EVADING ISSUE ON HAMILTON ASYLUM

Provincial Secretary Disclaims Knowledge of Preliminary Investigation.

Controller Hallcrow stated in Hamilton recently that Hon. H. C. Nixon, provincial secretary, had informed him that if evidence was placed before the department of any irregularities at the asylum for the insane he would have the matter fully investigated.

Asked by The World if he had read the report of W. W. Dunlop, inspector of asylums, relating to the preliminary investigation of the Hamilton institution, or the newspaper reports on the subject, Mr. Nixon replied in the negative.

If the provincial secretary will peruse Mr. Dunlop's document he will find ample grounds for ordering a further investigation. Strong complaints were made to the former minister, Hon. W. D. McPherson, by a number of returned men regarding the shocking treatment said to have been meted out to unfortunate inmates of the Hamilton asylum. Mr. Dunlop held an inquiry, took evidence from a number of reliable witnesses and some details of a revolting character were disclosed. He was subsequently credited with the statement that a prima facie case had at least been established to justify a further probe.

Former Minister's Legacy.

Mr. McPherson was questioned on the matter on several occasions by The World, but failed either to give any satisfactory answer or to take action, leaving the whole affair as a legacy to his successor, who now declares he knows nothing about it.

Will Mr. Nixon take the trouble to dig up the report or question Mr. Dunlop on the matter? If so, he will doubtless discover all the details necessary for a searching investigation without calling upon Controller Hallcrow "to place any irregularities before him."

ONTARIO PREMIER CUTS HIS SALARY

Drury Will Endeavor to Get Along With $10,400 a Year.

An almost incredible thing has happened which will not only somewhat stagger the people of Ontario, but send a thrill thruout Canada, if not the entire civilized world. The Farmer premier of this fair banner province has voluntarily cut his own salary to the extent of $3,000 per annum!

Premier Drury succeeded to the office of first minister and president of the executive council at a salary of $12,000 per annum, Sir William Hearst having received that figure, altho $9,000 was deemed sufficient for Sir J. P. Whitney and his predecessors. With his sessional allowance of $1,400 a year Mr. Drury will still be in the five-figure class with $10,400 for each year he devotes his services to the people.

"You can say that the reduction in my salary is quite official," said Premier Drury yesterday afternoon. The World had known for some days that the great event was pending, but kept faith with Mr. Drury not to mention the matter until an official statement was forthcoming.

Setting Officials Example.

"I would not ask any official to do what I am not prepared to do myself," remarked the premier to The World in giving out the statement.

Mr. Drury would not carry the matter further in this respect, but the inference obviously was that a salary cut is likely in the case of some of the highly paid officials. Those occupying more lowly grades in the civil service may also look forward to getting something like a living wage, Mr. Drury having intimated as much in his speech at parliament buildings last Thursday night.

Asked if anything had been done in the direction of cutting the salaries of the other cabinet ministers, Mr. Drury said the matter had not yet been considered.

ARRESTS IN TOKIO BOMB CONSPIRACY

Three Chinese Servants, Attached to Legations, Are Held for Conspiracy.

Tokio, Dec. 1.—A sensation has been caused in diplomatic circles by the arrest of three Chinese servants, two of whom attached to the Chinese legation, and one to the Russian embassy, and also the Japanese gatekeeper of the Russian embassy, charged with complicity in the attempt to blow up the foreign office with bombs on the occasion of the celebration of the emperor's birthday. The Kokumin Shimbun, in an extra edition, says:

"This was the outcome of a plot of Chinese students in Tokio, with the object of killing the minister of state and other distinguished men, to avenge the disgrace to China on account of the Shantung question. It was originally intended to enter the reception hall and hurl a bomb when the guests were assembled, but this failed on account of the watchfulness of the police. After that an attempt was made to destroy the building from without.

"The police are conducting a far-reaching investigation to determine if there has been a conspiracy from the outside." It is reported that secret meetings of Chinese Bolsheviki are being held in Tokio.

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YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS

OAKRIDGE GRIEVANCES

Ratepayers Protest Against Breaking of Pre-Election Promises by Scarboro Council.

A well-attended meeting of the Oakridge Ratepayers' Association was held in School House No. 12, Danforth road, recently. William Farmer, president, was in the chair, when many matters of local interest were discussed.

Much dissatisfaction was expressed regarding the neglect of the district by Scarboro council. The chairman pointed out that despite pre-election promises only two streets had been graded during the year. The residents on Robinson avenue intimated their intention to take drastic action against Scarboro council for allowing the Hunt Club to remove black soil from their land, and leaving the street in a dangerous condition.

It was pointed out that if the council compensates farmers for damages, the residents in the town were equally entitled to protection and compensation for damages inflicted by the Hunt Club.

The delay by the Hydro Commission in installing the light on Kenworthy avenue is resented by the residents, who have waited for some considerable time for the fulfilment of a promise made by the authorities.

A letter from T. Foster, M.P., stating that "mail delivery will take place within the next three weeks in the section" was read by the secretary, D. Sweter. A letter was also read, stating that the signs for the protection of school children, to be placed near the school on the main road, have been sent to the association.

A communication was received from the Good Roads Commission, informing the association that they would extend the culverts on Danforth avenue, providing Scarboro council completes the grading of the road promised last spring.

The secretary was instructed to write the council requesting compliance with the request of the Good Roads Commission in the interest of the public.

A special meeting to discuss the proposed water scheme will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 17.

David Sweter, secretary of the Oakridge Ratepayers' Association, will be a candidate for the position of third deputy reeve at the forthcoming Scarboro council elections. Mr. Sweter will have the support of the Ratepayers' Association and a host of friends in the district.

TABLET UNVEILED.

Special services are being held at the Oakwood Presbyterian Church, Oakwood avenue, pastor Rev. T. Wardlaw Taylor. At Sunday morning's service a memorial tablet was unveiled in memory of Pte. H. H. Culliford, with the following inscription: "In loving memory of Harvey H. Culliford, who died of wounds at Vimy Ridge, Oct. 8, 1917." A returned soldier and a comrade of Culliford, performed the ceremony.

STORM CAUSED HAVOC.

Later accounts of the great rain and wind storm of Saturday night brings to light more damage in the northwest district. The Oakwood photoplay theatre did not quite escape, the wooden ventilator on the roof of the building fell with a crash on to the sheet metal, causing a little alarm among the patrons, but doing no damage. On the west of the theatre a new garage in process of construction had the wall facing west blown down, leaving the pillars standing intact. In the lower parts of North Earlscourt the deluge of rain overflowed many of the cellars.

B. I. A. PLAN SERVICE.

Plans are being carefully made by the executive committee of the British Imperial Association for holding the annual memorial service to the fallen Earlscourt soldiers next Sunday evening at the Oakwood Theatre, St. Clair and Oakwood. A complete list of Earlscourt soldiers is being prepared and will be kept on record. The new "sick and divide" club is well on the way to completion.

SCARBORO TO DISCUSS RADIALS.

The advisory council of Scarboro Ratepayers' Association will discuss the Hydro radials and the probable date of the completion of the work at a special meeting to be held at Scarboro Junction Wednesday, December 10, at 8.30. It is expected that a large attendance of the delegates will be present owing to the importance of the subject.

BUS SERVICE INAUGURATED

An hourly auto bus service between Yonge street (Farnham avenue) and Leaside was inaugurated yesterday by arrangement with the Canada Wire & Cable Co. and the Leaside Bus Company.

Only slight storm damage was reported from the town. The big sky sign of the Wire & Cable Co. was blown down, and a frame building partly constructed was slightly damaged.

GRAIN KING LEAVES LARGE FORTUNE

Wilmot Delouir Matthews' Will Shows Estate Amounting to $2,291,163.

Wilmot Delouir Matthews, the Canadian grain king, who died on May 24, 1919, had his will filed for probate yesterday, and the total value of the estate is $2,291,163.42. In the will made thirteen months before his death, Mr. Matthews designated his two sons and two daughters to share the bulk of the fortune, but since the document was executed a number of codicils have since been added, among which is a bequest of $10,000 to the Hospital for Sick Children.

The executors are as follows: Wilmot Leave Matthews, Arnold C. Matthews, John Kenneth and Levison Ross. Among the companies in which the late Mr. Matthews was interested was the following: Dominion Bank, Confederation Life Association, Toronto Electric Light Co., Canadian General Electric Light Co., Steel Company of Canada, Canadian Pacific Railway Co., Toronto General Trusts Corporation, Toronto Railway Co. and the Northern Navigation Co.

S. S. ANNIVERSARY

Waverley Road Baptist Sunday School Celebrate Thirtieth Year of Endeavor.

Waverley Road Baptist Sunday school held its thirtieth anniversary on Sunday. In the morning the pastor, Rev. Jas. H. Boyd spoke on "The Relation of the Home to the Sunday School," in which he traced the rise and development of the school from its inception in the winter of 1888-89, under the superintendency of the late Mr. Philip Whitelock (who was its chief officer for twenty years), until the present time. He paid a tribute of appreciation to the present superintendent, C. J. Coveney, one of Toronto's well-known Sunday school workers, and his staff of efficient assistants. Mr. Coveney has been in his present office for ten years.

In the afternoon Percy C. Roberts, president of the Toronto Baptist Sunday School Association, gave a very interesting and instructive talk on South America, illustrated by many beautiful slides of that land. In the evening he told the story of Christ's life from the annunciation to the ascension. A junior choir, which had been specially trained for the occasion, and assisted by the church choir, under the able leadership of Mr. Frederic Thomas, rendered very efficient service. The church was filled to capacity.

THEATRE NEARS OPENING.

Allen's Beaches Theatre, corner of Waverley road and East Queen street, will be opened on or about December 22. The building, which is an imposing structure, cost, it is stated, $150,000. Harvey Williams is manager.

BANQUET TENDERED VETERANS

A banquet was tendered to the returned soldiers members to the number of 160 by the officers and members of Torbay L. O. L. 361 and Broadview L. O. L. 2474 in Playter's Hall, Danforth ave., last night. A. O. Smith, W. M. Torbay and C. Hanks, W. M. Broadview, presided. Under the direction of Bro. Sid Smith a musical program was contributed by the following artists. Harvey Lloyd, comedian; A. A. Gray, assoc. deputy grand master; J. Walker, dist. master; G. Fisher and W. Andrews, W. Cork L. O. L. 711 accompanied on the piano.

The following toasts were given and heartily responded to: "The King," "King William and our revered dead," "The Grand Master," and "Returned and visiting brothers." In connection with both lodges a total of 70 members enlisted for overseas, of whom 10 paid the supreme sacrifice. An enjoyable time was spent by all present.

LAKE—MAIN WEDDING

The wedding of Mary E. Lake, Strathcona ave., and Cleveland Main, Napance, Ont., district agricultural representative, was celebrated at Danforth Methodist parsonage, Danforth avenue, yesterday afternoon, Rev. J. J. Coulter, pastor, performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Main left for Buffalo on their wedding trip. They will reside at Napanee.

MEN OF KENT HOLD SOCIAL.

Under the auspices of the Kentish Association a well-attended euchre and social was held in Playter's Hall, Danforth avenue, last night. F. G. Waite, president, presided. The organization, which was formed for fraternity among the Kentish residents in Toronto, numbers over 100 members and has been in existenve three years.

TO DISCUSS HOSPITAL

The proposed hospital for Riverdale will be the main topic of discussion at the North Riverdale Ratepayers' Association meeting to be held in Frankland school, Logan avenue, this evening when Mayor Church and members of the board of control are expected to be present. Extra cars for Danforth civic car line and better lighting of the thoroofare will also be discussed. Dr. E. A. McDonald, president, will preside.

TRACK NEARLY COMPLETED

Track laying on Broadview avenue, from Danforth avenue to East Gerrard street, which has been in progress for some time past, is now almost completed, and the cars will run as usual, it is expected, in the course of a week.

POULTRY PRIZES PRESENTED.

The prizes won at the recent Danforth and South York Poultry Association show were presented at a well attended meeting held in Playter's Hall, Danforth avenue, last night. W. H. Howard, president, occupied the chair.

YORK TOWNSHIP PERMITS.

The number of permits issued in York Township during November was 128, for the following class of buildings:

140 dwelling, estimated cost of	$301,400
27 additions and alterations, estimated cost of	14,450
28 garages estimated cost of	7,900
3 workshops, estimated cost of	1,300
1 addition to school, estimated cost of	86,000
1 cool shed, estimated cost of	2,500
1 store, estimated cost of	6,000
	$419,550

The fees collected were $623.00.

THEOSOPHISTS RECEIVE CHARTER.

A charter for "The Theosophical Society in Canada" has been received from Mrs. Annie Besant the general president, who is now in England. It is granted to the seven senior lodges, Toronto, Vancouver, Victoria, Winnipeg, Nanaimo, Orpheus (Vancouver), and Hamilton. There are about a dozen more lodges in the Dominion. It is expected that the headquarters of the new national society will be located in Toronto.

Hotel Fire in Vancouver Endangers Lives of 100 Guests

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 1. — Fire which endangered the lives of more than 100 guests and did approximately $40,000 damage, broke out in the Stirling Hotel on Cordova street at 5.30 o'clock this morning. More than a dozen men and women had to be removed by the firemen, while scores of women, children and men were forced to rush into the streets in their night attire. No one was injured.

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COMMONS FROWNS ON LOTTERY PLAN

British House Defeats Motion to Issue Premium Bonds Proposed by Bottomley.

London, Dec. 1.—The question of issuing premium bonds was discussed in the house of commons today at the instance of Horatio W. Bottomley, independent for South Hackney, who argued that such a measure was necessitated owing to the existence of £2,000,000,000 floating debt, which might cause a run on the Bank of England should labor unrest revive and Bolshevism spread.

Mr. Bottomley declared that the issue would not create serious diversion from popular securities and even if postoffice deposits and war saving certificates were distributed and reinvested in premium bonds, it would relieve the chancellor of the exchequer.

The motion, however, was defeated 276 to 84.

Austen Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, opposed Mr. Bottomley's motion. He said premium bonds would not produce 100,000,000 pounds, they were more likely to bring only 50,000,000, which remedy was altogether unequal to the disease. Moreover, he contended, it would encourage the gambling spirit which already was too rampant.

What was required was steady, honest work and the people should be taught that there was no salvation without it. He hoped the house would give the amendment a direct negative.

TWO PLEAD GUILTY TO CONSPIRACY

Others Indicted for Corruption in Michigan Election Deny Complicity.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 1.—Unexpected progress was made today by federal officers in preparing the way for an early trial of the 135 men, including United States Senator Truman H. Newberry, who were indicted by a federal grand jury here late Saturday on charges of corruption, fraud and conspiracy in connection with the Newberry election campaign in 1918.

Service was secured on a number of those indicted and first arraignments were held before Federal Judge C. W. Sessions today, half a dozen of the defendants appearing in court.

Something of a sensation was caused today when two of those cited in the true bills but whose names did not appear in the list announced Saturday, came before Judge Sessions and pleaded guilty to counts contained in the indictments. These were William E. Rice, a Grand Rapids printer, who this morning pleaded guilty to conspiracy and was released under bond of $1,000, and Allie K. Moore, formerly a Grand Rapids newspaper man and later a publisher at Marquette, Mich., who pleaded guilty late today to four of six counts.

Several others of the 121 whose names had been withheld pending service of the warrants, correctly suspected they had been named in the indictment and appeared voluntarily in court today. They included George E. Rogers, former Grand Rapids alderman; George K. Welsh, Kent county, manager of the Newberry campaign; Charles Carpenter, former member of the Grand Rapids health board, and Roman F. Giochoski, said to have been employed at a salary of $150 a month to work during the Newberry campaign among the Polish residents of Grand Rapids. All pleaded not guilty, Giochoski being held on $2,500 bail and the others on $1,000 each.

That a bench warrant had been issued for Senator Newberry was indicated today when it was announced that Clerk Charles Potter of the federal court had furnished United States Marshal O'Connor with one for each of the 135 persons indicted.

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COL. CURRIE URGES VETERANS TO JOIN CONSERVATIVE CAMP

Only Defensive Force Against "Reds" and Revolutionists, He Claims.

An evening of mirth, patriotism and politics was furnished forth to the returned men of North Toronto by the Liberal-Conservative Association of that part of the riding of South York.

The politics was marked by an appeal on the part of Col. John A. Currie, M.P., to the soldiers to take hold of the Conservative party and regenerate it as a defensive force against I.W.W.'s, reds and revolutionists, who, he said, are rising up in the wake of the war to prosecute the deliberate purpose of pro-German propaganda that had shown its head in some sections of the Canadian press while the men of Canada were at the front.

Col. Currie received a warm welcome from the two hundred banqueters, who were for the most part returned soldiers.

The banquet was held in the Masonic Hall, Yonge street, which was gaily decorated for the occasion.

James Skelton, president, resisted the inclination to make a speech and contented himself with heartily welcoming the returned men on behalf of the Liberal-Conservatives of North Toronto.

Toast of "Canada."

A. A. Jordan proposed the toast of "Canada," which was replied to by W. F. Maclean, M.P. Mr. Jordan spoke eloquently on Canadian history and development.

Mr. Maclean said he was a Canadian, and nothing but a Canadian, realizing that what had been done by Canadians in the war made the Canadian people really great in character.

One fact that had come out of the war is that Canadians are a democracy, setting an example to the world by the first response to the call of democracy in Europe. The record of Canada's sons was glorious, but not more so than that of the women of Canada, who are now determined that parliament and the country shall take care of the dependents of those who fell or suffered physically in the war, and that more shall be done by the next parliament for the re-establishment of all the returned men. (Applause.) That is the first duty confronting the Canadian people. The taxpayers will face high taxation to discharge their full duty to the men who fought in France and Belgium. (Applause.)

The war has created a real kinship of English-speaking people thruout the world, and he had no doubt that this kinship will embrace all settlers who come into the Dominion from foreign lands and races. Canadians will show generosity to those who accept her free institutions. (Applause.)

Ald. H. H. Ball proposed the toast of "Our Guests," and Col. John A. Currie, M.P., responded.

Col. Currie said it was fitting that the Conservative party should show itself foremost in welcoming the soldiers back to their homes, and in leading the work of reconstruction.

Pro-German Propaganda.

After the first year, pro-German propaganda had been started to wean the people from the cause of the war. He had heard that at least eight papers in Canada received money from Von Bernstorff and his aids in pursuance of that propaganda.

The Conservative party had done nothing that was not inspired by the purpose of helping the men at the front. He declared South York and its member, W. Maclean, deserved well of the returned men. The future of Canada is in the hands of the soldiers who were the storm troops of the allies. With such a great, rich country as Canada is, and in view of the high wages paid during the war to those who stayed in Canada, the soldiers' gratuity question must be fought out. He (Col. Currie) had led the fight for the men who went to Ottawa to demand the gratuity, and he charged that the two Ottawa papers controlled by the government had done nothing but showed abuse upon those who favored the policy of the G.W.V.A.

Col. Currie referred with some satire to the conduct of Hon. Mr. Calder. If, he said, Major Andrews had stood to his guns, the G.W.V.A. would have got a fairer deal. The fight must be renewed. (Applause.)

Col. Currie said the Conservative party needs bones and flesh at the present time, and is destined to be what the returned soldiers shall make it. Great efforts have been put forth to bring about revolution in Canada as part of the pro-German propaganda. If the Unionist government in Ottawa should suffer "Reds" to promote revolution in the Dominion, a solid party must oppose it, and the fight must be to a finish. The fight, he said, is not against social reform, but against Socialists and I. W. W.'s. The Conservative party must be up and doing, opposing people who are now saying there shall be an end of party. All such movements are class movements, just as the soviet in Russia. A solid block must be formed by the regenerated Conservative party, to which the returned men shall give real leadership. The Conservative party also must be brought together in a convention. The party convention is a democratic institution and cannot be longer neglected.

Reasons for Temper.

The soldier is not to be blamed if he is short-tempered in presence of the heathen and the foreigner, who are the heritage of the Canadian railway magnates. The problem of the soldier, however, is not a difficult one, tho he wondered why the newspapers were so ready to blame the returned men.

Col. Currie spoke forcibly for the manufacturing enterprises of Canada, which, he said, must be given equal opportunity with the industries of the United States, as otherwise the workers would go over to the neighboring republic.

He explained that it was because the Conservative party has stopped functioning and holding party meetings that the farmers began to form their clubs, that in October had given Ontario a lesson in democracy. (Laughter.) He hoped that thruout the winter Conservative meetings would be held in every part of the province, and that the party convention would be held as soon as possible, not put off to next year, to get the Conservative electors into harness. If the returned soldier is to take over the control of the Conservative party, he had no objection, because the returned soldier could be relied upon to stand for law and order and good government. (Applause.)

Other speakers were George A. Hodgson, Herb Holden, W. G. Ellis, R. L. Baker, J. P. Patterson, Wm. Baillie, Dr. Evans, and Messrs. Hermitage and Crate.

BRITAIN OFFERS SPAIN MUCH WAR MATERIAL

Madrid, Dec. 1.—El Imparcial says today that Great Britain has offered to Spain war materials of the value of 140,000,000 pesetas. The newspaper adds that within a few days a commission headed by General Vallalba, will visit London to consider the matter.

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U BOAT COMMANDER ARRESTED BUT SUBSEQUENTLY RELEASED

British Admiralty Incarcerated Man Who Sank Hospital Ship But Legal Department Ordered Him to Be Freed.

London, Dec. 1.—The story of the arrest, imprisonment and final release of Captain Kaiserwetter, commander of the German submarine which sank the British hospital ship Glenart Castle, discloses a wide difference of opinion between British government departments as to what rights the allied powers have to punish the perpetrators of wanton warfare.

The government legal department held that England had no right to detain Kaiserwetter during the life of the armistice, while the admiralty officials believed that they had the right to arrest such offenders any time and hold them for trial after peace was declared.

After the signing of the armistice Kaiserwetter went to Spain, where he obtained passports for his return to Germany. He made the mistake, however, of landing at Falmouth, where he expected to board a vessel for the Baltic. Admiralty officers at Falmouth arrested him and brought him secretly to the Tower of London. Every effort was exerted to keep secret the identity of the prisoner, but those in touch with him learned of his arrest and promptly appealed to the government legal department, which found that England was not entitled to arrest him until peace had been declared. The examination was held in the greatest secrecy, and there was no announcement of the ruling.

This decision has negatived much of the work the admiralty has done in tracing the perpetrators of the more barbarous warfare. In view of the great amount of secret work done on various cases of this kind, the Kaiserwetter ruling came as a bomb shell to admiralty officers.

LIBERAL GATHERING IN CITY OF OTTAWA

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necessity for carrying out the recommendations before them. Many who were unable to attend themselves had written Mr. Mackenzie King letters of regret and at the same time stated their accordance with the objects of the meeting.

The details of organization, the chairman stated, had occupied the delegates during both sessions today, and in the two meetings which are to be held tomorrow this discussion on the ways and means of maintaining the proposed organization will also be gone into.

It is likely that an executive committee, smaller in number than the national organization committee, will be named to go into the details of finances, etc., and report back to the larger body.

King to Sum Up.

There will be both morning and afternoon sessions tomorrow, but it is expected that the business of the committee will have been concluded by the time 5 o'clock is reached. At the end of the sessions it is expected that an official statement covering the proceedings will be issued by the chairman, Hon. Mackenzie King, who tonight stated that he was delighted with the progress which had been made in organization and the enthusiasm, which all the delegates had shown in the work placed before them.

Delegates Present

The delegates in attendance are: Nova Scotia: Hance J. Logan, Amherst; New Brunswick: A. B. Copp, M.P., Westmorland, vice-president; S. Taylor, St. John; J. E. Michaud, M.L.A., Edmundston; Fred Magee, M.L.A., Port Elgin; W. E. Scully, St. John. Prince Edward Island: Hon. J. H. Bell, Summerside; P. H. Pate, O'Leary; Creelman MacArthur, Summerside. Quebec: Senator J. H. Wilson, Montreal; Hon. Severin Letourneau, Montreal, vice-president; Hon. Sydney Fisher, Ottawa; Hon. Jacques Bureau, Three Rivers; Ernest Lapointe, M.P. for Quebec East. Ontario: Arthur C. Hardy, Brockville, vice-president; Hon. Charles Murphy, Ottawa; F. C. Larkin, Toronto; W. C. Kennedy, M.P., Windsor; Sydney Little, London, and J. A. Pinard, M.L.A. for Ottawa East, who is representing H. H. Dewart at the morning session. Mr. Dewart will arrive during the day. Manitoba: J. F. Fisher, Winnipeg; H. A. McLeod, Shoal Lake. Saskatchewan: Hon. W. R. Motherwell, Abernethy. Alberta: A. McTeer, Calgary. British Columbia: M. A. MacDonald, M.L.A., vice-president; C. E. Campbell, Vancouver; Henry Hall, M.L.A., Victoria; A. McRae, Revelstoke.

SPANISH CABINET RESIGNS OFFICE

Madrid, Dec. 1.—The Spanish ministry resigned today. The proceedings in the Cortes have consisted mainly of a controversial debate over the budget. The government found itself unable to make any progress with the budget bill owing to the opposition of Juan De La Cierva, former minister of war.

The fall of the ministry has been predicted for the past ten days unless the government could induce the deputies to proceed with the measure. Even the ministerialists admitted that the attitude of Senor Cierva made it impossible for the government to continue in office.

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