

# PREMIER IS URGED TO SEIZE WEALTH

## Trades Council Delegates Advocate Constriction of Money To Relieve Unemployed.

Canadian Press Despatch. Ottawa, Feb. 1.—Unemployment relief is a provincial responsibility and the federal government is not authorized to spend money for that purpose, except indirectly through the construction of public works. This attitude was taken by Premier King yesterday in answer to two separate delegations, which waited on the cabinet to urge the necessity for federal intervention in unemployment relief.

When the delegation from the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada was presenting its annual legislative proposals to the cabinet, John W. Bruce, representative of the Plumbers and Steamfitters' union, urged that unemployment had become a problem so big as to constitute a national emergency. The federal government had powers of borrowing money which transcended those of the provinces and should take up the task where the provinces, for lack of money, had been forced to abandon it.

The prime minister pointed out that under the constitution of Canada such matters of unemployment fell naturally within the jurisdiction of the provinces, just as the burden of war debts had fallen on the federal government. The latter was faced with the necessity of providing interest on the national war debt, none of which was the concern of the provinces.

Mr. Bruce, however, urged that the unemployment problem called for drastic remedy, and suggested a capital levy. "You conscripted men; why not conscript wealth?" he demanded.

The premier replied that he had not conscripted wealth and the incident closed in general laughter.

The unemployment question came up again later in the day when a delegation from Toronto, Hamilton and St. Catharines waited on the cabinet to ask federal assistance in those districts.

Premier King said the federal government felt keenly the responsibility of refusing to allow grants from the treasury for unemployment relief.

At the close of the interview Alexander Miller of Toronto asked if there was any ray of hope to take back to Toronto with him. Mr. King said that if he meant doing, the government certainly could not promise anything of the sort, but he reiterated his promise to do whatever he could to expedite public work construction in these districts to provide employment.

# BONDS ARE STOLEN AS SAFE LOOTED

## Two Securities of \$100 Each Missing From Office of O. B. Graves.

A safe owned by O. B. Graves Limited, 205 1/2 Dundas street, was rifled some time last week and two bonds of \$100 denomination, belonging to Mrs. Graves, were taken. This information was given the police Saturday night after it was made certain that the bonds were stolen.

The safe, which is an old type, was kept in a shed at the rear of the Graves store, once used as the engine room of the Reid Company, but since that building had been destroyed a year ago the shed was put into use by Graves Limited for the storing of old ledgers and accounts.

According to the police, the safe, at the time it was rifled, was not locked and easy access could be made to the shed. It was known last week that robbers had worked on the case, but that it is almost impossible to make an arrest owing to the little knowledge they have of how and when the robbery actually took place. The bonds are not negotiable, however, and consequently are worthless to any one other than the owner.

# AGED MAN IS BEATEN BY YOUTHFUL BANDIT

## Herman Nagusen, 76 Years, Robbed of \$20 at Windsor.

Canadian Press Despatch. Windsor, Feb. 1.—Windsor police are investigating a holdup and assault in which a 76-year-old resident of the city was beaten up and robbed of \$20 in cash early Friday night. His assailant was a young man of unknown identity.

Hershan Nagusen of 422 Erie street east is the victim of the assault. He is lying at his home today suffering from a cut over his forehead and a cut on the right side of his head which, he says, were inflicted by the youth after he showed resistance to the thief's demand for money.

Edward Lesperance of 408 Glenary avenue, who attempted to go to the aged man's assistance, when he found him lying senseless in the alley at the rear of the above address, was threatened by the bandit, who was carrying a revolver. Lesperance believes, at any rate, when he sought to aid the prostrate man the youth reached into a hip pocket and warned Lesperance to keep away.

# BOY HAS LEG BROKEN WHILE PLAYING HOCKEY

Wesley Johnston of Brookside street, Chelsea Green, broke his leg in two places Friday night while playing hockey at the skating rink of the Adelaide street Baptist church.

On Tuesday, Feb. 10, the London Lions club is staging a masquerade welfare dance at the Winter Gardens in aid of the city orphanages. Many special attractions and novelty dances will be put on, and this promises to be one of the best events of the season. To the first five persons who submit correct solutions to the following puzzle, the Lions club will mail a free ticket good for two admissions. Send your results to N. Stonehouse, Lions Club Publicity Committee, 361 Richmond Street, Now, let's go. We'll be glad to meet you at the Winter Gardens Tuesday, Feb. 19. Admission \$1 a couple.

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# LABOR REQUESTS NEW LAW TO REPLACE DISPUTES ACT

## Dominion Trades Congress Deputation Lays Legislative Program Before Cabinet.

### MANY QUESTIONS Demand Senate Abolition, Electoral Reform and Old Age Pensions.

Associated Press Despatch. Ottawa, Feb. 1.—The legislative program of organized labor in Canada was presented to the federal government yesterday in the course of an interview between the cabinet and a delegation representing the trades and labor congress, which occupied several hours and involved nearly a score of speeches.

At the close of the interview, Premier Mackenzie King assured the delegation that the government would carry out the proposals made wherever it could possibly do so. President Tom Moore of the trades and labor congress expressed the hope that during the coming session of parliament there would be such results as would show how effective the arguments of the delegation had been.

**Touch Many Subjects.** Many and varied were the subjects touched upon. Abolition of the senate or its reform to provide for electoral control was advocated. Re-enactment of the industrial disputes investigation act, which recently was declared unconstitutional by the privy council, was urged, even if amendment of the constitution were necessary. The advantages of unemployment insurance under federal control was the subject of a long paper. Old-age pensions also were asked.

The eight-hour day was dealt with at length, and proportional representation was touched upon. Immigration and unemployment, and their relation to each other were discussed at length, and in the course of the talk, Premier King admitted that in so far as immigrated affected unemployment, the federal government has perhaps a responsibility. He denied however, that the question of unemployment relief was anything but a provincial responsibility.

A request was made that Canada ask the United States government to remove the discrimination between Canadian-born and other Canadian citizens in the quota regulations.

**Election Reform.** Other matters submitted were amendments to the election act to provide for proportional representation in group constituencies, and the transferable vote in single constituencies, the creation of a public holiday on election day, or betterment of voting hours for workmen's ballots.

The deputation urged that immediate effect be given to the 8-hour day conventions of the international labor organization, so far as lay within the power of the dominion government. This subject was introduced by C. F. Ingles, Canadian inspector in the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

Speaking for the abolition of the senate, J. T. Foster, vice-president of the congress, informed the government that there had been no change in the policy of the congress and that the best interests of the country would be served by doing away with the senate.

In presenting the case for unemployment insurance, James Simpson, vice-president of the congress, stressed the indorsement of numerous public bodies for a measure of this nature and the inability of the workers themselves to make provision against the oft-recurring periods of unemployment.

**Commends Government.** Tom Moore, president of the congress, stated the immigration program for attempting to remove from the immigration act objectionable clauses discriminating against British-born subjects and permitting the deportation of political offenders without trial by jury. It was regretted that this legislation had been rejected by the senate.

Trouble was lodged against the continued influx of industrial workers notwithstanding the volume of unemployed existing in Canada, and amendments to the act were requested which would place in the prohibited classes all contract labor, except such as was approved by the



**TOM MOORE.** President of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, who headed a deputation which on Saturday laid before the federal cabinet labor's legislative program for 1925.

unemployment service council of Canada. Other requests were for the discouragement of immigration of children under school age, abolition of bonuses to private employment agencies, and solicitation of the aid of the British government to obtain closer supervision of all immigration advertisements.

# LIVING COSTS SHOW SLIGHT REDUCTION

## Average Family of Five Can Now Live on \$20.90 Weekly.

According to statistics issued by the federal department of labor in the Labor Gazette, the cost of the weekly budget for the average family of five is now \$20.90. This includes rent, fuel, lighting, and the staple goods. These figures are based on the costs in the 60 principal cities in the Dominion.

It shows a slight reduction as the cost at the beginning of 1924 was given in the Gazette as \$21.23. The decrease has occurred in food cost, which was \$10.58 for December, as compared with \$10.78 in January, and in fuel and lighting, which was \$3.35, as compared with \$3.49. Rent is virtually the same. In January, 1921, the family budget for a week was estimated at \$25.30, the food item being \$14.48.

Compared for Ontario alone, cost of living shows a slight reduction for the year. Food prices advanced a few cents in November and December, but the family budget is now placed at \$19.42, as compared with \$19.67 last January, and \$14.39 in January, 1921. It is lower than that in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

With average prices prevailing in 1923 as a basis designated as 100, cost of living for all Canada is represented as 152 in December, 1924. This compared with 154 in December, 1923; 153 in December, 1922, and 156 a year previous.

Wholesale prices in Canada during 1924 fluctuated between 60 and 80 per cent, above the pre-war level. During the year they registered the highest and lowest figures since 1921. The index number for vegetable products (grains, fruits, etc.), was 133, in April, and 175.9 in December. The high level in 1924 was more than 22 points above that of 1923. Taking the year as a whole, prices for animals and their products were on a lower level. Fibers, textiles and textile products fell throughout the year.

The rise in grain prices was the most important event in the price field in 1924.

# HOLD SLEIGH RIDE PARTY.

Thamesford, Feb. 1.—About 20 young people of the village enjoyed a sleigh ride, in charge of Carl Noble, to Ingersoll, where a skating party was held.

### HORIZONTAL.

- 1 A small particle which cannot be divided
- 5 One who pursues wild lions
- 10 The conductor of a famous band
- 12 Part of a lion
- 14 A vegetable quite popular in Ireland, but seldom, if ever, eaten by lions
- 15 Never heard of a lion having this disease
- 17 What a cub would call its father, if it could talk
- 18 A little of this high explosive would stir things up in the den
- 20 We get this from a domestic animal, not from a wild one
- 21 A tramp
- 24 A single point on a card
- 25 Did you ever hear of a lion eating this dessert?
- 26 A friend (French)
- 27 To stop
- 29 Railroad
- 31 From a lower to a higher plain
- 32 Adam's side kick
- 34 To destroy
- 37 A fruit with a hard shell
- 39 A small collection of water in hollow places
- 40 Get more business (abbr)
- 41 A state
- 42 Another state
- 44 Any plain surface
- 47 The lion's food
- 49 To be able
- 50 A city of about 90,000 population
- 51 Right (abbr)

### VERTICAL.

- 2 Also
- 3 To exceed in roaring
- 4 Mail some answer (abbr)
- 6 An exclamation you might make if you met a lion unexpectedly
- 7 An instrument for catching wild animals
- 8 A tag
- 9 Editor (abbr)
- 11 Those who assault or invade
- 13 One that claims for himself
- 15 Not twice
- 17 Two lions
- 19 Real lions seldom drink this
- 20 A sauce a lion doesn't use on his meat
- 22 Two vowels
- 23 Bachelor of medicine
- 25 A lion hasn't a trunk, but this one has
- 26 The home of the lion
- 28 A rapacious animal of the cat family
- 35 A word of refusal
- 36 A quadruped of the genus canis
- 38 A disease (abbr)
- 42 Where the lions meet
- 43 An ill-bred fellow
- 45 A religious denomination
- 46 A lion has two of these
- 47 Medical officer (abbr)
- 48 A preposition

# DR. J. C. WILSON ON WITNESS STAND

## Action Against Londoner Expected To Be Ended Today.

Dr. Cameron Wilson, one of the four defendants in the supreme court action of the Imperial Bank is re-appearing on the witness stand when Mr. Justice Rose adjourned court shortly before 1 o'clock Saturday.

On his lordship's return from Toronto this morning at 11:30 the damage action of Whittaker vs. Baxter will be proceeded with, to be followed by the conclusion of the Imperial Bank case.

Dr. Wilson, cross-examined by J. C. Elliott, K.C., for the bank, stated that he had not written the B. K. about his note as he understood E. R. Rennie was acting for a group of London men in the matter.

Dr. Wilson stated that he was not in favor of settling the notes at that time. He thought that there had been fraud, and stated that he would fight the case in court.

T. H. Yull, another defendant, also gave evidence Saturday.

# DR. H. CLARE CHOSEN HEAD OF SANATORIUM

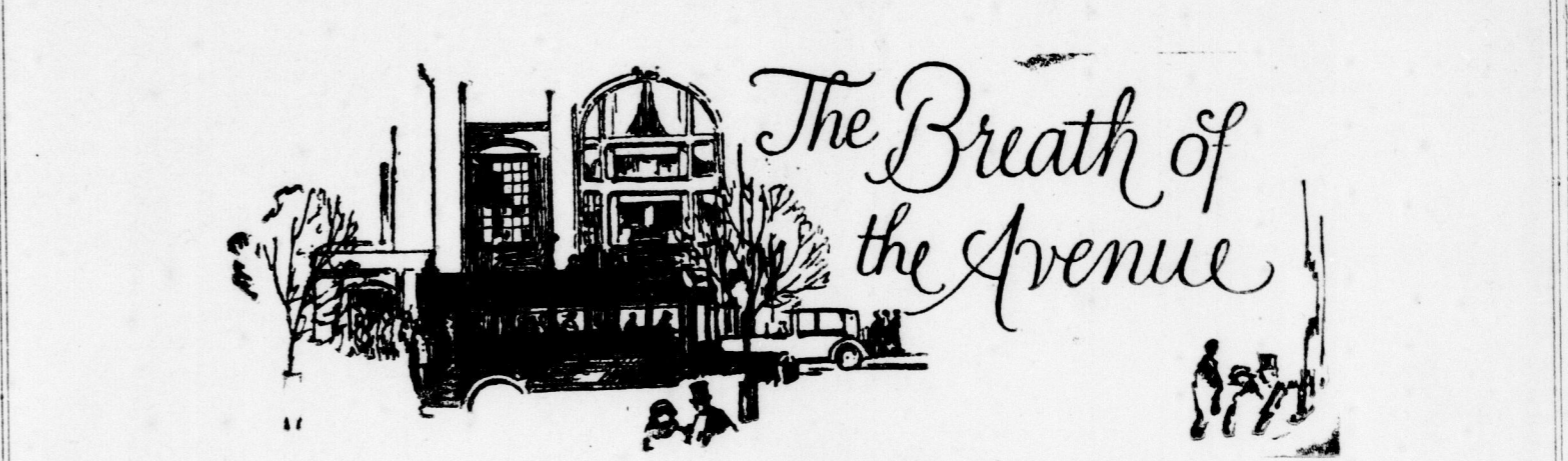
## Former Government Official Takes Charge of Home-wood Institution.

The directors of Homewood sanatorium at Guelph, Ont., announce the appointment of Dr. Harvey Clare, M.D., as superintendent, in succession to Dr. C. B. Farrar, appointed director of Reception hospital in Toronto.

Dr. Clare, who had a distinguished career at the University of Toronto, brings to his duties at Homewood most valuable experience as a psychiatrist, extending over 24 years. He has filled the position of medical officer in the leading mental hospitals in this country, was medical director for five years of the Toronto Reception hospital, and also had charge of all medical work in the mental hospitals of Ontario for the provincial government.

# THREE PERSONS INJURED WHEN AUTO HITS TRUCK

Special to The Advertiser. Windsor, Feb. 1.—Three persons were injured more or less seriously last night when an automobile driven by William Courtney of Sandwich collided with a motor truck in charge of Fred Gloude of Walkerville. The crash occurred at Louis avenue and Niagara street, when the cars skidded on the icy pavement. The injured are: William Courtney, Miss Ida Hodgins and Ernest Menard. All were able to be taken to their homes.



# The Breath of the Avenue

## Our New York Fashion Letter

For the past two weeks, fashion specialists of "The Breath of the Avenue" have been at Palm Beach, watching the summer fashion develop. Here is the first of their reports. An authentic foreshadowing of the styles new 1925 costumes are to take. For it is at Palm Beach each season that new modes receive indorsement from smart women of society who wear them.

# CHIFFONS—FOR EVENING.

Chiffons for evening are worn universally. The debutante wears them as does her dancing mother. The youthful frocks are slim-bodied and petal-skirted. Often sombre in coloring, the more mature versions of the chiffon dress show their sophistication in slender, sheath-like lines and the shimmer of beads. The evening color rule, as established as the fabric rule of chiffon, insists upon pastel tints. And the best of pastels is "chair," or flesh pink.

# WHITE IS MUCH WORN.

In daytime fashion, as usual at Palm Beach, white is much seen. It makes a background for the pastel tints that are so important this year. Among pastels, the yellow-pink and peach range lead. Clear pale yellow comes next, claiming attention on two scores, because it is a pastel tint, and because it is a staple sunshine color—worn every year because it does not fade nor run. Soft blue appears often. And a very pale and delicate apple green grows in popularity as the Palm Beach season approaches its height—a zenith that will be reached during the coming two fashion-making weeks still to be reported.

# THE SHEER ENSEMBLE.

The ensemble made of sheer fabric is enjoying a success at Palm Beach which registers it strongly as a possible summer fashion. In its more tailored versions it combines a dress of crepe roma, georgette or Elizabeth, with a straight plain coat of the same fabric. The coat is usually made of two thicknesses of the fabric, and is often tucked or trimmed with braid.

# A ONE-PIECE SUCCESS.

One ultra-smart and ultra-simple one-piece dress competes in interest at Palm Beach with the universal two-piece style. It is worn by society women here. Mrs. John M. Rutherford, a young matron who helps make fashion, wears it in a number of different pastel shades. The dress is straight and short, with a collarless V neck, short, set-in sleeves, and no trimming at all except a row of white, pearl buttons, about the size of a nickel, running all the way down the front, from neck-line to hem. This is one of the few dresses that breaks the rule of beltlessness, and takes an inconspicuous string belt of crepe de chine of the same color.

**SMALLMAN & INGRAM**

# Rummers Quit Autos On Lake When Met By Bullet Shower

Special to The Advertiser. Monroe, Mich., Feb. 1.—Coming across the ice of Lake Erie from the Canadian side today, the drivers of two automobiles, each laden with Canadian ale, put on their brakes, jumped from the machines and escaped when four officers fired on them in the vicinity of Oldport.

# EDITOR OF N. Y. JOURNAL GIVEN SIX-YEAR TERM

Associated Press Despatch. New York, Jan. 31.—Stephen G. Clow, editor of Broadway Brevities, convicted of using the mails to defraud, was sentenced today to serve six years and one day in the Atlanta penitentiary. He was fined \$6,000. Albert S. Brown, an advertising solicitor for the periodical, was sentenced to two years. The Brevities Corporation was fined \$11,000. Nat Kunnes, another solicitor, was

# 71 COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA FOR WEEK

Toronto, Feb. 1.—Seventy-one commercial failures were reported during the week ended Friday in Canada, compared with 59 for the corresponding week last year. Thirty-five of this week's failures were in Quebec province, 16 in Ontario, 8 in Nova Scotia, 3 in British Columbia and one in Alberta.

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