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CUT INDEMNITY IN COMMONS

No Outburst of Applause for Suggestion of Progressive.

Hon. Mr. Crerar States Position of His Followers in the House—Hon. J. B. M. Baxter is to Speak Today.

(Canadian Press) Ottawa, March 15.—One member of parliament has risen in the House to urge that his own indemnity, along with those of the 234 other members of the commons, be cut down. In a speech in the debate of the address last night, T. E. Ross, Progressive member from North Simcoe, urged the government to practice the strictest economy. He said he would go further, and would suggest that legislation be introduced to reduce the members indemnity from \$4,000 to \$2,500, the point which it was increased two sessions ago.

Others speakers were—W. K. Baldwin, Stantead; W. F. MacLean, South York; Robert Forke, Brandon; J. P. Speakman, Red Deer; James S. Woods, Centre Winnipeg; R. J. Woods, Dufferin and T. E. Ross, Simcoe. The debate will be continued today by Hon. J. B. M. Baxter.

LADY ALICE WHITE SLAIN IN HOTEL

Believed Burglar Delivered Blow Which Fractured Her Skull.

London, March 15.—Lady Alice White, who was found unconscious in her room in a London hotel yesterday, died this morning at 3 o'clock. A burglar is believed to have inflicted the fatal injury, a fracture of the skull. A woman occupying an adjoining room that of Lady White said she heard a scream after Lady White retired on Monday evening but she did not know where it came from the hotel or the street. The assumption is that Lady White shouted for help, whereupon the intruder struck her on the head and escaped.

TAKE 15 THIS WEEK TO DORCHESTER

Sydney, N. S., March 15.—Fifteen prisoners, under a guard of deputy sheriffs, will leave Sydney for the penitentiary in Dorchester this week, but the date of their departure is being kept secret to thwart possible attempts at rescue. They include those recently sentenced for taking part in the New Aberdeen riots of January.

HYDRO FOR TRURO?

Truro, N. S., March 14.—R. H. Smith, engineer of the Nova Scotia Power Commission, will place the proposal before the town of Truro that the corporation should participate in the projected Shear Hydro-electric development by which the Commission expect to furnish power at a cheap rate to the eastern portion of the peninsula. This will be the second electric development plan to be placed before the corporation in as many weeks, the first being that of Ernest Chisholm, who operated the coal deposit at Kempton. It is unlikely, however, that the Chisholm proposition to supply power at four cents per kilowatt hour delivered to the town distribution system will be accepted.

THE DELORME CASE

Montreal, March 15.—Rev. Father Delorme, under charge of murdering his half brother, Raoul Delorme, Ottawa student, this morning was at Bordeaux jail, where he is undergoing observation by experts to determine whether or not "he is in a fit state mentally to undergo trial." His preliminary enquiry was yesterday adjourned for a week.

Millions Loss In A Chicago Fire

Square of Business Buildings Near "Loop" Burned.

One Fireman Killed, Others Hurt—Hundred Thousand People Throng Streets—An Arrest on Suspicion of Incendiarism.

(Canadian Press) Chicago, March 15.—A spectacular early morning fire today destroyed a full square of business buildings just outside Chicago's "loop" or downtown district, with a loss estimated at from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000. The fire started in the centre of a block bounded by Van Buren, Canal and Clinton streets and West Jackson boulevard, and burned every structure in that area, leaped north across Jackson and wrecked the twenty-story Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad's general office building, which also houses the Mercantile Trust and Savings Bank, and, driven by a strong wind, swept over Van Buren street, southward and burned nearly through to Harrison street.

NEWS NOTES IN FINANCIAL WORLD

(McDougall & Cowans' private wire) New York, March 15.—The market opened completely the probable passage of a bonus bill and the probability of a coal strike on April 1. General underlying conditions are improving so steadily that confidence in returning prosperity is increasing every day. We are in a big bull movement and it is impossible to overstate the magnitude of the recovery. Evans of E. & C. Randolph.

IN WALL STREET

New York, March 15.—(10.30)—The increased firmness of foreign exchanges prompted further covering of short contracts at the opening of today's market. Railway shares, the stabilizing feature of the previous day, were again the strongest issues, although gains were limited to fractions. Oils showed firmness, but Western's decline of 1/2 point was the only reflection of the impending coal strike. Among specialties Keynote Wheel was most prominent, rising 2 1/2 points on the company's excellent annual report.

SHOOTS BOY, THEN HIMSELF

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Chicago Grain Market

Chicago, March 15.—Opening—Wheat—May 1.32 1/8; July 1.14 1/2. Corn—May 69 3/4; July 63 1/4. Oats—May 38; July 40.

As Hiram Sees It

"Well, well!" said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "I see another place over in Nova Scotia he's got spooked that spits blue flames an' scares people most into fits. I guess we'll hev to git 'em out to the Settlement an' git into the papers, too. You might jist say that when I got 'up to light the fire this mornin' an' got it all ready it started right off without me lightin' it. The tea kettle started to bibe, an' whistled Home Sweet Home, an' the cat began to bark, an' the dog danced a waltz on his hind legs, an' when I went out the cows was layin' on their backs with their feet in the air beatin' time to a ton the rooster was playin' on his comb."

SOLDIER BONUS BILL IN STATES

House Committee Passes It—Finance it by a Bank Loan for \$300,000,000.

Washington, March 15.—A soldier bonus bill with the bank loan provision that the bonus will be called upon to finance it by a bank loan for \$300,000,000 which it was estimated that the bonus would be called upon to advance on the completion of the bill.

ASSURES \$10,000 FOR WORK OR AID FOR UNEMPLOYED

Halifax, N. S., March 15.—For the first time this session the provincial House of Assembly yesterday went into committee of the whole on a resolution to accept the wage and working agreement offered by the British Empire Steel Corporation.

FORMER ANTI-RED CHIEF IS HELD IN VANCOUVER

Vancouver, B. C., March 15.—Pending formal advice from the United States, immigration authorities at Washington have detained General Semenov, former anti-Bolshevik leader, in the immigration headquarters. He arrived on one S. S. Empress of Russia from the Orient yesterday.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Steeger, director of meteorological service.

Table with columns: Location, Highest during 24 hours, Lowest during 24 hours, Highest during 48 hours, Lowest during 48 hours.

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OPERATORS AND MINERS MEET

Begin Negotiations on Agreement in U. S.

(Canadian Press) New York, March 15.—Anthracite miners and operators were prepared today to begin negotiations for a new wage agreement to take the place of the two year contract which expires at the end of this month. A large number of operators arrived to participate in the first joint conference today. A majority of the representatives of the miners comprising the scale committee have been in the city several days conferring the last to arrive being President Lewis, of the International organization of the U. M. W.

General Belief in Winnipeg Following the Defeat of the Government.

(Canadian Press) Winnipeg, March 15.—Little is expected to develop today in the Manitoba political situation. Following the defeat of his government in the legislature yesterday afternoon, Premier Norris conferred with his ministers, but he will have no statement to make until the return of Sir James Aikens, the lieutenant-governor, on Thursday afternoon. It is expected that when the House meets this afternoon the premier will move for immediate adjournment.

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SHOOTING OF MARTIN

The shooting of Martell took place on King street bridge and was witnessed by several people. The cause of the shooting has not been explained, although Martell and Sullivan had an argument about a year ago. It is alleged that Sullivan accosted Martell this morning while the latter was on his way to work, and asked him to accompany him. When Martell refused, it is alleged Sullivan threatened him, and when Martell ran away, Sullivan chased him and opened fire, three shots taking effect.

REPORTS DEATH OF CHUM BY SUICIDE

Police Hold Mike Currie, an Austrian, While They Make Investigation.

Soo, Ont., March 15.—The body of Andrew Lovris, an Austrian, lies in a local undertaking establishment here with a gunshot wound through the breast, and Mike Currie, a chum, is being held as a material witness.

VIEWS OF FORMER MINISTER FROM NEW BRUNSWICK

Comment of Candidates, Successful and Otherwise, on Dominion Elections Act.

Ottawa, March 15.—(Canadian Press)—Instructive in the main were the comments of successful and defeated candidates in the recent federal elections on the Dominion Election Act, according to a report of the chief electoral officer, tabled in the House of Commons yesterday. There were 397 candidates in the field, but though all of them were asked for suggestion regarding amendments to the act, only thirty-one replied.

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NOW ANXIOUS TO HEAR MONTAGU

Former Secretary for India Has Lost Sympathy.

Tenor of Letter from Lord Curzon Not as He Reported It—Renewal of Talk of Resignation of the Earl of Reading.

EARL OF READING

It now remains to be seen what reply Mr. Montagu can put up to the very serious indictment contained in Lord Curzon's explanation. The text of a letter sent by Lord Curzon to Mr. Montagu protesting against publication of the Indian government's statement, makes it quite clear that his tenor was not correctly reported by Mr. Montagu in addressing his constituents on last Saturday and there is much anxiety to hear what he has got to say about this when he speaks in the House tonight. The silence which he has hitherto maintained so far as parliament is concerned has done him great harm and alienated many sympathizers. It is considered probable that the Earl of Reading, Viceroy of India, will also resign.

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