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City Plans For More Accommodation For Ships at St. John

BRITISH HARBOUR IS NEAR FALL

BULLOCK GETS COSTS ESTIMATES

Would Provide Several Additional Ship Berths In The Harbor.

SCHEME OUTLINED

Development Would Be On Both Eastern and Western Sides of Harbor.

The City Council will soon have before it plans for harbor improvement which would provide several additional steamship berths without reference to any plans the C. N. R. may have, and involving, it is contended, a relatively small expenditure in proportion to the advantage to be gained, it was learned today.

Commissioner Bullock said this morning that in his opinion the policy of getting the ships first and then the berths was all wrong. The berths should be provided and then the ships would come, and to this end he was considering three or four propositions which would provide more accommodations for ships.

One is to acquire the Laxton and Carrite properties, close up the slip and make a berth at the head of the present McLeod wharf. This would entail an expenditure of about \$80,000 to secure the several properties, and then there would be the cost of filling in the slip and building the crib work.

Another is to build a wharf at the end of the present Reed's Point wharf, extending to the Government property. A third is to fill in the present Nelson slip and move the ferry wharf for a terminal and move the ferry to King street wharf.

FISHING BETTER THAN A YEAR AGO

Lobster Catch Less in February But Others are Far Ahead.

Ottawa, March 28.—There were 45,283,700 pounds of sea fish landed on both coasts of the Dominion during February, while in the same period last year only 28,768,700 pounds were taken. The Department of Marine and Fisheries reports the value of these catches was \$1,022,744 and \$749,139, respectively. Increased catches of cod, haddock, hake, pollock, herring, salmon, snelt, and scallops were reported.

Workmen Strike In Newfoundland

St. John's, Nfld., March 28.—The construction works in connection with the Newfoundland Power and Paper Mills at Deer Lake, have been tied up by a strike of the workmen, who have demanded an increase of five cents an hour for all classes. The strike involves about 1,000 men. Premier Warren has offered his services as mediator. The Evening Times says: "Murmurings of dissatisfaction from time to time have been heard from our people who have gone to the Humber for employment. There is a feeling that for doing equal work our men are not receiving as much pay as the outsiders whom the different sub-contractors have brought in."

Only 23, But He Has Three Wives

New York, March 28.—Admitting a charge of bigamy when faced by three wives in Harlem Court, Kenneth Smith, 23, of East 86th street, a veteran of the World War, was held in \$5,000 bail by Magistrate Vitale. The young man offered no excuse, except to say that in marrying the three women, he acted as he thought best under the circumstances. Smith was arrested on complaint of Mrs. Adrea Burch Smith, 19, of East 73rd street, who testified she married Smith on March 24, 1923. She said she and Smith lived together until a month ago when he disappeared. Later she learned he had a wife, Mrs. Marion Macle Smith, 21, of Rahway, N. J. The two women then learned that Smith had a third wife, Mrs. May Gurkin Smith, 27, whose address was not revealed.

WANTED TO ELOPE WITH MOVIE STAR

Counterfeiter is Caught, However, and Gets Ten Year Term.

Chicago, March 28.—Roman Cruz, who dreamed of making a fortune by counterfeiting and eloping with a motion picture actress, according to the secret service agents, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to serve 10 years in the Atlanta penitentiary, the prison from which he escaped a few years ago. The sentence will begin after expiration of a 10-year sentence imposed in New York in 1918 for a similar offense, of which he had served only three years when he escaped.

INVENTS A METAL MAN THAT FIGHTS

Danish Scientist Says He Can Fire 2,000 Rounds a Minute.

Copenhagen, March 28.—Mechanical inventor, directed by wireless rays, will fight the next war if the claims of Niels Aasen, Norwegian scientist and inventor, prove true. Aasen claims to have invented a soldier automaton which can fire 2,000 rounds a minute, thus virtually doing away with human "cannon fodder." The invention has been offered to the Danish government.

President Monroe Is Freed From Reef

Key West, Fla., March 28.—The Dollar Line steamer President Monroe, which went aground on a reef near Miami on Monday and was floated yesterday, dropped anchor at Key West harbor yesterday. She was accompanied by the wrecking tug Warbler, which succeeded in floating her.

Wire Briefs

Prague, March 28.—The regular air service between Paris and Prague is to be extended next week to Constantinople and Angora.

Prague, March 28.—The ministry of national defence is organizing a military airplane flight around the Little Entente.

Ottawa, March 28.—(Canadian Press)—The sum of \$12,968, was expended during the last year on the Hudson Bay Railway, out of the vote of \$350,000, of last session.

Naples, March 28.—King Victor Emmanuel was badly shaken up by the derailment of a train on Friday on the unarmored party from Rome. The train reach Naples this morning after some delay.

London, March 28.—A second attack was made on British soldiers at Queenstown about an hour after the sanguinary one on the island of Spike Island, according to statements by some of the wounded, who were landed at Fishguard, Wales, yesterday.

Dublin, March 28.—Joseph McGraw, resigned minister of industry and commerce, has decided to retain his seat in the Dail. He is now engaged in forming an independent party with the other dissentients who support him.

POINCARÉ CABINET IS RE-NAMED

French Premier Dodges Waiting Newspapermen Through Side Door.

MANY NEW NAMES

Poincaré Remains at Helm To Continue Advocacy Of Policies.

By Canadian Press. Paris, March 28.—M. Poincaré's cabinet, as reconstituted, will probably be in part as follows:

- M. Poincaré, Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs. M. François-Marsal, Finance. M. Maginot, War. M. Le Troquer, Public Works. M. Loucheur, Commerce. Daniel Vincent, Hygiene and Labor. Henry De Jouvenel, Education. Lieut.-Col. Jean Fabry, Colonies. Paul Mercur, Justice. M. Bokanowski, Navy. M. Rimbert, Agriculture. Louis Marin, Under Secretary for Devastated Regions. Georges Leygues, (possibly) Interior. Mercier, Fabry and Marin are deputies, and Rimbert was recently appointed Food Controller. Dodges Press Men.

Premier Poincaré dodged the waiting newspapermen when he left the foreign office for luncheon, using a side door and thereby escaping cross examination as to what progress had been made and postponing confirmation of the foregoing list.

It was officially announced shortly after noon, however, that M. François-Marsal had accepted the portfolio of Finance and that M. Loucheur and M. Bokanowski had accepted in "principle" the Commerce and Naval Portfolios respectively.

On the other hand it was stated that Justin De Selves, former Foreign Minister, who had been mentioned in some lists, as probable Minister of the Interior, has refused that portfolio, declaring he preferred to remain President of the Senate committee on Foreign Affairs.

UNION COMMITTEE MEMBERS ADJOURN

Final Assault at Fredericton is Stormy One as Session Ends.

Fredericton, March 28.—The final gun in the battle over the Church Union bill were fired this morning before the Corporation Committee of the Legislature when the speakers of the opposing factions were heard in reply to the statements of the respective cases advanced yesterday before the committee. The final assault on the bill was stormy and marked by an impassioned plea by Major the Rev. C. McNeil of Hamilton for the rights of the minority and the doctrines of the State church of Scotland.

At the conclusion of the hearing, which lasted for three hours and during which Ivan C. Rand, of Moncton, and Rev. Dr. Pidgeon of Winnipeg, representing the Moderator of the General Assembly, were heard in reply on behalf of the proponents of the bill, and Mr. Justice Crockett and Major McNeil for the anti-unionists, Premier Yennot moved the adjournment of the committee until Wednesday morning at 10.30 a.m. for the purpose of taking up consideration of the bill in private session.

(See also page 9.)

MASTER ROBERT IS WINNER OF RACE

Carries Off Honors at The Grand National Steeplechase of 5,000 Pounds.

Liverpool, March 28.—Master Robert, by Moorisle II, out of Dods, owned by Lord Arlile, won the Grand National steeplechase of 5,000 pounds with extras, run here today.

T. Laidlaw's Fly Mask, by Fly Fisher, dam by Bergomask, was second, owned by W. H. Midwood's Silvo, by Minter, out of Ever True, was third. Thirty horses ran. Master Robert, 25 to 1 against; Fly Mask, 100 to 1; Silvo, 100 to 7 against.

Friendly Slap On Back Unravels Drug

New York, March 28.—The hearty salutation of a federal agent who slapped another on the back, thereby upsetting a can of alleged Turkish paste which was being examined by the appraiser's storeroom, revealed opium hidden under the paste and led to the seizure of between \$50,000 and \$100,000 of the drug hidden in other tins.

FARMERS CLASH IN BUDGET DEBATE

Agriculture Minister and Agrarian Leader Heard in Legislature.

Fredericton, March 27.—The budget debate continued this afternoon with A. Chas. Fawcett, M.P.P., of Westmorland resuming after routine, and the Hon. D. W. Messerreau, Minister of Agriculture, followed him.

Two more opposite speakers would be hard to find. Mr. Fawcett is always grave and serious—Mr. Messerreau is generally lighthearted and gay and seldom has a long countenance. Mr. Fawcett rather pictured the country as going to the dogs and the population deserting it, largely because of the burdensome Government taxation. He did not point out what taxation or what Government imposed it, and, inasmuch as there is no direct taxation imposed upon the people of New Brunswick by the Provincial Government, as to other provinces, he has been referring to the Federal impositions the people are growing under. At any rate, and the laughter of the House he declared, "You're a Liberal and you don't know it."

Notices of inquiry were given for Wednesday next, as follows: By Mr. Taylor: As to the amount of work performed by the Maritime Construction Company since 1917.

CANADA HAS 200 LONDON EMPLOYEES

High Commissioner Suspects Some of the Departments are Much Overmanned.

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Burned His Money And Ended His Life

Marseilles, March 28.—(United Press)—Nobody could have been more disgusted with life than Jean-Louis Astruc, aged 72, whose body was found hanging to a tree in the forest of La Sale, near Lavaur. At his feet was a small heap of ashes. They proved to be bank notes. The old man had burned his fortune, amounting to about 3,000 francs.

Hamilton, Ont., March 28.—W. C. Hawkins of the Dominion Power and Transmission Co., announces the sale of the company's plant at Welland to the corporation. Welland will take over the whole plant, including the street lighting system, and will install hydro power, it was intimated.

DAUGHERTY RESIGNS AT WASHINGTON

United States District Attorney Is Forced to Quit Post.

COOLIDGE ACCEPTS

President Feels That Business of The Nation Has Been Neglected.

Washington, March 28.—Attorney-General Daugherty resigned today. Surrounded by an ever-growing storm of criticism and under the pressure of many of his ranking party leaders, he consented to follow Secretary of the Navy Denby into retirement.

His resignation, promptly accepted by President Coolidge, clears the way for the administration of the last of the Cabinet members who have become storm centres in the oil scandal.

Business Is Neglected. The factor which had greatest weight in bringing the question of Mr. Daugherty's status to an acute issue was a conviction on the part of the President that under present conditions public business is not receiving the attention merited by it in the Department of Justice.

There is no doubt also that the repeated charges made before the Senate committee leading directly to the resignation of the Attorney-General's office, although not involving him directly, have had their influence in finally determining his fate.

Mr. Daugherty had insisted that he be permitted to remain in office until he had been given opportunity to answer fully the charges made before the investigating committee. As the testimony has developed, however, it has become apparent that if he were to vindicate his department it would also be necessary for him to disprove also the charges against Jess Smith and others closely associated with him.

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ARCHITECT GETS \$412,344 TOTAL

Consulting Confere Receives \$71,990 For Ottawa Parliament Buildings.

Ottawa, March 28.—With the payment of an additional sum of \$12,146 in architect's fees, making a total of \$412,344, the Government has settled all claims for architect's work on the new Parliament Buildings, including the completion of the tower for which the plans were changed, involving a new contract. The entire work was carried out by John A. Pearson, with J. O. Marchand as consulting architect, on a basis of a 5/2 per cent. of the estimated cost commission.

Mr. Pearson received \$412,344, and Mr. Marchand \$71,990.

Welland Takes Over Power Plant. Hamilton, Ont., March 28.—W. C. Hawkins of the Dominion Power and Transmission Co., announces the sale of the company's plant at Welland to the corporation. Welland will take over the whole plant, including the street lighting system, and will install hydro power, it was intimated.

Roxie Stinson's Latest



Roxie Stinson, divorced wife of the late Jess Smith, photographed when she was recalled to take the stand before the Senate committee investigating Atty. Gen. Daugherty and his conduct of the Department of Justice.

Refineries in St. John Sent 11,230,096 Pounds of Sugar Away Last Month

A Canadian Press despatch from Ottawa says that during the month of February Canada exported 6,166,678 pounds of refined sugar, valued at \$609,625, or about one-half of the quantity exported in February, 1923. In view of the fact that the total exports from the plant of the Atlantic Sugar Refineries here during last month amounted to 11,230,096 pounds, with a valuation of \$1,089,414.54, it is apparent that the Ottawa figures do not, to say the least, tell the whole truth.

A possible explanation of the difference in the figures is that two steamers which sailed from here near the end of the month carried away nearly 4,000,000 pounds—the Brant County, which sailed on the 28th, taking 3,500,000 alone.

P. E. I. GETS BETTER RATES BY EXPRESS

Hon. F. B. Carvell Speaks Very Plainly on the Subject and Express Chief Agrees.

(Special to The Times.) Ottawa, March 28.—In reference to the application of the express companies for an increase in express rates, A. E. Dewar, representative from the Board of Trade, Charlottetown, P. E. I., appeared before the railway commission yesterday accompanied by L. L. Cook, department specialist of the Dominion live stock branch, and presented the case for P. E. Island.

Weather Report

Table with columns for location, temperature, and weather conditions. Includes entries for Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg, and other cities.

FAILURE TO END STRIKE DANGEROUS

London May Be Thrown Into Darkness If Strike Is Extended.

SHOPS SWAMPED

A Great Demand Is Made For Kerosene Oil and Fuel.

BY LLOYD ALLEN. British United Press. London, March 28.—The Labor Government may fall if Premier MacDonald is unsuccessful in averting a strike of subway motormen in sympathy with tramway and omnibus strikers, political observers predicted today.

The sympathetic strike is scheduled for midnight and MacDonald summoned opposing parties in the transportation dispute to the ministry of labor early today for a desperate eleventh hour effort to avert the threatened walkout.

Such a strike would complete the paralysis of London's transportation and its consequence might readily involve the fall of the government. The crisis is considered the most serious MacDonald yet has faced.

Fearing the strike of subway workers inevitable, big business firms today converted all available space into bedrooms to accommodate employees who will have to sleep near their jobs. City May Be Dark.

A strike of electric light employees to plunge the city into darkness in sympathy with the tramway and omnibus is contemplated.

In London shops were swamped with demand for kerosene and fuel. The secretary of the "British Fascist" has written to Arthur Henderson, Home Secretary, offering the services of that organization to assist the authorities in connection with the strike and "prevent violence, intimidation or destruction of property."

FIVE C.N.R. STATIONS BOOST BY RADIO

All in the West—Thornton and Tisdale Speak—Predict Best Year in Traffic.

Winnipeg, Man., Mar. 28.—Another step in the advancement of the radio plans of the Canadian National Railways, and the extension of the company's radio policy to this city, was marked last night when the first programme was broadcast from station C K Y. This is one of the five stations in Western Canada that the C. N. R. will use to carry out its radio plans.

Message from Thornton. A friendly message from Sir Henry Thornton, chairman and president, of the employees and other listeners-in was read. He mentioned the excellent reports he continues to receive regarding the courtesy and service rendered by those of the company's staff who come in contact with the public.

A note of optimism was sounded by the speaker in telling with much satisfaction that the western region of the Canadian National system last year handled more passengers, more grain and more general freight than ever before, and this year was hopeful of being able to exceed last year's figures.

Other stations in western Canada now broadcasting for the Canadian National include C F Q C Saskatoon, C K C K Regina, C F C N and C F A C Calgary, C J C A Edmonton.

Maritime—Strong northwest winds, cold with snow flurries. Saturday westerly winds, fair.

Gulf and North Shore—Strong north and west winds, cold with light snowfalls tonight, and Saturday.

New England—Fair tonight; Saturday cloudy and unsettled, somewhat lower temperature, moderate westerly winds.

Toronto, March 28.—Temperatures: Lowest Highest during Stations 8 a.m. Yesterday night Victoria ... 40 32 40 Kamloops ... 40 48 38 Calgary ... 24 28 30 Edmonton ... 16 18 14 Winnipeg ... 8 28 0 Montreal ... 32 40 32 St. John ... 28 28 24 Halifax ... 28 30 24 New York ... 40 46 38