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REAL IRISH WELCOME FOR ROYAL GUESTS

CANADA NEEDS MORE REAL OPTIMISM AND FAITH, SAYS HANNA

President of the Canadian National Railways "Never Saw Conditions More Favorable At This Time of Year."

Toronto, June 22.—"What a good time in Canada at the present time! There is more real optimism and faith in our future than I have seen in any other country," declared President D. B. Hanna of the Canadian National Railways today. "I have seen more optimism with conditions in the western provinces. I never saw conditions look more favorable at this time of year."

I look for a crop like the bumper crop of 1915, which had a record-breaking yield of 350,000,000 bushels of wheat in the western provinces," said the C. N. R. president. "Present conditions would certainly point to a yield of 300,000,000 bushels of wheat at least."

REV. JOHN ELDER IS ELECTED MODERATOR LONDON PRESBYTERY

Ministers Hold Session At Port Stanley.

RAIN SPOILS SPORTS

Rev. Mr. Bartlett Declines the Call To Mount Bridges and Komoka.

The summer meeting of the Presbytery of London was held in St. John's Church, Port Stanley, on Tuesday, the sessions commencing at 10 a.m. and continuing until 10 p.m.

Rev. J. A. Gale, formerly minister of Hyde Park and Komoka, and now of the Paris Presbytery, was present, and was invited to sit as corresponding member.

Notice was received from the Presbytery of Algoma that Rev. Charles W. Shelley had been deposed from the ministry, and from the Presbytery of Brantford that Rev. W. Nichol, formerly of Brantford, had been restored to the ministry. Rev. Mr. Bartlett declined the call to Mount Bridges, Carleton Place and Komoka.

The communications to the General Assembly, recently held in Toronto, reported, and were unanimous in their judgment that it was the greatest church assembly they had ever attended. Appreciation was expressed of the wonderful devotion of the members of the congregation, and the stipend of the fine action of the assembly in giving to Mrs. Knox \$1,000 in recognition of the splendid service of Mr. Knox to the church in the department of religious education in Canada and beyond.

Rev. Dr. McCrae, the interim moderator, presented a unanimous and enthusiastic call from First Church, London, to Col. William Beattie, D.D., C.M.G., as Moderator of the General Assembly, and the people of Ontario generally in the matter of bread prices.

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Owing to the severe electric storm in the afternoon the usual sports, for which full provision had been made, had to be called off.

The next meeting of the presbytery will be held on September 20 in the First Presbyterian Church, London.

ALLIES OFFER TO MEDIATE BETWEEN GREEKS AND TURKS

Paris, June 22.—French, British and Italian ministers to Greece sent a joint communication to the Government in Athens yesterday, extending an offer of mediation on the part of the Allies between the Greeks and the Turks.

The proposal will be examined by the Greek Government upon the return of Athens of Premier Gounaris, who is at present in Smyrna, but who is expected at the Greek capital soon.

MINISTER OF LABOR RESIGNS. Rome, June 22.—Arturo Labriola, minister of labor, has submitted his resignation to Premier Giolitti, and the Giornale d'Italia states it has been accepted.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE TRAIN?

Quebec, June 22.—A man named Fortin of St. Germain, Drummond County, was crossing the railway track at that place last night with a cart load of dynamite. He was struck by the Ocean Limited from Montreal, and an explosion resulted, blowing the man, beast and vehicle to pieces.

AIRMEN ADVOCATE PERMANENT STAFF

Would Have Civil and Military Flying Under One Head.

Camp Borden, June 22.—The night session of the Canadian Air Force Association continued until 2:30 a.m. The chief points under consideration had regard to an amendment of the present organization in the following directions: The appointment of a permanent head of the Canadian Air Force; the formation of the nucleus of a permanent staff, and the placing of all flying operations, both civil and military, under the new head.

Sir Wilfrid Gwatkin, inspector-general, and Major-General MacBrien were greatly pleased with the keenness shown in the discussion. Much emphasis was laid on the importance of university training and the need of obtaining university students in the force, and the question of an air force school for boys was discussed at length.

A longer period of training was favored with higher pay to attract the best type of recruits. It was conceded that aerial mail work should be left to commercial companies. Commercial lines, it was thought, succeeded best as auxiliaries to existing systems of transportation. Flying, it was stated, had been of signal use in the forestry service.

RANEY SHOULD ORDER BREAD PROBE, SAYS AID. JOHN BRIDGE

Believes His Department Is Responsible For Action in the Matter.

Ald. John Bridge, president of the local Chamber of Commerce, who has declared war on local bakers, alleging that 12 cents per 24-ounce loaf of bread is an exorbitant price, is not satisfied with the stand taken by the attorney-general, W. E. Raney, who has refused to empower a commission to investigate the bread situation in London on the grounds that he has no authority to do so.

The provincial authorities usually exercised every care to protect provincial rights, and we look to the Drury Government, or the attorney-general's department, to protect the rights of Londoners, and the people of Ontario generally in the matter of bread prices. "The attorney-general's department, in my opinion, should justify its readiness to part with rights hitherto held by this department."

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QUEEN MARY



Accompanied by Queen Mary, the King presided at the state opening of the first North of Ireland Parliament in Belfast today.

FLAMES DEFEAT FATHER'S EFFORT TO SAVE GIRLS

Brockville Home Scene of an Early Morning Tragedy.

OIL STOVE THE CAUSE

Ex-Soldier Badly Burned in Saving Wife and Three Children.

Brockville, June 22.—Dorothy, aged 14, and Phyllis Marion, aged 10, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Elliott, were burned to death in a fire which this morning destroyed their home, a frame building, at the corner of Amy and Ormond streets.

Mrs. Elliott awakened at 5:15 o'clock and went downstairs to prepare the breakfast by means of a coal oil stove. She lit the stove, but it blew out. Without turning off the flow, the woman returned upstairs to resume her dressing, and on going back to the lower floor found the kitchen in flames. Her screams awakened her husband, who went downstairs and attempted to remove the wife and the youngest child, Albert, aged 2 years, from the house. When he attempted to go upstairs he found the fire had reached the roof, and he was unable to proceed. He then tried to reach the upper rooms from the roof of a veranda, and succeeded in getting George, aged 9, and Stanley, aged 7, from their room. As he reached Phyllis, aged 14, she was overcome by the smoke at the same time as he heard Dorothy, aged 14, calling him. Elliott slipped and fell from the veranda, and the two children perished in the flames, their badly charred bodies were found when the fire was put out. The elder girl was born in Peterboro, where her parents formerly resided, and the younger girl here.

Elliott went overseas as bugle-major of the 15th Battalion and is now bugle-major of the Brockville Police Band. On his return from France, he is employed at the General Hospital, and was not in the house. The father was severely burned about the face and arms in his efforts to rescue his children, but will recover. Coroner Dr. W. E. Harding has opened an inquest.

More Births At Springbank Zoo

Mrs. Golden Pheasant Hatches Four Striplings and Mrs. "Silver" One.

The population at the Springbank Zoo was increased by one Tuesday, when Mrs. Silver Pheasant, whom regular visitors to the zoo missed last Sunday, was delighted to view a little fellow picking his way through the shell of the egg, upon which she patiently sat for hours. The proud mother faithfully guarded her infant prodigy.

To make matters more interesting at the zoo, Mrs. Golden Pheasant, a distant relative of the Silvers, announced the arrival of four offspring, and this quartet has survived all trials, it being regarded as very difficult to rear them in captivity.

General Manager E. V. Buchanan of the public utilities commission, who is on the alert for a pair of white swans to replace the pair which died last Sunday, has just learned with interest that four cygnets were hatched recently by the royal swans at the St. Thomas zoo. He has suggested that in a few weeks' time, when the young ones can care for themselves, a deal be put through with the Flower City, whereby some of the junior pheasants may be traded for a pair of the St. Thomas cygnets, thus adding royal blood to the variety of fowl at Springbank.

A pair of Australian black swans donated to the zoo by Mrs. Ronald Harris, are expected to arrive here in a few days.

COALITION SQUABBLE ONLY A MILD CRISIS

Anti-Waste Group Will Demand Reduction of Addison's Salary.

London, June 22.—(By Canadian Associated Press).—The future of the coalition Government of Premier Lloyd George is still being treated as a mild crisis and several political events are being used by the press to keep it alive. The principal of these is not Lord Salisbury's letter advising Unionist members of Parliament to hold themselves free from any binding obligations to the Government, but the action of anti-waste group, who have registered an objection to the Government's reply to their memorial demanding economy is wholly unsatisfactory. More will be heard of this tomorrow, when the House discusses the salary of Dr. Addison.

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The Express says that the premier will yield to glamour and announce Dr. Addison's removal from office at the end of the session, but the Daily Mail declares the appointment will be stoutly defended. In this connection a portion of the press is inclined to see significance in certain social celebrations in which coalition Liberals and the Independent Labour Party are jointly concerned. The Independent Labour Party perceives a growing atmosphere of Liberal conciliation.

GUELPH MAN WINNER OF GOLD MEDAL AT R. M. C.

Kingston, June 22.—B. Sergt.-Major H. A. MacKenzie of Toronto was the winner of the sword of honor at the Royal Military College in the session just ended, and he also won the Governor-General's silver medal. The Governor-General's gold medal was won by G. K. Crowe of Guelph, while the Governor-General's bronze medal went to T. W. Vrooman of Walkerville.

Other prize winners were: W. M. Carleton-Morris, memorial scholarship—H. W. Vrooman, Walkerville.

General proficiency, final year—G. K. Crowe, Guelph.

Lieutenant-governor of Ontario's silver medal, for second year class—P. F. Ouler, Toronto.

PLAYING AT TREACHERY. Toronto, June 22.—On behalf of the Irish Self-Determination League of Canada, Lindsay Crawford, national president, has sent a Memorandum to Eamon de Valera, congratulating him on his re-election to the presidency of the Dail Eireann, the Irish republican parliament.

FINE GARDEN PARTY. The garden party held on Monday evening at 112 Waterloo street was a great success. One of the many features was the music given by the Salvation Army Band No. 3.

KING GEORGE V.



Accompanied by Queen Mary, the King presided at the state opening of the first North of Ireland Parliament in Belfast today.

STATE OPENING OF NEW PARLIAMENT AN EPOCH IN HISTORY OF IRELAND

King George and Queen Mary Celebrate Tenth Anniversary of Their Coronation by Attending Brilliant and Spectacular Event in Belfast—Great Welcome Accorded Their Majesties During Their Stay in North of Ireland Capital—No Untoward Event Marks Visit.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONFERENCE TO BE MADE PUBLIC

Meighen Fights Shy of Meeting During Next Year.

MEET AT OTTAWA

Majority of Premiers Favorable To Gathering in Canada in 1923.

London, June 22.—By Gratton O'Leary, Staff Correspondent, Canadian Press.—That the conference of prime ministers is not going to arrive at any conclusions without passing through sharp controversies is evident from verbatim reports of the proceedings of yesterday's sessions. Thus, Mr. G. S. Meighen, premier of the Union of South Africa, made a characteristic plea for disarmament, and strongly advocated a conference with the United States and Japan respecting the problems of the Pacific, the Right Hon. William H. Hughes, Australian prime minister, who followed Mr. Meighen, leaned heavily towards the renewal of the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

The conference, which is suitable for framing, points out the value of birth registration in years to come to establish age of the person concerned, for working papers, jury service, voting, and for passports. It also says: "The department of health welcomes you to the city of Detroit. We hope you will grow up to be a fine, strong citizen. We shall do all we can to make this possible by having your birth registered at the department of health."

City Clerk S. Baker, who handles birth registration, is still to be seen in the city of Detroit. He will be an inaugurator of the scheme here. "Birth registration is well attended to in London," he informed The Advertiser. "I do not see any value in this new idea. A parent who registers a baby simply does his duty, and to welcome the child will not help or hinder him from doing so, in my opinion. How many parents care to receive a stereotyped address of welcome on a printed card? Very soon, in about six months' time, it would be as old as the hills."

NO REDUCTION IN FREIGHT RATES AT PRESENT TIME

Railway Commission Watching Result of Wage Cut Negotiations.

Ottawa, June 22.—Freight rates will follow wages down at just about the same rate as retail prices follow the cost of raw products. The railway commission is naturally watching with interest the efforts of the railway companies to reduce wages, and the result of the negotiations which will come to a head on July 1 will have much to do with any action which the commission will take in the matter of amending existing rate schedules. What ever the result may be, however, the board will undoubtedly permit a period of "readjustment" before ordering a cut in rates.

At the recent hearing of the appeal of the city of Toronto against the telephone rates, Hon. Dr. Reid, minister of railways, frankly predicted a decrease in wages after July 1. Whether such reduction will eventuate or not remains to be seen.

On July 1 increased passenger rates go back to normal. Pullman rates remain at their present exorbitant standard, and no change in existing freight rates is due.

SPLIT INTO ZONES. It is claimed that under existing freight rates Canada is being split into a series of zones, and that in certain cases traffic is being driven north and south, even in the face of duty and exchange. The live stock industry, for instance, is said to be on the point of ruin.

Nevertheless it is predicted that rates will not follow wages downward immediately, but that a period of reconstruction will be allowed. In the meantime the projected injury into discriminatory rates is hanging fire.

SINN FEINERS ARE OVERWHELMED BY AMERICAN LABOR

Attempt To Secure Boycott of British Goods Utterly Fails.

Denver, Col., June 22.—Sinn Fein sympathizers, supporting a resolution calling for boycott against British goods, were overwhelmingly defeated today in an attempt to have the convention vote on a ruling made by President Samuel Gompers, which prevented reconsideration of their proposal.

The convention then disposed of the Irish question by adopting a resolution expressing sympathy for the Irish Nationalist cause.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest 93, lowest 52.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest 77, lowest 67.

TOMORROW—FINE. Toronto, June 22—8 a.m. Forecasts.

Today—Light to moderate winds; mostly fair and very warm; local thunderstorms.

Thursday—Westerly winds; fine. Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Station	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	62	48	Fair
Calgary	84	46	Fair
Winnipeg	80	68	Clear
Port Arthur	86	64	Fair
Parry Sound	84	26	Fair
Toronto	88	56	Fair
Kingston	72	62	Clear
Ottawa	88	62	Fair
Montreal	82	66	Cloudy
Quebec	84	58	Cloudy
Father Point	58	48	Cloudy
St. John	60	48	Clear
Halifax	64	46	Clear

EVERY HORSE, COW, CHICKEN, SPEAR OF GRASS, IN MIDDLESEX RECEIVING HONORABLE MENTION BY CENSUS MAN

W. C. Fitzgerald, under whose supervision the census of East Middlesex and a part of the annexed district of London is being taken, expressed deep admiration today concerning the speed and accuracy displayed by every member of his staff of 32 enumerators.

"It is really amazing to me," said Mr. Fitzgerald, "how splendidly the men are proceeding with the work. A few of the returns are already in my office for checking up, but we will not be entirely completed for a few days yet. The census work of the county is much more complicated and tedious than in the city. We must account for every horse, cow, chicken, or other stock on the farm, as well as recording minute particulars relative to crops and so forth. As a matter of fact, this section of the report occupies on the average an hour's time, that is if the farmer has anything worth while at all. Then also the county enumerators lose much time in travel. As the city census taker goes from door to door, our men are compelled to travel a considerable distance from one farm to another."

Not unlike many of the residents of the city, a number of the farmers appeared at first to regard the census man with suspicion, and frequently unguarded hostility, intimates Mr. Fitzgerald, until they were assured that they were not conducting another tax assessment survey.

"We followed close on the heels of the income assessors," he said, "and some of the people naturally were reluctant at first to believe that we were not merely dropping in to be scarce and vexatious in the first report. However, generally the work is proceeding very well indeed."

RUSSIAN PASSENGER BOAT IS BLOWN UP

Bolshevik and Menshevik Place Blame for Tragedy On Each Other.

Stockholm, June 22.—Most of the passengers and crew of the Red Plover, one of the largest steamers plying the Volga River in Russia, perished one night last week following a terrible explosion on board. The steamer was totally destroyed by fire.

Among the dead were the Archbishop of Nizhni-Novgorod and several professors from the University of Kazan.

The Bolshevik and the Menshevik are charging each other with responsibility for the explosion. The Menshevik assert that it was significant that there was a party of Bolshevik secret police aboard the steamer and that all of them escaped.

NO COMMUNISM FOR BRITISH LABOR PARTY

Brighton, England, June 22.—The British Labor party, at its conference here today, rejected a proposal introduced by the radical wing to allow the Communist party to affiliate with the Labor party.

LAZINESS NO EXCUSE FOR BAD FAITH

Montreal, June 22.—Laziness is no excuse for bad faith, Judge Lehouff declared in the circuit court here, and condemned 26 students to pay a fine of \$100 each for failing to appear for their examinations.

Students of the Institute Des Cours Pratiques, on the understanding that he was to provide books, etc., for instruction in correspondence and lectures. The court found that the institute had carried out its bargain, but that the students had been too lazy to attend to their work and follow the course of study laid down, and thus had missed a good opportunity to acquire valuable knowledge.

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TUESDAY'S RAIN WAS OF GREAT BENEFIT TO THE FARMERS

Weather Man Hit Safely At Critical Stage of Game.

WILL HELP CROPS

Oats Especially Will Benefit by Kindness of Jupiter Pluvius.

Once again the weather man apparently has hit safely at a very critical stage of the game. Tuesday's downpour of rain has proved of the greatest benefit to the farmers and the country at large, more so in fact than at any other period this season.

Oats were particularly short up to the present as a result of the continued dry spell, and Tuesday's deluge will not only increase the length but add materially to the quality.

Fall wheat now in the ripening stage is passing through its critical period. Moisture was needed in the worst manner, and the rain will increase the yield considerably and better the quality.

The hoing crops as well were badly in need of adequate moisture, and potatoes, corn, etc., will be greatly improved.

Hay will be affected to a certain degree, although the period is far advanced and little or no difference will be noted in the yield. Hay has been so remarkably early this season that most farmers are said to have it cut and stored by now.

The latest reliable fruit observations points to an average yield of apples this season. In most sections of Western Ontario cherries appear to be scarce and will, from present indications, drop below the average. Plums also have failed to show the results of last season. From present observation it is not coming up to expectations. That the yield will fall below the average is greatly feared in most districts.

Strawberries were estimated to have been generally just a trifle above the average, but raspberries stand out alone as the one big bumper crop of 1921. In every section of Western Ontario this berry is shaping well and a yield well above the average is promised.