

FREE TRADE DEMANDED BY FARMERS

Resolution for Complete Reciprocity With United States Passed Mid Scenes of Enthusiasm.

BIGGEST PLANK IN PRESENT PLATFORM

They Believe Free Trade With Southern Neighbor More Beneficial Than With Mother Country.

DO NOT CARE A SNAP FOR MANUFACTURERS

Propose to Regain Lost Revenue by Direct Tax on Unimproved Land Values and Other Methods.

London, Dec. 19.—Reciprocal free trade with the United States from A. to Z. is the demand of the United Farmers of Ontario. They will not be satisfied now with the reciprocity agreement of 1911, which afforded natural products only, but want the tariff free swept away on manufactured articles as well. If the United States will do the same, amid tremendous cheering they passed a resolution to that effect, at their convention in Labor Temple this afternoon. And free trade with the United States is to be one of the biggest planks in the Ontario Farmers' platform.

No longer will the organized farmers of this province be accused of being behind their western brethren. They want the farmers of the west one better today. The Winnipeg platform, which was recommended for their approval, simply provided "that the reciprocity agreement of 1911, which still remains on the statute books of the United States, be accepted by the parliament of Canada. On motion of B. C. Drury, of Barrie, Ont., seconded by C. Good, of Hamilton, this was amended by the following addition:

"And that any further reduction on the part of the United States toward Canada be met by similar reductions by Canada towards the United States."

Speaking to his amendment, Mr. Drury said: "If we had to choose between free trade with England and free trade with the United States, free trade with the United States would be more beneficial to us. We should meet the United States on any further reductions or else the tariff of 1911, which will ever dare again, now that the blood of the two nations has been mingled in France to say: 'No truck or trade with the Yankees.'"

"As the American market is open to our goods, article by article, we should open the Canadian market to the United States."

Mr. Drury's amendment was carried amid scenes of intense enthusiasm. Free Trade With Britain.

The United Farmers of Ontario adopted practically without discussion, the clause of the Winnipeg platform providing for reduction in the customs duty on goods imported from Great Britain to one-half the rates charged under the general tariff and asked that further gradual reductions be made in the remaining tariff on British imports that will ensure complete free trade between Great Britain and Canada in five years.

The following tariff changes are unanimously advocated: "That agricultural implements, farm machinery, vehicles, fertilizers, coal lumber, illuminating fuel, cement and lubricating oil be placed on the free list; and that all raw materials and machinery used in their manufacture also be placed on the free list. That all tariff concessions granted to other countries be immediately extended to Great Britain.

"That all corporations engaged in the manufacture of products protected by the customs tariff, be obliged to publish annually comprehensive and accurate statements of their earnings. That every claim for tariff protection by an industry should be heard publicly before a special committee of parliament."

The farmers propose to make up revenues lost by these tariff reductions in the following manner: "By a direct tax on unimproved land values, including all natural resources. By a graduated personal income tax. By a graduated inheritance tax on the profits of corporations.

Wilson Will Be Guest at Palace

London, Dec. 19.—President Wilson will probably be the guest of the King at Buckingham Palace during his visit to England. This official announcement was made tonight.

BOUGHT HUN NEWSPAPER

Dr. Edward A. Rumely of New York on Trial Charged With Evading Alien Property Act.

New York, Dec. 19.—Hearing on the application of the District of Columbia authorities for the removal to that jurisdiction of Dr. Edward A. Rumely, former publisher of the New York Evening Mail, was begun before Judge Clegg today. Dr. Rumely is under indictment in Washington on a charge of making a false report to the alien property custodian in relation to the Evening Mail's alleged German ownership.

Dr. Rumely, through his attorney, objected to the United States from A. to Z. is the demand of the United Farmers of Ontario. They will not be satisfied now with the reciprocity agreement of 1911, which afforded natural products only, but want the tariff free swept away on manufactured articles as well.

SOLDIER LOST HIS MEMORY

George Kitchen of Fredericton in Toronto Hospital Suffers Lapse—Remembers Public Building Somewhere.

MODERATES IN BAVARIA

Failure of Extremists to Seize Power Gives Strength to Work of National Government.

By J. C. Segre. (Special Cable to the N. Y. Tribune and the St. John Standard.) Munich, Dec. 20.—During the fortnight which has elapsed since my last visit, the political situation in Germany has changed. The storm which was then brewing over the country has broken. The failure of the extremists to seize power both here and in Berlin has resulted in an accession of strength to the moderate elements. Complaints of the apathy of the central government are, however, frequent.

MUCH WORK ON RAILWAYS

Army of Men Needed by Canadian Transportation Companies—Returned Men Will be Given Jobs Immediately.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Opportunities for employment of men on railways are many in Canada, according to the information collected by the transportation and employment office. About 3,000 employees of the Canadian Pacific Ry., four thousand employees of the Grand Trunk Ry., and 3,200 employees of the Canadian Northern, enlisted in the Canadian army. Those will all be absorbed by these railways on their return. Today 8,378 men are required by the railways of Canada. The Grand Trunk Railway requires 1,100; the Canadian Northern, 1,600; the Intercolonial, 3,170; the Transcontinental, 1,100 and the Canadian Pacific Ry., 3,500. This, over and above the 15,200 men who have already returned who will get their jobs back when they come home.

Further than that, next season the Canadian Pacific Railway will require from 10,000 to 15,000 men, the Grand Trunk 3,000, and the Canadian Northern 5,000. Besides that, in 1919 the government railways and the Canadian Northern Railways will require 11,500 men to work on railway extensions.

FLIGHT FAILS

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 19.—Aristocrats who left Houston, Texas, in three planes last Saturday on a flight to Detroit, and who arrived at Scottsfield near Belleville, Ill., Tuesday evening, are still at Scottsfield. It was announced that it was not known when the flight would be continued. One of the planes is disabled and as soon as it is repaired, or shipped rail, the flight will probably be continued.

TENTATIVE PLANS FOR SETTLEMENT

Memorandum Does Not Outline Definite Policy, But Covers Proposals of Dominion Government.

LOOK FOR INCREASE IN THE POPULATION

Must Expand Large Sum—Cheese-paring Policy Would Doom Plan to Failure in Opinion.

BACK TO LAND WILL BE MOVEMENT MOTTO

Social Welfare Bureau to Aid Immigrants—Steps to be Taken to Prevent Inflating of Farm Prices.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—The confidential memorandum relating to land settlement, submitted for consideration to the inter-provincial conference held at Ottawa last month by the Dominion government, was today made available for publication. The memorandum does not outline a definitely settled policy on the part of the Dominion government but covers proposals, the adoption of which, either as a whole or in part, depends in a large measure upon the action of the various provincial legislatures. This is clearly indicated by the sub-division of the memorandum into parts such as "general observations," "object of proposed policy," "outline of suggested policy," "notes on some details of settlement plans," etc.

In that section of the memorandum devoted to general and introductory observations the necessity for the adoption of progressive measures looking towards a continued rapid increase in the population of Canada is noted with the remark that "the policy heretofore pursued in an endeavor to secure suitable immigration have become obsolete and largely ineffective."

MRS. BUCHANAN IS IDENTIFIED AMONG DEAD

Lady En Route Home to Death Xmas in Sussex Met Death When Pullman Burned.

Winchester, Dec. 19.—The Canadian Pacific Railroad Company today gave out a revised list of eleven names of those who lost their lives in the tour of the Pullman train, as far as they have been identified. There still remain three bodies of adults to be identified. The name of Mrs. C. L. Buchanan, identified from Winchester to St. John, N. B., appears among the identified.

As was mentioned in yesterday's Standard, Mrs. Buchanan is the wife of Courtney Buchanan, son of William Buchanan, of Lower Cove, near Sussex, N. B., who with her sister and brother-in-law, H. S. Kilgus, were on route east to spend Christmas with their father, George Crothers, of Millstream. Previous to their marriage, Mrs. Buchanan was Bertha Crothers, and her sister's name was Ivy; the latter having gone west to teach school and while there became the wife of Mr. Kilgus. In the terrible accident Mr. Buchanan was injured but will recover.

GRAND TRUNK TRAIN DERAILED LAST NIGHT

One Passenger Seriously Injured—Both Main Lines Blocked.

London, Ont., Dec. 19.—The engine and six coaches of a Grand Trunk train (passenger), were derailed near the town of Newbar at 8:10 this p.m. All the coaches remained upright upon the ties, and this accounted for the fact that only one person, Mrs. Fulmar Thomas, of Ottawa, was seriously injured. She suffered the fracture of several ribs and may be internally injured. The engineer and fireman stuck to their posts heroically. Both the main lines are blocked. A special train from this city will bring the passengers through.

United States Casualties

Washington, Dec. 19.—Casualties of the American expeditionary forces which have not been published, but which have been announced officially by General Pershing, had been reduced, at noon, December 19, to a total of 64,882. These, the war department announced, were classified as follows: 4,688 casualties, including killed in action, died of wounds, died of disease and died of other causes, 1,680; wounded 63,192; missing and prisoners, 360.

A large proportion of the 64,882 names listed as wounded are minor cases, it was said, many patients having long since recovered, and returned to duty. Officials explained that the total is really less due to the fact that General Pershing's totals include missing casualties, 1,202 killed and more than 4,000 wounded, which already have been published by the marine corps headquarters here.

FRENCH MUST BE CAREFUL IN UKRAINE

Will be Regarded as Friends Only on Condition That They Assist in Maintenance of Order.

Odessa, Sunday, Dec. 15.—Dr. Lutsenko, the commander of the republican corps occupying Odessa and the larger part of Ukraine, outside of Kiev, said to the correspondent today: "Regarding the announced arrival of French troops we will consider them friends only if they come with the purpose of assisting us in the maintenance of order during the establishment of a democratic government. We have overthrown the aristocratic government of the hetman throughout Ukraine, except in Kiev, which we expect our troops to enter without bloodshed."

"If foreign troops are used as agents of reaction, they will find against them the mass of the people and a disciplined army powerful enough to seize the country as it has done in the past fortnight with the aid of the peasants and populations of the small towns. The questions of the boundary between Ukraine and separation from Russia cannot wait until the question of internal democracy is settled."

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The train bringing the field marshal to London was accompanied from Dover by about twenty airplanes, which also covered the procession which passed through the densely crowded thoroughfares from the station to Buckingham palace, where King George welcomed the returning warriors.

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MUST REACH A DEFINITE AGREEMENT

Peace Conference Cannot Advance Until Steps Are Taken Along These Lines.

PRESENT OPINION OF MANCHESTER PAPER

Believes There Are Discrepancies Between Proposed Acceptance and Sectional and Nationalistic Demands.

SAYS PRESIDENT MEANS BUSINESS

Food and Work Two Essential Things for Germany—Attacks Attitude Toward Mr. Hoover.

Manchester, Dec. 19.—In commenting editorially upon President Wilson's visit to London now in immediate prospect, the Guardian today regards as significant the "present government's attitude towards the peace conference." "It is unnecessary to speculate," continues the newspaper, "upon the precise cause of this sudden change of plans, but obviously the circumstances of the moment are not such as to brook delay. The news from Germany shows that two things are essential in order to be kept and a stable government maintained, and the population must be fed, and the industry started by the returning soldiers and munition workers thrown out of employment maintained, and yet we hear of nothing effective being done."

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NAIL CLEVER RUM DEALERS

Shipped Whiskey in Tar Barrels, But U. S. Government Agents Got Wise—Did Rushing Business.

to government agencies, who today sealed up a cellar which they say contains a large amount of contraband liquor, a wholesale bootlegging establishment has been revealed. With the arrest of David Shaw, of Mason, Ga., the government men claim that they have put a stop to the shipping of 50,000 worth of whiskey a month into Georgia. The manner in which the liquor was shipped according to the government men, was in the form of barrels of tar.

A three-inch layer of tar was put into the bottom of the barrel, then a quantity of bottled whiskey with the bottles wrapped in wax paper to prevent sticking, was put in. Tar was poured in on these and the process repeated until the barrel was filled with the three inches of tar on the top. Then the barrel was sealed and shipped to its destination, said by the officials to be Mason, Georgia.

NEXT WAR PREDICTED

Eminent Japanese Believes Colored Race Question Will Lead to Titanic Struggle—Manchuria and America.

Tokyo, Dec. 20.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—Belief that the next war will be the outcome of racial prejudices is expressed by Tokio Ozaki, formerly Minister of Justice and a leading member of the Constitutional Party. Mr. Ozaki said that in his opinion the colored races, which steadily were developing their civilization, would demand finally the same treatment as the white races, and that the result would be an armed collision.

FIRST MARRIAGE WAS HIGH SCHOOL AFFAIR

Milo H. Piper, Charged With Murder, so Describes First Affair of Heart—Autopsy Held on Body.

Muskogee, Mich., Dec. 19.—Findings in the autopsy performed on the body of Frieda Weichman, of Chicago, that the girl's death was caused by the crushing of her skull have not cleared up the confusion of circumstantial developments, the police admit. In the case of Milo H. Piper, local insurance agent who is charged with her murder.

NEW SCHOONER AT BASS RIVER

Special to The Standard. Parrsboro, N.S., Dec. 19.—The line term schooner, Minns King, of 470 tons register, was launched this afternoon from the shipyard of James Creelman, Bass River. She is a handsome, well-built vessel, with all modern improvements, is classed in Bureau Veritas, and is owned by the builder and a number of Parrsboro and Amherst people. She will come at once to Parrsboro to be finished, and will then proceed to St. John to load.