

MAY ASK BOARD OF CONCILIATION

Canadian Railway Employees' Course Depends On the Officials' Action.

TORONTO, July 7.—The chiefs of the Canadian Railway Brotherhoods who attended the Chicago meeting last week, will deliver a message to the Canadian Railway Companies on Monday conveying the information that the United States Brotherhoods before September 1 will take a ballot on the acceptance or rejection of the wage cut of twelve per cent, which was made effective on July 1. The Canadian companies will be informed that if they intend to put the wage cut in force at once before the dispute has been settled in the U. S., the Canadian Brotherhoods will be compelled to ask for a board of conciliation.

INOPORTUNE TIME FOR ANY NEW TAXES

LONDON, July 7.—By Canadian Associated Press.—Asked in the House of Commons today if he would consult the Canadian premier on the merits of the Canadian sales tax with a view to its adoption in Great Britain, Sir Robert Horne, chancellor of the exchequer, said the present was not a favorable time for introducing a new trading tax, nor would it be justifiable to trouble Premier Meighen for information that could be gathered through departmental channels.

THIS TRIP LOOKS GOOD RIGHT NOW

TORONTO, July 7.—Arrangements for a 1,200-mile trip over ice and snow with 25 huskies to cover a period of four months for the purpose of filming Eskimo life and Hudson Bay trade, for moving pictures, have been just completed by John Jones, a well-known prospector of this city. He will start in October. Mr. Jones assisted in bringing the lost American balloonists to Mattice last winter from Moose Factory.

FIREMAN KILLED IN WESTERN ACCIDENT

WINNIPEG, July 7.—Joseph Alfred Gamble, fireman of Sioux Falls, is dead; John Gaffney, engineer, is suffering from shock, and W. E. Carr, a passenger, sustained an injured shoulder as a result of the derailment of the east-bound Continental Express, Canadian National Railways, near Sioux Falls, last night.

LUMBERMAN SUICIDES AT 500.

SAULT STE. MARIE, July 7.—William Niemi, aged 38, a Finlander, formerly of the Soo, but now of Sudbury, shot himself through the head at the Algonquin Hotel at 12:30 this morning and died at 4 o'clock. He was a well-known lumberman, being a jobber for the Spanish River Pulp and Paper Mills, Limited. He was despondent from nervous trouble, and had just spent some time at the Guelph Sanatorium.

CHIEF SURGEON RESIGNS.

TORONTO, July 7.—Dr. Clarence L. Starr, chief surgeon at the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, has resigned his post to accept the position of professor of surgery at the University of Toronto.

DE VALERA WILL GIVE UP IDEA OF REPUBLIC; WANTS HOME RULE

Irish Situation Brighter Than in Twenty-Five Years, But Many Difficulties Remain To Be Arranged—Work of Premier Smuts Is Bringing Results.

LONDON, July 7.—(By Grattan O'Leary, Canadian Press Staff Correspondent.)—The congress of Empire prime ministers for the time being eclipsed by the peace negotiations being conducted with the Sinn Fein leaders. Premier Jan Christian Smuts of South Africa has thrown the full weight of his great eloquence and his prestige on the side of an honorable settlement. The British press of all shades of politics are standing behind him, and this, aided by the favorable atmosphere created by the presence of the Dominion prime ministers in London, has unquestionably brought the Irish problem nearer to solution than has been the case in the last quarter of a century.

Many Difficulties.—It would be idle and wrong to pretend, however, that vast difficulties do not still stand in the way of an agreement. So far Premier Smuts has been successful, but these who know what is transpiring behind the scenes realize that real obstacles will be encountered when the three parties to the dispute—the British Government, North Ulster and the Sinn Fein—meet face to face in conference.

From an Irish-Nationalist source closely in touch with Premier Smuts and the British Government in the negotiations, it is learned that Smuts is likely to propose in the event of his coming to London. Briefly, and roughly it is this:

Wants Home Rule.—He will abandon the claim for an Irish republic, but will insist upon a measure of dominion home rule, with a separate parliament for North Ulster, vested with powers similar to those enjoyed by Canadian provincial legislatures. He will also ask that the central or Dublin parliament be vested with a wide measure of fiscal autonomy.

The Sinn Fein leader, it is said, desires also that the Irish parliament shall have the right of controlling its own army and navy, if these should be found necessary.

It is believed, however, that he will advance this demand merely for the sake of bargaining, and can be induced to abandon it. He will demand that the Irish control the police and the postoffice departments, and will ask for full recognition of the unity of the Irish nation. Professor de Valera will maintain that the Irish parliament should be given the right to decide its own taxation policy and the manner in which its revenue shall be expended, holding that the power of controlling the taxation of its constituents is inherent in parliament.

A Big Concession.—This, of course, involves giving Dublin a free voice in regard to income tax, customs, excise, and also the right of withholding any contribution towards the defence of the empire, and it is likely to prove the shoddy upon which the peace negotiations will split. It is almost certain that Premier David Lloyd George will insist upon an imperial contribution seeing that the Imperial Parliament would remain responsible for defence and foreign affairs, although, in a last resort, he may agree that the Irish Parliament should have some voice in the amount to be contributed, as well as in the method by which the actual contribution would be raised from its constituents.

Then there remains Ulster. While anxious to see as much as possible in placating the south, British statesmen are equally anxious to see that the northern minority will be afforded all possible rights, which, at once presents the difficulty of reaching an arrangement to which Ulster will agree. Sir James Craig, premier of Ulster, will enter the conference, provided one is held, with many strings attached to him by Belfast and, just as de Valera will be expected to represent the Sinn Fein, he will be hampered by extremists in the north. Hence the doubt that exists in the best informed minds as to the ultimate result.

Better Feeling Now.—Meanwhile, however, there is a growing evidence of good will and reasonableness in most unexpected quarters. This was shown tonight when Joe Devlin, who has kept the flag of constitutionalism flying against all assaults, was tendered a complimentary dinner at the House of Commons by the leaders of all parties. Those present included men holding widely divergent views as J. B. Clynnes, Sir Samuel Hoare, Oswald Mosley and Lord Rother Cecil. Both Mr. Devlin and T. P. O'Connor have been tireless in working for a settlement, and it is largely due to their efforts, aided by the goodwill and support of Lord Birkenhead and Right Hon. Winston Churchill, that the present negotiations have been brought about.

The conference of premiers did not meet this afternoon, as was undoubtedly being a desire to give Gen. Smuts as free a hand as possible. One of the dominion premiers, who, although taking no part in the actual negotiations, is well informed of what is going on, told the Canadian Press correspondent this afternoon that the chances of a settlement were bright.

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A reception for Rev. and Mrs. B. H. Robinson, the new Methodist minister, will be held in the church Friday evening, when a social evening will be held. Several rinks of local bowlers will take part in the annual Scotch doubles tournament which will be held at Corner next Friday. Last year P. S. Moss' rink won the trophy.

Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Edsall of Detroit, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Edsall.

Unless rain comes soon it is feared that the tobacco and tomato crops, which have made great progress this week, will suffer greatly from drought.

Work in connection with the oiling of Erie street south is nearly completed.

Miss Ruby Brown of Toronto, is spending a few holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Bennis, Victoria avenue.

The hot weather of the past few days has caused a great increase in the business at Sea Cliff Park, and the necessity of having the bath-house enlarged is apparent.

Albert Ford, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Ford is slowly recovering from the effects of the operation he underwent at Hotel Dieu, Windsor, two weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Coultis of Detroit, are spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coultis.

CUTTING WHEAT AND HAY AT MAIDSTONE

MAIDSTONE, July 7.—Farmers in this section are very busy as owing to the early season many are cutting hay and wheat. Both are a good crop and are being harvested in good condition.

Mrs. William Coats and granddaughter, Leeta, of Detroit are spending a few days with the former's sister, Mrs. Henry Collins.

Rev. A. C. and Mrs. Morrison arrived from Woodstock Wednesday to take charge of St. Stephens Church pastorate.

Mr. and Mrs. John Deehan and son, Harry, and daughter, Mary, of Plinkerton, returned to their home Wednesday after a few days' visit with parents and brothers and sisters.

Miss Addie Ransom is home from her school at Hagersville.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cruickshank and son, Lloyd, of Courtright, returned yesterday after a couple of days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Collins.

BIG CONTRACT AWARDED.

WELLAND, Ont., July 7.—The contract for the dry work on section five of the new Welland ship canal has been let by the Canadian Dredging Company to Campbell & Co. of Montreal.

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