

SPECULATIONS RIFE REGARDING BRITISH POLITICS

Overdue Cabinet Changes Gives Rise to Many Rumors in Political Circles.

PREMIER IN TOUCH WITH DAILY HAPPENINGS

Lloyd George Said to be Awaiting Result of By-Elections This Week.

London, March 16—The delay in appointing a successor to Mr. B. Montagu as Secretary for India, and other overdue Cabinet changes, such as finding a place for Sir Hamar Greenwood, whose resignation has gone with the complete establishment of the Provisional Government in Ireland, are causing renewed speculations, especially as Premier Lloyd George, although in seclusion in Wales, keeps in daily telephonic consultation with his Ministers in London.

All kinds of rumors, affecting the Prime Minister's position, are current, but being that he intends to await the fate of the free state bill in the House of Lords where there has been talk of the "dis-honor" prospect to amend the bill, in committee, on the Ulster boundary question. Such an event, although not expected, may still happen and, if an amendment of this kind were carried, it is rumored that Mr. Lloyd George would resign and appeal to the country on the Irish settlement.

The House of Lords passed the second reading of the bill without division today. The debate was quite uneventful, apart from Lord Carson's outbreak, in which he attacked the Coalition Government, but did not seek rejection of the bill.

GREATER REQUIREMENTS OF THOSE STUDYING LAW

Dean McRae of Dalhousie Suggests Advisability of Longer Study by Students.

Toronto, March 16—At today's session of the Ontario Bar Association, Dean McRae, of Dalhousie University, Halifax, was among the speakers.

FINISHED LUMBER GIVEN FREE ENTRY

United States Tariff Bill Will Be Favorable to Canadian Lumber.

Washington, March 16—(Canadian Press)—The Senate Finance Committee, which is working on the tariff bill, has decided to put shingles on the free list. The House bill had a duty of 50 cents on shingles. Other wise the lumber provisions of the House bill are retained, and all finished lumber will come in free.

PRESIDENT MAY TAKE HAND IN THREATENED STRIKE OF MINERS

Should Strike Develop U. S. Industries Will Turn to Canada's Coal Supply.

Washington, March 16—(Canadian Press)—With the growing fear of a nation-wide coal strike, which may affect both hard and soft coal fields, it is possible that the President may call a general conference in Washington of operators and mine workers' officials.

RUM RUNNING HISTORY NOW IN THE MAKING

Another Chapter Added to Story of Schooner Grace and Ruby.

OWNERS OF LIQUOR SUE OFFICIALS

Enter Damage Suit in U. S. Federal Court for \$50,000 Against Customs Officers.

Boston, March 16—Another chapter in the rum-running history of the British schooner Grace and Ruby began here today, when the Bahamas Distributing Company of Nassau entered suit in Federal Court for \$50,000 each against William Ludlow, collector of the Port of Boston, and Herman Hornel, port surveyor, alleging illegal conversion of liquor carried by the schooner. The Grace and Ruby, seized by the coast guard cutter Tampa off this port last month, is being held pending disposition of proceedings against the vessel and its crew in the Federal Courts for alleged transfer of about one-fifth of a \$300,000 cargo of liquor outside Salem Harbor.

DRURY INTRODUCES NEW HYDRO RADIAL BILL

Provides Gov't Will Not Guarantee Bonds of a Radial Railway.

Toronto, March 16—Premier Duff, this afternoon, introduced the Government's Hydro Radial Bill in the Legislature which repeals, practically, all existing regulations relating to radials in this Province, except that relating to the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway and the York Radial Railway.

VERDICT OF SUICIDE AGAINST SULLIVAN

Shot Himself After Having Attempted Murder of Seventeen Year Old Boy.

Sherbrooke, Que., March 16—"Suicide" was the verdict rendered this afternoon by the Coroner's Jury into the death of William Sullivan, who died early this morning. Early yesterday morning Sullivan shot down Emile Martel, a seventeen-year-old boy, on the street, when the latter refused to accompany Sullivan to his home, and later rushed into his room at the hotel and shot himself in the chest, the bullet passing through his lungs.

SPECIOUS PLEA PUT UP BY SIR LOMER GOUIN

"Master of the Administration" Failed to Impress House by His Eloquence.

RESORTED TO SUBTLE INSINUATIONS

Declaring Meighen's Antagonism to Him Was Prompted by Bitterness Toward Quebec.

Ottawa, March 16—Sir Lomer Gouin, the "Master of the Administration," as Ottawa has come to regard him, made his initial bow before the House of Commons today. Sir Lomer, whose style of speech and confident manner showed him as an old Parliamentary hand, spoke as one who frankly recognized that he was suspected by the House, and his speech was largely a plea to be regarded as other than the representative of big business in Montreal. It was a specious plea, supported by a lot of cunning phrasing and many eloquent periods, but it failed to impress the House. Thus, the Progressives, to whom Sir Lomer addressed the bulk of his address, remained in stony silence, as with trembling voice, he told them that he was in Parliament for one reason, and that for one reason only—the service of his country.

LABOR GROUP FAVORABLE TO NORRIS GOV'T

Indications Are There Will be No Immediate Dissolution of Manitoba Legislature.

CONSERVATIVES WANT GOV'T TO CLEAR OUT

Leader of Group Confident He Can Readily Form Strong Administration.

Winnipeg, March 16—It appears almost certain that there will be no immediate dissolution of the Legislature, and that the Norris Government will remain in office sufficiently long for necessary supply to be voted and important, but non-contentious, legislation put through. The definite statement was made by F. J. Dixon, leader of the Labor group, tonight, that this group was agreeable to the administration carrying on till the tangle into which provincial affairs have got, has been straightened. J. T. Hag, leader of the Conservative group, would not give the Premier such a promise of support, as he stated tonight, he wants the Government to clear out and make room for a Conservative administration which, he claims, he could readily form if requested by Sir James Aikins to do so.

MEIGHEN ATTACK CUT DEEPLY

Sir Lomer showed that Mr. Meighen's attack of Monday had cut deeply. He endeavored to counter by a subtle insinuation that the Opposition leader's antagonism to him was prompted by bitterness toward Quebec, but that, as for himself, he stood for no particular interest, but solely for the country. He ended a twenty-minute speech by a plea for harmony and good will.

MINE OPERATORS IN SECRET SESSION

Framing Their Answer to Nineteen Demands Submitted Union Leaders.

New York, March 16.—Operators of 74 anthracite coal mines went into secret session here tonight to frame their answer to the 19 wage demands submitted yesterday by leaders of organized labor in the coal fields. Regardless of the outcome of the conference, it is generally predicted by both sides and by official observers that the anthracite mines will suspend operations after April 1. The object of tomorrow's session will be to determine whether a pro-posed suspension, or strike, may be averted by an offer to compromise the wage question.

ICE THREATENS NORTH STEAMSHIP LANES

U. S. Navy Department Issues Warning of Hazards to Mariners.

Washington, March 16—The Hydrographic Office of the Navy Department is warning to mariners, today, that the North Atlantic steamship lanes, normally used from February 1 to August 31, may be rendered hazardous by presence of extensive ice fields. The lanes were described as those crossing longitude 41, west, in latitude 40 degrees 30 minutes, north east, and latitude 41 degrees 30 minutes, west bound.

SYDNEY ALDERMAN BEFORE THE COURT

Witnesses Testify as to Whether or No He Showed Signs of Intoxication.

BRASS MOULDERS GO ON STRIKE

Boston, March 16—Five hundred members of the iron and brass moulders' unions went on strike today in fifteen factories affiliated with the Foundrymen's Association of Boston as a protest against a wage cut of five cents an hour.

NOW CONVINCED INTELLIGENCE IS IN THE EAST

Dr. Prince Expresses Pleasure Over Congratulatory Messages Received.

CRITICISM IS NOT TO BE FEARED

To Refrain from Interest in Investigation is Intellectual Lethargy, He Says.

Halifax, N. S., March 16—In a statement addressed to the people of Nova Scotia tonight, Dr. Walter Franklin Prince, principal investigating officer of the American Society of Psychological Research, who last night gave out the results of his investigations into the mysterious happenings in the former home of Alexander MacDonald, at Caledonia Mills, says regarding congratulatory messages received by him from Dr. G. B. Cullen, principal of Acadia University, and others:

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AMERICAN LABOR TO SUPPORT MINERS IN THEIR STRUGGLE

Coal Mine Operators Have Refused to Abide by Their Own Pledge.

Washington, March 16—Bituminous coal miners, who have voted to cease work April 1 "come what may, will have the support of the American Labor movement in their struggle," President Congress of the American Federation of Labor, said in a statement tonight. Coal mine owners, "bound by a solemn agreement to confer with the workers upon the terms of a new wage agreement" after that date, "have refused to abide by the terms of their own pledge," he declared, adding that "no group of employers in any industrial controversy in this country has ever placed itself in a more indefensible position."

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ALLIES REPLY TO THE DEMANDS OF U. S.

Rights Reserved, But Question of Payments for Rhine Cost Matter for Gov't.

Paris, March 16—The text of the collective reply made by the Finance Ministers of France, Great Britain, Belgium and Italy to the demand made by Roland W. Boyden, on behalf of the Washington Government, for consideration of the cost of United States occupation troops on the Rhine, was made public today. The essential part of the document reads:

DEATH CLAIMS JUDGE OF N. S. SUPREME COURT

After Several Months' Illness Hon. James Wilberforce Longley Succumbs to Ravages of Disease.

Halifax, N. S., March 16—After several months' illness, Hon. James Wilberforce Longley, Justice of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia since 1908 died at a private hospital here this afternoon. The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon from his late residence here. Deceased leaves a widow, who was Lois E. Fletcher, of Norfolk, England.

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