W. Button, Ernest Eoswell and W. H. Kerr. Rev. W. B. Button is secretary of the district.

The following laymen were appointed delegates to the London conference, which convenes in Essex next Wednesday, May 30: Geo. T. Mielke, R. W. Clark, Wm. Street, Wm. E. Eoswell, Chas. Hubbell, Edgar Moore, E. H. Crompton, Jas. McGregor, Emerson Shale, Frank McGregor, E. S. Mill, and Wm. H. Kerr. W. H. Kerr, a J. A. Traverser, Fred Leitchfield and J. McKerracher.

Ask For Superannuation.
Two ministers of the district are asking to be superannuated this year, namely, Rev. Dr. G. W. Henderson and Rev. John Ball of West Lorne, who is completing his 61st year. Rev. Henderson has been in the ministry for 36 years, but has had a very successful career.

A very interesting report was given of the Moravian Indian mission by Mr. Frank J. Joblin, missionary-teacher under the supervision of Rev. Geo. J. Kerr, Bothwell.

Rev. John W. Button, in charge of the statistics for the district, reported a slight decrease in the membership of the church over last year, there being at present 2,965 who are members of the Methodist Church of the Ridgetown district.

The givings to the general mission fund, in a collection taken in addition to this amount, the W. M. S. raised \$3,206, which is an increase of \$200 over last year.

The membership of the Sunday schools in the district is 2,600, and their givings to the missionary work of the church was \$528.

The total amount of money raised for church purposes in the district is \$52,805.

The delegates to the district meetings were well entertained by pastor and congregation of the church, to whom a very cordial vote of appreciation was tendered.

The next annual meeting will be held in Ridgetown during the month of May, 1924.

FIRECRACKERS CAUSE \$4,500 LOSS IN OTTAWA

Child Is Killed In Capital City When Struck By Motor Car.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, May 24.—One fatality and several fires marked the celebration of Victoria Day in Ottawa and vicinity. Harold Alder, 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Alder, died at midnight at a local hospital from injuries received when knocked down by an auto, when playing with firecrackers.

Nearly \$4,500 fire damage was the toll of a fire in the district, paid yesterday for the general use of fireworks in the city streets, despite the edict of Chief of Police A. M. Ross forbidding the use of fireworks except on the premises of the fire department.

The fire broke out in a building on the corner of St. Patrick and St. George streets, where the firemen were kept on the jump during the early hours of the evening, and at one time practically every piece of fire apparatus was out.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS AND SAILINGS.

Glasgow, May 19.—Sailed—Everest (British), Montreal.
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London, May 23.—Arrived—Bolton (British), Sydney, C.B.

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Mayor Brown presided at the meeting in the armory.

D. M. Wright, president of the McLaughlin Furniture Co., outlined Stratford's industrial life, and of its 54 industries, exclusive of the railway, employing 2,900 men. The value of the output of these factories last year was \$13,700,000.

"Stratford is the most thoroughly railway city on the C. N. R.," declared the central division, in introducing Sir Henry Thornton. The motive power shops here are the largest on the C. N. R. system, and he declared, and the class of work done here cannot be equalled. The largest and heaviest machinery is sent to Stratford shops for repairs, and when men are sought for the responsible posts the G. T. R. officials looked to Stratford or for former Stratford men.

All Have Part.
After reviewing the early development of the G. T. R., Sir Henry declared, "The message I bring to you is a message of co-operation and teamwork. We have our part to play as administrators and you have yours. Neither of us can get along without the other, and all performing a fine, patriotic duty for the C. N. R. belongs to the people." Turning to the question of wages Sir Henry declared, "wherever one fundamental principle and that is every workman is entitled to a wage that will enable him to live in peace and comfort and bring up his family as self-respecting members of society. Any industry that cannot support such a wage becomes a menace to the country."

Stressing again the value of co-operation he remarked, "We are common privates in the service of the state. From what he had seen of Stratford he would term it 'the happy city.' A vote of thanks was moved to Sir Henry by Ald. Gregory and William Preston.

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PAYS KITCHENER VISIT.
Kitchener, May 25.—Sir Henry Thornton paid an official visit to this city yesterday. After being driven by city council representatives to the board of trade and representatives of various other organizations interested in municipal affairs, he was met by a large group of citizens at the city hall, where he was introduced to Mayor Stephens, members of the city council, chamber of commerce officials and visiting deputations. This was followed by a public meeting in the council chamber, presided over by the mayor, at which matters of interest to the city and surrounding district with respect to railway service were fully discussed.

R. W. Gladstone, Chamber of Commerce president, hoped the visit would result in better service.

Mayor Panabaker, of Hespeler, Mayor Huyck of Preston, and Ald. Webster of Galt, expressed their satisfaction of the improved service which had recently been inaugurated, but requested that the morning trains leaving Guelph at 8:05 run straight through to Hamilton instead of going to Brantford, which would enable travelers to make the Buffalo and New York connection. Udney Richardson, ex-M.P.P. of Elora, and James Beckett, County Clerk, Perth, were also present.

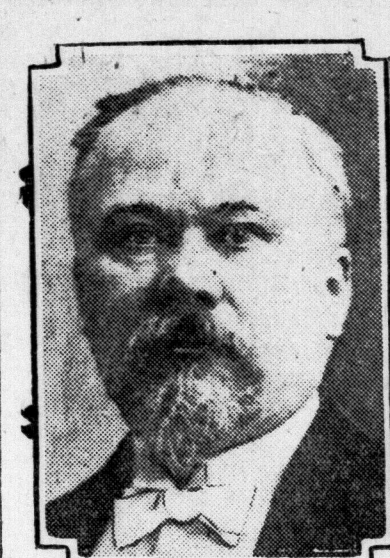
AFRIDI TRIBE OF INDIA BURNS HOMES OF KILLERS
Associated Press Despatch.
Simla, India, May 25.—Council of the Afridi tribesmen held at Kohat Pass consented to the levying of a fine of 50,000 rupees and the destruction of the houses of the murderers of Mrs. Ellis and Majors Anderson and Orr in April. The council also agreed to expel any assassin offending on British territory and conceded the right of the British to search tribal territory in the event of any future outrage.

THREE DAUGHTERS PERISH TRYING TO SAVE MOTHER

Associated Press Despatch.
Mountain Lake Park, May 25.—Fate today intervened in summer vacationing plans of Mrs. Mary O'Connor, aged 94, and her three daughters, who arrived here yesterday, and as a result the four are dead. The four met their fate when burning leaves ignited accumulated gas in the cottage occupied by Mrs. O'Connor. The three daughters were some distance from the cottage when the explosion occurred. When they reached the building it was a mass of flames. Disregarding their own safety the daughters rushed into the cottage in an attempt to rescue their mother. They never came out.

WINDSOR POLICE CHARGE DRIVER HIT BABY BUGGY

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Windsor, May 25.—Charged with criminal negligence, George McPherson, 25 years old, 638 Douglass avenue, is being held by the police. McPherson was driving an automobile, the police charge, which struck a baby buggy, injuring the infant daughter of C. H. Banghart, 176 G. avenue. The child was not seriously injured.



PREMIER POINCARÉ.

of France, who submitted his resignation along with his cabinet ministers when the senate voted against proceeding with the trial of Communists. President Millerand refused to accept the resignations.

The action of the ministers was the outcome of the refusal of the senate to proceed with the trial of Marcel Cachin and other Communists charged with illegal acts against the French Republic. M. Poincaré informed the correspondents that he interpreted the vote in the senate as proof of want of confidence in the cabinet, which made it impossible for the ministry to act against Communist plots.

The ministry remains in office, President Millerand holding that the vote of the senate was purely judicial and without political effect.

Immediately after the meeting of the senate, M. Poincaré called a council of ministers. A brief discussion took place and then the premier and his colleagues proceeded to Elysee Palace to place their resignations in the hands of the president. The senate, sitting as a high court in secret session, voted relative to the trial of Communists on the following points:

First—Can the court declare itself competent or incompetent?

Second—Should the question of competency be referred to a committee?

Third—Is the court competent?

The senate voted in the affirmative on the first question, and in the negative on the last two. The final vote being 143 to 104. After the vote was taken the high court formulated its decision in substance:

"The matter before the court is not of a nature reserved for its examination; hence it is not necessary for the court to pronounce on the merits. The case against M. Cachin and others should therefore be sent before a competent body for decision."

LARKIN LAYS WREATH ON LONDON CENOTAPH

Dominion Commissioners Pay Tribute To Fallen On Empire Day.

Canadian Press Despatch.
London, May 25.—The feature of the Empire Day celebrations was the laying of wreaths on cenotaph by P. C. Larkin, Canadian high commissioner, and other commissioners of the Dominions in the presence of a reverent gathering, which included Mr. Baldwin, wife of the new British premier.

School celebrations are becoming more numerous in England every year. Eight hundred thousand scholars in London alone participated in today's celebration, listening to their majesties' messages and saluting the flag. Some attempt was made tonight to celebrate in the west-end amusement houses.

Empire Day in England can hardly ever become a general holiday owing to its falling so near Whit Sunday, which is a statutory holiday.

PREMIER KING SENDS EMPIRE DAY MESSAGE

Associated Press Despatch.
London, May 25.—Premier MacKenzie King of Canada has the following Empire Day message in the London Times yesterday:

"On the occasion of Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, with characteristic prophetic insight and vision, spoke of the British empire as a galaxy of nations. The choice of words was a happy one. No longer are they capable of misinterpretation and misunderstanding. The stern logic of events has crystallized them into a formula.

"With each recurring anniversary of the four great world's most illustrious sovereigns, the outlying dominions welcome the opportunity of celebrating with the British Isles all that they owe to common origin, common tradition and common ideals. Among the nations of the world there is nothing comparable to this expression of union, purpose and co-operation, the part of each for the good of the whole."

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