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### British Cabinet Changes Foreshadowed—Toronto Student Dies Suddenly—Quebec Graft Probe—Farmers' Bank Depositors Protected

#### ASQUITH MUST GO TO COUNTRY OR PERMIT ULSTER'S EXCLUSION TO AVERT CIVIL WAR OUTBREAK

##### Conciliatory Tone of Premier Asquith at Opening of Parliament Fails to Relieve Tension—Unionists Opposed to Compromise on Basis of Plunkett's Suggestions.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—On the authority of well-known Liberal members of parliament, it is stated that Mr. Asquith will be granted almost absolute exemption from the operation of the bill. Mr. Asquith and his colleagues have taken the line that it is the duty of the opposition to make suggestions for settlement and have denounced Unionist leaders as irreconcilable because they have declined to do so.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—King George, with the customary state ceremonial today opened the momentous and historic session of parliament, which, according to all reasonable probability will see the victorious conclusion of the thirty years' struggle of the Liberal party to give self-government to Ireland. The home rule bill, which is now to be presented in the house of commons for the third time, will, if carried, receive the royal assent with or without the consent of the house of lords.

Whether the bill will pass as it stands or whether it will be amended to meet the susceptibilities of Ulster will depend on the nature of the concessions which the prime minister announced he would make in behalf of the government at the proper time.

##### King's Grave Words.

The king's speech, in a grave passage, expressed the earnest desire of his majesty to attain a settlement by consent and this desire was fervently echoed by Premier Asquith in the house of commons, and Viscount Morley in the house of lords, in their opening speeches.

The king said: "I regret that the efforts which have been made to arrive at a solution by agreement of the problems connected with the government of Ireland have so far not succeeded."

"In the matter in which the hopes and fears of so many of my subjects are keenly concerned, and which, unless handled now with foresight and judgment, and in a spirit of mutual concession, threatens grave future difficulties, it is my most earnest wish

#### DEALINGS WITH NO REPLY GIVEN GRAHAM NOT DISCLOSED

##### McGibbon Unwilling to Discuss Circumstances of Interview at Which Evidence of Bribery Was Discussed—Paid Fifty Thousand Dollars to Secure Proof.

(Special to The Toronto World)  
QUEBEC, Feb. 10.—The committee of the legislative assembly late tonight concluded its inquiry into the allegations of graft made by The Montreal Daily Mail against J. Octave Mousseau. The committee will now report to the assembly.

In his closing argument L. T. Marchal, counsel for The Daily Mail, submitted that the charges of bribery had been proved up to the hilt.

N. K. Ladame, counsel for Mr. Mousseau, who has been unable to appear before the committee on account of illness, claimed that neither the committee nor the assembly could punish the guilty inasmuch as immunity had been voted by the assembly to the corruptors, therefore, he urged that the same immunity must equally be accorded to the corrupted.

##### Gave Bank Authority.

D. Lorne McGibbon, former proprietor of The Montreal Herald, stated that he gave Mr. Beck, then editor of The Montreal Herald, full authority to conduct the investigation into the rumors of graft at Quebec. "The work was to be done in the public interest," Mr. McGibbon said.

Mr. McGibbon said there was no connection whatever between this investigation and any politicians at Ottawa. Hon. Mr. Rogers was a friend of McGibbon, but the latter never spoke one word to Rogers on this subject.

##### Would Recall Detectives.

Mr. Marchal, in a question to the committee, stated that he had a declaration to make in regard to the position of Messrs. Bidinger and Gauthier, the two men who had left Quebec on receipt of a telephone message, of which neither he nor his clients knew anything.

##### NOT COMPETING.

Admitted to the General Hospital at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, J. B. Smith, aged 40, a theological student at McMaster University, died within two hours. As he was apparently suffering only from an attack of quinsy the attending physicians did not consider his condition serious on arrival. It is understood that Dr. Wishart and Dr. O'Connor will conduct a post-mortem examination to determine the cause of death.

##### "Fair and Decidedly Cold" Spells Furs.

Such weather conditions make the need of furs imperative, and it is a rare opportunity that is offered by the 100-ton 140 Yonge street, who announce 20 to 50 per cent. off their entire stocks of quality furs. No such tempting chance has been presented to the women of Toronto and district in years, and it would be unfortunate to miss the most choice pieces through delay. Inspection of the Dinesen sales will promptly convince those interested.

#### PROVINCES OF WEST TO GAIN TWENTY-TWO FEDERAL SEATS EASTERN CANADA LOSES NINE

##### DRUNK, FROZEN, IS UNCONSCIOUS

Picked up drunk on York street by a police officer last evening, an unknown man of about 40 years was found to be badly frozen, and unconscious from the effects of the cold. He was taken to St. Michael's Hospital, where at midnight he had not yet regained consciousness.

##### DEPOSITORS TO BE REIMBURSED

Stockholders of Farmers' Bank to Escape Double Liability Under Plan Being Considered.

OTTAWA, Feb. 10.—The fact that William Laidlaw, K.C., of Toronto, was in the city today led to some speculation as to the affairs of the defunct Farmers' Bank. It is generally understood that the depositors are to be reimbursed, and that they are in turn to protect the stockholders against the enforcement of the double liability.

##### WINDOW GLASS CRACKED.

ORILLIA, Feb. 10.—(Special)—Orillia had an earthquake today about half past one o'clock. There were two distinct tremors, which were felt in the upper story of buildings all over town.

##### SHAKE-UP IN BRITISH CABINET UNDERSTOOD TO BE IMPENDING

John Burns, Labor Leader, to Succeed Sydney Buxton Who is Slated for Governorship of South Africa—Samuel Will Quit Postoffice and Take Local Government Board.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—Several changes in cabinet are foreshadowed today, by both The Chronicle and The Daily News.

##### STEFANSSON AT VIRTUE SCORES; COLLINSON POINT VILLAIN FOILED

Word Received in Ottawa Indicates That Explorer Now Safe in Winter Quarters.

(Special to The Toronto World)  
OTTAWA, Feb. 10.—Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, is very probably now in winter quarters, with Dr. Anderson's portion of the Canadian expedition at Collinson Point. A letter received from him by the naval service department states that he was about to start from Point Barrow and expected to reach there in a few days. The journey is comparatively easy.

Charged with the theft of a \$5 bill from a stately Bates, 14, 19 Wiley avenue, Gust Nodoros, a restaurant keeper at 83 East Queen street, was arrested last evening.

#### QUAKE WAS FELT IN ALL PARTS OF ONTARIO

##### Land Tremor Was So Perceptible in Toronto That Alarm Was Caused When Pictures, Bric-a-brac and Lunch Plates Moved and Houses Were Felt Shaking.

All Toronto shivered yesterday in a two-fold sense. While the cold made the teeth of the people chatter, a miniature earthquake shock disturbed the local topography and shook the buildings. The unusual complication in the shape of a land tremor or "slide," as the geologists call it, occurred at exactly 1.28, and was so marked that it gave rise to alarm in some quarters of the city.

Mr. Borden announced that the work of making a new parliamentary map would be entrusted to a special committee of seven members. The aim of the government would be to preserve municipal boundaries as far as possible, having regard to equality of representation and community of interest. Personally he believed that the city constituencies should be larger than the rural constituencies.

##### Lesson in Arithmetic.

Mr. Borden, in moving for leave to bring down the redistribution bill, explained the theory of the constitution respecting parliamentary representation, and its application under various redistributions. Quebec's representation was fixed at 65, and the unit of representation arrived at by dividing 65 into the population of Quebec at the last census.

Some curious happenings are reported as the result of the tremor. A woman in a house on Delaware avenue north of College, was thrown off a couch, while the walls trembled and shook with a rumbling sound. A telephone was shaken off the wall in the home of Mrs. Le Gardeur, 961 College street. Pictures fell from the walls of 410 Dovercourt road. A large stationary clock in the Parkdale telephone exchange shifted perceptibly. A woman in a Dovercourt apartment house said that she had time to walk about and speak to neighbors while the vibrations continued. Pictures and bric-a-brac rattled and shook. Patients in their beds at the High Park Sanitarium felt the shock for ten or fifteen seconds.

"When the woman in the room below heard the noise she came running into my room. 'Why, Mr. Gilliam, have you been drinking?' she exclaimed, amazed at the disorder of my room," said Gilliam last night. "I told her I didn't think so. Certainly the 'quake made a sorry jumble of my room with the books and broken dishes scattered broadcast. I was alarmed at the extent of the mysterious tremor. It rattled pictures on the wall even, it was so strong."

##### FELT IN HAMILTON.

HAMILTON, Feb. 10.—(Special)—The earthquake which was felt in so many Canadian and American cities this afternoon between 1.30 and 1.40, was also felt in Hamilton. Several people reported that their homes had been shaken, but it was at first thought that this was the result of the blasting that is done daily on the mountain top.

##### RUSHED INTO THE STREETS.

BROCKVILLE, Feb. 10.—(Special)—About 1.30 this afternoon a pronounced earthquake shock was felt over Brockville, the disturbance lasting about fifteen seconds. In that short period buildings were shaken to the foundations, people rushing into the streets thru fear. Dishes and plates were rattled on the shelves in private dwellings, and in places of business articles of considerable weight were actually shifted from their positions. A house was reported to have been slightly wrecked at North Augusta, a small village some miles east from Brockville.

##### Seats for Ziegfeld Follies.

There promises to be plenty of excitement around the Princess Theatre tomorrow morning when seats go on sale for the Ziegfeld Follies engagement, which begins here Monday next. The Follies come, heralded as the "greatest show on earth."

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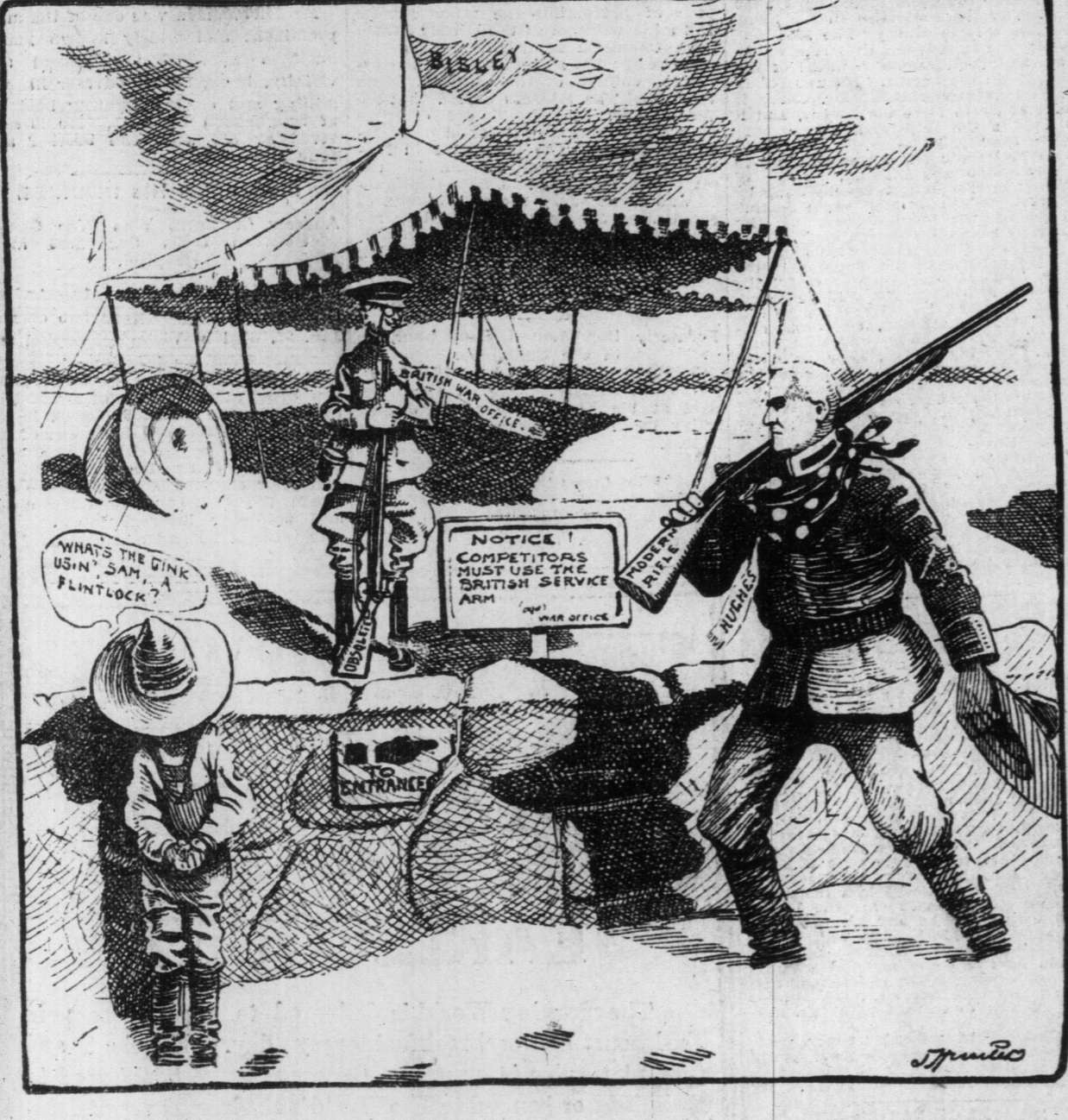
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WAR OFFICER: Oh, but I say, my good man, wait, you know, just a moment.