

High Priced Men to Assist Food Controller Hanna

Not Much Evidence of Thrift Displayed by the Government---
Three Men Named at Salaries of Upwards of \$4000 Each---
A Corporation Lawyer Chairman of the Commission to Probe The O'Connor Charges.

Ottawa, August 4. — One does not look a gift horse in the mouth. That is to say one doesn't question the methods of a Food Controller like Mr. Hanna who works without salary, or of a Royal Commission such as has been appointed to probe Sir Joseph Flavelle, which will also act without compensation. One does not look a gift horse in the mouth, I repeat, unless one is obliged to do so in the ground of expense or some other equally valid reason.

The basic idea of food control is to regulate expenditures and effect economies. Food Controller Hanna has in fact issued three statements and the last word in all of them was thrift. Draw the belt tighter, eat less, go over the garbage can carefully before letting the man cart away the contents. Save, save save!

High Priced Men.

And yet the Food Controller when he tells others to save cannot be said to save himself, having just appointed three highly paid men, Willison at \$4,500, Todd at \$4,500, and French at \$4,200, to assist him in his arduous labors. Mr. Willison is a son of Sir John Willison of Toronto and at this writing nobody knows who Todd and French are, although doubtless questions will be asked about them in the House. The world does not know them as food experts, or anything else. The question naturally arises, on what ground were they appointed. Rumor has it that Mr. Hanna was influenced by something more than merit in selecting them.

Another Commission.

Food Controller Hanna is also credited with selecting the Flavelle Com-

mission. I forget just what number this particular commission is, but it must be well up in the hundreds. At all events it is one more commission and to a certain extent sui generis, because it gets nothing for its services. When a government commission shows such lavish disregard of money one is led to ask what is the other reward in addition to the generous glow one feels at doing a patriotic act.

The chairman of the commission is G. F. Henderson, K. C., Ottawa, a well known Conservative of the reliable party type. He was counsel for J. Wesley Allison in the famous Hughes investigation. Later on he represented the food interests in an inquiry into the high cost of living, conducted by the city of Ottawa. Mr. Henderson is a corporation lawyer, and naturally no enemy to capital. According to Premier Borden he qualifies for his present position as a "drainage referee. What drainage refereeing has to do with food profits heaven only knows, unless perhaps the drainage meant is the money that has been drained off by Sir Joseph Flavelle and his fellow pirates. Meanwhile Mr. Henderson is acting without salary. Doubtless he finds his reward in his own conscience.

Auditors Chosen.

Associated with Mr. Henderson are Mr. A. B. Brodie of the firm of Price, Waterhouse & Co., and Mr. Geoffrey Clarkson, also a leading accountant. No doubt these gentlemen are competent to deal with the complicated figures Sir Joseph will present to show why his margin on export bacon was 5.05 while that of his nearest com-

petitor was only 3.3; also why according to his own statement he did business at two-thirds of a cent profit while the Swifts who are not philanthropists but plain business men could do it at a quarter of a cent; also why Flavelle bacon that costs thirty-six cents a pound in England costs fifty cents a pound in its own home town of Toronto. Doubtless Messrs. Brodie and Clarkson have the right kind of minds to tackle Sir Joseph's figures but why are two auditors necessary when one auditor would do? Why not substitute for one of these affluent auditors with their intimate connection with Big Business a laboring man, a representative of the class of people who feel the price of bacon most?

A Chicago Man.

The fourth member of the commission added by special request, is a Mr. Connors of Chicago. Mr. Connors is "late of Armour's." Presumably he has made his bit and retired. He is a bacon expert, of course, and can bring a great deal of technical knowledge to the subject. It is true that the Armour interests in Canada are closely touched by the O'Connor report but Mr. Connors will not allow that to influence him. He will have only a mellow, detached interest in his old business associates. Rumor has it that the Armour interests in the United States and the Standard Oil interests are not hostile and Food Controller Hanna represents Standard Oil in Canada. The mutual esteem of the two great corporations is Food Controller Hanna selects Mr. Connors as his main coadjutor in the pending investigation of Sir Joseph Flavelle.

A point the Flavelle commission can labor at with advantage is Sir Joseph's arithmetic in making the subtractions from the 5.05 "margin" disclosed by the O'Connor report. Does Sir Joseph like certain other great captains of industry, cause profits to interlock when the interlocking is good and to disappear altogether when the disappearing is better? In other words does the raw product show an enormous profit while the finished product shows a small one—the fat lying somewhere in between? Again how much has Sir Joseph written off his packing plants for depreciation since the war started? The shell factories, which will be scrap after the war, write off enormous sums for this purpose. Has Sir Jo-

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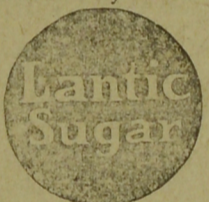
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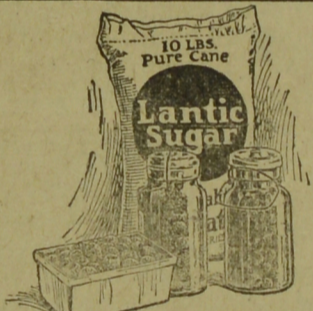


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There's the Rub.

The Flavelle commission will not be doing its duty if it fails to prick the delusion that Sir Joseph had pure philanthropy in mind when he offered to operate the William Davies Packing plant for the Borden Government on a "cost plus" basis! Plus! There's the rub! What was that plus—five, ten, fifteen per cent., or a hundred and fifty per cent. which was what the William Davies considered reasonable in the Boer war. Plus Humph Perfect security against loss and a fat profit! Who wouldn't offer his factory to the British Government on those terms?

The investigators will not be authorized to go outside the O'Connor report but if they were it would be interesting to learn what effect the Flavelle profiteering has had on re-

cruiting in this country. My own opinion is that it did more to kill it even than the official chill given to it by the Borden Government. Where is the man who willingly gives up a job with three dollars a day to march off to the dangers of war at a dollar ten a day leaving behind a wife and kiddies to be looted by the food pirates of all be can save out of his wages of death and peril?

LOST GROUND TO BE RETAKEN AT ALL COSTS

New York, Aug. 6. — The Herald today has the following cable from Paris, dated Sunday: "The Matin's correspondent at the front telegraphs: 'The Germans have made up their minds to retake their lost second line at all costs. Even the crown prince could not have thrown away more men than now are being sacrificed around Ypres. On Wednesday night two divisions were deliberately hurled forward to regain a redoubt and the only result was the enormous losses inflicted.'

"That the Germans are weary of battle is confirmed by an order found on a prisoner, saying: 'I learn that many men are leaving their posts without orders on plea of illness. Company commanders must see that this does not occur. They must keep up the morale of the men'.

"An amusing incident occurred on Tuesday. It was necessary to destroy a machine gun position at the point of junction of the Allied armies. Mixed detachments of French and British were sent there. They accomplished their mission and took prisoners. Each side insisted that the other have the honor of taking back the captives. Finally they played cards to decide the matter."

The Petit Parisien's correspondent says: "The Germans are bombarding the new British positions incessantly, apparently preparing to launch a counter-attack to recover at least a part of their second line. While massing his men, Prince Rupprecht is trying by ceaseless shelling to delay British operations against this barrier. For he has only second-rate defenses beyond."

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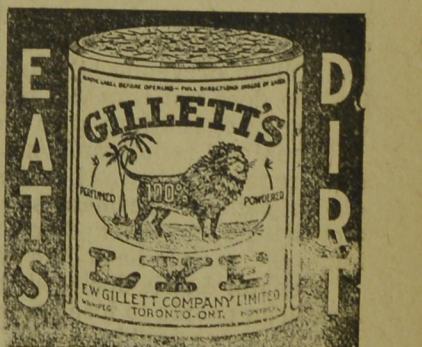
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