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Long Expected Home Rule Bill Is Presented in British House U. S. Senate Starts Action on Treaty Today—Solution Hoped For

AFTER THREE WEEKS TREATY WILL GO TO THE CAMPAIGN

Both Sides of U. S. Senate
Unanimous That It Cannot
Be Longer Delayed
AGAIN AT DEADLOCK

Washington, Feb. 25.—The peace treaty will be called before the senate again tomorrow under an agreement to keep it continually under consideration until a vote is reached on ratification.

"No one knows what will happen," said Republican and Democratic leaders alike tonight as they surveyed the perplexing possibilities with which the treaty now is confronted. Some of the rank and file were more confident in their predictions, however, various friends of the treaty on both sides of the chamber declaring ratification was certain and all of its irreconcilable enemies agreeing that ratification was impossible.

"Only on one point, the length of time likely to be consumed in bringing the reopening of the treaty to a termination, did there seem to be anything like unanimity of opinion. It generally was conceded that the debate would not be permitted to drag out interminably this time, and that unless two or three weeks bring action both sides would be willing to face a final test of strength and then let the issue, if undecided, go into the campaign.

With the Republicans still claiming that 22 Democrats were ready to accept the Republican reservations, and with Democratic leaders still insisting that enough administration senators to prevent ratification would hold out for a compromise, the negotiations to bring the treaty to a vote appeared to be again in a state of deadlock. It was expected, however, that private conferences would continue as the senate debate resumed, and it was on these exchanges that the treaty's supporters pinned their hopes of a ratification.

When the treaty is called up for reservation affecting article 10, and embodying the most serious barrier to agreement, will be the first proposition to present itself for action. It generally is expected, however, that it will be put over for the present, while the senate proceeds with proposed compromise amendments to other parts of the Republican reservation program.

Whether a vote will be reached to ratify or any of these amendments is problematical.

CONCRETE KINGSTON ROAD; GET EASTERN COMMUTATIONS

Deputation Gets Favorable Answer From Minister of Public Works, and Fore-shadows Campaign to Get Eastern Lake-Front Towns Advantages Enjoyed by Oakville.

There are strong movements for large improvements in the inter-communication between Toronto and the east, and anticipation of an in harmony with the construction of the radial between the city and Bowmanville. Yesterday the Hon. Mr. Biggs, minister of public works, gave favorable ear to a deputation supporting the concreting of the Danforth and the Kingston roads. In the growing industrial towns of Whitby, Oshawa and Bowmanville a demand will be made for the restoration of commutation fares, which will do much to extend Toronto's eastern suburban take from four miles.

Danforth Route Favored.
The deputation which saw Mr. Biggs was from the city as well as from all the municipalities concerned in making the Kingston road a cement, provincial highway as far as Oshawa. About twenty-five municipal officials and others came to the meeting and were introduced by Reeve Blow, of Whitby. He was supported in strong speeches by Controllers Cameron and Ramaden, Deputy Reeve, of Oshawa; and Councillor Stewart, of Scarborough; Councillor Rowe, of West Whitby; Deputy Reeve Richardson and Councillor Pugh, of Pickering; and Councillor Kenny, chairman of the street committee of the town of Whitby.

The proposal made to the minister is that the government take over the Kingston road thru Scarborough township, and that the cemented highway begin at the city limit on Danforth avenue and continue along the Danforth road, and concession D of Scarborough, to Scarborough Village, there joining Kingston road. This will give the best outlet, and access to the city, and will avoid the disadvantage of so much motor traffic accompanying the Toronto and York radial cars, which

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Manitoba to Enter Upon A Form of State Banking

Winnipeg, Feb. 25.—George W. Prout, M.L.A., administrator of the rural credits act, stated today that as a result of a deadlock which has taken place between the bankers and the administration department of the rural credits act will be introduced in the legislature to empower this department to open deposit credits and disburse with the financial assistance of the banks entirely. The banks have refused to continue to advance money at an interest rate of six per cent., and demand an increase of half per cent.

H. E. WHITTENBERGER, Who on March 1 Becomes Manager of the G.T.R. Lines in the United States

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Mr. Lloyd George announced that the proceeds of land annuities in Ireland would be given as a free gift to the two parliaments, and estimated that this would amount to £3,000,000 for the year. This sum, or other equitable provision will be made for the maintenance of the council, if the government's bill is accepted.

HEADS G.T.R. LINES IN UNITED STATES

Montreal, Feb. 25.—Announcement is made here today that upon the release from federal control, on March 1 next, of Grand Trunk lines in the United States, west of Detroit and St. Clair Rivers, Herbert E. Whittenberger will be appointed general manager of such lines with headquarters at Detroit.

Mr. Whittenberger has been federal manager of these lines during the operation of the railways by the United States government, and was formerly general superintendent of the Grand Trunk Ontario lines.

PRISONER MAKES DASH FOR LIBERTY

Picked Up Unconscious After Jumping Head First Over Bannister.

James Heard, a prisoner on remand at the Toronto jail, broke away from the line marching back to the cells from the dining-room at six o'clock last night and jumped head first over a bannister. He fell a distance of some fifteen feet to a cement floor below, rendering himself unconscious and cutting his lip. The police ambulance removed Heard to the General Hospital, where two stitches were required to close the wound in his lip. The police took Heard back to the jail after he had attended. Heard is being held awaiting sentence on a charge of having doped in his possession.

The police stated Heard, along with a number of other prisoners, had just finished supper and was being marched back to the cells with them. A number of the prisoners assisted the guard in carrying Heard into a guard room while the ambulance was being called.

HOOPER NOT CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY

Atlanta, Feb. 25.—Herbert Hoover informed the Georgia Democratic state executive committee today that he did not feel any public service would be performed by the injection of his name into the contest for presidential nominations and therefore he did not intend to file his name for a place on the ballots of the Georgia preferential primary to be held April 20.

Mr. Hoover's candidacy was brought forward in Georgia recently by a petition signed by more than the required 100 Democrats, who asked the state executive committee to file his name as a candidate.

WANT ROAD ELECTRIFIED

Lambton County Men to Ask Beck to Change Part of Pere Marquette Railway.

Sarnia, Feb. 25.—Hydro-Electric line supporters in Lambton County, on the arrival of Sir Adam Beck in Canada, will seek to have the Pere Marquette Railway line running from Chatham and from Walkerville to Ridgeway, electrified to Sarnia, and to this end a deputation will in all probability wait on members of the Hydro Commission in Toronto. Efforts also will be made to have the St. Thomas-Courtright branch of the Michigan Central Railway electrified. With the electrification of the Pere Marquette and the St. Thomas-Courtright branch of the Michigan Central Railroad, it has been suggested that a limited car or more could be placed in operation to connect with the boat leaving Port Stanley for Cleveland for business purposes, to have a whole day there.

Former Toronto Man Purchases Control of a London Paper

London, Feb. 25.—It is understood that a controlling interest in The Globe newspaper here has been acquired by Lawrence Lyon, coalition member for Hastings.

Mr. Lyon was born at Toronto in 1875 and practiced at the Canadian bar until 1905, since when he has resided in London and Paris.

Curzon Urged "Red" Leniency In Surrender of North Russia

London, Feb. 25.—A Moscow wireless message, referring to events just prior to the fall of Archangel, says that Earl Curzon, the British secretary for foreign affairs, sent a note to M. Tchitcherin, Russian soviet foreign minister, in which he stated: "The government of the northern region has come to the conclusion that it cannot continue to fight against the soviet forces on the Archangel front, and offers to surrender the town." Earl Curzon asserted that General Miller, governor-general of Archangel, asked him to request that when the city was taken over by the soviet no violence should be committed against properties or classes.

(A wireless message says that Earl Curzon's words in this connection were "against the representatives or property of the population.")

Lord Curzon concluded his note as follows:

BILL FOR IRISH HOME RULE PRESENTED TO PARLIAMENT; WILL BE DISCUSSED TODAY

Northern Legislature Will Be a Much Smaller Body Than the Southern Organization—Extensive Powers Granted to Both.

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ROBSON RESIGNATION MEETS ACCEPTANCE

No Longer Commerce Board Chairman—True Reason for Retirement Still a Secret.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Judge Robson's resignation as chairman of the court of commerce has been accepted. While many reports are current, no official statement has been made of the reasons which led to his retirement. For two weeks it has been known that Judge Robson wished to retire. It is stated that the conflict with the civil service commission led to the resignation, but this is not the real reason, nor was it due to friction with the other members of the board. There is a dispute with the civil service commission and there were not the most cordial relations existing among the board of commerce members, but these did not lead to Judge Robson's retirement. The question will come before parliament and the correspondence will probably disclose why a new chairman of the court is required.

SECURITIES CANNOT NOW BE IMPORTED

Toronto Stock Exchange is Appraised of Drastic Dominion Government Measure.

Canada has erected an invisible barrier against the whole world so far as the importation of securities of all kinds is concerned. There is no preferential treatment for Great Britain; in fact, it has been largely selling of Canadian debentures floating in the London market which has moved the Dominion government to put up the bars.

Members of the Toronto Stock Exchange were called into session at the close of the morning session yesterday to receive formal notification of the government's measure, designed primarily to protect the market for Victory bonds. At the beginning of the week it was announced at Ottawa that minimum prices for the bonds had been lowered. The official statement was that the step had been deemed advisable to enable Dominion government bonds to maintain their position as the most desirable in the world from the standpoint of yield as well as security. While not specifically mentioned, it is well known in the financial community that the lowered prices had been made necessary by the heavy competition afforded by Canadian securities, provincial, municipal and bonds of private corporations, being unloaded by British holders of the profits of the exchange rates. With the British pound worth in Canada only about \$3.30, it can be readily seen that British securities could afford to make substantial concessions to Canadian buyers and still pull out with a considerable margin of profit on the basis of the "pound sterling."

HELP VICTORY BONDS

Action is Drastic
Public opinion endorses the court of commerce and its dispute with the civil service commission. It is probable that the government will also take this attitude. In the case of the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment the government has already, by order-in-council, exempted it from the control in appointments by the civil service commission. This will probably be done with the court of commerce.

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Calder and Howard G. Kelley To Meet Borden in New York

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Hon. J. A. Calder leaves tomorrow to meet Sir Robert Borden in New York. He will be accompanied by Howard G. Kelley, chairman of the joint board of management of the Grand Trunk. Hon. J. D. Reid was expected to be at the conference, but was unable to be present owing to illness in his family.

HOW SCHOOL SURVEY SUGGESTION FIRST CAME TO BE MADE

Premier Drury Tells of Proposal on Part of Massey Foundation.

The publication in The World yesterday of the personnel of a proposed commission nominated by the Massey Foundation to investigate and report upon the public school system of Ontario with a view to its reconstruction, created a sensation in educational and political circles.

Premier Drury received newspaper representatives after the council meeting yesterday and discussed the subject. He said the proposal was brought by Vincent Massey, and Hon. R. H. Grant, minister of education, received his first intimation of the matter without giving any expression to his personal opinion. Subsequently Mr. Grant communicated to the premier certain dangers that he felt were inherent in the proposition. Mr. Massey was also apprised of these dangers.

"I do not desire," said Premier Drury, "to go into a statement as to the nature of these dangers or difficulties. I do not think it is necessary. I am myself inclined now to perceive that there may be grounds for entertaining them."

NO CABINET FRICTION

"It is under consideration. It is in suspension. It is a matter for the minister of education."

Premier Drury decided to correct an impression which he thought the article in The World might convey, viz., that himself and Hon. Mr. Grant are at variance as to the appointment of the commission. He said: "There is no difference existing between us. Mr. Grant is minister of education. I am not butting into his affairs."

ONE MAN SERIOUSLY BURNED AND TWO OTHERS SUFFER SLIGHTER INJURIES.

One man was seriously burned and two others injured at 10.15 last night when an electric enameling oven exploded in the assembling building of the Willy-Overland motor car plant, Weston road. When the explosion occurred it blew out all the windows and frames of the building and shattered the windows of other factories and houses for two hundred yards around. The building then took fire. The loss by fire and water will reach \$30,000.

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The assembling plant is a four-story brick and cement structure situated north of St. Clair avenue. The explosion occurred on the top floor, where a number of men were engaged dipping parts of motor cars. The explosion is thought to have been caused from hot enamel dripping onto electric wires.

One large piece of the debris was blown a distance of forty feet across the street, and went thru one of the firm's office buildings. Mr. McQueen was working in the office across the street, and was cut by flying glass.

About twenty feet from where the event exploded a large varnish tank is situated. The varnish is very combustible, and had the fire reached this tank, the whole building would have been wrecked.

A few minutes from the time the explosion occurred the sprinklers on all floors of the building went off, and all floors of the building were soon flooded. When the fire sections from Keele Street Station arrived the flames were shooting many feet above the building. A second alarm was sounded, to which the fire sections responded. Lines of hose were run around the building, and aided by the sprinklers, the fire fighters soon had the flames under control.

Cars Damaged by Water.
A number of motor cars in the course of construction on the top floors of the building were damaged by water. Mr. J. T. McKay, business manager of the Willy-Overland company, was worried by the damage last night. He said none of the employees would be out of work, as the firm has a building on Queen street, near the Don, which will be used for assembling work until the present building is fitted up again.

EXPLOSION AND FIRE IN OVERLAND PLANT

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CALL LIBERAL CAUCUS

Meet in New Federal Buildings Next Tuesday to Discuss Policy.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 25.—(By Canadian Press.)—The call has been sent out for the Liberal caucus to meet after the opening of parliament in the new buildings. The Liberals will meet on Tuesday, March 2, at 10 o'clock. W. S. Middlebro, chief government whip, no decision has yet been reached as to when the government supporters will meet in caucus, but it is believed that it will not be until after the session is a week or so old.

BRITISH TROOPS REMAIN IN BATUM

Constantinople, Feb. 25.—Decision to withdraw British troops from Batum, which was recently announced, has been cancelled, according to information received here.

CONGRATULATES ASQUITH

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, leader of the opposition, has called "heartly congratulations" to Right Hon. H. H. Asquith, on his victory in the recent by-election in Paisley.

AN EARLY ARRIVAL OF MEN'S SPRING HATS.

The Dineen Co., Ltd., 140 Yonge Street, have just received several shipments of men's spring hats from the well known firms of Christie & Co. and Henry Heath, London, England. The latest styles and of superior quality. Price, \$10.00.

A special line of high grade English Hats, new colors and new shapes, \$5.00.

"Canadian made hats of superior quality, \$2.25, \$3.95 and \$5.00. Don't forget the bargain sale of Overcoats at Dineen's."

