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## SIR WILFRID LAURIER ADDRESSES MONSTER GATHERING IN TORONTO ON NAVAL QUESTION

### Says Defence Begins at Home—Policy of Liberal Party Was the Unanimous Policy of 1909—Borden Is Called a Weakling

Toronto, May 6.—The Conservative stronghold turned out in tremendous numbers Monday night to hear Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The arena in which the meeting was held was packed with some 1,000 people, and then literally thousands were turned away. All those who did get in were ticket holders.

When the leader of the opposition rose to speak he was given a tremendous ovation. On the platform with him were Hon. G. P. Graham, Hon. Charles Murphy and Dr. Michael Clark, besides many local Liberals. Hon. MacKenzie King was the chairman of the meeting.

The object in coming to Toronto, said Sir Wilfrid, was to lay the policy of the Liberals before the people. The Conservative policy, he said, was to send three ships to the British admiralty. The Conservatives had asserted that the British navy was not adequate to meet the requirements of the present situation and this statement the Liberals had challenged.

"I ask you here tonight, you citizens of the province of Ontario, do you believe that England is no longer England, and that she cannot fight her own battles as she has done for so many centuries? The matter is not to believe such a statement as that. No evidence has come to us. The first lord of the British admiralty says that England fears no navy equal to her own; she will find the British navy equal to any emergency that might be placed upon her."

Has Affirmative Policy.

"We replied that we are not traitors to the empire, but we are not supporters of the policy of weakness in England. We did not mean to weaken by negation, simply by a negative policy; no, we had an affirmative policy. A part of our policy was that though we do not believe that the England of today is not the England of former days, we believe on the contrary, that the England of today is equal to any task that may be placed upon her, and from whatever quarter her enemies may turn she will resist them as she has done before."

"Yet, while England is England, Canada is Canada. It is the part of Canada to come forward and take her share of the defence; that the boats shall be built so far as it may be done by Canadian labor, equipped and maintained by Canadian labor as well, manned by Canadian sailors under the control of the Canadian government, of the Canadian parliament and of the Canadian people."

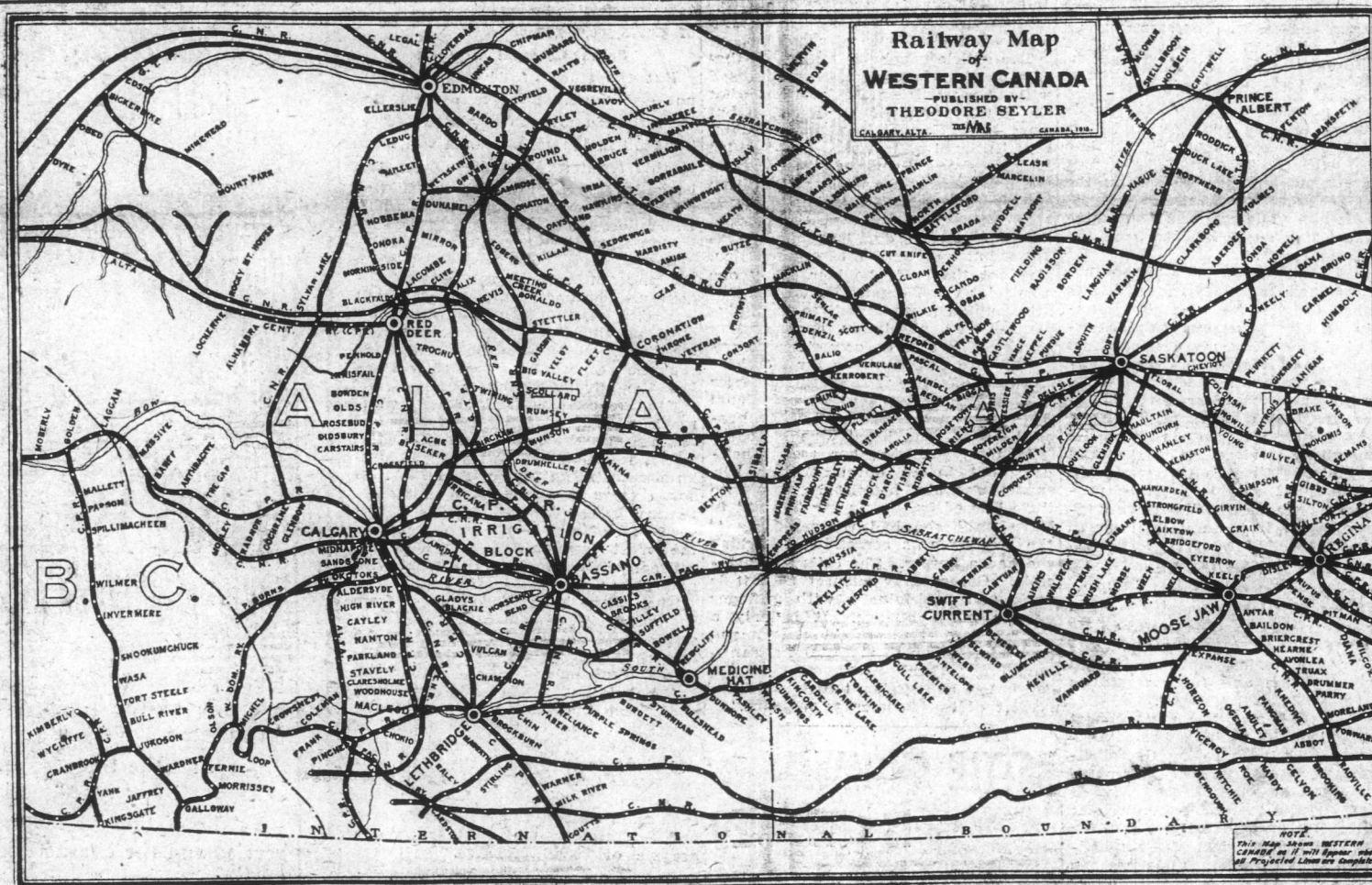
Defence Begins at Home.

It was on this policy, he said, that both parties had agreed in 1909, and there was no reason for changing it today.

"It seems to me that defence, like charity, should begin at home. But before I can close, let me just go one step further. It has been said that today, an obstruction in the houses of commons, let me tell you that no party could obstruct the business of the house unless it held the strong support of public opinion. I will repeat here that there have been occasions of obstruction since confederation, more particularly in 1885 and 1898, and I want to say that we will be the conditions in Canada today if the closure had been applied in 1887?"

Hon. Geo. P. Graham, Hon. Charles Murphy and Dr. Clark were also applauded, although Mr. Murphy caused a discordant note when he referred to Mr. Borden as a weakling, a number of the audience hissing the remark.

## Within Seven Years Western Canada Will Be Gridironed With Railroads; Alberta and Saskatchewan to Have Big Developments



(By William Alexander)

Telling in a more graphic manner than words could ever tell; showing in black and white the wonderful railroad development of Western Canada within the next few years, and giving some idea of the vast amount of development work which is being undertaken by railroad companies in the West, Theodore Selver of this city has completed a railroad map of Western Canada which is the last word in authenticity. Not one line has been used in this map which is not going to be built. Mr. Selver has secured his information from every possible authoritative source, and the result is a map that shows not only every line already constructed, but which includes lines for which contracts have been let, all lines under government guarantee, and all lines definitely announced by railroad officials as going to be built within the next few years, and for which registrations have already been made in the land titles offices of the province.

And the result is a map that will surprise the most optimistic Western booster that ever resided in Western Canada. It is a map that shows that some time within the next seven years, possibly even within the next five years, Alberta and Saskatchewan will have a total railroad mileage of 16,800 miles, or practically as much railroad mileage as the whole Dominion of Canada had in 1904, when, in round figures, there were only 19,000 miles of railroads in the whole Dominion.

It shows more. It shows that these roads, built at an average cost of \$30,000 per mile, which is a fair construction cost, will have meant the expenditure in railroad building in Alberta and Saskatchewan of the gigantic sum of \$504,000,000, while the rolling stock, equipment, and maintenance of these lines will mean the further expenditure of as much, or even more, money in those two provinces. But the development will not end there. Taking as a fair average a station located at every seven miles on these roads, 2,400 stations will be built in Alberta and Saskatchewan in the territory shown on the map. The bulk of these stations will be towns and villages. Many of these will be cities. At the present time there are five big cities in the territory shown on the map, with an average assessment of \$100,000,000 or a total of \$500,000,000, and a conservative estimate of the cities, towns and villages that will spring up following the building of all the roads shown on the map shows that in addition to the five big centres with an average assessment of \$500,000,000 there will be located in this territory the following:

Twenty-five cities with an average assessment of \$200,000,000 or total \$5,000,000,000.
Seventy-five cities with an average assessment of \$50,000,000 or a total of \$3,750,000,000.
Three hundred towns with an average assessment of \$500,000 or a total of \$150,000,000.
Two thousand towns with an average assessment of \$100,000, or a total of \$200,000,000.

This is not putting assessment values too high. If anything it is holding them down, and yet it means that the assessed values of these new towns and villages will spring up in Alberta and Saskatchewan following the advent of

## WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL DEFEATED IN BRITISH HOUSE BY SEVEN VOTES

London, May 6.—In opposing the Woman Suffrage Bill in the House of Commons today, Premier Asquith said he would resign if his colleagues in the cabinet suggested that they did not feel justified in following a government the head of which was opposed to them.

When the debate was resumed this afternoon the premier defended the government's course, saying it was consistent with the best traditions of British statesmanship. He regretted that he found himself at variance with his colleagues on the question and greatly as he would regret severing himself from the prosecution of other great causes, he would lay down his office if his colleagues suggested that they did not feel justified in following him.

"They never did that," said the premier, Mr. Asquith said the bill had never been approved by the existing House of Commons, and he would be strengthened, would our political fabric be more respected, would our social and domestic life be enriched, would our standard of manners—and by manners I mean the old-fashioned virtues of civility, courtesy and inter-dependence of the sexes of one another—be raised or refined if women were given the vote?"

"Great as 'of course they would' were raised on all sides of the house. The premier strongly denied that parliament had been neglectful to the interests of women and said he saw no evidence that the British women as a whole wanted the vote."

Grey is Favorable.

Sir Edward Grey, secretary of foreign affairs, supported the bill. He said there was ample evidence that a very large section of the women of the country had shown by constitutional means that they favored the enfranchisement of their sex. Militancy is characterized as "the inconsiderate and criminal conduct of a small body of representative individuals who whose outrages the law had dealt and ought to deal severely."

A motion to reject was carried 225 to 212.

## PIONEER CHAPLAIN OF HUDSON BAY FORT IS DEAD

Victoria, B.C., May 6.—Bishop Edward Gridge died today at his residence, Marfield, at the advanced age of 86. He had been in failing health for two years, but his mental activity was remarkable.

The bishop, who was born in 1817, after holding clerical appointments in England, arrived in this country in 1855 as chaplain to the Hudson Bay Company at the Fort. He became superintendent of the first educational work inaugurated on the island. Afterward he was appointed by Bishop Hills as dean of the Cathedral, their views of ritual differed and in 1872 an angry controversy arose. Two years later he was expelled from the church and founded the Reformed Episcopal Church of Our Lord, receiving the support of leading members of the church, including Sir James Douglas, who gave the site of the church, and Senator McDonald.

He was consecrated a bishop of the church in 1912 and continued as pastor of the church until failing health compelled him to retire a few years ago.

## Duke of Connaught Attends Latest Bulletin Regarding Progress

London, May 6.—The Duke of Connaught, with the king and queen and other members of the royal family, attended a memorial service at Windsor today, this being the third anniversary of the late King Edward's death.

The mayor met the governor-general at the station and expressed the hope that his royal highness brought better news regarding the condition of the duchess, to which the duke replied: "Unfortunately no." Today's bulletin says that the Duchess of Connaught had a fair night, but her condition, otherwise, is unchanged.

## BATTLE ON NAVAL BILL IS RESUMED

Ottawa, May 6.—What is probably the last stage of the naval bill discussion in the commons was entered upon at 5 o'clock this afternoon, when the house went into committee of the whole to consider clause 2 of the bill. The clause authorizes the expenditure of \$35,000,000 for the purpose of imperial defence. An amendment moved by Hugh Guthrie, calling for the expenditure of the money in Canada, which was not disposed of when consideration of the bill was gone over, still stands. Today a sub-amendment was added by William Gordon, of Welland, to the effect that in order to keep the expenditure under the control of parliament the sum of \$35,000,000 should be voted in annual instalments, as required for naval construction. Mr. Gordon made a speech in which he declared that a regrettable feature of the bill was that it does not retain to parliament the control over the money. He maintained that there was nothing in the bill which had been reported providing for the district quite frequently lately.

## BODY FOUND IN FLOOM

Saskatoon, Sask., May 5.—From Keppel, in the district of Purdue, about 30 miles from Saskatoon, word was received in the city yesterday that two men were engaged in fencing game across the naked body of a man floating in a small stream about half a mile south of Keppel. The suspicion is that it is that of a lunatic who had been reported prowling about the district quite frequently lately.

## MILK SUPPLY FOR CALGARY BABIES COMES IN UNWASHED BOTTLES AND FROM FILTHY DAIRIES, SAYS DR. MAHOOD

### Ald. Tregillus Will Use Utmost Influence in Council to Promote the Establishment of a Milk Dispensary for Babies Where Mothers Can Secure Certified Milk

After an inspection of many of the dairies supplying milk to the public in Calgary, and a conference with various doctors, the members of the board of health are convinced that something must be done to provide better food for babies in this community. Dr. Egbert and Ald. Tregillus heartily approve of the plan outlined by Dr. Mahood to organize a babies' dispensary, which will be supplied with milk from dairies which are known to be properly conducted, and which will be especially inspected every day by necessary authorities. The dairies, with daily clinics conducted by the various doctors, will probably be inaugurated in connection with it. The milk will be very carefully prepared and sold to mothers at a price to cover a considerable portion of the expense. In the city of Hamilton the infant death rate has been reduced from 53.8 to 23.5 as the result of such an organization, and Ald. Tregillus is convinced that a similar change can be accomplished here, to comprehensive vital statistics are available for Calgary, but local doctors assert that the death rate is very high, and that nine out of every ten babies who die are bottle fed, and victims of gastrointestinal trouble due to bad feeding.

"The milk which comes from some of these filthy dairies around Calgary is no better than so much rat poison," said Dr. Mahood yesterday. "And, the condition here is such that the city cannot possibly control the source of supply. Milk is imported from a distance of 75 or 80 miles, and without inspection of the source it is impossible to regulate the milk, to secure food fit for a bottle-fed baby. I know of places where milk bottles were collected and filled repeatedly with water, and then the house-keepers washed them. Bottles traveled from house to house without washing for days, and it is this kind of milk that the mothers in Calgary feed to their babies. It is a very bad state of affairs."

A deputation from the board of health will wait upon the council next Monday night to press the claim already made for an appropriation for a babies' dispensary, which is being organized under the direction of Dr. Mahood, medical health officer.

At a meeting held yesterday, in the board of health offices, Miss McPherson was appointed secretary, with Miss Tregillus as her assistant, and Dr. Egbert, Ald. Tregillus and Dr. Mahood were named to constitute the provisional committee. The offices of the Associated Charities will be utilized for the present. Rev. Mr. McKillop is a hearty co-operator in the scheme.

Nothing practical can be done, however, until money is forthcoming to provide utensils and permanent care out of every ten babies who die are bottle fed, and victims of gastrointestinal trouble due to bad feeding.

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Ald. Tregillus is determined to use his utmost influence to forward this movement.

The meeting will be held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the city hall, to which everyone interested is invited to come. The organization will be fully organized by Saturday.

It is likely that the milk dispensary will be arranged along lines adopted in Rochester, Buffalo, Hamilton and other Canadian and American cities.

## WHAT THE GREAT WEST DID YESTERDAY

In BANFF: The biggest season on record is expected and hotel reservations are booked for months ahead. During the past week two hundred servants left Calgary for Banff, also a small army of carpenters, painters, etc.

In CALGARY: The expenditure of three-quarters of a million dollars has been authorized by the school board for its summer program. Negotiations are in progress for the establishment of a factory for the manufacture of binder twine from alfalfa, and local capital is interested. The difficulty has chiefly been the impossibility of handling this binder, but this is being overcome now. Last year's production of flax straw in the great future in store for the industry, owing to the greatly increased acreage under flax. The machinery probably be brought from Great Britain under preferential tariff.

In TABER: The flour-milling company of Carleton Place, Ontario, is moving here, increasing its capacity to 200 barrels per day.

In LETHBRIDGE: Lethbridge Imperial Home Reunion association has been organized.

In EDMONTON: The 1911-12 census now in progress will show the population of greater Edmonton to be at least 65,000.

In MOOSE JAW: A big flax mill is locating here, which will handle two million bushels a year.

## WILL FIGHT NAVAL BILL EVEN IF CLOSURE IS ADOPTED

Ottawa, May 6.—That the closure rules will have to be applied before the naval bill is allowed to pass was the decision reached at a Liberal caucus held this morning.

When consideration of the bill is resumed today, the opposition will persist in the demand that the measure be submitted to the electors, and will use all means now in their power to prevent the bill going through.

The adoption of this plan, of course, means that the new rules will be applied to enforce the passage of the bill and that its fate will then reach the senate. The expectation now is that there will be some lively times in parliament before the bill reaches its third reading.

## Support for Bylaws

The board of trade yesterday sent out to its members a list of bylaws to vote for each of the five bylaws which are being submitted to the ratepayers of the city for approval.

## DIONNE IS HELD FOR MURDER OF LITTLE FRICK GIRL

### Coroner's Jury Finds Against Him and Man Will Be Formally Charged This Morning; Preliminary Hearing Will Be Held Thursday

The coroner's jury last evening held Joseph Dionne responsible for the death of five-year-old Yosema Frick. By their finding the little girl came to her death from wounds inflicted by some sharp instrument in the hands of the Frenchman. Dionne will be charged with murder in the police court this morning. The case will be remanded till tomorrow, when the preliminary hearing will be taken. It is expected that the matter will not take long, and that the trial will be at the assizes, which open in Calgary on May 20.

Dionne sat quite unmoved through the inquest last evening, his head swathed in bandages, his cheeks hollow and sunken. At times he would look up, but for the most part his eyes were downcast as the various witnesses in the case testified to his part in the case. Guarded by a constable, he was taken back to the cells, where he still remains. He will be defended by Frank Eaton, and the prosecution is at present in the hands of Crown Prosecutor Shaw, representing the attorney general.

The inquest was held in Shaver's undertaking parlors, under the guidance of Dr. Ross, who acted as coroner. Expert evidence as to the cause of death and other medical matters were given by Drs. McKid, Mosher and Eastman. All said that death was due to the cutting of the throat, which was above right to the spinal cord. There was no medical proof given of any abuse of the child previous to the murder. It appeared that there were five wounds dealt the child.

Parents Tell Their Story.

The parents of the child were then tried and told their story, as given in The Albertan of yesterday morning. How they missed the child, their going to the shack where Dionne lived, the sight of Dionne with his hand all bloody, his escape from the house, the pursuit, his attempt to conceal the bloodstains on his person, the father's attack on him with a stone, his capture, the arrival of the constable, his arrest, the finding of the body of the child in the cellar.

## STRIKERS FIGHT WITH POLICE ON STREETS OF SYRACUSE

### Twenty-Five Are Injured in Affray—The State Militia Was Called Out to Stop the Trouble

Syracuse, N.Y., May 6.—Twenty-five men, policemen and Italian strikers, were hurt in a pitched battle here today, and the mayor and sheriff have decided on military rule. The revolvers of the police were matched against guns, stones and clubs of the strikers. Many of the strikers were mortally wounded.

Eight policemen hurt, four of whom are in the hospital suffering from wounds inflicted by bricks and stones. The riots, which were the outcome of laborers' strike, which has been in progress here, were fiercest in front of the heart of the business section of the city. There were riots also in several parts of the city.

Firemen rushed to the scene, coupled hose and poured powerful streams upon the strikers driving them back. A call for the state militia was sent out at 11 o'clock. A crowd of about 200 Italians interfered with the work of the firemen at the First Baptist church, and 50 policemen were sent to the scene. They fired over the heads of the strikers. This was the beginning of the trouble.

## MAYOR STANNOTT WILL DON OVERALLS FRIDAY AND SET THE PACE IN THE BIG CLEAN-UP

His Worship Mayor Stannott has not only declared his intention of proclaiming Friday, May 9, a civic holiday as "Clean Up" day, but his worship—or, on this occasion, "His Wash Up," will himself don a suit of overalls and change the pen for the rake and broom, and set a good example to all citizens by starting a clean-up stunt on his own premises. Commissioners Samis and Graves are also included in the list of notabilities who will take advantage of the holiday and don overalls for business purposes, and it is expected that every city father will follow suit and that the first citizens of Calgary will be in the front ranks of the clean-up brigade.

The citizens are taking hold of the clean-up idea with greater vim than ever this year is very evident. A meeting of the executive committee

## BULLETIN

New York, N.Y., May 6.—James F. Thompson, James E. Husey, John J. Murkha and Dennis Sweeney, the four deposed police inspectors, charged with conspiracy to obstruct justice, were convicted by a jury in the supreme court.

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