

CUT TIMBER IN NEW ONTARIO FROM MANY MINING CLAIMS

Former Crown Timber Agent Admits That Wood Was Taken From Unpatented Lands — Denies, at Probe, That Permits Were Granted for Political Purposes.

Port Arthur, Ont., June 7.—John A. Oliver, until recently crown timber agent at Port Arthur, was on the stand all the afternoon at the timber inquiry being conducted by Justices Latchford and Riddell.

Under examination of R. F. Harding, crown prosecutor, he was subjected to a grilling questioning concerning his attitude in connection with the taking of timber from mining claims, and the query was put to him several times and in several forms as to why he had not protected the public by taking steps before issuing clearances to see that the timber had not been cut from unpatented lands.

Denies Responsibility. Mr. Oliver admitted that he had not made a practice of looking for such guarantees, and his defence was that this responsibility was removed from him when the permits were granted by the department of lands at Toronto.

He also claimed that it was impossible for him to make inspections which would prove to his satisfaction where the timber was cut, for the double reason that the most of the government would give him for the patrol of a four hundred mile shore line was a sixteen-foot canoe, and that he was not allowed to go on to private lands.

Mr. Oliver stated that he had years ago drawn attention of the department to the fact that a great many mining locations were being taken up, which

in his opinion were for the cutting and shipping of timber, rather than for legitimate mining. This has lately been stopped.

Charges of "Political Purposes." Mr. Harding, in his questioning, made several allegations to the effect that permits had been granted for political purposes and on promises to vote for Hon. J. C. Martin, Conservative candidate, in the Ontario election.

Mr. Harding on one occasion remarked that "pernicks were floating around in large numbers just before the last election. I understand they were given away for votes. The names of Sir John Dunning, John Anger, Ben Hay, Geo. Burns and others were mentioned in this connection, and Mr. Harding put several questions to the late crown timber agent as to whether he had been subject to any influence in the granting of them.

He denied absolutely procuring or recommending any permits whatever for political purposes or under political pressure.

"Did Hogarth ever ask you to issue such a permit?" "He did not."

"Did you know, directly or indirectly, that permits were being issued for political support?" "I did not."

Witness called today, Mr. Harding submitted a statement showing 300,000 cords of pulpwood shipped by him to the United States between 1912-19 and alleging that much of it had been cut from lands taken as mining claims or from homesteads taken up, supposedly by returned soldiers, but really by employees of Russell's company.

ANNOUNCE BONUS TO CIVIL SERVANTS

Retroactive to April One, Last Year—Total of Four Million Dollars.

BILL HAS THIRD READING. Ottawa, June 7.—Full details of the bonus to civil servants were given in a return tabled in the house of commons today. Civil service employees of eighteen years or over, and supporting dependents, receiving less than \$1,200 a year, get a bonus of \$35 per month throughout the present fiscal year.

In the same class the bonus decreases \$2 a month for every extra \$20 of salary. Bonus of \$20 a month applies to all salaries between \$2,040 and \$6,000 per annum.

Civil servants 21 years or over and not supporting dependents receive a bonus of \$21 per month if their salaries are less than \$2,040. This will increase to \$20 per month in salary the bonus drops to \$2.50. Servants in the same class between 18 and 21 years old, and getting less than \$960 yearly, receive a bonus of \$12.50 per month.

Closing of the session will make it necessary to cover the increased pay for the civil servants bill, which was given third reading in the commons today. Hon. N. W. Rowell, that \$4,000,000 would be required to cover the increased pay for the civil servants bill, which was given third reading in the commons today.

PESSIMISTIC SPEECH BY RALPH CONNOR

In Addressing Assembly, Deplores Lack of Spirit of Progress in Churches.

Ottawa, June 7.—A deeply impressive service at which Chalmers Presbyterian Church was crowded, was held tonight. The chief speaker was Rev. Dr. Charles W. Gordon of Winnipeg, whose authorship name, Ralph Connor, is probably better known to Canadians than his own.

The theme was the forward movement and the budget of the church. The forward movement was discussed in both its financial and spiritual interpretation. The other speakers on the theme were John A. Patterson, E. C. of Toronto; Rev. Dr. Ross of Halifax, and Norman Slater, of Hamilton.

Rev. Dr. Gordon's address was frankly and admittedly pessimistic. He acknowledged this himself. He pointed out that the church was too much of a one-man movement in the individual churches. He said 845,000 communicants of the church in Canada were all imbued with the spirit of progress, then there would be a wonderful spirit revival. He also pointed out that seven people in China were being born for every one person the Christian church received as a communicant in that country.

Dr. Ross pointed out that at the present time there was a wave of criminal extravagance throughout the world, and a rage for pleasure. And Mr. Slater advised the church to spread its propaganda to the entire world and in this generation.

U. S. STEEL WORKERS WILL CONTINUE FIGHT

Montreal, June 8.—The national committee for organizing iron and steel workers announced tonight that it would ask the American Federation of Labor, in convention here, to support a "more vigorous policy" in organizing the workers of the steel industry and force the United States Steel Corporation to recognize the union.

The federation will also be asked to force the amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, which recently withdrew from the steel campaign, to again join the other trades unions in organizing the industry.

DENONCES MANIFESTO.

Ottawa, June 7.—An unqualified denunciation of the manifesto of R. B. Maxwell, Dominion president of G. W. U. A. in which he called upon the United Government to resign, was made by Col. J. W. Mearns, president of the Ottawa command G. W. U. A., at the regular meeting this evening.

SCORE'S SUITINGS AT TREMENDOUS PRICE REDUCTIONS

As values are today, these reductions from the regular prices are most extraordinary — and when you consider that the name is SCORE'S in a guarantee for the highest quality custom tailoring, it is particularly worth while. Scotch Worsted, regular \$65.00 for \$44.75, Irish \$75.00 for \$52.50, English Worsteds, regular \$80.00 for \$55.50. Score's, 77 King West.

SUGAR BROKER SUBJECT TO TWO-HOUR GRILLING

Montreal, June 7.—The board of commerce today continued the probe into sugar prices and profits, the chief witness being Mr. Robert Anderson, and for two hours he was put thru a merciless cross-examination by Chairman O'Connor, who plainly intimated that he considered Mr. Anderson as one of the speculators who had thrust themselves into the sugar business with a view to making profits and had thus brought about a general increase in the price.

CHIPPAWA FALLS REPORT.

The cabinet yesterday afternoon considered the report of the parliamentary committee appointed to inquire into the Hydro workers' trouble at Chippawa Falls. The premier had expected to make public the findings but in the absence of Sir Adam Beck decided to withhold them until after a conference with the Hydro chief, which will probably be held today.

POPE IS INDISPOSED.

Rome, June 7.—Pope Benedict is suffering from attack of rheumatism. Although fatigued by yesterday's ceremonies in connection with the beatification of eighty-two negroes who died for the faith in Uganda under King Mwanga, he had a peaceful night and his physician this morning found him rested. The pontiff's general health is satisfactory.

GOMPERS UPHOLDS RIGHT TO STRIKE

Montreal, June 7.—Any attempt to enforce compulsory arbitration by making strikes unlawful must be resisted at any cost, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, declared here today in his address at the opening of the fortieth annual convention of the federation.

"I have no fear as to what the results will be," he added. "As long as I have life and my mind, I will not impair I shall stand for the right of the men and women toilers of the world to be free, untrammelled, and unmoved by any force."

FINDS POUNDS OF GOLD IN THE PAS DISTRICT

The Pas, Man., June 7.—Smashing the quartz in a mortar and using quicksilver to gather it, a prospector secured four pounds of gold bullion at Elbow lake, where he found a gold shoot. This discovery rivals that made at Copper Lake, which is ten miles distant, and a large force of prospectors are en route to the new field.

START IN TO MAKE NEW YORK BONE DRY

Prohibition Agents Expect Number of Camouflaged Saloons Will Close.

New York, June 7.—Federal agents will redouble their efforts to make New York bone dry, James Shelvin, supervising prohibition enforcement agent, announced today when he learned that the United States supreme court had declared both prohibition amendment and Volstead act constitutional.

Federal agents have arrested 50 alleged violators of the dry law in the last few days, Mr. Shelvin said, and even before that arrests were made at the rate of a dozen a day. He estimated that 75 per cent. of the saloons masquerading as soft drink establishments now will close.

Closing of these saloons will make it necessary to cover the increased pay for the civil servants bill, which was given third reading in the commons today.

Enforcement agents "celebrated" today's United States supreme court decision by swooping down on three saloons, three saloon keepers were arrested, three saloons were closed, and hundreds of bottles of whiskey were seized.

The liquor was found in barrels labeled "pickled tripe," "pickled pigs feet" and "corned beef" behind bulk heads and in linen lockers, water tanks, galley and coal bunkers.

On Manhattan Island among other arrests, three saloon keepers were arrested on one corner for dry law violations.

Today's decisions were misinterpreted in some quarters—for no particular reason—and impromptu celebrations were started at which it was reported liquor stronger than 275 proof was being drunk. However, the liquor was found in barrels labeled "pickled tripe," "pickled pigs feet" and "corned beef" behind bulk heads and in linen lockers, water tanks, galley and coal bunkers.

Corn prices broke about three cents a bushel in the late afternoon, following the announcement of the supreme court decision. It was believed that the demand would be considerably restricted in consequence of the partial withdrawal of distillers, although much of this will be made up, probably thru increased use of corn by manufacturers of breakfast foods.

Other grains were not materially affected by the decision.

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SAY MOUNTED POLICE UNNECESSARY FORCE IN EASTERN CANADA

Strong Criticism Voiced in Commons—Economy is Chief Argument.

Ottawa, June 7.—(By Canadian Press)—Strong criticism of the government was voiced in the house of commons today evening when the estimates to cover expenditures for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police came up for consideration. Member after member declared that the force was unnecessary in eastern Canada and that it should be returned to its original field in the west.

Economy was urged by opposition members as the chief argument against an extension of the scope or activities of the mounted police, and Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, member of Opposition, declared that the estimate of \$4,674,066.00 should be cut in half.

Bitter in the East. One or two of the members were very outspoken in their opposition to the extension of the mounted police force in the east. R. H. Butts, of Cape Breton, said that mounted police would be regarded as intruders in Nova Scotia, and intimated that trouble would follow their advent.

W. H. White of Victoria, Alta., a former member of the mounted police, thought that the force was losing caste, and attributed this to the fact that it had been taken from its proper work, and put to breaking strikes. This was emphatically denied by Hon. N. W. Rowell, the minister in charge of the estimates.

The whole mounted police estimate was subsequently carried, with the exception of \$900,000 for new buildings. This was allowed to stand.

Ask Vote of \$2,900,000. Some discussion on beginning sessions earlier in the afternoon when Sir Henry Drayton introduced a resolution asking for \$2,900,754.17, being one-sixth of the estimates. Some of the larger items were passed, he said, and it was absolutely necessary to have the money.

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King said he did not wish to oppose the motion, but the government must understand that next year he would insist on earlier sessions. He would rather see the house begin its sittings in November than in February.

Sir Henry Drayton pointed out that he could make no promise for the government and the vote passed. Sir Henry stated, however, that the next session would definitely begin in January.

There was considerable discussion of the estimate bill which proposes to continue the office of director of coal operations in district 18. This measure received its second reading, but remains in the committee stage.

The soldiers land settlement for \$50,017,000 carried. A message from the senate announced the passage of the supreme court act.

In the house this afternoon Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King asked when a writ would be issued for a by-election in East Elgin (Simcoe North) if Sir Robert Borden replied that he would make enquiries into the circumstances. He understood that a limit was fixed by statute.

This ruling was given to Hon. Mr. Rowell's bill to amend the vigilance act, 1918, and the civil service amendment act, 1919.

To Regulate Feeding Stuffs. The house went into committee on Hon. Dr. Tolmie's resolution proposing legislation to regulate the sale and distribution of commercial feeding stuffs, bran, shorts, middlings, and chopped feeds. Registration is proposed as a necessary condition to the sale of commercial feeding stuffs in Canada, and an advisory board is proposed, to supervise and regulate the quality.

Dr. Tolmie made a brief explanation of the resolution stating that it was introduced for the purpose of bringing in a bill. It was proposed, he said, to turn over the administration of the commercial feeding stuffs act to the minister of agriculture.

Hon. T. A. Cresser commended the purpose of the bill, as also did W. F.

Advertisement for Dineen's Hats, featuring a portrait of a man in a hat and text: "Dineen's Hats. TWO things are necessary to real success — one is the making of a good reputation and the other is the ability to keep it good."

Advertisement for W. & D. Dineen Co., Limited, 140 Yonge St., Toronto. Text: "For over fifty years the Dineen Co. has been serving the public with good Hats, and the Hats they are selling today will further add to the reputation of the Dineen firm."

Advertisement for Electric Fixtures, featuring a list of products and prices: "ELECTRIC FIXTURES. 6-tube outfit, extraordinary value, \$19.50. HIGH EFFICIENCY LAMP CO. 614 Yonge St. Open Evenings."

Advertisement for Eight Hun Steamers, featuring a list of ship names and details: "Eight Hun Steamers. Plunger. Havana, June stevedores. Sir Charles..."

Advertisement for Less Combination of German Parties, featuring a list of party names and details: "LESS COMBINATION OF GERMAN PARTIES. Complexion of New Government Not Determined, But Situation Will Be Difficult."

Advertisement for New Aerial Service Between London and Paris, featuring a list of service details: "NEW AERIAL SERVICE BETWEEN LONDON AND PARIS. A well-known shipping concern of London has instituted a passenger service between London and Paris by airplane."

Vertical text on the right edge of the page, including "TUESDAY MORNING JUNE 8 1920" and various small advertisements and notices.