

PROVINCIAL ELECTION LAST WEEK IN JUNE

Sixteen G.T.R. Freight Cars Jump the Rails Near Chatham

DRURY CALLS ELECTION FOR LAST WEEK OF JUNE; DISSOLUTION MAY 4TH

Premier Makes Recommendation Cutting Gordian Knot Resulting From Hicks' Charges and Resignation—Statement Follows Morning of Hurried Conferences.

OPPOSITION LEADERS READY FOR FIGHT

Toronto, April 12.—Premier Drury announced in a statement given to the press this afternoon that he would recommend to the house that the Ontario Legislature close its session on May 4 and a general provincial election be held the last week in June.

The prime minister will also introduce his proposed redistribution and electoral reform bill this afternoon and hopes to have it developed and adopted before the parliament prorogues.

Mr. Drury expressed the opinion that with proper co-operation the bill could be put through before May 4 and would be in effect for the elections.

Special to The Advertiser.

Toronto, April 12.—Waiting the word of Premier Drury, as to whether the legislature is to be dissolved and an early election held, there was certain tense expectancy in the atmosphere at the parliament buildings today. Almost an hour earlier than usual the cabinet gathered for a conference which lasted some time. Premier Drury had arrived at his office about 10 o'clock but he refused to see any callers. From time to time, he sent for certain of his lieutenants.

Cabinet ministers seemed very busy and very silent previous to the cabinet council. There was some significance in the fact that three ministers, who are known to be favorable to an early election, were closeted together for some time this morning. They were Hon. Manning, Doherty, Hon. Peter Smith and Hon. F. C. Biggs, but there was no intimation as to the result of their talk.

Conjecture on the part of members of both sides of the House, however, placed the date of the coming elections as early as the end of May while others held that it would be the Drury government go to the country.

Will the premier ask former Whip Hicks, who precipitated the present crisis by his criticism, to take a seat in a portion of the house other than on the government side? was a question asked today. Rumors which could not be confirmed had it that both Hicks and Casselman would be asked to take new seats during the afternoon session.

Call It Stage Play.
"It was the piece of stage play, but the dam curtain fell and spoiled it all," was the phrase in which the veteran legislator, Stuart Lake Superior, M.P., for Northumberland, summed up the events of last night.

"When I came to the house I noticed about 150 men came outside, the thing had been all prepared, and staged, and the tip was given to the

Tory supporters to troop up to the house and see the fun. They imagined it would be something like the Gamey sensation, probably, but the curtain came down too soon, and the thing fizzled out. After attacking the government the two of them turned around and voted for it."

Mr. Clarke thinks it would be better to go to the country in May or June and get it over with in a short and sharp campaign, would be better than one drawn out until October.

Won't Desert U. F. O.

All idea of deserting the U. F. O. was repudiated by the members of the government side of the house who yesterday joined with W. H. Casselman in attacking the administration of Premier Drury, charging him with a betrayal of the party. All interviewed by The Advertiser declared that in the next election they would be found in the U. F. O. line-up, if they receive nominations.

Mr. Casselman was the only one of the malcontents who voted against the government when the division was taken. W. H. Casselman, who moved the next day of adjournment, declared that he was not a deserter. The action of Mr. Hicks and himself was taken of their own volition, and that to you of the U. F. O. had nothing to do with it.

"Do you think that you represent the feeling of your constituents?" "Yes," replied Mr. Casselman. "This thing has been smoldering, not for months, but for years."

"It does not mean that you are leaving the party, and going back to your old alliance—the Conservative party?"

We Stand As Always.
"Not at all," replied Mr. Casselman. "We stand where we always stood—for U. F. O. principles. We believe that they have been repudiated by Mr. Drury. He said that rather than allow any other element to get into

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TEST BANKRUPTCY ACT ON CONSTITUTIONALITY
Ask Permission This Morning To Appeal in the Case of Marquis vs. Gilbert.

Special to The Advertiser.

Quebec, April 12.—Constitutionality of the federal bankruptcy act is to be tested before the supreme court, following an application made this morning to the court of King's bench, asking permission to appeal in the case of F. J. Marquis vs. N. H. Gilbert.

The petitioner will contend before the supreme court that the federal bankruptcy act comes in direct conflict with the constitution, because the Province of Quebec has been given guarantees that the civil law of the province in force under the French regime, will be maintained. As a result, the provincial legislature is said to have exclusive rights to legislate on contracts, property and civil rights. The case will come up at the next term of the supreme court in Ottawa.

LAST OF WAR NOT YET, SAYS CANON F. G. SCOTT
Pampered Living Is a Policy That Will Lead to Ruin, Says Chaplain.

Special to The Advertiser.

Montreal, April 12.—"If we think we have heard the last of war in this world," we are making a great mistake," pronounced Rev. Canon F. G. Scott, C.M.G., D.S.O., of Quebec, in the course of an address at the annual meeting of the Women's Canadian Club.

"We do not want wars," proceeded Canon Scott. "We will do our best to avoid them. The qualities that serve in war, preparedness, equipment, physical prowess and morale, serve also in peace. But if we bring up our men on more pampered lines and selfish ideas of life, we will become a nation that will some day have a rude awakening, for that policy is on the down-grade to ruin."



TESTING THE ADVERTISER'S COAL FROM ALBERTA.

Here an Advertiser photographer shows Prof. J. W. Russell, head of the geology department of Western University, with the electric furnaces by which he secured an analysis of samples from The Advertiser's ship.

HICKS TO ATTEND PARTY CAUCUSES AS IN THE PAST

This Is Not a Drury Party, He Says, When Asked Intentions.

DIDN'T SEE LETTER

Says He Didn't See It, But Has All Facts About Questionnaire.

"Of course, I will attend the caucus as usual. This is not a Drury party. It is the U. F. O.," Andrew Hicks, resigned government whip, who raised the flag of rebellion against Premier Drury's leadership in a sensational speech in the Legislature yesterday afternoon, thus declared his purpose in an interview with The Advertiser over long-distance telephone from Toronto today. "I did what I felt was my duty to the farmers of Ontario," Hicks asserted. "In view of the knowledge of the premier's activities and policies that I possess, I find it impossible to continue under his leadership, but my action in voting against the motion declaring lack of confidence in the government should make it quite clear that it is not the government but the leader that I renounce."

"What is to be your attitude in the house?" Mr. Hicks was asked. "I will continue to represent the farmers of the province of Ontario, and particularly of my own constituency, South Huron, in accordance with what I conceive to be the principles originally laid down by the U. F. O., and which, I believe, have been endangered in matters of importance."

Mr. Hicks gave an emphatic denial of the indication given in the heated discussion in the legislature yesterday afternoon and last night that his action was based in part on the Currie correspondence. He claimed that he knew absolutely nothing of

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ELEANOR WHEELER.
As a dainty Spanish dancer who will be one of the features in the London South Collegiate Glee Club concert in Victoria School, South London tomorrow.

TESTS OF ALBERTA COAL SHOW PURE-GRADE FUEL

Analysis of Samples From Advertiser's Shipment Made Yesterday by Prof. J. W. Russell Show Ash Only Three Per Cent—Local Dealers Give Opinions.

WIDESPREAD INTEREST AMONG BUYERS

The first shipment of Alberta coal brought to London by the The Advertiser on Tuesday has already been tested, with interesting results.

Professor J. W. Russell, head of the geology department of Western University, yesterday conducted an analysis of the coal, and in his report gives comparison with Pennsylvania anthracite.

Well-known London coal dealers, whose years of experience has given them wide knowledge of fuel requirements, also submitted samples of The Advertiser's shipment to practical tests in their furnaces and offered authoritative comment.

The consensus of the analysis and opinions advanced is that the western coal is of remarkably pure grade with a low percentage of ash. Opinions differ as to the quantity of smoke and gas produced in consumption, and doubt is expressed regarding its utility as a domestic fuel, partly because of "slack" and partly because of its rapid-burning qualities.

In general it seems to be a pure grade coal, producing great heat, surpassing American bituminous coals, but doubtful as compared with imported anthracite for domestic use.

The details of Professor Russell's analysis and the verbatim opinions expressed by the coal merchants are given below.

Further Test Today.

Today The Advertiser has arranged further extensive tests of the western fuel. A second shipment reached London last night, and part of this was sent this morning to the Canada Cement Company in St.

HEALTH BOARD WARNS DELINQUENT OWNERS

States Amusement Places Must Install Proper Drinking Bubbblers.

Those who conduct billiard parlors, bowling alleys, dance halls, and similar establishments must conform to the provisions of the Public Health Act.

Board of health officials stated today that they are now undertaking a campaign to insure that proper drinking bubblers are available for the general public in such places of business. Orders to this effect went forward this afternoon to certain firms with the warning that failure to comply within a reasonable interval will mean prosecution in the city police court.

All were notified last fall, it is further explained, but many have been delinquent.

724 CASES OF TYPHOID REPORTED IN COCHRANE

Canadian Press Despatch. Hamilton, April 12.—Col. John I. McLaren, who is a T. and N. O. commissioner, received an appeal for aid from Cochrane. The message stated there were 724 cases of typhoid fever with 23 deaths. He waited upon Mayor Jutten and requested assistance from the city.

Strings of Pearls and Gold Watches For Best Spellers

How the 160 Prizes Are Arranged For The Advertiser's Big Spelling Match In London Schools.

Gold watches, long strings of pearls, and beautiful bracelets await the clever boys and girls who are winners in The Advertiser's city-wide spelling match opening next week.

All arrangements for the preliminary rounds of the contest are now complete. During next week grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 in all the city schools will be busy picking their best spellers to carry the battle farther. Thirty-five hundred girls and boys will compete, and in the first round 700 of these will be chosen to enter the group elimination matches which follow in the week of April 23rd.

And now about the prizes.

The Advertiser is convinced of the value of spelling ability and is anxious to give the city champions prizes which are worth while. The awards will total well over one thousand dollars and are arranged as follows:

- 4 First Prizes:**
For girls—White gold wrist watches.
For boys—Gold watches.
- 36 Second Prizes:**
For girls—Strings of pearls.
For boys—Gold watches.
- 120 Third Prizes:**
For girls—Bracelets.
For boys—6-jeweled, lever movement watches.

In addition to these, each of the 700 contestants chosen in the first round next week will be given a certificate of merit. In all, there will be over 800 awards made.

In order that you may see the prizes for which you are working, they have been placed on exhibition in the window of John A. Nash, My Jeweler, on Dundas street. The Advertiser is glad that a London merchant is to supply all the prizes in the contest, and all the boys and girls and their parents are invited to look at them during the next few days.

But don't overlook the fact that you'll have to work hard if you hope to win. There are some difficult words to get over before the champions are declared.

TO REVEAL TODAY A PLOT TO BOOST PRICES OF SUGAR

U. S. Department of Justice To Have Evidence Warranting Legal Action.

Special to The Advertiser.
Washington, April 12.—Evidence tending to prove a conspiracy of sugar gamblers, responsible for the recent boom of sugar prices, was to be laid before Acting Attorney General Seymour in New York today by Federal District Attorney Hayward, whose office gathered the data.

Seymour left here last night, after a conference with President Harding, in which the department of justice's investigation into the mystery behind the sugar rise was thoroughly canvassed.

The probe, which has been under way for nearly a month, is said to have reached a point where concrete evidence, warranting legal action against those responsible for the boom, is in the hands of the department.

Many London Bricklayers Attracted By U. S. Wages

Men in Large Cities Reported Receiving \$80 to \$110 per Week—Big Building Boom.

One-quarter of the number of bricklayers, plasterers and stone-masons regularly living in London, have gone to New York and other large American cities, where they are drawing from \$80 to \$110 a week. New York, Detroit, Cleveland and Philadelphia, and various centres in California, are now the El Dorado of bricklayers and masons. With a rate up to \$1.50 an hour, time and a half for overtime, and double time for Sunday work, they can earn more than many doctors, lawyers, university professors, architects and other members of the learned professions.

Secretary Harry Rymal, of the Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers International Union, of this city, reports a big building boom this year in many centres of the United States. Ever since the new year London has been losing men—all skilled—who are attracted by plenty of work and good pay.

To make up for this deficit, however, about 40 skilled laborers from the eastern provinces and Quebec have come to London for work on the new university buildings. As soon as this terminates, they will depart for other lucrative fields.

"We have 82 union men in the city at the present time," said Mr. Rymal.

FREIGHT WRECKED AS WHEEL BREAKS, TRAFFIC BLOCKED

Eleven G. T. R. Cars Are Piled in Ditch Near Chatham.

NO LIVES ARE LOST

Wrecking Crews From London and Windsor Are Clearing Away Debris.

The derailment of sixteen cars in a forty-seven-car G. T. R. freight train three miles east of Chatham has resulted in the complete blockage of both east and west main line tracks at that point. Eleven cars are piled in the ditch and their contents thrown in all directions. The train crew escaped unhurt. Three hundred feet of track and roadbed was torn up. The damage to cars, track and merchandise is estimated at over one hundred thousand dollars. The traffic over one track will be opened soon. Wrecking crews from London and Windsor are working at the wreck.

A broken wheel on a box car caused the wreck.

Passengers from the westbound train, which left London at 11:40 a.m., were transferred to another train on the tracks west of the wreck. Fortunately the train crew were uninjured, and auxiliaries from Chatham have been sent to the scene of the accident.

The train which has been wrecked is No. 489, and is drawn by engine 684. Engineer Purry and Conductor Forbes, both of Windsor, were in charge of the train, which left London at 12:30 last night.

In addition to trains running east and west from the wreck, a detour has been added, and trains from London to Windsor will travel via Port Huron.

Later information from Chatham says that six of the fourteen cars that left the rails were thrown into the ditch. The remainder are now cleared off the east-bound track, and traffic was resumed over the east-bound track at 2 p.m.

It is stated by railway officials at Chatham that it will take two or three days to salvage the cars that were derailed, and to repair the west-bound half of the right-of-way.

KITCHEN FIRE

Firemen extinguished a small fire in the kitchen of house No. 35 Wharncliffe road south at 11 o'clock this morning.

In the Advertiser This Saturday

Brains to the Poorhouse

—Frank G. Carpenter, in another brilliant despatch from Berlin, describes the life of German students, who live on one cent a day, while learned professors are paid five dollars a month.

Togo makes hon. bow

"The Japanese School-boy," in the person of Wallace Irwin, writes the first of his new letters to The Advertiser. Togo studies etiquette and is at once in trouble. He admits, naively: "Therefore I dive through society, knocking it down in my speed." What follows is: "Hon. Husband and 13 piano-movers."

Two Canadian Golf Champions

—W. J. and Frank Thompson tell you in an interesting, intimate way some of their own tips on the great royal game—and the greens are drying fast these days.

SAYS TURK IRREGULARS SHOT ITALIAN GARRISON

Report States Rebels Later Arrested by Forces Sent From Rhodes.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, April 12.—Turkish irregulars have raided the small island of Castelozio, off the Asia Minor coast, which figured in the recent Allied-Turkish peace negotiations, and assassinated the Italian garrison and a number of Greek notables, says a Central News despatch from Athens, quoting advices received from the island of Rhodes.

The raiders terrified the local populace, the despatch adds, and took possession of the civil administration of the island, but were arrested by forces sent from Rhodes by the Italian authorities.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.

Today—Fair and cool.
Friday—Cool and unsettled with easterly winds.

Pressure is highest over the lower lake region and shallow depressions are situated to the north of Lake Superior. In Alberta and in southern Texas a few light falls of snow or rain have occurred from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, but the weather in the Dominion on the whole has been mostly fair.

Stations—	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	56	44	Fair
Calgary	56	48	Fair
Winnipeg	52	24	Clear
Port Arthur	50	18	Fair
Soo	56	36	Clear
Toronto	45	22	Clear
Kingston	44	22	Clear
Ottawa	41	26	Clear
Montreal	50	22	Clear
Quebec	42	12	Clear
Father Point	56	19	Cloudy
St. John	36	32	Fair
Halifax	42	30	Cloudy

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 45; lowest, 28.

The actual temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 40; lowest, 18.

Barometric Readings.
At 8 a.m. 30.55
At 10 a.m. 30.57