

LETTER FROM PREMIER FOSTER RE THE LAURIER MONUMENT FUND

To the Editor of The Times:
Sir,—At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Laurier Monument Fund held in Ottawa, I was requested as Liberal Premier for the Province of New Brunswick to start an organization for the collection of funds for this purpose.
This appeal is for a national popular subscription in memory of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the amount of each contribution not to exceed five dollars, and it is proposed that an organization in each province will be formed so that any person who may wish to contribute even ten cents or upwards to five dollars, may do so, and thus may have the honor of participating in the erection of a monument to our greatest Canadian statesman.
This is a purely voluntary effort and I believe the wish to respond to the invitation sent out by the executive committee of the Laurier Monument Fund will be so emphatic that it will not be necessary to convene a general meeting of the Liberals of the province for this purpose, but that I can depend upon the leaders and representative members and candidates in election of the past to interest themselves and see that the work is undertaken as promptly as is desired and as is in the best interests of the fund.
It has been suggested by the Central Executive that an urgent appeal be made for this organization, work to be started on November 1, and that it be absolutely completed in each province ready for collection of funds by November 20, the date of Sir Wilfrid's birth, and that a special effort be made to have all the funds collected and in the hands of the general treasurer by the 17th of February, 1920, the first anniversary of his death.
It is therefore my privilege and honor, as premier for this province, to invite the Liberals of New Brunswick to subscribe funds for the erection of a monument to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and thus participate in a memorial to a man who, for so many years, we were all delighted to honor.
In accordance with the suggestion of a central executive committee, a special treasurer must be named by the premier and I have therefore requested J. Fraser Winslow, barrister at law, of Fredericton (N. B.), to act in that capacity, and he has kindly consented and will keep a full statement of all the names of contributors and the amounts contributed, copies of which will be periodically forwarded to the secretary of Ottawa and acknowledged made to all subscribers.
I am,
Yours very truly,
W. E. FOSTER, Premier.

St. John, Oct. 23.

LADY ASTOR AS M. P.
London, Oct. 23.—A member of the Astor family said that the report that Lady Astor would be a candidate for the seat of her husband, Viscount (Wildford) Astor in the House of Commons had not been discussed by the family, but that it was not impossible, and that the chairman of the Plymouth Conservative

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Matter of Release of Men From
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Thursday

That Commissioners Jones and Thornton committed a lawless act in getting a man out of jail without making a deposit for his appearance was a statement made by Magistrate Ritchie in the police court yesterday afternoon, during the hearing of the case against Edmund J. Doody, charged with having liquor in his possession other than in his private dwelling, operating a car while under the influence of liquor and refusing to stop when ordered to do so by Inspector Merryfield.
Daniel Mullin, K. C., who appeared for the defendant said that after looking in-



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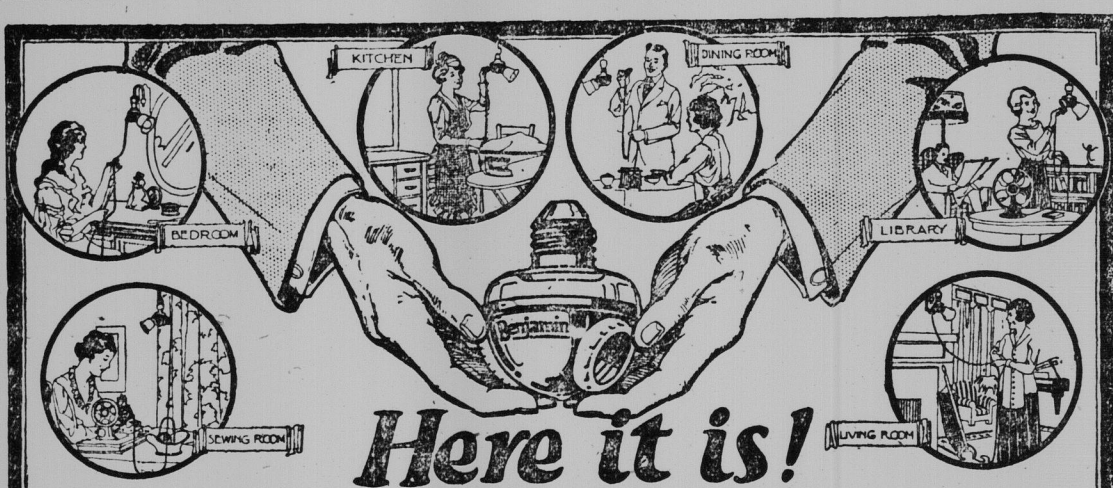
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Interned Huns Leave France

Paris, Oct. 24.—(Havas).—The first interned German civilians to be permitted to return to their native land left France this week, the party consisting of 370. On November 2 the remainder of the interned Germans, estimated to number about 5,000 will leave for Germany.

to the matter he advised that the defendant withdrew his plea of "Not Guilty" and pleaded "Guilty". This the defendant did on the three charges. This concluded the case and evidence regarding the release of the defendant without a deposit, was taken.
His honor said he would give his decision on Sunday, should not be let out. Hands off, Mr. Commissioners, the magistrate said. "Let me do my duty here, and let the chief of police do his duty. We want no interference either from the government or the mayor or the commissioners."

defendant. "But," said the magistrate, "I always thought the police magistrate took the deposits, and if I had no right to let him out neither of the commissioners had any right to do so. Where does either one of the commissioners get authority under this act? They committed a lawless act. Since Chief Clark went out of office, all discipline seems to have gone."
He went on to say that he told Chief Simpson when he was in office to put his foot down on such things, "and he had I think the biggest foot of any man I ever knew," said the magistrate.
"Any person mixed up with liquor, especially on Sunday, should not be let out. Hands off, Mr. Commissioners, the magistrate said. "Let me do my duty here, and let the chief of police do his duty. We want no interference either from the government or the mayor or the commissioners."

A WONDERFUL GARDEN.

Chicago is soon to have, on the outskirts of the city, the most beautiful and extensive botanical garden or arboretum in the world. The Cook County board of forest preserve commissioners has just decided to make a portion of the preserve "a scenic marvel," and it is likely that 2,000 acres in the Forest district will be chosen as the site, since this is already a garden spot, with deep wooded ravines, high bluffs overlooking the Desplaines River valley, and wide stretches of prairie. The committee is sure that this region is "90 per cent. complete, scenic ally." As trees, shrubs and flowers from all lands are added they will be planted in accordance with an elaborate scheme of landscape gardening.



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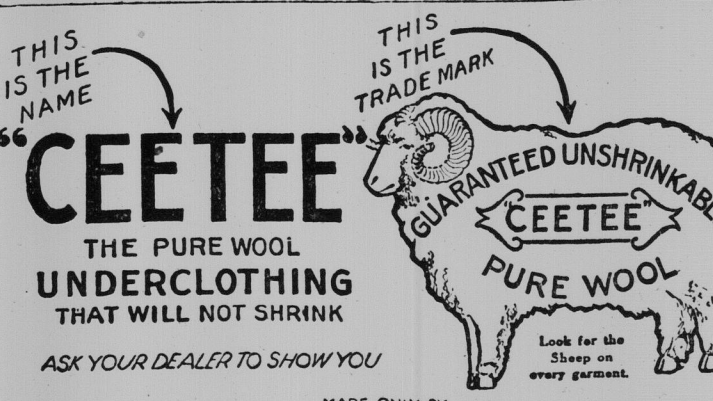
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