

Canadian Provinces

Saskatchewan

MEMNONITES TO TEST ACTS

Old Colony Mennonites will take a test case to the courts in the attempt to overthrow the provisions of the School Attendance act and the Saskatchewan School act, so far as these acts compel the attendance of Mennonite children at public schools and the learning of English.

FARM LABOR SUPPLY WILL BE SECURED

About 2,000 men are required in connection with spring work on the land of this province from outside Saskatchewan, according to T. M. Molloy, commissioner of labor in discussing the farm labor situation. The employment offices in this province have 667 unfilled applications for men and with the near approach of seeding, this number will increase very largely. A telegram was received from the Vancouver office yesterday asking how many men from British Columbia could be handled here. A reply was sent to transfer between 500 and 800. Offers of help from the Maritime provinces, Ontario and a few from Winnipeg have also been made.

Mr. Molloy does not expect any difficulty in securing 2,000 men. The trouble if any, is going to be in getting men who can stand the work as many of those now out of employment in the east and on the coast are unaccustomed to working on the land.

DEATH SENTENCE OF MRS. SHULMAN CUT TO 12 YEARS

Mrs. Graphine Shulman, convicted murderer of husband, who was sentenced to hang on April 22 will spend twelve years in jail according to the order of the minister of Justice.

Mrs. Shulman was tried at Yorkton in January last and found guilty of the charge of murder being sentenced on January 18 to hang on April 22. At the trial evidence was given to the effect that Mrs. Shulman had been ill treated by her husband on several occasions.

On September 20, 1918, Alex Shulman was found dead in his bed with a bullet wound in his body. The provincial police arrested Mrs. Shulman and Frank Rutka the hired man holding them on suspicion of being connected with the murder.

Mrs. Shulman was tried in January and found guilty of the charge of murder.

Frank Rutka was tried yesterday at Yorkton and found not guilty of being an accomplice of Mrs. Shulman, by a jury in the court of King's Bench. He was discharged from custody last night.

Mrs. Shulman, who is 22 years old, will be incarcerated in the jail at Prince Albert as there is no accommodation for female prisoners in Regina Jail.

HOMESTEADER KILLS HIMSELF IN SLOUGH

SWIFT CURRENT, Sask. — Particulars were received here by Inspector Stewart of the provincial police, of the suicide of L. Klean, a homesteader of Cabri district. On April 7, Klean went to a slough in the neighborhood, fastened a large stone around his neck, jumped into the water and was drowned. The body was found a couple of days later. Klean was in a state of mental derangement. No inquest was considered necessary.

SLIGHT OUTBREAK OF MANGE AMONG WESTERN CATTLE

Hugh McKellar, who attended the meeting of stockmen at Swift Current and Maple Creek states that the stockmen are agitated over the threatened spread of mange among the herds in that district. Some cattle are already infected and no effort is being spared by the ranchers in preventing its spread to their herds. If the contagion spreads it will mean that the district will be quarantined and will cause material loss to the owners.

At both meetings the cattlemen agreed that the most drastic measures must be taken to prevent further contagion. Dipping the animals is the only manner in which the disease can be thoroughly eradicated said Mr. McKellar. During the years 1904-7 the disease made its appearance in the west and it was found that the dipping process was the only feasible means by which it could be stopped.

The dipping process in May and September has been found to be not sufficient and cattlemen advocate that the same procedure should be also done in June when the animals have shed their winter coats of hair as that less liquid is required and the results are more satisfactory.

THOMAS HENRY, OF WINDTHORST, GETS YEAR FOR PERJURY

Thomas Henry, of Windthorst, has been convicted of perjury and sentenced to one year at hard labor in Regina jail, by Mr. Justice MacDonald.

The case is one which has aroused a great deal of interest in the district, as Henry formerly operated the hotel at Windthorst. About six months ago, the provincial police arrested him and charged him with keeping intoxicating liquor with his stock of soft drinks. On this charge he was convicted and fined \$200 and costs before the local justice of the peace. Henry appealed the case and Judge Bigelow, who heard the appeal, dismissed the action against Henry on the ground that the provincial police had improperly arrested him.

Not satisfied with the disposition of the case and some of the statements made by Henry at the first hearing, the provincial police brought on a charge of perjury and brought Henry back from Calgary to stand his trial. He has been convicted of perjury and will spend one year in jail at hard labor.

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF PRAIRIE ROSE, NO. 309

Minutes of Council Meeting held in the Secretary's office, Jansen, on Saturday, April 12, 1919.

All the members of the Council being present, with the exception of Councillor Booth, Division 3.

Crosthwaite—That the Minutes of the Meeting of March 22 be adopted as read.

Dunn—That the application of A. L. Matthews for Seed Grain be granted.

Barley—That the Government Grant of \$500 be equitably divided amongst the six divisions in the Municipality.

Valens—That we endorse the amendment of Chapter 37 sub-section 2, re Council fees.

Barley—That we reduce the Wolf Bounty to one dollar until further notice.

Valens—That By-Law No. 21 relative to the borrowing of Eight Thousand Dollars for the purpose of obtaining Seed Grain be given its first and second reading.

Holfeld—That we authorize another line of Credit with The Union Bank of Canada, Jansen for \$10,000.

Dunn—Resolved that whereas the Minister of Municipal Affairs distinctly stated, at the Twelfth Annual Convention of the Association of Rural Municipalities, held in Saskatoon in 1917, that the Government had decided to grant the Municipalities 80 per cent. of the revenue derived from Automobile licenses, this Council most emphatically protests against that arrangement not being carried out.

Crosthwaite—That the following accounts be paid, namely: Village of Lockwood, \$5.00; H. A. Knight, Regina, \$45.75; Security Lumber Co., \$4.50.

Barley—That we adjourn to meet at the call of the Secretary. S. Moss, Sec.-Treas. Jansen.

MOOSE JAW STOCK YARDS MANAGER IS APPOINTED

MOOSE JAW. — Edward Evans, for the past six years manager of the Alberta stockyards at Calgary, has been appointed manager of the Southern Saskatchewan Co-operative Stockyards Company, Ltd., at Moose Jaw, and will assume his duties May 1.

ROTARY CLUB AND MAYO BROTHERS AID LITTLE GIRL

MOOSE JAW, Sask. — Martha Schow, the little girl who was sent to the Mayo clinic at Rochester by the Moose Jaw Rotary club, will be discharged from the hospital in another two weeks, perfectly well and able to walk. For several years the little girl has been unable to

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walk owing to a deformity of the hip. The Rotary club became interested in her case and she was sent to Rochester some months ago. When circumstances of the case were placed before Mayo brothers they refused to accept any payment for the operations. Upon her return to Moose Jaw the Rotarians plan to have her attend a luncheon as their guest.

NORMAL SCHOOLS TO CLOSE ON APRIL 29

REGINA, Sask. — Provincial Normal schools will close for the year on April 29. Preparations are now being made for the first and second normal classes for the annual examinations which will take place on Monday and Tuesday, April 28 and 29. The final at home for the season was held last Friday evening, and the term is now rapidly drawing to a close. This year's normal classes at the Regina school were the largest on record, and it is stated the largest assembly of students taking their teacher training at any city in Canada.

SASKATOON GOES AHEAD

SASKATOON. — At a meeting of the city council it was decided that the city adopts the fast time, and clocks were moved forward at midnight Wednesday last.

HERBERT HOTEL IS BURNED TO GROUND

HERBERT, Sask. — The Commercial hotel, three-story brick building with nearly fifty rooms and considered to be the best hotel between Swift Current and Moose Jaw, was totally destroyed by some one upsetting an oil lamp on the third floor, igniting curtains, although the building was electrically lighted. All occupants were saved. Good work of the firemen saved adjacent buildings.

MOOSE JAW FIREMEN GET WAGE INCREASE

An agreement has been made between the city commissioners representing the city council, and the members of the fire fighters' union, whereby the firemen will receive an increase of \$10 per month and they will sign an agreement dating from February 1, last.

ONE BIG UNION WAS TURNED DOWN

MOOSE JAW. — The one big union proposal was turned down by the Moose Jaw trades and labor council at its last meeting after an animated discussion lasting four hours. The proposal as brought before the meeting was that which was placed before all trades and labor councils by the central organization as follows: "Are you in favor of severing your affiliations with the present international craft unions and becoming a part of one big industrial organization of all workers."

Another motion placed before the meeting which was defeated also was that "We support the 'One Big Union' along industrial lines, but do not favor severing affiliations with the American Federation of Labor at the present time."

SEEDING BEGINS NEAR SHAUNAVON

According to information reaching one of the local machine companies, seeding operations have begun around Shaunavon and north of Swift Current. The work thus far is confined to the lighter lands, but it is expected that it will be quite general soon. Word has also been received from near Balcarres indicating that they are about ready to proceed with the sowing of the crop around that town.

MANITOBA

TWO WERE KILLED IN WINNIPEG BLAST AT STORAGE PLANT

WINNIPEG. — Two of the principal officers of the Manitoba Cold Storage company are missing and in all probabilities lost their lives in an explosion of ammonia at the company's plant on the corner of Higgins avenue and Meade street. W. S. Milne, superintendent, and W. Pattison, day engineer, were in the building and are believed to have been in close proximity to where the explosion occurred, and they have not been seen since.

Imperfect Tank Caused Deaths

WINNIPEG, April 16. — At the inquest last night into the explosion in the basement of the Manitoba Cold Storage plant on April 11 which resulted in the death of Superintendent W. S. Milne and Day Engineer W. M. Pattison, the jury found that the accident was caused by an imperfect ammonia tank which was carrying too great a pressure. The practice of putting such refrigerating machinery in basements or other places was condemned and it was urged that legislation be enacted to obtain inspection of such plants.

FINE MEMNONITES UNDER SCHOOL ACT

PLEM COULEE, Man. — John Boldt, a Mennonite farmer near here, was fined \$20 and costs for failing to send his children to public school when notified to do so by the local trustee officer. A large number of Mennonite farmers were in attendance at the court. Boldt belongs to the old church.

CASE FROM ROSSER

WINNIPEG. — N. Power, a farmer from Rosser, for failing to send his 14-year-old son to school, was fined \$20 by Magistrate Noble, who ordered that the boy attend school in the future.

TWO YEARS FOR DESERTERS

WINNIPEG. — Two years hard labor apiece was the sentence given to George Michaleuk and Joseph Podrinezny, deserters under the military service act. They failed to register during conscription. Both were charged by the R.N.W.M.P.

YOUNG INDIAN ADMITS MURDER

WINNIPEG. — Freely admitting his guilt, John Williams Cochrane, an Indian, 17 years old, confessed to the murder of James Campbell, a wealthy farmer, and his employer, before a coroner's jury at an inquest held at Teulon.

After hearing all the evidence and after secret consideration for but a few minutes, the jury returned a verdict of wilful murder against the youth. The accused was formally arrested and charged with murder. He was brought to Winnipeg on April 15.

JUDGE CARSE DEAD

WINNIPEG. — A message from Rochester, Minn., announces the death following an operation of Judge Albert Carse, former well known member of the Manitoba bar and pioneer citizen of Rapid City, Man. He was at one time police magistrate of Prince Rupert, B.C.

WANT DEPORTATION COURTS

WINNIPEG. — That all unnaturalized citizens should be examined before a properly constituted court which shall determine whether or not they are desirable citizens and get them deported if considered undesirable, was the effect of a resolution passed by the executive of the Army and Navy Veterans' association tonight.

MEET AGAIN ON NATURAL RESOURCES

WINNIPEG. — Hon. Edward Brown, provincial treasurer, who has just returned from a conference with the federal government at Ottawa, states that the matter of the natural resources was discussed and it is understood that a further conference of western provinces will be called in the near future, although nothing definite is likely to be determined until the return of Premier Borden from Europe.

NO MORE EXEMPTIONS FROM ARMY SERVICE FOR RELIGIOUS SECTS

WINNIPEG. — "Private advice reaching Winnipeg from Ottawa," says the Telegram, "declare that the government has decided to rescind the order-in-council which granted exemption from military services and the free exercise of

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CIVIL SERVANTS ORGANIZE

WINNIPEG. — Manitoba civil servants at a largely attended meeting decided to form an association of provincial employees of Manitoba. A committee was named to draft the constitution.

MUST PAY VETERANS \$2,000 IN EACH CASE

WINNIPEG. — Awards of \$2,000 each to the plaintiffs were fixed by Justice Metcalfe in the court of King's Bench in two cases of alienation of a wife's affections. The cases were David William Addie vs. William Steel and Featherstone vs. Charles Pearce. Both Addie and Featherstone were returned soldiers and on returning from overseas found the defendants living with their wives.

UNION ACTIVITIES IN WINNIPEG SEATS

WINNIPEG. — Notice has been circulated among leading supporters of the union government in Winnipeg of the proposal to organize union associations in each of the three federal constituencies of the city, which it is said will be extended ultimately to all seats in the province.

At the meeting of the North Winnipeg Conservative association the Grain Growers' circular on the approaching election was read and questions asked as to what the Conservatives were doing to organize throughout the Dominion.

ALBERTA

ALBERTA'S NEXT LOAN

EDMONTON. — The legislature passed a bill authorizing the lieutenant governor in council to obtain a loan of \$4,000,000 of which \$2,000,000 is for telephones and the remainder for general purposes named by the legislature.

HAVE CHEQUE ARTIST

EDMONTON. — Charged with victimizing seven local merchants by means of worthless cheques, Andrew E. Wood, alias Jack Olsen, Jack Wilson, Albert Smith, was arrested by the police here on April 16. Wood is only sixteen and one half years of age and the police say is wanted by authorities at Vancouver, Calgary, Regina and Moose Jaw. The method used was passing the cheques on merchants when the banks were closed Saturday afternoons.

GAS AGREEMENT IN CALGARY BOGUS

CALGARY. — The probe into the status of the Calgary Gas company agreement has been closed. Former City Clerk Gilles swore on the stand that the agreement had been changed, but he did not know how or when. It was brought out in evidence that the final agreement now on file at the city hall was made out on a strange quality of paper, scarcely ever seen in western Canada, and never used at the city hall.

CALGARY LOCKOUT AT BIG IRONWORKS

CALGARY. — Metal workers at four of the big iron works of the city were locked out on April 15, when they came to work, because they insisted on sticking to the eight hour schedule, they themselves had put into effect. Their hours have been nine. On Monday they decided to start an eight-hour schedule, and consequently went to work at eight and worked till five. Tuesday the men went to work to be faced with a lockout. The men are also asking increases in wages.

FOR ONE BIG UNION

CALGARY. — By a vote of 46 to 25, the Calgary trades and labor council passed the resolution declaring in favor of the one big union. The meeting was an exciting one and was attended by Alex Ross, M. L. A., who strongly opposed the resolution. Other speakers attacked Ross, who left after placing himself on record.

CALGARY VETERANS MOVE FOR GRATUITY

CALGARY. — Local veterans, in mass meeting, passed a resolution favoring the sending of a delegation from all the provinces to the Dominion government to urge the matter of \$2,000 gratuity for each overseas soldier and will shortly name the delegate who will represent Alberta.

MASS MEETING PROTESTS RAISING RENTS IN CALGARY

CALGARY. — A mass meeting of citizens was held in Newata Park under the auspices of the Army and Navy Veterans and Trades and Labor council, to protest the general raising of rents in the city. The Dominion and provincial government will be memorialized in the matter.

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SICAMOUS. — At a meeting of the directors of the United Farmers of British Columbia, the new independent organization of farmers, the general tariff situation was reviewed. It was decided that the organization should back the fruit growers of the province in their demands that the economic situation in fruit marketing be taken into consideration in the revision of the tariff, and that some provision should be made for the home market being retained for Canadian grown produce.

VEREGIN FORCED TO SIGN AGREEMENT TO SELL LAND OF DOUKHOBORS

GRAND FORKS, B. C. — Returned Soldiers, took a hand in the fight of the Grand Forks reconstruction board to secure the Doukhobor lands in Canada for soldier settlement and went in a body to interview Veregin, head of the Doukhobor communities.

At the suggestion of the returned veterans the Doukhobor leader, in the presence of five hundred of his followers in the chapel of the colony here, signed an agreement to sell to the government all Doukhobor lands in Canada or to sell their lands in British Columbia and remove to more remote parts of the Dominion. This was the climax to a series of sensations which have followed each other in their train since the arrival of the Doukhobor chief in the district.

Doukhobor lands here embrace five thousand acres of the choicest land in the valley and, according to Veregin, produced last year a surplus of over one hundred carloads of food products to feed Doukhobors in other communities.

SCARCITY OF HOUSES OVERCOME BY LOANS TO THEIR EMPLOYEES

VANCOUVER. — In order to assist its office employees to build or acquire homes during the present scarcity, the British Columbia Electric Railway Company has placed \$50,000 at their disposal. The money is to be loaned at six per cent. interest over a term of twelve years.

VANCOUVER SOCIALISTS

VANCOUVER. — The trades and labor council adopted the principle of the establishment of "one big union," and voted in favor of a strike to enforce the six-hour day. However, the action of this body is not final, as it will be necessary for the rank and file of labor to vote on these questions before they are decided. A referendum will be taken on these two questions, the vote to be returnable by May 10.

FORTY-FOUR CHINESE DEPORTED FROM B. C.

VICTORIA, B. C. — The largest number of Chinese ever deported in a batch from here sailed on the outgoing Empress of Russia April 10, when 44, who arrived here on the same vessel, were refused landing privileges. Twenty-seven of these had been destined for Victoria, but of these, 24 were proved to be bogus students and three bogus farmers. Of 17 destined to Vancouver all were bogus students.

Eastern Provinces

ANOTHER LIQUOR VOTE

FREDERICTON, N. B. — Indications point to a referendum on the prohibition act in New Brunswick, probably by September.

400 DRUG VICTIMS IN CITY OF TORONTO

TORONTO. — Despite the fact that just one year ago the greatest epidemic of illicit drug selling ever dealt with here was thought to have been stamped out, it is stated by police officials that there are 400 victims of the drug habit now in this city alone. It is stated that traders in these

TO RETURN TO "WETS"

QUEBEC. — At a meeting of the Lewis city council Ald. H. Dusault gave notice of a motion that at the next meeting he will introduce a motion revoking the municipal prohibition regulation.

NO QUEBEC ELECTIONS

QUEBEC. — Hon. L. A. Taschereau, minister of public works, gives denial to a report, published on Saturday, that a provincial general election will be held in June. He says there is no thought of holding an election this summer.

ST. LAWRENCE IS OPEN

HALIFAX. — The steamer Levesquey, Capt. A. Dunn, arrived here early on April 15th from Quebec for New York and anchored in the stream. She is the first vessel to arrive here this season from the St. Lawrence.

BURIED BABY ALIVE IN TORONTO PARK

TORONTO. — A two-year-old baby was buried alive in Moore Park by an unknown man, so the police were informed on April 11th. Residents of Moore Park who had seen the mysterious stranger with a baby in his arms and suspected his motives, rescued the infant in time to save its life, after he had actually put the child under the ground and trampled the earth down.

ALL IMMIGRANTS ALREADY LIABLE TO MILITARY CALL

OTTAWA. — There has been no action by the government relative to the movement against the entrance into Canada from the United States of Mennonites and Hutterites since Tuesday, April 8th, when Hon. Arthur Meighen, on behalf of Hon. J. A. Calder, who was absent from the house, replying to a question put by Fred Davis, of Neepawa, explained the situation. On Friday, April 11th, there was a further discussion of the matter between western members and Hon. J. A. Calder, but so far as can be learned, it has not as yet been productive of any further action on the part of the government.

The question of the exemption of Mennonites from military service was dealt with by an order in council passed last October. Under the provisions of this order, Mennonites who did not enter Canada under the provisions of the order-in-council of 1873 were made liable to military service.

All Hutterites entering Canada after April 10 have been made liable to military service. This was stated in the house by Mr. Meighen in reply to Mr. Davis. The order-in-council making the provision was passed on April 8, and came into force on April 10. It cancels the special privileges granted to Hutterites in 1899 insofar as immigration since April 20 is concerned.

Furthermore, the government immigration bill, as explained in the house by Hon. J. A. Calder, contains provisions which will delimit all immigrants entering Canada in future from claiming exemption from military service on conscientious grounds.

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