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EMPIRE REPORT IS TRIUMPH FOR CANADA

MOMENTOUS PAPER ON CONSTITUTIONAL PROBLEMS RELEASED

Warm Praise Given Canadian Delegation in Highest Circles in London for Tact and Skill

IRELAND AND SOUTH AFRICA SATISFIED

Governors-General to Have Status of Viceroy Is One Result of Lord Byng's Precedent Established at Last Elections Here

By HERBERT BAILEY
British United Press.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—The report on inter-imperial relations, drafted by Lord Balfour, which is one of the most momentous documents ever issued by an Imperial conference, is a triumph not only for Canada's national attitude towards the constitutional problems of the British Empire, but also the tact, skill and constitutional knowledge of the Canadian delegation.

This is the opinion expressed in the highest circles today. Not only has Mackenzie King obtained for Canada all that he wanted, but he has also supported the aspirations of other Dominions like Ireland and South Africa, thereby solidifying the unity of the Empire as well as exerting a restraining influence over elements that threaten to disturb Imperial unity.

The case of the future powers of the Governor General is an example in point. Without referring to Lord Byng's action by name, the Canadian Premier has persuaded the conference to elevate the position of the Governor-General to that of Viceroy and at the same time has reduced to their powers as channels of communication between the home government and the Dominions.

TO REPRESENT KING.

In future Governor-Generals will be the personal representative of the King and have all the status of a constitutional monarch in the Dominions.

They will follow in all political crisis the same procedure as that of the King and will be governed by precedents established by British Sovereigns. This means the disappearance of the idea that the Dominions are so young in constitutional practice that wider powers of discretion could be given to the Governor General than the King himself exercises in the Mother Country. This is the direct result of Lord Byng's action and opens up a way of direct communication between the home and Dominion governments which will mean that semi-ambassadorial positions will possibly be established both in London and in the Dominions for common information. This will be left for each Dominion to decide in its on way.

ALL EQUAL IN STATUS.

Australia has pointed out that for the last two years they have had direct communication with the home government. In defining the equality of status of the Dominions, Mackenzie King has followed the trail in the constitutional development of the Empire which was blazed by preceeding Canadian Premiers. Under the new arrangement, no Dominion will be subordinate to another and a British government is only equal in status with each of the Dominions. In dealing with foreign powers in international recognition this will be most important. It has satisfied Ireland's and South Africa's aspirations while at the same time the conference has placed King George more firmly at the head of the Empire.

The King is now recognized by all the Dominions as the head of the British Empire and all Dominions are now united under the Crown. This formally stated means that when the King is at war all the Empire is at war although none may participate in that war. In the Crown lies the sole visible unity of the Empire. Hitherto, this has been understood. Now, it is recorded.

REPRESENTATIVES HAPPY.

The rerpesentatives of the Dominions are very happy over the result of this part of the conference. The conference was described today by one of the delegates as "hard work" where the old idea of making sentimental speeches about Imperial unity has been replaced by a desire to achieve something practical and to turn Imperial sentiment into channels which will guide the future of the Empire. In this way, it is believed that the conference will prove the greatest of all these assemblages.

Premier Hertzog seems very satisfied and privately endorses all that was said publicly at the Guild Hall yesterday. He feels that South Africa's aspirations have found complete recognition at the conference. Mackenzie King also is very satisfied. He has not attracted public attention as Premier Bruce has done and has not made so many speeches but his contribution to the conference is regarded by those in a position to know as invaluable.

The Privy Council issue has been shelved for the time being owing to the tremendous difficulties in deciding. It may be left to some small legal conference in the future, or to some later Imperial Conference.

By GEORGE HAMBLETON
Staff Correspondent Canadian Press

LONDON, Nov. 20 — Governors-general should represent the crown only and not the British government. This principle is affirmed in the report of the premiers' committee on inter-imperial relations and adopted by the Imperial Conference.

Communication between the British government and the governments of the dominions should be between government and government direct, the report recommends, and not through the governor-general, as is the existing practice.

In future treaties, British ministers shall sign for Great Britain instead of for the Empire, says a report adopted by the Imperial Conference today.

In foreign relations neither Great Britain nor the dominions should be committed to acceptance of active obligations without the definite assent of their own governments, the report says. Future treaties are to be signed by each dominion for itself, Canada signing immediately after Great Britain.

OF EQUAL STATUS

Informal specific language the Imperial Conference has unanimously recognized that Great Britain and the Dominions are of equal status in the empire.

The Imperial Conference, in adopting the report of the premiers' committee on inter-imperial relations has set the stamp of its approval in these significant words:

"The position and mutual relation of the group of self-governing communities composed of Great Britain and the dominions may be readily defined. They are autonomons communities within the British Empire, equal in status and in no way subordinate one to the other in any respect of their domestic or external affairs, though united by a common allegiance to the crown and freely associated as members of the British commonwealth of nations."

CHANGE KING'S TITLE.

The reports described equality of status as the root of the principle governing inter-imperial relations. It then proceeds to apply this political theory to the common needs, observing that nothing is to be gained by attempting to lay down a constitution for the British Empire.

The report opens with a discussion of the relations between the various parts of the Empire:

1.—It proposes to change the title of His Majesty the King.

2.—It declares that a Governor-General should be the representative of the Crown only not of the British government.

3.—It recommends the appointment of a special committee to consider the competence of Dominion parliaments to give their legislation extra-territorial effect on other points arising from Dominion legislation with a sub-committee to deal with merchant shipping legislation.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

With regard to relations with foreign countries, the report seeks to give full application to the resolution on the negotiation of treaties which was adopted at the last conference:

1.—It recommends that in future treaties the British ministers shall sign for Great Britain instead of for the Empire, with each Dominion signing for itself, Canada signing immediately after Great Britain.

2—It recognizes that in foreign relations neither Great Britain nor the Dominions could be committed to acceptance of active obligations with-

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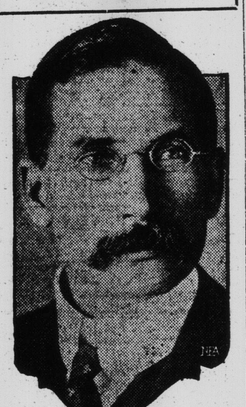
Re-organization of Maritime Trade Board Is Proposed

Given Freedom



PREMIER HERTZOG
Of South Africa,, who was honored by London in conferment on him of the freedom of the city. A similar honor was given Premiers Coates and Monroe.

HERTZOG SAYS AIM TO BUILD

Wagon Used by Kruger Presented at Guild Hall Function

Canadian Press

LONDON, Nov. 20 — One of the most notable ceremonies held during the visit of the Dominion premiers to England for the Imperial Conference was the conferment of the freedom of London on Premiers J. B. M. Hertzog, J. G. Coates and W. S. Monroe, at the Guildhall yesterday, and the subsequent luncheon at Mansion House, where the Lord Mayor offered Premier Hertzog the traveling wagon used by Paul Kruger, President of the Transvaal Republic at the time of the Boer War, which Lord Kitchener originally presented to Lord Bearsted, former Lord Mayor, who afterwards presented it to the city.

The South African Prime Minister, in accepting the gift on behalf of the union, said that the act of friendship and good-will would be deeply appreciated for the motives inspiring it. The wagon was brought to London as a proof of Britain's victory in the Boer war, and it would, he said, be returned to its old home as a proof that Britain had been defeated by friendship.

SAYS PARLEY A SUCCESS.

Referring to the Imperial Conference, Premier Hertzog said:

"Our endeavor has been to build up, not to destroy. I leave London with full satisfaction that our achievement will prove a lasting success, and a pleasure to us all severally and jointly."

Unseating Hearing Declared Irregular

MONTREAL, Nov. 20—Alleging that the proceedings taken to unseat Leslie G. Bell, Federal member-elect for St. Antoine division, were irregular and illegal, a motion was presented to Mr. Justice Bruneau in the Practice Court yesterday asking that the petition for the action be dismissed. Argument on the motion will take place Monday. Today's action follows the unseating proceedings brought by Andrew Vallantes, an elector, under the Dominion Contraverted Elections Act. The petitioner charged that Mr. Bell's election was irregular.

TORONTO PROBE ADJOURNS

TORONTO, Ont., Nov. 20—Adjournment until December 2, was made at the conclusion of yesterday's session of the enquiry being conducted by Judge Denton into Toronto Harbor Board matters.

To Make Film Canada's Part In Great War

TORONTO, Ont., Nov. 20 — A big production of the dramatic story of the Canadian Corps in the war is planned by Lt.-Col. W. F. Clarke, well-known New York producer, who commanded the Manchesters on the west front, and who is now in Toronto doing preliminary work. "This picture," said Colonel Clark, "will be, in fact, the 'Big Parade' of Canada, and war film will be authentic, having been taken in the heat of battle by official photographers, some of whom lost their lives in the attempt. It will mark the first serious Canadian effort to produce pictures, and the cast will be one of the strongest, selected from leading American-trained British stars, directors and technical men."

LAKES SWEPT BY FURIOUS STORMS

Nine Vessels Overdue Although Anxiety Not Great For Their Safety

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 20 — Storms which lashed Lakes Michigan and Superior the greater part of the week had diminished in violence today, leading coastguards and shipping men to expect word from vessels long overdue, and which were believed to have put into shelter to wait until the storms' fury abated. Two coal carriers, the Hill and Big Gerald, came into Milwaukee harbor last night after a terrific struggle with heavy winds and waves, which battered the vessels severely. They reported, however, that the storm was subsiding.

Nine other vessels, including the Monroe C. Smith, the David Z. Norton, the Wm. H. Fitzgerald and the Sam Mitchell, early today had not been heard from, although long ovedue here. Shipping men were inclined to believe that most of these vessels had hove off the Beaver Island or the Manitous to wait out the storm. The steamer Cottonwood today was a mass of twisted wreckage held fast on the rock of Lake Superior's shore 52 miles up from Sault Ste. Marie, where it crashed Monday night when borne by a wind of 65 miles an hour.

MOOSE MOVING TO SOUTH COUNTIES

Albert County is Leading Says Chief Game Warden Gagnon

FREDERICTON, N. B., Nov. 20—Reports received by L. A. Gagnon, indicate that moose are more plentiful than ever in the southern counties of New Brunswick, Albert, Saint John, Kings and Charlotte report moose exceptionally numerous with Albert the leading county. In Albert, lumbermen report moose getting in their way in the woods, and staying in the lumber yards without fear of human beings.

Nine years ago when Mr. Gagnon assumed office no more were supposed to exist in Albert. The first report of 4 killed there under license prompted an investigation of the accuracy of the report. Albert county now is one of the leading districts in the number or moose killed in the game season. Many settlements abandoned there make excellent feeding grounds for moose.

The destruction caused in the north and central parts of New Brunswick by the Budworm some years ago and in 1923 by the big forest fires in the north, are said to have caused the moose to migrate to the south.

ENGLISH EDITOR DEAD.

LONDON, Nov. 20—Clement King Shorter, editor of The Sphere, which he founded in 1900, died last night. He was 69 years of age.

Start This Series Today

THE first of a series of articles on Canada's population problem appears on page 5 of this issue. These articles have been secured by The Evening Times-Star because of their merit as an able discussion of one of Canada's most important problems. The writer, Mr. C. W. Peterson, was present at the recent conference of the Dominion Board of Trade in Saint John and is an authority on this subject. Start reading this series today. They will convey to you a more intelligent grasp of the economics of population, and a clearer comprehension of our real colonization problem. Turn now to page 5 for the first article.

HON. J. A. ROBB IS OPTIMISTIC OVER FUTURE

Believes Throne Speech Can Be Disposed of in a Day

MUCH BUSINESS

Gain of $8,000,000 Shown in Customs Revenues for 7-Month Period

Canadian Press

TORONTO, Nov. 20.—"One at Ottawa trying to put his finger on the pulse of the country cannot but get the impression that signs of good times are not lacking," Hon. James Robb, Minister of Finance of the Dominion, said in an interview during his visit here yesterday. "And it seems just as certain that still better times are in store for us during the coming year."

"Good times now here and in the future are largely due to a natural turning in the tide," Mr. Robb said. "We have the country with resources behind to demand our share of prosperity."

Mr. Robb, who is acting Prime Minister, believed the address from the throne, to be delivered December 13, would be disposed of by the day after.

SPEAKS OF SESSION

"If this is done," he said, "it is fair to assume that considerable latitude will be allowed in discussions when the house resumes after the Christmas holidays." He believed the House would agree to an adjournment after the different parties have caucused. "The last two sessions having been unusually protracted, the House of Commons ought to be in a mood to go through with this session's business in short order," he concluded.

CUSTOMS REVENUE UP

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 20—Customs revenues for October show a gain over October 1925. The duty collected on imports last month was $13,946,043, and in the same month last year $13,016,330. A substantial gain of more than eight million dollars is shown for the seven months ending October. In the seven months period this year $92,135,000 in duties was collected, and in the same number of months last year collections totalled $83,545,000.

The total value of Canadian trade in October was lower than in the same month last year. The figure for last month was $219,000,000 and for a year ago $225,000,000. For the seven month period the trade shows a slight gain. This year's was $1,225,000,000. Wood products and paper exported from Canada chiefly account for the trade gains of the last few months.

SMUGGLING ALIENS

Over 1,000 Taken Over U. S. Border This Year, is Claim

Canadian Press

NEWPORT, Vt., Nov. 20—As many as 1,000 aliens have been successfully smuggled across the Canadian border this summer, by a Montreal ring, Chief Immigration Inspector James Ford said here last night. John Adab, one of two men captured in an automobile near Rutland on Wednesday when another automobile escaped, was an employe of this ring which operates under the name of the Quebec Land and Improvement Company, Inspector Ford stated. Adab, with a man giving the name of Sada is held here for arraignment before the United States commissioner. Inspector Ford declared that the Montreal company advertised abroad the possibilities of America and told its prospective clients that an unguarded 3,000 mile boundary separated Canada from the United States. The aliens, who were mostly Czecho-Slovakian and Jewish nationals, were landed in Canada and kept there a month or two before the attempt was made to smuggle them over the line. Adab confessed according to the inspector that he was paid $175 for each alien whom he delivered safely at Boston.

SHAW TO ACCEPT.

LONDON, Nov. 20—George Bernard Shaw will accept the Nobel prize money, which goes with the Nobel award for literature with a view to establishing a fund for the furtherance of literary relations between Sweden and England, says Baron Palmstierna, the Swedish minister at Great Britain.

Reforms Are Taboo

FOLLOWING her election as the first woman mayor of Richmond, Cal., Mrs. Mattie Chandler, wife of a barber, says she will introduce no reform measures. Bobbed of hair, 53 years of age and the mother of one daughter, Mrs. Chandler announces there will be no silly campaigns against short skirts, cigarette smoking among women or any of the so-called privileges of the present generation.

MINERS BEATEN BY ECONOMIC PRESSURE

So Declares Viscount Grey; Strike Virtually At An End

Canadian Press

LONDON, Nov. 20—Although the delegate conference of the coal miners yesterday decreed that the various districts organizations should make no final settlement of the coal strike with the mine owners until another conference is held to consider the reports of the various negotiations, the consensus is this will have little effect. The belief prevails that the seven months' strike, which is regarded the most disastrous in the country's annals, is virtually over and that next week miners will be hastening back to work even faster than they have returned to the pits of recent days.

Viscount Grey of Fallodon in a recent speech said the miners had been beaten, not by the owners and not by the Government but by economic facts. This view is endorsed by an influential section of the press. The Times citing Viscount Grey's summation of the situation says:

"It would be even truer to say they were beaten by their own leadership notwithstanding the Government's efforts to save them." The newspaper thinks that the early departure of A. J. Cook, secretary of the federation to attend the congress of the Russian Trades Union in Moscow next month, is a significant fact.

ASK LOWER RATES

Reduction in Empire Cable and Wireless Charges

LONDON, Nov. 20—A deputation from the Empire Press Union headed by Lord Burnham, owner of the Daily Telegraph and president of the Empire Press Union waited on the communications committee of the Imperial Conference yesterday and submitted a memorandum emphasizing the necessity of a reduction being made in the cable and wireless press rates within the empire.

The speakers, besides Lord Burnham, included Sir Robert Donald, who is interested in a number of newspapers, and Sir Roderick Jones, chairman of Reuter's News Agency. Lieut. Col. L. C. Amery, secretary of state for Dominion affairs, and Premier S. M. Bruce of Australia, responded very sympathetically to the representations made in the matter of cable and wireless rates to the press and promised the reputation to give them the most careful consideration.

INCIDENT IS CLOSED

Possible Break Over Nicaraguan Situation Avoided

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 20—There was belief here today among most observers that a rupture of diplomatic relations between the United States States and Mexico as a result of the Nicaraguan situation had been averted.

The opinion was based on the absence of any official Mexican declaration on the Nicaraguan episode, coupled with the apparent easing of the situation in Nicaragua.

SHOP Talk

WERE in bad now.

Today's mail brought a letter from Mr. O'Goofty, who complains that One-Eyed Connolly has been crashing into the news columns entirely too often since he quit crashing the gate at sport events.

You know Mr. O'Goofty. He is mentioned often by Joe Williams in the Nut Cracker, a feature published daily by The Evening Times-Star on the Sports Page.

There is much more to any sporting event besides the actual outcome. Humor abounds on all sides even during the stiffest of competition.

Joe Williams appreciates good humor and sets down his views in a humorous way each day in the Nut Cracker. Joe puts a punch and circuit clout in every line. Turn to the Sports Page of this issue. You'll come crashing through with a laugh before you finish the first paragraph.

Compare The Evening Times-Star with any paper three times its price.

AGENDA FOR TRURO MEETING IS GIVEN OUT

New Constitution Likely to be Considered, Is Report

DINNER TUESDAY

Several Committees to be Named to Report on Various Subjects

Canadian Press

MONCTON, N. B., Nov. 20.—Formation of a new and permanent organization to take the place of the Maritime Board of Trade will be considered at a meeting of that organization to be held in Truro on November 23, according to the agenda which was issued this morning by the secretary, C. H. Blakney.

Immediately after the address of the president, Angus McLean, of Bathurst, a motion will be made to adjourn the session of the board of trade and to reconvene at once to consider the formation of a new organization with a new constitution.

NAME COMMITTEES.

A temporary chairman and secretary will be appointed and committees nominated to study and report through a resolutions committee on the following subjects: Budget, immigration and colonization; transportation, taxation, natural resources, industrial research, trade and commerce.

In addition to this question, it is proposed that papers on "maintaining of interest in small Board of Trade," "Confederation and its intention," "Maritime fisheries," "agriculture and co-operative marketing," "forest products," "coal, iron and steel," "transportation" and "Prince Edward Island natural resources."

The sessions will close with a dinner on Tuesday night, after which business which has not been completed at that time, again will be taken up.

Ex-Presidents Now Eligible For Office

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 20—The senate has ratified the constitutional amendment bill under which the election of a former president of the republic would be permissable after an intervening term. Ratification was given the measure at a late hour last night. The lower house passed the bill some time ago. It has been stated that the proposal was introduced in congress with the purpose of making general Alvaro Obregon eligible for re-election to the presidency in 1928.

GUARDS WOUNDED.

DUBLIN, Nov. 20—While detectives were carrying out raids in Dublin early this morning, armed raiders attacked the civil guard barracks at Crumpin, 3 miles outside the city. It is reported that two of the guards at the barracks were wounded.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS—Pressure is highest over the Western Provinces and Northwestern States, and lowest over the St. Lawrence Valley and Maritime Provinces. The western cold wave has become more intense, and the temperature is below zero from Manitoba to the Rocky Mountains.

FORECASTS

Snow Flurries; Colder.

MARITIME — Fresh westerly winds; mostly fair. Sunday, strong west and northwest winds; cloudy, with snow flurries, becoming colder.

NEW ENGLAND — Mostly cloudy tonight and Sunday; not much change in temperature; moderate to fresh west and northwest winds.

Temperatures.

TORONTO, Nov. 20, 1926.

	8 a. m.	Highest yesterday.	Lowest during night.
Victoria	40	48	40
Calgary	*4	8	18
Edmonton	*4	—	4
Winnipeg	*4	18	*6
Toronto	33	24	32
Montreal	34	40	32
Saint John	40	50	38
Halifax	44	50	24

*Below zero.