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EIGHT-HOUR DAY WOULD MEAN RECORD BREAKING PRICES FOR THE PRODUCTS OF THE FARM

SUBJECT DISCUSSED BY GRANGE MASTER

People Would Have to Pay 30 Cents a Quart for Milk, \$2 a Peck for Potatoes and \$1 a Pound for Butter — This Would Happen if Farm Products Were Sold on a Basis of Cost of Production.

Toronto, Dec. 16.—“Can an eight-hour day be made universal?” was a question propounded at the forty-fifth annual meeting of the dominion grange here yesterday by J. C. Dixon, of Warfield, master of the grange. Mr. Dixon answered his question in the affirmative with reference to the farm but he said it would mean that the people would have to pay thirty cents a quart for milk, two dollars a peck for potatoes, five dollars a bushel for wheat, and one dollar a pound for butter.

“Yes, an eight hour day on the farm can be made perfectly practicable,” he said, “and entirely workable the moment every other economic structure of the country is adjusted to the point that farm products, like other products, shall be paid for on the basis of cost of production, plus a profit. When that time comes it does not matter what the cost of production may be, not even how many hours constitute a day's labor on the farm, even two shifts of farm labor may be employed, provided the farmer may charge that labor into the production cost of what he sells.

“There is, however, a growing opinion that that is the most unsound position the farmer can possibly take, and that he is injuring his own industry by continuing such protestations. If, on the other hand, farmers would unite in their declaration that they too propose to aim at an eight hour day and then proceed to organize themselves to a point where they can enforce it, such a move would come nearer to jarring the Canadian people back to a level of common sense than anything else that could possibly happen at present, then it is time for farmers to begin to think along these lines instead of allowing every class under the heavens to put one over on them, the way it has been done in the past few years. You don't have to agree with this proposition, but it is worth a lot of hard thinking just the same.”

Weekly Roll-off

Thirty-two bowlers took part in the weekly roll-off at the Palace bowling alleys last evening. P. Saunders led with a total pin-fall of 298 followed by Murray Kierstead with 291 and T. Upton with 279.

THOUSANDS OF CHICAGO SALOONS WILL CLOSE DOORS ON JAN. 1ST

Decision by the Supreme Court Has Taken the Pep Out of the Owners—Statement of Chief Counsel Brings About Some Cheer to the Booze Men.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Four thousand of Chicago's five thousand saloons will close their doors or go into other business on January 1st, according to an estimate today by M. J. McCarthy, secretary of the Illinois Liquor Dealers Protective Association. “We really expected to see the saloons open up after the Supreme Court's action,” he said, “and the decision upholding war-time prohibition took the pep out of the owners.”

The statement of Levy Meyer, chief counsel for the liquor interests of the middle west that the “real fight has not begun” brought some cheer to the saloon owners and distiller heads.

“This decision is just a scratch on the surface,” he said. “The constitutionality of the eighteenth amendment will be attacked in a few days. None of the questions involved in the case just decided has any relation to or any bearing upon the momentous fight that will be made on the amendment. That fight will involve fundamental, controlling and far-reaching questions that go to the very structure and formation of our government.”

GERMAN DELEGATION AT PARIS TO DISCUSS COMPENSATION FOR THE SINKING OF THE WARSHIPS

Is Presided Over by a Member of the Commercial Department of the Foreign Ministry—Met at the Railway Station by an Interested Crowd—Text of German Reply to Allied Note—The Scapa Flow Incident.

Paris, Dec. 16.—A new German delegation which has come to Paris to discuss compensation for the sinking of the German warships in Scapa Flow, arrived this morning. The delegation, which is presided over by Councillor Seelinger, a member of the commercial department of the German foreign ministry, consists of Rudolph Grohm, representative of the Hamburg shipyards, Councillor Bich, of the Ministry of Public Works, Dr. Pelzer, director of the Hamburg-American line, Dr. Petena, director of the Weser shipyards at Bremen, a representative of the Hamburg government and Paul Muller, representing three groups of seamen. The delegates arrived in a special car attached to the ordinary express train. There was no incident at the station, but the crowds regarded the Germans with interest.

FULL TEXT OF THE GERMAN NOTE IN REPLY TO LATEST NOTE OF THE ENTENTE POWERS

The German note in reply to the Entente, delivered to Paul Dutasta, secretary of the Peace Conference today says:

“The German government desires to dissipate the misunderstanding, that owing to the momentary absence of American delegates from the commissions provided for by the peace treaty, Germany claimed modifications and dispositions of the treaty concerning the extradition of persons charged with culpability in acts contrary to military laws, or the repatriation of prisoners. The German government, previous to receiving the Allied note, had already explained the reason why it would appear necessary to modify the conditions for the execution of those clauses, but the German government never made its assent for the putting into force of the peace treaty conditional upon a previous solution of that question.

THINKS SCAPA FLOW INCIDENT SHOULD HAVE BEEN LEFT TO INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNE

“The German government maintains its opinion that the best means to reach a solution of the Scapa Flow incident would have been to submit the case to international arbitration at The Hague. Such a measure would not have delayed putting the treaty into force, or the signing of the protocol thus modified. Desirous, however, of doing its utmost for the early re-establishment of peace, the German government declares itself ready to make reparations for the damages caused to the Allied and associated governments by the destruction of the ships.

“But the German government is unable to effect such reparations in the manner demanded by protocol of November 1st, because the execution of the demands formulated in that protocol would compromise irretrievably Germany's economic life and also render impossible of execution the other enormous obligations which the treaty imposes on Germany.”

MONTREAL JUDGE ANNULS A MARRIAGE

Montreal, Dec. 16.—On the wife's petition, Mr. Justice Coderre gave judgment in the practice division of the superior court yesterday annulling the marriage of Dame Bertha Quensel and Joseph Alphonso, alias Albert J. Benoit.

The petitioner stated that on January 29 1910, at Hartford, Conn., before the Rev. Henry Meed, a protestant minister, she contracted marriage in the name of Bird C. Quensel, with the defendant, Benoit. At the time of what she described in her petition as the “pretended” marriage, the parties were living, and for some time had lived in Montreal, and were subject to the laws of the province of Quebec.

Defendant did not appear and knowing his default and the fact that sentence was rendered on November 27 last, by Archbishop Bruchesi, declaring that in the eyes of the Roman Catholic Church the marriage in question was invalid, Mr. Justice Coderre pronounced judgment granting the petition.

Public School Closing

The public closing exercises for the public schools for the Christmas vacation will take place tomorrow morning beginning at ten o'clock. Christmas features as usual will be prominent in the programs. At the High School there will be the presentation of the Lieut. Governor's medal for High School entrance to Miss Dorothy Cox daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Phillip Cox.

AMERICAN EXECUTED BY VILLA

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 16.—Gaston Deprida, a young sportsman known in New York and New Orleans, and who with a companion was said to have left New York recently with the intention of killing or capturing Villa, and thereby winning the fifty thousand dollars offered by the government of Chihuahua state, was executed by the rebel leader, according to news paper despatches reaching San Antonio from Juarez. Although this information has not been verified, the source is considered reliable by Mexican newspapers here receiving the despatches.

WAS A NOTED CONTRACTOR

London, Dec. 15.—Sir John Jackson, famous as a contractor for public works in various parts of the world, died here yesterday. He was born in 1851.

Sir John was a civil engineer of note. Among the great projects in which he aided were the Manchester Ship Canal, the great railway across the Andes from Africa on the Pacific coast to La Paz, Bolivia. The great barrier across the Mesopotamia river near Babylon; the Mesopotamia irrigation works, and harbor works in Canada, south Africa, Singapore and other places. He was created a knight in 1895.

PROPOSAL TO NOMINATE A NEW TORY LEADER BY CAUCUS CAUSING MUCH SPECULATION

TEN YEAR OLD CHILD ON THE WITNESS STAND

Said He Saw His Father Drag His Mother Into a Bedroom and Murder Her.

Montreal, Dec. 16.—“I saw Papa drag Mamma into the bedroom of our house and kill her there,” said the ten year old Charles Edouard Turcotte, in the course of his evidence at the inquest held yesterday in the town hall of Joliette by Coroner Romeo Turgeon, into the circumstances of the death early Sunday morning of Mrs. Rose De Lima Turcotte, who was found dead in her home with her skull split by an axe.

No verdict was reached by the jury yesterday, as it was decided that an autopsy should be performed on the body, and the hearing was postponed until today.

LONDON-PARIS AIRPLANE IS SUMPTUOUS

London, Dec. 16.—Until now most of the airplanes which have been blazing the trail for aerial commerce have been converted military machines. The first of the real commercial planes has been put into commission for the London-to-Paris service. It has all the luxuries of a Pullman car, with a fine saloon fitted with carpets and fifteen windows.

Passengers sit in velvet cushioned arm chairs with receptacles at their elbow for maps, books and papers. A handsome clock and ornate mirrors give a tone of elegance to the interior, which is lighted by electricity.

In addition to wireless telegraph, there is a wireless telephone equipment connecting with land stations. There are also a spacious luggage room and pilot's cockpit. The machine is designed to carry two tons and eight hundred-weight when fully loaded. Two engines of 450 horse-power propel the airplane.

The London-to-Paris service is now in its fourth month with increasing patronage, both passenger and freight.

HAD A RIB FRACTURED

Paris, Dec. 16.—Doctors Tuffier and Laury made another X-Ray examination of Premenceau last evening, after which they issued the following bulletin:

“The X-Ray examination showed a fracture of the eight rib on the left side, with a little displacement. There are no complications.”

M. Clemenceau remained at home, but received President Poincare and Dr. Renner, the Austrian Chancellor.

GRAND TRUNK STOCKHOLDERS TO MEET AND RATIFY AGREEMENT

London Times Anticipates the Meeting Will be Held the Middle of January—Arrangement Regarded as Satisfactory But Canada Has Not Been Generous.

London, Dec. 16.—The Times anticipates that a meeting of the Grand Trunk Railway stockholders will be held in the middle of January to ratify the agreement with the Canadian government. The Times says nobody will pretend that the government has been generous, but the terms are better than at one time seemed probable. On the whole, the arrangement must be regarded as satisfactory, for it renders safe something like seventy to eighty millions of British capital invested in Canadian railways.

PROCEDURE REGARDED AS RATHER UNUSUAL

It Has Always Been Customary for a Prime Minister to Place His Resignation in the Hands of the Governor General and Suggest the Name of a Successor—Resignation of a Premier Dissolves Govt.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The proposal to nominate a leader of the Unionist forces who will succeed Sir Robert Borden as Prime Minister of Canada either at a caucus made up of the ministerial following in the Commons and the Senate or a party convention, is causing considerable speculation. It is pointed out that the procedure is unusual in that according to precedent, more particularly as established by practice in Great Britain, a retiring Prime Minister usually places the resignation of himself and the members of his government in the hands of the representatives of His Majesty and makes a recommendation as to the man who in his opinion should be called upon to form a government. In other words, a retiring Prime Minister usually chooses his own successor, whereas a new leader of an opposition party is named either by a party caucus or convention, the latter course being followed in the case of the choice of Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King by the National Liberal convention in August last.

If the plan to have a Unionist gathering is proceeded with, Sir Robert Borden will still be the Prime Minister and Unionist leader, when the caucus is held, and must continue to be a leader until he has placed his resignation in the hands of His Excellency the Governor General.

A SMASHUP IN CALGARY

Calgary, Dec. 16.—R. D. McWilliams, letter carrier No. 9 was instantly killed and twelve others more or less seriously injured at six ten this morning when south Calgary car No. 68 ran away down Fourteenth st. west, and crashed into Crook's drug store at seventeenth Avenue. Both street car and drug store were completely wrecked.

Will Speak Tonight

Mr. L. R. Holt manager of the Moncton Co-operative Society arrived here this morning and registered at the Barker House. Tonight at the City Opera House he will address a public meeting in the interests of the co-operative store which is contemplated in this city. The enterprise is under the direction of the Fredericton Co-operative Society.