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#### NO TARIFF WAR.

The Washington correspondent of the Montreal Gazette, the leading government and high tariff organ in Quebec province, informs that paper that President Harding and his advisers do not expect any general tariff revision by the American Congress at this session. He says further:

"From all appearances there does not seem to be any warmth of feeling in the administration circle in favor of tariff legislation. In the absence of any authoritative information, all surface indications go to show that the administration is of the opinion that tariff legislation at this time would be a detriment instead of a help to the nation. There is no doubt that the administration has been deeply impressed by the economic chaos of Europe, and is anxious to do nothing that would accentuate the deplorable conditions there. Many of those of the inner administration circle have little sympathy with the effort to push tariff revision at this time. The general argument against tariff legislation that has been cited frequently, still holds good among them, this argument being that if a high tariff wall is erected by America against the rest of the world, the nations that are struggling to recover from the devastating effects of war will be unable to find a market for their products and will suffer accordingly. The second stage of such a policy it is held, would be that Europe would have little money wherewith to purchase American products, and by the same token Allied nations would be without means of paying back any of the money they borrowed from the United States during the world war."

Premier Meighen and the advocates of a high protective tariff in Canada have been banking on the hope that the United States would enact a high tariff law and give them a campaign cry. That hope must be abandoned. There is no prospect of such legislation in the United States as would provoke retaliation on the part of Canada. This country is free to frame a tariff which will be in the interests of producers and consumers, and to ensure such a result the Meighen government must be defeated.

#### EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

The last bulletin of the Employment Service of Canada makes a comparison between the two week period ending Aug. 27 and that of the preceding fortnight, showing that conditions remained about the same, with a fraction of one per cent. less persons employed in the latter period. The Bulletin says that the employment situation is much less favorable than during the corresponding period last year, but notes the cheering fact that "employment since the beginning of April has shown a general upward trend." The volume, it is true, still continues on the winter rather than the summer level, but that it has shown an upward tendency since April is a good indication. There can be no hope, however, of marked improvement before the turn of the year. By that time the demand for merchandise may give more work to factories, but there will be the other fact that a falling off in certain seasonal occupations will release more people to look for other work. The Bulletin, making a comparison with last year, says:

"As compared with the week of August 28, 1920, nearly all the industrial groups afforded substantially less employment. Leather and its products, coal mining, local and water transportation, were the only exceptions, while the industries exhibiting the greatest reduction in this comparison were rubber, non-ferrous metal products, pulp and paper, textiles, iron and steel, logging and lumber and its products."

The present indications are that as stocks of merchandise are very moderate, and in some lines small, and as prices appear to be fairly well stabilized in many lines, there will be more work in factories, gradually increasing from this time forward. New Brunswick suffers from the dullness in lumber, but is undoubtedly as well off not better off than other parts of the country, both in regard to employment and to the soundness of the general business position.

Fredericton Mail: The Chatham World says that Mr. George M. McDade, barrister, of Chatham, will be the government candidate in Northumberland at the next election and that victory for him is certain. The Newcastle Advertiser on the other hand says Mr. E. A. McCurdy of Newcastle "has been pressed by many of Northumberland county's representative citizens to allow his name to go before a county convention of government supporters and has eventually decided that he will do so." It goes on to say that "the World has a mighty poor guess this time and will see the error of its way perhaps then it is too late."

#### REMEMBER THE DATE

From every pulpit in New Brunswick on the next two Sundays the attention of the people should be directed to the paramount importance of going to the polls on October 10 to vote against the importation of liquor into this province. Not until that importation is stopped can prohibition have a fair trial. The people have endorsed prohibition, but have not had until now the opportunity to make it effective. The nature of the publicity put forth by the enemies of prohibition is in itself sufficient to condemn their cause, and the news that comes from Quebec and British Columbia shows clearly how futile it is to temporize in relation to a great moral issue. No one is optimistic enough to believe that the drink evil can be overcome in a month or a year, but it will never be overcome unless rigid laws prohibiting its importation as well as its sale for beverage purposes are enacted and enforced. There is danger that many people, believing that the vote will go against importation, will not take the trouble to go to the polls. Those who do not go will be neglectful of their duty as citizens. It may be hoped that the women, who with the children are the victims of indulgence in drink by men, will go in great numbers to the ballot box and ensure the success of the campaign against the importation of liquor into New Brunswick. The date, Oct. 10, should be fixed in every mind. The time is short and interest in the Dominion political campaign should not be permitted to overshadow the plebiscite.

#### HOME VISITATION

The address of Mr. J. Shere Durham before the Canadian Club last evening was a fitting prelude to the home visitation to be made in this city on October 7. Mr. Durham laid emphasis upon the place of religion in the life of the individual, the nation and the world, and declared that a city could not become greater in the true sense unless it also became better. He made a very strong plea for the widest extension of the spirit of brotherhood, to be manifested in co-operation for the good of all the people. Particular emphasis was placed upon the value of work for the proper education and training of the young, the country's greatest asset, and the speaker declared that it would cost less to care for and educate the children than to prosecute the criminals who were the result of a lack of care, education and training. Helpful human service and square dealing between man and man, were dwelt upon as prime necessities in making a better city. Especially did the speaker plead that religious prejudice be overcome and brushed aside, that all might unite their efforts to promote the general welfare. The results of the home visitation to be made on October 7 will be of incalculable value. Not only will the churches be brought into contact with more people, but the tabulated information will be of great value in connection with the education and care of the young. There should be a most generous response to the appeal for workers from all the churches and other organizations for the required two hours on October 7, and in every household some responsible member of the family should be at home between the hours of two and four, to receive the invitation extended.

The plea of Hon. Mackenzie King for unity of spirit in working out the destiny of Canada should be heard above the clamor of party strife. He pleads for national unity as between class and class, race and race, and section and section. Only through such unity can the fullest measure of national prosperity and happiness be attained. The Liberal party has a right, because of its record, to make such a plea, but it must also set the example. It must be an united party from coast to coast, moved by a sincere desire to cause its principles and its ideals to prevail in Canada.

The death of Hon. William Wilson recalls the strenuous political battles in York county between 1885 and 1892, in which he was one of the leaders of the Liberal party and a member of the Legislature. Up to the time of his appointment in 1899 to the county court judgeship, he was active in politics, and was always much in demand as a public speaker. A native of York county, his fine natural ability enabled him to rise to a position of honor, and when he retired from the bench last spring he had rounded out a career of notable usefulness as a public man.

Two labor members of the British parliament, after visiting the United States, approve heartily of the abolition of the liquor saloon. They do not approve of total prohibition, and say it is not enforced. A similar delegation a few years hence will as fully endorse prohibition as these men now do of the abolition of the saloon. It is merely a question of time.

More than a thousand manufacturers in the United States met yesterday in Chicago and demanded more protection. More protection means more profit. These manufacturers are running true to form.

#### ECHO OF SUMMER.

The woods are lyrical with echoes of summer's music. Soft and far away A nightingale, bidding farewell to Day, Sings ancient roses and forgotten things: The woods are lyrical. About them clings Remembered words they heard young lovers say In whisperings, when hearts make holiday And deem themselves unheard. The evening finds A gossamer mauve veil over the trees, The pale moon crooks his slender argent finger Against the bluish sky. Down in the dell Darkness bends over as though memories Bid it lie on the ground awhile to linger In thought on secrets that it will not tell.

—Paul Tanguay, in The Smart Set.

#### LIGHTER VEIN.

Sarcasm.

Dad (sternly)—Where were you last night?

Son—Oh, just riding around with some of the boys.

Well, tell 'em not to leave their hairpins in the car.—Texas Scalper.

#### Gave Him Away.

Wife—How many fish was it you caught on Saturday, George?

Husband—Six, darling. All beautiful.

Wife—I thought so. That fisherman has made a mistake again. He's charged us for eight.—Edinburgh Scotsman.

He was unfamiliar with the domestic contrivances of town life. To his mother on Monday morning he confided that his Sunday dinner had been only half cooked because his wife could not get the oven hot enough. They told him about the advantages of a gas stove, and he had one installed immediately.

On Saturday night, over a friendly glass, he became enthusiastic about the gas stove.

"We lighted her on Wednesday after the men had gone," he said, "and the darned thing hasn't gone out yet!"

#### Satisfied With Little.

"Have you anything to say, prisoner, before sentence is passed upon you," asked the judge.

"No, your lordship, except that it takes very little to please me."

#### Saving Money.

Husband—Why do your clothes cost such a lot more this year than they did last? Aren't things cheaper?

Wife—Yes, dear, that's just it. There are so many bargains.—Chicago Herald and Examiner.

#### Wanted The Lighthouse.

A woman advertised for a servant to do light house work. She received a letter from a girl who said she would like the position, for she thought the sea air would do her good, but she wanted to know where the lighthouse was situated.

#### BRITISH M. P.'s ON U. S. PROHIBITION

Report of Two Labor Members Who Crossed Ocean to Investigate.

London, Sept. 30.—"The suppression of the saloon is an achievement for which the people of the United States cannot be too thankful," declared a joint report of Charles H. Stieh and John F. Davis, labor M. P.'s, who recently visited the United States to investigate the operation of prohibition.

Prohibition, however, as we in this country were led to believe it prevailed does not unite their efforts to promote the general welfare. The results of the home visitation to be made on October 7 will be of incalculable value. Not only will the churches be brought into contact with more people, but the tabulated information will be of great value in connection with the education and care of the young. There should be a most generous response to the appeal for workers from all the churches and other organizations for the required two hours on October 7, and in every household some responsible member of the family should be at home between the hours of two and four, to receive the invitation extended.

The labor members continue:—"We are of the opinion that the people of the U. S. will demand facilities for the purchase of light wines and beers, and had the anti-saloon propaganda been in the direction of eliminating the more disgraceful features of the saloons, securing changed management and more effective control, concurrently with the provision of the facilities for obtaining these simple beverages, the bitter animosity aroused by its proponents would not have been provoked."

#### WORLD'S BUSINESS DEPENDS ON RUSSIA

New York, Sept. 28.—Among the passengers arriving yesterday from the Copenhagen on the Scandinavian-American liner Frederick VII, chairman of the Board of the Danish Steel Industries, who told the reporters that any substantial improvement in world business conditions must await the re-opening of Russia. Before that can take place, the Count said, Russia must pass through a crisis of cold and hunger during the coming winter that will cost hundreds of thousands of lives.

Count Moltke is here on a business trip to talk with the heads of the steel industry in this country. In Denmark alone, Count Moltke continued, the steel industry is practically closed down and because of the dislocation of trade with Russia. This condition has its effect in the United States, where the Danish steel industry buys raw materials.

#### REPORT ON FISHING

Ottawa, Sept. 30.—(Canadian Press).—The total quantity of sea fish landed on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts during August this year was 776,655 cwts., valued at \$3,043,461. During the corresponding period in the preceding year, 1,006,894 cwts. were landed, with a value of \$3,647,187.

The catch of cod, haddock and pollock during August totaled 320,805 cwts., compared with 299,892 cwts. in August 1920. There was an increase of approximately 100,000 cwts. in the catch of cod chiefly accounted for by the catch of Lunenburg, N. S. and Gaspe, Que. Since the opening of the lobster season last November 315,693 cwts. have been landed as against 357,815 cwts. during the corresponding period last year. The total pack so far this season has been 116,697 cases against 149,064 cases for the same period last year.

In British Columbia there were 41,512 cwts. were landed by U. S. fishermen. In the same period last year 28,689 cwts. were taken.

The salmon landed in British Columbia during August amounted to 224,766 cwts., about half the quantity landed during the same period last year. The total quantity landed so far this year is 477,286 cwts. compared with 872,782 cwts. during the same period last year. Two fishermen were drowned on the Atlantic coast during August.

### ARBUCKLE GOES TO LOS ANGELES

Attention Now to the Liquor Phase of the Case—Alleged Ring Importation of Choice Brands.

San Francisco, Sept. 30.—Preparations for the prosecution of Roscoe Arbuckle on a charge of manslaughter today were overshadowed at least for a time by a federal investigation into the supply of liquor drunk by the guests at the comedian's hotel party.

Belief that his investigations had uncovered a gigantic liquor smuggling ring, operating with San Francisco as a base, and which imports only of choice brands and quality from Mexico and Canada, was expressed by federal prohibition director E. Forrest Mitchell.

Arbuckle left San Francisco last night for Los Angeles with his wife, his mother-in-law and defense attorneys.

### TROUBLE IS STILL SERIOUS IN INDIA

Military Authorities Say the Campaign May Have to be More Vigorous.

London, Sept. 30.—(Canadian Press).—It is officially announced that the military authorities at Madras take a serious view of the strong resistance of the Mohals in India, which may entail more vigorous prosecution of the campaign to suppress the revolt.

The recent action of the rebels shows their resistance is framed on guerrilla lines, accompanied by plunder and terrorism. Armed gangs are getting stronger and it is surmised that the rebels are swelling in numbers.

### SINGS AS HE GOES TO THE GALLOWS

Carl Wanderer Put to Death Today in Chicago for Murder.

Chicago, Sept. 30.—Singing a popular song, Carl Wanderer, convicted of the murder of his wife, his unborn babe and a "ragged stranger," whom he hired to slay a hotel-keeper, was hanged at the Cook County jail at 7:19 o'clock this morning.

Wanderer walked to the gallows with a firm step and as he took his place on the scaffold, repeated a short prayer after a minister.

### WORST IN YEARS IN C. B. COAL FIELDS

Some Men Have Been Working But a Day or Two a Week.

Sydney, N. S., Sept. 30.—That conditions in the Cape Breton coal fields are the worst in years and likely to remain so for some time, was a statement made by J. B. McMillan, secretary of the United Mine Workers district 20, addressing the miners of Jubilee colliery, Sydney Mines, last night. He declared the United Mine Workers of America organization was about to pass through the most trying period of its existence and that its members must stand together and be united in their mutual benefit.

Jubilee men have lately been working but one or two days a week and Mr. McMillan assured them that the condition was general and due to the light demand for coal. Jubilee local expressed its confidence in the present district 26 officers by nominating the whole slate from President Baxter down, for re-election in December.

### TRAMPS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE SOUP LINE

Boston, Sept. 30.—One hundred and sixty-two "horn lambs of labor" who had joined the soup line at the City Hall, the unemployed, founded here by Urban Ledoux, have been ordered to leave the city under penalty of arrest as vagrants.

Those who examined applicants for relief at the church upon request of Roy MacGregor, left in charge by Ledoux, reported that the country had come here on the heels of Ledoux's recent "auction of the jobs" on the Common.

### CHILD WELFARE

Doctor Says Correction Needed With Extreme Rich and the Poor.

Montreal, Sept. 30.—That it is the extreme rich and the poor who need correction in the matter of child welfare, was the position taken by Dr. W. W. Chipman of this city, in speaking at the first annual conference of the Canadian National Council on Child Welfare.

In the case of the rich he said the potential mother's previous training had fitted her for nothing but a nervous and a nervous mother, the extravagance that deformed and killed. Elaborate meals, fantastic clothing and late hours were all added. In the case of the poor the one, he was addressing in combating the evil and said that figures indicated that there had been some success in lowering the death rate.

In 1910, he said the infant death rate was 173 per thousand, while in 1919 it was 102.

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