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POINTED QUESTIONS PUT TO OTTAWA GOVERNMENT INVOLVING GIRLS DEATH

MEMBERS' FULL INDEMNITY IS ASSURED.

(Special To The Record).

Ottawa, Oct. 2.—In spite of the fact that this was supposed to be a short, special session designed for an academic endorsement of the peace treaty, in reality it is turning into a most interesting parliament with all sorts of thrills.

Incidentally the members' full indemnity of \$2500 is now assured. Yesterday was the thirty-first day of the session, which has therefore lasted long enough to provide the complete remuneration.

From now on the proceedings may be expected to run quickly to a conclusion and a finish by the 10th of the month is hoped for, although a later date is possible.

WAS NATIONAL RAILWAY CARS PLACED AT PREMIER HEARST'S DISPOSAL.

Ottawa, Oct. 2.—Mr. Joseph Archambault, K.C., M.P., for Chambly-Verch.

UNION GOVERNMENT M.P.'S HELD A CAUCUS TO-DAY DIVERGENCE OF OPINIONS

PREMIER TO LEAVE FOR THE SOUTH TO REST

(Special To The Record)

OTTAWA, Oct. 2.—At the conclusion of this morning's caucus of government members, Sir Robert Borden proceeded to his office in the Museum and held a short caucus. Interviewed on his way there he replied that a "very harmonious and satisfactory caucus" was held and a statement will be given out later in the afternoon.

The caucus was of but short duration, lasting only from ten to twelve o'clock and concluding with three cheers and a tiger twice repeated. Its very brevity is evidence in itself that no definite decision was reached. The Premier's statement was comprehensive and occupied a considerable part of the time of the conference.

While no official statement has yet been given out, it is learned on good authority that further action toward the consolidation of the Union party will be postponed until next session. The Premier Minister is not in a condition of health to permit of the barking immediately on the difficult task of organizing the various elements. It is hoped, however, that he will recuperate fully with a couple of months' holiday and rest. In the meantime Union government will carry on as usual.

A feature of the caucus was the address on Sir George Foster. This veteran parliamentarian made an eloquent appeal for unity not only of political aims but for unity of purpose and ideals in meeting the tasks which

lie ahead. He asked for more consideration of public men and referred to the Premier's condition of health as being due to too great application to public duties. Hon. N. W. Rowell and Hon. J. A. Calder also spoke. Members of the caucus generally refrained from controversial discussion in the premises.

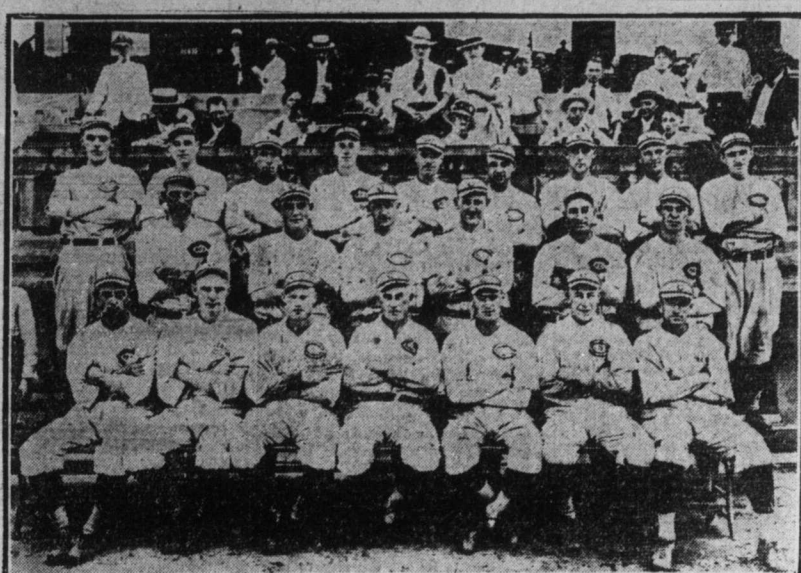
In a dreary drizzling rain which dragged the autumn leaves, swirling in the wind, Sir Robert Borden was this morning driven in a closed car to the caucus. The prime minister showed evidence of his protracted illness in his conference with his followers. To-day will be his last public act before his departure to the south where it is anticipated he will spend a couple of months at least, in recuperation.

This morning's gathering was highly representative of both elements of the government in the commons and of government supporters in the upper chamber, there being but few absentees, and those unavoidably.

The caucus discussed the momentous questions of the future of Union government and the features of the conference was a pronouncement by the Premier setting forth his opinions on the question and giving expression to the hope that his followers would be consolidated into a party to deal with the great problems of peace. Loud applause greeted Sir Robert when he enters the caucus room and he was accorded a further ovation when he rose to deliver his speech.

Sir Robert, it is stated, laid stress

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CINCINNATI REDS, CHAMPIONS OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE—Top row, left to right: Reuther, p.; Smith, infield; Luque, p.; See, outfield; Rath, 2b.; Groh, 3b.; Rousch, outfield; Schreiber, infield; Magee, outfield. Middle row, left to right: Sallee, p.; Bressler, p. and outfield; Fisher, p.; Ring, p.; Mitchell, Gerner, infield. Bottom row, left to right: Raden, c.; Allen, c.; Wingo, c.; Pat Moran, manager; Kopf, s.; Neale, outfield; Daubert, 1b.

WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE GOOD FOR TO-DAY'S GAME WILLIAMS AND SALLEE ON

LINE-UP OF CONTESTING NINES

IN SECOND BIG GAME.

Cincinnati, Oct. 2.—Baseball enthusiasts were greeted with bright skies early to-day. It appeared that the weather conditions would not interfere with the playing of the second game of the world's series between Chicago and Cincinnati Reds, at Redland field this afternoon. The local weather forecaster's prediction for to-day was cloudy and warm.

The probable batting order for to-day's game is:—

Chicago—Liebold, r.f.; E. Collins, 2b.; Weaver, 3b.; Jackson, 1b.; Felsch, c.; Gandil, 1b.; Rieberg, s.; Schalk, c.; Williams, p.

Cincinnati—Rath, 2b.; Daubert, 1b.; Groh, 3b.; Rousch, c.f.; Duncan, 1b.; Kopf, s.; Neale, r.f.; R. A. Riden, c.; Sallee, p.

MR. PETER SHIRK

PASSES AWAY

There passed away at his home in Bridgeport yesterday afternoon, one of the county's most highly esteemed and respected citizens in the person of Mr. Peter Shirk, the deceased being in his 80th year. For over 50 years he has carried on a successful milling business in Bridgeport, and during his long business career made a host of friends who will regret to learn of his passing. To mourn his death there are left 2 sons, George and Noah of Bridgeport, and 3 daughters, namely: Mrs. W. Kraft, Bridgeport; Mrs. G. Bechtel, Baden; Mrs. Allan Shantz and Mrs. L. Cresman, Waterloo Township; Mrs. D. Snyder, Bloomington; Mrs. G. Snyder, Waterloo; Mrs. Dan Dudge, Bridgeport, and Delina at home, and much sympathy is extended to them in this their hour of bereavement.

The funeral arrangements are not complete and will be announced to-morrow.

DR. BRAITHWAITE

MADE CHAIRMAN

OF NATIONAL FORWARD MOVEMENT

(Special To The Record)

LONDON, Oct. 2.—Dr. E. E. Braithwaite, formerly president of Western University and previously of Calgary University, has been appointed chairman of the National Forward Movement, a new organization of churches, in succession to Dr. Warburton, who has retired.

OUTLOOK FOR SETTLEMENT IS BRIGHT

LONDON, Oct. 2.—A wave of optimism swept through both officials and trades unionist circles to-day regarding the outcome of the negotiations for an adjustment of the strike, which were resumed this morning.

Prime Minister Lloyd-George was busily engaged at an early hour discussing the situation with his colleagues, Sir Eric Geddes and Sir Robert Horne, Minister of Transportation and Minister of Labor respectively, although he had been at work until the middle of the night.

At the headquarters of the national union of railwaymen there was extreme activity and the opinion seemed to prevail that the outlook for settlement was bright.

RECEIVED

APPOINTMENT

To fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Judge W. M. Ready, Judge J. E. Hearn has been appointed senior judge of the county.

Owing to an act recently passed in Parliament, a junior judge will not be appointed, the senior judge attending to all the duties of the office.

Jury Retired at 11.15 Today

AFTER HEARING CHARGE BY JUSTICE MASTON.

The charge to the jury by Justice Maston in the murder trial of Iven Petkoff, commenced at 9.40 o'clock this morning and lasted until 11.15 o'clock. The jury then were instructed to proceed to the room reserved for them and the court went on with other business.

Justice Maston in his charge, impressed the point that it was for the jury to decide the facts. With the interpretation of the law there were the proper places where this could be considered, "Did Petkoff kill or help to kill Stork?" This question was for them to decide. He said that if he himself had certain views, or was inclined to certain opinions, the jury must not be concerned about what seems to be his opinion. It was for them only to learn the facts. As far as possible he would refrain from creating any impression as to his opinion.

The judge in the course of the outline of the evidence among other things said several matters stood out prominently. Among these were the story of the Jacksons and Mrs. Stewart, who say three men go to the bush, they being the two prisoners and the deceased man and only the two prisoners returned. The wanderings of the two men after Sunday afternoon after going to Galt together, and the watch in the case.

The only direct evidence in the case was that of Boyeff, an accomplice. He read the law on evidence by accomplices which states a jury may or may not accept it. Authorities point out it should be viewed with suspicion. While a conviction might be made on the strength of it, yet there should be corroborative evidence. In this case there was corroborative evidence.

After the jury was out for a few minutes, they were recalled by Justice Maston at the request of the counsel for the defence, Justice Maston had concurred with the counsel and said his statement about corroborative evidence might or might not be accepted by the jury.

HOPP—GERBIG NUPTIALS.

Mr. Oscar J. Epp and Mrs. Eleanor Gerbig, both of this city were wedded yesterday at 2 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, 198 College street, in the presence of the immediate friends of the contracting parties. The attending couple were Mr. Julius Gerbig, Jr. and Mrs. Julius Gerbig, Jr. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Sperling, after which a wedding luncheon was served. The bride couple left on a honeymoon trip on the 6.17 G.T.R. train for western points, and on their return will reside in this city.

PRINCE TO SOON GO DUCK HUNTING

IN SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCE.

(Special To The Record)

Winnipeg, Oct. 2.—Grand Trunk Pacific officials announce that the royal train, in which the Prince of Wales is touring Canada, will leave Regina on October 6th, and will travel to Edmonton, Saskatchewan. On his arrival there, the Prince will motor 21 miles to Jacks or Treaty Point, in the Pasqua reserve for three days' duck shooting, as the guest of Lieut.-Governor Lake, of Saskatchewan.

"LIBERTY DRIVE" BY MANITOBA FARMERS

AN INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ACTION.

(Special To The Record)

Winnipeg, Oct. 2.—The Grain Growers of Manitoba are about to organize for independent political action and they are following much the same plan as in Saskatchewan.

On October 15th they will hold a "Liberty Drive" when a canvass will be made of all farmers in the province to secure members for the grain-growers' political party in Manitoba.

This is the same day as the proposed drive in Saskatchewan, where all constituencies will be canvassed except Assiniboia, which has been covered.

ALBERT OF BELGIUM REACHES NEW YORK

TENDERED A CORDIAL WELCOME.

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—Albert, King of Belgium, with Queen Elizabeth and Prince Leopold, were welcomed to New York on arrival of S. S. George Washington to-day in characteristic United States fashion.

Vice-President Marshall extended the welcome for the Government and with him were many other prominent in federal and civil life.

AMERICAN CHURCHES

CONSIDER UNREST

AND EXISTING SOCIAL PROBLEMS

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—Representatives of 75 Evangelical denominations met here to-day for a two-day conference on industrial and social unrest.

Dr. Frederick B. Fisher, chairman of the Industrial Relations Department of Interchurch work movement of North America, in opening the first session, characterized the conference as marking an epoch in religious history and the first step in an active and united participation of Protestants in the industrial crisis.

ARRANGING FOR

MASS MEETING

CITIZENS LIBERTY LEAGUE

SO DECIDES.

The Citizens Liberty League last evening held a meeting in the Merchants Bank hall.

President A. K. Lang occupied the chair.

The referendum was discussed from various angles and the advisability of voting "yes" to every one of the four questions was mentioned by each of the speakers who said that this would be the only way to make sure that they would attain something better than the O. T. A.

It is the intention to hold a mass meeting of citizens next week, probably Wednesday at which addresses by prominent citizens will be delivered. This meeting will be held in

COUNSEL MAKES ELOQUENT PLEA ON BEHALF OF ACCUSED

Claim That Testimony Against Petkoff Was That of an Accomplice.
Crown on Other Hand Says Whole Evidence Is Against Accused.

The charge to the jury by Justice Maston, in the Galt murder cases, in which the first accused is Iven Petkoff, was delivered by Justice Maston at 9.30 o'clock this morning. Counsel delivered their addresses to the jury yesterday afternoon.

At 2.00 o'clock in the afternoon Mr. Makins, K.C., cross examined the prisoner. The cross examination lasted for an hour and a quarter. During the questioning he tried to ascertain from Petkoff where he spent an hour and a half in Victoria Park, Galt, and another hour and a half or so up town without seeing or meeting anybody that he knew and he learned from him that he tried to cross the border at Bridgeburg on Monday following the day of the tragedy. The trip to Brantford the prisoner said had been mentioned earlier in the day by the trio at Galt. He made it only for pleasure.

At about 3.15 o'clock Petkoff left the stand. He then wanted to see the minister who visited him in the goal because he had told him about a certain man that he would like to have as a witness. His counsel had him go back to the box and make known his thought. Mr. Bray then remarked that it be all right.

An Eloquent Appeal for the Defence

The evidence for the defence was concluded and Mr. Bray began his appeal to the jury at 3.18 o'clock and spoke until 5.05, 1 hr. and 47 min. Mr. Bray made an eloquent appeal which at stages became touching.

The counsel maintained that the whole evidence showed Petkoff inferior in intelligence and more bent to manual occupation.

Throughout his year's association with Boyeff, his employer, he was the tool of the latter. The defence also emphasized the fact that Boyeff had admitted having told lies about the tragedy and that he was afraid that he would get into trouble. He was trying to put on other shoulders what, according to his own admission, should be on his own.

Is Evidence of Accomplice

The Crown's case against Petkoff rested on the testimony of an accomplice only. As to when such evidence can be admitted His Lordship Justice Maston will tell the jury.

As to the evidence of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Stewart, Galt, who knew the two men, namely Boyeff and Petkoff, owing to them operating a cheese plant near the two homes in Galt some years ago. Two of these witnesses had not only said they saw the three men on Sunday going to the bush and gravel pit, and Boyeff and Petkoff coming back alone, another had also said she saw Petkoff at about 1.30 p.m. on Borden Avenue in the same vicinity. The fact was they were mistaken.

They had said that there were many other people going to and from the bush Sunday afternoon and they might easily be mistaken.

In Stratford Friday Night

Mrs. Scott, further, also had claimed they saw the three men drive in a buggy to the former abode of the two men on Saturday afternoon and also had seen Petkoff in front of her place Friday night. She had said in her evidence if she did not see the prisoner, Petkoff, Friday night, she did not see him the next two days. Now the evidence showed that none of the men left Stratford until Saturday afternoon. Friday evening all were in Stratford.

A Straightforward Story

Petkoff's whole story was given in a straightforward manner. If he were guilty he would not have said certain things which in case of guilt would have amounted to prejudicing his case.

Mr. Makins, the Crown counsel, opened his address at 5.05 and concluded at 6.08 o'clock.

Crown Complimented Defence Counsel

Mr. Makins, counsel for the Crown, complimented Mr. Bray for the able defence he made. Unfortunately for the prisoner there were certain inci-

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SETTLEMENT OF RAILWAY

STRIKE MAY FOLLOW TALK

BRITISH GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE WITH RAILWAYMEN'S LEADERS.

London, Oct. 2.—Hope that some means might be found for reaching an understanding with the government, relative to the railroad strike, was expressed in a statement issued this morning by J. H. Thomas, Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, before going to the conference with Premier Lloyd George and other members of the ministry.

"The position is such, I hope," his statement said, "that negotiations will be resumed. Anything that may hamper or prejudice it or render it more difficult to find a bridge to the situation which is becoming more dangerous every hour, must be avoided at all costs. We are not striking for striking's sake and we will not prolong the dispute an hour longer than can be avoided. I hope to go down to Downing Street to give effect to the spirit in which I am now speaking."

At 12.30 o'clock the labor deputation began a conference with Premier Lloyd George and other cabinet ministers.

a theatre or some other auditorium.

During the evening President Lang asked for the active support of all citizens present at the meeting and this was pledged by them.

SOME MEMBERS ARE

OPPOSED TO TREATY

IN FRENCH CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

PARIS, Oct. 2.—Jules Delahaye, speaking in behalf of the royalist group in the Chamber and Deputy Maginot on behalf of twenty deputies representing the devastated regions, announced to-day that they would vote against the ratification of the Peace treaty.

Deputies Delahaye and Maginot were among first six members who arose to explain the action they proposed to take in reference to peace treaty.

EXPECTED TO RATIFY TREATY TO-DAY

PARIS, Oct. 2.—It is the unanimous opinion in government circles here that the treaty of peace with

None of the railroad men, however, were members of the deputation. Cabinet ministers are optimistic over the prospect of a settlement of the railroad strike, according to the political correspondent of the Daily Mail, who says they declared early this morning that the government would not recede from its determination not to resume negotiations unless the men first resumed work and remarked that the fact that J. H. Thomas, leader of the national union of railwaymen, went to Downing Street while knowing of this condition was a most hopeful feature.

Leaders of the Transport Workers' Union and other labor organizations are endeavoring to find a way to bring the railwaymen back and have refrained from any threat to extend the strike, as result of yesterday's conference. This, it is said is due to the fact that the leaders of the national union of railwaymen are trying to obtain from the government an outline of negotiations unless the men first resumed work, which they can lay before the men as a reason for ordering them back to their posts.

Germany will be ratified this afternoon by the Chamber of Deputies.

November 5 is the date unofficially announced for the holding of the French elections.

STEEL STRIKE IS

BEING EXAMINED

CAUSING REVIVAL OF INTEREST

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—Interest in the strike to-day again centered in Washington, where the Senate Labor Committee was continuing its investigation of the controversy involving directly or indirectly nearly 500,000 workers.

Elbert H. Gary, Chairman of Board of Directors of the United States Steel Corporation, who testified yesterday that the "Open Shop" would be maintained by his corporation at all costs, resumed his testimony to-day.

William Z. Foster, secretary of the strikers' national committee and alleged leader of radical element in the strike, was in Washington prepared to follow Mr. Gary in the witness stand.