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THE BUREAU OF MISINFORMA-
TION.

The Borden Administration's pub-
licity bureau has attained an evil
efficiency.

It is a new department of Govern-
ment for the dissemination of false-
hood in the party interests.

The business has been systematized
under the personal direction and stim-
ulus of leaders of the party.

Its latest achievement is the broad-
cast sowing of a story that Sir Wilfrid
Laurier and Mr. Laverne had held "a
long conference" on the naval bill,

looking to a working alliance between
the Liberals and Nationalists. Asked as
to the report by an Advertiser corres-
pondent, Sir Wilfrid said:

"There is not a word of truth in it.
I met Armand Laverne in the
corridor in front of Room 35, and we
had a moment's conversation, but not
on public matters. There has been no
conference between Liberal and
Nationalist leaders."

Even the Canadian Press, misled by
the Government bureau of misinforma-
tion, added in circulating the canard
which Sir Wilfrid has exploded.

The Laurier-Laverne fabrication is
one of many. A muddy Mississippi of
mendacity takes its rise in Ottawa and
flows over the country through the
channels of the Conservative press.

What a political beverage! Intelligent
Conservatives, of course, filter it before
using, but the bureau assumes that the
party will drink it raw.

THE PROUDFOOT DEMONSTRATION.

At the great meeting held in his
honour, Mr. Proudfoot reiterated his
charges against Mr. Hanna and Sir
James Whitney. He made them more
precise, if possible, than ever, and
added a broad insinuation that more
is known than has yet been allowed to
come out.

Mr. Proudfoot suggested that if a
chance for investigation offered, it
would appear that the \$500 contribu-
tion was really only an installment of
\$1,000 that Mr. Hanna asked for. The
question, "Why was the \$500
not paid over to the treasurer of the
Conservative Association for the Province
of Ontario?"

was in line with one of the banner mot-
toes of the meeting, "Who Has the
\$500?" Mr. Proudfoot brought out
that Sir James Whitney knew two
years ago about these things, but has
gone on parading his honesty. A
seathing indictment was made of the
Premier for deceit, trickery and abusive
language.

What is to be thought of a Govern-
ment on its defence that resorts to
blackmailing the accuser? "That
pale-faced creature," was Mr. Hanna's
counsel's term for Mr. Proudfoot;
"that man with the face of triple
brass," said Sir James. Either the
Premier or his lawyer must be color-
blind.

It is notable that Mr. Proudfoot now
makes his charges publicly, and apart
from any protection of parliamentary
privilege. It is open for Sir James
Whitney and his Secretary of State to
bring action against their accuser, as
Mr. Foster, to his grief, brought suit
against the editor of the Globe. They
will not likely try it, if they evade a
royal commission of investigation.

Mr. Rowell, following Mr. Proud-
foot, made a more sweeping arrange-
ment of the Government than even Mr.
Proudfoot had done. He said:

"No one for a moment supposes
that the particular contribution se-
cured from Mr. Taylor was the only
contribution secured from Govern-
ment contractors or parties having
relations with the Government. It is,
perhaps, not without interest to
point out that another method by
which the Government is securing
contributions to assist in its politi-
cal warfare is to solicit or require
licenseholders to make contributions
to support the Conservative candi-
dates. In the East Middlesex elec-
tion campaign a collection or sub-
scription or contribution in some
form was actually taken from the
liquor licenseholders in London, in
East Middlesex, and some thousands
of dollars, according to my informa-
tion, were sent up to assist the
Government candidate. If they took
contributions from the liquor interests
in Toronto, we may take it for
granted that they took contributions
from liquor interests in London, in
East Middlesex itself, and in places
nearer at hand than Toronto."

Mr. Rowell went on to suggest that
these contributions in the East Mid-
dlesex fight and "the prospective con-
tributions to be made in other con-
tests," had something to do with the
Government's dropping its anti-treaty
legislation last session. This is an
honest Government that we labor
under!

THE WORST YET.

Innumerable charges have been
brought against Liberals in the past.
They have been called traitors, rogues,
liars, fools, everything that was bad
and ugly. But these things have not
weakened their digestion nor distur-
bed their sleep. Conscious of their own
wisdom and virtue and good looks,
they have been able to submit to the
Billingsgate of opponents with pa-
tience, and that serenity of spirit
which accompanies the mind conscious
of right.

But now they must protest. Here is
something that out-Herods Herod.
They cannot and will not submit to
this. They have got to protest; they
will do more than protest; they will
call out the militia. If the militia will
not come, they will take the law
of him, and if that is not enough, like
valiant Samson, in "Romeo and
Juliet," they will bite their thumbs at
him. The Toronto Telegram makes the
fourth charge, that there is no difference
between 1837 Toryism and Laurier Lib-
eralism. "There is no difference be-
tween the Tory lieutenant-governor of
Upper Canada in 1837 and the Tory
Sir Wilfrid Laurier in 1913."

Now, Liberals have no objection to
any reasonable amount of abuse, but
when it comes to saying that Family
Compact Toryism of 1837 is the same
thing as Laurier Liberalism of today, it
surely is time for violence. Listen to
this: "Tory principles in the worst
sense were never more insolently pro-
claimed by the councillors of Sir
Francis Head in 1837 than by Sir
George Ross and the councillors of Sir
Wilfrid Laurier in 1913." Wouldn't
that jar you?

Here is a Tory whose most violent
condemnation of the Liberal leader is
that he is the lineal descendant of the
champion Tories, Robinson, Draper,
Bishop Strachan and that ilk. It is an
insult to the Liberal leader. But what
a slur on the great Tories of the past.
Here is this disloyal separatist, Laurier,
and he is as bad as those pioneer
Imperialists of the Family Compact.

It will be noticed that the naval ex-
perts of the Borden Government are
in no hurry to test the raging sea of
an election.

The population of the United States
is thirteen times that of Canada. The
national expenditure of the United
States for the current year is only
four times that of Canada. Yet the
Americans are famed to be great
spenders.

The signing of the peace treaty be-
tween Turkey and the Balkan allies is
a personal triumph for Sir Edward
Grey. A year ago he was under a cloud
owing to his supposed betrayal of
Persia to Russia. Today he is so pre-
minent among European statesmen
who hold the strings of foreign policy,
that the Kaiser is said to have
called him "arbitrator mundi."

The evidence in the Michigan court
should convince his countrymen that
Mr. Roosevelt is an exceedingly mod-
erate, and not even an individual drinker
of intoxicants. Yet the legend of his in-
temperance was so widespread that it
damaged him greatly in the last elec-
tion. Perhaps he wishes now that he
had been a total abstainer.

Some of our Conservative journals
affect a childish fear that the de-
feat of the Borden tribute bill may
cause British capital to turn away
from Canada. Did it ever turn away
from other countries? Will it turn
from Canadians who are all anxious,
except Mr. Borden's friends, the National-
ists, to aid Great Britain on the sea?
British capital will more likely
consider that Canada has \$35,000,000
more to pay its other debts with, than
it really very funny that British capital
should object to lending Canada
money because Canada is \$35,000,000
richer than was expected. Has British
capital turned sentimental and
idiotic at once?

The Toronto Conservatives seem to
be ashamed of the little scheme that
was attempted in that city to disturb
the Laurier meeting by sending in a
lot of people on forged tickets. This
was really not the work of Toronto
people at all. The World says it was
"a village trick," perpetrated by some
outsider—someone from the country.
Then, with a countenance more or less
solemn, it proceeds to read "the smaller
communities" a lecture on ethics and
good manners. It regrets that in the
"village" they love practical jokes,
horse-play, and smart tricks. But they
must remember that while that sort of
thing might be excused among these
vulgar people in the smaller communi-
ties, they must not try it in Toronto.
And if any of them move into Toronto
they must leave childish ways outside,
and grow up to the standard of a cap-
ital city. O, yes. Just so.

SHIFTING RESPONSIBILITY.

A town charter which had been in
trouble with the police many times was
arrested recently on a minor criminal
charge. The arresting officer was amazed
when the fellow appeared in police court
with a lawyer prepared to make a de-
fence. Finally his case was called and
the judge asked:

"Prisoner, are you guilty or not
guilty?"

"Let my lawyer plead not guilty for
me, Judge," was the reply. "I ain't got
the nerve."

THE WOMAN OF IT.

"Then you refuse me?" he asked
dramatically.

"I do, John," answered the maiden.
"Is it because I have no fortune?"

"No, it is not that," he replied.
"You silly girl," he exclaimed, "May-
be it will be I who will grow to look
like you!"

"Oh, John," she said joyously, "I never
thought of that. I'm sure it would be
me!"

great for us to look like each other,
wouldn't it; won't you please forgive
me?"

PERTINENT QUESTION.

[New Orleans Times-Democrat.]
Misses—Jane, we are going to have
company for dinner, and I want to
speak to you about the cooking."
Maid—Yesum; are they your relatives
or your husband's?

THE CALL OF THE COLORS.

[Robert Underwood Johnson in the
New York Times.]
On the blood-watered soil of the Bal-
kan Peninsula.

A Bulgarian lies clenching with a Turk.
And the task of the cannon and rifle.
Will be finished by fist and by dirk.
And the last word of hate ere the
rattle.

Of death bids their enmity cease—
Is it call to the banners of battle
Or a call to the colors of Peace?

In the purlieus of sin-befogged cities,
Sloven food of neglect and of pest.
Somehow a mother lies dying.
With tomorrow's pale corpse at her
breast!

And the bread-cry that serves for the
prayer.
Of orphans—(Oh, when shall it
cease?)—
Does it call to the banners of battle,
Or a call to the colors of Peace?

I hear from my window this morning
The shout of a soldiering boy;
And a note in his proud pleasure
wounds me.

With the grief that is presaged by
joy.
I hear not the drum's noisy rattle.
For the groan of one hero's release.
Is it call to the banners of battle,
Or a call to the colors of Peace?

O ye of the God-given voices,
My poets, of whom I am proud,
Who sing of the true and the real
When illusions are dazzling the
crowd.

Go, turn men from wolves and from
cattle.
Till Love be the one Golden Fleece.
Oh, call us no more unto battle,
But call to the colors of Peace!

SECOND DEATH AS RESULT OF TAKING FRIEDMANN CURE

Miss Yvonne Cloutier's Parents
Say She Was Worse After
Treatment.

Doctor Decided Not to Give
Her a Second Injection
of Serum.

[Canadian Press.]
Montreal, May 31.—Growing steadily
worse since receiving an injection
of Dr. Friedmann's turtle tuberculosis
"cure," Miss Yvonne Cloutier died last
night. Miss Cloutier is the second
Friedmann patient to die here within
the week.

The parents of the girl, who believed
before Dr. Friedmann came to the city,
that their daughter was slowly regain-
ing ground against the disease, say
that only one of her lungs was affected
up to the time she was treated with
the turtle serum.

The patient herself believed that
only one of her lungs was affected un-
til after the treatment, and when she
began to grow worse she consulted
Dr. Grenier, supervisor of the Bru-
chesi Institute for Consumptives, who,
after examining her, said that both
organs were affected.

Dr. Friedmann decided not to give
Miss Cloutier a second treatment, Dr.
Grenier says. The doctor also con-
tends that the German physician must
now prove that his non-virulent bac-
cilli do not become virulent after a
while, as the cases of the two patients
who have died here seem to indicate.

The Senate Will Probe
Insidious Lobbying

Result of Changes Made Recently by
President Wilson.

[Canadian Press.]
Washington, May 31.—The Senate's
investigation of the "numerous and in-
sidious lobby" which has been charged
with threatening the tariff bill, will be-
gin Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock by
a committee composed of Senators Over-
man, Walsh, Cummings, Reid and Nelson.
Mr. Overman will be chairman.

The investigation will be conducted
openly in the public hearing room of the
judiciary committee in the Senate office
building, and members of the Senate will
be called in alphabetical order. Senator
Ashurst, of Arizona, thus will be the first
witness.

The sub-committee considered a tenta-
tive list of questions prepared by Sen-
ator Overman, but they were not adopted,
deferring action until another meeting
late today.

President Wilson was sent a certified
copy of the resolution of inquiry, and
Senator Overman telephoned to
Secretary Lundy the information
that the committee would begin work on
Monday.

"We will not ask the President to come
before the committee," said Chairman
Overman. "What the President wishes to
do in this matter the committee will leave
to his own good judgment. We hope to
conclude the inquiry in ten days. It is
our purpose to rush it as rapidly as pos-
sible, not overlooking anything of im-
portance that develops."

DID HIS BEST

Godfrey Isaacs Says He Always Tried
to Develop Projects.

[Canadian Press.]
New York, May 31.—A London cable
says:

During the trial yesterday of Cecil
Chesterton, who is accused of uttering
a criminal libel against Godfrey Isaacs,
managing director of the Marconi Com-
pany, the latter on the witness stand
said he had been a director in twenty
companies. Counsel for the defence
then asked:

"Can you point to one success ex-
cept the Marconi, in the whole of your
career?"

"No. I should not call any one of
them a complete success," was the an-
swer, "but each of them was an en-
deavor to develop something new."

On this the judge remarked: "It is
not an imputation against a man that
he has been a failure."

The case was then adjourned.

ACT WILL ONLY INTENSIFY CONS., SAYS COL. HUGHES

Angered at Senate for Killing
the Navy Bill So
Promptly.

Evades Question When Asked
Regarding Possibility of
an Election.

[Canadian Press.]
Montreal, May 31.—The "fossilized
old sentiment" of the Upper House,
How many Hon. Sam Hughes, min-
ister of militia, referred to the Senate
in the course of an interview here
last night in which he discussed the
message of Sir George Ross' amend-
ment to the naval bill.

Asked if he thought there was any
chance of a general election taking
place, as the Senate seemed to ex-
pect the main battle would be with
the "Do you think Mr. Borden and
his colleagues are weak enough to
be forced into an unnecessary elec-
tion by such tactics?"

As to the future of the naval bill
Col. Hughes said that it was dead for
the time-being at least. For himself
he stated that he had never considered
the future of the bill once it went to
the Senate. He had never taken the
Senate seriously and he thought that
a great many others, both Liberals
and Conservatives, would now join him
in this view.

"But you must consider them seri-
ously now, must you not?" he was
asked.

Col. Hughes replied that the history
of nations was not measured by a year
or two, and that the country might
be might by its action, kill the present
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defence of the empire were very dif-
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MAYORS GO TO SCHOOL

They Want to Learn Great Lessons in Municipal Government
So That Their Cities May Be Better Places to Live In.



Mayor Blankenburg of Philadelphia (on left) and Mayor Riddle of Atlantic City. Photographed on U. of W. Campus.

Madison, Wis., has been seeing something new in college students. Mayors,
other city officials, chamber of commerce members and college presidents from
the east have been taking a three days' course in government in the University
of Wisconsin to learn how to run their own cities.

The most conspicuous of these 100 or more elderly students have been
Mayor Rudolph Blankenburg of Philadelphia and Mayor William Riddle of
Atlantic City. Businessmen, lawmakers and educators from Boston, New
York and many other cities helped to make a group of freshmen such as were
never before seen on the campus and in the classrooms of the university.

Their course of study included lectures on labor, capital, promotion,
education, special service, city administration and other topics, with special
emphasis on civic improvement.

After his first morning's work Mayor Blankenburg said: "But I know
"I've about decided that I'm as ignorant as when I was born. But I know
so there's hope."

That is being asked by local financial
men. The plan is characterized as a
"vicious" one by many financiers, but at
the same time it is admitted to be an
exceptionally good plan for the financing
of part, at least, of the city debt.

Money is received from the citizens in
the form of deposits. It is turned into
the form of bonds, and used for con-
struction of local improvements. The amount
so obtained is not large enough to meet
the entire city obligations, and debent-
ures have to be sold, but at the same
time it proves a valuable auxiliary in the
finance problem.

SIR MAX AITKEN
COMING TO CANADA

[Canadian Press.]
London, May 30.—Sir Max Aitken,
who sails for Canada today, addressed
his constituents at Ashton, Lancashire,
last night.