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G. T. R. CAPITALIZATION CUT IS EXPECTED

ANNOUNCEMENT BY DUNNING THIS AFTERNOON

Statement Regarding G. T. R. Shareholders Also Anticipated

ESTIMATES DOWN

Debate Likely to Follow Minister's Pronouncement—Fiscal Policy Considered

OTTAWA, Ont., May 25—Rumor persists here that some announcement regarding the reduction of capitalization of the Canadian National Railways will be made this afternoon by Hon. Charles Dunning, Minister of Railways, in the course of the annual statement of the minister to Parliament.

The reduction of the capitalization is a matter which has been discussed exhaustively in Parliament during the past four sessions and has found staunch advocates in several quarters. It is said this morning that there will be some statement of interest to the debenture holders of the old Grand Trunk system, although there seems to be no indication of any settlement.

DUNNING'S REPORT

In his speech this afternoon Mr. Dunning will deal with two fiscal periods in respect to the railways. In the first place the Minister will make the usual statement of Canadian National system (tabular) in the House some weeks ago for the calendar year of 1925.

In the second place he will announce the railway's estimate for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1927. In considering the statement to be made this afternoon, these two periods will be kept distinct. The one deals with the railway administration and the other the relationship of the railway to the Minister of Finance.

DEBATE EXPECTED

It is not anticipated that there will be any notable announcement in respect to the railways. At the last session the Minister's statement, and later the estimates will be referred to the special committee on Canadian National matters. The committee will go through the estimates in detail and will have available officials of the company.

It has been the practice for Sir Henry Thornton to be present at most of the sessions of the committee. At the last session of the committee was brought into the House until just a few hours before the appointment of the committee for this year. Mr. Dunning said that he would do everything possible to facilitate the work this year with a view to bringing the report of the committee before the House as early as possible.

Two Newfoundland Ministers Resign

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., May 25—Premier W. S. Monroe announced this afternoon that Lewis Little, member of the government for Bonaville, and Philip Moore, representative of the Ferryland District, had tendered their resignations. These resignations follow the dismissal on Saturday last of two members of Premier Monroe's cabinet, F. G. Bradley and C. E. Russell, who were charged with "treachery" by the Prime Minister in letters demanding their resignations.

FENG PLANNING NEW OFFENSIVE, REPORT

London Hears Christian General Gets \$3,500,000 From Soviet Authorities

LONDON, May 25—A dispatch from the Daily Mail's Shanghai correspondent says cable reports from Harbin, Manchuria, that General Feng Yu-shiang, the Chinese Christian General, is returning to Kaifeng from Moscow ready to attempt a new offensive for the control of the Peking government. The report says that Feng has received \$3,500,000 from the Soviet in order to re-open hostilities against Marshal Chang Tso-Lin and Wu Pei-Fu and revive interest in the Soviet cause in North China.

Sale of White Star Line Is Resumed

LONDON, May 25—Negotiations for the sale of the White Star Line by the International Mercantile Marine to a British syndicate, which were interrupted by the recent general strike in Great Britain were resumed today, it was expected in shipping circles the sale would be completed before the end of June.

New Polish Government Threatens To Establish Dictatorship

Movement To Honor Work of Jack Miner For Birds Is Instituted In Ontario

TORONTO, Ont., May 25—A movement for the honoring of Jack Miner, world famous conservationist and student of animal life, has been started by Essex County, for the organizing in every community of the Dominion of the "Jack Miner League of Canada."

Cat Gets Head In Salmon Can; Police Called

OTTAWA, Ont., May 25—A cat, a salmon can and a nervous householder caused a hurried call to the police last night. A Perkins street resident was awakened at midnight by an unusual commotion in the kitchen. He discovered that the cat had fastened its claws in the top of a salmon can which had been placed on the table. The police were called and the household finally had to be broken up to reach the fish at the bottom. Every effort to free the animal was unsuccessful, and finally it had to be shot to put it out of its misery.

LEAVES LONG TRAIL OF BROKEN HEARTS

"Bogus Lord Beaverbrook" is Charged With Swindling "Bride" Out of \$125,000

PHILADELPHIA, May 25—His vanity led to the capture yesterday of Robert Whitman, described by the police as the "Bogus Lord Beaverbrook" and known under a dozen aliases, on charges of having married and swindled a New York woman out of jewelry valued at \$125,000. The authorities said the prisoner had left a trail of broken hearts from the Atlantic to the Pacific after having swindled his victims out of jewelry worth more than \$1,000,000.

HELD WITHOUT BAIL

The prisoner is held without bail for extradition to New York, on the specific charge of having swindled Mrs. Rose Burke of diamonds worth \$125,000 in 1924. At the same time he is held without bail, charged with having swindled Mrs. Francis Camp, of this city, out of \$80,000 in jewels two years ago.

Whitman was taken into custody in the barber shop of a hotel, where he was stopping with a girl companion. New York detectives, who trailed him here, said he had been easy to follow because of his vanity and lavish tips to hotel attaches, but hard to overtake. His tips, the detectives said, seldom were less than \$20. Barbers and manicurists usually were the recipients of his greatest generosity. He was alleged to have offered four detectives \$10,000 each for his freedom.

MONTREAL MAN IS HELD BY POLICE

MONTREAL, May 25—Charged with attempted murder, Albert Boissonneault, 22 years of age, St. Andre street, was arrested yesterday at the home of his mother, Avenue Des Belges.

Boissonneault is charged with having fired six revolver shots at Bernadette Tessier, 18 years of age, Beaubien street west. Two of the bullets hit the girl, one of them in the left elbow and another in the left cheek. The first bullet remained in her arm while the second came out at the bridge of the nose. She told the police that Boissonneault was her friend and was jealous because she had gone for an automobile drive with another friend on Sunday night.

The girl said that when her friend slowed his car at the corner of St. Urban and Beaubien streets, Boissonneault jumped out of an automobile behind, ran to her and opened fire. He then jumped into his auto and drove away, she said.

Most Eloquent Pulpits In France Empty For Congress

PARIS, May 25—Two cardinals, a dozen bishops and a host of dignitaries will represent the French Roman Catholic church at the Chicago Eucharistic Congress in June, almost silencing some of the most eloquent pulpits of France by their absence. Cardinal Dubois, Archbishop of Paris; Archbishop Leynaud of Algiers, Bishop Grégoire, of Le Mans, and

UNITED CHURCH OPENS MEETING AT SACKVILLE

Settlement Committee in Session Since Yesterday

500 EXPECTED

\$323,000 Out of \$365,000 Objective For Maritime Conference

SACKVILLE, N. B., May 25—The opening session of the second Maritime Conference of the United Church of Canada will be held this evening with a common union service and an address by Rev. Dr. Chown.

Delegates began to arrive yesterday at noon, and a gathering of over 500 is expected. The settlement committee, with Rev. R. G. Fulton as chairman and Rev. J. S. Sutherland as secretary, has been in session since yesterday afternoon.

It is understood that the location of 82 ministers is in the hands of this committee.

The standing committee on maintenance and extension fund met last evening. In the absence of Dr. MacKinnon, principal of Pinehill College, Rev. Dr. W. R. Ross, of Halifax, was appointed chairman. It was reported that to date more than \$28,000 of the \$323,000 objective had been raised. On May 17 the total given in Toronto was \$47,000.

FUND NEAR OBJECTIVE

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The executive committee is composed of Rev. Dr. MacKinnon, Rev. J. S. Sutherland, Rev. A. H. Campbell, Rev. J. S. Sutherland, Rev. G. M. Young and W. T. Huggan.

York Orange Lodge Shuns Woodstock Trip

Special to The Times-Star FREDERICTON, N. B., May 25—York County Orange Lodge was in session Saturday night at Nasownorth County Master J. W. Merrithew was in the chair. With him on the platform were Mr. B. W. Robertson, of Keswick, Senior Deputy Grand Master. The lodge considered the matter of taking part in the Orange march and demonstration in Woodstock on July 12th and decided not to run an excursion to Woodstock.

N. S. Premier Leaves England For Home

HALIFAX, N. S., May 25—According to a cablegram received this morning at his office, Premier E. N. Rhodes, of Nova Scotia, who has been in England for some weeks, sailed for home yesterday aboard the Arctic. He is accompanied by Mrs. Rhodes and their daughter.

DOLLAR AT PREMIUM

NEW YORK, May 25—Sterling exchange steady. Great Britain, 45 1/2; France 326; Italy 326 1/2; Germany, 2380. Canadian dollars 1-16 of one per cent premium.

World News In Short Metre

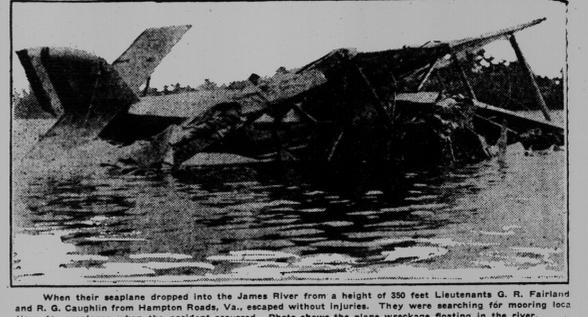
TORONTO—Rev. J. C. Wilson, a former president of the Bay of Quinte conference of the Methodist church, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, here, aged 87.

THREE RIVERS, Que.—J. F. Bellefeuille, local merchant, ex-alderman and ex-mayor of the city of Three Rivers, was found dead from heart failure in his room last evening. He was 66 years old.

OTTAWA, Ont.—John E. Poitier, prominent contractor and builder, died here last night, aged 46, after a brief illness. He was born at Gaspé, Que.

THREE RIVERS, Que.—The annual congress of the Association of Notaries of the Province of Quebec, will take place in Three Rivers about the middle of September, according to a statement by Notary J. A. Trudel, head of the Association.

Aviators Escape Death As Plane Drops



When their seaplane dropped into the James River from a height of 350 feet Lieutenants G. R. Fairland and R. G. Coughlin from Hampton Roads, Va., escaped without injuries. They were searching for mooring locations for seaplanes when the accident occurred. Photo shows the plane wreckage floating in the river.

Canada-Australian Amity and Co-operation With U.S. Is Urged At Empire Day Dinner

NEW YORK, May 25—Friendly co-operation between Canada and Australia in their mutual interests and the desire of each to preserve the friendship and understanding of the United States was stressed at an Empire Day dinner given at the Canadian Club here by Frederick Hudd, Canadian Government trade commissioner at New York. Sir James Elder will be succeeded by Sir Hugh Dennison, K. B. E.

Deep-Sea Divers Search For Woman

LOS ANGELES, May 25—Deep sea divers today started an extensive search for Aimee Semple McPherson, Woodstock, Ont., evangelist who disappeared a week ago, while scuba bathing at Ocean Park. The divers established their base at Lick Pier, where the evangelist is thought to have entered the surf. The crowd of curious and devout that has lined the beach for a week, and Mrs. McPherson's followers to continue the vigil.

SCOTT AWAITING TRIAL IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, May 25—Russell Scott, Jack in Chicago after several months in a criminal insane asylum, today awaited the next legal step in a renewed fight to hang him.

Scott thrice escaped the gallows for the murder of Joseph Maurer, drug clerk and finally was sent to the Chester Asylum, when a jury declared him insane. A few days ago, he was the subject of a State attempt and as a result, he was brought here last night to be turned over to Sheriff Hoffman, ordered by Attorney General Cullerton.

NO PRECEDENT.

Some legal authorities believe it is only necessary to set the execution machinery in motion for the sheriff to demand that a date be fixed by the court, letting the defense make the next move and apply for another sanity hearing before jury. There is no Illinois precedent for the proceedings, it is claimed.

Russell is now confined under the same roof with his brother, Robert, for the first time since both took part in the robbery and slaying. Robert is awaiting trial. Russell has always maintained his brother could free him.

N. Y. Police Search For Missing Boy

NEW YORK, May 25—The police today organized a search for Mrs. Edith Davis, 47 years old, and 14-year-old Charles Murfit, who disappeared a week ago. The boy had boarded at the Davis home for six months. His mother showed the police last night an anonymous letter she had received which, she claimed, was in Mrs. Davis's handwriting, threatening death to her son.

Doisy Leaves On Paris-Tokio Flight

VILLACOUBLAY, France, May 25—Captain Georges Pelletier Doisy, French ace, took off this morning on the first lap of a flight from Paris to Tokio. Doisy will try to get as far as possible on each leg of the journey when weather conditions are favorable. He is trying to reach Moscow by tonight.

PARLIAMENT TO BE DISSOLVED, WARSAW HEARS

Legislature to Survive in Name Only, According to Report

POSEN OPPOSES

Piludski May Lead Punitive Expedition Against Counter-Revolutionists

WARSAW, May 25—The new Polish government has openly threatened to establish a dictatorship, whereby Parliament will survive nominally but actually will be superseded.

It was learned that after the convening of Parliament next Monday, Marshal Josef Piludski, victorious in his coup d'etat, intends to force the dissolution of the Sejm and proclaim a dictatorship on the basis of constitutional prerogatives.

COUNTER REBELS AT POSEN. Left wing groups demand the forcible ousting of Baiski, President of the Province of Posen, where counter-revolutionists are strong. It was rumored that Piludski contemplates a punitive expedition against Posen.

DR. W. L. ARCHIBALD SPEAKER AT ACADIA

Addresses Students at Collegiate and Business Academy Yesterday

WOLFVILLE, N. S., May 25—"Success in Life" was the subject of the address of Dr. W. L. Archibald, the speaker at the closing exercises yesterday of Acadia Collegiate and Business Academy. Dr. Archibald, who has been principal of the Academy for more than 15 years, resigned recently to become registrar of Acadia University.

"The term 'success' is frequently misunderstood," said Dr. Archibald. "It is not merely the accumulation of wealth, learning or fame, although they have value when rightly used. It consists rather in the development of such character or personality as will enable one to live a happy and useful life either with or without these external things."

H. C. Morgan gave the senior class history; G. E. Lantz read an essay on "The League of Nations," and A. W. Akery delivered the valedictory. Misses Dorothy Wilson and Frances Littlefield gave piano selections and Harry Molins of Shediac Cape, N. B., sang.

The senior class numbered 29.

U. S. Grain Exports Show Falling Off

WASHINGTON, May 25—Exports of grain from the United States for the week ending May 22, totalled 4,861,000 bushels as compared with \$6,730,000 the previous week. Canadian grains in transit from the United States totalled 2,447,000 against 787,000.

Knights Open N. S. State Convention

HALIFAX, N. S., May 25—With delegates in attendance from the eight branches in Nova Scotia, the annual state convention of the Knights of Columbus opened here today. It is expected the sessions will conclude tomorrow. R. W. E. Landry, K. C. of Yarmouth, State Deputy, presided.

WOOD ALCOHOL CAUSE.

CALGARY, Alta., May 25—Three Indians are dead and one is in the hospital following a party given by Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Owl Child of the Blackfoot Reserve, near Gleichen, to Mr. and Mrs. Good Chaser, visiting Peigans, a neighboring tribe, on Sunday night. They are believed to have drunk wood alcohol. Spencer Owl Child, the host, is the only survivor.

WEDDING BELLS NOT FOR BRIAND, WHO IS BACHELOR AT SIXTY-FIVE

PARIS, May 25—Aristide Briand, France's sixty-five-year-old bachelor prime minister, is thinking less of marriage than ever, it was stated at the Foreign Office today regarding a report that he was about to wed.

M. Briand, who is vacationing at Cocheret, in Seine-et-Marne, is occupying himself with the livestock on his farm and trying to forget politics and other knotty questions. He is much amused and somewhat embarrassed by the repeated warning of the old

rumor that he is to marry, his friends say, because every time he denies it he receives a fresh flood of proposals. The last time the Premier was forced to issue a denial to one of these rumors he received a joint proposal from three young women in New York. They suggested that he send his photograph; that they would send theirs in exchange and he could choose from the lot. They declared they placed no reliance on his protestations that he was too old or too confined in bachelorhood to think of matrimony.

The Weather SYNOPSIS: Pressure is relatively high over the Great Lakes and Southeastern States and low over far Eastern Canada and over the Western Provinces and Southern States. Showers have occurred in the Maritimes and in Western Quebec, and it remains fine in Ontario. It is unsettled and showery in Saskatchewan and Manitoba and mostly fair in Alberta.