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LEGISLATURE FORESEES POSSIBLE BATTLE ON TEMPERANCE QUESTION

Independent Labor Convention Today Discusses Plans for Political Action

LABOR IN BRITAIN. IS NOT BOLSHEVIST. SAYS HENDERSON

Says It is Constitutional Party Run on Constitutional Lines.

REPLIES TO PREMIER

London, April 1.-Arthur Henderson, labor leader, takes issue with Lloyd George on his statement that the leaven of communism is affecting the British Labor party, and that it is not fit to assume the reins of government. "No man knows better than Lloyd George himself that Labor in British politics is a consti-tutional party organization on constitutional lines, run in a constitutional way. It has no secret party tunds and no hidden caucus. British Labor has constantly refused the temptation to advance its cause by unconstitutional means. It has recently given a striking decisive proof in its determination to abide by a policy of pacific progress in its overwhelming decision against direct action.

against direct action.

"The Labor perty will continue its battle for progress, for betterment of national life, for improved acusing and educational conditions of labor, for ensuring that essential sources of national wealth shall be employed for the benefit of the nation as a whole, not for the monopolistic profit of groups classes a individual. ofit of groups, classes or individuals.
"The Labor party faces the prospects end with absolute confidence."

CONFER ON B.N.A. ACT

To Hold Interprovincial Meeting for Discussion of Dominion's Constitutional Rights.

Ottawa, Ont., April 1 .- An interprovincial conference will be held this summer on the question of seeking legislation which would confer on the Dominion parliament the right of amending the constitutional Britis's North America act. The exchange oof views n the subject so far is in-formal and upofficial. For the most part the proposition is viewed with favor, the Premier Martin of Sasravor, the Premier Martin of Sas-katchewan is out against it.

If such an amendment is secured, the idea in Ottawa is that to give effect to it the concurrence if all the provinces should be necessary.

As matters stand at present and differing from a view that is widely prevalent, the imperial parliament, on its own initiative or at the instance of the Dominion parliament may make

of the Dominion parliament may make whatever amendment it pleases without consulting any province.

FURTHER CRITICISM OF U. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT

Washington, April 1.—Because of the navy department's policy of "indire :ence," no effort was made to bring voluble as ever. Smiling and easy, but the navy to a state of preparedness with the twinkle in his eye, denoting the navy to a state of preparedness before the war, Rear-Admiral Ful.am former commander of the Pacific reserve fleet, declared today before the senate naval investigating commit-

The admiral said that in 1915, when he went to the Pacific coast to take command of the reserve fleet the ships had so small complements that they could not be moved from the dock.
The navy was "fatally short of men," the added, but the department failed th to advocate sufficient personnel in-creases, and was "totally indifferent to

RAILWAY TO FILE **NEW TARIFF FARE**

Federal Commissioners Permit Revision of Commutation Rates.

Ottawa, April 1.-The board of year, railway commissioners today brought dawn judgment in the application of board with such a perfectly competent the Canadian railways for increasing commutation rates. The commissioners ruled to allow the railway companies to file a new tariff. The occupied at before judgment was a rulky document of 47 pages and while it has been issued

the interested parties in the case will not receive copies until Monday.

Judgment of Board.

The judgment of the board provides as follows:

The railway companies will be permitted to file new tariffs of fares for commutation passenger traffic, applicable between the points included in the now existing tariffs of commutation fares as follows: (a) 50-strip tickets good for 30 days on the basis of 8 1-2 mills per

No extensions of present commu-



A MOUNTAIN OF WAR BOOTS Germany has tons and tons of war material, which has to be put to some good purpose. The photograph shows one of many stacks of military boots now stored in Berlin, and which will have to be got rid of.

ZEAL OF MEDICAL PROFESSION

Tells Public Accounts Committee of Thousands of Dollars Paid to Informers-Also Pays Tribute to Business Acumen of His Manager, Mr. Cleland.

The opening chapter of this year's O.T.A. comedy-drama before the public accounts committee was heard yesterday. J. D. Flavelle, chairman of the board of license commissioners, and H. H. Dewart met again. Mr. Flavelle's role was somewhat altered from last year. Towards Mr. Dewart he was confidential and courteous, and as something held back, Mr. Dewart gave Mr. Flavelle free rein, when one of his answers overran a newspaper column in length.

The story started about the phenomenal business ability of W. B. Cleland, general manager of the government warehouse in Toronto. With such endowments a trustworthiness, efficiency and experience, Mr. Cleland combines zeal of a profiteer. This is not the way Mr. Flavelle put it, but it is what it amounted to. The half million profit the possibility of a state of war being forced upon it."

made by the government warehouse in nine months of 1919 was the accompaniment of Mr. Cleland. And he could enlarge the business right along, but, of course, the board spends money like water to repress the liquor traffic. Between the business instinct of Mr. Cleland and the righteousness of the board, it seemed to be the impact of irresistible efficiency upon immovable righteousness. Mr. Cleland sat beside Mr. Flavelle wearing large spectacles and blushing as each additional gust of testimony struck him broadside on. Mr. Flavelle called his gen-eral manager the "dominating spirit." Upon him depends the success or failure of the government's liquor business, now amounting to \$4,000,000 a

Mr. Flavelle had not considered that.

Mr. Dewart: What was Mr. Cleland occupied at before you secured him?
Mr. Flavelle: With the Imperial Munitions Board.

Mr. Dewart: Appointed there by Sir Joseph, eh? Mr. Flavelle: I cannot say. Mr. Dewart: He was at one time a traveler for the Royal Distillery?

Mr. Flavelle: That was years ago. He ran a liquor store in Hamilton. Then he was appointed government vendor in Hamilton. When he got the ten thou-(Continued on Page 7, Column 4).

STRIKE IN DENMARK

days on the basis of 8 1-2 mills per mile of travel, subject to a minimum charge per ride of 7.1-2 cents.

(b) 40-trip tickets (scholars' tickets) good for 30 days, on the basis of 1.4 mills per mile of travel, subject to a minimum charge per ride of 7.1-2 cents.

(c) three trades, and to the compositors of the newspapers espousing the cause of the Right party. (c) 10-trip tickets good for three months on the basis of 2.5 cents per mile of travel, subject to a minimum charge per ride of 7 1-2 cents.

positors or the newspapers the cause of the Right party.

On the receipt of the news that trops would be brought to Copenhagen from Elsinore and Vordingborg agen from Elsinore and Vordingborg. railwaymen's union decided not to operate trains carrying troops.

MONTREAL BACHELORS LEAD A HUNTED LIFE

Montreal, April 1,-A new terror has been added to the life of bachelors in Montreal. Not merely is he liable for the \$10 tax, which has already brought it up to the sum of \$117.498, but if he tries to escape payment, the girls make sure that he shall not. About fifty complaints have already been received at the city hall that such and such a man was unmarried and asking that he be sure and be made to pay. All the ladies are given credit for desiring to have the law observed.

MOVE TO HARNESS THE FRENCH RIVER

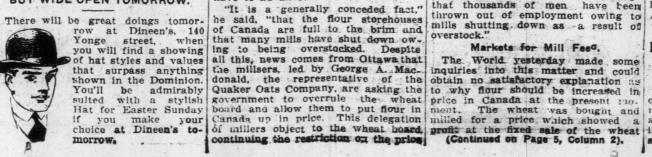
A Deputation From Northern Towns Have Conference With Sir Adam Beck.

COMMISSION SYMPATHETIC

A proposition to develop power on the French River was taken up yesterday with the chairman of the H'ydro-Electric Power Commission, Sir Adam Beck, by a deputation from northern towns, including North Bay, Sturgeon Falls and Sudbury. The result of the conference was a request from the chairman for a memo setting forth the extent of the requirements for power, tributory to the French River, on receipt of which the commission would go into the matter and submit figures on the approximate cost per horsepower to the northern customers. He said he was heartily in sympathy with the appeal. and assured the deputation that as soon as the formal petition arrives from the municipalities, the commission would take action. It is estimated that from 25.000 to 40.000 h.p. is avallable.

Speaking to The World last night, a member of the deputation said the proposed development on the French River would open a new era for the porth would open a new era for the north, and would make North Bay a lake port as the long deferred canaling of the river would probably be hastened by the production of power.

CLOSED TODAY (GOOD FRIDAY)
BUT WIDE OPEN TOMORROW.



Chairman of National Committee Says Senate is Exceeding Its Powers.

TO VOTE NEXT FRIDAY

Washington, April 1.—Republican leaders in the house completed today their plans to put thru a week from tomorrow a resolution declaring the state of war with Germany at an end. The measure was favorably reported today by the foreign affairs committee and will be taken up next Thursday under a nine-hour debate rule, which will bring the vote on Friday.

Action of the Republicans drew the fire tonight of Homer S. Cummings, chairman of the Democratic national committee. In a statement to press representatives he said it marked "about the lowest point of moral"

"about the lowest point of moral capacity to which Republican leadership has descended." It was an attempt, he added, to use the treaty of Versailles, "without first accepting it" and could and probably would lead to international complications, "the seriousness of which it is difficult at this time to conjecture." ime to conjecture.

The resolution was reported on a strict party vote by the foreign arfairs committee. Representative Huddleston, Democrat, Alabama, refused to vote, but his colleagues on the committee all opposed the report.

Later Republican leaders reviseure their plan to call, the manufacture of the call the call.

Monday because of the probable absence of members on that day owing to the Easter hollays. They had no doubt that it would be adopted, although the control of the control on that day owing lays. They had no d be adopted, although lining up against hally confident that

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HOUSING TOANS **ARE INCREASED**

Federal Cabinet Gives Authority to the Provincial Governments.

to increase the maximum amounts of the loans which may be granted under class "A" of the federal housing pro-\$4000 for six or seven-room dwellings. The question was brought before the cabinet council in regard to houses of wooden construction. Thomas Adams, town planning adviser, reported that in some cities, especially in St. John, N.B., and in Winnipeg, preference was shown for such houses, and, it was pointed out, the cost of the material. and labor necessary for their erection had greatly increased during the past

The government, therefore, authorized the loan increases mentioned.

MORE BRITISH GOLD ARRIVES IN NEW YORK

SHOULD FLOUR ADVANCE

ceived during the week about \$20,-000,000. Two more shipments, bringing the total to \$40,000,000, are ex-

have to advance.

"It is a generally conceded fact,"

CLEMENCEAU, KILLING CROCODILE, ADVISES "KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT"

Reptile Was Lying With Open Jaws When Tiger of France Planted Bullet in It.

Cairo, Egypt, April 1 .- Georges Clemenceau, former prime minister of France, radiating strength and vigor as a result of his vacation in Egypt and the Sudan, tells of bagging a crocodile on the upper Nile, as one of the proudest achievements of his four score of years.

"They call me 'the tiger' in France," he said. "I believe this is the time that a tiger has killed a crocodile." The great reptile, basking in the warm sunshine, opened its enorme mouth when M. Clemenceau approached. A bullet struck the crocodile inside

"I have always held," said M. Clemenceau drily, "that reptiles, as well as human beings, should keep their mouths shut.'

DOMINION ALLIANCE ATTACK . TO THE GOVERNMENT'S DEFENCE

Cabinet's Attitude Has Not Changed, Say Ministers in Statement - Whole Issue May Be Reopened, is Latest Prediction—Parties Lining Up for a Battle.

Its mouth, killing It.

Rev. Ben Spence, Rev. Dr. Shearer and Rev. Albert Moore were callers Attorney-general Raney, who has troubles of his own these days, saw view was in part concerned with the manifesto of the Ontario Alliance on the native wine item in the govern-ment's erased temperance menu. Premier Drury authorized the following statement:

its attitude. We have had no influential representations of any

The referendum committee meet on Tuesday when the legislature reassembles after Easter and it as expected that not only the native wine, but the whole temperance issue will

be on the carpet again.

That the temperance legislation of which the government has announced its approval will not have smooth sailing, is indicated by discussions heard in the corridors and lobbies. The divergent views in the camp of the Ottawa, April 1.—Authority has been given to the provincial governments dictions are heard that the whole temperance issue will have to be re-opened. Leaders of both Conservatives and Liberals declare their lack of sym ject from \$3000 to \$3500 for four or pathy with the government's refusal to announce a liquor policy. to announce a liquor policy.

The premier's declaration finds sup-

port in a statement given out last evening by Revs. Moore, Grant and Shearer, who, in contradiction of the suggestion that the government's attitude had changed, recall the words of the attorney-general on March 3 last that the temperance forces need last, that the temperance forces leed not look for any change in the O.T.A. at present. They also declare that the purpose of their visit to the government was to urge the introduction of the resolution calling for the taking

of a referendum. Following is the statement:

Ministers' Statement.

The attention of the undersigned has been called to the following statement issued by the Ontario branch of the

minion Alliance: New York, April 1.—A shipment of \$10,000,000 in gold from Great Britain arrived here today on the Cunard liner Saxonia, making the total received during the week about \$20,native wines. This change has apparently been brought about by representa-

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that thousands of men have been

WITH WAREHOUSES FULL?

Move of Milling Interests Finds Scant Sympathy From

Consuming Public-Want Government to Buy

Stocks and Ship It to Europe.

ket."

This was the comment of a Toronto man yesterday on the intimation from the millers that the price would have to advance.

proportion of Canadian wheat as flour, as they fear the vast quantity of flour in the United States for export may complicate to the Canadian market. The millers acknowledge

Canadian-born member of British parliament, who is mentioned as possible new chief secretary for Ireland. **WILL PRESS DRURY**

SIR HAMAR GREENWOOD.

Lobbies Hum With Discussion of Government's Move on the Temperance Issue.

OLD PARTIES ARE AROUSED

Yesterday the legislative lobbies were busy discussing the position in which the Drury government has placed itself on the temperance issue. The Conservatives are declared to be definitely prepared to move want of confidence in the government when one of the government supporters as a private member brings the matter before the assembly.

The ground taken is that the assembly should not permit the government to cast aside its responsibility for a definite policy on a question that is indisputably the business of the execu-five and administration. The government is, however, on record as approving, by the attorney-general's declaration, the scheme of a private member taking charge of the temperance resolution and absolving the govrnment following from any obligation to stand for or against the issue of a referendum on liquor importations.

One of the leaders of the party said: "If they take this course on temperance, they can take it upon any question of public policy. We cannot permit this to be made a precedent. Besides, the temperance question is suffi-ciently substantial to form the basis of a straight issue of government responsibility. We are warned to watch all legislation for signs of the tendency

"While stories are coming in from east and west telling that warehouses are full to the roofs with flour, the milling interests are in Ottawa pleading to the cost of manufacture. The Major Tolmie and Howard Ferguson ing with the government to establish millers further complain of the govnew European credits so these stocks ernment that scarcity of mill feed is for a frank declaration from Mr. took identical positions in the demand can be exported, or permit them to directly traceable and a lack of marraise the price to the Canadian consumer, to save them from the loss
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> Editor of Paris "Soviet" Arrested for Urging Anarchy

that surpass anything shown in the Dominion. You'll be admirably suited with a stylish Hat for Easter Sunday if you make your choice at Dineen's to-morrow.

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DELEGATES GATHER FROM ALL ONTARIO FOR LABOR MEETING

Convention of Independent Party Opens in London, Ont., This Morning.

MAY ALTER PLATFORM

London, Ont., April 1.-Delegates from as far west as Schreiber and Sault Ste. Marie arrived in London tonight to attend the annual convention of the Ontario Independent Labor Masonic Temple. Contrary to general expectations, Hon. Walter Rollo, minister of labor, did not arrive, nor did Hon. Harry Mills, minister of mines, out they are expected tomorrow

Among the delegates who arrived onight were a number of ladies, in fact, the honors were about evenly divided on this score.

An executive meeting the committee rooms to arrange the order of business for the convention. On account of the fact that President Hon. Walter Rollo was absent, the cussion tomorrow were not taken up.
Vital Matters.

Secretary Joseph T. Marks of To-ronto assured the delegates that the business to be brought up tomorrow is of the utmost importance to the Independent Labor party. He intimated that all of the resolutions have a bearing on the platform of the party While it was not openly stated, it was hinted that this convention may pos-sibly be the forerunner of a regular campaign to get the party in good shape for the federal elections when

the time arrives.

It is considered probable that definite steps will be taken to the organization on a more business. like basis than it is at present. For

instance, up to this time there have been no paid organizers, nor has there been even an official organizer.

To Debate Tariff.

The tariff will be up for discussion also at this convention. In fact, it is expected that this one question will take up a great deal of the time of the discussion. also at this convention. In fact, it is expected that this one question will take up a great deal of the time of the delegates. One resolution, dealing with industrial conditions, will also be presented for consideration. This one asks that in all and any industrial organization for production, transportation, exchange and distribution of commodities or services, where fen or more citizens of is years, and over are associated as employes, the books of records and of accounts in which are kept the details regarding investment, purchase, sales, production, wages, salaries, bonuses, profits, dividends and commissions, and other particulars showing the results of associated labor of both brain and muscue, shall, not be legally recornized as the private property exclusively of the class of investors, owners or directors of such industry, but shall be legally recognized as the common property of the whole working democracy engaged permanently in such industry, without regard to class distinction as between employers and employes, who jointly create the product.

Another resolution will ask that the

Another resolution will ask that the federal and provincial governments be urged to give to co-operative societies every reasonable encouragement, and to pass legislation necessary for the efficient incorporation and operation of their undertakings.

BIG STRIKE STARTS ON NEW YORK DOCKS

All Crews Operating Railroad Ferries and Freight Handlers Are Out.

New York, April 1.—Obeying a strike call involving 8000 to 15,000 marine workers, crews operating railroad ferry boats began at 9 o'clock tying up their craft, after the rush of homewardbound commuters had ended. Engineroom and deck forces of railroad-owned tugs and lighters were called out this

Manhattan and the Jersey shore, except the Lackawanna lines, which were able to continue thru three previ-

ous strikes, were affected.

The strike, which involves also rreight handlers affiliated with unions included in the Marine Workers' Association, and comes at a time when several thousand coastwise longs men have stopped work, was called to-

Ferries and tugs operated by the city, and harbor craft owned and controlled by the shipping board or other branches of the government will not be affected by the strike, the union

leaders said. Unions taking part in the strike are

The men are striking, according to officers of the Amalgamated Union, to "enforce a continued observance of the eight-hour day." which they say is threatened by the action of one of the railroads in selling part of its tugs and harbor barges to a "so-called inde-