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CHEER WHITNEY IN BILINGUAL STRONGHOLD

Addressing Huge Meeting in Roller Rink, Premier Repeats Views, and is Liberally Applauded—Farmers From Miles Around Flocked to the Meeting.

ESSEX, Nov. 24.—(Staff Special.)—Right in the neighborhood of the original home of the bilingual controversy, Sir James Whitney came to-night and found an enthusiastic and sympathetic audience, that cheered him to the echo. Not a word of dissent or discord was heard during the entire meeting, and when Sir James touched on the bilingual school question his remarks were received with hearty applause.

The whole bazaar of bilingualism in Essex County is dead. Sir James Whitney gave it the knockout blow to-night. Nothing new was added to the premier's previous remarks on this subject during other meetings of his campaign. "Some people say I'm afraid of this question," said the premier, "but goodness knows I talk about it a lot."

Two Thousand in Rink. Never since Sir James Whitney commenced his present political tour of the province has he met with a more enthusiastic reception than he did to-night. In point of numbers no previous meeting has in any way compared with it. Fully two thousand people crowded into the big roller rink, which was gaily decorated with bunting and mottoes eulogizing the Whitney government. Sir James was presented with a large bouquet of carnations by Misses Margaret Stone and Greta Johnston. Enthusiasm is a mild word to use in describing the attitude of the people of this riding on the present political issues.

Rose and Cheered. Not only the townspeople themselves came in crowds, but hundreds of farmers and their wives drove in from many miles around. When the chairman of the meeting introduced the premier, the audience rose to their feet en masse and cheered, while the band played "Rule Britannia."

Dr. J. W. Brien of Essex, president of the South Essex Liberal-Conservative Association, presided, and among the speakers were Dr. C. N. Anderson, the Liberal-Conservative candidate in South Essex, Oliver Wilcox, M.P. for North Essex, and H. O. Fleming of Windsor.

Sir James paid a tribute to Dr. Anderson for his consistent attitude in the legislature.

Hydro in the East. Sir James was enthusiastic over the progress of the hydro-electric power policy in Eastern Ontario.

"In spite of the fact that a force of speculators, promoters and adventurers had determined to put every obstacle in the way of cheap power in Central and Eastern Ontario we have managed to complete arrangements for bringing it to the people in spite of every impediment," said Sir James.

As regards the sale of the government house property in Toronto, Sir James said: "We haven't received the \$500,000 yet, because we haven't given over the land yet." (Laughter).

Approves Education Policy. Dr. C. N. Anderson of Leamington, the Liberal-Conservative candidate in South Essex, delved right into the educational question. He could not see any reason for complaining of the Ontario teachers leaving the province to get bigger salaries out west, if bigger salaries were to be had there. Dr. Anderson said the new regulations compelling the teachers to remain one year in Ontario after receiving their certificate, would be of great benefit to the educational facilities of the province.

Tubes Are Weather-Proof.

One thing about the tubes, they cannot be put out of business by weather conditions. Many days in the year (yesterday, an instance) street cars are tied up by greasy rails, accidents to wires, by snow blockades. An underground road has its wires housed away from weather, wind and ice disturbances, and therefore cannot fall down. Toronto has a good deal of weather in the course of a year, and from a money point of view, it means much that people get about without the weather hold-ups that pursue a surface system.

LIBRARY-CAFE CARS NEEDED

Business Men Warmly Approve Proposal—C.P.R. Official Against Them, But Others Realize Necessity.

Diversified opinions were expressed by traveling men and railway officials yesterday on The World's call for library-cafe cars on the railway trains running nightly between Toronto and Montreal and Ottawa. The officials said such a car was not necessary, because passengers who had paid for berths wanted to use them and they retired before or soon after the trains started. The query, however, as to what accommodation passengers were offered who did not wish to retire early, met with no adequate reply.

Several business men expressed themselves as in hearty accord with the improved accommodation advocated by The World. A passenger must either retire or sit up in an ill-ventilated smoking car. A library-cafe car on the Toronto-Ottawa or the Toronto-Montreal run would add 100 per cent. more comfort to the journey.

C.P.R. Can't See Necessity. M. G. Murphy, local passenger agent of the C.P.R., could not see any advantages in library-cafe cars on the Toronto to Montreal and Ottawa lines. The experience of the company has been that the public don't want them. He did not think it was fair to compare the Toronto-Montreal and the New York-Chicago runs, because the former was only a ten-hour run, while the latter took eighteen hours, and hence required increased facilities for the comfort of travelers. [The World spoke of Buffalo-New York trains].

No similar ten-hour run in America, he said, gave any better service than the C.P.R. on their Montreal-Toronto line, and as far as he knew, there was no line in America which carried a library-cafe car on such a short run. The C.P.R. transcontinental trains, however, carried library-cafe cars, but these involved a loss to the company.

Another well-known railway official who was too modest to allow his name to be printed, did not think that the Montreal-Toronto lines as yet carried enough passengers to warrant such a trip. "Where?" He believed, however, that a library-cafe car was a great boon to any service and would become popular.

PORCUPINE BULLETIN.

PORCUPINE, Nov. 24.—(Special.)—The weather turned cold, following a slight thaw, and the temperature is ten below zero. Roads are first-class and business moves with more activity. Chas. Fox.

JAPS IN CANADA ACTING AS SPIES

Vancouver Member Warns Dominion Government That Asiatics Are Acquiring Great Power.

OTTAWA, Nov. 24.—(Special.)—The debate on the address drags wearily on. H. H. Stevens (Vancouver) devoted considerable fervor to a denunciation of the delinquencies of the late government in regard to Asiatic immigration. They had bequeathed to the present administration, he said, a racial problem before which the negro problem of the southern states would soon fade into insignificance.

The fisheries of the Pacific coast were monopolized by the Japanese, who had made charts and photographs of the entire coast and these, he had no doubt, were now on file in the archives of Tokio.

In regard to the navy, he declared that there should be an imperial board of defence, at which all the overseas dominions should be represented. Canada should contribute to naval defence of the empire pro rata to her share of imperial trade.

J. H. Burnham, Conservative member for Peterboro, called on the government to grapple with the situation created by the Ne Temere decree.

Dr. Sinclair (Guyaboro) referred to Mr. Bourassa "as the man who presumed to act as godfather to Mr. Borden and his cabinet."

Defended Bourassa.

In resuming his speech in the debate on the address, A. A. Mondou (Yamaska) told the opposition that the naval question in regard to Mr. Bourassa was not of such importance as they thought. He had attended many meetings at which Mr. Bourassa had spoken, and on no occasion had the speeches of Mr. Bourassa been such as could not be repeated in any city of Canada from Vancouver to Halifax.

Mr. Borden and Mr. Monk had always thought together on the main question in regard to the navy. "I have always fought the battles of the Liberal-Conservative party in this country," said Mr. Mondou, "and I still believe that the people can speak on this question as they spoke on reciprocity. They spoke eloquently on Sept. 21 and can speak again tomorrow on the policy the Liberal-Conservatives will adopt on this naval question if it is necessary. There is not a French Canadian in this country who will not be ready to stand with the rest of the country on this question in pronouncing either for it or against it."

Left Party for Cause.

Mr. Bourassa's statement, declared Mr. Mondou, had been misrepresented and he hoped that he would have the opportunity of addressing the people of Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific on the naval question.

Why had Mr. Bourassa left the Liberal party? He began to lose confidence in it over the Manitoba schools question. That distrust was intensified by the treatment of the new western provinces. Now he had confidence that the present administration would solve this great question.

Mr. Mondou did not shrink the

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WOULDN'T DO A THING TO LITTLE FREDDIE



WOLF, THE BEAR, WHO IS BEING PRODDED: I'd like awiul well to get out for a few minutes.

PERSIA WOULD PACIFY RUSSIA

Ambassador Expresses Regret That Seizure of Property at Shuster's Instance Was Regarded as Insult.

TEHRAN, Nov. 24.—Vosough Dowleh, the Persian minister of foreign affairs, to-day called on the Russian minister and expressed his regret that Persia's action in seizing the property of Shuass Sultaneh had been construed by Russia as an insult to M. Petroff, the Russian vice-consul at Tehran.

The seizure of the property of the brother of the ex-shah, was carried out at the instance of the national council by W. Morgan Shuster, an American, who is the Persian treasurer-general. Mr. Shuster sent gendarmes to carry out his orders. Russia immediately sent an ultimatum to Persia, stating that unless the foreign minister apologized for the alleged insult to M. Petroff and made other reparations Russia would occupy the Provinces of Gilhan and Mazanderan.

RETURN QUITE HOPEFUL

The deputation that waited on the Dominion Government to prevent the project of a grand federal square on the property west of the city hall to University-avenue, returned from Ottawa yesterday and reported that the proposal met with a very favorable reception from the ministers. They received an assurance from Premier R. L. Borden that he would do as much as possible to assist the project.

Paris Wants Hydro Power

BRANTFORD, Nov. 24.—(Special.)—The board of trade, Paris, has passed a resolution strongly urging the town council to submit a hydro-electric bylaw. Paris has had an electric power plant of its own, and has made a success out of it, but owing to the industrial growth of the town, without large expenditure, the plant will be unable to meet the increased demands. Mayor Armstrong has taken an interest in the matter and has asked the commission to send an engineer to make an estimate of the cost to the town.

FIRE BROKE UP MASS

100 CHILDREN SAVED

Flames Spread Rapidly in Hospice at St. Jerome, Que., But Inmates Escaped.

ST. JEROME, Que., Nov. 24.—During the celebration of mass early this morning fire was discovered in the hospice of the Soeurs-Grises, and it spread with such rapidity that by the time of the arrival of the firemen the whole upper part of the structure was a mass of flames. The religious and the young children asleep in the dormitory were rescued with considerable difficulty. The convent was reduced to ruins.

It was shortly before 7 o'clock that the chapel was invaded by clouds of thick smoke, and the priest who was saying mass was obliged to bent a hasty retreat, not having time to finish the services. The sisters risked themselves repeatedly to reach the little ones. All, who numbered a hundred, were got out safely. The sisters lost nearly all their personal effects. The edifice, which was erected in 1888, was valued at \$20,000, with an insurance of \$11,000. The superior was Rev. Sister Saint Jean de Dieu. The fire is supposed to have started near the furnaces.

TORONTO'S LIVE STOCK ADVANCES.

There were 23,500 hogs and 8375 sheep and lambs sold on the Toronto markets this week. This was 16,283 hogs and 3550 sheep and lambs more than the corresponding week a year ago. Notwithstanding the heavy receipts, hogs have been and are now selling at from 40c to 50c per cwt. higher in Toronto than in Buffalo or Chicago. See the details in our live stock reports.

R. R. Gurney arrived in Toronto yesterday and is registered at the Walker House.

Ontario To Get Hudson Bay Port

New Easterly Boundary of Manitoba Will Be Altered—Provincial Governments Must Approve.

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Following a conference to-day between representatives of Ontario and Manitoba in the federal cabinet, it is practically certain that Ontario will have a port on Hudson Bay.

By the proposed extension of Manitoba on lines of territorial delimitation fixed by the late government Ontario would be left with no port on Hudson Bay. If the James Bay harbor possibilities should prove unfavorable this would leave Ontario without a deep-water terminus for a provincial railway. The proposal now is to alter the new easterly boundary of Manitoba so that the Nelson River, for a distance of ten miles from its mouth, becomes the interprovincial boundary and Port Nelson belongs jointly to two provinces.

The loss of territory to Manitoba under this altered division is comparatively small, the present northeast corner of Manitoba to the 52nd parallel of longitude, north to the 68th parallel and northwest to Nelson River. The new arrangement must be confirmed by the two provincial governments.

The Coming of "Dear Old Billy."

It is a long time since Toronto has trooped have been offered a really good English farce by a capable all-English company, and to the thousands who have laughed at "The Private Secretary," "A Harney's Aunt," and "Junk," the coming of William Hawtrey and his talented company in "Dear Old Billy" at the Princess next week will be regarded as a treat.

THE DUKE'S VISIT.

Arrangements have been concluded to welcome our first governor-general of royal birth, and the occasion should mark a day in our history. Torontonians are flattered to realize that the brother of the late King—a brother of Edward the Peacemaker and an uncle of His Majesty George V.—comes to the Dominion voluntarily, and shoulders the burden and worry of large office with nothing to recompense him but the joy of helping develop the empire.

It is no easy position his highness has accepted and at an hour in life, too, when he might have asked some rest from a long period of unceasing devotion to duty.

Speaking yesterday Mr. Dineen, one of Toronto's pioneer fur merchants, said: "I have lived here all my life and watched Toronto grow from a town to a mighty city, and do you know this visit of the governor-general strikes me as calling for some very marked demonstration of appreciation from the merchants and public, for we have prospered under the flag."

MAY ATTEMPT TO SIDETRACK BYLAWS

Signs of an Organized Effort in City Council to Postpone Tube Project—Would Thwart People's Right to Vote on Necessary Investments.

Controller Spence made a determined attack on the proposed bylaws yesterday, but all to no avail.

"We have always sent in the bylaws," declared the mayor.

Then Controller Spence went over the list of bylaws and asked the board to consider the "appealing total." His list is here appended:

Hydro-electric	\$2,200,000
Tubes	5,500,000
Danforth-avenue line	136,000
Bloor-street viaduct	1,750,000
Parks	112,000
Grade separation	1,000,000
New fire halls	98,000
Schools	600,000
Old intake	150,000
New intake	725,000

Total

\$12,326,000

"We may be absolutely certain that the people are not going to vote that many," he declared. "If we give up the hydro-electric, the tubes and the Bloor-street viaduct it means the destruction of them all. The hydro-electric extension is essential, but if it is defeated it will be difficult to get the government to sanction the expenditure. We might go to the government and ask permission to raise money without a rate."

"The people will carry it," declared Mayor Geary. "In common fairness to the taxpayers," he continued, "we've got to submit the tube bylaw—to be decent we've got to do it. As for the Bloor-street viaduct, it, too, should go on to council."

Will Report on Liabilities.

The city treasurer was asked to report at the council meeting as to the amount of the city's debt, including that incurred and authorized in 1911.

The debt at the beginning of the year was \$25,409,500.33.

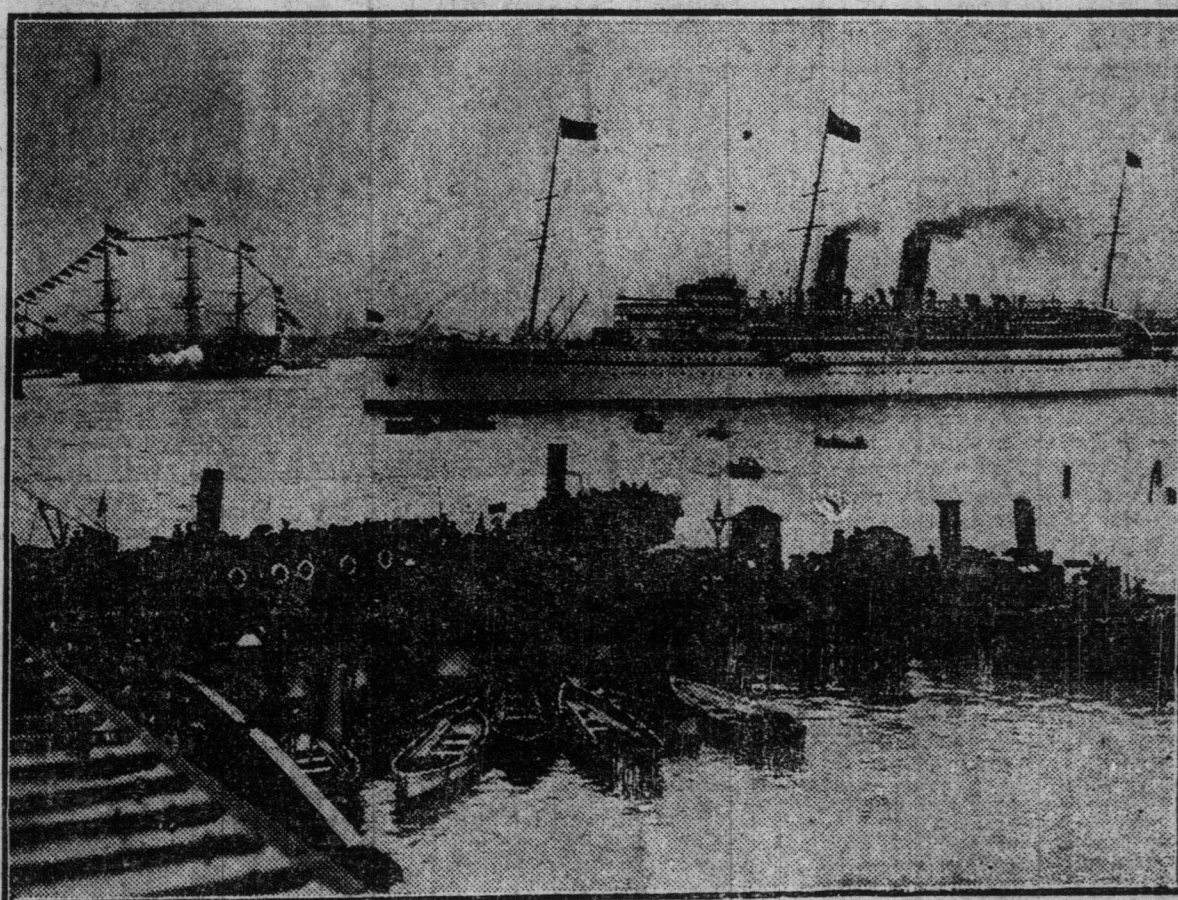
Controller Hocken, when interviewed last evening, declared that Controller Spence was doing his best to sidetrack the tube bylaw. "There is an organized attempt," he stated, "to make the bylaws as high as they can, so that they will not be carried, but I don't think it will be successful. The general feeling among the members of the council is that it is the only decent thing to do, when tenders have been called for, and accepted conditionally, to send the tubes bylaw to the people. It would be the most extraordinary thing ever done if the council were to shelve it. I think the viaduct bylaw will go thru easily, and the hydro-electric extension is regarded as necessary, so there is no doubt of its passing the council. The only fight will be on the tubes question, and that will not amount to very much."

Council Must Be Fair.

"I think that it is up to the council to submit these things anyway," declared Ald. Hilton. "The people are the real judges of what they are willing to pay taxes for, and they should be allowed to exercise their rights as judges. It is only a matter of time until the city must enter into wider and more modern methods of dealing with the issues that come up. We are a growing city and must build for our future growth. The council should look farther ahead and not do things piecemeal as they have been doing. It is merely a waste of the city's money. Any expenditure on a reasonable project should be authorized, even if the amount is large, especially when the project is as vital as this question of transportation."

Necessary Investments.

"Many members of the council are not looking at these matters in the right light," declared a prominent citizen last night. "Of this proposed expenditure of twelve million dollars there are only about three millions that may be termed debt. The others are investments. The tubes project is an investment that will pay for its inception. The hydro-electric will pay for itself. The Bloor-st. viaduct, taken as a part of a great traction system, will prove an asset. The Danforth-avenue line will liquidate the debt incurred by its receipts. The new fire halls must be considered as a question of insurance. The figure for schools must be considered as a separate matter. The citizens should not hesitate to further the interests of education. The council should take a sane and a wider view of these issues, and allow the people—who placed them in their positions, to bring these matters before them."



THE DEPARTURE OF THE KING AND QUEEN TO INDIA FROM PORTSMOUTH. Photo shows The Victory firing the salute as H. M. S. Medina passes.