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Dishonesty, Graft and Lack of System Found in Schools Investigation Report by Judge Winchester, Who Recommends Reorganization of Building Department

TO CLOSE BARS AT NOON ON SATURDAY

Restrictive Legislation May Be Introduced at Next Session Prohibiting the Sale of Intoxicants on Legal Holidays and Saturday Afternoons.

The possibility of further provincial restriction of the liquor traffic is under consideration in Queen's Park.

The next regulation will probably close all bars in the province at 1 o'clock on Saturday, and for the entire day on legal holidays.

Such legislation would round out the restriction laid on the traffic last year, whereby the morning sale was materially shortened. It has been felt, moreover, that the Saturday afternoon trade militated against the spirit of recent regulations.

The arguments presented to the government in advocating shorter hours of sale on ordinary weekdays have been pressed strongly in reference to the new proposal. The case of the workingman who is now relieved of the temptation of a morning "nip" before work, is revived, to show that his salary envelope is in especial danger on the last afternoon of the week.

Holiday losing.

The question of prohibition on holidays has been under cabinet consideration for some time. A special bill dealing with Good Friday restriction was voted down last session, on the understanding that the government would enquire into the feasibility of a more universal measure.

There is a further possibility of Ontario emulating the recent step taken by Quebec in cutting out C.O.D. orders for liquor, and preventing delivery after the closing hour of sale. The former practice is recognized as one of the strong branches of the trade in the larger cities. At present also, liquor bought before 7 o'clock on Saturday evening may be delivered until midnight.

HUGE EXPENDITURE ON CONSTRUCTION OF N.T.R

About Seventeen Million Dollars Needed to Complete Road for Operation.

OTTAWA, Dec. 18.—There has been spent to date $153,000,000 on the National Transcontinental Railway and the Quebec Bridge. The steel laying on the main line between Moncton and Winnipeg was finished just a month ago, but about $17,000,000 will be needed to complete the road for actual operation.

Miss Anglin Here New Year's Week.

Although the regular box office seat sale for the New Year's week visit of Margaret Anglin, Canada's favorite actress, to the Princess Theatre, does not open until Thursday next, mail orders indicate an enormous patronage for Miss Anglin's engagement here.

CANADIAN HERRINGS TO MAKE CHINESE HOLIDAY

Hon. Mr. Foster's Missionary Work in Orient Has Practical Results.

OTTAWA, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The Chinaman is breaking out in a new place. He is getting fond of Canadian salt herring. He has ordered 2000 tons for the Christmas festivities, along with 2290 tons of flour. When Hon. George E. Foster was in the Orient last year, he made speeches about Canadian herring and Canadian flour. The Chinaman bit.

FIND ANOTHER CLUE TO MISSING PROF. LAVELL

Man Answering Description Seen on University of Maine Campus.

ROME, Dec. 18.—(Can. Press.)—The coffin containing the body of Cardinal Rampolla was closed today with the solemn ceremonial of the Sacred College. A testament was found dated 1889, but intimates of the late cardinal profess to know of the existence of a will dated some years later. In fact, the cardinal left a small key with a label on which was written, "This opens the black case containing my last will." The case, however, has not been found.

CHURCH WILL RUN FOR MAYOR

His Candidature Was Definitely Decided Upon by Interests Opposed to Hocken.

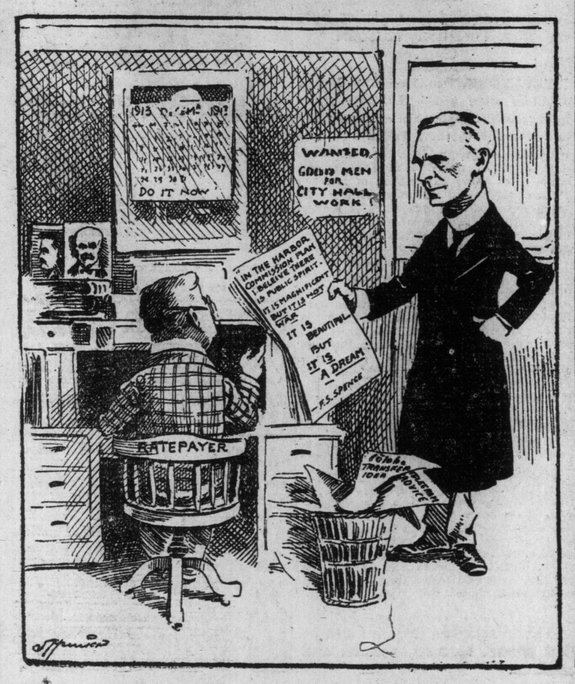
Controller Thomas L. Church is going to oppose Mayor Hocken and will have his cards announcing himself as a mayoralty candidate, distributed in the course of the next few days.

This decision was arrived at last night, according to a well authenticated report from one of the city Conservative clubs. "It was practically known, and announced in The World several days ago, that the controller wanted to run against the mayor, but it also was known that efforts were being made to have someone else oppose Mr. Hocken so that Controller Church could run again for the board of control. As the interests behind Controller Church are bound that someone must oppose Mayor Hocken, and were unable to bring out another candidate, the lot has fallen to the controller, and from today the fight is on.

GEORGE HOPE CHOKED TO DEATH AT DINNER

While eating in Small's restaurant on West Queen street, last night, Geo. Hope, 22 Portland street, was choked to death by a piece of meat which became lodged in his throat. The body was taken to the morgue and no inquest will be held.

ANOTHER REPORT.



DISASTROUS WAR OF RATES ON ATLANTIC

Decision of Hamburg-American Line to Reduce Rates Causes Other Companies to Prepare for Sweeping Cuts Which Will Mean the Loss of Millions.

LONDON, Dec 18.—(C. A. P.)—The Atlantic rate war which has been threatened for months past seems now inevitable. It is stated on the authority of The Journal of Commerce that the two most important German companies have failed to arrive at a settlement of their differences, and the situation has now been aggravated by the Hamburg-American Line deciding to reduce its rates before the important meeting of the North Atlantic conference to be held on the 21st of next month. As a result of this decision agents here and in other ports of the continent have been notified by British lines that they will be reluctantly compelled to follow the decision of the Hamburg-Amerika Line, and accordingly there is every reason to believe that the conference agreements now existing will be terminated after the 21st of January. In shipping and government circles there is an intense feeling of resentment against this forced situation, which is said to have arisen from a desire on the part of the Hamburg-Amerika Line to assert to the world the strength of its individual position. Communications which have reached here and are also known to have been duplicated to the emigration centres clearly indicate that the companies, in face of the present situation, are preparing to meet the sweeping reduction of rates by the Hamburg-Amerika Line by a similar reduction, which it is felt will lead to one of the most disastrous rate-cutting wars that has yet happened and will involve the companies concerned in the loss of hundreds of millions of kroner."

HATTERS' CASE DECISION BLOW TO LABOR CAUSE

Union Found to Have Instituted Unlawful Boycott Against Company.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—(Can. Press)—The United States court of appeals today decided the famous Danbury Hatters case in favor of D. E. Loewe & Co., the plaintiffs, and against the United Hatters of North America. The court affirmed a judgment in favor of Mr. Loewe and against the Hatters' organization for $252,130.

With interest and costs, the judgment now amounts to $272,000. At the first trial, held in 1909, the plaintiffs obtained a judgment for $232,240.

It was shown at the trial that in March, 1901, the United Hatters had resolved to unionize the factory of the plaintiffs, and that Mr. Loewe had been informed by the union officials that the Hatters "would resort to the usual methods" in case their plans met with opposition. On July 5, 1902, the plaintiffs' employes were directed to go on strike, and it is claimed that almost immediately a boycott was established. The plaintiffs assert that this measure "converted a profit of $27,000 in 1901 into losses ranging from $17,000 in 1902 to $3000 in 1904."

FOUR PROSPECTORS ON ICE FLOE THREE NIGHTS

Gold Hunters Rescued From Lake Winnipeg After Thrilling Experience.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 18.—(Can. Press.) For two days and three nights French Tom Leclair and Jack Fielding, two gold miners from Nevada, on their way to the Rice Lake gold country, with a couple of other prospectors, were adrift on Lake Winnipeg on a large ice floe. They were attempting to cross the ice, and when about ten miles out a huge floe broke loose. This was last Saturday evening. They were rescued on Tuesday morning by a settler, and arrived in the city today.

PANAMA CANAL WORK OUTSTRIPPED BY C. P. R.

Seventeen Hundred Miles of Track Under Construction During Year.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 18.—(Can. Press.)—A grand total of 1700 miles of railway has been under construction during this season by the C.P.R., according to the stements made by G. G. Sullivan, chief engineer of the western lines of the company, who returned to the city this morning from an extended tour of the work under construction.

The amount of work which has been handled by the construction department of the company this year represents more material than was moved during any period in the construction of the Panama Canal and represents no less than 30,000,000 cubic yards.

THREE MILLION TREES DISTRIBUTED IN WEST

Dominion Forestry Department Gives United States Example to Follow.

(Special to The Toronto World).

OTTAWA, Dec. 18.—The forestry branch of the Canadian Government is now distributing some 3,000,000 trees annually amongst the western farmers, as compared with 835,000 distributed this year by the United States forestry department.

Canada has got some ideas from the United States in forestry administration, but in this matter the Americans have copied Canada.

BILINGUAL ISSUE UP IN MANITOBA HOUSE

Minister of Education Cites Opposition of Ontario School Teachers.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 18.—(Can. Press)—The debate on the speech from the throne still occupied today's sitting of the legislature, D. A. Ross, member for Springfield, resuming for the opposition. He concluded the speech commenced yesterday by expressing the belief that the government figures on Manitoba school population were misleading. He also charged that a school inspector had been arousing racial antagonisms.

This was denied by the minister of education. He quoted Ontario school teachers in opposition to bilingualism, and produced samples of work done by foreign-born children who had been taught by English teachers in a Toronto school.

CONSPIRACY TO BLOW UP JAIL

Attempt Made in Holloway Believed to Have Been Inspired by Supporters.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—(Can. Press.)—An attempt, attributed to suffragettes, was made tonight to blow up part of the southeast wall of Holloway Jail, by the explosion of two bombs. These are believed to have been secreted in the garden of a house adjoining the jail. The part of the wall attacked was near the cells in which suffragettes are usually confined.

Miss Rachel Peace, who is undergoing a term of 18 months imprisonment for arson, is the only suffragette at present in the jail. It is alleged that she has been subjected to forcible feeding, and at recent militant meetings angry references were made to her treatment, coupled with threats of revenge.

The explosion did no damage to the jail, but the surrounding high wall, where it abuts on the garden at No. 12 Dalmeny avenue, was so badly damaged that it will need rebuilding.

No arrests have been made, and apparently there are no clues to the culprits, but it is said that the house has been occupied recently by a Mrs. Patey, an ardent militant, and has been utilized as a rendezvous for suffragettes to signal to the inmates of the prison.

The force of the explosions shattered some of the windows in the neighborhood.

COST OF LIVING INVESTIGATION IS ORDERED

John A. McDougal, C. M. G., C. C. James and R. H. Coats, All Well Known Federal Officials, Constitute Board of Inquiry—Work to Be Thoro.

(Special to The Toronto World.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 18.—As forecasted in The World on Wednesday morning, the government has appointed a departmental commission to enquire into the causes underlying the high cost of living.

The personnel of the commission is as follows: John A. McDougal, C.M.G., chief commissioner of customs; C. C. James, chief advisor on all agricultural matters to Hon. Martin Burrell, and R. H. Coats, chief statistician of the labor department.

The character of the commission is such as to guarantee that the enquiry will be thoro and conducted with very great intelligence and the findings made only with a view to the public welfare. Altho the commission is a departmental one it is given the widest possible scope.

Well Qualified Trio.

Mr. McDougal is perhaps the greatest authority in the Dominion on the tariff, and its relation to prices. C. C. James will bring to bear a ripe experience in all matters pertaining to agriculture and has already made an exhaustive study of the causes underlying the movement from the land, the falling off in the production of foodstuffs and other matters which are supposed to contribute to a dear dinner table.

It is safe to say that there is no one in Canada who has given as much careful practical thought to the question of the high cost of living as Mr. Coats. As chief statistician of the department of labor he has actually been enquiring into high prices for years and has written much upon the subject that has been widely quoted in economic journals in England and the United States.

The commission will get down to work immediately as the government is desirous of having a report placed in its hands in time to take the earliest possible action.

WHY RURAL ENGLAND IS BEING DEPOPULATED

Commission Says Emigration Agents Make Use of Highly Alluring Advertisements.

LONDON, Friday, Dec. 19.—(C.A.P.)—At the request of the dominions, the Royal Commission Board of Agriculture undertook some months ago to institute an immediate enquiry into the causes of the phenomenal emigration that was taking place to the dominions and elsewhere from the rural districts of England and Wales. The board yesterday issued its report, from which it appears that information has been received from 485 centres. They report extensive emigration, especially to Canada, of young people, due to their being hampered by lack of opportunity in rural and agricultural centres, and attracted by the prospect of greater freedom, better wages and conditions in overseas dominions.

The dearth of cottages is a contributory cause, but that most generally mentioned is "activity of emigration agents in advertising the allurements of colonial life," which appeal to a generation which has become accustomed to modern disregard or distance.

BRITISH INVESTORS ASK LIGHT ON IMPERIAL LOAN FINANCES

Financial News of London Publishes Letter From Debenture Holder Who Alleges Interest Payment Was Not Met—Suggestion Made That Investigation is Desirable.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—(C.A.P.)—"A Canadian episode which requires to be thoroly probed" and "the directors seem in no hurry to issue an explanation" is the comment made by The Financial News today in connection with complaints that are being received regarding the Imperial Loan & Investment Co. One subscriber writes:

"This company issued a sort of prospectus, inviting applications for £200,000 debentures of five per cent., written in fairly glowing terms, one point being that the estimated net earnings for 1913 would cover the interest on these debentures three times over. The interest coupon in April was duly met, but coupon number two, due Oct. 4, duly presented thru bankers on that date, was returned to me by them on Dec. 4 inst., unpaid, with a note, "Not being paid." I have applied to the bankers and brokers and neither of them has any information as regards what would appear to be an extraordinary default in the payment of interest. I have written Toronto, and in the mantime it is just as well that the British subscribers should take concerted action in the matter and trace the channel by which the prospectus came to be placed before the British investing public.

Douglas Burns, Edward B. Brown, K.C., Pollman Evans, W. M. German K.C. M.P., and E. L. Taylor, K.C., are named as directors.

The Imperial Loan and Investment Company of Canada is located in the Imperial Loan Building, 37 Yonge st. Douglas A. Burns is president. Edward B. Brown is vice-president and the manager is Gerrard Muntz.

Immense Values in Men's Hats.

The man who aspires to being well dressed realizes the important part the hat plays in the tout ensemble. He also readily learns where to get real good hat values. Dineen's, 140 Yonge street, has had a well-earned reputation for hats for 49 years, and is foremost in the city today. At present this house is showing some conspicuous good lines, among them Austrian Velour Hats marked $5 and $7. These are the choicest hat wear at this season. Specially reduced lines in hats sold regularly at $2, $2.50 and $3 now clearing for $1.95. All the best American and English hat manufacturers are represented in Dineen's showing. Decide to see before Christmas arrives.

CARDINAL'S LAST WILL MAY NEVER BE FOUND

Black Case Containing It Missing—Coffin Was Closed Yesterday.

BRIDGETON, Maine, Dec. 18.—(Can. Press)—Mrs. Cecil F. Lavell, whose husband, a professor of history at the Ohio State University, disappeared on Nov. 26, received information while searching for him today that a man answering his description was seen recently on the campus of the University of Maine at Orono.

Prof. A. L. Leonard of Bates College, where Prof. Lavell formerly taught, telephoned Mrs. Lavell that the man told a University of Maine student with whom he talked that he was from Ohio University.

JOSEPH THOMPSON SAYS PURCHASE IS NECESSARY

Addressed Meeting in Earlscourt Last Night—Welcome Was Enthusiastic.

Joseph Thompson, candidate for the board of control, addressed a meeting of the Earlscourt district in Dufferin School last night. He was given an enthusiastic welcome. Mr. Thompson dealt at some length with civic affairs and discussed the transportation problem. He declared in favor of the railway purchase.

CARTAGE SYSTEM TO BE RETAINED

C. P. R. and G. T. R. Make Official Statements— Business Men to Pay Cost.

MONTREAL, Dec. 18.—(Can. Press)—An official statement issued by Vice-President Bosworth of the C.P.R. today in connection with the railway cartage question here, states that "in view of the urgent demands of merchants in different sections of the country, and their voluntary offer thru boards of trade to pay the exact cost of cartage, the C.P.R. has decided to continue the present cartage arrangements until further notice."

A similar statement was given by Vice-President Dalrymple of the G.T.R., Mr. Dalrymple stating that the representations of the merchants had been urgent, and that in view of their willingness to pay the costs the railway had been able to see its way clear to continue the service.

It is expected the C.N.R. and the I.C.R. will fall in line, tho in the absence of G. Tombs and R. E. Perry, general freight agents of the C.N.R. and I.C.R., respectively, statements could not be obtained, beyond the fact that these lines are considering the matter.

"BOATS FOR ALL" TO BE FUTURE RULE OF SEA

Delegates at London Conference Also Agree on Fire Prevention Regulation.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—(Can. Press)—The committee on life-saving appliances appointed by the international congress on safety at sea have agreed on their recommendations, which will be submitted to the congress early in January. The principle of "boats for all" has been accepted, subject to the proviso proposed by the British delegates, that where the fullest use is made of the space available for the fittings of davits, pontoon rafts may be provided for 25 per cent. of those aboard, and lifeboats of a recognized type for the remainder. The lifeboats may include a limited number of motor-boats.

On the initiative of the American delegates, an important recommendation is made relative to the danger from fire, namely, that no passenger vessel should carry a cargo of such a nature or stowed in such a manner as might be calculated to endanger lives or the safety of the ship.

LABOR MEN IN FAVOR OF VOTE ON PURCHASE

Some time ago a municipal committee was appointed by the District Trades and Labor Council to look into the transportation problem now occupying the minds of every ratepayer of Toronto with a view to effecting some solution. This committee, which was composed of the leading men of the council, reported last night.

The report, which is lengthy, goes into the details of the proposed deal and comments on the fact that several other schemes have been brought forward since the original agreement was made. They also are firm in the belief that the citizens should be allowed to decide the issue at the polls, and with that end in view will send a deputation to the city council on Monday to ask that the purchase proposals be voted upon. In the meantime they reserve the right to give a final decision when the entire matter has been threshed out and the agreements, upon which counsel now are working, are given to the public.

SCHOOL TENDERS SYSTEM IS A FARCE

Judge Winchester Finds That Careless Methods, Lack of System and Dishonesty Have Cost the Board of Education Large Amount of Money and Recommends a Complete Reorganization of the Building Department.

Judge Winchester's report on the board of education contracts was presented to the board by Chairman Hiltz last night. It contained 272 typewritten pages of foolscap. The gist of the report follows:

"I would recommend that application be made to the legislature to disqualify trustees from sitting on the board of education who receive benefits or advantage from any contractor in connection with his dealings or contracts with the board of education for the supply of materials, labor or otherwise.

"I would recommend that an experienced business man who might be called commissioner of school buildings, be at once placed in charge of the building department of the board, that he be allowed to appoint his own architects, inspectors and officials under him, and made responsible for the proper carrying on of the work of the department.

"I recommend that proper books should be kept in which all matters relating to the carrying out of contracts in the department should be entered from day to day, setting forth the extras ordered, the amount of same, deductions, inspections, and everything that is necessary to give an accurate statement of the position in which each building account is; that reports in connection with the building, extras and repairs should be in writing, signed by the inspector and dated.

"I would recommend that in connection with repairs the caretakers of the respective schools should keep a book in which workmen and others should enter daily the number of hours employed on the work and amount of material used, and initialed by the workman and caretaker.

"I would also recommend that all officials and caretakers should be prohibited from receiving benefits at any time from the contractors of school work.

"I would recommend that the gentleman appointed over the department should at once proceed with the settling up of all unsettled contracts, using in such settlement the evidence given in this investigation..

A Poor System.

"I find from the evidence that Mr. Bishop, the superintendent of buildings, entirely depended on A. D. Waste, the architect of the department, and his subordinates for the proper drawing of plans and specifications, superintendence of buildings and repairs and the keeping of all accounts in connection therewith and that he permitted Mr. Waste to attend to the building and repair accounts of the department, that he was consulted from time to time in connection with various matters, but that he invariably left the whole matter in the hands of Mr. Waste. I find that Mr. Waste used no business methods in connection with his office and that instead of having books and accounts to represent his transactions, he kept the greater portion of them in his head. There were very few inspections made by Mr. Waste or by inspectors in connection with the erection of buildings or alteration accounts, of which any note was taken; that in connection with the radiation I find there was no system followed in checking up the quantities; that in reality matters were allowed to drift and take care of themselves until settlements were pressed, when the evidence shows the contractor had very much his own way in settling matters. In my opinion the work was much greater than what either Mr. Bishop or Mr. Waste could properly attend to, and no business system was adopted in connection with the same.

"The members of the property committee have been constantly ignored in connection with the changing of specifications, ordering of alterations, extras and settlements of accounts for same, which resulted in large sums being paid by the board. The bylaw under which Mr. Bishop was appointed with reference to such matters has become a dead letter.

Tenders a Farce.

"From the evidence produced I find that Mr. Waste in seeking for tenders for the heating and ventilation of the different schools did not treat all tenderers alike. While specifying a certain amount of radiation, pipe covering and other material as being required, certain contractors who tendered and obtained the contracts were not required to carry out these specifications. The contractors were limited at first to one firm only, namely, the Fred Armstrong Company. Subsequently J. R. Seager, who had the assistance of an ex-employe of the Fred Armstrong Company, also tendered, knowing that the amount of piping, etc., specified would not be required to be installed, obtained some contracts. Afterwards Keith and Fitzsimmons (sic) also ascertained the fact thru their foreman, Robert Jordan, that the amount of radiation specified in the specifications would not be required, and the tenders were subsequently limited to these three firms. All other tenderers who tendered honestly in the belief that whatever was specified would be required to be put into the work, had no opportunity of competing fairly with these other firms, in