

Both Parties in House Inclined to Go Slowly

LIBERALS ARE KEEN TO DISCUSS BANK ACT, SESSION'S BIG ISSUE

Deliberately Obstructed to Defer Further Discussion of Naval Question—Foster, Frosty, Yet Kindly, Lets Opposition Do All the Talking on West Indies Trade Treaty.

OTTAWA, Jan. 25.—Just now it looks as though the government and Opposition alike were marking time. The government has made no headway during the week with the naval debate and Hon. Mr. White when questioned yesterday in the house was unable to say when he would proceed with his bill to revise the Bank Act.

The Opposition deliberately obstructed on Thursday and Friday of this week, evidently preferring to postpone any further discussion of the naval question. They are more keen just now to discuss the Bank Act which promises to be the big issue of the session.

WEST INDIES TRADE TREATY. Hon. George E. Foster was frosty, but kindly, in dealing with the well organized effort to obstruct his bill confirming the reciprocity treaty between Canada and the British West Indies.

APPROVED IN ADVANCE. Thus Mr. Foster's bill was approved in advance by every member of parliament. The Opposition, however, desired to obstruct, partly with the idea of getting a rise out of their old antagonist, who successfully obstructed the Laurier Government a hundred times, and partly with a desire to stave off the naval debate.

THIS WEATHER IS HEALTHFUL. Rather Good For Toronto, Says Dr. Hastings, M.O.H.—Open the Windows and Doors.

"In this mild weather having any decided effect upon the health of the community?" The Sunday World asked Dr. Charles Hastings, medical officer of health.

"But don't people look forward to the winter for assistance in the matter of sanitation? Heavy rains and extreme cold have a beneficial effect, don't they?"

"That is so, but isn't the cold bracing. Doesn't it assist the circulation of the blood, causing a greater tendency to healthfulness?"

"Well, of course. The severe winters are one of the best assets we have, when looked at from that standpoint, but take into consideration the fact that old people and young babies, as well as invalids, cannot get out in the fresh air when it is so cold. But under the circumstances which prevail just now, doors and windows may be left open so that all may get a breath of fresh air."

"That is an ill wind that blows nobody good, then?" he was asked.

"That is so, and I have no complaint to make."

Butt Memorial Designed. WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Design for the memorial to Major Archibald W. Butt, personal aide to President Taft, and Francis D. Mille, the artisan, two Washingtonians lost with the Titanic, was approved today by the president. The memorial, a fountain with a shaft rising from its centre, will be on public grounds near the White House.

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CIVIC RECEPTION TO HERO OF SOUTH POLE

TURKISH ENVOYS NEVER FOR PEACE

London Press Says Delegates Had Orders to Prolong Conference to Permit Empire to Recover Vitality.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—(Special to The Sunday World.)—A startling confession was made to The Daily Express by one of the Turkish diplomats at present in London. It is that the Turkish peace delegates from the first never meant to make peace.

Their sole business was to make the proceedings last as long as possible, he said. The Turks never expected that the peace conference would have any satisfactory conclusion. The delegates attended with no other intention, but to delay things, hoping that a possible disagreement in the conference of ambassadors would supervene, creating an opportunity for the Turkish Empire to recover some of the losses of the war.

From the beginning Tewfik Pasha, the Turkish ambassador in London, and a diplomat of great experience and outstanding ability, has been among the opponents of peace, and the Young Turk party is strongly represented in the personnel of the embassy here.

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THE FINAL ACT IN THE consummation of North Toronto annexation was performed yesterday, when express wagons were employed to bring all the legal papers, documents of various kinds and portable office equipment from the old town hall of the north to the city hall.

Wm. C. Norman, the town clerk, had charge of arrangements. He came possessed of an inventory in which were included: Office presses, typewriters, insurance policies, electric light and sewer agreements, deeds, assessment rolls and voters' list, etc.

"What will you do with all that?" James Somers of the city clerk's office was asked.

"Oh, we will distribute it among the various departments affected by the annexation."

An oil painting of ex-Mayor Brown is now nearing completion, and it is understood that the city will be presented with it.

R. J. IN TOWN. Mr. R. J. Mackenzie of Winnipeg, chief executive of the Canadian Northern in the west, is in town in conference with Sir William.

LIVE BABY CARRIED BY U. S. PARCEL POST. Package Was Just Under Eleven-Pound Limit and Postage Was Fifteen Cents—Was Insured For Fifty Dollars.

BATAVIA, Ohio, Jan. 25.—Vernon O. Lytle, mail carrier on a rural route out of this place, is the first man to accept and deliver under parcel post conditions a live baby. The baby, a boy, weighing 10 1/2 pounds, just within the 11-pound weight limit, is the child of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Beagle of near Glen Este.

Its measurements reached 7 1/2 inches, also just within the law, which makes 7 1/2 inches the limit. Mr. Lytle delivered the "parcel" safely to the address on the card attached, that of its grandmother, Mrs. Louis Beagle, who lives about a mile from its home. The postage was 15c and the "parcel" was insured for \$50.

S. POLE EXPLORER BRAVES OUR AIR IN SUMMER SUIT

Rigors of Toronto Weather—Sixty Above—Hold No Terrors For Amundsen—Frosty Reception.

It is a different thing to be confronted with the frosts of Antarctic regions than those of more civilized areas, more particularly during the present season. They being so scarce the city council manufactured one for Capt. Amundsen yesterday, thinking that he would be lonesome when not in his natural or adopted environment.

Precise at 2 o'clock, the appointed hour, the intrepid explorer, accompanied by Carl J. Frints, vice-consul of Norway, arrived at the city hall.

Secretary George Wilson and one constable were on the job to greet the party, who had sauntered half way down the main corridor before being discovered. Some few minutes after the explorer had been conducted to the mayor's private office to await his worship's arrival, the latter appeared upon the scene, to be followed by Ald. Hubbard, and then a few of the members began to straggle in.

Just 28 people availed themselves of a seat in council chamber, including Controller O'Neill, Ald. Burgess, Mrs. Burgess, Ald. Maybee, Wanness, Ald. and Mrs. Wickett and Ald. Ryding.

Major Collins of the Army and Navy Veterans attended, embellished with a medal, and engaged himself in an earnest conversation with the captain.

"It is a very great pleasure for me as chief magistrate of the City of Toronto to be able to extend to you a hearty welcome," said the mayor, "especially because you as a people have a great regard for intrepidity, qualities which are inseparable from the work-ings and efforts of an explorer."

"We have read much of your doings and your success gave us profound satisfaction."

Wore Summer Suit. Capt. Amundsen, who speaks perfect English, was attired in a light summer suit and low shoes, as a protection from the vagaries of this vigorous climate of ours. He possesses a remarkable physique and carries himself erect.

A head of an intellectual man rests upon massive shoulders, broad high forehead, large blue eyes, with heavy overhanging eyebrows, determination and forcefulness is written in every line upon his face, which possesses no marks of the hardships he underwent during his years of toil down south. A prominent and decidedly Roman nose is the crowning feature of a face which denotes a man who from his earlier years was destined to make his mark among men.

He thanked his worship for the kind reception he received and stated that he was so intimate with the Anglo-Saxon race that he felt at home wherever he heard the English language spoken.

"I am easy when I am in the British Empire," said he. "I have been in Australia, New Zealand, England, Ireland and Scotland, and it is almost as if I were at home."

After the various introductions had been made, he adjourned to the Arts and Letters Club, where another reception awaited him.

Sir James Disapproves. The introduction of politics into the University of Toronto does not meet with the approval of Sir James Whitney, who states that he fears nothing but evil can result from such a course.

A MILITARY WEDDING



The marriage of Miss Marie Rutherford to Mr. Douglas Bowie of the Royal Canadian Dragoons at St. James' Cathedral on Saturday afternoon was of a military character. The photograph of the charming bride was made just before she left for the church.

VACANT SENATORSHIPS.

OTTAWA, Jan. 25.—There are many claimants for the two vacant Ontario senatorships. One of the claimants is that a Conservative of the Roman Catholic faith should be honored. Another claimant is that the seats ought to go west of Toronto—not more than five of the 24 senators other is that the seats ought to go west of Toronto—not more than five of the 24 senators now coming from that section. Among the names prominently mentioned are Robert Miller, farmer, East York; Peter Christie, Ex. M. P., South Ontario; Wm. Fungley, East York; James McLaughlin, Owen Sound; Alex. McNeill, Imperialist, ex-M. P., North Bruce; Editor Dingman, Stratford. Then there are the names of Ontario M. P.'s mentioned: Messrs. Beattie, Crothers, Henderson, Elson, Barker.

SOUTHERN LUMBER TARIFFS MUST STAND

CINCINNATI, Jan. 25.—The taking of testimony by Commissioner Meyer of the interstate commerce commission upon the subject of increased tariffs for the transportation of lumber from points south of the Ohio River to points in Canada, was concluded here today. The hearing was begun yesterday and practically every large association of lumber dealers in the south was represented. Each of the representatives testified as being opposed to an increase in rates. The new rates were fixed to go into effect Sept. 1, but the order was suspended upon protests by the southern lumbermen.

LONDON'S VIEWS ON FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

Revolution in Turkey is Regarded by European Bankers as Merely a Tire-some Incident.

OTTOMAN MUST YIELD. Young Turks Have Neither Money, Credit Nor Army—The Problem of Gold Reserves.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—(Special.)—The London correspondent of the Evening Post cables the following comment on financial conditions:

In the best informed financial quarters the latest turn of events in Turkey is regarded merely as a tiresome incident. No doubt it may possibly prolong the delays and postponements in concluding peace, but the Young Turks, who have neither supplies nor credit nor an effective army, must inevitably give way.

The city's comment is that the harmony of the powers is unbroken, but that, unfortunately, it is harmony of inaction rather than of concerted action. That is why fears of outside complications remain, and will continue to disturb the financial mind until peace is finally and definitely settled.

From the market's point of view the revolt at Constantinople against the terms of peace was a very grave disappointment, because it coincides with the very moment when the public had just begun to repurchase stocks. Consequently, while modern financial optimism continues, it is believed that the public will not now re-enter the markets until the whole Balkan episode is definitely terminated.

Sir Edward Holden on Gold. The serious strain on continental financial markets meantime continues. Much interest is taken in Sir Edward Holden's view, expressed at yesterday's meeting of the London City and Midland Bank, to the effect that the present financial position of Austria is not wholly an incident of the Balkan war, but is due largely to commercial causes. Whereas in 1907 the excess of Austria's imports over exports was two millions sterling, the estimated excess for 1912 is over thirty millions. Austria and the other state banks must therefore make strenuous efforts to increase their gold holdings at the first possible opportunity.

In common with many other financiers, Sir Edward's opinion is that we should have sent much gold to you in payment for our very large cotton imports, but from your purchase of American securities from us during the continental stock exchange crisis of October. Now, however, the action of your exchange market indicates that, in practical effect, your export of commodities is very greatly offset by constant maturities of short-term railroad obligations, placed by your bankers in Europe during 1910 and the subsequent year or two.

India Took Much Gold. The judgment that the real trouble with Europe's financial situation lies in the fact that banking liabilities at the chief money centres have increased in much larger ratio than the holdings of gold, will be confirmed by a study of the weekly returns of the continental banks. This, however, is partly due to India's absorbing in three years 67 million pounds of gold. Your country's banking liabilities are also shown to have increased, but the ratio of increase in the gold reserve with you is more favorable than in the European countries.

The Heliconian Club. Tea for members of the Heliconian Club and their friends was given at the Brown Betty Saturday afternoon. Plans for the presentation of "Living Pictures," to be given later, were discussed.

WHERE WILL WE GO IS TENANTS' WAIL

Forced by Big Building Projects to Vacate, Business Men Find New Quarters Scarce.

Some ten tenants in the old James building at the corner of King and Yonge streets, and who have ground for years, are busily scurrying around downtown looking for new locations. They need not vacate till July, yet six months is too short a notice considering the scarcity of downtown stores and offices. Most of these people who have been enjoying locations right in the busiest part of town will have to seek elsewhere unless they will go two or three blocks on King either east or west of Yonge, or else go north near Winton.

The sixty-five tenants upstairs are going to have just as much trouble discovering new locations. Office space is at a premium. The medium sized space of the \$1.10 a foot class is now hard to be found, and the higher price room is disappearing as fast as space is rented in the C.F.R. building, which is pretty fast.

The tens of thousands of all is at the corner of Yonge and Eglar streets. Here a dozen storekeepers in the building belonging to Jas. and Harry Ryie must get out by next Saturday, because on Feb. 1 they start demolishing the buildings for a new structure. These merchants, while not in the \$11.00 a year rent class, still are big enough for their woe to be important.

And to the trials of business men forced to find new locations must be added the unrest among the occupants of buildings rumored marked for early removal. Downtown Toronto finds this process of growing up sometimes rather uncomfortable, but the side streets will be gladdened.

SUNDAY WEATHER

Light local snow or rain; partly fair.