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# BRITAIN AND FRANCE AGREE ON FIR ATTITUDE TO GERMANY

## FOUR HURT WHILE FIGHTING FIRE AT OLD UNION DEPOT

South End of West Wing Suffers \$5,000 Damage—Contents \$10,000.

### FELL THRU ROOF

Fireman John Stewart, of Lombard hall, was seriously injured and three other firemen slightly injured while fighting a fire of unknown origin which broke out yesterday morning in the south end of the west wing of the old Union Station. The fire, which lasted for two and a half hours, caused damage to the extent of \$5,000. The first alarm was turned in at 8:23 a.m., and by the time the reels arrived on the scene the fire was well under way. The firemen had considerable difficulty in their operations on account of the going and coming of trains. The water pressure was reported to have been good and there were plenty of hydrants available. The fire was confined to the section of the building in which it started, and was completely under control by 11:03 a.m.

Four Fire-Fighters Injured. Fireman John Stewart received serious injuries to his back when he fell thru the roof of the building. He was removed to the General Hospital, where his condition was reported to be serious last night, although hopes were held for his recovery. Other firemen injured were Lieut. Brodie and Firemen Reid and White, all of Queen street station. Brodie and Reid were injured by falling glass and debris and received several stitches, while White injured his foot when he stepped on a nail.

Miss Eaddy, cashier of the G.T.R. dining car department, was the only person in the building when the fire started. She was sleeping in a room on the second floor and was nearly overcome by smoke before rescued by Miss McKinnon, another employee. The firm occupying the building were G.T.R. dining car supply department, which suffered to the extent of \$3,000, and the Canada Railway, which suffered to the extent of \$7,000. The damages to the building was estimated at \$5,000. Deputy Chief Dickson and District Chief Davidson were in charge of the fire and reported much difficulty in its handling owing to difficulties with trains in the yards.

## HON. A. G. MACKAY CALLED BY DEATH

Former Leader of Liberal Opposition in Ontario, Victim of Pneumonia.

### IN ALBERTA CABINET

Elevation Followed Election as Member for Athabasca, Seven Years Ago.

The death was announced yesterday at Edmonton of Hon. Alexander Grant Mackay, M.A., K.C., M.P., minister of municipal affairs in the Alberta provincial government, following an attack of pneumonia. Hon. Mr. Mackay was born in Sydenham township, Grey county, Ont., on March 7, 1860, and received his early education at Owen Sound Collegiate Institute, and afterwards at Toronto University. He was for four years principal of the high school, Ont., and then, taking up the study of law, he read under Alfred Frost, of Owen Sound, and was called to the Ontario bar in 1891, being elected King's counsel in 1893, for the province of Ontario, and in 1913 for the province of Alberta.

Before going to Edmonton in 1915 he practiced law in Owen Sound from 1891 to 1912, being a partner in the following firms: Frost and Mackay, 1891-94; Mackay and Hatton, 1894-98; Mackay, Sampson and Telford, 1898-1907; Mackay, Telford and Grosch, 1907-10, and Mackay, Telford and Macdonald, 1910-12. In 1912, on his taking up practice in Edmonton, the partnership of Mackay, Hanley and Boyd was formed. From 1894 to 1903, for the province of Ontario, and in 1913 for the province of Alberta.

Keen Politician. The deceased always took a keen interest in political matters and con-

### NEW SPRING HATS.

Dinens' agents in London, England, are shipping by nearly every steamer the newest styles of hats, as soon as they are out in England. The small cut illustrated shows a few of the latest just received from the well known firm of Christy & Co., Henry Heath, and Peers & Co., of London, England. These are the hats the well dressed people are wearing on Regent street, Old Bond and the Strand. You will see such hats in Dinens' windows, 140 Yonge street, on Monday.



CHEERING NEW LEADERS.

Part of dense crowd of veterans applauding the speeches of elected officers of newly formed G. A. U. V., on Saturday afternoon, at Queen's Park. J. Harry Flynn, retiring president U. V. L. inset.

## HYDRO RADIAL LINE BONDS AUTHORIZED AND ENDORSED BY THE DRURY GOVERNMENT

Way is Cleared for Purchase and Construction of Large Part of Electric Road Between Toronto and St. Catharines—Bonds May Soon Be Offered.

Sir Adam Beck in his speech at St. Thomas said the Hydro Radial Commission was now running 50 miles between the border towns at Windsor and 11 miles in Peterboro, and that the commission has now authority to construct and bonds actually issued to finance an additional 69 miles between Port Credit and St. Catharines.

On enquiry yesterday The World learned that Sir Adam meant the construction of a portion of his main line from Toronto to St. Catharines thru Hamilton, leaving for a time the portion from Port Credit into Toronto to the new radial station in front of the new Union Station.

It was also learned that in the case of this line the Hearst government "authorized" this line and the Drury government "endorsed" the bonds. In the case of the border towns peddles the Drury government both "authorized and endorsed" the bonds. In this last case the bonds did not need to be sold; they were handed over to the Detroit United, who accepted them for the lines they surrendered to the Hydro radial. But in the case of the bonds for the Port Credit-St. Catharines line they will have to be sold in order to have money to pay the contractors. This will probably be the first marketing of Hydro radial securities.

The World was also told yesterday that construction could be begun on this Port Credit-St. Catharines section any day. If a deal is made with the Gibson interests the Hydro would use the existing Gibson-line between Oakville and Burlington for this part of the new line. The Gibson and the Mackenzie interests. If they sell to Sir Adam, will be paid in bonds authorized and endorsed by the Drury government, as in the Windsor case.

The World believes that a clean-up deal is very near between Sir Adam and the Gibson people. A report from Hamilton says no deal has yet, however, been closed. But if no deal is made the main line will be built from Port Credit to St. Catharines right away, under the authority quoted above.

## SMALL BOY KILLED BY G. T. R. TRAIN

Oliver Tod Cut to Pieces in Sight of His Elder Brother.

Special to Toronto World. Whitley, April 25.—Ten-year-old Oliver Tod was instantly killed by a westbound G.T.R. freight train one mile west of here, near the Jeffrey crossing, at 10:30 o'clock this morning. Young Oliver was the son of S. Tod, well known as Toronto manufacturer of a King street pork packing house, who lives on Byron street, Whitley, one-half mile north of the G.T.R. station.

Oliver was taking a Sunday morning walk with his 12-year-old brother along the double-track Grand Trunk road. Neither of the boys noticed that two trains were approaching from opposite directions, and when they moved from one track to the other to avoid the east-bound train they stepped right in front of the rapidly approaching westbound freight. The elder boy had a very narrow escape and was so badly frightened that he could give no connected account of the accident.

Terribly Mangled. Trainsmen on the freight think that Oliver was first struck by the east-bound freight and was thrown under the train on the other track. The body of the dead boy was terribly mangled, and was completely severed in two places, the whole train passing over it. While the westbound train waited, the elder Tod ran two or three hundred yards home and told his parents. The county attorney, Col. J. E. Farewell, and the coroner, Dr. C. F. McGillivray, hurried to the scene of the accident, and the body was removed to the undertaking parlors of Nicholson & Seldon. A jury was impaneled in the evening and an inquest will be held on Monday.

Oliver Tod was the seventh in a family of five boys and three girls and was a pupil at the Henry street Whitley school. His death came as a great shock to the whole neighborhood, as the family is widely known and highly respected.

VENICE STRIKE CALLED OFF. Venice, April 25.—The strikers' council today called off the general strike, which had been in progress for several days, and all the public services are now in operation.

## DID NOT KILL IN FAIR FIGHT

Otherwise Assam Commissioner Would Have Reduced Sentence.

Bombay, April 25.—The chief commissioner for Assam has dismissed the appeal in the case of the Rev. L. W. D. Jackman, the American medical missionary who was recently sentenced to two years' imprisonment for killing Major H. D. Cloete, Mr. Jackman entered the appeal March 25.

In giving judgment, the commissioner said that while admitting the homicide had been committed in a state of extreme mental affliction, it could not be overlooked that Jackman was a strong man armed with a revolver, while Major Cloete, who fought in the war, was unarmed. "It is not because a few cents which the employers grant the workers are granted again by the increased cost of living."

"Wages during recent years, have been increased to the workers, thru the efforts of their organizations, or else owing to the desire of the employers to keep under cover their high rate of profits. It is high time that the labor classes all over the world organized and asked themselves the question: 'Are higher wages and less working hours, the remedy for our condition?' The answer would be 'No,' because every few cents which the employers grant the workers are granted again by the increased cost of living."

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## D. B. Hanna's Libel Suit Warns C.N.R. Assailants

Some of the Pitfalls About Purchase of Coal, Ties and Other Supplies Bought by Tender for Public Railways, Into Which the Heedless Partisan Blunders in Looking for Political Capital.

Special to The Toronto World. Ottawa, April 25.—The news in the Sunday World that President Hanna of the Canadian National Railways is bringing suit for libel against Mr. Cahill, M.P., for Pontiac, as a result of charges made in a speech to the Montreal Reform Club yesterday week, has put something of a damper on the prospects of the assault on the National administration, which has been brewing for some time, and to which The Toronto Globe has been lending a somewhat cautious countenance.

The Liberal opposition, failing in its hostility to the Grand Trunk deal, has been framing for a flank attack on public ownership. In which the alleged devotion of others to interests to which the whole party, when in power, was so consistently friendly, is to be the main weapon of offence. Some of its members are dubious about the wisdom of the attack on public ownership, but the Montreal influence is still in the ascendant.

Friends of the National Railways, whose confidence in the prudence of the management is in no wise abated, are saying that the sooner a real show-down comes in the house, as well as in the chamber when next the National railways are put under the rake: "The member who has shown much curiosity about the purchase of coal, the administration, and, in the end

## STRIKES IN FUTURE FOR CHEAPER GOODS, NOT HIGHER PRICES

Tom Moore Makes Important Forecast Regarding Course of Labor Men.

### HIGHER WAGE FUTILE

Ottawa, April 25.—"It might have been more popular if I had come to this meeting in overall, but I think in connection with this movement that if those wearing them now had given more consideration to those forced to wear them, there might not be so much industrial unrest in the country," Mr. Tom Moore, president of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, made the foregoing statement in the "overall movement," when addressing about 100 members of the International Union of Steam and Operating Engineers on the labor situation of the world this afternoon.

Mr. Moore emphasized the fact that the day was coming, thru the formation of industrial committees, when strikes would not be conducted by the labor movement, to obtain better hours or more wages, but in order to prevent manufacturers and employers from charging exorbitant prices for commodities.

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## PEREMPTORY NOTE TO GERMANY TO BE SIGNED BY FIVE POWERS PREPARED BY SUPREME COUNCIL

Is Result of Agreement by British and French Premiers—Will Be Published Today—Wilson Will Be Asked to Arbitrate Boundaries of Armenia—Britain Gets Mandate for Mesopotamia and Palestine, France for Syria.

### FRENCH DISASTER IN MESOPOTAMIA

Constantinople, April 24.—Five hundred French troops are reported to have been wiped out in the evacuation of Urfa. In the northwest part of Mesopotamia. Details are lacking.

## ONTARIO TO SPEND MORE ON EDUCATION

Important Statement Regarding Policy of Drury Government is Made by Hon. R. H. Grant.

### BETTER RURAL SCHOOLS

Ottawa, April 25.—"Instead of bringing in estimates for hundreds of thousands of dollars for educational purposes in Ontario, we will have to talk and deal in millions," said Hon. R. H. Grant, M.L.A., minister of education, at the opening of the Creighton Street School on Saturday night.

"I have every right to consider that this will be favorably received by members on both sides of the house," he added. "The old parties have intimated that they are prepared to support such legislation, and I have been assured by all that the great difficulty in securing support in the past for the educational department of the province has never been with the legislature, but with the cabinet. The feeling in the past has been that the more that went to the educational department the less there was to go around in the other departments. I want to say to you, such is not the case with the present government. They are prepared to go to any extent the people demand in the support of education."

Scarcity of Teachers. The minister of education explained that the scarcity of teachers was not so acute in Ontario as in many states across the border. He had been particularly concerned since taking office with the educational affairs of the rural population. He felt the urban public would see that he was justified when the true conditions were known.

In 1919, Ontario had, out of a total of 5,787 rural schools, five schools with an average attendance of one pupil, 12 schools with an average attendance of two, 35 schools with three, 46 schools with four, 78 schools with five, 479 schools with six, and 1,400 schools with less than ten pupils. Under conditions such as this it was not possible to properly educate the boys and girls in the eastern part of the province, and it would be his endeavor to bring about a different condition of affairs throughout the country districts.

The Adriatic Question. The Adriatic question was brought before the supreme council this afternoon. The Italian premier, Signor Nitti, proposed a settlement that followed generally President Wilson's note of Dec. 9. It varies, however, to include a constitution in the state of Fiume, to which both the French and British (Continued on Page 2, Column 1).

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