

RESULT DOUBTFUL IN SOUTH AFRICA

Feared That Labor Party in Next House May Hold Balance of Power.

London, Jan. 28.—A special cable to the Canadian Associated Press from Johannesburg says that the elections in South Africa are growing fiercer and that the issue appears very doubtful. Despite the statements of Gen. Hertzog that he is prepared to allow the question of secession to rest in abeyance for five years if he is returned to power, it is apparent that the rank and file of the Nationalist party regard severance of the imperial connection as the only issue in the contest, and in the event of Hertzog being elected, it is believed the majority would force their leader's hands.

The fusion of the Unionist with the South African party has given Premier Smuts much additional strength in the towns, where the candidates of the South African party are chiefly opposed by labor candidates. The labor party is admittedly strong on the Rand, and will probably secure many votes from Dutch-speaking miners in constituencies where no Nationalist candidate is running. It is feared in some quarters that the labor party will elect sufficient members to hold the balance of power between the two big parties.

Col. Cresswell, who heads the labor party, has a distinguished military record, and, like other labor leaders, is definitely pledged to uphold the constitution, but they will fight either the Nationalists or Smuts' Coalition on economic issues. Candidates of the South African party declare that unless Gen. Smuts secured a sound working majority, exclusive of the labor members, his position will be untenable, as the labor party cannot be depended upon. Election meetings in the country have been characterized by displays of feelings of bitterness which is in contrast to meetings held in towns where the proceedings have nearly always been orderly.

MONTREAL CLEANS UP CARD MONTE SHARPEERS

Montreal, Jan. 28.—The first action to be taken by the Montreal detective department in an effort to suppress the three-card monte sharpers now at work here, was taken today, when three men were arrested, charged with having conspired to defraud Charles Humphreys, a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, of \$2, by cheating at play.

Humphreys was on leave and had stopped off at Montreal for a day or so on his way home to Bedford, Nova Scotia.

MAGISTRATES WILL GIVE ALL THEIR TIME

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proceedings prior to trial be conducted by a magistrate other than the one who tries the case (so far as the criminal code permits) except, possibly, in proceedings for breaches of municipal by-laws or cases of trivial character.

"That the fines imposed (other than those for breaches of municipal by-laws, or breaches of the Ontario Temperance Act where the municipality prosecutes, and the fines payable to the Dominion government) together with the police magistrates' costs, shall all go to the province. That the salaries of district police magistrates be paid by the province, and that one-half the salaries of district police magistrates be paid by the municipalities or municipalities served."

"That where conditions permit, county or district towns and such other municipalities as they see fit to appropriate reasonable compensation for services rendered as police magistrates."

"That district police magistrates be retired when attaining the age of seventy years, unless they shall be elected by the government, and that such district police magistrates be removable only for cause."

"That provision be made for the regular inspection of police magistrates' offices; the inspection and audit of books of all police magistrates, and that all fines and costs to which the government is entitled be paid direct to the government. Provision should also be made for the performance of all obligations in respect of police magistrates placed upon municipalities by statute."

"That section 247 of the municipal act be amended so as to give power to municipalities to grant a retiring allowance to a police magistrate now holding office."

"That police magistrates shall not be members of police commissions."

"That magistrates trying cases arising on the Toronto and Etobicoke highways be made absolutely independent of the highway commission and be placed under no obligation to it."

"That civil jurisdiction up to \$100 be conferred on police magistrates in unorganized districts by order-in-council whenever public interest may be served thereby."

"That a stenographer when required be provided for a police magistrate, and that the salary of the stenographer be paid by the municipality or municipalities comprising the police magistrate district."

"That conferences of police magistrates be held from time to time."

"That the title 'Police Magistrate' be changed to 'Provincial Magistrate' or 'District Magistrate'."

MUTINY, SICKNESS AND BAD WEATHER

Captain of Belgian Steamer Tells Tale of Severe Hardship.

New York, Jan. 28.—The mystery of the Belgian cargo steamer *Cannonier*, which was reported in distress on Wednesday and later reported safe, was cleared up today when the skipper steered her into port here and related a tale of two months' hardship, sickness and alleged mutiny.

The ship sailed from Bordeaux on November 22 and was battered by gales and heavy seas every hour of the voyage. A week ago, running short of coal, Captain Nicholas said, they put in at Bermuda to re-stoke. Three firemen were taken ill and had to be left behind.

After sailing again, five sailors were alleged to have refused to budge from their bunks and to have threatened the life of the sixth, an 18-year-old count, Captain Nicholas said, they put in at Bermuda to re-stoke. Three firemen were taken ill and had to be left behind.

On Wednesday, during the heaviest storm of the voyage, the engines went dead. The wireless apparatus long since had been out of commission.

In desperation, the wireless operator, after many efforts, managed to send the distress message which, on account of weather conditions, was garbled on its receipt here. Fragments of the message, however, led to suspicions that it was the *Cannonier* which was in distress, but derangement of the sailing compass prevented the ship's operator from indicating its position.

Let it be known, however, the storm abated, the engines were repaired, and they began to make progress for the first time in 24 hours. Upon his arrival, Captain Nicholas reported the alleged mutiny of the five sailors, who are Frenchmen, to the Belgian consulate. Action against them, however, was reserved pending investigation of international law defining their status. The question to be solved is whether the Belgian consulate has jurisdiction over French sailors shipping under the Belgian flag within a United States port.

IRENE CASTLE IS SUING FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT

New York, Jan. 28.—Alleging breach of contract before she had an opportunity to embark on the enterprise, Irene Treman, dancer, professionally known as Irene Castle, today filed suit in the supreme court thru which to recover \$20,000 damages from Charles B. Cochran, London theatrical man and promoter.

In her complaint, Mrs. Treman says that in October last she signed a contract with Cochran by which she was to star in a musical comedy at the Oxford Theatre, London, for which she was to be paid \$2,500 a week for eight weeks. In addition to this, Cochran, she claims, was to pay for the transportation of herself, her secretary and two maids to England and to provide her with a satisfactory dancing partner.

She says that shortly after the contract was executed and before it went into operation, Cochran notified her that it was canceled.

KILLED IN PLANE CRASH.

Coblenz, Jan. 28.—Lieut. Clarence M. Cutler, of Massachusetts, was instantly killed and Lieut. Chester E. Dorland, of San Diego, Calif., was seriously injured in an airplane accident today. They were making a flight at noon when their plane went into a tail spin and fell to the ground.

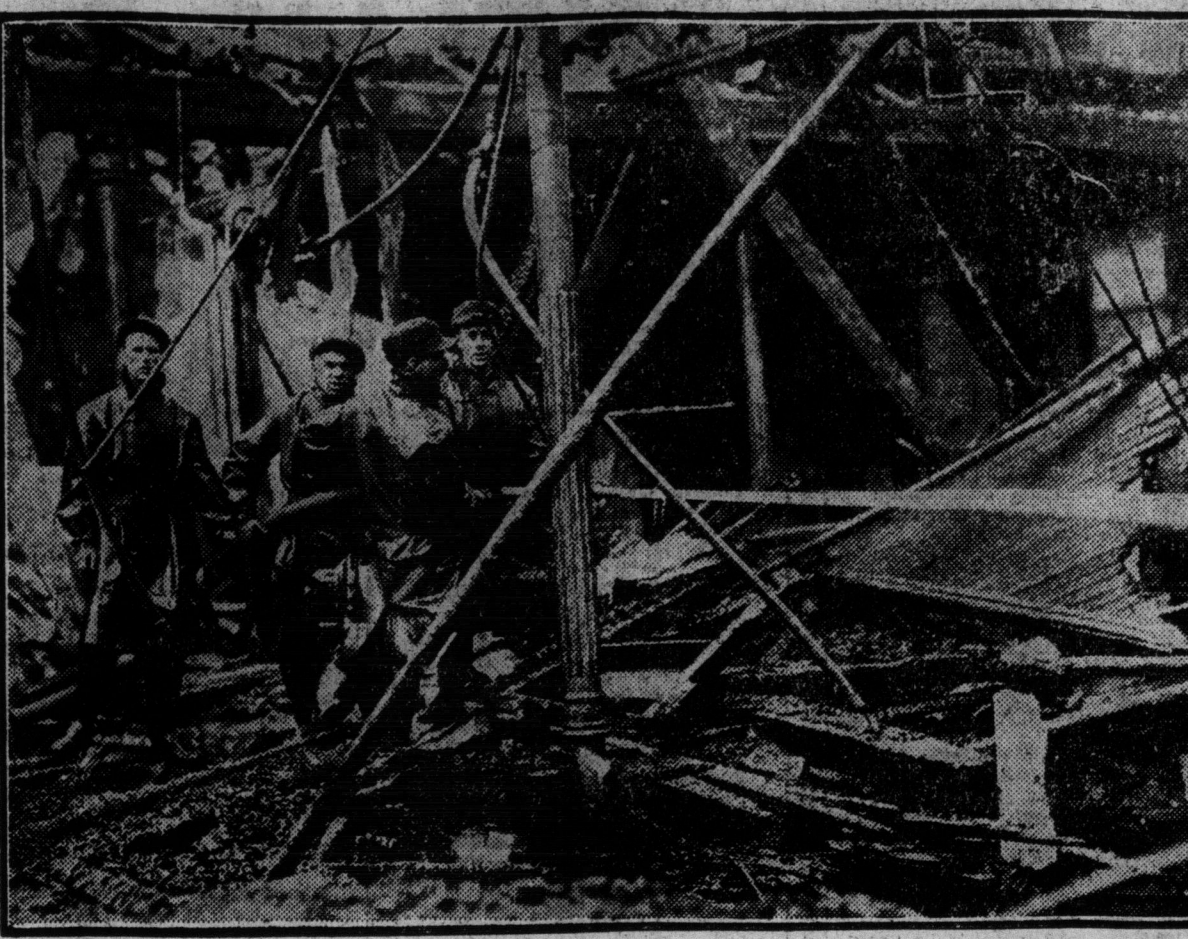
PREMIER MAKES PARTIAL DEFENCE

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towns and cities such as electrical appliances, running water in their houses, and so forth.

Up to the present the people of the rural communities had not the privilege of enjoying these modern facilities, and he believed it to be a matter of sound public policy to supply these comforts to them as soon as possible, if only for the purpose of keeping the people on the land. So far no process had been discovered for the production of food except by the old method of brain and trawls in tilling the soil and it was, therefore, a matter of national importance to keep the proper people on the land. It would be a great misfortune to allow the land to pass into the hands of an inferior race. The lack of comforts on the farm was felt more by the women than the men. Much had been heard about the difficulty of keeping the boys on the farm, but it was even more difficult to keep the girls on the farm. The supplying of modern comforts to the farming community would not be class movement, but would be sound national policy.

Wider Markets Wanted.
Presently, said the premier, Ontario would have a great deal more power and it would become immediately necessary to have wider markets for that power. If only a portion of the power found a market the price would be ruinously high. A clean-up had taken place in the power situation, and the province was now in control and the question of market for this power was important. It was suggested that the \$2 tax on power production should be used to carry the lines to communities still without power and as specialists his hearers might consider that suggestion a good one, but being specialists perhaps they did not know everything. He had met only one class of men who knew everything, and they were not in the government, said the premier, with a smile. "The only men who know everything and can dispose of every subject with an absolute finality, are the editors and he. This sally was enjoyed even more than the telephone joke."

The speaker explained that in admitting the whole people had an equity in the water powers of the province he was not admitting the justice of a flat rate for power.



Seldom is the interior of a structure so completely flame-swept as was the case in the early hours of yesterday morning, in the old building at the southeast corner of Yonge and Gerrard streets. The photograph, taken at 3 p.m. yesterday, shows a little group of firemen in a section of the ruins.

LIQUOR RAID IN TOLEDO RESULTS IN 100 ARRESTS

Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 28.—Nearly 100 arrests were made and more than 25 places were closed when federal agents from other cities staged a raid on alleged saloons here today. Bartenders, proprietors and patrons were caught in the raid. Bail for the proprietors was fixed at \$1,500 and for bartenders at \$1,000.

HILARITY ON HIGH SEAS.

Liverpool, Jan. 28.—(By Canadian Press).—Eleven firemen of the Canadian Pacific steamship *Victorian* were charged recently with stealing a case of champagne and one of gin from the cargo. It was stated that the second engineer found a number of firemen drunk and fighting. Many of them were unable to work for three watches, and one of them was off duty for six days. Another died at sea and three deserted at St. John. Six of the men were sentenced to a month's imprisonment and five went to the hoosegow for six weeks.

PHONE RATES EVIDENCE IS SEVERAL FEET HIGH

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—No decision in the application of the Bell Telephone for increased rates is expected by the board of railway commissioners for some time yet.

The evidence, which is now transcribed, is a pile of typewritten sheets several feet high. To even read it over would require a week.

SAYS LAWYER CAN BE BALANCE WHEEL

President of Manitoba Association Declares Legal Mind Is Immense Force.

Winnipeg, Jan. 28.—"The lawyer in training, association and precedent should be able, as no other profession or aggregation of men, to act as a balance wheel and bring the world back to sanity and right-mindedness," declared Edward Anderson, K.C., president of the Manitoba Bar Association, in the opening address before the annual convention of the association here today.

Ties of Empire Vital.
He warned against support of the propaganda to do away with appeal to the privy council and the appointment of a governor-general by the British government. The present position of the Dominion within the empire he considered eminently satisfactory and held that some tangible co-operation with the British empire must be kept if Canada is to remain a part.

The logical outcome of the abolition of these ties would be to make Canada an independent nation and would lead eventually to complete secession. Mr. Anderson appealed for caution before a demand was made to have the appeal to the privy council done away with, as there was much in favor of having a limit set on the right of appeal.

TOLMIE AND FERGUSON SPEAK AT KEMPTVILLE

Brookville, Ont., Jan. 28.—The official opening of the Kemptville Agricultural School is to take place on Feb. 18. The speakers are expected to be Hon. S. F. Tolmie, federal minister of agriculture, Hon. Manning W. Donnelly and Hon. G. Howard Ferguson.

ELECT J. M. HUGHES.
Kingston, Ont., Jan. 28.—(Special).—The Canadian Club marked its annual meeting tonight with a dinner in the Randolph Hotel, when ex-Mayor J. M. Hughes was elected president. Thomas W. Mills was re-elected secretary. Prof. J. A. Roy of Queen's University addressed the club on "The New Situation in Central Europe."

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Baked Premium Ham, Madeira Sauce
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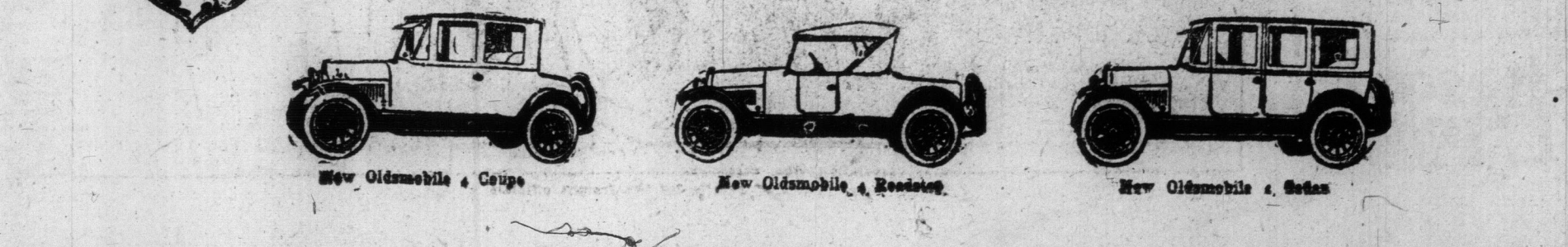
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