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BORDEN RETAINS PREMIERSHIP AT SOLICITATION OF FRIENDS

U. S. Government Issues Drastic Order Regulating Business of Meat Packers

Militia Officials Emphatically Deny Tale of Canteen Profits Distribution

BIG FIVE AMERICAN PACKERS MUST NOW CONFINE OPERATIONS TO MEAT AND PROVISION TRADE

Forced to Sell All Holdings in Public Stockyards, Railroads, Terminals and Cold Storage Warehouses—Sequel to Government's Anti-Trust Suit in Fight on High Cost of Living.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The government's anti-trust action against great meat packers, begun at President Wilson's direction last summer as part of the fight on the high cost of living, has been compromised under an agreement by which the packers will confine themselves hereafter to the meat and provision business.

An injunction decree, to which the packers have acceded, will be entered in the federal courts to make the agreement binding. Under its terms, the big five—Swift, Armour, Morris, Wilson and Cudahy—have agreed:

To sell, under supervision of the United States district court, preferably to the live stock producers and the public, all their holdings in public stockyards.

To sell, under the same supervision, and in like manner, all their interests in stockyards, railroads and terminals.

To sell, under the same supervision, and in like manner all their interests in market newspapers.

Dispose of all their interest in public cold storage warehouses, except as necessary for their own meat products.

Give Up Unrelated Lines.

To forever dissociate themselves with all "unrelated lines," including wholesale groceries, fresh, canned, dried or salt fish; fresh, dried, or canned vegetables; fresh, crushed, dried, evaporated or canned fruits, confectioneries, syrups, soda water fountains, supplies, etc., molasses, honey, jams, jellies and preserves, ices, sauces, relishes, etc., coffee, tea, chocolate, cocoa, nuts, flour, sugar, rice (with an inspection to be noted), bread crackers, wafers, biscuits, spaghetti, vermicelli, macaroni, cigars, china, furniture, etc.

To forever abandon the use of the branch houses, route cars and automobile trucks, comprising their distribution system, for any other than their own meat and dairy products.

Must Submit to Courts.

To perpetually submit to the jurisdiction of the United States district courts under an injunction forbidding all the defendants from directly or indirectly maintaining any combination or conspiracy with each other or any other personal or persons, or monopol-

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NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT WINS

London Dec. 18.—The agent-general of New Zealand reports the results of the general elections as follows: Reformers, 48; Liberals, 18; Laborites, 10, and independents 4. The government is thus sustained.

The New Zealand House of Representatives consists of 80 members, elected for a term of three years. Four of the members are Maoris, chosen by the natives, and these are classed as independents, but invariably support the government. The Right Hon. W. F. Massey, who recently visited Toronto, is the premier. There was a coalition government during the war, when Sir Joseph Ward, leader of the opposition, and others, joined forces with Mr. Massey. This administration was recently dissolved.

SEVEN PERISH WHEN BOAT TURNS TURTLE

Schooner Lost Sails in Violent Storm Off Virginia Capes.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 18.—Two members of the crew and five Chinese perished Wednesday when the Cuban schooner Sunbeam turned turtle at sea, 135 miles off the Virginia capes. The story of the sea disaster reached Norfolk today when the coastguard cutter Manning landed seven survivors of the ship, including Captain Riveron, four members of the crew, two Chinese and the body of another Chinese

According to the story of the survivors, the Sunbeam lost her sails in a violent storm Monday night, 150 miles off the coast, and early Tuesday morning she was taken in tow by an unknown steamer and towed for several hours, while wireless calls were sent for a revenue cutter to come to her aid.

The Manning responded from Norfolk and took the Sunbeam in tow. The vessel sprung a dangerous leak on Tuesday night and Captain Riveron was forced to cut the tow line to prevent his ship from being swamped. The Manning stood by. On Wednesday morning the Sunbeam suddenly keeled over and sank in less than a minute. The Manning launched boats and rescued the survivors.

The Chinese were said to have been stowaays.

The Sunbeam was a three master, 150 feet in length and sailed from Havana on November 25, for New York.

CHINOOK IN SASKATOON AIDS FUEL SITUATION

Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 18. — A chinook struck Saskatoon last night and the snow is melting rapidly today in the warm sun. Gerald Graham, assistant for northern Saskatchewan to the fuel administrator, says the fuel situation in this district is much improved, and the prospects of several days of fairly mild weather promised a chance to get a little reserve supply.

DAUGHTER FOR CARUSO.

New York, Dec. 18.—A daughter was born tonight to Mrs. Enrico Caruso, formerly Miss Dorothy Park Benjamin of New York, who was married to the tenor in August, 1918.

KITCHENER COMMISSION OPPOSE RADIAL BYLAW

Kitchener, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—It was announced today by Superintendent McIntyre of the Kitchener Light Commission, that the commission had gone on record as strongly opposed to the Hydro radial bylaw to be submitted to the people of Kitchener on Jan. 1, the reason being that the shortage of power at present makes the radial scheme impracticable. The resolution cites the fact that application for power is continually on the increase, and there is no relief in sight until the completion of the Chippewa development. Mr. McIntyre stated that the commission also objects to the clause in the bylaw which would result in handing over the control of local streets to an outside body. This objection is also cited in the resolution. It is believed the resolution will have the effect of defeating the bylaw in Kitchener and Waterloo.

Judge in Role of Solomon Returns Babe to Mother

New York, Dec. 18.—The shade of King Solomon sat on the children's court bench today while Judge Levy tried to decide who was the mother of Little Love O'Mike, claimed by two women—by Mrs. August Wentz as her kidnapped son and by Mrs. Lena Lisa as the baby she had planned to abandon to the mercies of Mrs. Elizabeth Seaman (Nellie Bly) for his own happiness and because she could not support her little family of three, herself, the baby and three-year-old William, on the $12 a week which was all she could earn. The infant was found in the Grand Central terminal with a note pinned to its clothing, saying: "For the love of Mike take care of this kid, I can't."

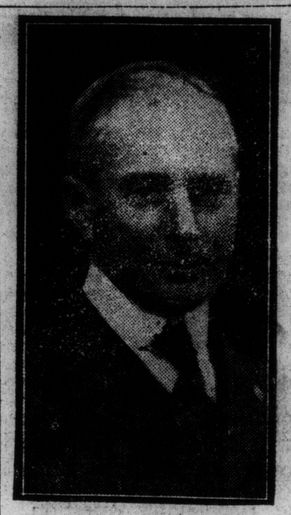
Mrs. Lisa, brokenly and thru her tears, told how she had schemed to have the infant left where Mrs. Seaman might notice and adopt it. She narrated her trembling anticipation of news of it after the deed had been done, of her heart ache when she had it had arrived at Bellevue hospital by way of a police station, and her panic when Mrs. Wentz claimed it as her own.

Not a sound in the court room interrupted her story, big policemen, unromantic agents of the detective bureau, efficient officials of the society for the prevention of cruelty to children, scores of others—and Mrs. Wentz—listened in a silence that was dramatic.

When she had concluded her small frame shaken with sobs, the judge with obvious emotion, ordered the baby returned to her.

The little woman cried aloud with joy, and hugged her baby to her breast. She had deliberated days and nights before deciding to let him go, she told the judge. A friend of her dead husband had taken him, promising to leave him in "Nellie Bly's arms."

Her husband's death last May had left her with a burden she often despaired of bearing, she said. She thought "Nellie Bly" would adopt him, or find a good home for him, where he would have enough to eat, warm clothes and be sent to school and allowed to grow up like other boy children. She said she was frantic when she found her plans had gone wrong and could no longer repress her mother's instinct.



W. E. AMOS
Newly-elected vice-president of the U.F.O.

NO CIVIL SERVICE CHRISTMAS BONUS

Money to Meet Costof Living Likely as Monthly Allowance.

The World is in a position to state on official authority that an order-in-council has not yet been passed sanctioning the payment of a bonus to the Ontario civil servants. As previously pointed out there was no appropriation from which the money could be taken, but the whole question has now assumed an entirely new aspect.

The government is considering an altogether new scheme whereby the bonus will not be paid in a lump sum, but rather spread over the monthly pay so long as the high cost of living continues. Thus the payment will be in the nature of a temporary increase of salary.

Conferences were held yesterday between the committee of the cabinet and Mr. McCutcheon, the civil service commissioner, when the plan outlined was practically agreed upon and now only awaits the sanction of the full cabinet. In any case there will be no bonus for Christmas.

New Competitive System.

It is also announced that the competitive system of examination for civil servants' positions will generally obtain in future. Positions vacant are now being advertised for the first time in the history of the Ontario civil service. The idea is to co-ordinate the whole service. If a vacancy occurs in one department it will, if possible, be filled by the most capable employe in that or any other department. Otherwise applicants will be advertised for. The first advertisement is for a stationary engineer.

It is hoped in time also to eliminate the recommendation which have hitherto been made for filling minor positions such as junior clerkships and stenographers, and substitute the competitive system.

DENIKINE'S FORCES STILL IN RETREAT

Report Bolsheviki Capture Kiev, and Now Have Unrestricted Hand.

London, Dec. 18.—The forces of General Denikine, the anti-Bolsheviki leader in South Russia, continue to retreat before the Red offensive, according to a report issued by the war office today. The report says that during the past week the Bolsheviki have compelled Denikine to withdraw another 50 miles along a vast front, and that the present indications are there is no military reason why the Reds should not continue to advance.

The Bolsheviki not only have captured Poltavaa and Kharkov, the report continues, but assert that they have taken Kiev. The Bolsheviki have virtually an unrestricted hand against Denikine, since the fighting on other sections has slackened and continue to rush heavy reinforcements south.

"The warfare in this region continues a unique mixture of the Napoleonic and modern type," says the report, "in which the predominant cavalry is augmented by airplanes and a few tanks."

Say Winnipeg Fire Fighters Not Equipped for Emergency

Winnipeg, Dec. 18.—That the city's fire fighting forces, in its present state, is too weak to handle an emergency, was the gist of a statement by J. E. Buchanan, chief of the department, to a special investigating committee today. This was attributed by Chief Buchanan to the fact that he had only 275 men, whereas he required 388 to operate the double platoon system. It was also stated before the committee that in most cases the water mains were inadequate.

STORY OF PROFITS FROM THE CANTEENS CALLED 'FAIRY TALE'

High Officials in Ottawa Deny "Thirty-Five Million" Announcement.

SAY SOME ONE JOKING

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—An unqualified denial of a newspaper item to the effect that the sum of $35,000,000 had been brought to Canada as this country's share in the profits of the British Expeditionary Force canteen system, was given this evening by high officials of both the militia department and the department of overseas military forces of Canada. Officials of the latter department characterized the article as a "fairy tale," and said that "evidently someone in Ottawa was having a joke at the expense of the public."

Col. Cherry Denies

The article stated that Lieut.-Col. H. M. Cherry, of the pay and audit branch, department of militia and defence, had brought the money to Canada. Colonel Cherry, however, states that he has no knowledge of these profits, that the mention of his name in the article is "quite unauthorized" and that he never at any time gave an interview to any newspaper on the subject. He protests against his name being used in this connection.

Altho no definite statement is forthcoming as to what Canada will receive as her proportion of the profits of the British canteen system, it is understood that the amount will be but a small fraction of that mentioned in the story. It is also believed that no allocation has yet been made of these funds and that they are still under the control of the navy and army canteen board.

Burglars Took Over 40,000 Blank Liquor Prescriptions

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 18.—Information has come from Edmonton, to the effect that one of the reasons for the sudden substitution by the attorney-general's department of the new "D" series counterfeit proof liquor prescriptions for the old "C" series, was a recent burglary committed in the capital city. The report states that the Esdale printing establishment was broken into in that city and between 40,000 and 50,000 of the former prescriptions stolen.

JAIL FOR I. W. W.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 18.—Federal Judge John C. Pollock late today passed sentence on twenty-seven members of the Industrial Workers of the World, found guilty today by a jury in the federal district court of Kansas City, Kan., of conspiracy against the government. The sentences ranged from three and a half to nine and a half years in the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas.

R. W. E. BURNABY
Elected president of the U.F.O. at yesterday's meeting.

TEUTON CONGRESS IS MONARCHIST ORGY

Ex-Kaiser as One of Greatest Political Fools in History.

Berlin, Dec. 18.—The German national congress in the Potsdam district developed into a "monarchist orgy," according to Vorwaerts. Telegrams of greetings were despatched to "their majesties" at Amerongen.

The chairman of the congress during the course of his speech said:

"Our royal house towers so high above all the princely houses of the world that it would be difficult further to spread knowledge of the Hohenzollern charter by word of mouth."

Commenting on this statement, Vorwaerts characterizes the former German emperor as "one of the greatest political fools in the world's history" and refers to the former crown prince as "superficial youth of coarse mind, a sporting dandy, and in other respects totally incapable." "He invented the cuff-link," adds Vorwaerts, and sums up by saying:

"This is, briefly, the character of the towering princely house."

COMPLICITY IS CHARGED

Paris, Dec. 18.—As a result of a further investigation into the case of Henri Landru, who is under arrest in connection with the disappearance of twelve women, who, it is charged, he had married or promised to marry, Landru's wife and their eldest son, Maurice, were taken into custody today, charged with forgery and complicity in the alleged crime of Landru.

UNITED FARMERS APPROVE COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURE'S POLICY OF CO-ORDINATION

Reaffirm Abolition of Senate and Policy of Caution Concerning Hydro Radials—Endorse Building of Good Roads in Pioneer Districts.

The U. F. O. parade of federal representation on the stage of Massey Hall last night did not draw more than half the crowd that thronged to hear the Ontario cabinet ministers the previous evening. Nor did those who stayed away miss much, because it was an evening of heavy, weary amateurish spellbinding.

Hon. T. A. Crerar unfolded the Canadian council of agriculture's plan for raising revenue. A series of resolutions were adopted without discussion.

Approving the decision of the Canadian council of agriculture to hold immediately a conference to endeavor to co-ordinate the various schemes of political effort in each of the provinces into a federal organization for the purpose of creating and directing this new political party.

Reaffirming the declaration unanimously adopted a year ago that the Dominion senate should be abolished and instructs the Ontario representatives to the Canadian council of agriculture to urge that the senate abolition be made a plank in the farmers' national platform.

All commissions appointed by the government in the past have been paid by the government; it is a great injustice charging the expenses of the wheat board direct to the farmers, and should be paid out of consolidated revenue.

Various orders in council have been passed during the late war restricting the liberty of the press and the free distribution and importation of economic and religious works into Canada; that the Ontario legislature be memorialized by our executive to use all their influence to have the former freedom restored to the people of Canada.

This convention views with alarm the proposed policy of Hydro radials, involving the expenditure of millions and intending in many instances the duplication of present railways, that the legislature be requested to move slowly in this matter.

Practicable Roads.

In view of the fact that the lack of practicable roads in the districts of northern Ontario greatly hampers colonization growth and general development of those regions, this convention recommends that action be taken by the Ontario government to remedy those conditions and encourage settlers and pioneers by proper means be placed in the hands of a competent experienced railway man.

In view of the strong opposition to the proposed sale of the T. and N.O. Railway to the Dominion government, be it resolved that such proposed sale be postponed till public opinion is further consulted, and also that the appointment of the chairman of the T. and N.O. commission.

The convention memorialize the Ontario government to amend the act re grants to community halls, in order that ownership may be vested in a board of trustees, as well as in a municipal council.

R. W. E. Burnaby presided.

R. Segsworth reported on the proceedings of the Canadian Council of Agriculture meeting at Winnipeg

Norman Lambert as secretary of

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PREMIER BORDEN TO RETAIN POST OF PRIME MINISTER BUT WILL TAKE LONG REST

An Impossible Situation.

The indecision and inaction of Sir Robert Borden in regard to his health and continuance in his responsible office as head of the government of Canada, is characteristic of his course for a long while back. If he is as ill as he says he is, and as the doctors say he is, he ought, in all fairness to the country and to himself carry out the determination imparted to his colleagues that he must resign. A sick and indecisive prime minister must impart those same qualities to his government. He has been unable either to reconstruct or strengthen his cabinet.

Canada was never in so critical a condition as she is at this moment of mounting debt and pressing need for reconstruction. And the prime minister, after having further alarmed the people about his own condition, decides to go away and let public affairs at Ottawa drift along as they have been drifting for some time. The captain is not in command, but a crew that can be neither changed nor strengthened is sailing the ship. The trouble is with Sir Robert Borden, not with the country. Let us in all fairness to the country come out and say that he should put the political house of Canada in order forthwith so that the people in a general election may settle their government and who is to carry it on.

Or, to put it another way, Canada finds herself hung up with the most well-intentioned but half-baked program in regard to imperial relations and naval defence, ourselves in a league of nations carrying the most stupendous commitments, as was set out by Mr. Parsons of the Manufacturers' Association yesterday, and all at a moment when we must more or less revise our fiscal policy. In such a moment the prime minister tells the people he is not able to carry on, and then decides to leave the ship without any disposal of the overburdened command. In a word, he is following the same course that marked the wind-up of the career of Sir William Hearst. The embattled farmers, with their pitchforks, will possess Ottawa with ten times the force they mopped up Toronto.

Reaches Decision Not to Retire, After Considerable Pressure From His Colleagues—In Official Statement, Says It is Essential That Supporters in Parliament Approve New Arrangement.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 18.—It is officially announced that Sir Robert Borden is to retain the post of prime minister and that he will take a long rest to recover his health.

Sir Robert Borden will remain prime minister of Canada. This decision has been reached after considerable pressure was brought to bear upon the premier by his colleagues and from various sources outside of the cabinet. However, while he will remain prime minister, Sir Robert's health is in such condition that a prolonged respite from his onerous duties is absolutely necessary and he will take such rest as may prove necessary. In the meantime, it is stated, effective arrangements will be made for the discharge of the duties which otherwise would be incumbent upon him.

The premier was advised by his physicians that continuance of his duties at the present time would inevitably result in a serious and permanent impairment of his health, "and eventually in complete incapacity for further work." The period of his absence from duty will necessarily depend upon his progress toward recovery and in the end the condition of his health will determine his resumption of official duties or his retirement therefrom.

Premier's Statement

These facts are given in an official statement from Sir Robert which was issued to the Canadian Press this evening. The prime minister states:

"Sir Robert Borden desires that the situations here outlined shall be placed before his supporters in parliament and he considers it essential that they should approve of the arrangement which his colleagues have urged and which he has accepted."

He requests that the proposals which he submitted to his supporters at the gathering just before he left Ottawa and some of which have not yet been carried out, shall be presented to parliament and the people after due consideration of the advice and suggestions of the supporters of the government.

The prime minister expresses most grateful appreciation of the "extremely generous and considerate attitude of all his colleagues in the difficult situation with which he has been confronted" and thanks his many friends thruout the country for their expressions of sympathy and regret.

Talks With Press.

The prime minister had a short talk with members of the press gallery in his office at 6 o'clock this evening, at the conclusion of which he issued the following statement:

The prime minister has not rallied effectively from the sudden and severe illness which prostrated him during

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NOT APPROACHED BY GOVERNMENT

Statement by Capt. Buckland Regarding By-Election Story.

Guelph, Ont., Dec. 18.—(Special).—"I have never been approached by Hon. Manning Doherty or any other member of the Drury government respecting giving up my seat in the Ontario legislature, and my intention is to represent the electors of South Wellington in the legislature." This is the brief, but positive, answer which Rev. Capt. C. H. Buckland of this city gives to the despatch sent out from Toronto to the effect that he may resign his seat to allow Hon. Mr. Doherty to seek a seat in this riding. Mr. Buckland did not consider it necessary to go any further than this, but simply remarked that this statement set all rumors at rest.

Talked of a Protest.

Rumors to the effect that Mr. Buckland would resign and South Wellington be reopened for Hon. Manning Doherty, have been current here for some time. Secretary Morrison, the U. F. O. organizer, has been in the city several times since the elections were held. It is understood that at one time the matter of entering a protest, on behalf of Mr. Sam Carter against Mr. Buckland's return was considered. The question hinged partly on whether or not, in the event of the seat possibly being vacated by the courts, a U. F. O. member would be put up in a by-election. Some of the former Conservatives among the farmers insisted that there should be a U. F. O. candidate and the protest idea dropped. Following this there were reports that the Conservative machine here was trying to arrange thru Hon. Mr. Guthrie at Ottawa for Mr. Buckland's appointment to a military chaplaincy, or home position, in order to open South Wellington for Hon. Doherty.

It is said that within the last day or two a letter from a member of the Drury government was received in the city, recalling that the Great War Veterans had largely supported Mr. Buckland, and bespeaking the same support for Mr. Doherty, in case he should run in South Wellington. However, this morning a prominent Conservative, when asked about the deal, said he understood it was off, as Mr. Buckland declined to give up his seat.

A RACING MAN ON RANEY.

The World asked a man interested in racing as to Mr. Raney's statement that the racing men were out to beat him when he runs for election. "So far," said he, "as I know, it is absolutely untrue, and must be classed with most of his utterances on the subject. Real friends of Mr. Drury's government, however, should hope for his defeat; whereas all opponents of Mr. Drury's following must pray that nothing will be done to defeat Mr. Raney, who has no business in a farmers' government. His return will wreck it within the year."

Will Vaccinate Soldiers In Montreal District

Montreal, Dec. 16.—"In view of the smallpox epidemic in the city of Toronto and cases developing from time to time in this vicinity due to Toronto immigration, this headquarters staff and all C.E.F. units and troops employed in this district who have not been successfully vaccinated since C. E. F. enlistment will be vaccinated without delay."

This is the order made tonight by Brig.-Gen. Armstrong, G.O.C. of military district No. 4, which includes the whole of Montreal and district.

Pleads for Patience With U. S. Over League of Nations

London, Dec. 18.—In the house of commons today Sir Donald MacLean pleaded for patience with America in regard to the league of nations.

Lord Robert Cecil wanted assurances that the government was sincerely desirous of making the league of nations a success. He also asked for assurances about Turkey, remarking that the world disastrous Turkish domination was permitted to remain over Constantinople. He emphasized the danger for Europe of another revolution in Germany.

STRIKES VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Dec. 18.—The first death here from the so-called sleeping sickness occurred this morning. The victim was a middle-aged woman. There are now four cases in the city hospital.

THE EXCHANGE SITUATION.

The British pound ($4.86) in New York, $3.78, discount 22.22 per cent.

The Canadian dollar in New York, 92c, discount 8 per cent.