

POSSIBILITY OF TERRITORIAL EXPANSION WAS DISCUSSED; HIGHLIGHTS OF PARLIAMENT

(Montreal Star)
Ottawa, June 10—Rarely revealing itself to better advantage as the melting pot of Federal issues, whatever their score or character, the debate in the House of Commons yesterday essayed to discuss at different times such diverse questions as the possibility of territorial expansion by Canada, the need of a Dominion for a new bankruptcy law, the effects of the tariff and taxation proposals of the budget, the feasibility of transferring the country's unemployed from the cities to the farm, and incidental matters almost too numerous to specify.

It was a sitting which did not do so much to challenge Parliament's versatility as to suggest the complexity of the national outlook to which Canada's development has brought her. Discussion ranged from the conclusive to the tentative, pointing in some cases to definite solutions and in other cases merely indicating a preliminary grasp of the problem.

The Labrador Coast

The intimation which Premier Bennett let drop of the consideration being given by the Dominion to the advisability of territorial expansion was one of the suggestive highlights of the day. Normally the problem of more elbow room would be the last concern of a country as extensive in its domain as Canada, but a peculiar situation, challenging to considerations of territorial logic, has always existed with regard to the Labrador coast. From the stand point of reason it commends itself as a territory which should be affiliated with Canada, rather than Newfoundland. Recently the question

has been brought into prominence by the financial difficulties which Newfoundland has experienced and the suggestion that she might sell Labrador as one means of securing funds. In reply to a question from O. L. Boulanger (Liberal, Bellechasse) Premier Bennett not only stated that the Labrador question was receiving the consideration of the Government, but added as well that the whole Newfoundland situation was becoming to an increasing extent a problem before the ministry.

Back To The Land

One of the interesting experiments which has been proceeding very quietly during the existing depression was brought to light at the opening of the sitting by a question from Progressive Leader Robert Gardiner, who desired to know the truth of a report that the railways and the Government were co-operating in a back to the land movement. Hon. Mr. Gordon, acting Minister of Labor, replied that the report was true, and went on to give the details of an informal plan which was being worked out with considerable success amongst the country's unemployed. In co-operation with the colonization departments of the two roads, the Minister stated, some 7,600 single unemployed men had been taken from Canadian cities and placed on farms, with the gratifying result that only a few of them had gone back to the cities. The same course had been followed with 1,500 married men and not a single one of them had gone back to the cities.

Budget Debate

After having been crowded off the

boards for the past couple of days, the budget debate returned to prominence during the sitting. It was, in fact, given security of status for some time to come by a resolution sponsored by Premier Bennett, according to precedent over all other house business until it is concluded. At the same time the Prime Minister moved that the House, in order to speed up its work in the Home stretch of the session, should discontinue its Wednesday night holiday.

In carrying on the discussion, Maurice Brasset, of Gaspe, and J. R. MacNicol, of Northwest Toronto, represented respectively the Liberal and the Conservative viewpoints. The former painted a picture of the King administration having toiled laboriously to make the country prosperous, reduce taxation, and achieve a surplus, only to have their labors wrecked by a Conservative administration which failed altogether to meet the problems of depression, increased the taxation which had been lowered, and substituted a deficit for the previously existing surplus. Mr. MacNicol, for his part, saw the budget as the instrument which would bring about an industrial awakening in Canada, particularly in the iron and steel industries, the stimulus to the development of which, he held, should not be less than \$50,000,000. Mr. MacNicol followed up his optimistic forecast for industry by giving elaborate statistical calculations to demonstrate how much greater a quantity of farm products would be consumed as a consequence of the revival of industrial property.

Broker's Plight

Since the stock market crash of several months ago many of the public have, from a world standpoint, fallen on evil days. So, however, have many of the brokers. The present plight of some nine of them was raised during a brief interlude by Mr.

Woodsworth, but not by way of sympathy. The North Centre Winnipeg member's concern was lest they were finding the sentences which had been given in the Kingston penitentiary too attractive. He read a report from a Toronto paper declaring that they were enjoying virtually all the comforts of a country home on a farm in the vicinity of the penitentiary which had been purchased by the government as a corrective institution for juvenile delinquents.

Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Minister of Justice, explained that the farm in question was not an institution for juvenile delinquents, but a preferred class penitentiary for the accommodation of first offenders. He had no knowledge, declaredly of preferential treatment being accorded the brokers.

HARD WORKING CLOCK DOES ALL BUT SHAVE

Dayton, Kentucky, June 11—Life is a simple matter for Henry Fahrenheit. He has devised a robot which consists of a clockwork installed in a talking machine.

When the alarm sound the talking machine starts and the lights are turned on.

At the end of the record the radio is turned on, the furnace connected and the coffee percolator started.

Was her face-lifting a success? Oh, yes, but it was terrible the way her husband's fell when he saw the bill.

Do you believe that money talks? Sure, but all mine says is Good-bye.

GRACE THOMPSON SETON BARES JUNGLE SECRETS

San Francisco, June 11—"A wild animal does not attack unless it is hungry or considers itself on the defensive."

So Mrs. Grace Thompson Seton, explorer and writer and national president of the League of American Penwomen, assured a large luncheon audience here.

Tells Truths of Wilds

The luncheon was the feature event of the mid-administration congress of the league being held in this city.

Mrs. Seton had been asked to tell why she became a writer and an explorer. As for the writing she admitted:

WENT TO THE SOURCE FOR LAMBKIN'S MEAL

(New York Sun)

Two years in Paris had made the two little daughters of a New York couple so conceited that the parents brought them back to America and straight through New York to a farm in Maine. That would take the snootiness out of these saucy maids, the elder of whom was all of five years old.

The youngster cottoned to farm life. The junior of the pair straightway began wind-dancing along the brook side. The senior maid was given the care of one of lamb trip-lets.

The second day of this charge her mother asked her if she had forgotten her lambkin's supper. She assured her mother that all that had been attended to and that the lambkin had gone to bed.

"But," said the mother, "you did not come into the kitchen for the little lamb's milk. Where did you get it?"

"Out of the cow," the child answered simply and went on to discover something new about this life next to nature.

The next day the mother peeked and surely enough she discovered her little milkmaid of five, dressed in the smartest of Parisian fashion, with cap and all, milking a cow and really succeeding in filling the lamb's nursing bottle.

(Philadelphia Bulletin)

Another of life's pathetic paradoxes has come to light in the suicide of Ralph Barton, artist and satirist whose shafts of wit and laconic humor brought him something of both fame and fortune. Destiny has a strange way of putting to ones life more smiles than others enjoy and more tears than others suffer. So many noted humorists and popular wits have been engulfed in sorrows that almost it seems the richest humor must be born of conflicting passions and torn hearts.

A classic example of a great satirist living in unhappy circumstances and dying in bitter realization of man's sorrows in travels with a sightless soul is Dean (Jonathan) Swift who, even in the time of his greatest success, was known as the unhappiest man in Europe. Swift's cutting satire and contagious humor may have affected the course of empire fortunately, but his sallies in lighter vein failed to enrich his own life or sustain a degree of happiness. Considered incapable of love, friendship of two women, either of whom he could marry because of the other, worried him into impulsive acts that, coupled with their regard for him and opposition to each other, led to the early death of both. Swift himself died seventeen years later a demented wreck.

In the two hundred years since Swift's years of sorrow, fate has not changed her habits. There have been many whose words and acts raised merriment but whose lives were sad. Sometimes, it appears, humor has risen in a life to sustain it against dark foes of mind and heart and the world's profit in smiles has increased with the battle in a man's soul. It is the same sad, old story—"Laugh, Clown, Laugh." Those who think the most, have the most to give others.

Simile: She has more curves than the river road.

"I just couldn't help it."

As for the treks into South American and Asiatic jungles and wild haunts in the Rockies:

"It has always been the contact with the out-of-doors which has fascinated me," she said.

Before a large audience of men and women she told truths of the wilds.

"Eyes are the windows of the soul and animals always know when humans are afraid," she said.

Kindness in Jungle

She explained how one look over a rifle barred into a grizzly's eyes had assured her that he knew she was not afraid and he had no fear of her.

"There was an understanding in that look which passed between us," she added, "and I said to him, 'Well old dear, if you can save me, I can save you! My rifle was lowered and the bear lumbered on about his affairs.'"

A tragedy in a monkey family down in the Latin American jaguar country and other tales illustrating the conquering of the dog-eat-dog law of the jungles by human kindness intrigued Mrs. Seton's audience.

GOOD PROGRAM TO BE ON THE AIR FRIDAY

Following are the best features of Friday night's radio program given in Atlantic standard time:

CFNB FREDERICTON

8.30—Weather Forecast, News, Columbia Records.
9.30—Robin Hood Musicals
12.30—Columbia Records.
1.15—Stock Market Report.
7.00—Weather Forecast, Stock Market Report.
8.30—B. H. Painters.

WEAF NEW YORK

7.00—Major Bowes' Family.
8.00—Cities Service Concert.
9.30—String Quartette.
9.45—Raki Gets Rich.
10.00—Kodak Week-end Program.
10.30—RKO Theater of the Air.
11.00—Night Attack on New York.

WJZ NEW YORK

6.45—Literary Digest Topics in Brief.
7.00—Amos 'n' Andy.
7.15—Moscul Moments.
7.30—Phil Cook.
7.45—The Boswell Sisters.
8.00—Nestle's Program.
8.30—Breyer Leaf Boys.
8.45—The Carribeans.
9.00—Intermoven Pair.
9.30—Armour Program.
10.00—Armstrong Quakers.
10.30—Clara, Lu and Em.
10.45—The Ragamuffins.
11.00—Slumber Music.

NBC CHICAGO DIVISION

11.00—Amos 'n' Andy.
WABC, NEW YORK
7.00—Philco Symphony Orchestra
7.30—Ritz-Carlton Concert.
8.00—L'Heure Provinciale.
9.00—Canada on Parade.
10.00—Canadian Pacific Hour.
11.00—Windsor Hotel Dance Orchestra.

WOR, NEWARK

7.00—Uncle Don; Sports; Orch.
8.30—Skylark; Mike & Al.
10.00—Frat Row.
10.30—Orchestra; Lyons and Lyons.
10.45—Dinah and Dora.

WTIC HARTFORD

7.00—The Merry Madcaps.
7.30—Behind the News in Africa
7.45—Ilma Islanders.
8.00—Cities Service Concert.
9.00—Eskimo Service Concert.
9.30—The Travelers Hour.
10.30—Theater of the Air.
11.00—News; Weather.

CNRA MONCTON

10.30—Home Economics.
11.00—Robin Hood Musicals.
2.00—Daily Potato Bulletin.
2.30—Ocean Limited Hour.
3.15 News Bulletin.
6.15—Stock Reports.
6.30—Dinner Hour of Music.
7.00—Dom. Dept. Agric. Report.

CKAC MONTREAL

7.30—Baseball Scores.
7.35—Clark's Entertainers.
7.55—Montrose Question Box.
8.00—L'Heure Provinciale.
9.00—"Canada on Parade."
10.00—Canadian Pacific Hour of Music
11.00—Windsor Hotel Orchestra.

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