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PRIVY COUNCIL FINDS LEMIEUX ACT INVALID

Home Bank Vice-President Is Convicted On Six Counts

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES ACT NULL

Privy Council Finds Lemieux Measure Not Constitutionally Valid.
CAREFUL JUDGMENT
Appeal Made by Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission Allowed.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Jan. 20.—The Toronto hydro-electric commission's appeal to the privy council with regard to the constitutionality of the industrial disputes investigation act (known as the Lemieux act) was allowed by the judicial committee of the privy council today.

The judgment which was delivered by Lord Haldane, was evidently one of more than ordinary care. It comes as follows:

"It is always with reluctance that their lordships come to a conclusion adverse to the constitutional validity of any Canadian statute that has been before the public for years, as having been validly enacted, but the duty incumbent upon the judicial committee of the privy council now is always to interpret the British North America act, and to decide whether the statute in question has been within the competency of the Dominion parliament, under the terms of section 91 of the British North America act."



BELIEVES DAY OF JUDGMENT NEAR.

Miss Christabel Pankhurst, who has been delivering a series of addresses in New York, in which she expresses the belief that the day of judgment is close at hand. She formerly was almost as well known for her connection with the British militant suffragette business as her mother, Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, who is a resident of Toronto.

PREMIER'S EDUCATION PLAN IS FAVORED BY LONDONERS

Makes Ready For World's End

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Jan. 20.—Robert Reid of East Toronto, Long Island, today completed preparations for the world's end, which he believes is to come on the night of Feb. 6. Guided by the prediction of Mrs. Margaret Rowen, prophet of the reformed Seventh Day Adventists, that the millennium will arrive at that hour, Reid has sold his household effects, settled his accounts, and is "all set" for the event.

FURNITURE CO. HEAD SUCCUMBS IN LONDON

S. M. Smythe Was One of Strathroy's Best Known Businessmen.

Special to The Advertiser.
Strathroy, Jan. 20.—Word was received here today of the death in London of S. M. Smythe, founder and president of the Strathroy Furniture Co., Ltd. Mr. Smythe had been making his home for the past few years in Los Angeles, Cal. Since his return last year he had been ill. For the past few months he had resided in London.

Mr. Smythe came to this town from Wingham in 1876, when he built the furniture factory on Caradoc street. This business has been unusually successful, the original plant having been enlarged.

Mr. Smythe is survived by his wife, one son Arthur, managing director of the company here, and a daughter, Helen, an undergraduate of Michigan university, Ann Arbor.

HUDSON'S BAY RAILWAY IS PROVINCIAL PROJECT

Canadian Press Despatch.
Windsor, Jan. 20.—It is of no use passing resolutions urging the federal government to complete the Hudson Bay railway, and it will never be finished unless the province makes a definite commitment to do it, themselves, and let the dominion administration look after the water end of the project, declared Hon. T. C. Norris, leader of the opposition in the Manitoba legislature, last night.

He urged the Bracken government to take the initiative and try to induce the Saskatchewan and Alberta governments to come into a joint scheme.

PRODUCTION OF PIG IRON DECREASES IN CANADA

OTTAWA, Jan. 20.—A decrease of 33 per cent in the production of pig iron in Canada during 1924 is noted in a statement issued by the dominion bureau of statistics. The production was 592,024 gross tons, compared with 880,018 in 1923 and 823,057 in 1922. The production in December was 22,544 tons, or slightly less than in November. No foundry iron was produced in December, but the difference of 12,400 tons of this product produced in November was made up by increases in basic iron and malleable iron.

R. P. GOUGH CONVICTED ON 6 COUNTS

Vice-President of Home Bank Guilty of Bank Act Violations.

STRONG DEFENCE

Judge Coatsworth Finds Official Guilty in Connection With Report.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Jan. 20.—Richard P. Gough, vice-president of the defunct Home Bank of Canada, was found guilty this morning by senior Judge Coatsworth on all six counts laid under the bank act as a result of the failure of the institution in August, 1923. The charges all hinge about the annual report of the company which was found to be a wilfully false or deceptive statement, and negligently given, approved, or concurred in an account containing false or deceptive statements.

The vice-president of the bank was the fourth of the directors to stand trial and the first to give evidence in his own behalf. C. A. Barnard, of Montreal, was found guilty on similar counts, while Lieut.-Col. Smith, Montreal, and J. F. M. Stewart were convicted of negligence.

The trial of Casey Wood, another director, is proceeding.

Gough's bail was renewed until Jan. 27. The accused listened attentively while the case was read in English. He is the fourth Home Bank director to be convicted under the bank act. The trial of S. Carey Wood, fifth bank director, is proceeding.

Found Story False.
As in previous judgments his honor found that the statements were false and did not set forth a clear and full statement of the affairs of the bank as required by the act. He pointed out that the defence was that Gough was not responsible for the monthly statement which was prepared by the officials of the bank, and that he was absent from Ontario when the annual report was distributed.

His honor reviewed Gough's connection with the bank since the time he joined the board in November, 1916. During his term of office he attended 132 meetings of the 221 held by the board. He was elected vice-president in June, 1923, and each year thereafter.

"His great experience, conspicuous ability and high standing in the commercial world stamped him as a man whose knowledge and capacity eminently fitted him for an important place in banking circles and it would be surprising if he had not become vice-president," continued his honor, "and the announcement of his going on the board must have had a carrying effect on the public confidence in the bank. This no doubt was the reason for securing him as vice-president, and neither he nor his friends transferred their current accounts to the Home Bank."

"Relief would thereby be given to the universities," remarked Mr. Greer, "and at the same time it would serve to raise the general education of the people to a higher average. It would be unwise, however, to extend free education, since the municipalities are already finding the load they are carrying to be very heavy."

"If four years of secondary school education be provided free of fees," stated the administrator, "it would be only just for the parent or student, through his own earnings, to meet the cost in fees of any further secondary school or university education."

Reviewing Plan.
Everton A. Miller, M.A., principal of the Collegiate Institute, pointed out the plan suggested by Premier Ferguson had been in the minds of educationists for four or five years past.

Expressing the opinion that the plan was quite feasible, in lieu of the increased costs obtaining for the University of Toronto, Mr. Miller intimated that the plan would possibly be to have second-year university work carried on in a number of the larger colleges scattered throughout the province.

"The situation locally would depend upon whether the taking of the work was left optional with the student," he said, "or whether it was compulsory."

Approved placing of fire alarm box at C. N. R. boiler house.

Supported move to change immigration law to provide for quicker naturalization of ex-Canadians.

Protested against payment of excise stamp taxes by municipalities.

Passed resolution of condolence to relatives of late Dr. W. Shoebottom.

Huckster question referred back to committee.

Passed on to board of education mayor's recommendation for new high school.

Protested against diversion of great lakes water at Chicago.



RICHARD P. GOUGH, vice-president of Home Bank, has been found guilty on six charges laid under the bank act, all counts arising out of the filing of bank statements to the minister of finance.

MINERS EXPECTED TO QUIT TOMORROW

Prospects of Averting Walkout in Pennsylvania Field Appear Dim.

Associated Press Despatch.
Scranton, Pa., Jan. 20.—Prospects of averting the threatened strike tomorrow of the 60,000 hard coal miners in district No. 1, united mine workers, appeared dim today. Various agencies continued their effort to prevent the general walkout, but members of the grievance committee stood firm in their announced intention to order the men out unless the strike of the Pennsylvania Coal company's miners was settled by tomorrow and a district convention called to hear their alleged grievances. This appeared improbable, for officers of the union, repeatedly have declared that the strikers must return to work before their grievances will be considered.

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Referring to the recent legislation in Bengal, the viceroy said the governor's action had his full support and he had decided to reserve the act for consideration of the king's pleasure.

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BALLOONISTS TO SOAR ABOVE CLOUDS TO WATCH ECLIPSE

Detroit Experts To Ascend at Sunrise at Point Near Buffalo.

UP 20,000 FEET
Will Avoid Chance of View Being Obscured in Taking Observations.

Special to The Advertiser.
Detroit, Mich., Jan. 20.—Judge Henry S. Hulbert of Wayne county probate court and Ralph H. Upson, aeronautical engineer and former international balloon racing champion, are planning to ascend three or four miles above sea level in Upson's racing balloon Saturday morning to observe the eclipse from above the clouds.

Their companions will be William P. Harris, Jun., 15419 Windmill Pointe Drive, and Lieut. Rafe Emerson, an aeronautical engineer, associated with Upson in air craft development corporation.

Mr. Hulbert, who for many years has been a student of astronomy, plans to make astronomical observations of the eclipse.

Mr. Harris who obtained interesting snapshots of big game in its native jungles during an African hunting trip two years ago, will be the photographic officer of the expedition.

Ascend at Sunrise.
Mr. Upson and Lieut. Emerson, both widely known authorities on air currents, encountered in aerial navigation will be prepared to record unusual atmospheric conditions about during the eclipse. The expedition plans to ascend at sunrise Saturday near Buffalo.

"Buffalo was selected as a starting place, merely for reasons of convenience," Mr. Upson explained today. "We desire to inflate the balloon from an illuminating gas pipeline, and Buffalo seems to be the nearest point that offers this facility and at the same time is located in the area of total obscuration."

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MOTORIST WILL FACE HEAVY SUIT

Action Is Entered Against Thomas Clare For \$10,000.

MACHINES CRASHED Found Guilty of Manslaughter, But Freed on Suspended Sentence.

Ernest Alexander Brown, who was riding on the motorcycle driven by the late Charles Lane, when the latter was fatally injured in an accident, is suing Thomas Clare for \$10,000 damages.

The case, which is a jury action, will come up for trial at the winter assizes, which open at the court house next Monday.

Clare was found guilty of manslaughter in connection with Lane's death at the fall assizes last October, but was given a suspended sentence by Mr. Justice Riddell after the prisoner promised not to drive a motor car.

The accident took place at Hill and Waterloo streets on the evening of June 4, 1924, when Clare's car in turning off Waterloo street on to Hill street struck Lane's motorcycle.

Mr. Brown, who was riding on the motorcycle, was thrown from the motorcycle and suffered a fracture of the leg. He was in bed for twelve weeks, and claims that he has not been able to follow his occupation of truck driver since the accident.

McEvoy & Henderson are acting for Mr. Brown, while Clare is being defended by Menzies & Cluff.

J. W. McCallum DIES SUDDENLY

Former Relief Inspector Passes Away at Noon—Retired Recently.

John W. McCallum, for 23 years relief inspector for the city of London and one of the city's best-known men, died suddenly at his home, 848 Hellmuth avenue, at noon today. Mr. McCallum retired from his duties as relief inspector in August as the result of a three month's illness. Since that time he has been in failing health, but his condition was not considered to be critical. News of his unexpected death today was received as a blow by his hosts of friends in the city.

Born in Toronto of Scottish parents 63 years ago, Mr. McCallum early moved to London and has lived for more than half a century in this city. He had many friends and was retained through his long years of faithful service.

In 1901, Mr. McCallum was appointed city relief inspector. Prior to this position he was an alderman and chairman of No. 3 committee of the city. He represented the city for six years in the city council, and was one of the most popular of city officials, and his retirement from active work was regarded as a severe blow to London.

He was an active Mason, being a member of St. John's lodge, No. 29, and St. John's chapter, No. 3, of the Royal Arch Masons.

Besides his wife, Mr. McCallum is survived by two sons, Duncan of the city, and W. J. McCallum, in Alberta. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

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SUFFICIENCY FOR ALL CALLED LABOR'S OBJECT

Mrs. Philip Snowden Addresses Capacity Audience in Calgary.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Calgary, Jan. 20.—"To secure sufficiency for all is the object of the Labor party in Great Britain," said Mrs. Philip Snowden, addressing a capacity audience here last night. She defined the objective in another way, "the elimination of waste" or "the abolition of involuntary and undeserved poverty and the establishment of world peace."

Mrs. Snowden compared the Labor movement in bolshevik Russia with the labor movement in Great Britain, Great Britain, she said, is the most conservative with a little "of" of democratic countries, and it is perhaps because of this that British Labor succeeded after an existence of only a few years in establishing a government without any trouble at all.

Mrs. Snowden denied the charge that Labor was dominated by extremists in Great Britain, but defended the younger and radical element even while disagreeing with its methods.

"I am tender in my judgment because I know the horrors of the conditions from which these men come. If a nation is entitled to be an extremist while he is young, when can he be extreme?" she asked.

GUN ELEVATION QUESTION BARRED BY U. S. SENATE

Associated Press Despatch.
Washington, D.C., Jan. 20.—By a vote of 45 to 22, the United States senate refused today to consider the question of the elevation of the guns on the thirteen American battleships in order to give them equal range with ships of the British battle fleet.

SENATOR OF NEW JERSEY LINKED IN RUM SCANDAL

Associated Press Despatch.
Jersey City, N. J., Jan. 20.—Senator Edward I. Edwards of New Jersey was implicated today in the New Jersey rum scandal at the trial of 12 Weehawken policemen indicted for prohibition law violations, when two government dry agents testified that the senator and former governor had served as a link between bootleg liquor buyers and William F. Griffin, the "master mind" of the conspiracy. John Hilton, prosecuting attorney, said he would seriously consider presenting the evidence implicating Senator Edwards to a grand jury.

BRANCH LINES PLANNED BY THE C.P.R. THIS YEAR

Special to The Advertiser.
Calgary, Alta., Jan. 19.—That this year's program of work, including branch line extension, would be considered about the end of the month, was the statement of Charles Murphy, general manager of the western lines of the C. P. R., who was in Calgary on Monday on one of his periodical visits.

Mr. Murphy expressed confidence regarding the future.

"Naturally this is what might be termed a dull season following the holidays, but things are by no means as bad as we had expected," he said.

Fifty Years

—of unbroken progress is the splendid record celebrated today by the London Life Insurance Company in the first four pages of the second section in this edition.

London and Western Ontario share the company's pride today, and The Advertiser has an added satisfaction in being the medium of expression chosen for the occasion.

See the first four pages of the second section.

The Weather

FORECASTS.
Today—Moderate winds with local snow.
Wednesday—Westerly winds; fair and moderately cold.
Thursday—The high pressure which was over Ontario and Quebec yesterday has passed to the maritime provinces, while the low, which was in the lower Mississippi valley, is now near the middle Atlantic coast. The temperature continues moderate, but the wind is now from the northward in the Mackenzie valley. It is lower than before this winter.

Temperatures.
The highest and lowest temperatures prevailing in 8 a.m. today were:
Stations High Low Weather
Victoria 44 40 Rain
Calgary 25 10 Fair
Winnipeg 21 9 Clear
Port Arthur 25 14 Clear
Sault Ste. Marie 18 13 Snow
Toronto 32 17 Snow
Kingston 40 20 Snow
Ottawa 31 9 Cloudy
Montreal 44 13 Cloudy
Quebec 40 14 Cloudy
St. John 30 12 Cloudy
Halifax 38 12 Cloudy

(—) Below zero.
LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 18; lowest, —7.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 22; lowest, 18.

Barometric Readings.
Monday—8 a.m., 29.46.
Today—8 a.m., 29.11.