

COLLINS TAKES SERIOUS VIEW OF SHELLING OF PETTIGOE IN THE FREE STATE TERRITORY

Demands of British Authorities Full Investigation Into All the Circumstances.

DE VALERA-COLLINS JOINT STATEMENT

Appeal for the Support of Coalition Panel in the Coming Elections.

RUSHING REINFORCEMENTS FORWARD TO THE REPUBLICAN TROOPS

Belfast, June 5.—Although up to a late hour tonight the British troops have not attempted to occupy either Belleek or Magheramona Castles, resumption of activity on that front is expected very soon. The Republicans are understood to be pushing forward large reinforcements. The correspondent of the Belfast Telegraph estimates the death list in the recent fighting as high as thirty. The Pettigoe district, where several more bodies have been found, is still held entirely by the soldiers, the constabulary and special being kept in the rear.

CRERAR URGES REORGANIZATION OF DEPTS TO DO AWAY WITH DUPLICATION OF SERVICES

In Discussion of Budget, Progressive Leader Said It Was His Desire to Make Some Useful Suggestion for the Solution of Canada's Problems—Warns Government That Substantial Reduction in Expenditure Must Be Made.

(Canadian Press.)
Ottawa, June 5.—Hon. T. A. Crerar, Progressive leader, took up discussion of the budget in the House this afternoon, and said he wished to approach the subject from the angle of his desire to make some useful suggestions for the solution of Canada's problems. As to railway expenditures, he urged upon the government the drawing of a clear line as to what constituted charges to expenditures and what to capital account. He called attention to the fact that according to Finance Ministers' statement there was a gap of \$100,000,000 between estimated revenues and estimated expenditures for current year. To get a balance between income and expenditures should be the cardinal guiding principle at any rate for the next year or so. Canada had pretty well reached the limit of taxation. In advocating the need of fiscal economy, he suggested the reorganization of departments to do away with the duplication of services.

CROW NEST PASS AGREEMENT AND THE MARITIMES

View of Sea Provinces Respecting Freight Rates Placed Before Rates Committee.

AGAINST RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT

As It Would Prohibit Railway Giving Reductions to Other Parts of the Country

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, June 5.—The point of view of the Maritime Provinces in respect of railways freight rates was put clearly and forcibly before the Freight Rates Committee of parliament today by Mr. R. I. Fin, member of the Nova Scotia government. Mr. Fin rested his case for lower rates upon three grounds: (1) the geographical position of the Maritime Provinces; (2) the economic position which this geographical situation created; and (3) the peculiar constitutional position of the Maritime Provinces in relation to railway rates under the British North America Act.

REPUBLICANS ARE GRADUALLY EVACUATING BELLEEK SECTOR

Banishillee, Ireland, June 5.—The Republicans are gradually evacuating the Belleek sector. The military has made no further moves toward Belleek. The Pettigoe salient has been quiet throughout the day. There is considerable interest over the statement in the official report of the trouble announcing that the military are holding, in addition to a distance of about a mile in Free State territory. It is stated that it was imperative that the hills should be occupied by the military in order to prevent the Republicans from harassing the troops in the town of Pettigoe.

MAJORITY REPORT OF SCOTT CONCILIATION BOARD FAVORS MCKINNON AWARD RATES

Calls for Reduction of Twenty Per Cent in Wages of All Employees With Minimum of \$3.00 Per Day for Datal Men, in the Employ of British Empire Steel Corporation.

Ottawa, June 5.—We are of the opinion that the McKinnon award rates, with a reduction of twenty per cent in the wages of all employees with a minimum of \$3 per day for datal men over the age of 18 years, should be adopted.

The above is the conclusion in regard to wages in the majority report of the Scott Board of Conciliation which investigated the dispute between the British Empire Steel Corporation, its subsidiaries, the Dominion Coal Company, Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, and the Acadia Coal Company, and their employees.

EDMUNDSTON HAS DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Newspapermen and Tourist Association Members Entertained in Hearty Fashion

Special to The Standard.
Edmundston, June 5.—This was some day for Edmundston. Not only was it a good one for this bustling, progressive town, but it was an eye opener for the twenty-five newspapermen, and a like number of members of the New Brunswick Tourist Association who were here today.

TURKS CONTINUE TO OPPRESS CHRISTIANS

Forming Them Into Labor Brigades for Front Line Trenches.

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PROGRESSIVES PUT AMENDMENT BEFORE HOUSE

The Amendment Regarded As Compromise One, Is Devoid of Teeth.

CLOSES WITH WEAK DECLARATION

Leader Crerar Afraid to Move Boldly Lest Another Election Might Follow.

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, June 5.—After considerable party dissent, which involved the dropping of Mr. Hoey into watering down his speech, petty cabals against Mr. Crerar's leadership, the suppression of an amendment, suggested by Mr. Shaw, of Calgary, and a caucus which saw charges of treachery flung about with a bang, the Progressive party, today, brought forth an amendment to the Budget. Clearly a compromise between elements in the party that are calling against Mr. Crerar and those other elements which include Mr. Crerar's whose first anxiety is that they should provide but a minimum of worry for Mr. King, and shun the perils of an election. It was an amendment devoid of teeth.

LIBERALS GRATIFIED

As to the Liberals, they are undoubtedly grateful for what Mr. Crerar has done. They know that the cost of merely a mild amendment, he has given them an amendment for which the Conservatives cannot vote, and, consequently, absolute certainty that their budget will pass. Nobody cares whether Mr. Crerar's amendment is in order or out of order. In either case, Mr. Crerar will see that his followers vote so as to keep the Ministry in office, and that is all that matters.

WAGE CONSIDERATIONS

The wage question is the last to be dealt with in the majority report. It is the employees must necessarily be governed by the price which the company is able to get for its coal. It would be quite unreasonable to expect to allow the company to pay so high a rate of wages as would prevent it from at least paying the cost of coal. It is not a matter of principle, but of fact, that the company is able to get so high a price for its coal, and, therefore, it is not a matter of principle, but of fact, that the company is able to pay so high a rate of wages as would prevent it from at least paying the cost of coal.

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J. C. O'DONNELL DIES AT MONCTON

Superintendent of Canadian National Lines Succumbs Following Surgical Operation.

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He was in agreement with those favoring the budget which called for reciprocity with the United States, cancellation of regulations providing that country of origin should be stamped on all goods coming into the country and the depreciated currency regulations which he termed "autarkia" whilst the attempt to restore trade with Germany also met with his approval.

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Washington, June 5.—In opposition with reports from Germany, a small amount of the coal which was being used in the United States is being used in the United States.

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Douglasville, N. E., June 5.—The woolen factory, owned by the Douglasville Woolen Company, was burned last night.