

Provincial Treasurer Announces Early Budget Debate in House

BUDGET IS LIVE ISSUE

Hon. Peter Smith Will Waste No Time in Starting Arguments.

HYDRO SCHEME ALSO
Ferguson to Probe the Backus Deal and Other Timber Investigations.

(By Canadian Press)
TORONTO, Jan. 26.—Legislation will be introduced early in the session of the provincial legislature by Hon. Walter Rollo, minister of labor, providing that in all permanent fire brigades the men shall work on the double rotation system. This legislation will save guard rights of fire fighters in so far as one day's rest in seven is concerned.

Budget Down Early.
Hon. Peter Smith today announced that it is the intention of the government to have the budget presented the first thing, after the debate on the speech from the Throne is over.

A bond issue of ten millions which the province has disposed of to a Toronto syndicate is intended to provide funds for the Hydro electric development, by the Queenstown-Chippewa scheme. At present over six thousand men are employed on the undertaking and it is expected that the bulk of the work there will be completed by July. One hundred thousand horse power will, it is thought, be available by September 1.

Forest Timber Probe.
The intention of the Conservatives in the Ontario Legislature to delve thoroughly into the recent negotiations between the British government and the Backus interests is indicated by a notice of a demand made by Hon. G. H. Ferguson, for a return to the House of all correspondence in relation to the Lake of the Woods, White Dog Rapids, English River and other concessions. Mr. Ferguson also wants to know the cost of the Riddle-Latchford timber commission to date, with particular reference to the amount paid to R. T. Harding, former Crown investigator.

Blame One Doctor; Another Exonerated

Toronto Girl's Death Due to Carelessness—Drugs Should be Well Labelled.

TORONTO, Jan. 26.—A verdict to the effect that Miss Monica Kenney came to her death on January 8, through "receiving a drug improperly prepared by Dr. Percy E. Paed and administered by Dr. J. H. McConnell," was returned last night by Dr. K. W. Graham's jury. The further wording of the verdict was that "We find that Dr. Paed was guilty of gross carelessness in the matter. We also find that Dr. Paed believed that he had received neodrarsenol from Dr. Abraham Brodey, and we find that Dr. Brodey gave Dr. Paed diarsenol instead of what he asked for. We find that Dr. McConnell is completely exonerated and recommend that in the sale of diarsenol and neodrarsenol the packages in which they are contained should be so different as to prevent further mistakes."

Peasants in Russia Start Conflagration

Besiege Towns Held by Soviet Troops and Cut off Food Supply.

(By Canadian Press)
LONDON, Jan. 26.—Reports that disturbances which broke out recently in Siberia, are assuming an alarming character, are contained in a Helsinki dispatch to the Central News today.

The peasants, it is declared, are besieging several towns held and fortified by the soviet troops, thus putting off the supply of food stuffs from the towns. On the other hand, soviet agents assert that in Eastern Siberia, the Bolsheviki have begun a great onslaught on the peasant communities and that terrorism is reigning over a large area.

FARMERS OF NORTHUMBERLAND RUN CREAMERY

COBourg, Jan. 26.—The U.F.O. clubs of this district have taken over the creamery at Harwood, and it will be operated this coming summer by the Farmers' Co-operative Creamery Co., an organization that has just been effected. The officers are: President, Alex. Campbell; Vice-President, A. Carruthers; Directors, F. Sherwin, Rosenstath, Walter Jennings, Carleton, J. A. Arnold, Baltimore; Joseph Hibb, Cold Springs; Mr. Perkins, Bewdley, and representatives from two or three other clubs yet to be appointed.

Great interest is being taken in the movement, and stock in shares of \$20, is selling readily among the farmers.

DISARM BY JULY FIRST

Allies Supreme Council at Paris Hears Report on Big Problem.

FRENCH STATE CASE
Financial Side and German Viewpoint Given—Britain Wins Point.

PARIS, Jan. 26.—Allied experts today handed the supreme Allied Council their report on a plan for the disarmament of all German military units.

The reports give satisfaction to the French viewpoint on the question of providing for full compliance with all the disarmament clauses of the Versailles treaty.

It concedes to Great Britain the right to the granting of further delay, which was suggested on Monday before the Supreme Council by Mr. Lloyd George.

Two-thirds of the operation of disarmament must be completed by March 1st and the work must be finished by July 1st.

Paul Doumer, the French Finance Minister, opened the discussion on the German reparations by the council this morning. He read a report on the financial situation, and outlined the French viewpoint, concerning the solution of the reparations question. The conference then heard Baron E. Y. Dabernon, British Ambassador to Germany.

Warning That Roar Just Belleville Cubs

Lions Club Here to Hold Charter Night Tomorrow—30 Visitors Expected.

Belleville Lions will roar so long and loud tomorrow evening that it is feared they may meet Caruso's fate. Apparently nothing can be done about it. They can't be stopped. It is their charter night.

All this and more was forecast at today's noon day luncheon at the Quinte, when "Cub" Ed. O'Flynn presided with much dexterity.

Twenty cubs from Toronto and ten from Ottawa are coming and the railways have arranged transportation for all these cubs in cars which resemble to an astonishing degree the regular pullmans. The cubs are to feed at the Quinte and most of them will stand on their feet and roar terrifically. They will don clothes for the occasion (most of 'em) that are patterned after proper evening things and expect to report later that a "pleasant time was had by all."

Canadian Dollars, 89; Sterling Demand High

(Canadian Press Ltd.)
NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Further extensive purchases of remittances to London, Paris and other European points imparted additional strength to the foreign exchange market today. Canadian dollars rose to 89 during the morning session. Sterling demand bills rose to 33.82%, a gain of three cents over yesterday's final quotation, and the highest figure since last July.

GOOD ROADS MAIN TOPIC

County Council Discusses Standard to be Adopted for Highways.

TOO MANY BRIDGES!
Government Not Obligated to Assist County in All Undertakings.

Discussion at the County Council today turned on the provincial county roads and the standard of road building. Members of the council told of the fine reception by the Hon. P. C. Biggs, Minister of Public Works. Any new construction must conform with present requirements or be such that the road and culverts could be widened. It has been decided when to adopt the standard.

Hastings has assumed too many bridges, said several members. Go Slow, He Says.

"If the county wanted to act as godfather to all the bridges in the county well and good," said a government official, according to Mr. Clare, "but the government will not feel obligated to assist the county in maintaining these as county bridges."

"Under the present law the government is not compelled to contribute twenty per cent on the bridges, the county is compelled to take over as county bridges," said Mr. Wiggins, who favored the county favoring the government to amend the act to permit government assistance to the counties on bridges of this class.

He wanted \$9,000.

Mr. Chas. Jones, of Marmora, asked the council to pay him \$9,000 for damage to his car which was damaged by reason, he alleged, of some large stones which were left on a road. His car struck the stones while being driven at night. The application was referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Mr. John Elliott, Belleville, wrote the council thanking the members for a grant of \$100 to assist in entertaining the members of the Associated Boards of Trade and Chamber of Commerce which met in annual session in Belleville.

Mr. W. H. Ireland, M. P. P., for West Hastings, assured the council that he would co-operate in any way in helping them to secure special grants to rural schools.

Considerable discussion took place on this matter. The consensus of opinion being that more rural schools would, this year, avail themselves of the special grants; this would obviously reduce the amount to be received this year. Urban schools should participate in this special grant, declared several speakers.

A committee, consisting of Dr. Kludred, Messrs. Airhart and Kells, will look into this problem.

Buzz Planer Takes Three of His Fingers

Mr. Gilbert Frederick, Mill street, an employee of Tickle & Sons Company, had the misfortune to lose three fingers of his right hand in a buzz planer at the factory. He was taken to the hospital where Dr. Tennent made the amputation and dressed the wound.

Smallpox Epidemic Denied by Ottawa

Some Cases in that City and in Quebec Province—Vaccination the "Cure."

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—Reports reaching the Federal Health Department indicate that there is no general smallpox epidemic in Canadian cities. In some centres, such as Ottawa there are a number of cases. A report was received a few days ago of a bad outbreak in a country district in Quebec which caused the Quebec authorities to send a supply of vaccine to that vicinity.

Vaccination is being forced and the disease is expected to decline. Col. D. A. Clarke, assistant minister of health, expressed the opinion that vaccination was the only means of combating the disease. Cities which had general vaccination had no outbreak this year he said.

DR. EMBURY, NEWLY-ELECTED WARDEN FORECASTS BIG YEAR ON GOOD ROADS

In his Thank-You Speech He Says All Money Available For Purpose Will be Used.

Dr. A. T. Embury, of Bancroft, was the unanimous choice of the Hastings County Council for the Wardenship when the members met late yesterday afternoon. His nomination was proposed by Mr. Thos. Naylor, of Deseronto, and seconded by Mr. W. E. Wiggins, of Faraday. No other nominations were made.

The new warden made a short address, thanking the councillors for the honor shown him. He declared the position was one of honor because of the record of his predecessors in the chair and because of the prominence of Hastings County from the standpoint of wealth and the intelligence and industry of her citizens.

He stated one big problem facing the council was good roads and the council would spend all the money it felt able to do on road building.

From the warden's remarks it might be inferred that the matter of equalization of the assessment will also be one of the big problems of the year, declaring it was the duty of every member of the council to have a fair equalization.

"Today all we hear is finance. We have arrived at the stage of reconstruction. We feel confident though that the County of Hastings is on a solid foundation."

CREDIT AIRMEN WITH BIG FEAT

"Mad Mullah" the Mad Man of Somaliland, Beheaded 34 Years

Expedition Sent Out Nearly Two Years Ago But in Secret

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Complete destruction of the power of the "Mad Mullah," native ruler of Somaliland, Africa, and for 34 years a problem to British authorities, was accomplished within three weeks by less than 200 airmen and 11 fighting planes, according to an official report on the operation just received here. Bombed out of their strongholds, the natives were pursued and all the leaders except the Mullah captured or killed, the report stated. Call on Air Force.

The air expedition was sent out in 1919, but details were kept secret. It was the last of many punitive forces sent to Somaliland, where continual uprisings have involved the British in military operations at frequent intervals since 1885.

The situation was so serious in 1919, the report stated, that some military action was necessary, but the Government hesitated because of the cost, estimated at \$25,000,000, of despatching 5,000 troops to re-establish order. In the emergency the air force was called upon and 32 officers and 64 men, in addition to the medical detachment, set out.

Two British Casualties.
An advanced party, masquerading as engineers in search of oil wells, landed and set up a base. Then the machines appeared and for a week the Mad Mullah's stronghold in the interior was bombed and shot up while the native camel corps co-operated, holding a line about the scene. The Mullah finally broke through this line, heading south, and the planes pursued for two weeks more, bombing and shooting up the fleeing natives, scattering their stock and utterly destroying the power of the rebel leader. Thus the Empire for the first time in 34 years was left in peaceful possession of the country. Two casualties in the camel corps were the only British losses.

Some of the "wealthier" prisoners at Sing Sing have been sporting silk shirts and other fancy trappings. Warden Lawes issued orders that all prisoners shall wear the prescribed gray uniform.

A SNAP-SHOT OF NEW WARDEN; FIRST ONE TO HAVE LIVED HERE

THE Wardenship of the County of Hastings has at last come to a man, who for five years was a resident of Belleville, Dr. A. T. Embury, who lived here from 1892 to 1896. The "Doc" is however, a native of Richmond township, County of Lennox, and is a son of the late George H. Embury. He was educated at Napanee College and Queen's University, graduating in medicine in 1896. Since that time he has practised mostly in Bancroft.

"Doc" Embury was a councillor at Bancroft and in 1912 came down to Belleville as reeve and occupied a seat in the County Council. During the years 1915-16 he was out of Canada, however, since January 1917, he has been Bancroft's reeve. In the County Council he has always borne a permanent part.

He is a keen debater possessing an incisive clean style, which never leaves his meaning in doubt. He is one of the most popular members of the Council. Much of the charm of his personality is due to his irrepressible wit. He comes of U. E. L. stock and bears a trace of his Irish ancestry.

A Warrior Warden.

The new warden served as Captain and medical officer in the 52nd Brigade, Royal Field Artillery, 12th Imperial Division, in France and Belgium. He is a past master of Bancroft Lodge, No. 482 A.F. and A.M., an Anglican in religion.

Warden Embury married Miss Jarman, daughter of Police Magistrate Jarman of Bancroft in 1901. Their home has been blessed with three children.

That Hastings' new head will be an admirable presiding officer is certain, although a strong Conservative in politics, he is popular with both sides of the "house."

GERMANY MUST IMPORT FOOD

BERLIN, Jan. 26.—Germany will be obliged to import 3,000,000 tons of grain to meet home needs in 1921, according to an official reply to-day to a question put by the Italian delegation in Brussels concerning the country's immediate requirements of foodstuffs from abroad.

The Government admits that appraisal submitted at the special conference will prove inadequate owing to the failure of last year's crop, which did not come up to the expected yield.

MARMORA BLAZE WAS COSTLY ONE

Seven or Eight Thousand Damage From Fire in Hubbell Block.

TWO STORES LOSE
Newest Structure in Village Destroyed and With It Frame House

About seven or eight thousand dollars' damage was caused by a fire which broke out early yesterday morning in Mr. B. C. Hubbell's new block in the village of Marmora. The block, which was of frame construction and two stories high, consisted of three stores, occupied by Edward Hewitt, (butcher shop.) B. C. Hubbell, (general store) and an unoccupied shop, the second floor not being used.

The Hubbell building which was the newest building in the village, was quite destroyed and along with it a frame residence owned by Thos. Warren, Mr. Warren managed to save his furniture.

The Hubbell property was worth about \$5,000 or \$8,000 and the Warren home \$2,000.

Fall on Ice Fatal; Richard Badgley Dead

Fracturing his skull yesterday morning when he fell on his head from a load of hay near the W. H. Lingham mill, at which he was employed, Richard Badgley passed away at six o'clock last evening.

He was born in Thurlo 68 years ago and had lived in Cannifton for four years. He was a Methodist and a member of Eureka Lodge No. 283 A.F. & M. Mourning his loss are his widow and one daughter, Mrs. Earl Sheffield.

2 COUNCILS AT 1 TABLE

'Twas a Braw Night at The Queen's Hotel with Lots to Eat.

MUCH GOOD-FELLOWSHIP
Warden Embury and His Colleagues Guest of City Fathers and C. of C.

MINGLING around the festive board at the good old Queen's Hotel last night, singing rollicking songs and imbibing the spirit of goodfellowship and hospitality, the members of Hastings Council, Belleville City Council, the Chamber of Commerce and officials of both municipalities, caught more than a gleam of the duty developing upon them to work in harmony and forget any imaginary differences. The county council members were the guests of Mayor Hanna and the City Council and the Chamber of Commerce at the first affair of its kind. So successful was it that it will become an annual event. It was very apropos that the banquet should have been held at the opening of the January session of the county council for as yet both municipal bodies are impressionable. In every feature the function was more than admirably carried out. Not a discordant note was struck, indeed there seemed none to be struck. After last night one may expect to see the grand old county and city real pals in their struggles and in their plans for improvement and growth.

Upon Mayor Hanna developed the pleasant duty of chairmanship. He occupied the head of the table and at his left sat Warden Embury, Mayor Hanna expedited the programme, and put through a lengthy toast list by ten o'clock. He welcomed the county councillors to the banquet board.

The first toast was "The King" and was honored with the singing of the National Anthem.

"Our Parliamentary Institutions," was proposed by ex-Mayor H. F. Ketcheson, vice-president of the Belleville Chamber of Commerce. "It is not many cities and not many counties that have produced a premier," he said and referred to the late Sir Mackenzie Bowell. "No part of this country has better representatives in the Commons and in the Legislature, and we are pleased to drink their health." The assembly drank the toast enthusiastically.

"Canadians are known all over the world," said Mr. E. Guss-Porter, M. P., in reply, "as men who respect their form of Government. We have one of the best forms of government possible, although the government

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Had Tried Hold-up; Dies in Police Cell

TORONTO, Jan. 26.—One hour after he had been arrested for pointing a gun and tying Frank Bromfield's hands behind his back and ordering him to descend through a trap-door leading to the cellar in the drug store of R. C. Post, 889 Queen street east, Raymond Bruger, aged 26 years, said to be from Kitchener, died in the cells of Pape avenue Station from the effects of poisoning.

Thaws Out Pipes and Starts Fire

Fire this morning at ten o'clock caused considerable damage at the frame and roustabout residence on James street, occupied by Mr. John Potts, and owned by Mr. Ed. A. McIlwain. It appears that the fire was caused while pipes were being thawed, which apparently in many instances have been working with the police in "gratting" upon business men," former Governor Whitman said.

New York City is filled with "mushroom private detective agencies," which apparently in many instances have been working with the police in "gratting" upon business men," former Governor Whitman said.