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SIXTEEN PAGES—ONE CENT

SAYS QUEBEC IS ENVIED BY ALL Premier Taschereau at Exhibition Banquet More Than \$80,000,000 Spent for Good Roads and Policy Will be Continued—Plan of Model Farms in All Counties.

Quebec, Sept. 9.—(Canadian Press)—The thirtieth anniversary of the founding of the Order of Agricultural Excellence in the Province of Quebec, was commemorated last night at the Quebec exhibition by a banquet which was attended by upwards of 400. Among the speakers was Premier Taschereau. He said Quebec was today envied by all the other provinces. He said the government had spent more than \$80,000,000 for good roads and there were now 8,000 miles of good roads in the province. It would continue its policy of good roads, but the government could not do all. It was for the municipalities to co-operate.

P. J. FITZPATRICK IS PRESIDENT

Today's Proceedings at Meeting of the N. B. Funeral Directors.

At the meeting of the Funeral Directors' Association this morning, Hon. Dr. Roberts addressed the members, commending them on their efforts for higher education in their profession, and for their co-operation with the health officers.

Dr. Melvin explained the relationship of the health legislation to the undertaking profession. A committee was appointed to meet the health officer in the near future to explain their views on the printed forms now in use by the undertakers.

BUMPER CROPS

U. S. Report on Conditions in September Very Optimistic.

Washington, Sept. 8.—The greatest corn crop in the history of the United States is in prospect this year's harvest. Forecast of production based on September 1 conditions was placed at 3,131,000,000 bushels yesterday, 6,000,000 bushels more than the previous highest crop on record, which was in 1912.

PRINCE EXPECTED AT BERMUDA ON SEPT. 14 London, Sept. 9.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The Prince of Wales is due to reach Bermuda on Sept. 14. He will leave there on October 3 and arrive at Portsmouth on October 11.

Earthquake Victims More Than Five Hundred

In Fivizzano Alone the Number 432 Dozen More Shocks Reported—Towns Virtually Destroyed—Injured Filling the Hospitals—More Than 10,000 Homeless.

Florence, Sept. 9.—The number of dead from Tuesday's earthquake is steadily growing. The latest advices from Fivizzano bring the total of dead there alone up to 432, while in Vignatta, 124 are dead and about 1,000 injured. In nearly three score towns and villages serious damage was done and a total population of more than 10,000 rendered homeless.

MORE APPEALS FOR THE MAYOR OF CORK

Montreal's Chief Citizen Cables Lloyd George Varying Reports of Condition of Mr. MacSwiney—Statement by British Premier on Matter of Release of Cork Prisoners.

Montreal, Sept. 9.—Mayor Martin sent the following cablegram to Premier Lloyd George yesterday:—"In my own name and on behalf of the population of the metropolis of Canada, I hereby beg to pray of you, as head of the British government, to be lenient towards Lord Mayor MacSwiney, at present incarcerated in Brixton jail for a political crime, and release him before the onset of winter. I am convinced the population of the whole Dominion, without any distinction as to race or creed, is anxious that he should be liberated at once."

APPEAL AGAINST FREIGHT RATES IS MATTER OF RIGHT

Ottawa, Sept. 9.—Any public body, association or responsible individual may appeal from the freight rates decision of the Railway Commission direct to the governor-general-in-council. In other words, Premier Meighen and his cabinet may also of their own motion take appeal from the judgment and consider whether it is warranted by the facts. Only one other form of appeal is possible and that is an appeal to the supreme court on question of law or of jurisdiction by any of those represented in the inquiry.

FLIGHT LAST OF MONTH ACROSS THE DOMINION

Ottawa, Sept. 9.—(Canadian Press)—The first cross-Canada airplane and sea-plane flight is expected to be made in the last week of September. A seaplane will fly from Halifax to Winnipeg, and from that city to Vancouver the journey will be completed by airplanes, flying in relays. Colonel Lielki, Captain J. B. Homm-Hay, and Captain D. Carruthers of Kingston, Ont., are to be among the fliers.

MONTREAL MARKET

Montreal, Sept. 9.—The tone of the stock exchange this morning was stronger but not appreciably more active. Wayagameck was again the noticeable feature, opening at 138, from yesterday's last sale of 137 and going almost immediately to a full point up to 139.

We're Very Wasteful, Says Lady Burnham

Toronto, Sept. 9.—Lady Burnham, who with several of the ladies in the Imperial Press party visited the Canadian National Exhibition here yesterday, expressed astonishment at the wastefulness of the Canadian people.

CONFERENCE SAID TO BE A FAILURE

Effort to Reach Solution of Coal Trouble in Great Britain.

WIDOW DISSATISFIED — BLACK HAND TRIAL — BRIDGEPORT MURDER CHARGE

New York, Sept. 9.—William Moloney and Charles Kahn were held yesterday on charges of homicide in connection with the murder of Frederick P. Eckert, alleged liquor runner. The widow of the murdered man expressed dissatisfaction and said she would retain counsel to proceed further.

CLEARINGS THIS WEEK SMALLER

The St. John bank clearings this week were \$294,826 as compared with \$3,160,206 in the corresponding week last year and \$3,332,445 in 1918. Halifax clearings were \$4,320,220, and Montreal \$1,919,245,300.

ABOUT THREE QUARTERS OF THE TAXES PAID

That the taxpayers of the city responded more readily in the payment of taxes during the discount period this year than did last year is evidenced by the figures of collections announced by the city chamberlain this morning. Last year, the collections during the discount period amounted to about eighty per cent of the year's total, but this year they exceeded that figure by about seven per cent.

CONDENSED NEWS

Canada should give better facilities for the establishment on the farm of people from the Old Country, in the opinion of Viscount Burnham of the press delegates.

WEATHER REPORT

Synopsis—The shallow low area which was in Missouri yesterday has moved northeastward to Lake Michigan and rain is now falling over the western portion of the Great Lakes. The weather is fair throughout the Dominion.

QUEBEC DATES OF FEDERAL PREMIER

Table with columns: Station, Highest, Lowest. Rows include Ottawa, Quebec, Montreal, etc.

NOW MAKE IT A MURDER CHARGE

Evidence in Montreal Dance Hall Case Changes Charge from Manslaughter.

Montreal, Sept. 9.—Judge Leet, yesterday changed the charge against Konstant Girgasdas from manslaughter to murder, at the request of Crown Prosecutor Walsh.

ARE FREED IN THE ECKERT CASE

Widow Dissatisfied — Black Hand Trial — Bridgeport Murder Charge.

BRITISH SHIPS HIT OFF LISBON

Lisbon, Sept. 9.—The British steamer Koehnig Lulse, from London for British passengers and the British freighter Loughborough are reported to have collided off this port during a fog.

ORE STEAMER TOWED INTO CLEVELAND AFTER EXPLOSION THAT KILLS THREE

Cleveland, Sept. 9.—Two tugs brought the disabled ore steamer Empire City into Cleveland early today with the possible aid of a boiler explosion last night which caused the death of three men—Anthony Cobb, of New York, and F. J. O'Neil, of Chicago, and Harry Cooper of Cleveland.

MATTER OF PEACE NEGOTIATIONS — POLES DEFEAT THE REDS AGAIN.

Warsaw, Sept. 9.—The opening of the peace negotiations at Riga may be delayed on information placed in the hands of the government by the remainder of the Polish delegates who have arrived at Warsaw from Minsk.

CHARGE AGAINST CONSTANTINE BY FRENCH ADMIRAL

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SIXTY AUTOS DESTROYED IN NEW YORK FIRE

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TO BRIDE-TO-BE

Miss Annie Woods last evening by members of the East St. John Girls Club. She was the recipient of a large number of beautiful and useful presents. During the evening those present enjoyed games, music and dancing, and refreshments were served.

ON INSPECTION VISIT

E. M. Cameron, superintendent of mechanical transport for the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment, with headquarters in Ottawa, is in the city today inspecting ambulances and other transport equipment of the department.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "I callate that when Premier Foster gets that electric current out to the Settlement me an' Hanner hev some things we been readin' about fer a good spell—an' sorta lighten the load. Why, I was readin' the other day about a farmer that put in a little plant that he run with kerosene. He got lights put all over the place so he could turn 'em on any time in the house or the barn or henhouse or sheds; an' he got a little motor he kin kerry all over the farm to run the machinery. He milks the cows an' churns the milk an' does all kinds of things with that there 'lectricity. That's what I want—light an' power. Then if I can't hire a man I kin tetch a tetch. Hanner says she's gonto hev a 'lectric cooker, an' run the sewin' machine by 'lectricity, an' wash an' iron, an' clean house—an' a lot more. I s'pose she'll rig a wire to gimme a shock when it's time to get up in the mornin'. Instead of breakin' our backs with hard work we'll just say to Mr. 'lectricity: 'Come along old Spiffire an' git onto your job.' An' he'll never talk back—By Hen!"

MOVE AGAINST T. & L. CONGRESS

N. S. Miners May Cut Off Per Capita Tax

U. M. W. Executive Recommends This Action—Statements as to the Handling of Funds and Charge of Underhand Work.

Canadian Press. The U. M. W. executive board have recommended that all the U. M. W. locals in Nova Scotia pass resolutions asking the international executive to discontinue paying any per capita tax to the trades and labor congress of Canada.

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DEMPSEY GIVES FINE AUTO TO WIFE OF PROMOTER

Chicago, Sept. 9.—Jack Dempsey, accompanied by Manager Jack Kearns and newspaper correspondents left yesterday for New York where Kearns hopes to close matches with "Gambino" Smith, San Francisco heavyweight, and Bill Brennan of Chicago. The match with Smith is tentatively set for Boston on September 28. Dempsey's contest with Brennan probably will be decided in New York.

THREE OF MONTREAL POLICE DISMISSED

Montreal, Sept. 9.—Three constables were dismissed from the Montreal police force yesterday at the request of Chief Belanger. They are Derosko and Carducci of the morality department and Asphan, of No. 6 station.

A GUN FIGHT WITH RUM RUNNERS

Windsor, Ont., Sept. 9.—At least one rum runner was wounded in a gun fight on the Detroit river opposite Sandwich West, when license inspectors endeavored to stop a boat in which they were carrying a supply of liquor to the American side. Owing to the possession of a high speed boat the men escaped.

NEARLY ACROSS THE ENGLISH CHANNEL AFTER AN ALL NIGHT SWIM

Ramsgate, Eng., Sept. 9.—Henry Sullivan of Lowell, Mass., who last night started from Dover in an attempt to swim the English Channel to the French coast, was six miles off Cape Griney, southwest of Calais, France, at 7 o'clock this morning.

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