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FARMERS URGE WHEAT BOARD BE RESTORED

Canadian Council of Agriculture Presents Arguments to Government.

SEEKS STEADIER MARKET

Western Growers Want War System Re-established Pending Normal Conditions.

Ottawa, March 15.—(Canadian Press).—The case for the reinstatement of the Canadian wheat board was presented to the government today by a special delegation from the Canadian Council of Agriculture, the personnel of which was as follows: H. W. Wood, Calgary; James Robinson and J. A. Mahburg, Regina; C. H. Burnell and C. Rice-Jones, Winnipeg; P. W. E. Burnaby, Toronto, and N. P. Lambert, secretary of the council.

The grounds for the application were contained in the following statement: "That this council favors the reinstatement of the Canadian wheat board for the handling of the 1922 wheat crop, and until such time as world conditions again become normal."

Unanimously Adopted.

The foregoing resolution was unanimously adopted at the annual meeting of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, which was held in Regina, on Feb. 28, and was attended by the executive heads of the United Farmers of Alberta, the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association, the United Farmers of Manitoba, the United Farmers of Ontario, the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company, Limited, and the United Grain Growers, Limited.

Similar resolutions were also unanimously adopted at the large annual convention of the Farmers' Provincial Associations, in Middle Western Canada, and this delegation from the Canadian Council of Agriculture has come before the government to convey the representative demand from the farmers of the Prairie Provinces for the re-establishment of the Canadian wheat board, and, if possible, to strengthen that demand by a detailed statement of their case.

"In the first place, we ask for the reinstatement of the Canadian wheat board, not necessarily as a permanent institution, but as a temporary measure of relief. We also ask for it in the belief that, under present abnormal marketing conditions, the government can approach this matter in the light of national necessity, and not as a mere favor to the farming class. The wheat board was so appointed in 1919. Despite the normal conditions, which were held out at the time of the wheat board's discontinuance in the summer of 1920, our markets have been subject to very abnormal conditions almost constantly since that time."

Wheat As Vital Factor

"Wheat is possibly the largest single item in the trade and commerce of this country. Because of the large and important place it holds in the list of exports from the Dominion, wheat is a vital factor in our present problems of exchange and national finance. The trade statistics of the past two years afford sufficient proof of the importance of wheat in the business life of Canada. Exports of wheat from Canada during the twelve months ended Dec. 31 last amounted in volume to 146,855,156 bushels, valued at \$214,694,099. In the twelve-month period ended in December, 1920, exports of Canadian wheat amounted to some 125,000,000 bushels and were valued at \$312,312,765.

The total values of all exports Turn to Page 12, Col. 3.

CLAIMS 12,000 CONVERTED.

Montreal, March 15.—(Canadian Press).—The Catholic Women's League, which yesterday addressed the members of the Catholic Women's League, stated that during the past year 12,500 conversions had been recorded, adding that of this number one hundred had been clergymen. Mr. Somerville spoke on "The Catholic Outlook in England."

The Weather

FORECASTS. Northwest wind; fine today and on Thursday; somewhat cooler at night. Pressure has risen over the northern and central portions of the continent, with an attendant change to colder weather in the West.

The weather continues fair and quite mild in Eastern Canada.

Temperatures. The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

	High.	Low.
Victoria	45	34
Calgary	40	31
Winnipeg	40	32
Pt. Arthur	46	36
S. S. Marie	40	36
Toronto	48	34
Windsor	44	34
Ottawa	48	38
Montreal	48	34
Quebec	48	36
P. Point	48	36
St. John	50	38
Halifax	42	30

TEMPERATURES.

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40, lowest, 28.

Barometric Readings.

5 a.m., 30.25.

8 a.m., 30.22.

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"LIMIT TAXES TO 36 MILLS" --- WILSON

Hunt Incendiaries As \$15,000,000 Fire Wipes Out Entire Block In Chicago Loop

Her Wealth Will Match His Lineage



MISS EDWINA ASHLEY AND PRINCE LOUIS MOUNTBATTEN.

LONDON, March 15.—The royalty of wealth is coming by leaps and bounds to a parity with the royalty of lineage.

The next noteworthy marriage of a commoner and royalty will be that of England's richest girl, Miss Edwina Ashley, who is to marry Prince Louis Mountbatten, cousin of King George and the Prince of Wales.

Miss Ashley owns palaces, parks, great picture galleries, immense industries and an abundance of money.

Windsor, Ont., March 15.—(Canadian Press Dispatch).—The Crandall family, living on the outskirts of the city, are in a state, bordering on mental terror. For 14 nights now, spirits, or rather a spirit, has haunted their home. The people believe it to be the soul of Mrs. Crandall's father, who departed this life two weeks ago in Jackson, Michigan.

Although last night they were troubled less than usual their nocturnal visitor was more violent than has been his wont and at 11:15 o'clock as Franklin Crandall sat waiting for his appearance he was lifted from his chair and sent sailing across the room to the feet of his wife, who sat dozing, tired out from the long vigil.

Moaning and Crying.

"Pearl," "Flossie," it hovered about the room; then disappeared as silently as it had come. During the night, feeble knocks were heard at the walls and ceiling and now and again an odd moan and groan but, eventually all was quiet. The spirit had vanished when it had come and the Crandalls were allowed to rest as best they might for the remainder of the night. This is the story told by Franklin Crandall, 29 years old, a truck driver when he is working, who with his wife and three children live in the "haunted" house on McEwan avenue near the Michigan Central tracks. Mrs. Flossie Leonard, Mrs. Crandall's mother, is there too. Mrs. Crandall sent for her after the spirit had repeatedly called her name. He could not bear to be alone, he said.

"There is no doubt in my mind that the spirit is the soul of my wife's father," said Crandall this morning. "I saw him just as plain as my nose. First of all, he was a whirling sort of noise. This was followed by a series of knocks."

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FIREMAN BURNS TO DEATH WHEN BLAZE SPREADS

Ten Others On Force and Spectators Seriously Injured by Falling Bricks.

POLICE ARREST SUSPECT

Elevated Lines Seriously Handicapped as Track Structures Are Destroyed.

Chicago, March 15.—A spectacular fire early today destroyed an entire block of business buildings on the edge of Chicago's "loop" or downtown district, with a loss estimated at \$15,000,000.

The blaze started in the center of the block bounded by Van Buren, Canal and Clinton streets and West Jackson boulevard, burned every structure in that area, leaped north across Jackson boulevard and wrecked the 21-story Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad's general office building, which also houses the Mercantile Trust and Savings Bank. Then under burden of a strong wind dipped over Van Buren street southward and burned through to Harrison street.

The fire was not brought under control until nearly 5 o'clock and even then firemen were fighting a dozen different fires and others which broke out intermittently as the wind wafted sparks about.

One fireman was killed, another seriously injured, ten or more slightly hurt and an unknown number of spectators who thronged the burning district slightly hurt by falling bricks, burning timbers and sparks.

The fire for a time threatened to assume virtually unlimited proportions, and every piece of fire fighting apparatus within an area of five miles was called out in a series of ten alarms.

Police Arrest Suspect.

The original blaze from which the conflagration grew possibly was of incendiary origin was the statement of Shirley P. High, city fire attorney, who early today announced the arrest of an unnamed man in information supplied by H. T. Schiff, president of a confectionery specialty company, at 521 West Jackson boulevard, where the fire started.

Mr. Schiff refused to divulge the name of the man arrested, but said that he was being questioned regarding threatening letters. Mr. Schiff said the man, a former employee, had sent him a letter.

Mr. Schiff told Mr. High that the man was discharged when he became involved over refusal to permit him to purchase stock in the company, and within the past two months had made a series of threats.

Traversing the main burned area the metropolitan west side elevated line today was seriously handicapped in delivering its thousands of patrons to the downtown district, as was the Aurora and Elgin Electric Interurban Line, which also used the four-track loop.

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King Wins East Kootenay By Majority of 1,000

FERNIE, B. C., March 15.—

Returns from 63 polls out of a total of 69 in the East Kootenay constituency indicate that Hon. Dr. J. H. King, minister of public works in the Ottawa government, has been elected to parliament in that riding by a majority of more than 1,000 over his Labor-Progressive opponent, H. Bronson of Cranbrook.

The figures for the 60 polls which include all the larger centers of population, stand: King, 3,016; Bronson, 1,855. The election of Dr. King completes Premier King's cabinet and gives British Columbia one representative in the administration.

THINK LADY WHITE VICTIM OF ROBBER

London, March 15.—Lady Alice White, who was found unconscious in her room in a London hotel, yesterday morning, died this morning at 3 o'clock. A burglar is believed to have inflicted the fatal injury, a fracture of the skull.

Late editions of morning newspapers say that Lady Alice White regained her faculties for a brief period during last night. She asserted that a burglar entered her room through a window and struck her. A woman occupying a room adjoining that of Lady Alice said she heard a scream after Lady White retired Monday evening, but she did not know whether it came from the street or the hotel. The assumption is that Lady White shouted for help, whereupon the intruder struck her on the head and escaped.

SARNIA MEN BUY GALT REPORTER

Sarnia, Ont., March 15.—Announcement was made here today that the Daily Reporter of Galt, Ont., has been purchased from the Galt Reporter, Limited, by H. M. Hueston, Allan Holmes and A. D. McKenzie, owners of the Canadian Observer of Sarnia. The Galt Reporter was announced with the Galt Reformer about 10 years ago.

The new owners will take possession at an early date, the present manager, Henry J. Foster, will be associated with Allan Holmes in the management of the paper. Messrs. Hueston and Holmes are also owners of the Daily Herald, at Prince Albert, Sask.

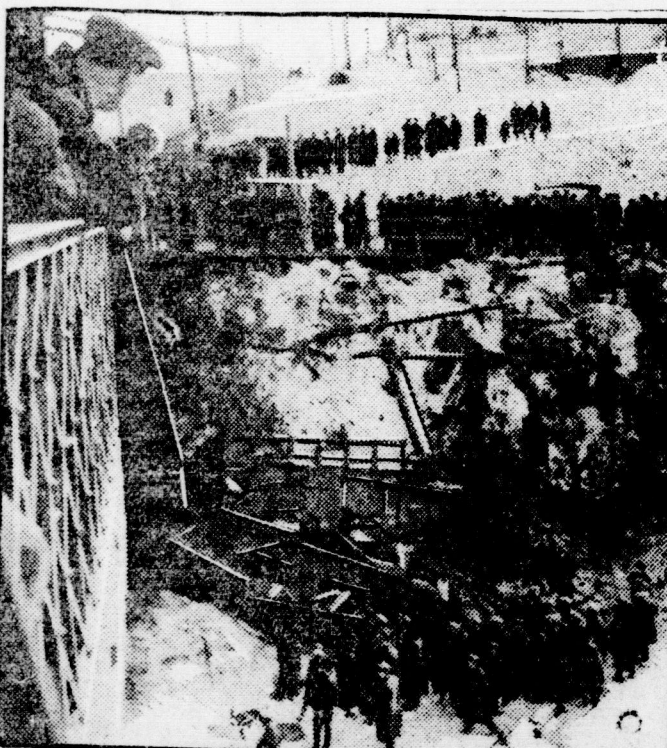
BROKERAGE HOUSE PAYS CREDITORS

Montreal, March 15.—At the office of the defunct brokerage house of Thornton, Davidson & Company, Gordon Finlayson, the liquidator, is paying out checks to the creditors representing the second interim dividend distributed by the estate.

The first dividend was of 10 per cent, and the second of 7 1/2 per cent. The total acknowledged claims against the estate amount to \$1,055,656, and the sum distributed in the dividend now being paid amounts to \$13,221.

Including the payments made today, a total of \$184,756 will have been distributed in dividends.

Car Plunges 30 Feet Into Riverbank



WRECKED STREET CAR.

SASKATOON, Sask., March 15.—Of twenty passengers in a street car, all escaped death and 14 escaped injury when the car left the track, plunged through a bridge railing and crashed 30 feet into a river bank, turning completely over and smashing when it landed.

SURE GOLD DOES NOT INFLUENCE GIRL'S DECISION

William Link Hopes To Win Long-Lost Daughter Back Some Day.

SAW LOVE FIRES KINDLED

Claims Grace Made Him Promise To Write and Pay Her Visits.

It was not the thought of the money that she should otherwise receive by her aunt's will that prompted Grace Link to decline to return home. Such is the fervent belief of her father, William Link, 83 Mameion street, who was back at work at the Melbury foundry as usual Wednesday morning, following his first meeting with her in 14 years, which took place the preceding day at St. Joseph's Convent, Hamilton.

"No, I am confident that the money has nothing to do with her decision," explained the disappointed parent Wednesday afternoon. "She doesn't care anything about it, but she has decided that she would rather stay and complete her studies, and I can see that she is determined to carry out her intentions irrespective of money or anything else."

"The report from Hamilton is correct, that I talked with her alone yesterday, at the Hamilton convent. I was there about an hour, and before I left I felt that she had warmed considerably toward me. She promised to write to me regularly and says she will come and visit me. She also asked me to come and see her again, whenever I felt disposed. She did not tell me with whom she is supposed to be living, however."

"I don't know what further I can do, however. I will try and win her over in time. It may be done, as I am sure that the money does not enter into it at all. I did feel after I had left her in Hamilton, that if I had the time I would have gone straight to a judge in Toronto. However, nothing will be attempted along this line at present."

Mr. Link had no complaints to utter relative to the treatment of his daughter, and was emphatic in his assertion that Grace also appeared well pleased with her lot. He did appear to feel somewhat vexed as to the manner in which he had been deceived in local institutions in 1910 when he then made inquiries for his daughter. "They have admitted that she was in the orphanage at that time, yet when I was there they denied the same."

Far from appearing reconciled to the situation is Grace Link's step-mother, the wife of William Link. That Grace was instructed as to what to say and how to act was her frank opinion Wednesday morning, commenting upon the Hamilton meeting.

"It was all arranged," she declared. "They put her up to it all. It should not be that girls can be prevented from coming to their parents."

Mrs. Link held that the authorities were evidently afraid that her husband would attempt to take his daughter away.

WILL NOT JOIN FATHER. HAMILTON, March 14.—Joy and grief were the portions of William Link of London this afternoon, when, after fourteen years of yearning, he was finally brought face to face with his 18-year-old daughter Grace behind the grey walls of St. Joseph's Convent. The joy of reunion was shortly to be turned to grief, however, when the little girl who had gone from him, loving and affectionate, declined his offer to make her home with him and elected to remain in the convent, where six years ago she was baptized into the Roman Catholic faith.

William Link met his missing daughter Grace, known in Roman Catholic institutions as Margaret Smith, on terms and in the environment of the Sisters of St. Joseph. The meeting was not in the lawyer's office. Mr. O'Reilly took Mr. Link from his office in a motor car at 2:35 this afternoon by a devious route. The automobile proceeded to St. Joseph's Hospital on John street, where the father and lawyer held a short conversation with a sister of the order. Leaving the hospital, the motor made a fast and circuitous trip to St. Joseph's Convent.

Here Mr. Link met his daughter in the seclusion and privacy of the institution at 3 o'clock. Mr. O'Reilly withdrew and was interviewed on the outside of the building. He said father and daughter had been left alone, and that he had obtained her place of abode from the sister at St. Joseph's Hospital.

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Fights De Valere



ARTHUR GRIFFITH.

DUBLIN, March 15.—Arthur Griffith, president of the Dail Eireann, today declared that responsibility for further unrest in Ireland clearly will rest on Eamon de Valera if he allows men under the protection of his name to turn the coming appeal to the honest judgment of the Irish people into a mere conflict for supremacy.

ASK 20 PER CENT WAGE INCREASE

Anthracite Miners Begin Negotiations With Operators at New York.

OWNERS WOULD CUT PAY

Believe Workers Should Share in General Deflation by Accepting.

New York, March 15.—Anthracite miners and operators were prepared today to begin negotiations for a new wage agreement to take the place of the two-year contract which expires at the end of the month. A large number of operators arrived to participate in the first joint conference this afternoon. A majority of the representatives of the miners comprising the scale committee have been in the city several days conferring, the last to arrive being John L. Lewis, president of the international organization of the United Mine Workers. The nineteen demands of the miners, formulated at their convention in Shamokin, Pa., in January, and ratified by the international convention at Indianapolis last month, are to be formally presented to the coal operators and explained in details by various officers of the union. The operators are expected to immediately take them under consideration and make a statement of their position on Friday, according to present plans.

Seek Wage Boost. The miners are asking for a 20 per cent increase in contract rates, among other things, while the mine owners are on record as favoring a decrease below the present working basis.

It is not expected that an agreement will be reached before the end of the month, and in that event the scale committee of the hard coal workers is under instructions of the Shamokin convention to order a suspension of mining until a satisfactory agreement is in sight. A shortage of anthracite coal is not anticipated unless the expected suspension should run into the summer, which is not looked for by the miners.

Beyond the general statement that the workers should share in the general deflation by accepting a wage cut, the mine owners have not indicated what proposition they will make. It has been reported that they are not a unit on what percentage of decrease they should ask. The principal demands of the miners are as follows:

A two-year contract. A 20 per cent increase in the contract wage scale. A one dollar a day increase to all labor paid by the day, and that differentials existing between different classes of employees prior to the 1920 award be restored.

A uniform wage scale in all collieries for occupations of like character.

An eight-hour day for all employees, those working underground to count their hours from the time they enter the mine until they leave outside of the building. He said father and daughter had been left alone, and that he had obtained her place of abode from the sister at St. Joseph's Hospital.

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MAYOR ORDERS DRASTIC SLASH IN ESTIMATES

Declares All Boards Must Reduce Total Expenditure by \$180,000.

INSISTS 1921 WAS PEAK

States All New Items On Capital Account Will Be Eliminated.

"The city's expenditure in 1922 cannot exceed that of 1921. Last year must be considered the peak. Boards or departments whose preliminary estimates exceed last year's figures will have them returned immediately."

This is the decree of Mayor Cameron Wilson. He issued it Wednesday morning and will take steps Thursday to carry it out.

The estimates of but one body, the finance committee, are yet to be received. They will be passed by the finance committee Wednesday night.

The mayor does not intend to even call together the new municipal commission to consider the estimates presented. He will ask the finance commissioner, James Bell, to report what estimates are over last year. He will then order the reports of all "offenders" sent back with instructions that the figures submitted be pared down to the 1921 figure.

"The taxes last year were as high as anyone can stand. It must be considered the peak of our present expenditure, and there is absolutely no use of any body planning to spend more than in 1921 in the face of dropping costs," said the mayor.

Must Cut Figures.

"That is the only solution I can see to the situation. I have gone carefully into the matter, and believe that it is up to the individual boards to bring their figures down, rather than to place the burden on someone else."

The mayor's decree will sound the knell of considerable capital expenditure which is proposed in the estimates sent in, and reveals his determination to limit the tax rate to 36 mills.

The figures of the fire department provide for \$42,000 capital expenditure, \$26,000 for equipment and \$12,000 for a new alarm system. In the police estimates there is \$4,000 for a new combination ambulance and patrol.

The parks department will likely lose the \$12,000 provided for the building of the Springsburg dam. The hospital estimates provide for considerable capital expenditure, their total being at least one figure over the 1921 estimate. This capital layout includes about \$14,000 for a new laundry and sundry smaller items. The overhead of the hospital is going up tremendously, as shown by the estimates.

Points To Salaries.

Mayor Wilson points out that the big problem of reducing the estimates is aggravated by the fact that about \$1,500,000 of the 2,300,000 proposed expenditure is for salaries alone.

This is the first statement that has been made in regard to salaries. It is not known what the stand of the finance committee will be on the salary question, but it is known that earlier in the year members of the council freely discussed salary reductions.

"To get the tax rate down to 36 mills we have got to cut off at least \$180,000," said Finance Commissioner Bell. He says that the few items of capital expenditure that can be cut, do not come near that total, and as he sizes it up, there will have to be a general paring to get down to anything like last year.

The expenditure as proposed in the preliminary estimates is \$2,300,000, or close to \$300,000 over 1921.

UNUSUAL STORIES ABOUT UNUSUAL PEOPLE

MUSKOGEE, Okla., March 15.—Donald Kirk's going to outshine all the prodigies in this section, though there are many Canadian residents of this city who claim several Ontario babies can eclipse his accomplishments.

He, however, has a good start now, though he's only 15 months old, he can

COUNT to 50.

RECALL 123 telephone numbers.

NAME all the books in the Bible.

RECITE the alphabet.

TELL the birthday of every member of his family.

Donald has memorized 30 p several very

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