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Caustic Debate on University for Province

EDUCATIONALIST RIVALRY

PROCEEDINGS IN THE PROVINCIAL HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY YESTERDAY—SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION—REPORT OF 1904.

(Special to The Daily News)

Victoria, Feb. 14.—Press Gallery, Legislative Assembly.—Before the assembly went into committee today on the University act, Mr. Oliver pressed his motion for printing and bringing down the report of the special committee on immigration, which he charged should be presented for the consideration of the house and the electorate. He said the report had never been adopted and that it did not correspond with the evidence taken before the committee on oath.

The premier replied there was no objection to the course suggested except that of the expense for printing. The honorable member (Oliver) could, if he made the application, have the originals in his possession for use. He suggested that the application was frivolous.

Mr. Oliver retorted that while he did not want to put the country to the expense of printing, but as the premier had on a previous occasion offered to have it printed, and now insisted on it being done.

On a division the motion was lost by the vote of all the government supporters, aided by some of the opposition members.

The premier afterwards repeated his statement of willingness to print the report.

Mr. Jardine called attention to the absence of the attorney general yesterday, when his presence was necessary for the purpose of advising the house on a point which arose on the factories act, and which had to be referred to the speaker.

The premier answered that the attorney general was in the supreme court on a very important case which his professional duty needed his presence. The premier was ready to take the responsibility for his absence. So far no loss had been occasioned by it and he would be back on Monday.

Mr. Oliver said the house was entitled to ask for the attendance of the attorney general on any matter before it. The premier suggested in reply that if Mr. Oliver would attend at the attorney general's department, he would find his league would be very glad to give advice.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite agreed that no loss had been sustained by the absence of the attorney general.

Replying to Parker Williams, the finance minister said the vote last session, of \$15,000 for immigration, had been expended as follows:

Grant to Salvation Army toward construction of Welcome hotel, Vancouver, \$2500; grant to Salvation Army for expenses connected with immigration \$500; amount advanced as loan to Salvation Army to assist in bringing domestic servants and farm laborers, \$500; payment for writing bulletins, \$200.

The house went into committee and having disposed of the three bills having to do with the separation of the offices of land and works, proceeded with the remaining clauses of the University bill.

During the course of the discussion evidences of educational rivalry were constantly cropping up. Mr. Henderson, who had a long string of amendments to the University act, referred to his previous objections to the constitution of the senate. He said that Toronto university was for a time a political football, because of a similar mistake made in its constitution, which was altered after a great deal of loss and annoyance to the province. We were, he asserted, about to fall into the same mistake. It was found necessary in Toronto to remove from the senate the minister of education and the superintendent of education, as the appointees of the lieutenant governor in council, and under the new scheme the senate and graduates had five appointees, the lieutenant governor in council had three and that with the president made nine.

Minister of Education, Young said that Mr. Henderson had not studied the bill. In Toronto the situation was a federation of universities, and not the creation of a new one, as was the case in British Columbia. Here the board would be entirely distinct from the academic body, the duty of the senate being entirely academic. He had intended to the academic interest should have the controlling vote of the educational system; the senate had practically done control. In Toronto the academic interest was practically in control of everything, but this was avoided in the present measure.

On a division of the committee the amendment was lost.

After this discussion the discussion became technical in character, relating to degrees and various university details dealt with in the 99 sections of the bill. A point was reached however, at Section 91, which excited some sharp exchanges between the provincial secretary Dr. Young, and some of the members. The section provides that every incorporated theological college, hereafter affiliated with the university may, notwithstanding such affiliation, have the right to confer degrees and to receive students.

withstanding such affiliation, have power to confer the degrees of bachelor of divinity and doctor of divinity, provided that such candidates for such degrees must be graduates in arts of the university of British Columbia or of some other university recognized by the university for that purpose. To this Mr. Henderson, Mr. Monroe and the leader of the opposition objected, as raising a barrier between this university and the colleges.

Mr. Young said these objections reflected no credit to the objectors to this bill; Columbia college always came into opposition to any educational scheme introduced into the house. The leader of the opposition said his honorable friend's criticism was not quite fair. The section objected to was not to be found in any other university act and would perhaps be a bar to affiliation with the university. Columbia college was now affiliated with Toronto and doubtless would be anxious to join this university. It was not, he urged, in the public interest to put barriers in the way like this clause.

The clause was allowed to stand over and after almost completing the bill, which took the remainder of the sitting, the committee reported progress.

The work of the session in passing bills is well advanced. There is, of course, the irrigation bill, but this is the only measure of importance expected. Next week will probably see budget brought down.

AT MARBLE BAY MINES

TROUBLE IS LOOKED FOR OVER CLOSE DOWN

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND MINERS SENT IN

(Special to The Daily News)

Vancouver, Feb. 14.—Possible trouble may result at the Marble Bay mines by reason of the sending of a lot of Australian and New Zealand miners to that district today.

The old men were laid off and the mines closed down some weeks ago because of a strike being passed, through delay in the mails containing the checks.

Former employees, who are members of the Western Federation of Miners, are still on the island and will meet the new men, who have no union affiliations.

THE KING'S SET

An Odd Anomaly in London Society—Husband and Wife

London, Feb. 14.—It is an odd social anomaly that Sir Ernest Cassel's only child, Mrs. Wilfrid Ashley, is almost unknown in what is called the "Kings set" in England, where her father is supreme. This, however, is of her own choice. She married Wilfrid Ashley, a descendant of the great Lord Shaftesbury, who lives near the town of Salisbury, in Wiltshire.

With this encouragement, it is understood that the Chicago people are satisfied, and are prepared to finance the proposition. The intention is to organize a tunnel company, the estimated cost of the tunnel, when it reaches as far as Phoenix being around \$3,000,000. This would be at a depth of some 200 feet, the tunnel being over three miles long, according to the estimates. The gentlemen have, most of them returned to Chicago to report, and it is understood that they will return in a month of two, when something definite is likely to transpire and a beginning of the work made.

Residents, or mining men of Phoenix have not yet been approached on the subject, as far as heard from, but few think that the tunnel is likely to reach this place for many years. Nevertheless they are pleased to see the work undertaken, for, if it is driven but goes as far as it will, it will tap many high grade leads in Sky-lark camp and be of great assistance to mine owners in that section. In the past the high grade mines have been abandoned, and the ore has been left to rot in the ground, and this under the greatest difficulty, as it had to be hauled several miles to the railway for shipment to the smelter.

Notwithstanding the fact that it is not known yet what the attitude of the big copper producers of Phoenix would be to a proposition of this kind, it will be driven, but one thing is certain, it will be of inestimable benefit to the mining industry, not say of great benefit directly to the city of Greenwood itself.

For the past ten years, those have not been wanting who predicted that, eventually, the ores from the Phoenix hill would some day be taken out of a long and deep tunnel. At one time such a tunnel was proposed to be driven from the valley near Grand Forks, a distance of some five or six miles, more or less. But it was not considered seriously at that time and was dropped. A few years ago wide publicity was given to a plan of the Granby company to run a tunnel a mile or two long from Deadman's gulch, almost due north of this city, which would reach the Granby mines at a depth of some 150 feet. Nothing official was given out about the matter, however, and nothing came of it. Again a year or two ago, there was talk of the same company running a tunnel from Phoenix to the smelter, to reach its ore bodies at great depth.

These plans, however, have evidently all been shelved, as in the last year or two, hundreds of thousands of dollars have been spent by the Granby company in equipment and appliances to take its ore out right here in Phoenix, the two railways having also spent a large amount in increased trucking facilities for the Granby mines.

A long tunnel from Greenwood has often been discussed in the past, and seemed to be feasible if the operation of the big mining companies and railway companies could be secured to this end. Whether this has now been secured, does not appear, but there seems to be much likelihood of a tunnel project that will be extremely profitable to the high grade ore producers, being carried out on a smaller scale.

SUBURBAN LINE NEARLY FINISHED
Montreal, Feb. 14.—The Canadian Pacific railway's new line from Toronto to Sudbury, which has been under construction for some time, is announced will be completed by June, when the company will be able to run trains from western Canada over its own tracks.

A LONG TUNNEL

To Be Driven From Greenwood to Phoenix

THREE MILES IN LENGTH

WILL TAP VEINS OF MANY GOOD COPPER AT GREENWOOD SUPPORT SCHEME—PROJECTORS RETURN TO CHICAGO.

(Special to The Daily News)

Phoenix, Feb. 14.—The news from Greenwood that efforts are being made towards carrying out a project that has long been mooted in the Boundary, namely, the driving of a long deep tunnel to tap the mines of Phoenix, has created no little interest here.

Last week Edward Ford Johnson of Chicago and Dr. S. Peacock, a mining engineer of the same place, were in the Boundary, accompanied by Richard Armstrong, formerly a resident of Grand Forks, but now of Chicago. Mr. Johnson is the secretary of the Crescent Mines, Limited, owning the crescent mine in Sky-lark camp, about two and a half miles from Phoenix. The gentlemen examined the Crescent mine, which has lately been supplied with a modern electric machinery equipment throughout and is now stopping ore with a view of beginning steady shipments and were much pleased with the appearance of the property. Col. T. L. Dickson of Chicago, is the president of the Crescent company and the largest shareholder, having worked the mine since it was acquired by the island and was in the hands of the Chicago people.

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SHAH ASSASSINATED?

Vienna, Feb. 14.—A report is in circulation that the shah of Persia is assassinated. No confirmation of the report is obtainable in any quarter.

VIEWS OF JAP CONSUL

SATISFIED NATAL ACT WILL BE DISALLOWED

LOCAL AUTHORITIES ADVISED NOT TO COLLECT FEES

Vancouver, Feb. 14.—C. Yada, local Japanese consul, stated today that he had called his government concerning the enforcement of the British Columbia Natal act and expected advice on the question shortly. He was confident that the authorities would disallow the legislation at the earliest possible moment. He could not say what he would do in case Japanese were refused admission under the act, but he would not object to the action. He would be guided by the circumstances of the case.

Orders received by local authorities today directed that no fees be demanded for passing of foreigners under the B. C. Natal act and a refund of fees collected yesterday was made. So far all Orientals applying have been admitted on successfully passing the educational test.

A DISASTROUS TORNADO

STORM SWEEPED OVER TEXAS AND MISSISSIPPI TOWNS

LEFT A TRAIL OF DEVASTATION AND DEATH

Tyler, Tex., Feb. 14.—Tyler was swept by the most disastrous tornado in its history before daylight today. Coming from the southwest the storm swept over a large residential quarter of the city, leaving a trail of death and devastation.

The known dead in Tyler are: C. A. Francis, agent of the Dallas News, his wife and baby and an aged negro, Mose Lee. Francis' body was found 100 yards from his wrecked home. The body of his child was found in the wreckage of the building.

Six seriously injured persons are reported to be in the hospital. The death toll reached a total of twelve. Twelve buildings were wrecked. In the confusion it is difficult to compile an accurate list of the casualties. The reports from farmers are that farm houses all around Tyler were blown down.

It is impossible to ascertain the loss of life in the rural districts, but it is known that the tornado swept everything clean for a distance of five miles. Three miles from town the wind demolished the home of Irwin Franklin, a wealthy farmer. Franklin and his wife and their four children.

The tornado tore a path through Tyler 100 feet wide. Buildings, telephone lines and electric light poles were laid flat and the wreckage of Franklin and his family was in other parts of the city.

Hattiesburg, Miss., Feb. 14.—A tornado passed over Jones county, just north of here, today and three small towns, Mossville, Laurel and Soso, are reported blown away.

The north bound passenger train got a few miles north of Laurel and could not proceed because of the wreckage and returned to Laurel. The passengers said they saw half a dozen dead negroes but could not estimate the probable number of the dead.

At Service 12 hamlets were demolished by the tornado. The number of killed and injured is not known. The damage done to the towns destroyed, Mossville, Laurel and Soso, is estimated to be in the millions of dollars and each consists of a few dwellings.

L. S. Morrison, a dentist of Mossville, who came here after the storm, said that he was out after the storm and was compelled to grasp a wire fence to keep from being blown away. Near the town, he said, a man, wife and two children were killed. The Robinson, manager of the Mossville mill, and Minnie Campbell, wife of the manager, also a negro. No reports of fatalities have come in from Soso. The tornado was accompanied by a torrent of rain which caused a sudden rise in the water level of the Mississippi river. Roads have become impassable in the storm region. Telegraph and telephone wires are not working tonight.

SMALLPOX IN MONTON

Monton, N.B., Feb. 14.—Three cases of smallpox were discovered here today in the family of M. L. Bourgeois, father, mother and son being stricken. The mother last night gave birth to a child, which died. She is in a precarious condition. One of the family was attending school until yesterday. The school has been closed.

GOT FOUR YEARS

Montreal, Feb. 14.—For having stolen nearly \$1500 worth of silverware from the homes of James Crathern, John Leslie and Dr. Haldimand, Frederick Wagoner today was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary, and his wife, Rose Freeman, to two years.

TORY NOMINATION

Drayton, Ont., Feb. 14.—West Wellington Conservatives nominated James Tucker, M.P.P., for the next Ontario elections.

REDUCE RATES

United States Newspapers Again to Come in

POSTAGE IS CUT IN FOUR

CONSERVATIVE LEADER APPROVES OF REVERSION TO OLD POLICY AND REGRETS THAT ANY CHANGE WAS MADE BY GOVERNMENT.

(Special to The Daily News)

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—In the house today, Alphonse Verreille (Maisonneuve) introduced a bill to apply the eight hour day to all public works.

Alex. Martin (Queens, P. E. I.) reintroduced the seed grain question, pointing out that Prince Edward Island had a large oat crop. He declared that buying oats in England was like carrying coals to Newcastle.

Hon. Frank Oliver replied that the purchasing agents were already in communication with the dealers in the province, and negotiations regarding transportation were proceeding with the Intercolonial.

In answer to Dr. Roche, Mr. Oliver said that Letich was an inspector and dominion land agent. As the land department would have to determine whether applicants were homesteaders or patent holders, it thought it well that Letich should be the head of this branch.

Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux promised a statement shortly regarding the one cent drop letter rate in cities.

David Henderson (Halton) pleaded for half that rate in all rural postal offices. Mr. Lemieux presented a statement regarding changes in the postal agreement with the United States. The changes are: (1) postage on daily newspapers is reduced from four to one cent per copy; (2) the Canadian government obtains the right to use their own classification with regard to American periodicals, instead of considerably less rigid American classifications.

J. J. Armstrong (East Lambton) championed the cause of Canadian weeklies, especially religious weeklies. "Why were they charged more than farthings?" he asked.

The honorable member can have all the religious weeklies "he wants," laughed Lemieux. "We will rebate them."

R. S. Lake (Qu'Appelle) urged a coupon in favor of small rural weeklies. R. L. Borden approved of the changes in the postal agreement with the United States, but thought the government should have foreseen this last May and avoided the changes by granting all mail a lower rate. He also criticized the reimbursement of Canadian publishers, as that might be a danger to the postal revenue.

Dr. Thompson (Yukon) gave notice that on next Friday he will discuss the right of Canada to have special representation in negotiations of any imperial treaty affecting Canada.

The third reading was given to the bill to incorporate the Ruthenian Catholic mission of the Order of St. Basil the Great in Canada, by McIntyre (Strathcona).

The balance of the day was spent in supply and the house then adjourned. In the senate today senator Lendry called attention to the report from Quebec that the main pier of the Quebec bridge was liable to be damaged by movement in the spring owing to the wreckage of the superstructure still adhering to it.

Honorable senator Scott had noticed the report and would bring the matter to the attention of his colleagues. The senator did not say that the report was the property of the government, but that the report was the property of the government.

In Ottawa the announcement is made that no royalty will be charged on products of locations granted under provisions of the regulations for mining of iron for 20 years.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The house of commons was in session for the greater part of today but practically no progress was made. There was hardly a quorum present and Hon. Mr. Broder had great difficulty in getting through an item of \$135,000 for ocean and river services.

J. K. Macdonald (Toronto) general manager of the Confederation Life insurance company, continued his criticism of the government life insurance bill before the committee on banking and commerce this morning. Macdonald suggested that the limitations of investments included in the bill should be amended by abolishing the stipulation that the bonds to qualify for insurance should be in existence of five years, that the period for which debentures and preferred stock must pay interest to qualify as an insurance fund to underwrite should be changed from seven to three years, that the period for which common stock must have been paying interest to qualify as an insurance fund should be changed from five to three years.

Macdonald suggested the widening of the geographical field for investments. Section 60 of the bill was a provision to forbid companies employing insurance funds to underwrite the purchase or sale of securities or property of any kind, and he thought this should be amended so as not to prevent different insurance companies having hands to take up an issue of city bonds or debentures.

Hon. Mr. Fielding agreed to this suggestion.

Section 82 of the government bill provides for the repeal of all insurance acts and all provisions in existing charters which are inconsistent with the provisions of the new law. This would give all insurance companies absolutely uniform powers of investment, but Macdonald said that the bill as it stood might wipe all insurance charters out of existence.

Section 86 prohibited the issue of estimated dividends or any surplus on individual policies. The companies asked that this be limited to Canadian companies and that its enforcement be postponed until 1909.

M. Martin, liberal member for St. Mary's Montreal, gives notice of a bill to amend the Railway act by making it illegal for railway companies to hold back two weeks' pay from employees.

Since March 1, 1907 the government has sold some three hundred persons over 75,000 acres of coal lands in addition to 7800 acres in Rocky Mountain park leased to different parties. The annual rental is generally \$182 for each 640 acres. In addition, 6400 acres of school lands have been leased to different persons for coal mining purposes, royalty to be paid being ten cents per ton.

ARE BASED ON MILEAGE

FREIGHT RATES TO BE FIXED BY COMMISSION

WINNIPEG SHIPPERS OBJECT TO A MILEAGE PLAN

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The railway commission's plan to fix freight rates to be fixed by the C.P.R. and C.N.R. in the west.

The Winnipeg shippers brought up at the instance of the boards of trade and the jobs and shipping association.

Hitherto the freight rates from lake Superior west were fixed, mainly by competition with the western lines, but the rates now suggested are based on mileage, to which some shippers are objecting.

HAVE PLENTY OF MONEY

FIFTY MILLIONS OF NEW YORK CITY BONDS

ISSUE WAS OVER SUBSCRIBED SIX TIMES YESTERDAY

New York, Feb. 14.—As indicating the strength of the investment demand after the monetary crisis, the \$50,000,000 issue of New York city 4 1/2 per cent bonds, the largest lot ever offered for public subscription by the city, was over subscribed six times today. About 1100 bids were made, and completely filled the list. The highest bid was 106, by a syndicate composed of J. P. Morgan and Co., and Harvey Fish and Son. The first bid was 103.37 for \$47,000,000 worth of 1907 stock and 100.37 for the \$3,000,000 assessment bonds of 1917. Bids came from all over the United States and constituted a general audit of the city's books, a statement showing the liabilities and liquid assets of the city.

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SABBATH DAY

Winnipeg Prosecutions Go on Vigorously

PRAIRIE CITY'S FINANCES

NOTHING SO FAR DONE WITH ENG-GINEER CECIL B. SMITH-BIG BONSPHEL IS AT LAST PROGRESSING SATISFACTORILY.

Winnipeg, Feb. 14.—The board of control's report to the council for Monday night has been issued and the name of Cecil B. Smith, chief surveyor, is not mentioned in any connection. While in addition to the report recommending again that Mr. Smith be dismissed, may be added tomorrow or Monday, it is stated on good authority that such action will not be taken. The Smith question will likely come up at a special session.

In the legislature today a change was made in the Pharmaceutical act, placing carbolic acid among the list of restricted poisons and absolutely forbidding the sale of cocaine without a doctor's prescription.

All details in connection with the investigation of the case of the Rev. C. W. Gordon of St. Stephen's church have now been arranged. The campaign of Dr. Chapman in that city begins on March 12, but Dr. Gordon will not arrive until the meetings have been in progress for two or three days. To supply the pulpit of St. Stephen's during the absence of the minister, the Rev. Charles Cook, formerly of Smith's Falls, has been secured.

Winnipeg's big bonspiel is on in earnest, the delay of a day only served to increase the zest in curlers, so that the first of the curling season has been a delightful one for the spectators, who thronged the gaily decorated rinks and were treated to some excellent exhibitions of the slippery pastime. As many of the curlers are from the United States, the curling season has been a very successful one.

With the exception of the fact that it has a large amount of unsold debentures on hand, the financial statement of the city is eminently satisfactory one. This, in effect, was the statement made by mayor Ashdown this morning after receiving from F. A. Ross, who has been conducting a general audit of the city's books, a statement showing the liabilities and liquid assets of the city.

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