

FORMAL OPENING OF PARLIAMENT THIS AFTERNOON

Halbert Will Be Introduced— Report That Crerar Has Low-Tariff Resolution.

GRITS HAVE TWO PLANS

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Every-thing is in readiness for the formal opening tomorrow of the parliament-ary session. The chamber of the house will be turned over to the senate for the opening ceremonies and the speech from the throne will be delivered from the speaker's chair. R. H. Halbert, the U.F.O. member returned from North Ontario during the parliamentary recess, will be introduced and take his seat in the house when the commons' assembly in their temporary quarters after hearing the speech from the throne. The house will then adjourn until Monday, when the debate on the address will be begun.

Two Liberal Courses. The Liberal members of parliament now in the city held two informal conferences today to decide upon their line of action during the debate. Some of the members urged a vigorous attack upon the government which would touch upon the absence of the prime minister, the unwillingness of the government to face the people, and demand the holding of a general election at an early date. Other members, however, urged a more conciliatory attitude in view of the growing strength of the Farmers' party. Just what course will be taken by their leader, Hon. Mackenzie King, when he opens the debate on behalf of his party, remains to be seen.

Crerar Speaks Soon. It is expected that Hon. T. A. Crerar will speak for the Farmers party at an early stage in the debate. He will probably not arrive in the city before Sunday, but some of his followers say he will immediately force the hand of the government and the Liberal opposition alike by offering an amendment to this address which will demand an immediate reduction of the tariff.

Mr. King speaks immediately after the moving and seconding of the address and may be followed by Mr. Crerar. Sir George Foster, as acting premier, will reply on behalf of the government.

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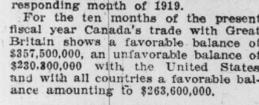
BRITISH SENDING MORE TO CANADA

Imports by Dominion in January Exceed Any Month in Country's History.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 25.—(By Canadian Press.)—Canadian imports from the United Kingdom in January were greater in money value than in any single month of our history. They totaled \$16,416,508, compared with \$9,882,984, in December last, and \$7,709,200 in January, 1919. The increase would appear to indicate that Canadian buyers are taking advantage of the exchange situation to make profitable purchases in Great Britain. In January our exports to the British Isles were \$88,288,049.

More From United States. Imports from the United States in January, however, despite the unfavorable exchange rate, showed no decline. The total value of imports was \$74,530,425, as against \$71,069,509 in December and \$69,379,127 in January, 1919. Our exports to the United States in January were \$45,577,945, as compared with \$41,227,519 in the corresponding month of 1919.

For the ten months of the present fiscal year Canada's trade with Great Britain shows a favorable balance of \$357,500,000, an unfavorable balance of \$320,400,000 with the United States and with all countries a favorable balance amounting to \$353,600,000.



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ASSAULTS ACTRESS; WIFE PAYS FINE

William Dodge was fined \$50 in the criminal court by Judge Coatsworth yesterday for assaulting and beating Margaret King, a member of the same opera company, in her room in the King Edward Hotel early last Sunday morning. His wife, who had come all the way from New York, paid the fine, as well as the \$200 and costs imposed in the police court on the B.O.T.A. charge.

Dodge said that he was under the influence of liquor when he assaulted the girl and the judge suggested that it would be a good lesson to leave liquor alone in the future. The complainant left the city with heavy contempt last Sunday and did not appear in court yesterday.

DEALERS IN BONDS ISSUE STATEMENT

Explain Necessity for Embargo on Importation of Securities.

Concerning the new arrangement reached by which the importation of securities into Canada is to cease, at least for the time being, a statement was made public last night by the Bond Dealers' Association, as follows: "The bond dealers and the stock exchanges have held conferences today with regard to the proposal of the minister of finance concerning the importation of securities into Canada, and have reached a decision to grant the minister's request, and to co-operate to the fullest extent. The decision has been made necessary by reason of the great quantities of Canadian securities coming over from Britain, which has been financing Canada for the past hundred years. The drop in sterling exchange made it impossible to ship these securities to Canada at prices that were very attractive, as compared with other Canadian securities, including Victory bonds. This first step was taken by the minister of finance when he realized that, if the market committees were to continue to distribute bonds in the same satisfactory manner as in the past, the prices of these bonds should be brought into line with market conditions. This was done by the reduction in the price of Victory bonds. In fact many people think that these prices, as readjusted, are really lower than they should be.

The next step was to request the bond houses and stock brokers who have been bringing securities from Great Britain not to continue this activity, and the banks were requested to co-operate in this direction. The members of the Montreal and Toronto stock exchanges have all met, and, while it was a serious loss of business to the bond houses, and also to the stock brokers, all these bodies have agreed to meet the request of the finance minister to the fullest possible extent. It is obvious that this embargo will make Canadian imports into the business of the United States, especially from the United States, where the balance of trade is so heavily against us. It is therefore, hoped, while they give their efforts to meet the suggestion of the minister of finance, the conditions will change and that it will not be necessary to long continue these restrictions.

There is a very strong feeling among the financial people that the restrictions placed upon the import of securities can only be justified providing the government follows them up vigorously with similar restrictions against the importation of securities from the United States, where the balance of trade is so heavily against us. It is therefore, hoped, while they give their efforts to meet the suggestion of the minister of finance, the conditions will change and that it will not be necessary to long continue these restrictions.

SMALLPOX OUTBREAK IS STILL SERIOUS

Smallpox is still a serious condition in the public health of Ontario, and especially of Toronto, but the pest of "flu" and primary pneumonia appears to have been passed, and there is considerable room for reassurance when statistics of the present outbreak are compared with those of the corresponding stage in the epidemic of 1918. The number of smallpox cases reported from the province of Ontario for the week ending February 21 was 187. Only three municipalities went over the ten in the weekly record, viz.: Oshawa 11, Peterboro 19, Toronto 54. These 137 cases for the past week compare somewhat unfavorably with the record of the previous week, when the number was 168, being an increase of 19 cases. From November 1 to February 21 there were 4,514 cases with 17 deaths reported, making a weekly average of 234. The city of Toronto contributed no less than 2,798 cases, or 60 per cent. of the whole.

Up to the present period of February there have been 18,024 cases of "flu" reported, with 1,138 fatal cases of "flu" pneumonia and 780 of primary pneumonia, or a total of 18,792. This looks very serious evidence of the havoc of the present "flu" outbreak, it is to be remembered that in the first month of the outbreak of 1918, which was October, there were 8,015 deaths.

Ontario Will Not Continue Fish Business

The pressure of the fishing interests has prevailed on the provincial government to go out of competition to all intents and purposes, the Hon. F. C. Biggs told a deputation of Lake Erie fishermen yesterday that the provincial enterprise will not absolutely be closed. The request of the Lake Erie Association is that the government withdraw its attention to the conservation of the fish supply.

Hon. F. C. Biggs said it is his intention to have the fishing regulations strictly enforced. The deputation desires separation of the game and fisheries branches of the department and that a deputy minister be appointed for each branch. A commission to inquire into the fishery situation was further asked.

Mr. Biggs said the matters presented to him would have due attention. The government will drop its fishing business gradually. A. S. Brown, Kinrossville; H. A. Short, Port Stanley; A. E. Crew, Merlin; Capt. Robinson, Port Dover and N. S. Cornell, Port Stanley, were with the deputation.

HAMILTON

Hamilton, Feb. 25.—J. P. Reid of Toronto was elected the new president of the Ontario Lumber Dealers' Association at the convention here today. The 1921 convention will be held in Toronto.

Alf. J. Wright was re-elected today to the chairmanship of the parks board.

Controller Juttien declares the \$80,000 set aside by the city to meet the adverse exchange rate will be \$67,000 short of the sum required.

All six pupils who tried the silver medal examination of the Royal Life Saving Society at the Y.W.C.A. today passed successfully.

John Carroll, aged 32, died today at his home, 55 West Wood street.

Fees for use of the operating rooms at the City Hospital have been nearly doubled by action taken at a board of governors' meeting today.

EARLSCOURT NEEDS HOUSES BADLY

One Firm is Taking Orders for Ready-Built Structures.

A Canadian woodworking company is making arrangement for supplying ready built houses to meet the needs of citizens in North Earlscourt and Fairbank. The houses are said to be well and strongly made and only need the regular cost of building a frame house. The same firm is shipping a large number of these houses to England in the spring, where the demand exceeds the supply for any kind of dwelling houses. They come in three, four, six and eight rooms and it is expected that over one thousand of these houses will be purchased before next fall.

There has been a diminution of 50 per cent. of flu cases in the northwest district during the past 48 hours, due to a large extent of the continued dry weather. The local physicians are now confident that the epidemic has been broken, and that patients who contracted the flu, however, are mostly left in a very weak condition and are forbidden by their medical attendants to leave their homes owing to the fear of complications.

The regular meeting of the G.A.C. of New Britain Post, was held at Earlscourt Public School last night. President H. Parfrey in the chair. Routine business was transacted. There was a good attendance.

Pastor W. F. Roadhouse of Boon Avenue Baptist Church conducted the funeral service of Robert Ballantyne yesterday, who was an active member of this church. He is survived by his widow and two children. Burial was in Prospect Cemetery.

POULTRY PRIZES AWARDED

The East York Poultry Association held their regular monthly meeting in Snell's Hall last night. President George McKillop presided, and there were a number of high class fowl on exhibit.

Cash prizes were awarded the winners in each class, and in addition special prizes of silk ribbons were also given. The winners were as follows: White Plymouth Rocks, 1st cock and 1st hen, E. H. Slous; 2nd and 3rd cock and 2nd and 3rd hen, James Brown; Buff Wyandottes, 1st cock and 1st and 2nd hen, L. Smith; black Wyandottes, 1st cock and 1st, 2nd and 3rd hen, Wm. Goldsmith.

An interesting lecture and demonstration was delivered by James Brown on egg production. The judges were W. Smith and A. Wiles.

TORONTO - OTTAWA MID-DAY TRAIN VIA CANADIAN PACIFIC

The "Rideau" leaves Toronto Union Station 1:30 p.m. daily, except Sunday, via "Lake Ontario Shore Line" arriving Ottawa 10 p.m. Stops at all intermediate stations, including Whitby, Oshawa, Port Hope, Cobourg, Trenton and Belleville. Direct connection for Kingston. Further particulars from Canadian Pacific ticket agents.

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LABOR DELEGATION SAYS IRELAND VICTIM OF BRITISH MISRULE

Claims That Administration is Not Only Unintelligent, But Deliberately Provoking.

UTTERLY ESTRANGED

London, Feb. 25.—The report of the commission of labor men which recently investigated conditions in Ireland is a strong denunciation of what is characterized as the British misrule of Ireland. This, the report declares, "would drive any spirited nation into deep-seated and dangerous discontent," adding that "where the administration is not merely unintelligent it appears to be deliberately provocative."

The report sets forth that Ireland has become utterly estranged, and the Irish problem, as the labor delegation sees it, is "a problem of political pathology."

Abundant evidence exists, the report finds, of the needs of action with regard to social matters, such as housing, wages and education, but the political issue, it holds, obscures these questions.

The economic regeneration of Ireland, which would help materially to destroy existing animosities and speedily efface the memory of historic wrongs, the report adds, "cannot be successfully achieved unless and until the political problem is solved. The fundamental necessity, therefore, is a change in the political system."

The report consists largely of detailed examples of the "senseless attitude" of the administration's repressive measures, with the result that "every institution of which the British citizen is so proud—a free press, freedom of speech, liberty of a subject and trial by jury—is a thing of the past in a large part of Ireland."

CITY HALL NOTES

A grant of \$5,000 towards an aerial convention, which is planned to take place in Toronto in April this year, was asked by a deputation from the Aero Club at the board of control meeting yesterday.

Major Bert Wemp, the spokesman, stated that the convention would be international in character, and that its object was to make Toronto the centre of aviation for the Dominion. There would be 350 delegates and the cost would be approximately \$12,000. The provincial government and organizations were also being asked for a grant.

The board decided that Controller Maguire and the city clerk confer with the Aero Club concerning the program of the convention, with a view to ascertaining the size of the grant that the city should make.

Mayor Church did some further explaining on the subject of withholding salary increases for school teachers.

"There are some four thousand civic employees affected by the increases, who are just as much entitled as the school board officials to have their raises now," he said.

"The practice for all boards in the past has been not to pay these increases until the tax rate is struck, as the money used for this purpose before the taxes come in, has to be borrowed from the banks, and a high rate of interest paid."

I.O.D.E. OFFICERS.

The Sherbourne House Chapter, I. O. D. E., composed of the young women residents of the Sherbourne House Club and one of the most energetic of the primary chapters, have elected the following as their officers for the current year: Honorary regent, Mrs. H. H. Fudger; regent, Miss J. L. Bollert; vice-regents, Miss N. Mack and Miss L. Doyle; secretary, Miss E. Slight; treasurer, Miss H. Maxwell; "Echoes" secretary, Miss A. Smart; standard-bearer, Miss Jessie Roy, and the councillors are as follows: Miss Florence Bollert, Miss

Spanish Government Buys War Material From Britain

Madrid, Feb. 25.—Official announcement was made today that the ministry of war has authorized the acquisition from the British government of war material valued at more than 8,000,000 pesetas.

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- \$32.50 Overcoats for \$21.90
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LIVE STOCK ARENA

Arrangements for Its Erection at Exhibition Grounds Are Already Under Way.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the royal agricultural winter fair, held yesterday afternoon in the Prince George Hotel, the executive committee were authorized to complete arrangements in connection with the erection of the civic live stock arena, in co-operation with the Canadian National Exhibition.

The following associations were admitted to membership, providing that they become incorporated: Ontario Poultry Association, Eastern Ontario Poultry Association, Toronto Poultry and Pet Stock Association, Feather Fanciers' Club and the Canadian Pigeon Fanciers Association, Ltd.

The officers elected were as follows: President, Wm. Garden; first vice-president, Herbert C. Cox; executive committee, J. J. Morrison, George Pepper, W. W. Ballantyne and O. W. Waller.

NOTE NOT YET DEALT WITH

If Rejoinder to Wilson Needed, Supreme Council Will Prepare It Immediately.

London, Feb. 25.—The supreme council tomorrow will take up President Wilson's reply to the allied note on the Adriatic question, which reached London this morning, and if a rejoinder is necessary the council will attempt to formulate it immediately, because the members hope to end the London session Saturday, although possibly it will be extended for a day or two. The council did not consider the note today.

Owing to the necessity of Premier Nitti's presence in Rome and the activities of other members, the council

Appeal to the Public!

Telephone operators have not escaped in the prevailing epidemic, the result being a very high percentage of absentees in all our eleven city exchanges.

Numbers of citizens, kept at home through illness, are using the telephone more than under normal conditions. As a result the calling rate is very heavy.

There are, of course, necessary telephone calls that must be made. But may we ask that, until the situation clears, all telephone users assist us by making only necessary calls.

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