

PREMIER SAYS TROOPS WERE NOT REQUESTED

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King
Defends Government's At-
titude in Near East.

DECISION WAS WISE

Carleton Place, Ont., Nov. 30.—(By Canadian Press staff correspondent.)—Declaring that subsequent developments had shown the present government's attitude in the Near East situation to have been the wisest which could have been followed, Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, prime minister, tonight defended that policy as to the best in the interest of Canada and the whole empire. His declaration was made in speeches here and at Almonte.

The prime minister tonight entered Lanark constituency to speak in support of David Findlay, the Liberal candidate. Canada does not need to boast of her loyalty to the empire, Mr. King declared.

"Was I alone to decide whether Canada was to go to war against Turkey, or Russia, or anyone else? It was for Parliament and the people to decide such matters. If ever you let the control of such decisions get solely into the hands of any small group of men then you are forfeiting one of the principles for which Britain has long stood."

Loyalty to Britain was not an issue, the premier declared. Incidentally, the prime minister shed a little new light on the famous appeal of Sept. 16, when he stated that publication of all the papers would reveal the full story. He said the telegram given to the press was entirely different from that which the Dominion of Canada received.

Received No Warning.
"We had no message of warning and no previous intimation of a Near East crisis," Mr. King declared. "The message we received was one dealing with a meeting of the British cabinet, in which we were asked if we could support a policy of Britain standing alone, regardless of either Italy or France."

"The telegram we received did not ask for troops."

The prime minister was welcomed here by an audience which filled the town hall to capacity. Other speakers here were David Findlay, M.P., minister of labor, and the Liberal candidate, David Findlay.

At Almonte, Col. A. T. Thompson of Ottawa, and J. McGeorge of Brockville, were the other speakers. In his speech the premier urged a vote of confidence in the government in the House of Commons.

The outcome of by-elections held since his government came to power, referred to by the prime minister, who said that Lanark was the only one in which the official opposition had entered a candidate. He alluded to the fact that the vote had been in favor of the government being given an opportunity of carrying out its program.

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Made Steady Progress.
Referring to the record of his administration, the premier said the country had been steadily progressing this year. He did not claim all credit for this for the government, but the policies laid down had been such as to assist in that development.

"We haven't done anything yet that we said we would do," the premier declared, "but we have only been in power for 11 months."

All the proposed tariff changes had not been made, Mr. King said, but downward in their trend and for the benefit of the majority of the people, he said. The national debt had increased, Mr. King admitted, but of \$60,000,000 increase a large amount had been due to expenditure on commitments of the previous government. Revenue had increased and expenditures decreased.

FEDERAL REVENUE FOR YEAR SHOWS INCREASE

Ottawa, Nov. 30.—(By Canadian Press.)—Customs and excise revenue received by the federal government during November this year increased by \$6,741,733.03, over the amount received from this source during November, 1921. During the eight-month period ending November 30, 1922, customs and excise revenue increased by \$28,798,877.35, over the corresponding period of 1921. In November this year total collections amounted to \$26,021,307.15 as compared with \$19,279,574.12 during the same month in 1921.

During the eight months' period ending November 30, 1922, total collections were \$183,060,179.40 as against \$184,253,302.05 during the corresponding period in 1921.

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CLYNES SCORES GOVERNMENT ON UNEMPLOYMENT

Former Labor Leader De-
clares Men Want Work,
Not Dole.

GIVEN SECOND READING

London, Nov. 30.—Having disposed of the Irish legislation, the House of Commons today addressed itself to the routine business of debate on the reply to the speech from the throne.

John Robert Clynes, former parliamentary labor leader in moving an amendment to the address, raised the question of unemployment, which, outside the foreign policy, is the biggest problem facing the new government.

Mr. Clynes' criticisms of the government followed the familiar lines of an attack on the foreign policy as being largely responsible for the poor commercial and industrial situation. He declared that what the unemployed wanted was work, not doles, and that the greatest opportunity would be found in an adequate housing scheme.

On the question of unemployment insurance, he warned the government against being tempted into the direction of insurance by the separate industries, contending that insurance of the workmen was a national obligation. This warning was prompted by rumors that the government was contemplating some such scheme.

The debate showed that the government had no ready-made plan forward, and that it relies mainly on the proposals of the previous government, which include the building and improving of roads and similar public services, as well as inducing the railway companies to hasten work upon contemplated extensions as the best means of absorbing a large amount of unskilled labor.

Offer No Assistance.
In none of these projects, however, was any government assistance forecasted. The only effort in the latter direction mentioned by the minister of labor, Sir Montagu Barlow, was a proposal to renew the existing trade facilities for twelve months and to increase the maximum guarantee under that measure to £50,000,000, which is about double the existing amount of guarantees.

He also mentioned a similar extension of the existing export credit system. The labor minister dilated upon the success already attained by guaranteeing the capital issues of about 200 schemes under the trade facilities act, and said he hoped for much from its extension. The government had re-appointed the cabinet committee on unemployment, and would keep the matter under close attention, bringing up fresh proposals as they become necessary.

He admitted that the question of unemployment insurance by industries was a complex one, and said the government had taken steps for a full examination of the matter.

Given Second Reading.
The same comparative apathy attended the discussion of the Irish constitution in the House of Lords as it did in the House of Commons. The bill passed the second reading without revision by the slenderly attended House.

The Duke of Devonshire, on moving the second reading without revision, said he might almost regard it as his hereditary duty to propose the rejection of the home rule bills. He, however, found himself in the strange position of being the minister responsible for moving the second reading of a bill to confer a constitution on the Irish Free State. But in the circumstances of today it would be impossible for any government, however it might be composed, to take any other course than that of recommending the bill to the Lords.

Moreover, it not only would be useless, but dangerous, to go into past history and revive old memories. Under these circumstances the only question was whether the constitution accorded with the treaty, and on this question the law officers of the crown agreed it did.

Lord Middleton and other peers opposing the Irish settlement, declared they would not support the bill but they would not ask the Lords to reject it. After a brief debate most bills passed the second reading without revision. The Lords immediately adjourned, and the expectation was that the third reading of the measures would take place tomorrow.

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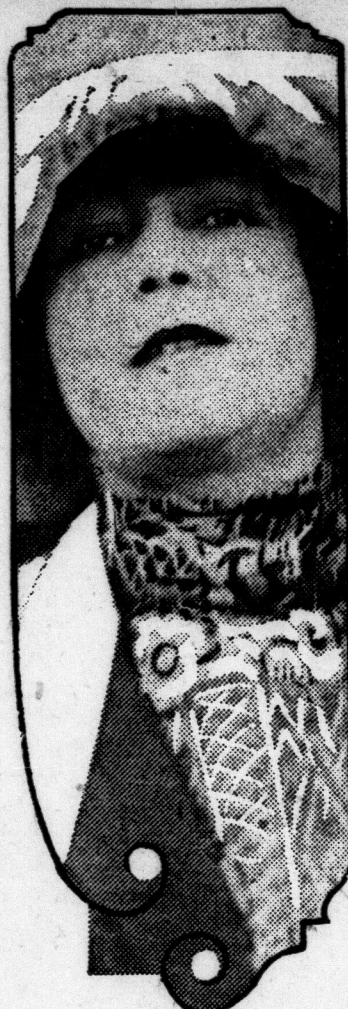
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MLLE. JEANNE BONAR.

who is being held at Ellis Island waiting official disposition of her case. Mlle. Bonar is Russian by birth, and friends in the U. S. are trying to prevent her deportation. She is regarded as the most beautiful stowaway that ever came to America.

3,559 MOTHERS GET PENSIONS

Mothers' Allowance Board
\$1,382,138 During the
Fiscal Year.

Toronto, Nov. 30.—According to figures presented to Hon. Walter Rollo, minister of labor, this morning, \$1,382,138 has been expended by the mothers' allowance board under his supervision during the past fiscal year which closed on Oct. 31. The total administration expense of the board amounted to roughly 5 per cent of the total expenditure, or \$73,924.04.

For the month of October the number of mothers receiving relief from the government was 3,559. Mr. Rollo estimates that the increased expenditure, due to the extension of the number receiving the allowance, will amount to \$26,000 monthly.

ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS
ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Toronto, Nov. 30.—At the International Association of Fairs and Exhibitions convention, Wichita Falls, Texas; Arkansas State Fair, Regina, Fair, Saskatoon Fair, the Central Canada Fair, Ottawa, and the Virginia Association of County Fairs were granted admission to the organization.

A resolution passed provides against the objectionable features of carnivals and fairs. Officers elected are: President, Seth N. Mayfield of the Texas Cotton Palace, Waco, Texas; vice-president, Thomas H. Canfield, Minnesota State Fair; secretary, Don V. Moore, Interstate Fair, Directors: E. L. Richardson, Calgary Exhibition; Edgar F. Edwards, Rochester Exhibition.

A presentation of umbrellas was made to Bert H. and Mrs. Swartz of the West Virginia State Fair, who attended the convention on their wedding tour.

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Maltese Cough Drops 10c
Humbugs, 1/2-lb. bags 15c
Menthol Cough or Black Cough Drops, 1/2 lb. 24c
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