

BIG GUNS, NOT SHIPS, THE THING

Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge Comes Out With Strong Criticism of Admiralty

"HOODS" at £9,000,000? If they are Necessary Who Not Repeatedly, Folly, he Says, to Build Them

LONDON, April 28.—(By Mail, Canadian Associated Press)—Writing to the Canadian Associated Press on what he terms the present naval crisis, Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge remarks that until the last war our primacy on the sea was generally acquiesced by great foreign powers. This of itself is proof that the Empire was not suspected of aggressive tendencies. It was seen to be what it really was, viz. an essentially defensive arrangement. The United Kingdom was obviously an insular state and, as the British Empire grew up, it was plain to everyone that the communications between its parts were maritime. Even the vast Dominion of Canada, with its thousands of miles of land frontier, has a long coast line on each side of two great oceans. What their armies were to the leading continental states of Europe the navy was to the British Empire. It is a truth admitting of easy demonstration that there was no foreign country too great to derive benefit from the international position and relative strength of that navy. Now it is no longer the navy of Great Britain; it is the navy of the British Empire, a name by which it ought always to be called.

It would be absurd to use such terms as "threat" or "menace" in mentioning that the ship-building programme of the United States' navy—unless we respond to it with a competitive scheme of our own—is likely when completed to remove the British Empire from the leading position amongst naval powers. If we embark on a competition in ship-building the cost will be gigantic, just at a time, too, when saving and not huge expenditure is exceptionally desirable.

That we must have a ship-building programme of some kind is inevitable. Need it be dictated by the megalomania which has so long dominated naval policy? Did the great "super-dreadnaughts" in the way justify their existence? If they did, why are we not repeating their design. Is there no solution of the "capital ship" question but Hoods and super-Hoods probably costing £9,000,000 a piece? Is there any good in pretending that you can beat the developing efficiency of the gun by piling on a ship more and more thick armour, thereby adding immensely to her size and cost simply that she may be able to carry about the world a vast weight of inert material that by no possibility can do any harm to an enemy?

Had we not better acknowledge at once that the only way to beat the gun is to have a better gun of your own or to use your guns more skillfully and, consequently, more effectively? We shall do well to ask these questions; and it is not unreasonable to hope that answers to them may be found which will permit us to have suitable naval defence for the empire at a cost within our means, even situated financially as we are now.

With Canton and I. O. O. F. at Trenton

Sunday afternoon the 102nd anniversary of the I.O.O.F. was observed by the members of Trenton Lodge No. 113. Every lodge in the district was represented, namely, Belleville, Picton, Brighton, Wellington, Frankford, Stirling and Trenton. The parade was led by Belleville canton No. 8 and Picton canton No. 11. Major W. R. M. Gilbert, Capt. F. W. Martin, Capt. H. W. Lindstrom and Capt. F. A. Hubbs being the officers in command. There were over 40 canton members present in full uniform and altogether it was the largest parade ever seen in Trenton. Music for the march was provided by the band of Hastings and Prince Edward counties regiment under Bandmaster G. Woods. At Grace Methodist Church, where the service was held, members of Stirling, Picton and Trenton Rebekah Lodges were present. The service was conducted by the pastor, Bro. Rev. H. Frost, who preached an eloquent and inspiring sermon. During the service a male quartette sang, "The Song My Mother Sang," P. G. Bros. I. Galna and A. Shurie were the marshals.

LONSDALE OIL HOLDINGS NEARLY 30,000 ACRES

"The options I have taken were most satisfactory to the companies," said Mr. Walter H. Reeves of London, England, today, on his return to Belleville after a six weeks' trip to England, accompanied by Mrs. Reeves. He has been in conference with the directors of the companies which are interested in the oil prospects of Tyendinaga township. Mr. Reeves continued—"I should have wanted to find out which company is to undertake the work but on account of the coal strike they thought it better for me to take the Carmania back. A meeting will be held of the four companies interested in this oil field about the end of next week, when they will decide whether one company will cover the land or whether the four companies should each take a share.

"With regard to the drilling I expect that will go to a Canadian company. I am already in communication with a Montreal firm and I expect if their terms are at all satisfactory they will come here and do the drilling for us."

"Along the lines that Prof. McLean suggested, we should continue our options. I have heard since my return that four of the largest companies, three Canadian and one American, have already taken up options. One Canadian company will start drilling shortly and is just starting a one million dollars flotation.

"The work is to be proceeded

with," Mr. Reeves assured the newspaper man. "You may expect something big to be doing in the near future.

"There is so much trouble in England with labor, that although it might be cheaper to handle the exploration from England, by bringing out equipment, it is almost certain that the land will be investigated by Canadians all the way through. The company has 7000 acres under lease.

"I'm just waiting now for the consent of the government for a large tract of land which will make our holdings in Canada close on thirty thousand acres.

"One of the rival companies (American) has been investigating our land. Their expert is more optimistic about the possibilities of oil than even Prof. McLean who investigated the land for me."

Mr. Reeves showed a cartoon drawn by a London, England, newspaper sketch artist. It shows Mr. Reeves still regarding a pair of fine English bull dogs and high grade cattle, with oil refineries in the background. Mr. Reeves has always been a lover of fine stock.

He has crossed the Atlantic about eighty times, and for the first time the ship he was on, ran into an ice field and drifted for thirty-six hours. The captain of the Carmania was up for three nights on the watch. One iceberg was seen at a distance of 16 miles and it looked the size of Hotel Quinte, even at that great distance.

WILL ADVISE ON CITY PLANNING

Forum Committee of Chamber of Commerce to Hold Meeting

NOTED SPEAKER COMING

Mr. Thomas Adams of Commission of Conservation Will Discuss Local Problems

The citizens of Belleville are to have an opportunity of hearing "City Planning" explained by a man who knows his subject.

The Forum Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, has been fortunate enough in securing Mr. Thomas Adams, Town Planning Advisor of the Commission of Conservation, to deliver an address at the City Hall (see advertising announcement in another column) during which he will explain this most important and interesting subject.

Mr. Adams will arrive here during the day and will then visit various parts of the city to gather information and material for his talk. The lecture will be illustrated by lantern slides.

Mr. Adams is a speaker and authority of international reputation. He has addressed hundreds of audiences, not only throughout Canada but in most of the important cities of the United States.

What is "City Planning"? It is merely common sense applied to the building and development of a city. Towns and cities should be built in much the same way as a man of good judgment goes about it to provide for himself a home. First he buys a lot sufficiently large and advantageously located for his purpose. Then he enters upon a comprehensive study of plans for the building of the house and the laying out of the lot with walks and driveways. He doesn't just pitch the house any old place on the lot but places it where it will have the most effective setting. The plan for the house is drawn up with a view to both beauty and utility for the owner will realize that beauty has a high commercial value.

Cities should be planned in just the same way. Streets should be laid out with a view to convenience and should have regard to the natural contour of the location that artistic effects may be brought about. Waterworks, gas mains and sewers should be planned for years ahead and so installed as to give the maximum of service at the lowest possible cost. The homes should be so placed, with regard to distance from the street line and from one another as to give plenty of open space and not spoil the value of adjoining property. Zoning provides for protection of residential areas from undue intrusion of garages and glue factories. Parks, recreation grounds and beauty spots are supplied in plentiful number to fill the requirements of the people. Such are a few fundamental facts in regard to city planning but the system has many variations and extensions.

Belleville has simply "grown" without plan or systematic control and the result is much botchery, expensive mistakes, costly rearrangements, ugly defacing of natural beauty spots, buildings that shock every idea of artistic excellence. Streets that are indirect, ill-arranged and have irregular water, gas and sewerage services that have cost several times more than necessary.

Mr. Adams will be able to tell us many things about how to prevent similar mistakes in future and make of our city a thing of beauty as well as a commercial success.

Every citizen should hear him. Everybody welcome. No admission charge.

Cobourg Boy Does Well.
Cobourg—Mr. Harold McEvers, B.Arch. (McGill) A.R.I.B.A., an old Cobourg boy, although only 27 years of age, bids fair to distinguish himself in the architectural world. Mr. McEvers, recently passed his examinations admitting him to the Royal Institute of British Architects, and within the past week was appointed architect of a \$75,000 High School, which is to be erected at Amherstburg.

DIED.
CODLING—At Belleville General Hospital at 7.30 this morning, Mrs. Frank Codling, (nee Miss Margaret Stewart) of Point Anne.

WALLACE—Ida Rodgers Wallace, wife of Rev. W. H. Wallace, died at the Belleville General Hospital on Saturday evening, May 14th, 1921.

It is not until we put them to the test that we can distinguish between our friends and our acquaintances.

LADY ASTOR DRAWS REBUKE UPON SELF IN BRITISH HOUSE

LONDON, April 28.—(By Mail)—

Lady Astor received a rebuke from the Speaker of the House of Commons the other day. During question time a member had asked a question about the murder of Kate Carroll, who was murdered. It is charged, by armed Sinn Feiners because she had written letters anent illicit drinking in her neighborhood. Lady Astor intervened with a supplementary question and holding up her hand asked the House several times to listen attentively as she had something important to say.

The Speaker asked, "Will the noble lady put her question without lecturing the house?"

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PONIES HELD DOWN TO 4-3 SCORE BY GRAND TRUNKERS

Belleville's railroaders opened the season auspiciously at the Limestone City on Saturday afternoon when they held the Kingston Ponies to a 4 to 3 score. In view of the fact that the Kingston crew had been playing against American teams and were in the finest trim, the showing made by the G.T.R. moguls indicates that they will travel high in the Central Ontario League this year.

The match was staged before a crowd of 2,500 at the cricket field. Quite a crowd of Belleville fans followed the G.T.R. boys.

Belleville first put Langdon on the mound and he heaved for the first five sessions, Goyer taking his place in the sixth and finishing the game. Langdon gave only two hits to the Ponies and struck out three. Goyer fanning nine and allowing two hits. Gallagher pitching for the Equines had eleven strike-outs to his credit and gave four hits.

Kingston was the first to score, crossing the plate three times in the second innings and once in the fifth. Belleville did not connect until the sixth when two ran home. One run was scored in the eighth.

Langdon put up a splendid game. Williams, a new man on second, gave an excellent exhibition. The fielders have had little practice and their performance was highly creditable. Both infield and outfield gave adequate support to the battery.

The eastern battery was Evans and Gallagher.

The G.T.R. lineup: Mills, catcher, Langdon and Goyer, pitchers; Mills, 1st base; Williams, 2nd base; Weir, s.s.; Meagher, 3rd base; Casey, r.f.; Frank Goyer, c.f.; Symons, l.f. George Sullivan of Kingston was umpire.

The Grand Trunks will work out tonight at Albert College park.

60 Years Married Celebrate Event

On May 16th, 1861, Mr. John Boyar and Miss Jane Wannamaker were united in marriage at Madoc by the Rev. Mr. Kerr (Methodist minister) and today, May 16th, celebrated their 60th Anniversary, by having a few of their nearest relatives present for dinner in honor of the occasion. To their marriage is one son, Peter W., at home, and one daughter, Mrs. David Dutta of Picton. Three grand children and four great grandchildren, all living. When Mr. and Mrs. Boyar were first married they lived in Madoc for two years, then they moved to Big Island, for seven years there in the farming industry. They then moved to Ameliasburg and have lived there ever since on the old Whitney farm at Crofton. Mr. Boyar is 81 years old and is a son of the late John Boyar. Mrs. Boyar being a daughter of Mr. Peter Wannamaker and is 79 years old, both being quite smart.

Mrs. Boyar has one sister, Mrs. Sarah Boyar, of Picton.

Mr. George Boyar of Big Rapids, Michigan; Mrs. Wm. Beckwith and Mrs. James Dempsey, of Rodney Michigan, are sisters of Mrs. Boyar, also Mrs. R. E. Way, Mrs. Wm. Frizell, M. Boyar, of Canunton, Mrs. Frank Beckwith, of Bay City, Michigan, and Mrs. L. Tatt, of Gardenville are also sister of Mr. Boyar.

Mr. Boyar has been a constant reader of The Ontario, having read that paper for over 40 years.

There are four generations all living on the present homestead.

Mr. Boyar's father was on the boat that took Napoleon Bonaparte to the Island of St. Helena.

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147 YEARS OLD; LIFTS 200 POUNDS

"Human Pack Horse" of Constantinople Tells How He's Stood It so Long

HARD WORK; GOOD FOOD

Lots of Things he Doesn't do or Eat and he Pins Faith to Water

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 16.—Zora, the "human pack horse," who claims to be 147 years old and still can carry 200 pounds with ease, attributes his long life and health to hard work and proper diet. He has always been a carrier of heavy weights.

His rules of health are: Hard work sleep, cold baths at night, no tobacco no alcohol, no coffee, no meat, no oils, no butter, no drinking water but plenty of hot tea, honey, sugar, cakes, bread and cheese, particularly buttermilk or clabber. Every five years he takes a three months' rest in his native home in the country.

Whatever his age, Zora is a picture of health and physical vigor, mentally alert, benign, and frequently blessing the curious American sailors who visit him at his favorite cafe on the Galata waterfront.

Worked There 80 Years.

He is five feet ten inches tall, deep breasted, and has the carriage of a sheik. He is almost bald, his face is long and covered with a shiny nut-brown skin.

His eyesight and memory are good and he recalls the days when the first steamship came to Constantinople. He says he worked as a peasant at Bilis until the age of 37 when he came to Constantinople to work at the Turkish Arsenal and that he worked there for 80 years.

Zora has been married four times. All of his wives are dead and all but two of his children. His son, Osman, aged 97, being in poor health, recently returned to Bilis. His daughter, Gouli Hanem, aged 60, is married and healthy. Zora's father died at the age of 76 and his mother at the age of 83.

Why He's Not Rich.

Zora isn't rich because of so many expenses in caring for his family. He lives in a Kurd-khan where he pays a dollar and a half a month for a place to sleep and hot water to make his tea.

"What I want is work," declared Zora. "Idleness will ruin my health. I'll pray all my life for him who gives me work. Health, happiness and wisdom come from work only."

Asked if he intended to join the Turkish Nationalist army Zora smiled benevolently and shook his head. "I fought many times for my country and now I wish to end my life in prayer for the prosperity of the Empire," he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. S. Clarkson, Woodstock, celebrated their golden wedding.

Polish insurgents in Silesia threaten to seize the big cities.

SAY GOVERNMENT BUSINESS FAILS

Charges Made Against Paris Chamber Include Disposal of War Material

RAILWAYS HAVE DEFICIT?

Deputies Sit up and Take Notice at Highly Colored Speech Alleging Fraud

PARIS, May 16.—Charges that the French government usually suffers a loss in its business ventures were made in recent debates in Parliament. It was asserted that the government's operation of the state railroad, post-office, telephone and telegraph lines, the gasoline monopoly and its sale of American and French supplies left over from the war, were all unbusiness-like, and the cause of heavy balances on the wrong side of the ledger.

The State Railroad's estimated deficit for 1921 is given in the budget as the equivalent of \$59,450,000.

"Every time the state railway recouped 100 francs," says the Senate Public Works Commission, "the taxpayer must take 57 francs out of his pocket to balance the railroad's accounts."

Operation of posts, telegraphs and telephone calls, in the budget, for a deficit of about \$44,802,000.

Government trade in gasoline—a monopoly held over from the war—was said in the Chamber has been costing the state \$1,125,000 monthly. The government has on hand eight months' supply, bought on a higher market and worth now on the world's market, according to oil experts, about \$150,000,000 less than its cost.

Twenty-thousand employees of the posts, telegraphs and telephones, according to a Senate commission's report, were ordered discharged after the war; at the insistent suggestion of parliament, in order to give their old places to war veterans. The government, the report continues, save them from 400 to 600 francs each, when discharging them as temporary employees and then, according to an imaginative conversation recited in the Senate by Senator Pelissier, the government said to the employees: "What would you say if I were to keep you, beginning tomorrow, as substitute workers. You will get the same wages. Do you accept?"

"Yes," replied the discharged employees, but must we give back the bonus?"

"Oh, no," answered the government. "That would not be generous. You have the bonus. Keep it. You are discharged but remain with us."

Perth—M. G. Hicks' pet dog was struck by an automobile on Sunday at Perth and from the injuries received is now in animal kingdom. In its last agony the dog bit Mr. Hicks on both hands, his left being painfully lacerated and also his right thumb and he required medical attention.

TRENTON HAS BAD SCARE

Fire Destroys Old Brewery Premises, Ice House and Garage

FIREMEN'S GOOD WORK

Three Dwellings and Power's Coal Yard are Touched by Flames

Trenton had a big fire in the making on Sunday afternoon but thanks to the department's excellent fire fighting apparatus, the blaze did not get beyond control.

Today Martin's ice house besides a garage and other business in the same building is smoldering but all danger of spreading is over.

The Martin property is what was left of the old brewery landmark.

During the fire some dwellings caught fire—H. Burke's, A. Lovett's, J. McMaisters', besides Powers' coal yards, but the flames did not make any headway there.

Mr. Martin's loss will be heavy—not only the season's supply of ice having melted away, but the building gone together with the contents of the garage.

The origin is unknown.

TRENTON
Mr. W. Gosleigh has returned to Niagara Falls accompanied by his eldest son Clare.

Mr. H. S. Dafoe spent Tuesday of last week in Frankford.

Mrs. M. William's daughter who has been her guest for a few days has returned home.

Another milk man is added to the list in the person of Mr. Lockwood of Murray.

Mr. Vanastine Sr., and his daughter, Mrs. McKee have returned home after spending a week among relatives at Port Dalhousie. They attended the funeral of the former's niece while there.

Mrs. Counts, of East Trenton, has gone to Toronto where she expects to undergo a very serious operation.

Mrs. A. Shaw is in charge of the family in her absence.

Mrs. Hickerson Sr., has returned home after spending a few weeks the guest of her daughter at Oshawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Cross, Dundas St., have moved into Mr. Crosby's house, Front Street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Winters, of Point Anne, accompanied by the latter's mother, Mrs. Brown and brother, Mr. A. Brown of Thurlow, motored to Trenton on Thursday last.

A consecration service was held at North Trenton on Thursday evening. Capt. W. G. Clark conducted the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Frost were in town on Saturday evening.

The funeral of the late George Crowe was held on Sunday, interment in St. George's cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Workman motored to Rawdon and attended the funeral of Mr. Joseph Coutts.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Dafoe were guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. H. Baker, Mt. Zion recently.

Mrs. Earl Bonter recently received the sad news that her father, Mr. Mack, of the N.W. has been kicked by a horse and not expected to live.

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