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## LEGISLATURE OPENED THIS AFTERNOON WITH VERY LITTLE CEREMONY

### Military Features Confined to Attendance of Officers Upon Lieut. Governor--- Large Attendance Within Chamber--- First Session Opened by Gov. Pugsley

The second session of the Seventh Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick was opened this afternoon at three o'clock by Hon. William Pugsley, Lieutenant Governor, with the customary ceremony within the chamber, but with none outside. There was no guard of honor, all troops which might perform such duty being overseas, and there was no artillery salute of thirteen guns for a Lieutenant Governor, for a similar reason. Within the Chamber the military part of the ceremonial was confined to the attendance upon His Honor of his aide-de-camps and a staff of officers all in service dress.

As usual, the ceremony attracted a gathering which filled the galleries of the chamber. Outside the Parliament Buildings there was not the usual throng—the absence of military display accounting for that. Acting Clerk Dibblee had issued a large number of invitations to seats on the floor of the House, and many ladies were present. The majority were wives of members of the Legislative Assembly.

#### ATTENDING UPON HIS HONOR.

His Honor entered the chamber at three o'clock. His personal staff was composed of Lieut. Col. J. L. McAvity, A. D. C., Major W. J. Osborne, A. D. C., and Mr. R. S. Barker, Private Secretary. Among the officers present were Brigadier General A. H. Macdonnell, Lieut. Colonel A. H. Powell, Major J. J. Bull, Capt. T. R. McNally, Capt. G. H. Boyd, Capt. Bennett, Capt. Heron.

#### THE GOVERNOR'S PARTY.

The Governor's party, which was seated in the Chamber and which after the ceremony repaired to the Queen Hotel, where the usual reception was held, was composed of Mrs. William Pugsley, Mrs. D. C. Scott, of Ottawa, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, Mrs. Gillmor Brown, Mrs. J. L. McAvity and Mr. G. B. McDonald, of St. John.

#### Much Public Interest.

The fact that the present session is the first of the term of Hon. William

all parts of the chamber. He then left the chamber accompanied by his staff and escort.

#### Returned Soldiers on Duty.

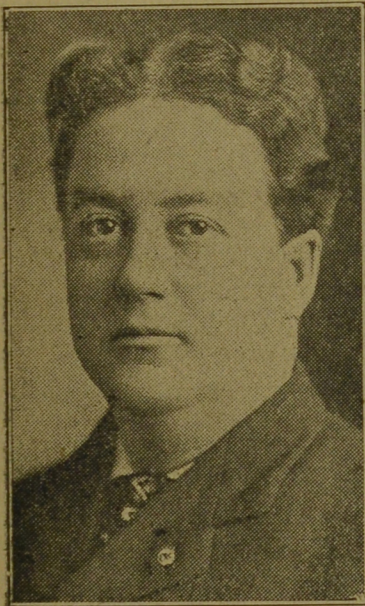
As has been customary since the beginning of the War, returned soldiers have been assigned to special guard duty about the Parliament Buildings during the session, and were on duty today. They are Ernest H. Parent, Alonzo Smith, Claude Olmstead, Jack Allen and Harry Delong. Substitute guards are Corp. Humble and Frank Merriweather.

#### On Floor of Chamber.

Among those seated upon the floor of the chamber were Mrs. W. E. Foster, Mrs. J. P. Byrne, Mrs. Robert Murray, Miss Vera Murray, Miss Kathleen Murray, Mr. S. E. Elkin, M. P., and Mrs. Elkin, Mrs. W. F. Roberts, His Worship Mayor Hayes of St. John, and Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. L. P. D. Tilley, Mrs. J. Roy Campbell, Mr. L. P. Farris.

#### The Address in Reply.

After the introduction of the customary bill to show the independence of the House, the address in reply to His Honor's Speech was moved by Dr. J. E. Hetherington, M. P. P., of Queens, and seconded by Mr. J. E. Michaud, M. P. P., of Madawaska.



DR. J. E. HETHERINGTON,  
Mover of the Address.

with the Legislature of New Brunswick as Lieutenant Governor, and the latter has had so close connection with the past, has added interest to the proceedings.

The Lieut. Governor wore the uniform of a Privy Councillor, blue with black facings. The dress was striking uniform worn by recent predecessors, although not as ornate as the Windsor. The present occupant of the gubernatorial chair is the first privy councillor to become Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick.

His Honor, after the customary formalities, read the Speech from the Throne in a clear voice which reached

## PRAISES WORK OF WOMEN

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

New York, Mar. 7.—Most Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, Archbishop of York, who is in the United States to bring about a closer understanding between Great Britain and the United States, told the members of the Girls' Friendly Society here today the work women are doing and can do to help win the war. Problems arising from the war, especially those affecting the welfare of women, have been most delicate, the archbishop said, and unusual conditions have brought the women of England into a labor which they have done in "a heroic manner."

## TO BORROW RAILS FROM VALLEY ROAD

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Mar. 6.—The acute scarcity of eighty-pound steel rails in Canada to meet railway requirements for replacing worn rails has led to an arrangement between the federal government and the government of New Brunswick for the purchase of more than one hundred miles of new rails on the St. John Valley railway, now provincially owned. These rails will be traded for the rails at present on the heavy traffic part of the Intercolonial now badly in need of replacement.

Traffic on the St. John Valley railway, now nearing completion, will be very light as compared with traffic on the Intercolonial main line and the Intercolonial rails, now partly worn, will serve the St. John Valley railway. Details of the bargain for the exchange have been completed here this week through negotiations between the minister of railways and Chief Engineer Foss and Secretary Carter of the provincial railway commission.

It is estimated that new rails are required this year for some 2,000 miles of Canadian railways, betterments being long overdue because of the difficulties of the last three years in regard to securing rails, money and labor during war time. The arrangement which has now been made in regard to new rails on the Intercolonial emphasizes the difficulties of the railway companies in meeting pressing requirements of keeping roadbeds up to standard.

## MEMBERS PAY TRIBUTE TO LATE JOHN REDMOND

### Stood High in the Esteem and Admiration of all Parties Says Lloyd George---His Great Service to Ireland.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, March 7.—The House of Commons paid tribute to the memory of Mr. Redmond today when Premier Lloyd George and various party leaders expressed their sense of the loss the House had sustained. Mr. Lloyd George said the House was shocked profoundly by the unexpected news of the death of one of its oldest, most respected and eminent members. Mr. Redmond had been a member of the House for thirty-seven years, and during that period, the Premier added, he had grown in the esteem, admiration and affection of the members of all parties. That was a great thing to say of any member. Mr. Lloyd George continued, but it was the greatest thing to say of a man who had been engaged in one of the fiercest controversies of our time. There might be difference of opinion as to the policy for which he stood and fought, but there was absolutely no difference of opinion as to the ability, judgment, dignity and honorableness which he devoted to that policy.

#### HIS DEVOTION TO IRELAND.

Premier Lloyd George said that Mr. Redmond gave up everything in service for Ireland, and it was one of the tragedies of that land that he was struck down before he achieved the great purpose of his life. Warm tribute, he said, had been paid to the Nationalist leader by his political opponents in the Irish convention who trusted and believed in him. Mr. Redmond went to the convention bowed down with sorrow, and his friends knew the physical tortures he endured while serving his country in that trying position.

Mr. Redmond's last words to the Premier when he saw him a few days ago were a plea for a truce between the races, "that Providence had decided should work together for the common aims of humanity."

#### MR. ASQUITH'S TRIBUTE.

Former Premier Asquith added his tribute, saying: "We in this House, even those who differed most actively and deeply from him, agree without reserve or qualification that he was at once a great parliamentarian and a true patriot. The House of Commons, Ireland, Great Britain, the whole Empire, is impoverished by his death."

Sir Edward Carson, recalling that he had known Mr. Redmond for thirty-five years, said he could say with absolute sincerity that during the whole of that time "I cannot recollect that one bitter or personal word ever passed between John Redmond and myself."

## THE TONNAGE SITUATION MORE GRAVE THAN PEOPLE REALIZE

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, March 7.—Baron Inchcape, complaining at a meeting of the Chamber of Shipping today of what he termed the unpromising outlook, said that not a sound had been heard along the Clyde since noon last Saturday. It might be, he suggested, that no war was going on and that no new ships or destroyers to hunt submarines were required. He said he thought more information about shipping losses might be given the people to make them appreciate the gravity of the situation, adding: "Our tonnage is being sunk at a rate of which the people have no conception. There is a curious lack of realization in many parts of the country as to the grave situation with which we are faced."

## Canadian Troops Carry Out Many Successful Raids

### HELD OPIUM FOR SPECULATION

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, March 6.—Joseph Nault, who keeps a drug store at the corner of St. Catherine and Sanguinet streets and his clerk Arthur Valiquette, were acquitted this afternoon by recorder Semple on the charge of having over \$8,000 worth of opium in their possession for purposes other than medicinal. It was stated for the defence that before the war opium was worth about \$7 a pound and worth about \$60 a pound at present, and druggist Nault had merely speculated by buying a large quantity of opium before the rise in price.

### STRIKE WAS AVERTED

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Boston, March 7.—The threatened strike of young women operators of the New England Telephone Co. was averted late tonight at a conference arranged by Henry B. Endicott, executive manager of the Massachusetts Public Safety Committee. The settlement agreed upon involves a reclassification of the varying schedules of wages paid in the different exchanges and grants a wage of \$16 a week for employees who have been seven years in service.

Major J. J. Bull of Woodstock, arrived in the city last night and is at the Queen.

## Report of Their Operations on Western Front for January Shows That They Are Nobly Upholding the Honor of Their Country.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

OTTAWA, March 7.—The following report of the operations of the Canadian Corps at the front during January, 1918, has been received by the Militia Department:

"Trench warfare has been continued during the past month and except for a small gain of ground on the night of January 3-4 in the neighborhood of Avion, without special incident other than occasional raids on either side, and patrol encounters.

"The break-up of the front has entailed much work in the maintenance and repair of trenches. In addition, the improvement of our positions and communications and the strengthening of our defences has been pushed diligently.

"On the night referred to, parties were sent out into No Man's Land in order to gain possession of positions overlooking the German wire, and to survey the enemy ground which at night had been found stoutly occupied by his patrols. The operation was entirely successful, two posts being established and connected up with our front line.

### ENEMY SUCCEEDED IN REACHING LINES UNDER COVER OF AN INTENSE ARTILLERY FIRE

"In the course of the month parties of the enemy have endeavored to enter our forward posts and trenches on some eight occasions, but only three times have they met with any measure of success. On the evening of the first of January a large hostile raiding party attacked our front line southwest of Mericourt. The raid, which had been carefully practiced by the enemy for four weeks, was delivered under cover of an intense artillery barrage, and succeeded in reaching our line. In the fighting which followed the raiders sustained several casualties and left three prisoners in our hands. Subsequently four of our men were found to be missing.

### FOUR SUCCESSFUL RAIDS CARRIED OUT DURING THE PAST MONTH AND LOSSES WERE SLIGHT

"On the evening on Jan. 12th a hostile raiding party entered our trenches between two of our posts at Avion, and captured one of our men. At the same time a second party attacked another of our posts in this locality, but was driven off with the loss of one man taken prisoner by us. Early in the morning of 25th January the enemy again succeeded in reaching our trenches under cover of intense artillery barrage.

"During this period four successful raids were carried out by us, besides a number of occasions on which patrols and small parties of our troops entered hostile posts or trenches without encountering the enemy. Identifications were secured, however, and two machine guns were brought back. Except for a few men slightly wounded, our parties sustained no losses.

### ARTILLERY, TRENCH MORTARS AND MACHINE GUNS HAMMERED AWAY AT THE ENEMY

"Two prisoners were taken by us on the night of the 11th-12th of January east of Loos. Fifteen German dead were counted in the enemy's trenches and it is estimated that at least twenty others were killed in bombed dugouts.

"Early on the night of the 13th and 14th of January another highly successful raid was carried out by us north of Lens in which, without loss to our forces, eleven German prisoners were captured and many of the enemy killed. On the following night in another raid thirteen Germans were killed, two prisoners and a machine gun captured, and an occupied dugout was bombed. Our artillery, trench mortars and machine guns have continued their activity, and our snipers claim many hits, and our aircraft have been active whenever the weather has been at all favorable for flying."

## TO PROBE LOSS OF FLORIZEL PEACE TREATY WITH ROUMANIA

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

St. Johns, Nfld., March 6.—A court of inquiry met today to determine the responsibility for the wreck of the steamer Florizel of the Red Cross Line on February 24, when sixty passengers and 32 members of the crew were lost. The court is headed by James Blackwood, of the supreme court, the other members being Anthony McDermott, senior officer attached to the Newfoundland station of the British Navy; Captain Edward English, Harbor Master of this port and Captain George Sprackin, Commodore of the steamship fleet of the Reid Newfoundland Railway Company.

Mrs. W. E. Foster arrived from St. John last night and joined Premier Foster at the Queen Hotel.

Mrs. Gillmor Brown of St. John, is with the Lieut. Governor's party at the Queen Hotel.

Lt. Col. J. L. McAvity of St. John, is a guest at the Queen.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Amsterdam, March 7.—Premier Von Seydler, in announcing the signing of a preliminary peace treaty with Roumania in the Austrian lower house, said:

Permit me sincerely to congratulate the house that by the military and political co-operation of Austria-Hungary with her faithful allies, this most important stage on the road to a general peace has been reached.

The statement was greeted with prolonged cheering.

#### BOWLING TOURNAMENT

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Cincinnati, Ohio March 6.—The Page Dairys of Toledo ran into second place in the five men teams event in the American Bowling Tournament held here tonight by rolling 248 on the second shift.