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IMPORTANT MATTERS WILL BE DISCUSSED

The National Civic Federation Meets at the Hotel Astor New York--Sociological and Other Questions of Much Public Importance Will be Dealt with--Workmen's Compensation Laws to be Investigated--Want Pure Food and Drugs for the People

New York, Dec. 11.—Several hundred men of national prominence, including eminent financiers, leaders of organized labor, churchmen, educators, manufacturers and railroad presidents, met at the Hotel Astor today for the fourteenth annual meeting of the National Civic Federation. The federation brought them together to discuss sociological and other questions of much public importance, chief among which is a proposal that a National Interstate Trade Commission, fashioned along the lines of the Interstate Commerce Commission, should be formed to deal with problems arising from large industrial corporations.

Many other important subjects will come up for consideration in the form of committee reports which will be submitted to the federation to be thoroughly discussed. The National Civic Federation is divided into a number of branches each of which has its standing and special committee. All matters of public interest that arise from time to time are referred to the proper section and by that section referred to a committee for report.

The department of workmen's compensation, for instance, has a commission of six members to investigate the operation of various workmen's compensation laws. The commission visited a number of states, collected information from twenty-five thousand employers and workmen and compiled an extensive report, based upon the information thus gained, which will be submitted to the federation for consideration. It is estimated that there are now four million workmen and women in the United States having the legal right to be compensated if injured in industry. The report of the commission will indicate various problems which have arisen in connection with the compensation laws.

The obtaining of pure food and

drugs for the American people is another highly important question which will come up for consideration. Representatives of the Department of Agriculture, of labor and industrial organizations, of the National Wholesale Grocers' Association, the National Wholesale Druggists Association and of other boards will take part in the discussion of the subject.

The department on regulation of industrial corporations, of which President Seth Low is chairman, will present a report which will contain recommendations of some general principles that it feels should be embodied in any bill passed to supplement what is popularly known as the "Sherman anti-trust act."

The department of industrial economics will report on its plan for making an investigation of the industrial and social progress in this country during the last three decades and an inquiry into the theories and proposals of the different kinds of socialism.

The woman's department will report on its various activities in its eight separate branches and the report promises to be of unusual interest in view of the progress of the woman's suffrage movement during the last few years.

Several of the departmental commissions will submit for the consideration of the meeting drafts of model laws. The Department of Industrial Mediation Laws will report a model state mediation bill; the Department on Regulation of Municipal Utilities will report a model bill for the regulation by the state of street railways, gas, electric light and other public utilities. Another subject to be discussed will be the question of the manufacturer's right to fix the retail price of his products. The annual dinner of the federation will take place tomorrow night at the Hotel Astor.

NOTABLE SPEECHES AT NEW YORK CANADIAN CLUB BANQUET

New York, Dec. 9.—Cabinet ministers and leading citizens of both countries, some three hundred Canadian residents of New York attended this evening the seventeenth annual dinner of the Canadian Society.

William Jennings Bryan, secretary of state, represented the Wilson administration, while Hon. W. T. White, the Canadian minister of finance, was the Canadian government's envoy. In addition, Sir John Willison, W. L. MacKenzie King, Justice W. R. Riddell and F. B. Featherstonhaugh of Toronto, and Alex. D. Fraser of Montreal, came to the city for the occasion, while Governor Taylor of New Jersey, Bishop of Courtnay and representatives of the St. George's, St. Andrew's, St. David's and other societies formed the American representation.

Mr. Bryan delivered an eloquent plea for international peace, which was supplemented by a powerful address from MacKenzie King for social justice as well.

Sir John Willison spoke to the toast of The Empire and began by calling the Canadians the Scotch of the New World. Only the law which prevented anybody born outside the United States from becoming president had kept a Canadian out of the office, he believed. This, he declared, proved the prophetic vision of the farmers of the constitution.

W. J. BRYAN.

Secretary of State Bryan said his coming was partly in pursuit of official duty, but largely on pleasure.

He recalled the last election in Canada.

"I spent ten days here then," he said, "and found that the leaders on both sides were just the same kind of men that I had been three times, according to the view of the rival newspapers. I was led to believe that the country would be ruined whichever way the election went, but I assured them by pointing out that I had been defeated three times and this country still kept on."

Hon. W. T. White, in his address, said the members of the society—a bit of Canada transplanted to New York—kept alive as did the Greek colonist of old, the sacred fire, more with him from Athens, their love and veneration for the grand Dominion from which they had sprung and where their fathers lived and died.

He said he brought greetings of heartfelt interest and fraternal regard from the people of Canada to their Canadian brethren in New York. The great republic had millions of our sons and our son's sons. In his belief the United States had no more loyal and patriotic citizens within all her wide borders. What a pledge, what a guarantee of peace and harmony between the two nations.

MR. CROCKET A JUDGE.

An Ottawa dispatch this afternoon announced that an order in council was passed by the cabinet yesterday appointing Mr. O. S. Crockett, M.P. for York, to the Supreme Court Bench of New Brunswick.

TOO MUCH BORROWING

Life Insurance Officers in Annual Session in New York

Will Deal With Increasing Practice of Policy Holders in Mortgaging Their Insurance

New York, Dec. 11.—The president and many other prominent officials of practically all the leading life insurance companies in the United States are in attendance at the seventh annual meeting of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, which opened here today at the Hotel Astor for a session of two days. George E. Ide, president of the Home Life Insurance Company, presided at the opening session and will also occupy the chair at the other sessions of the meeting. One of the chief subjects to be discussed at the meeting is the increasing practice of policy holders all over the country to mortgage their life insurance, companies, thereby reducing the amount of protection for their beneficiaries. Among the subjects to be considered at this meeting are the question of government control of insurance companies; the response of life insurance companies to economic needs of the day, the subject of health reforms as related to the business side of insurance companies; interdependence between relationships in insurance, and the co-operation of life insurance companies in reducing preventable disease in this country. The list of the speakers will include ex-President William H. Taft.

MARYSVILLE NOTES

Personal Notes of Interest--Scarlet Fever Prevalent in Factory Town

Marysville, Dec. 11.—Mrs. Alex. Brogan left this morning for Chio-man, via the Fredericton and Grand Lake Railway, to spend the remainder of the year visiting friends there.

The many friends of Miss Stria Clayton who has been suffering with scarlet fever will be pleased to hear that she is improving.

Things that we know—That the seven pullets that Mr. George Tapley bought from Thomas Kirkey turned out to be roosters.

The young son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sloat is confined to his bed with scarlet fever.

The well known form of Uncle Joe Robinson is again on the warpath. He has accepted a situation as teamster with the Reid Brothers.

The painters are getting along nicely with the interior of the New Methodist Church, which they expect to have ready for public worship the first Sunday in the New Year.

Mr. Elias White one of Marysville's oldest citizens has gone west to visit different members of his family.

ARNOLD'S MURDERER CAPTURED

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—John Krafenko charged with robbing the Bank of Montreal at Plum Coulee, Man., last Wednesday and murdering H. M. Arnold, the manager, was captured this morning at a house in College avenue, St. Johns, where he was known as a student by the name of Andrews.

A cordon of twenty police were on hand to make the arrest, which was effected without a struggle, "the much wanted man saying: "It's all up, I guess. I'll come quietly. I didn't intend to shoot, anyway."

On searching the apartments an automatic revolver was found lying (Continued on page four.)

STOCK MARKET QUITE STEADY

Canadian Pacific is Showing up a Little Stronger Today

New Haven Road Passes Its Dividend for the First Time in a Period of Forty Years

New York, Dec. 11.—The action of the New Haven directors in passing the dividend will be a keen disappointment to investment shareholders but in view of the unfortunate position of the company, this action was the wisest step to take now. Liquidation, however, will have to come largely from investors and it is doubtful if people who have held the stock thus far will be influenced to part with it at this level. The matter is of sufficient character to exert a sentimental influence on the entire stock market list but after all the affair is largely a local one and should soon be eliminated as a general market factor.

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MEXICAN REBELS ATTACK TAMPICO

Vera Cruz, Dec. 10.—The attack on Tampico began shortly before noon today. The rebels were advancing on the city from various points. The United States battleship Louisiana has been ordered to Tampico, and is leaving Vera Cruz tonight. Presidio, Texas, Dec. 10.—Federal fortifications were hurriedly built to day all around Ojinaga, Mexico where the federal troops after their retreat from Chihuahua, are preparing for a rebel attack. It was believed that 3,500 rebels, under Yenera Herrera and General Urbina, were marching on Ojinaga, but the could not expect to reach the frontier town in force within four or five days.

General Mercado gave orders to General Orozco and General Salazar to keep the federals intact and to maintain Ojinaga as a base. The federal soldiers appear to be unsmilingly pathetic over the prospect of a fight.

DR. GERRARD PRACTISED WITHOUT REGISTRATION

Defence Admitted That in Court--Adjournment Until Monday Granted

Dr. W. Gerrard of New Maryland, who has a dental office in this city, appeared before the police magistrate this morning, charged on the complaint of the registrar of the New Brunswick Dentists' Association with practising in the province without registration and contrary to law.

C. D. Richards of Crockett & Richards, appeared on behalf of Dr. Gerrard. Dr. F. A. Goodsoe of St. John, registrar of the Association, appeared with City Clerk McCready for the prosecution. The defence acknowledged that the accused had been practising dentistry without registration but applied for adjournment until Monday in order that more information concerning the law might be obtained. The adjournment was granted.

Under the terms of the act any unregistered person practising dentistry is liable to a fine of \$20 per day for the time occupied by practise.

DEATH AT ROYAL ROAD.

Daniel E. Seymour, aged twenty-seven years, passed away this morning at his home, Royal Road, from Bright's Disease. A widow, who formerly was Miss Lillian Foster, survives. The deceased was married in September. Two brothers, Fred Seymour and William S. Seymour, survive. There are also two sisters, Mrs. Edward Carlyle of Douglas, and Miss Lillian Seymour at home. The funeral will take place at 2 p.m. on Sunday.

THE COST OF LIVING MUST BE CUT DOWN

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Hands it Out Straight to the Do-Nothing Borden Government in His Great Speech at Montreal--Would Appoint a Commission to Procure Information--The United States Drawing on Canada's Food Supplies and Prices Will go Higher

Montreal, Dec. 10.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier made an important pronouncement on the tariff at the Fielding banquet here last night. He said:

"In the present condition we are told by the party in power that there is nothing to do regarding the high cost of living but I will tell you what we would do if the Liberal party were at the head of affairs in this country. Mr. Fielding, our finance minister, would be at the head of a commission composed of the minister of trade and commerce, the minister of customs and the minister of labor, going all over the country from Halifax to Victoria, investigating the situation and seeking information from the producer, the consumer, the workmen and the manufacturer, in order to arrive at the best means of reducing the tariff and bringing down the cost of living, without hurting anybody."

"We have done it before and will do it again. The Conservative press tell us today that the tariff does not increase the cost of living. The question is not whether the tariff increases the cost of living. My opinion is this: The tariff as it stands today permits the combines to increase the cost of living and permits them to put on the foods of the poor man abnormal prices. The combines know well the condition. They know almost to a certainty what are the supplies of beef, of mutton, of eggs, of butter. They

know nothing can come from the other side and they know there is a barrier against this stuff from foreign countries. Then they are able to fix the prices to the farmer as well as to the consumer, giving as little as possible to the farmer and getting as much as possible from the consumer."

"The Americans have relieved their tariff and already are reaping the benefit in milk, cream, mutton, pork and cattle, but this lowering of the American tariff is drawing away the supplies from this country and in a few months, unless all calculations fail, prices here on these commodities will be very much higher."

FIRST QUESTION OF THE DAY.

"Are we to remain idle under this condition and do nothing? The reduction of even one cent would relieve the struggling masses and to this end we must give them our first thought."

"This is the first duty involved today on His Majesty's loyal opposition. There are many other questions of importance but these must be set aside. The high cost of living and employment for the workmen is our cause first, last and always until we have brought to the citizens the same condition as existed three years ago, when Laurier was in power. We will use courage and firmness and will act with enthusiasm, knowing no better fight."

TO ERECT MEMORIAL TO MURDER VICTM

Marietta, Ga., Dec. 10.—A meeting held here today at the residence of J. G. Morris, commander of the Marietta Camp of Confederate Veterans, a movement was started for the erection of a suitable memorial to Mary Phagan, the fourteen-year-old factory girl, who was murdered last Memorial Day, in the basement of the National Pencil Factory, Atlanta, while defending herself against a brutal assault. A committee was named which will collect funds and select plans for the monument which is to be erected in Atlanta. Leo M. Frank, the superintendent of the factory, who was found guilty of the murder of the girl and sentenced to death, is now awaiting the decision of the court upon his appeal against the conviction in the lower court.

HON. GEO. P. GRAHAM SPEAKS AT KING CITY

King City, Dec. 8.—Addressing a largely attended meeting of the Aylesworth Club this evening Hon. George P. Graham strongly advocated the removal of duties on food. "Sir Wilfrid Laurier has openly declared a free-food policy," asserted the Hon. Mr. Graham. "It is the workingman's policy, and is worthy of the consideration of the most liberal-minded men, irrespective of politics. Sir Wilfrid has offered the solution of the problem of the high cost of living, and it is up to the Government to show whether it is in favor of lowering the tariff on food."

"Do not feel discouraged," remarked the speaker, "because the Liberal party has been temporarily ousted from power. In Ontario and throughout the Dominion Liberalism is stronger than ever, and the old flag of progress will soon be occupying the premier position once more."

Commenting on the action of the New Zealand Government a few days ago, Mr. Graham said that it robbed the Borden proposal of the last

IMPORTANT POST FOR DR. MERSEREAU

Former Doaktown Man Has Been Appointed Medical Officer on The Empress of Japan

Dr. Harry C. Mersereau, youngest son of School Inspector Mersereau of Doaktown, has been appointed medical officer on the C. P. R. Steamship Empress of Japan, which plies between Vancouver and the Orient. Dr. Mersereau formerly practised at Exton, Kent, but for the past year has been taking a post-graduate course at Edinburgh University and took the degree of F. R. C. S. Dr. Mersereau is a brother of Mrs. H. F. McLeod, Mrs. W. J. Scott and the Misses Mersereau of this city. He has been very successful in the practise of his profession and his friends predict for him a brilliant career.

STRUCK BY TRAIN NEAR MINTO YESTERDAY

James Sullivan, his wife, child and hired man, who reside on the outskirts of Minto, narrowly escaped being killed by the Minto train running from Norton to Fredericton on Wednesday afternoon. The train collided with the team, smashed it, killed the horse but the occupants, with the exception of Mr. Sullivan, escaped with a shaking up.

As the train was pulling into Minto at 12.30 p.m. Mr. Sullivan who was driving in a wagon, attempted to cross in front of the engine. The horse balked when the wagon was across the track. The engine struck it and smashed it to pieces. The horse was flung to the other side. Mr. Sullivan was seriously injured, but the other persons escaped unscathed without injury. The horse was so terribly mangled that it had to be shot.

shred of respectability that it ever had.