

The People Would now View Reciprocity as An Economic Issue

MR. FIELDING SPEAKS OUT

Says the People Were Led Away by Blind Partizanship in Year 1911.

Ottawa, June 14—An interesting installment was added to day to the sessional serial on reciprocity when the House of Commons in committee considered further details of the budget proposals of the Hon. W. S. Fielding. The subject maintained its reputation as a provocative agent and provided several flashing passages between the veteran Minister of Finance and the sole opposing critic who can venture serious fiscal discussion with him, the leader of the Opposition.

Led to retort in kind by frequent charges of Mr. Meighen to the effect that the reciprocity offer was "merely words, meaning nothing" the Minister of Finance drew resounding applause from Liberal and Progressive groups when he declared his utter sincerity and reaffirmed his desire for United States acceptance of his offer.

"As for this country," he said amid vigorous desk-pounding, "I venture the opinion that if we could get from the United States today the same offer of reciprocity that we got in 1911 three-quarters of our people would be rejoiced to accept it. Meantime this is our declaration; this is where we stand."

"My right honorable friends says that the answer of Canada would be the same as in 1911," he continued. "There may be an election one of these days on this issue and we shall see what time will bring about. (Liberal and Progressive applause.)

Thousands who had been "led astray by blind partisan folly" in 1911 he added would view the matter as an economic issue and render a very different verdict.

Conservative members generally condemned what they described as a gesture to the United States and urged instead that Canada use her tariff as a weapon in securing what they deemed to be fair play for Canadian manufacturers and consumers.

Reciprocity Offer.

The new offer of reciprocity with the United States passed with an amendment. As the reciprocity resolution was originally submitted where the President of the United States reduced duties on certain specified items, the Dominion Government was empowered to act similarly. Under the amendment it is made clear that the items must be the same as those on which duties are reduced by the United States.

W. C. Good, Progressive of Brant declared that "if we don't have commercial union with the United States in a reasonable time I don't think we shall be able to preserve Confederation."

There might be political union with the United States instead although Mr. Good added he did not wish to see that. He explained later that by commercial union he meant the closest possible trade relations.

MOTHER BIRD HELD UP AUTO

Middletown, N. Y., June 15—While Commissioner of elections John E. Corwin was riding in an automobile along a forest road near Yulan he was held up by a mother partridge and compelled to keep his car still until the mother's little brood had escaped from the highway to places of safety. Then she stepped aside and offered no objections to the passage of the car.

The partridge was in a very defiant mood, standing in the middle of the road with her wings outstretched, determined to hold the fort until all danger to her brood had passed.

PARIS HAS TWO ROYAL LOVE AFFAIRS

Grand Duke Dimitri Reported in Love with Dressmaker's Daughter.

Paris, June 15—Paris is deeply interested in two love affairs that have a more or less royal background. One is the romance that has been developing between Grand Duke Dimitri Pavlovitch and Mlle. Chanel, daughter of the head of the noted dressmaking house. The gossips are wondering whether the once imperial Romanoffs will permit what would hitherto have been considered a mesalliance.

The fortune of the Chanels is estimated at millions of francs while the Grand Duke to-day has little more than his title. He and the dressmaker's daughter are constantly together, and their closest friends say that if approval of the Romanoff family heads is not granted they will elope.

It is also known that the brother-in-law of King Fouad of Egypt now in Paris, is apparently under the spell of a beautiful Italian woman and refuses to return across the Mediterranean. A group of Egyptian functionaries recently arrived have suggested marriage with another international beauty of better family but without success.

The situation may have serious political consequences as King Fouad is reported to be too ill to continue on the throne and if his brother-in-law cannot be induced to return to Egypt and accept the regency for Fouad's three year old son, the authority will fall into the hands of a functionary of the old dynasty who is known to favor the continuation of the British protectorate.

HOW TO KILL COCKROACHES

Boston, June 15—A device for the extermination of cockroaches by electricity was one of Thomas Edison's first inventions, so he revealed in an interview here today.

A Boston telegraph office in which Edison worked as operator fifty two years ago was overrun with cockroaches, so Edison pasted two strips of tin foil half a cockroach length apart around the walls of the room. Then he connected the ends to a high tension electric coil.

As soon as each cockroach stepped across the gap between the pieces of tin foil they died.

N. S. WON THE RIFLE MATCH

Sussex, June 14—The thirty-first annual inter-Maritime rifle shooting competition was held on the Sussex P. R. A. Range today. The weather conditions were not favorable for the marksmen. This morning the 200 yard range was shot, the sky was cloudy with a varying light which made it hard to hold elevation. There was little wind. The P. E. Island team won by a score of 251 at this range.

After lunch the 500 and 600 yards were shot and the weather conditions this evening were anything but ideal, especially at the 600-yard range. The wind was tricky. It was quite dark due a cloudy sky and dense smoke from the forest fires. Nova Scotia won at the 500 yards with a score of 249 and New Brunswick won at the 600 with a score of 229.

Nova Scotia won the match with a total score of 715 for the three ranges. Prince Edward Island was second with 701 and New Brunswick third with 696.

SAYS U.S. NAVY CAN'T BE USED IN RUM WAR

TO GIVE OUT AN OPINION

Attorney General Daugherty Will Advise the President in the Matter.

Washington, D. C., June 15—Attorney-General Daugherty will return to Washington next week prepared to give an opinion to the President that he cannot legally use the armed forces of the United States to enforce the prohibition laws under existing circumstances in New York State or elsewhere.

Among the special attorneys of the Department of Justice who have prepared briefs on this subject for the guidance of the Attorney General there has been almost unanimous agreement on this question and it is learned to-day that Mr. Daugherty is ready to concur in these opinions.

In a general way it will be pointed out that precedent gives the President authority to use armed forces of the United States in times of peace for three purposes: First, to protect the lives and property of citizens of the United States themselves are unable to do so properly or when foreign countries fail to do so; second to maintain commerce between the States and with foreign nations and third, to put down rebellion. None of these precedents applies to the case at issue and furthermore if the Government were to use the armed forces powers of the States might readily follow. Not only this, but it will be pointed out that Congress specifically set up machinery for the enforcement of the Volstead and other prohibition laws and that Congress clearly intended that this machinery and none other be used for the enforcement of those laws. It is understood that the opinion of the Attorney General already has been written and that it will be made public here next week after it has been carefully gone over by the legal experts of the Department of Justice.

The fire situation in the northern forest areas of New Brunswick is serious today and the fires are beyond control except for what Nature can furnish in the form of rains. There has been rain within the last few days but it has fallen on areas which were not affected by fires. The districts which needed the rain to check fires have had no effective rain. Showers fell at various places but the moisture is rapidly drying up. The southern part of the province received rain in many places but as it dries up the fire situation there also will be threatening. As many men as possible have been sent north, but there must be steps taken to combat any possible outbreak of fires in the south.

FIRE SITUATION OVER NORTH STILL SERIOUS

RAIN DID VERY LITTLE GOOD

Reported That Several Hundred Square Miles Have Been Burned Over.

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Estimates of Area

Estimates of area already covered by the fires are being made but there is little on which to base them. It is said by those in position to know that several hundred square miles have been covered already with the fires still working there way. The country at the headwaters of the Nepisiguit and Miramichi now is being threatened. The loss is running into the millions of dollars.

The only encouraging feature is that the weather has shown signs of being unsettled and heavy rains may come shortly.

Heavy Wind Spread Fires

The heavy wind spread the Restigouche fires on Thursday with frightful results. The St. Quentin and Kedgewick fires spread southeasterly crossing the Northwest Upsalquitch. Part went down the Little Tobique to the Victoria County line and another part went toward Silver Brook three miles off the Nepisiguit River.

The fire at White's Brook made great headway in a southerly direction. It is impossible to tell where the front of this fire is. The Bathurst Company is organizing a crew to fight that fire.

Fire Running Fast

The fire which did tremendous damage in the Province of Quebec crossing the Restigouche into New Brunswick at Chain of Rocks, has travelled eight or ten miles in this province.

At Balmoral there has been no rain but a crew of one hundred and fifty men is trying to control the fire. Three fire pumps are in use one having been sent from Doaktown.

Lookout Can See Fire Coming

The Bald Mountain lookout in Northumberland County reported late this morning that he can see the fire burning fifteen miles northwest of that place. Rain fell for two hours at Bald Mountain this morning.

Along the International Sub-division of the C. N. R. the situation is steadily becoming more serious. Trouble is being experienced in keeping men at work there as they are getting panicky.

Kedgewick village came within an ace of being wiped off the map on Wednesday evening, it was reported today. At Upsalquitch it was said that fire there was being held, although still so dangerous as to prevent any reduction being made in the crews of fire fighters. The wind which prevailed today varied considerably and was the cause of spreading the various fires in all directions driving them particularly up the gulches in the vicinity of the fire locations.

Fire fighters are being concentrated on the smaller fires in an effort to place these under control and the larger ones which have got beyond control are to be combatted from the flanks.

One Drunk in Court

One drunk was arrested last night and appeared before Magistrate Limerick this morning. A penalty of eight dollars fine or thirty days in gaol was imposed.

Says New Government Will Not Disturb the Peace of the Balkans

HOUSE MAY PROROGUE BY END OF JUNE

Want Redistribution Settled Before the House Finishes its Work.

Ottawa, June 14—Postponement of redistribution to enable Parliament to prorogue by the end of June is the main topic of discussion in the corridors and now it is probable that the question will be finally settled so far as the general committee headed by Hon. E. M. MacDonald can settle it. Liberals and Conservatives alike are quite agreeable to leaving it until the next session and many of the Progressives are of a like mind, but some of the Saskatchewan and Manitoba members talk "balky".

With a view to obtaining some unanimity on the matter a caucus of the Progressive party has been called for tomorrow morning when those who express reluctance to accept the promise of the Prime Minister that there would be no general election until there had been a readjustment of federal representation will have an opportunity to announce their position.

A meeting of the general committee on redistribution has been called for tomorrow afternoon when it is expected that there will be a recommendation drafted to submit to the House. Although there is no disposition on the part of the Government to attempt to bring into the House a report on this matter that does not bear the imprimatur of a unanimous committee, it may develop that the report will have to be submitted on the strength of simply a majority vote, the Liberals and Conservatives voting against the Progressives.

On the other hand, there is feeling that the Progressives will merely insist on a renewal of the assurance already given by the Prime Minister that there will be no election before redistribution so that they may be able to satisfy the more critical constituents in the prairie provinces. So long as they are guaranteed the eleven additional seats to which the west is entitled by the 1921 census before next federal polling day, there is not likely to be any serious opposition to permitting a unanimous report for postponement going to the House.

MAKE WAR ON STREET VICE

Paris, June 15—Paris is taking much interest in the reorganization of the French branch of the International Society for the Suppression of White Slavery. A significant sign of the times is found in the fact that the majority of French church members now favor abolition of all segregated vice districts and higher fines and jail terms for street accosting.

The society will soon send a committee to the United States to study the work of policemen, with the view of applying similar methods to Paris, the present so-called "brigade mondaine," which is supposed to keep an eye on the lower strata of Paris society, being considered too small and too official to be efficient.

CHASED HIM 3000 MILES

San Francisco, June 15—A wife's 3000-mile pursuit of her husband and his alleged affinity center in San Francisco as detectives hunted for L. A. Woodward, western representative of an eastern silverware company.

Mrs. Blanche Woodward of New Orleans, who declares she has traced her husband and the other woman from New Orleans to Chicago, Des Moines, Salt Lake City, and, finally San Francisco, swore to a warrant for his arrest.

STATEMENT BY THE PREMIER

The Downfall of Old Government Was Due to Discontent and Oppression.

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Sofia, June 14—(By wireless to the United Press via Paris)—Our army has easily suppressed the feeble isolated resistance of Ex-Premier Stamboulsky's partisans. The country everywhere is calm.

Communication by railway telegraphs and telegraph everywhere has been reestablished. The army is now being used only to maintain order and prevent outbreaks by Stamboulsky's followers. There is no connection between the so-called Macedonian movement and that which resulted in the fall of Stamboulsky.

Discontent and Oppression

The change of government was the result of discontent and oppression. The new government's foreign policy is peaceful. We will maintain the best of relations with our neighboring countries and especially with the great powers. Bulgaria will continue to fulfil her international obligations, particularly the Treaty of Neuilly and will avoid disturbing the peace of the Balkans.

At City's Gates

London, June 15—Partisans of ex-premier Stamboulsky are at the gates of Sofia prepared for a determined effort to take the city according to an exchange telegraph message from Paris which quotes advice received by the New Bulgarian legation there.

Is Still Fleeing

London, June 15—Ex-Premier Stamboulsky still is free and in flight, an exchange telegraph message direct from Sofia and dated Thursday states. The newspapers in the Bulgarian capital now under the Zankof regime publish details of an alleged plot by Stamboulsky forcing King Boris to abdicate and for the former peasant premier himself to be crowned king on September 12.

Berlin, June 15—Chancellor Cuno is ill and confined to bed after a strenuous speaking tour along the edge of the Ruhr zone.

London, June 15—Conditions of former Premier Andrew Bonar Law who resigned last month because of ill-health was reported today to be growing steadily worse. Bonar Law was suffering from a severe throat affliction.

Peasants are Loyal

Vienna, June 15—(United Press)—Seventy thousand peasants loyal to Ex-Premier Stamboulsky now are engaging Zankof troops in northern Bulgaria, according to Sofia dispatches. The latter are greatly outnumbered.

THE ONTARIO ELECTIONS

Toronto, June 14—Candidates nominated today throughout Ontario for the election on June 25 numbered 294 with 111 seats to be filled. Conservatives led the list with 102 candidates, the Liberals following with seventy-seven. Representing the United Farmers of Ontario were seventy-five candidates while Labor produced seventy-two. Independents holding various political opinions totalled eighteen.

Change in Telegraphers

Miss May Doohan who had been in Montreal for some time, returned to Fredericton Thursday and has resumed her duties as C. P. R. telegraph operator. John Troy of Woodstock who has been on the C. P. R. telegraphic staff here for some time has been transferred to Moncton. He is spending some days at his home in Woodstock before taking up his duties.