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PARLIAMENT RETURNED TO DEBATE ON ADDRESS YESTERDAY

Question of Gratuities Will Come up Today — 500,000 Copies Showing Comparisons With Gratuities and Pensions Paid in Other Countries to be Printed and Distributed—Literature on Royal Train Questioned.

Ottawa, Sept. 15.—Parliament resumed its debate on the address today. Colonel John A. Currie was disposed to move the adjournment in accordance with his notice of Thursday last, but desisted when it was explained that Major General McEwen was unavoidably absent. The discussion of this matter is almost certain to come on Tuesday.

The debate dragged, but there being a disposition to get it over with as soon as possible, the house adjourned in the evening. In the corridors members discussed the possibility of the session lasting longer than the five or six weeks originally planned. They said that a number of bills left over from last session are liable to be taken up. The probabilities are that some of the conclusions to be reached at the industrial relations conference will be crystallized into parliamentary enactments before the house rises and that what went the session will be lengthened.

Mr. Edmund Prentiss in resuming the debate today complained of the high cost of living and argued that the government should remove the duty on bacon. A. T. Leger, of Kent, N. B., made accusations against officers who are rounding up defaulters in New Brunswick. His favorite theme of nationalization of railways, had a tilt with Dr. Couva of Regina.

At the evening meeting of Quebec, accused the government of wasteful expenditures in that city in connection with N. T. R. terminus.

James McLaughlin, P. E. I., and H. A. Fortier continued the debate which was adjourned by J. Archambault at 10.30. House adjourned. Hon. W. Howell introduced his bill for carrying on the work of the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment. He explained the bill in council passed under the War Measures Act and that the substance of these would have been embodied in a bill.

The new bill among other things deals with the scale of allowances paid to soldiers who were being sent through the departments. It also defines the classes which returned men belonged to. He expressed the hope that it would be given second reading to a special committee. It was given first reading.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 15.—President Harry Pryn, of the Ontario Soldiers' Gratitude League, declared before a gathering of between 7,000 and 8,000 returned men in Queen's Park tonight that notwithstanding the state of the world, he would begin with the most important, namely, the high cost of living. He went on to say that the Board of Commerce had discovered that American bacon was being sold in Winnipeg for four and a half cents lower than the Canadian product. He thought this showed that the government would have been wise to remove the duty on foodstuffs at the last session.

Work At Raising The German Fleet

One Battleship, Three Cruisers and Fifteen Destroyers Have Been Floated—Three Others Will Probably be Raised.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—Acting Secretary of State Phillips today received a despatch from London stating as to the efforts to raise the German vessels scuttled at Scapa Flow, the battleship *Goeben*, the cruisers *Frankfurt*, *Nürnberg* and *Emden*, and fifteen destroyers have been floated, and three other destroyers probably will be raised.

PRESIDENT'S PARTY MEMBERS KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

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THE NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE HELD SESSIONS IN THE CAPITAL YESTERDAY

Peace Conference Circles Giving Much Attention

Testimony of William C. Bullitt as Published Here Aroused Much Interest—Philip Kerr, Secretary to Premier Lloyd George, Says Article is Tissue of Lies.

Paris, Sept. 15.—Peace conference circles are giving much attention to the published account here of the testimony of William C. Bullitt, formerly attached to the American peace delegation, before the American Senate committee on foreign relations. The statement accredited to Mr. Bullitt that has aroused the most interest is to the effect that Philip Kerr, secretary to Premier Lloyd George, had apologized to Mr. Bullitt for the premier's denial in the House of Commons that approaches had been made by the British government to the Germans. Mr. Kerr has authorized the statement that "the account of private conversations between himself (Mr. Bullitt), Mr. Lloyd George and Philip Kerr as reported in a New York telegram to a Paris newspaper is a tissue of lies."

Mr. Bullitt's statement, which was published in the *Washington Post*, has been widely quoted in the press. It has been particularly noted that Mr. Bullitt had stated that he had been approached by the British government to act as a mediator between the British and German governments. Mr. Bullitt had refused this offer, stating that he was not qualified for the position.

The statement has caused much discussion in the peace conference circles. Some have taken it as evidence of the British government's willingness to negotiate with the Germans, while others have seen it as a mere attempt to mislead the public.

In a striking phrase Hon. N. W. Howell characterized the gathering as "a gathering of the peace conference," and unquestionably, the spirit of the present is one-making-for-understanding and sympathy and peace. Hearty congratulations were tendered to the employers, a manufacturer from Windsor, Ontario, when he declared that those for whom he spoke entered this conference with a spirit of good will and a desire to bring about a settlement. A few minutes later the manufacturers cheered just as lustily when they heard that the British and French troops confined in their barracks in the city of Rome were being released.

Railway And S. S. Officials Are In Halifax

R. B. Teakle, Manager of Canadian Government Merchant Marine, Says Four of Largest Ships Under Contract in Halifax.

Halifax, Sept. 15.—C. A. Hays, vice president in charge of traffic, Canadian National Railway, and R. B. Teakle, manager of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, Limited, were in Halifax today with representatives of the International Union of Locomotive Engineers, and one of the outstanding personalities in the labor world, made an impressive plea for unity and good will. The real work of the conference will be begun tomorrow. There are upwards of two hundred delegates in attendance, all branches of labor and industry being represented, and, in addition, there are representatives from most of the provincial governments.

SOCIAL SERVICE WORKERS' SESSION

Sydney, N. S., Sept. 15.—The Dominion Convention of Social Service Workers for 1919 will be held in Sydney on October 15th. Its session will continue for two days. The speakers at the convention will include many of the prominent leaders in social service work throughout Canada.

SEVERAL PRINCIPAL UNIONS YET TO DECLARE THEMSELVES

Some Voted to Take Sympathetic Action With Boston Policemen, While Others Frowned Upon It—More Cautious Unions Postponed Action—State Guardians on Patrol Reduced—Rifles Displaced by Riot Sticks.

Boston, Sept. 15.—A definite campaign to remain for the striking policemen the places now officially declared to have been lost because of desertion of duty was expected to be inaugurated today. The action was expected to depend upon the result of a conference between union labor leaders and Police Commissioner Curtis. The commissioner at the request of the union headquarters' heads consented to a meeting on an unofficial basis, but the labor men said they hoped to obtain from it an exchange of views which might be made the basis of negotiations.

Those included in the proposal to meet with the commissioner were Frank H. McCarthy, New England organizer of the American Federation of Labor; President John F. Melnis, of the Policemen's Union, and President O'Donnell, of the Central Labor Union. Mr. McCarthy, who came from a conference in New York with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was expected to advance several suggestions from the national leader.

The extent to which the American Federation of Labor would support the fight for reinstatement and recognition of the policeman's union, however, was not known. It was said that some of them voted to take sympathetic action, but others frowned upon it, and that more cautious unions postponed action until they see how sentiment lays.

The fact that the Central Labor Union adjourned last night, without calling a meeting in advance of its regular session next Sunday was accepted as an indication that union leaders looked upon the fight as a long one, in which they would take action only after mature consideration. The consideration, it is understood, will include the advice of President Gompers and other officers of the federation who regard the fight in this city as centering on the national question of police unions, which were approved by the American Federation of Labor at its last convention.

Four Day Session Opened in London

International Brotherhood Congress With Dr. Clifford Presiding Yesterday—Purpose to Attempt to Draw Together All Classes of Various Nations.

London, Sept. 15.—The International Brotherhood Congress today opened a four-day session in the city temple, Dr. Clifford presiding. Messages were read from Sir Robert Borden, Premier of Canada; General Jan Christian Smuts; Cardinal Mercier and John W. Davis, American Ambassador. The main purpose of the Congress is to attempt to draw together the classes of the various nations and generally to support the League of Nations.

CHANGES ARE RUMORED IN DOMINION COAL COMPANY

H. J. McAnn, Assistant to President Workman, Supt. of Coal and Steel Plant, and A. J. Tonge, Supt. of Coal Company, in Montreal With Executive of Dual Corporation—Rumored That Tonge Will Retire.

Sydney, N. S., Sept. 15.—Changes are rumored to be impending in the organization of the Dominion Coal Company. This week H. J. McAnn, assistant to President Workman, superintendent of the Dominion Coal and Steel plant here, and A. J. Tonge, superintendent of the Dominion Coal Company, are in Montreal conferring with the executive of the dual corporation. It is rumored that Tonge will retire as superintendent of the Dominion Coal Company. There are two names prominently mentioned as successors to Mr. Tonge if he finally decides to retire. One is Alexander S. McNeil, now superintendent of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, and the other is Malcolm Blue, of Springfield. Mr. McNeil was for many years assistant superintendent of the Dominion Coal Company mines. Within the next week some important announcements regarding the Dominion Coal Company officials are anticipated at the Montreal conference. It will be decided whether the question of a new superintendent for the mines.

The Situation Is Not So Critical

Minister of Interior, M. Peleau, Addressing Assembly of Zemstvo Representatives at Omsk, Makes An Appeal.

Omsk, Sept. 15.—(Russian Telegram Agency).—The minister of interior, M. Peleau, addressing an Assembly of Zemstvo representatives said:

"The situation at the front is not as critical as before, but it still remains serious. Our reverses are due to the fact that our army has not had sufficient support. We had no reserves, and our front was too remote from the base. At this time the Bolsheviks are in the same condition, while we have reorganized our forces and are preparing for a new offensive."

THE RE-EXPORTATION OF AMERICAN COTTON

Washington, Sept. 15.—Great Britain has withdrawn the prohibition on the re-exportation of American cotton from her dominions. This was reported today by the American consul general in London.

General Badoglio Arrived At Fiume

London, Sept. 15.—According to the Rome correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company, an official communication has been issued there announcing that General Badoglio had arrived at Fiume and issued a proclamation urging the soldiers who had followed D'Annunzio to return to their respective regiments.

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