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Premier Bennett The Chief Speaker At Ottawa Banquet

Responded Eloquently to a Toast to Canada at Dinner Tendered Members of the British Institute of Gas Engineers Last Night—Stressed the Importance of Service to Mankind.

OTTAWA, Sept. 19—Right Hon. R. B. Bennett was the principal speaker at a banquet tendered last night to the British Institute of Gas Engineers, now holding their convention in this city. He spoke for twenty minutes in response to the toast of "Canada" and was listened to with rapt attention. The Premier paid an eloquent tribute to the founders of the Dominion, and spoke of the great progress along all lines made since the union of the provinces in 1867. He heartily welcomed the delegates of the British Institute of Gas Engineers who are meeting on this Continent for the first time in the history of the organization. A lump of coal, he said, was not much to look at but through the efforts of gas engineers, it had been made to serve a very useful purpose. In welcoming the delegates he declared that the greatest satisfaction that any individual could derive from his labors today was in the knowledge that he was rendering a service to mankind.

The Prime Minister's remarks and also those of several visiting delegates who followed, were very heartily applauded.

CO-OPERATION FOR DEFENCE WAS URGED

Important Matters were Discussed at the British Commonwealth Federation at Toronto Yesterday.

Toronto, Sept. 18—Co-operation for defense among the Empire's self-governing nations was viewed as desirable by delegates to the British Commonwealth Federation today. Such unity was seen, also, as a possible stimulus to closer relationships between other League countries for the prevention of aggression and the control of armaments.

The discussion was a natural outgrowth of conferences earlier in the day, when agreement was general that any war in which a Dominion engaged could only be a "League war" directed against an aggressor country; and that the Empire and its parts would be governed by the policy of the League of Nations, and the Kellogg-Briand Pact in such a case. This was held to clear up the hypothetical question as to one Dominion's position in the event another went to war.

Within League Policy

Thus the conference today did not go beyond League policy. "If there is going to be an Empire policy in the defense question it must be based upon League policy," said one spokesman.

Early in today's session the question was raised as to whether any war in which the Empire engaged could be anything else but a League war.

A British delegate declared that any co-operation for defense within the commonwealth was legitimate, but it was only common sense for the Empire to try to get as many other League nations as possible to follow the lead. Here was a unique opportunity for "six nations among 60 to get a consultative system going".

MAY REDUCE MEMBERSHIP OF QUEBEC HOUSE

The Number is Likely to be Reduced from 90 to 74.

Montreal, Quebec, Sept. 19—That as a means of reducing government expenditure, Premier Taschereau was contemplating a reduction in the number of members of the Legislative Assembly, according to lines adopted in Ontario and Nova Scotia, was learned today on excellent authority. The Premier has already announced that he would not reduce the indemnity of members of the Legislature. At least, in the request made last session to reduce the indemnity from \$2,800 as it is at present, to \$2,000.

It was suggested, however, that he could reduce the number of the members of the Lower House thus effecting a substantial economy, without disturbing in any way its efficiency. In Ontario, the number of members was reduced to 86 from 112, and in Nova Scotia from above 40 to 30.

It is predicted that, at the next session, legislation will be brought in whereby the number of W. L. A.'s would be reduced to 74 from 90, as it is at present, which would bring it back to where it was before the two last redistributions. This would not go into effect before the next provincial elections.

which might show the way to others. Further, while no harm could be done by the dominions in consulting among themselves, it might be ill-advised to carry the practice too far.

Other questions on which the delegates agreed included that of setting up inter-dominion representation by commissioners or agents-general in the various capitals, as well as the growing practice of more than one Empire country having diplomatic representatives in foreign countries.

CHATHAM FAIR IS ATTRACTING MANY PEOPLE

Speakers at the Opening Included George McDade, M.P., Hon. Lewis Smith and A. A. Dysart.

Chatham, Sept. 18—Throngs of patrons wended their way to the exhibition building here this evening to witness the formal opening exercises of the Miramichi's 17th agricultural and industrial fair.

Workers were busy all the afternoon, placing the exhibits. The women's exhibit this year, both in fancywork and cooking, is much larger than usual. The management reported today a 100 per cent increase in the total of exhibits of all classes. The array of vegetables, occupying space on the centre floor of the main building, is a credit to the farmer exhibitors. The flower display, the

The concert by the Newcastle band was given this evening in front of the post office, after which a parade was held to the fair grounds. At 8:30 the inaugural ceremonies got under way with the playing of "O Canada". G. Percy Burchill, chairman, welcomed the patrons and speakers. The Miramichi Agricultural Exhibition Association, he said, had been in existence for 30 years. Seventeen exhibitions have been put on, and something over \$80,000 distributed in prizes money.

Fraises Association

Mayor W. F. Cassidy, on behalf of the citizens of Chatham, praised the exhibition association for having the courage to put on an exhibition. He felt they had been of great assistance to the town. He felt the farmers had met the depression well in this community. This was shown in the distribution of direct relief.

George M. McDade, M. P., said this was a banner year in the agriculture which was shown by the doubling of the entries in this class. The regional grant was well earned, he said, to conduct the show this year. W. S. Anderson, M. L. A., R. J. Gill, M. L. A., and F. M. Tweedie, M. L. A., followed. A. A. Dysart K. C., M. L. A., expressed his pleasure in seeing such agricultural wealth and he congratulated the exhibitors in doubling the entries this year. He felt it was the duty of the government to demand justice for the Maritimes and said what was wanted today was market possibilities. Hon. Lewis Smith, minister of Agriculture, said no fair of its size has excelled the present one. The people should be proud of it, he said. He then declared the exhibition officially open.

SPUD MARKET IS SOMEWHAT DEPRESSED

Hartland, Carleton County Co., Sept. 18—Today's potato market was quiet, with light wire enquiry and demand only moderate from Ontario markets, where stocks are reported as being liberal for all requirements. Heavy rains last night slowed up digging, and farmers' hauling were correspondingly light. The market has a depressed feeling, due mostly to too many offerings, and small distribution. Prices today were mostly \$1.10 to \$1.20 a barrel for Irish Cobblers or Green Mountains, Canada grade one.

THE ROYAL SCOT SOON AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT

Crack Train to Make an Exhibition Tour of the West.

L.M.S. OFFICIALS
COMING OUT

Two are Due to Arrive in Montreal on Saturday

Montreal, Sept. 19—The "Royal Scot," famous British train on exhibition in Chicago, which was the centre of attraction in Montreal when it arrived last spring in the fast freight liner "Beaverdale" will enter the limelight soon again. A cable from England states Messrs. T. C. Byron and C. O. Emerson of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway, who had charge of the train during its tour of Canada and the United States in the spring, are due to reach here Saturday in the Canadian Pacific liner, Duchess of Bedford. Interviewed on their departure for England two months ago, the L. M. S. Officials were due to return a few weeks before the crack London to Glasgow flyer on an exhibition tour of the western United States and Canada. It is understood here that western Canada will see the "Royal Scot" at Canadian Pacific stations in Vancouver, Kamloops, Calgary, Moose Jaw, Regina and Winnipeg.

Mrs. Roy W. Smith Passed Away at Her Home Last Evening

Had Been in Failing Health For Some Months. Her Death is Deeply Regretted By a Large Circle of Friends—Funeral On Wednesday.

The death occurred at her home in Brunswick St. last night of Mrs. Ethel E. Smith, wife of Roy W. Smith, High Sheriff of York County. She had been in failing health for some time, and during the past summer made a trip to Boston for medical treatment. It was found that nothing could be done for her, and her friends learned with great regret upon her return home that she had only a short time to live. She bore her suffering with patience and christian fortitude and was perfectly resigned to her fate. News of her death, although not unexpected was heard on all sides with feelings of deep regret.

The deceased lady was the youngest daughter of the late Spencer Inch, who for many years represented the Parish of Bright in the York County Council, and afterwards removed to Vancouver, where he died several years ago. She was a bright, energetic and capable woman of cheerful disposition and a general favorite with all who enjoyed her acquaintance. The heartfelt sympathy of the community will go out to the husband and family in their great bereavement.

Besides a husband the deceased is survived by a family of three daughters and three sons, Margaret, teaching at Prince William; Muriel, of the staff of the Model School, and Mary, Sanford, Leonard and Robert, all at home. Edward S. Inch of this city is a brother and there are three sisters, Mrs. George Emery of Worcester, Mass.; Mrs. V. L. Matthews of Devon; and Miss Effie Inch, R. N., of Worcester, at present in this city.

The funeral will take place from her late home, 668 Brunswick Street, on Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock with services conducted by Rev. J. W. Bartlett, assisted by Rev. G. W. Guilou.

Oakland, California, Sept. 18—Yawning heartily, Edward Hines, 21, dislocated his jaw and his parents summoned an ambulance. En route to an emergency hospital the ambulance hit a bump and the jaw slipped back into place.

Motion to Quash Indictment in Two Coal Cases

Proceedings Against Eleven Concerns Charged With Offences Under the Criminal Code are Halted and Jury and Witnesses are Excused Until Wednesday.

QUEBEC, SEPT. 19—Motions to quash the indictment, laid against 11 Canadian coal companies for offences under the Criminal Code and the Combines' Investigation Act by the Attorney General of the Province of Quebec, were made in the Court of King's Bench here yesterday afternoon by Hazen Hansard, for the Hartt and Adair Coal Company Limited; and Leon Garneau, K.C., for Elias Rogers Company Limited, two of the companies charged.

Applications were based on claims that the charges, as drawn did not comply with the law governing their presentation, being very general and vague are not describing specific offences. Motions for particulars were also filed, along lines similar to those previously made by other defence counsel.

Mr. Hansard insisted that the defence was very serious in its presentations of motions and that, far from playing for delay, he himself could not go to trial, even if ready and willing to do so, unless better informed as to the details of the charges laid against his client.

SOFT COAL PACT EFFECTIVE IN TWO WEEKS

A Section Which was Objected to by Labor Was Stricken From the Code.

Washington, Sept. 18—Moving the coal code out of freshly-brewed dispute, President Roosevelt late today issues an executive order making the compact for the soft coal industry effective within two weeks.

In doing so, he struck from the code a provision that had been written into it in the last hour of its negotiation—a section to which labor already had voiced objections.

The president said in his executive order that the section sought to interpret the paragraph of the recovery law that specifies that labor shall have the right to join organizations of its own choosing.

This had been the interpretation that William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, and John L. Lewis president of the United Mine Workers of America had placed on that section of the coal code.

In eliminating the provision, the president said:

"Because it is evident that attempts by those submitting codes to interpret Section 7-A of the National Industrial Recovery Act have led to confusion and misunderstanding, such interpretations should not be incorporated in codes of fair competition."

The president also made a change to permit the appointment by himself of three additional members of the Bituminous Industrial Board, or to substitute them for government members of the divisional code authorities.

FEEDING FISH BY ELECTRICITY

Springfield, Ill. Sept. 19—Illinois is using electricity to feed its fish.

Here's how: High voltage lamps over the feeding and breeding ponds at Mattoon attract bugs, which are killed by the heat. When they fall into the water the fish gobble them down. It's cheaper than buying fish food.

SERIOUS FIRE ON THE HALIFAX WATERFRONT

Early Morning Blaze Menaced Large Consignments of Valuable Freight, Loss \$300,000.

Halifax, Sept. 18—Fire broke out in Pier 2 on the Halifax waterfront early this morning and was menacing large consignments of freight shortly before 3 o'clock. The liner Newfoundland and the steamer Moyra had left the pier and moved out into the stream to escape the flames.

The fire made headway rapidly through wooden partitions in the upper part of the building and broke through the roof. Three alarms brought all available apparatus from city stations.

The pier, about 1,200 feet long, was constructed before the war and at that time was one of the most modern on the Atlantic Coast. During the war it was used by the Olympic and other large ships carrying troops across the Atlantic.

Shortly after 3 o'clock flames had caused a loss of \$300,000 by destroying a consignment of flour recently landed from the Great Lakes.

The flames were spreading rapidly and dense smoke from the burning freight was holding scores of firefighters at bay.

Besides the flour, several other large consignments of freight were menaced, including a cargo of English goods landed by the Newfoundland.

At 4 a.m. the fire was reported under control.

TRAINS ON TIME TODAY

All C. P. R. trains were on time today, repairs having been effected during yesterday afternoon and last night at the two places, which had been damaged by washouts. The Boston train had been delayed more than three hours as a result of a washout fifteen miles west of Fredericton Junction, and the Saint John train also was late yesterday.