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## Child Labour Amendment May be Added to U.S. Constitution

### Ten Home Bank Directors to Face Trial-- Narrow Escape from Death of 45 Men when Bridge Crashes--Poincare Urges World Peace.

#### THE CHILD LABOUR AMENDMENT.

WASHINGTON, April 25. The House voted overwhelmingly to-day to give immediate consideration to the Foster resolution proposing a Child Labour Amendment to the constitution of the United States. Six hours were allowed for debate and the final vote, with the two-thirds majority required, is expected late to-morrow.

#### POINCARÉ'S PLATFORM.

PARIS, April 25. Premier Poincaré, in a pre-election speech to-day, urged consideration of world peace, prompt ratification of the Lausanne Treaty, and the necessity for securing reparation guarantees. Rejecting as impossible, the exchange of simple promises for real pledges, France, he declared, would remain in a conciliatory spirit without sacrificing caution, and said that he felt convinced the country would ratify this policy in the elections, as the Senate and Chamber of Deputies previously had ratified it.

#### SIR JOHN AIRD SUCCEEDS SIR EDMUND WALKER.

TORONTO, April 25. At a meeting of directors of the Canadian Bank of Commerce to-day, Sir John Aird, Vice-President and General Manager, was appointed President of the Institution, in succession to the late Sir Edmund Walker. Sir Joseph Flavell was appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors and will have the business of the Bank under his supervision. The appointment of a chairman of the Board of Directors marks a new department in Canadian Banking circles.

#### SNOW IN DENVER.

DENVER, April 25. Six inches of snow piled up in Denver streets this morning after an all night storm.

#### ANOTHER BANK ROBBERY.

GRANITE CITY, Ill., April 25. Bandits to-day robbed T. D. Gradinaroff, assistant cashier at the Granite City National Bank, of \$63,000 in currency, which he had just received at the Post Office from the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. Several shots were fired by Gradinaroff and the bandits but none was wounded.

#### DIRECTORS CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY.

TORONTO, April 25. Ten directors and officials of the Home Bank of Canada, under indictment here, are to face trial next week before Mr. Justice Lennox and a jury, on a conspiracy count. This was decided in the Court of Criminal Assizes this afternoon, when D. L. McCarthy, K.C., special Crown prosecutor, in order to avoid delay in trial of the accused announced he would drop the count of making false returns in the indictment for the time being, and proceed on the second count.

#### BRIDGE SPANS CRASH.

OTTAWA, April 25. With an almost inarticulate "look out," from an observant workman, the only warning, 45 men engaged in the erection of a massive covered wooden bridge over the Lièvre, connecting Notre Dame de la Salette, Quebec, with Bellmore Township, Quebec, reared over several hundred feet of crumpling timbers to the safety of the shore, just as two of the almost completed spans of the bridge, swaying in the heavy gale, toppled into the turbulent waters of the river, yesterday. One workman, however, Eusebe St. Amour, 40 years of age, a carpenter, who had been working on one of the piers, was caught and pinned to the pier by the falling timber, and is now in hospital at Buckingham suffering from badly injured spine as well as serious internal injuries. The damage is estimated at \$10,000.

#### NEW PORT REGULATIONS ENFORCED.

HALIFAX, April 25. The schr. Abacena, with six hundred gallons of rum, hailing from Bermuda, for St. Pierre, which arrived in port yesterday, was the first vessel to feel the new port regulation which debar liquor laden vessels from docking in Halifax without special permit from the Collector of Customs. Accordingly the vessel is remaining in the stream until ready to put to sea again.

#### LLOYD GEORGE CRITICISES LABOUR PARTY.

LONDON, April 25. Further criticism of the Labor Government was made by Lloyd George this afternoon in a speech at a crowded meeting at Llandudno, Wales, when the former Premier declared that with patience, steady work, and indomitable courage, the United Liberal Party ultimately would win its way back to power. Premier MacDonald had said he was

going to remain in office for three or four years in order to carry out the Labor Party's ideas, Lloyd George said, but he must know this kind of talk was humbug. The Labor Party's ideas were to overthrow the existing system of private enterprise and property, and to substitute therefore National enterprise and Communist property. "Did Premier MacDonald really mean he was going to carry out such a programme in the next two or three years?" Lloyd George asked "If not what did he mean." The Premier had said he did not like conditions, said Lloyd George, but if the present government, including Lords Chelmsford, Parnoor and Haldane was not a coalition what was it? Continuing, the ex-Premier said the Liberals were placed between two extreme parties, and it was difficult to fight on two fronts, but they must do it.

#### POINCARÉ'S DECLARATION.

PARIS, April 24. Premier Poincaré, in an election speech delivered at a banquet of Republican Federation to-night, answered a reproach that he had neglected home politics, by setting forth at length the proposed program of the New Chamber in the way of social and economic legislation. At the same time, he added, "I must repeat that the new Chamber just as the one whose mandate is about to retire will have to cast its eyes on the world." The Premier in defining the guiding principles of his foreign policy continued, "we shall study the new economic regime which the Treaty of Versailles obliges us to negotiate at an early date with Germany herself to obtain reparations and guarantees of safety without giving any one pretext to misrepresent our peaceful intentions, and not let slip the opportunity offered us by our success in the Ruhr by the Experts' report and by the preliminary decision of the Reparation Commission. In a word we shall seek to accomplish the general settlement but will not exchange solid guarantees for German promises, the insincerity of which, according to past experience, does not inspire confidence, and we will not rely blindly in advance on the debtor who has done nothing up to the present to discharge its obligations."

#### ANOTHER LAP COMPLETED.

KARACHI, British India, April 25. The flight of 700 miles here from Bunder Abbas, Persia, by Stewart MacLaren and companions in the British found the world venture was made without incident.

#### DR. HELFFERICH KILLED.

BERNE, Switzerland, April 25. Dr. Karl Helfferich, an eminent German financial authority, and his mother were among those killed in a collision of two express trains near Bellalona yesterday.

#### THE IRISH BOUNDARY QUESTION.

LONDON, April 25. The failure of the Irish Boundary Conference is widely regarded as likely to develop a new and serious crisis. It is generally taken for granted that the British government wishes to act in the matter by appointing a commission to delimit the boundary between Northern and Southern Ireland, and it is thought the Free State government will, if necessary, press this. The question, however, arises as to whether since Ulster has refused to appoint a representative to the commission that body could legally operate with only two members instead of three provided by the Polo-Irish Treaty. It is stated in some quarters that the government's legal advisers have declared the commission cannot proceed without Ulster's consent, and consequently a special legislation will be necessary to provide a substitute for the missing delegate.



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