





CONVENTION FIXES DATES FOR THE FAIRS

Delegates Visit University This Afternoon as Guests of President Tory...

The business of the fifth annual convention of the Alberta Fairs association was concluded at Thursday's session...

The following officers were elected for the year 1910: President—A. H. Goodwin, Vegreville...

This evening a meeting will be held at the Maclean block, corner Jasper and Seventh streets...

W. T. Stephens, of Huntington, Que., secretary of the Canadian Agricultural Breeders' association...

After considerable discussion, a resolution was passed by the convention recommending the adoption of a uniform plan of ten per cent. of the prize money for entry fees...

The introduction of the following resolution was greeted with applause and carried by a unanimous standing vote...

The fifth annual convention of the Alberta Agricultural Fairs association wishes to express its appreciation of the work done by the department of agriculture and the government...

Other resolutions submitted were as follows: "Whereas in the past the districts of the weed inspectors of the department have been very large and the best results have not been obtained from their labors...

The report of the committee on fair dates, setting the following dates was approved of without discussion...

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A WONDERFUL STORY OF WESTERN CANADA

Lucid Description Given by Writer in the New York Times—Raising the Burial Industry by Nurseries for Children—Government Banks and Hospitals.

Of all the very interesting writings that have been given in western Canada, and there have been very many during the last few years, none excel in originality that of the unique description given in the New York Times by a writer signing herself Mrs. J. Elliott Langstaff...

"She begins by telling how they started out from Toronto in the private car of William Mackenzie, president of the Northern Pacific. The trip was only to the Pacific, but went north beyond Edmonton, to Alberta, which is the present 'farther west' of the Grand Trunk Pacific, which will terminate just south of Edmonton from Edmonton the party went north beyond the line into the 'unsettled country,' where the chief occupation seems to be breeding sheep for the robes. There they saw the black buffalo cow, a cross between the buffalo and the plains bison, which is being raised for its fine black fur."

"Among the most noteworthy things we saw," said Mrs. Langstaff, "were the remarkable fine schools which are being built throughout the country in the small towns as well as in the large. They are four and five story buildings of gray stone, even in a community of two or three hundred people."

"The farmers in the Far Northwest are not a brown-stem lot, living in lonely cabins year in and year out. Most of them are in the employ of the staff, 'is for a man to hold a city 'nine months,' commutes out to his ranch and works the land for the rest of the three months vacation, for their most responsible man and his family. In the winter, though, the families make their homes in the towns."

"Day properties there are for the rich, and not patronized only by poor scrub-men. A small community is likely to have one, so that whenever a rancher's wife wants to go into town and do her shopping, she leaves her children there, knowing that they will be taken care of. Money is plentiful, but servants are scarce. At Saskatchewan, in a formal luncheon women served us the event of their day, the whole party of eight."

"The Canadian Northwest is drawing the very best people out there. In one small town where we were, the church the rector told us that every member of his volunteer choir was a university man from Oxford or Cambridge."

"The paternal policy of the Canadian government," Mrs. Langstaff explains, "is providing schools and hospitals for every group of more than one hundred homesteads. A homestead is a quarter section of farmed land with a house of logs set in mortar, thus giving fire evidence of permanence. When a homestead is built, and the government has grown up in any section, word is sent to the government. A branch of the national bank is built, and the school is built, and next to it, all large, fine buildings of gray stone, more than this, the upper stories of each form the quarters of the nurses, so that none of them have to travel for the children's education."

"Mrs. Langstaff further tells that when any place gets to be made 900 feet wide. The government, which builds the hospitals, does not supply an ambulance, and this deficiency is frequently supplied by the woman's organization."

"Pry, excuse us, Mrs. Langstaff, of the Northern Pacific? And where are the black buffalo, crossed with ordinary plains cows being bred for their fur? And those four or five story school buildings of stone? And the day nurseries where the farmers' wives put their children out to board while they hang around hotels? And the kind government that provides schools and hospitals with every hundred homestead? And where is being in Alberta? And those streets three hundred feet wide? And three months vacations each year by the business houses? And those choirs of Oxford and Cambridge men?"

"Mrs. Langstaff's account of her journey reminds one of the Frenchman who called into Canada casual-like for a matter of two weeks, and returning to the old land, even an article for the edification of his fellow countrymen. Among the valuable information he imparted was the following: 'Out in Canada they have a suit-Lords early by immediately reforming the House on business trusts. The Pall Mall Gazette sincerely trusts that nothing will be said or done to that nation that the Unionists are trying to do to the cause of hereditary privilege. The middle and working classes must be absorbed into the Unionist party.'"

"A Manitoba Tragedy. Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 4.—Bleeding to death from a mysterious gunshot wound, an unknown foreigner named Wodrich, was brought into the St. Boniface station of the Canadian Northern at ten o'clock this morning. Wodrich, a man, and was at once taken to St. Boniface hospital. Since then the surgeons have been battling to save the man's life and so far, the particulars of the shooting are not available. Jantinski died at about one o'clock this afternoon from the effects of a bullet wound in the arm."

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THE SEED FAIR PROVES AN IMMENSE SUCCESS

The Attendance is Larger Than Ever Before and Exhibits Are the Best Yet Seen in the Province—The Prize Winners in the Different Competitions.

The fourth annual Provincial Seed Fair being conducted in the new McLean block at the corner of Jasper Avenue and Seventh Street, under the auspices of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, assisted by the Seed Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture will come to a close this evening after the most successful meeting in its history.

All parts of the province are well represented in the exhibits and the display is a magnificent one, giving the visitor an excellent idea of the agricultural resources of Alberta. It is without doubt the best display of seed grain ever seen in the province, and the prize winners have the satisfaction of knowing that their seed is being planted among the grain growers of Canada.

In addition to the seed judging lectures are being delivered in the basement of the building by Prof. S. A. Bedford of Manitoba Agriculture and Experiment Station, and other prominent experts. The prize winners in the various competitions are as follows:

Judging Competition. Judging wheat—First, A. Bruchet, Lethbridge, 90 points; second, A. Louheed, Bowden, 85 points; third, M. Smeltzer, Strathcona, 75 points; fourth, J. Stevenson, 65 points.

Judging oats—First, A. Louheed, Bowden, 92 points; second, H. P. O'Brien, Swift, 82 points; third, John Govenlock, Strathcona, 75 points; fourth, A. Bruchet, Lethbridge, 77 points.

Identification of weeds—First, A. Louheed, Bowden, 92 correct; second, H. P. O'Brien, Swift, 82 correct; third, A. Bruchet, Lethbridge, 77 correct.

Special Prizes. The winners of the special prizes are as follows: Best five bushels of spring wheat, silver trophy valued at \$100, donated by the publishers of Farm Notes, to W. J. Glass, Macleod; second A. J. W. Scott, Mannville; third, Louis Brew, Lloydminster.

Best five bushels of Alberta Red winter wheat, silver trophy, valued at \$100, donated by the Alberta Pacific Electric Company, Calgary. A. B. Bennett, Magrath.

Best five bushels of Milling Oats, silver trophy, valued at \$100, donated by the Calgary and Strathcona branches of the Brackman-Cook Milling Company. Charles H. Barrett, Calgary.

Best five bushels of Six Rowed Barley, silver trophy valued at \$100, donated by the Calgary and Strathcona branches of the Brackman-Cook Milling Company. Charles H. Barrett, Calgary.

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EXPORTING CHICKENS

Calgary, Feb. 2.—Five hundred prairie chickens, alive, are said to be on the Basano station to be shipped to Washington, D. C. The Fish and Game Protection association are taking the matter up with the government to see if a special permit has been issued. If not steps will be taken to stop shipment and bring the birds back. With birds as scarce as at present five hundred would be about the young crop for a district, so this shipment is depicting the stock considerably.

At meeting of the board last night estimates for the ensuing year were passed. These total \$144,844.50, but \$29,000 have to be deducted from this amount to allow for receipts so that the board will ask the city council last year, notwithstanding the fact that there are this year than last. The salary for teachers alone amounts to \$13,000. The estimate for teacher's salaries \$70,500 includes new teachers, increases in salary to the old ones, and makes provision for substitutes during the year.

School of Instruction. A provisional school of instruction for the cavalry corps of the Province was opened yesterday afternoon at the exhibition grounds with Capt. MacKee in charge. It is expected that about 100 officers will be present. The school and they will include cadets from all the cavalry corps in Alberta, including the 1st Alberta Cavalry, the 15th Alberta Cavalry, Edmonton, 21st Alberta Hussars, Medicine Hat, 23rd Alberta Hussars, Calgary, 24th Alberta Hussars, Calgary, and 25th Alberta Hussars, Calgary. The school will be in charge of Capt. MacKee, and the 2nd Alberta Hussars, Calgary, and the 2nd Alberta Hussars, Calgary.

Former Member Accused of Forging Telegrams. London, February 2.—An echo of the recent political campaign was heard today, when Frederick Horner, a former member of the House of Commons, and a newspaper man, was accused of forging telegrams sent to the Daily Mail. The telegrams were sent from Falmouth, and were signed with the name of the Mail's regular correspondent. They related a sensational story of an alleged hostile demonstration against David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer. The latter publicly argued the accuracy of the matter, and inquiry is alleged to have established that the story had been sent by Horner, who previously had instituted an unsuccessful libel suit against the Mail. The case was brought first before the Lord Mayor at the Mansion House. The prosecution suggested that Horner had been actuated by vindictiveness. Pending a trial Horner was released under a bail of \$3,000.

Mining Claims "Jumped." Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 31.—Forty-two coal claims in Telkwa and Bulkley valleys owned by the Cassiar Coal Co., an eastern corporation of which Sam Barker, M.P., Hamilton, Ont., is a prominent official, were "jumped" for alleged non-occupancy with the mining regulations. It is alleged that while the company paid the annual license of \$100 per claim, every year continuous development was not prosecuted as required by law. A big fight is pending and the matter was referred by the Hazelton mining recorder to Premier McBride as minister of mines. The locations were made public about five years ago. The company applied for crown grants a few months ago. The property is very valuable as the area embraces valuable farm lands in Bulkley Valley at the junction of the Bulkley and Telkwa rivers, and also comprised several prospective townsites.

Calgary's School Attendance. Calgary, Feb. 3.—Samuel M. Kennedy, the man who attempted suicide in the police cells early in January, was discharged from the hospital this morning and pleaded guilty in the police court to charge of attempted suicide. He was let on a suspended sentence for a term of six months. The total expenditure for his year was \$24,250.

Local Option Dispute. Brantford, Feb. 3.—Decision was reserved by Judge Barry in the recent local option battle in South Dunfermline, where the by-law had two majorities of the three fifty law clause. The two local options, are in dispute.

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OUR NORTHERN LANDS. Senator Wants Their Possession Put Beyond Any Doubt. Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 1.—In Senate Senator Forster asked if the government proposed to appoint a commission charged with superintendence of the Arctic lands and islands on which the Canadian flag was recently planted. He attached great importance to the possession of all parts of British North America and their were indications that the United States had recently agreed to the closing of Hudson Bay as territorial water. Canada's boundary experiences should make her prudent in the matter of securing possession. A document recently discovered in Sitka was an instruction to a Russian officer to set back as 1826 directing him to make a secret expedition to bury along the coast, indicating the discovery and possession of Alaska at a far earlier date by Russia. In this way Russia established claim to Alaska which was later sold to the States for a million and a half dollars. Sir Richard Cartwright answered that the government was not bound to the importance of asserting jurisdiction in the north of Canada and had already dispatched two expeditions for this purpose, and was about to send a third. In addition two or three police posts had been established. The question of appointing a superintendent was under consideration.

The Authorities Taking Steps to Save Paris From Scourge. Paris, Feb. 2.—As the flood recedes the streets of Paris present a deplorable condition. Miles of them in the districts along the Seine are covered with the wreckage and the debris left by the waters and in many places there are dangerous pits and gullies. Every precautionary measure has been taken to prevent scourge from following the flood, and the health authorities are sanguine that the danger of an epidemic of any kind except typhoid is a negligible quantity. Typhoid is endemic in France, and undoubtedly the polluted water supply. Nevertheless, with the warnings issued against the drinking of unboiled water, it is hoped to avoid this scourge. The government has instructed the prefects of the departments and the provincial authorities everywhere to enforce the most rigid disinfection as the waters recede. Already large quantities of chlorine of lime, quicklime and various other disinfectants have been employed and immense supplies have been concentrated in depots in each of the arrondissements of Paris for free distribution. Health officers and physicians who have volunteered to go to the work have been detailed to inspect the districts done privately.

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COMING EVENTS.

U. S. makers of breakfast foods are forming a combine. We may look for a sharp advance in the prices of shredded peanut shells and pre-digested saw-dust.

TWO GOOD POINTS.

The C. P. R. will spend \$30,000,000 in the West this year. This is important news. It is even more important that the same has come when the West is known to justify such expenditures.

A SCOTCH VERDICT.

A man got \$2,000 damages because he was arrested for saying a Port Arthur commissioner got a rake-off from a firm selling machinery to the city. This does not say the commissioner got the money, but it seems to mean that anyone who says so does not lie within the phraseology of the law.

THAT BRIDGE.

Mr. William Whyte is in Montreal discussing matters with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy. It is to be hoped Mr. Whyte's memory does not slip when he gets down to the high level bridge item. It is about time we knew whether his early construction promise is to be kept, or whether he belongs to Dr. Cook class.

AS USUAL.

A despatch from Ottawa yesterday said: "Conservatives after a lengthy caucus this morning decided to leave the policy of the Opposition regarding the naval bill which comes up for second reading today to Mr. Borden. Mr. Borden in conversation after the caucus said he was unable to declare whether the policy would be until he heard the definite proposal of the Government, which it is expected will be made by the Premier." One can usually tell what the Opposition policy will be when the Government's policy is announced. Up to then nobody, Mr. Borden included, knows what it will be.

POOR MAN!

Some Opposition members went after Hon. Mackenzie King and wound up by driving their leader and Mr. John Haggart out of the House, and some more of their friends to vote with the Government. Mr. Borden needs consideration most of the time, and deserves it pretty often, too. His way would be smoother and more consistent if some friendly agency would eliminate the secret enemies and the openly irresponsible gentlemen who usually either getting him into trouble or planning to do it. These parties do not seem to have the common courtesy to let Mr. Borden know when they are going to open a pit-fall at his feet or undertake one of their innumerable and disastrous expeditions into the wilderness. In consequence, Mr. Borden spends part of his time fighting to keep his friends from crowding him into a hole and another part in toddling along on an errand that promises more bumps than glory.

KEEP TO THE REAR.

Hon. Walpole once remarked that an Englishman had to ask every morning what fresh victory had been won. Newspaper readers now have to ask each day what new mine horror is reported. Canadians may be grateful that comparatively few of these occur on this side of the boundary. Coal mining has not of course reached the proportions in Canada that it has in the United States. Still, allowing for this difference, our mines do not seem to provide a proportionate number of serious accidents. Legions of operators and miners should co-operate to keep as far as possible in the rear in this regard.

Cook Stays Ahead.

Mannheimden, Feb. 2.—The report that the marionet Consul has been ousted by the British Consul, Mr. V. C. Erick, A. C. K. is false.

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OUR VANCOUVER MASTERS.

The Bulletin seems to have "guessed right" as to why certain Vancouver gentlemen wanted what they called "equalized" freight rates over the mountain and prairie sections of the C. N. R. At least, in an article reproduced elsewhere, "The Sunset" is displeased with the Bulletin's fairly noticeable, but it is also noticeable that it does not deny the correctness of the Bulletin's view. Had that view been wrong the Sunset would not doubt have been glad to correct it. Certainly it takes up the matter with sufficient interest to warrant the supposition. But it does not correct the claim nor venture a hint that it needs correcting. The assumption is that it is correct, and this assumption is backed up by the testimony of the Sunset. For while the Sunset is very much put out at the brazen effrontery of the Bulletin in drawing attention to the little game being played on the mountain line as charged for hauling goods over the prairie lines, and that the Company make up what it loses in this process by charging more for freight on the prairies than it should charge. And the reason they want this is that without such arrangement Edmonton wholesalers would be unable to sell goods in the West. The territory lying along the C. N. R. line beyond the borders of British Columbia. In a nutshell, they demand that the people of Alberta shall be taxed to prevent the dealers of Alberta doing business there otherwise do and to give this business unreservedly into the hands of a group of Vancouver gentlemen.

When one is taxing other people for the double purpose of destroying their business and of benefiting his own, it is not wise to be over-considerate in the matter. So the Vancouver gentlemen propose that all the western country shall help pay their freight bills and help pay it on all the business done over C. N. R. lines. By their terms, if a farmer shipped a bushel of wheat to the Lake ports or to Fort Churchill over the C. N. R. he would have to pay on this a part of the freight on a consignment of goods shipped by some Vancouver dealer to some merchant along the line of the C. N. R. in the mountains, which merchant might otherwise buy from a dealer in Edmonton. And if he brought in a hundred weight of merchandise from the East he would pay on it part of the cost of shipping a hundred weight of goods from Vancouver to somebody in the mountains who otherwise would be tempted to buy it from a dealer in Alberta.

As pointed out by the Sunset the Vancouver dealers consider all British Columbia their rightful "territory". That Province they regard as their preserve, into which no others should be allowed to trespass. But they know very well that they cannot hold the territory opened up along the mountain line from Vancouver are fixed by the habits prevailing west from Edmonton and mountain ranges east from Vancouver, Edmonton dealers would sell far beyond the boundary of the Province, perhaps as the Sunset says, two-thirds of the way across it. It is to exclude this trespassing by the Edmonton men that the Vancouver group propose to obliterate the mountains so far as the freight rates are concerned, and to take the cost of doing it from the pockets of the people in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. They do not propose to tax Alberta dealers out of their Province but to tax Alberta people to keep them out, and the people in Saskatchewan and Manitoba as well. The proposal is that we shall pay not only to build up Vancouver but to build up Vancouver at the expense of our own cities.

For protesting against this scheme, the Bulletin it seems has been guilty of "naive and narrow selfishness," and "cool, impudent cheek that would offend the eye." The enormity of the offence is appalling. We have questioned the wisdom and justice of the masters of the universe it seems. Whether it will be the thimble, the rack or the dungeon we are not yet informed, but no doubt one of these or perhaps all of them will be required to obliterate the insult of asserting that the beneficiaries of Vancouver have no business to levy taxes on the people of Alberta.

Worse still, we have endangered the solidarity of our Dominion. For unless this "right of the Vancouver wholesalers to tax us for our own injury" is admitted, the Saturday Sunset threatens to break the bonds of confeder-

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Which course he took seemed therefore likely to discredit him further with a section of his party and to make him an easy victim to the ambitious Manitoba gentleman who is after his crown. Somewhat unexpectedly, perhaps, Mr. Borden showed signs of a "change of heart" in a Conservative paper with a pretence of independence, came out strongly for a Canadian navy and began to bow down the arguments advanced on behalf of the insurrectionist candidate. When the by-election was called Mr. Ellis did not get the party nomination. This was one of his great failures. Mr. Borden and some of his supporters in the House went into the fight vigorously on behalf of Dr. Chabot, probably quite as much for the purpose of defeating Mr. Ellis as with any hope of electing Dr. Chabot. Mr. Ellis, however, was nominated. But the "change" got "cold feet." It sorrowfully informed him, and whoever else might be concerned, that he would like to continue to support him as a victor. If one cannot defeat the enemy, it is something to whip one's rebellious supporters into line, and this he seems to have done pretty well for the moment. His chances of being able to hold the leadership next June are considerably bettered by the outcome of the incident. He at least showed "spunk" enough to fight the plotters which ought to gain him credit among the fair-minded element of his party. Meantime it would be very interesting to know what Mr. Glen Campbell and the other Parliamentary proteges of Mr. Roblin think of themselves. They are very anxious a few weeks ago to see a man who resigned and leave the O. C. seat vacant. That, of course, was when Mr. Ellis was the only Conservative candidate in sight and when they thought Mr. Borden would either strike his colors or remain neutral. It is pretty safe to guess that if their critics suggest again they would not be so urgent in the matter. For they consider rather have had the seat remain in the hands of the Liberals than a fight which would lose it in a fight in which they came out very much third best.

THE CLOSED OFFICES.

The Lords Day Alliance is being roundly condemned for persuading the Post Office Department to close some post offices on Sunday. The Alliance claims that some unwise and greedy business men have been working their stenographers and clerks on Sunday, answering the mail received on that day. To this the critics answer that these parties should be prosecuted and the offices left open. It is not, however, easy to secure evidence warranting such prosecution, and it is not known that the parties now advising prosecution have been very ready to help the Alliance in getting this evidence. Had they been ready to help prosecute as they now are to condemn the alternative means taken to secure the same end, their counsel would have an aspect of greater sincerity. And in that case the alternative course might not have been necessary. If the means adopted does not more than bring those who profess a desire to stop Sunday labor into a disposition of readiness to help stop it an important end will have been gained for prosecution will then be possible. Perhaps it was to bring them into this disposition that the Alliance took the present move. If the Alliance appears to have been well advised, for their critics suggest to be quite "warm" enough to prosecute anybody or anything in order to get the offices re-opened.

MR. BORDEN'S VICTORY.

The Liberal candidate won in the Ottawa by-election. Mr. Borden's reduced therefore to drawing what consolation he may from having downed the rebellious spirits in his party who sought to elect a candidate there in opposition to his naval policy. Even this consolation may not be inconsiderable, while in practical effect it considerably better Mr. Borden's chances of hanging on to the leadership when the fortunes of the party come to be considered in convention next June.

Long before the by-election was called, and before any selection of a Conservative candidate had been made, Mr. Ellis announced himself in opposition to Mr. Borden's naval policy, and in favor of a direct contribution to the Imperial authorities. The Citizen, the most persistently Conservative of the Ottawa papers and the one commonly regarded as voicing the views of the party, promptly backed up his candidature and warmly advocated his cause.

Mr. Borden of course had already been emphasizing the policy of a Canadian navy throughout the country and was tied up to that policy by local compromise. The candidature of Mr. Ellis was therefore in essence a direct challenge to the leader of the party. And there were other indications that the candidate had not chosen his course without counsel and the assurance of support. Premier Roblin, of Manitoba, was at that time favoring the world with his shillings against the Canadian navy idea while Hon. Robert Rogers was daily instructing the naval strategists as to what must be done to save the Empire. At the same time the Manitoba Conservatives members in Parliament were showing an unusual activity, activity of a kind which left no manner of doubt that they were duly grateful to Mr. Roblin for the comfortable seats he had provided them and that they were prepared to follow him in any split which might occur between him and the titular leader of the party.

The lines were thus beautifully laid for cutting the ground from under Mr. Borden's feet. If he refused to endorse Mr. Ellis' candidature and supported another candidate he would be splitting the party, or would be leaving himself open to be accused of having done so. He would also be running the risk of defeat under circumstances which would make defeat doubly disastrous to himself. On the other hand, if he did not fight he would be showing a spirit of weakness and would be open to the charge of lukewarmness in the cause he had espoused.

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THE BEEF TRUST.

Toronto Mail and Bee Trust.—As a result of the outcry in the United States against the high price of meat, the National Packing Company of Chicago, small capital established in 1905, either controls or is in a position to control the retail prices of meat in the United States. The company is really greater than all three combined. It represents them and several other packing establishments. It can fix the price to be paid to the farmer, and also the price the consumer will pay for beef or pork. It is a significant fact that it never exercises this power. It is a significant fact that it never exercises this power. It is a significant fact that it never exercises this power.

THE VANCOUVER DEMAND.

Saturday Sunset.—An article from the Edmonton Bulletin reproduced on page 3 of this issue is as fine an example of naïveté as in some time. The Bulletin opposes the idea of equalized freight rates on the C. N. R. because it would enable Vancouver to go half way to Edmonton. If, says the Bulletin, we have discriminating mountain rates "Edmonton wholesalers will be able to capture trade as far west as Kamloops."

For cool, impudent cheek that would be hard to beat. British Columbia is to contribute to the tune of \$38,000,000 to a maximum of 748,000 bushels. In 1899 the leading wheat state was Ohio, with a production of 68,000,000 bushels. Of the entire crop in 1900 amounting to 73,000,000 bushels, 25,000,000 were grown east of the Mississippi. Missourians planted wheat in California in 1909. In 1908 that state yielded 12,000,000 bushels. In 1896 the yield was 45,000,000 bushels—California's maximum crop. The greatest wheat state (Minnesota, North Dakota and Kansas) produced in ten years (1897-1906), a total of 1,906,388,800 (nearly 2,000 million bushels) in its entire area.

The variation of the U. S. wheat centre in half a century is illustrated by an approximate location. In 1850 it was 37 miles east-northeast of Columbus, O. In 1900 it was 70 miles west of Des Moines, Ia. In its westward march wheat has outrun all the other great interests. Considering the wheat centre for all North America, Mr. Brigham fixed it at about 100 miles west of Omaha (Nebr.) and 500 miles from the Canadian frontier. This brings us to the quotation with which this article began. Mr. Brigham then emphasizes the fact that the movement which has hitherto been from east to west is henceforth to be from south to north. In 1904 (Mr. Brigham recalls) Dr. Wm. Saunders reported that Dr. Simpson on the Mackenzie at the most northerly point from which samples of wheat had been received. The late (Book of Wheat?) states that spring wheat matured at Rampant and Dawg, about 62 degrees N. Dr. Saunders' large and assured production, the author thinks the limits may be set down at 35 to 55 deg. N. L. The usual range is from 30 degs. (New Orleans—total then was 2000.

THE WHEAT PROBLEM.

Montreal Gazette.—"It is easy to conceive of a time in no distant future when the United States might raise 800 million bushels and consume 700 million, while Canada might at the same time raise 400 million and consume 100 million bushels. The north-country would even hold the north-east of the world than the North American centre of production remaining the same. This is a North American international problem. The wheat centre in a remarkable paper on the North American," in the Journal of the Royal Geographical Society for January. In closing it, the author (Mr. Albert Perry Brigham) makes a further concession to the growing advance of the Dominion. After briefly surveying the world's wheat field, he concludes: "It is North America which has the land, the progressive appliances, the skilled energy of production and the facilities of transportation to supply the bread market of coming decades. No citizen of the United States should harbour a jealous thought if that market the major place should come to his northern neighbor." Every other sentence in Mr. Brigham's paper is charged with significance which, however, can only be rightly appreciated by carefully considering the context. He starts with the statement that in the year 1602 Bartholomew Gosnold made the first planting of wheat and other grains in one of the Elizabethan plantations on the coast of Massachusetts. In 1607 Virginia had "sown good store of wheat." The centre of wheat production has long been moving west and more recently north. After its opening of the Erie Canal (1825) Rochester held the position that Minneapolis holds today. Since 1866 the centre of wheat production in the United States has risen from 15,000,000 to 40,000,000 acres, and in the same period the production has risen from 10,000,000 to a maximum of 748,000 bushels. In 1899 the leading wheat state was Ohio, with a production of 68,000,000 bushels. Of the entire crop in 1900 amounting to 73,000,000 bushels, 25,000,000 were grown east of the Mississippi. Missourians planted wheat in California in 1909. In 1908 that state yielded 12,000,000 bushels. In 1896 the yield was 45,000,000 bushels—California's maximum crop. The greatest wheat state (Minnesota, North Dakota and Kansas) produced in ten years (1897-1906), a total of 1,906,388,800 (nearly 2,000 million bushels) in its entire area.

THEY MAY GO TO JAIL.

Representatives of the United States Government have been working on the question of the Panama Canal for some time. Indeed, the concern has been more or less suspicion ever since it was formed, in 1903, and the view point of these people has been collected to warrant prosecution on criminal grounds, for violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. The proceedings that are about to be undertaken have grown out of a prosecution of the Panama Canal Company in the matter that there is between two farmers who agree with each other what they will ask for their fresh eggs.

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UNIONISTS WORRY ABOUT SITUATION

Advise Asquith Not to Retire on His Allies.—"Speculation as to the Nationalists' Course."

Canadian Associated Press.

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SPORTING NEWS

**HOCKEY.**  
**SHAMROCKS TRIM CANADIENS.**  
Montreal, Feb. 2.—In an uninteresting and loose match, Shamrocks defeated Canadiens tonight to 3. The game proved by all odds, the least interesting that has yet been played in the National Association. Shamrocks had easily the best of the argument from the start holding the Canadians without a score in the first half, while they made three goals. In the second half the Canadians played real hockey for a short period and scored several times but then they faded away, and the threatened clash between the Irishmen and French Canadians dwindled away to an uninteresting continuation of how many goals the men in green dare to get for their money.

Both teams made a poor showing and the two thousand spectators who paid fifty cents a seat for their money, were disappointed. The Canadians seemed to have lost all the skill and team play they showed in the earlier matches, and did not put up a good enough game to draw the Shamrocks out at any time save for a minute or two in the second half.

**WAINWRIGHT II, EDGERTON 2.**  
Wainwright, Feb. 2.—It took overtime play to decide the league match today between Wainwright and Edgerton, the score at full time was 2 all and two periods of five minutes each were played to decide the game.

**JOE HALL FINED \$100.**  
Montreal, Feb. 2.—Joe Hall, the ex-Bombardier player now with the Shamrocks, was fined \$100, at a special meeting of the National Hockey Association today, for his assault on judge of play Rod Kennedy in the Shamrock-Bombardier match of Jan. 22. Hall was suspended by the league three days after the match. This suspension was lifted today conditional on Hall paying out of his own pocket the fine of \$100 in full before the league at three meetings.

**WATERLOO 9, GALT 3.**  
Waterloo, Feb. 2.—Ontonario beat Galt 9 to 3 at Ontario pro-hockey.

**SERVE 15 YEARS IN PENITENTIARY HERE**  
H. M. Roper, Young Farm Hand Who Shot His Employer, is Convicted of Manslaughter in Regina and Sentenced by Judge Newlands.

**WIDE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN OFFERS AND AMOUNTS ASKED.**  
Toronto, Feb. 2.—The arbitration board appointed to assess the value of land appropriated by the town of Aurora, from the Hudson Bay company and Kewatin Milling company has handed out the award. To the former they allowed \$46,000 and to the latter \$35,000. The matter in dispute arose out of the expropriation for power purposes by the Hudson Bay company and one acre owned by the Kewatin Milling Co. The town offered \$187 and \$100 respectively for the two lots. The Hudson Bay company asked \$1,600,000 and the Kewatin Milling company \$400,000.

**Australia Wants Peopled.**  
Melbourne, Feb. 3.—The Victoria cabinet has decided to dispatch within a few days a mission to the United States and England with the object of promoting immigration. Representatives of the government, including probably a member of the cabinet, will constitute the mission which will first visit England.

**The greatest danger from influenza is its resulting in pneumonia. This can be avoided by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, as it not only cures influenza, but counteracts any tendency of the disease towards pneumonia. Sold by all dealers.**

GEO. HOADLEY MAKES HIMSELF OBNOXIOUS

**Member for Okotoks Takes Exception to Invitation to Inspect by Premier, Tory, of the University, to Delegate to Fairs' Associated to Visit University—Hated Discussion.**

A score of resolutions were passed upon at the session of the delegates to the Alberta fairs convention Thursday afternoon. The attendance was larger than at the morning session, and about seventy delegates being present. The greater part of the afternoon was taken up with the discussion of the various resolutions which were submitted following an able address of an hour's duration by H. A. Craig, superintendent of fairs and industries under the Department of Agriculture.

An invitation was extended to the delegates to visit the University this afternoon, by President Tory, and was unanimously accepted after a quarter of an hour's heated discussion of an objection made by Geo. Hoadley, M. P. of Okotoks, to the acceptance of the invitation by the convention as a body, on the ground that their action might prejudice them in the eyes of the farmers whom they represented, in the event of the present invitation to the question of the location of the agricultural college.

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**Sports Started Too Early.**  
In most fairs the program set, was carried out fairly well, but there was a tendency in the ordinary run of things to begin the sports. Started early they would be finished early and the rest of the afternoon was early enough to get the spectators to the fairs.

**Old Boards Lose Interest.**  
The reorganization of the board of directors often gave new life to a fair. Old boards lost interest and new blood frequently would work wonders. It would be well to make attendance at board meetings a qualification for directorship, in this way the right sort of directors would be secured.

**To Appoint Dairy Judges.**  
The judging of dairy stock had not hitherto engaged the attention of the Department of Agriculture for a reason that the class of dairy animal in the province was below the mark. A great improvement had been made in this class in the last couple of years and the department now proposes to send out dairy judges this year.

**No Need for U. F. A.**  
George Harcourt, deputy Minister of Agriculture addressed the convention briefly. The association, he said, might accomplish a great deal working together in enrolling uniform fairs, setting high ideals in types of animals and in developing grains. He was interested in the seed fair. It was a question whether it should not be held under the auspices of the Fairs' Association. He was merely making this suggestion.

**Resolutions.**  
A large number of resolutions were submitted by the meeting and discussed at length. The most important were the following:  
That in the opinion of this convention, the Department of Agriculture should provide judges for grains, grasses, and vegetables, in addition to the judges already provided for live stock.  
That this convention request the commissioner of fairs to introduce in the institute of lectures some method which would give the farmers the knowledge necessary to detect disease in their crops.  
That this convention request the Department of Agriculture to offer special prizes for such lines of agriculture as are being neglected. Laid on the table.

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**Insidious Potato Disease.**  
Owing to the steady, but insidious spread of the virulent disease in potatoes, known under various appellations as Black rot, Warty disease, and Potato cancer, and knowing very serious and disastrous effects on the potato crop, this disease particularly into the western division of the Dominion, wherever for at least a few years to the west of the Rocky mountains, must be his main stay, and hence in the very best interests of the whole farming community, the urgent definition of both the Provincial and Dominion Parliaments be called, and that an act be placed on the statute books prohibiting the shipment of potatoes from the present known infested districts unless such shipments are made under the supervision of the shippers that such seed potatoes are absolutely free from disease or subject to government inspection at port of entry, both as regards shipments from Europe or Newfoundland.

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GREAT ACTIVITY BY THE C.P.R. THIS YEAR

Most of the Money Will be Expended on the Western Section—The Lacombe Branch is to be Extended to the East.

Winnipeg, Feb. 2.—That the Canadian Pacific is looking forward to a very busy summer in 1910, is evident as indicated by a statement made by General Manager Bury in Vancouver. He stated that the large sum of \$30,000,000 would be expended in western Canada this year. This total would include betterments and improvements and great interest is manifested to learn in what parts of the country the corporation will be at work.

**U. S. Cereal Makers Said to Be Forming a Merger.**  
Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 1.—Brokers and traders commission houses in the Twin Cities, holders of industries, persons interested directly or indirectly in the grain and mill business, to say nothing of all who ever breakfast, were much interested in the report which started today that there was forming in Minneapolis a holding company that intended to take over several of the largest cereal factories in the United States to form a trust in breakfast foods. It is understood that while some details remain to be adjusted, the trust is practically closed. The report was partly confirmed late in the day. It is said that the trust probably will be in the combine. The Northwestern Cereal Corporation.

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THE COST OF LIVING

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Catholic Census.

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at Mansfield, ten miles east of Fort Saskatchewan. Applicant state salary required. H. Gunther, chairman.

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ana S.D. No. 1672; duties to commence at once. Apply stating salary required and giving references. J. S. McCullum, Secretary, Mundare, Alta.

**WANTED-QUALIFIED TEACHER**  
for the Flowerdale school district, for 7 months, commencing April 4; salary \$50 per calendar month. Apply F. Tappenden, Sec.-Treas., Blackfoot (C.N.E.) Alberta.

**WANTED TEACHER**  
for Dewberry S.D. No. 1934, lady preferred, second class certificate; salary \$30 per month; duties to commence March 1st yearly school. Apply to T. H. Thomas, Dewberry P.O., Inlay, Alberta.

**WANTED-TEACHER, FEMALE**  
at Protestant, second or third class professional certificate for Lake Shore school No. 937. Apply stating salary, experience, references, etc. School to open May 2nd. J. D. Berry, Sec.-Treas., To-field, Alta.

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EDMONTON NEWS

CARNIVAL FRIDAY EVENING. The Willing Workers of All Saints church will hold a carnival in the Tinsley rink on Friday evening.

WANTED ON SEDUCTION CHARGE. Corporal David W. Rex, W.M.P., left last night for Winnipeg to bring back a man named Roland Palmer, who is wanted in Vermilion on a charge of seduction.

FIRST RESPONSE TO CIRCULAR. The first pledge to furnish hogs to the proposed government pork packing plant has just been received by W. F. Stevens, live stock commissioner.

UNITED FARMERS MEET. A meeting of the executive of the United Farmers of Alberta was held last night to hear the report of the secretary-treasurer, E.J. Fream.

R. V. RADFORD HEARD FROM. R. V. Radford, the American hero of the northern bear story, and the northern explorer whose chief article of diet was to be milk chocolate, has been heard from.

INSPECTING THE SURVEYS. Dr. Waddell, chief engineer of the Alberta Great Waterway Railway, is out on a trip of inspection over the survey camps of the proposed line.

CHURCH AT PACKING PLANT. A movement is on foot among the residents of the newly incorporated village of North Edmonton to build an American church at that place.

NO INDIANS AT FAIRS. A delegation from the Temperance and Moral Reform League headed by Rev. T. C. Buchanan, of Calgary, waited upon the Minister of Agriculture yesterday afternoon asking him to have the use of Indians for advertising purposes at provincial fairs stopped.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY. Judging by the attendance at the annual general meeting held on Thursday evening at St. George's school room, the St. George's society has every indication of becoming a powerful institution in this city.

THE WAR IN NICARAGUA. General Estrada Now Said to Have Quit the Revolutionists. San Juan Del Sur, Nicaragua, via Delmas, Texas, Feb. 9.—The government has posted a strong force with artillery at Panajola bridge on the Tipitapa river, to oppose General Chamorro's advance on Managua.

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With the adoption of a sane aggressive advertising policy North Battleford starts out with bright prospects for the present year.

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SUFFRAGETTES HAVE ABANDONED MILITANCY

"Votes for Women" Campaign Will be Conducted From Now on in a Purely Conventional Way—Mrs. Penkurst Speaks of Policy of Suffragettes in Advancing Movement.

London, Feb. 3.—Mrs. Christabel Pankhurst writes, for this week's "Votes for Women," that the policy of opposition to the government will be continued at every by-election.

"The pause in militant action will prove to the public that such action for a convention to be held in the near future at which they will seek to create a local interest in the plans they have formulated and discuss the various needs of the town for industries.

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Counsel for Claimant to Estates and Title Withdraws. London, Feb. 3.—Sir Edward Clarke, counsel for Ernest Henry Sackville-West in the latter's suit to establish that he is the legitimate son and heir of Lord Lionel Sackville-West, withdrew abruptly from the case today, following a disagreement with his client as to his procedure.

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Seven Applicants for Place on Railway Commission. Ottawa, February 1.—A return asked for by Mr. Glen Campbell and tabled in the Commons today shows that at least seven applications, variously endorsed, have been filed with the Minister of Railways for the vacancy on the Railway Commission, caused by the death of Greenway.

By far the most strongly backed candidate for the vacancy is Mr. Andrew Graham, a prominent farmer and stock raiser, of Pomery, Man., a cousin of the Minister, who at first declined to apply for office.

Other applicants are: John D. Hunt, barrister, of Winnipeg; Mathew Neil, consulting engineer, of Montreal; Street Railway, Andre Strang, of Winnipeg; John Crawford, ex-M.P., Portage in Prairie; Duncan C. Ross, ex-M.P., endorsed by Liberal Association of Phoenix, B.C., and John A. Turner, of Calgary, who wrote the minister that he was a nephew of the late Sir John A. Macdonald.

French Astronomer Thinks Comets May Induce Rainfall. Paris, February 2.—The question of the possibility of the floods being induced by the comet is being discussed with much interest.

PARIS UNDER MARTIAL LAW. Government Loans and Public Works For Sufferers. Paris, February 2.—Martial law prevails in the western districts of Paris today, following the wholesale looting by apaches yesterday and last night.

Commercial Men in Webwood Wreck Contradict Engineer. Sufferers from a day's delay were caused in the Spanish river wreck by the failure to produce the forward trucks of the first class.

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SEMI-WEEKLY EDITION. VOLUME V. UNIONISTS WILL TEST ALLIANCE.

Tariff Reformers Think Nation Are Opposed to Lloyd-Gowen Budget. London, February 3.—The reformers are declaring that the alliance of the Liberals and Nationalists to the test at the earliest opportunity. They believe that the electors are overwhelmingly in favour of tariff reform, and that the budget cannot be depended upon to support a free trade government.

To Confer With King. Premier Asquith returned to London this evening. He has called members of the cabinet for both Thursday and Friday and it is expected that he will go to Brighton on Friday to confer with the King. It is practically certain that the House of Lords will be the reintroduction of budget, which the chief Liberal Association products that are passed law within a fortnight.

Refuses to Recognize O'Brien. The two sections of the Liberal Party are already coming to grips. John Redmond, leader of the Nationalist Party, has called a party meeting for Friday for tomorrow, Timothy Healy, M.P. for the North Division of Leinster, has written a letter to Mr. Redmond challenging his action and stating that every member elected, including himself, is entitled to be invited to the meeting, that the Nationalist Party has no right to discriminate between members, and that his action nullifies any party meeting called by Healy's protest, however, it is stated that Mr. Redmond has no intention of recognizing the O'Brien's as a party.

Senate Banking Committee H Amendment Proposed. Ottawa, Ont., February 3.—Senate Banking Committee held an insurance bill hearing under consideration this afternoon. Mr. Cuthbert for the Canada Licensed Fire Companies, offered a resolution for a 15 per cent. cause. It provided that before any Canadian individual licensing prospect in Canada, insurance in an unlicensed company, an affidavit should be made to the superintendent of insurance, declaring that the insurance had been secured from licensed companies, without a 15 per cent. cause. It further provided that insurance in unlicensed companies must be obtained through licensed prospect in Canada, and that there would not be the delay that this might appear. If a policy was written and the proper duties and the company declined to issue the superintendent of insurance could then be called upon to issue a license, which would be his bond forfeited.

T. L. Morrissey, of Montreal, speaking for the Canadian Fire Insurance Association, said that as for unlicensed companies, it was undesirable to have them in Canada at all.

GREAT GERMAN NAVAL BASE. Plans Have Been Completed. Berlin, February 8.—Plans for a new great naval base of the German Empire at the western end of the Kaiser Wilhelm Canal, at Brunsbutel, have been finished and will be begun immediately. The total cost will be in the neighborhood of 30,000,000 marks (\$7,500,000). The work has been finally completed, which will require many years, will be the greatest naval base on the North Sea. The construction of new naval base carries immediately with it the deepening of the Kaiser Wilhelm Canal throughout its entire length, making it navigable by the largest German battleship now existing or to be built within the next decade.

India Censorship Passed. Calcutta, India, Feb. 8.—The bill designed to suppress the dissemination of anarchistic literature was passed by the Imperial Council today. The measure requires the proprietors of newspapers and jobbers to deposit with the government a sum of money which will be forfeited should the proprietor be convicted of an attempt to incite murder or to stir up violence against the public law and order.

Three Men Scalded to Death. Flint, Mich., Feb. 3.—John Smith, Henry Fuller and George Palmer, were fatally scalded this morning in a boiler explosion at a electric plant. Two others were badly scalded. The men were repairing the boiler when it exploded, which another in the same room exploded. Five thousand men are idle today as a result of no power in the plant.