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## ARGUMENT OF COUNSEL HEARD IN THE GUELPH NOVITIATE INQUIRY

**Counsel for Rev. Mr. Palmer Contended That the Government was Negligent in Not Compelling Occupants of the Novitiate to Register Under the M. S. A.—Mr. Newcombe Scores Rev. Mr. Palmer, Who Made the Charges — Hon. Mr. Doherty Exonerated.**

Ottawa, Sept. 12.—Argument of counsel was heard at the afternoon session of the inquiry into the circumstances of the raid on the novitiate at Guelph. During the proceedings Mr. Justice Middleton made it rather clear that he and his associate commissioner, Mr. Justice Chisholm, felt that the warrant of their appointment did not justify them in going further than to inquire into whether the Minister of Justice or Minister of Militia or other high officials of government were guilty of misconduct or impropriety in connection with the administration of the Military Service Act in connection with the Guelph institution.

Mr. Ferguson based his argument on the ground that the government had been guilty of failure to make the occupants of the Guelph Novitiate register under the terms of the M. S. A., that there were men in the Novitiate who were of military age who should have registered themselves for military service and who should have been serving with the colors.

### SIR SAM HUGHES PROTESTED AGAINST JUDGE'S CONCEPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THE COMMISSION

In conclusion, Mr. Ferguson asked the commissioners to find that the charges had been substantiated.

Sir Sam Hughes protested against Mr. Justice Middleton's conception of the limited scope of the commission under which the inquiry was held.

The action of the Minister of Justice, when he communicated with Captain Macaulay at the Novitiate and also in connection with the press censorship, was wrong even if not wilful.

Mr. Aime Geoffrion spoke very briefly. He made the point that the Jesuits had never been asked for information that they were forced to supply on demand. They had been informed by the Minister of Justice that under the act their members were exempt from service and therefore there was no necessity for them to register.

### MR. NEWCOMBE SAYS THAT REV. MR. PALMER WAS TOO MUCH CONCERNED WITH AFFAIRS OF OTHERS

Mr. Newcombe, for the government, said the visit to the Guelph institution he felt to have been unfortunate inasmuch as that institution was visited before any others. If certain officers of the department had carried out their duties in a discreet manner they would not have given rise to offence that was not the fault of the higher officers of the department, whose instructions had been quite clear.

As for any impropriety or misconduct on the part of the Minister of Justice in regard to his son, Marcus Doherty, any thought of that had been publicly disclaimed by the men formulating the charges. With this also Mr. Justice Middleton agreed. The whole base of the trouble, Mr. Newcombe thought, was due to the action of Rev. Kennedy Palmer, who possibly through his training acquired as a chartered accountant before entering the ministry, had seen fit to concern himself with the affairs of others. The occurrence at Guelph was but a passing incident in the administration of the Military Service Act, and had it not been for Mr. Palmer, it would have been forgotten long ago.

Mr. Justice Middleton—"And it should have been forgotten long ago."

This closed the session. Mr. Justice Middleton said the finding could be delivered at once and the evidence attached to it later.

## VESSELS LOST IN HURRICANE

Miami, Fla., Sept. 13.—The British auxiliary schooner Mystery J, reported as sunk in the Gulf hurricane, arrived safely four days overdue at Nassau, Bahamas.

Two schooners went down at Cat Island with all on board during the hurricane, and at Eleutha Island several buildings were destroyed. In the Windward Islands two schooners were lost.

## TRAMP STEAMER GOES ASHORE

Halifax, Sept. 12.—British steamship Chelston, from Charlotte, N. B., for Glasgow, went ashore at St. Paul's Island in the fog early this morning, according to word received here. The ship is not in any immediate danger. A ship will be sent from Sydney to her assistance.

## FORCE ATTACK ON CHURCHILL

Glasgow, Sept. 12.—A slashing indictment of Winston Spencer Churchill, the Secretary of War, for his declaration of yesterday regarding the delay in the evacuation of north Russia by British forces was delivered by James Henry Thomas, labor member of parliament, at the resumption of the sessions of the Trades Union Congress here today. Mr. Thomas moved a resolution demanding that the troops be withdrawn from Russia.

## CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLE BOMBED

London, Sept. 11.—Workmen are engaged upon the repair of the base of Cleopatra's needle on the Thames embankment, which was considerably injured by the explosion of a heavy bomb during one of the zeppelin raids.

## VOCATIONAL CLASSES NEAR ORGANIZATION

**Industrial Stitching With Motor Power a Specialty—Enrolment to Begin Next Week.**

A meeting of the Vocational Committee was held yesterday in the room of the Board of School Trustees, and several matters engaged the attention of the members, especially relating to the opening of the evening classes on Monday, 29th instant. Dr. VanWart, the chairman takes a hopeful view of the undertaking and sees in the movement a splendid opening for young men and women to improve their position in life.

**Variety of Subjects**  
Reports were made by the several members of the committee respecting the preliminary work assigned to each. From the present plans there will be classes in stenography and typewriting, millinery, dressmaking, cooking, commercial English with attention to bookkeeping, industrial stitching, with motor power, and mechanical drawing.

**Instructors Appointed**  
Instructors have been appointed for the different subjects and as the classes will be limited in numbers early application for a place will be necessary. Mr. Palmer and Mr. Hagerman are both very enthusiastic, the former gentleman having succeeded in enlisting the sympathy and assistance of the Board of Trade in this new enterprise. Mrs. Clark has given especial attention to the subjects in which the women of the community are most deeply interested. The classes in dress making and millinery are intended, primarily, to teach a vocation—to train girls to do the work that would be required of them when employed in these establishments. The old apprentice system is fast disappearing in modern life, and the new scientific system in domestic arts is taking its place. Dressmakers and milliners are being visited to find out what knowledge of methods they really require of assistants, and to secure their co-operation in furnishing actual practice work. It is hoped that all girls of sixteen years and upwards, who look toward entering the vocation of millinery or dressmaking will be prompt in enrolling during the week beginning Sept. 15.

Of course the instruction given to students in each of the classes will be of an elementary character and will prove helpful in all future work. It is proposed to have two instructors in

## SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO DEAL WITH RE-ESTABLISHMENT MATTERS

**Important Announcement Made in the House of Commons by Hon. N. W. Rowell—No Assurance Given That the Question of Gratuities will be Given Consideration.**

Ottawa, Sept. 12.—Announcement was made in the House of Commons by Hon. N. W. Rowell this afternoon that the government intends to appoint a special committee of the house to consider a bill dealing with the re-establishment of soldiers in civil life. This came after the president of the Privy Council had read the demand of the Great War Veterans for a further gratuity, and Premier Borden's refusal to support a parliamentary committee or a royal commission to investigate the matter. The result was that the impression got abroad that the government was receding from its former position and surrendering to the agitation of the veterans for a parliamentary committee.

A correspondent, however, asked a member of the cabinet pointblank if the special committee would consider the soldiers' demand for a \$2,000 gratuity. He rather dodged the question, his answer being: "The committee will determine its own procedure."

Mr. Rowell, in the course of his remarks in the House, stated that the committee would be similar to the special committee on pensions which sat during the last two sessions of parliament. It will consider a bill to consolidate the various orders-in-council and other measures already in existence relating to the civil re-establishment of soldiers. Some of these orders-in-council were passed under the War Measures Act and with the com-

## Henderson's Victory a Hard Blow to the Coalition Gov't

### GREAT RACING CARDS FOR NEXT WEEK'S FAIR

**Eleven Races Announced—The Free-for-All and Named Race Have Fine Fields of Entries.**

The Fredericton Park Association announces the card for the four-day exhibition harness meet next week. For eleven races there is a total of one hundred and nineteen entries which include all the fastest horses which have been racing in the Maritime Provinces and Eastern Maine this season.

The racing will take place in the afternoon of Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Sept. 16th to 19th inclusive. The Free-for-All on Wednesday with five classy entries looks particularly good and the Named Race for the last day of the meet with eight of the best horses in this part of the country entered should be the best race ever seen on a Fredericton track.

**The Program**  
The program of races with number of entries is as follows:  
Tuesday, Sept. 16th.  
2.30 Trot and Pace, Citizens' Purse \$400, sixteen entries.  
2.16 Trot and Pace, Purse \$400, 12 entries.  
2.14 Trot and Pace, Purse \$400, 10 entries.  
Wednesday, Sept. 17.  
2.16 Trot, Purse \$400, Eight entries.  
Free-for-All, Purse \$400, five entries, John A. Hal, Peter Farren, White Sox, Fern Hal, Thomas Earle.  
Thursday, Sept. 18th.  
2.18 Trot and Pace, Purse \$400, 7 entries.  
2.25 Trot and Pace, Purse \$400, 15 entries.  
2.25 Trot, Barker House Purse, \$400, fifteen entries.  
Friday, Sept. 19th.  
2.30 Trot and Pace, Exhibition stakes, \$400, ten entries.  
2.30 Trot Purse \$400, thirteen entries Named Race, eight entries.

some of the classes, and also a supervisor of all. The committee is not in a position today to publish the names of the several instructors.

**Tide of Feeling Throughout the Country is Running Strongly Against the Administration—Reconstruction of the Cabinet is Long Overdue—The Government Not Anxious to Open Constituencies—Reactionary Influences.**

London, Sept. 13.—The result of the by-election in Widnes, in which Arthur Henderson, the labor leader, was elected to the House of Commons, is considered a severe blow to the coalition government and has revived speculation as to the imminence of another general election.

The virtually unanimous vote of the Trades Union Congress at Glasgow for the nationalization of mines, and the vote on the subject of withdrawal of British troops from Russia are regarded as evidence of a very determined attitude on the part of labor against the government. It is pointed out that there are suspicions as to the government's intentions concerning Russia and conscription, and that the Glasgow congress declined clearly to condemn the policy of direct action, but only strategically sidetracked the decision.

### THE IRISH QUESTION ONE OF THE PROBLEMS WHICH THE GOVERNMENT CANNOT SETTLE

Reconstruction of the cabinet is long overdue, and has been delayed only because Ministerial changes would involve by-elections, which, it is said, would almost certainly provide additional evidence that the tide of feeling through the country is running strongly against the government.

Added to difficulties in the field of labor is the Irish question, which seems impossible for the coalition government to satisfactorily settle. On all sides the consensus of opinion inclines to the view that appeal to the country cannot be long delayed. It is understood that as soon as Premier Lloyd George returns from France he intends to summon the inner cabinet to discuss the whole situation.

### MR. HENDERSON SAYS HIS VICTORY IS AN EMPHATIC CONDEMNATION OF THE UNION GOVERNMENT

Arthur Henderson, in an interview here last night on his success in Widnes, said his victory was "an emphatic condemnation of the coalition government's policy and of the cynical political compromise upon which the government rests."

"I believe," he continued, "that the origin of the demand for a policy of direct action lies in the fact that the present parliament is felt to be wholly unrepresentative of the nation, and is dominated by reactionary influences. This has involved the country in proceedings which are the negation of democracy. It is shown in developments in Russia, Hungary and near home in Ireland, where the situation is obviously grave. Widnes is a warning that the government cannot afford to ignore."

## THE PRINCE WELCOMED AT EDMONTON

Edmonton, Sept. 13.—Yesterday the citizens of Edmonton extended to the Prince of Wales a formal welcome to this western capital. Last night the citizens were willing to give His Royal Highness the city or anything else they can persuade him to accept. The day's formal ceremony developed into a triumphant march of a popular hero. Thousands thronged the streets to show their deep feeling for the Prince.

**Band Concerts Tomorrow**  
The G. W. V. A. Band will play tomorrow afternoon at the grounds of the N. B. NMilitary Hospital and the Fredericton Brass Band will play tomorrow evening at Parliament Square weather permitting.

**Brought Bride Here**  
Dr. K. A. Baird accompanied by his bride who was Miss Isobel Gatherer McCurdy, daughter of Mr. W. R. McCurdy of Halifax arrived in this city this morning and is being warmly welcomed by his many friends here.

**Still Alarm Yesterday**  
The motor truck responded to a still alarm yesterday afternoon about 3.30 o'clock at the house owned by Robert Anderson on Regent Street to a small chimney blaze which was soon extinguished.

**Fisheries Violations**  
Fisheries Inspector H. E. Harrison announced this morning that seven violations of the fisheries regulations were to come up at Cody's, Queens County September 22nd. At Chipman three lads were caught by the fish warden just after they had speared a salmon with a potato digger which they had sharpened. Two other lads were also caught who offered to share the salmon they caught with the warden. In all six salmon-spearing cases and one case of refuse being placed in a trout-fishing stream will be heard.

**WARNING TO PROFITEERS.**  
Toronto, Ont., Sept. 13.—A warning against Toronto retail dealers in flour profiteering any longer has been issued by the Canadian Wheat Board.

## NOWLAN IS COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Richibucto, Sept. 12.—Albert Nowlan, charged with the murder of Dominion Police Officer Richards on Aug. 22, was sent up for trial before the next session of the Kent County Supreme Court at the conclusion of the preliminary hearing at Richibucto today. The next session of the Supreme Court will convene at Richibucto on the second Tuesday in October, and meanwhile the accused is held at the county jail.

**Should Be Ready**  
Advices from Maine indicate that thousands of people are planning to motor to Fredericton next week to take in the exhibition and races. In order to properly handle this traffic the exhibition authorities should arrange for a suitable place near the exhibition grounds for the parking of cars.

**Soft Drink Profiteers**  
People in some localities lose sight of the fact that the province is now under prohibition and make no effort to encourage the sale of temperance drinks. For instance at the Woodstock fair this week vendors were allowed to charge 25 cents a bottle for a belly wash, the wholesale price of which is less than 75 cents per dozen. Only the cool weather prevented them from getting rich on the job. If such robbery is attempted on the Fredericton exhibition grounds next week the vendors will be pretty sure to hear from the management.

**Klark-Urban Company**  
The engagement of the Klark-Urban Company at the City Opera House next week will open Monday night with "The Fortune Hunter". The company is better and better this season than ever before and their list of plays in preceding engagements. "The 13th Chair", "The Master Mind", "Nothing But the Truth", Hoyt's "A Contented Woman", and "Tess of the Storm Country" are all plays that have had long runs in New York Boston and Chicago and will be given with all special scenery necessary for each play. Seats are now on sale at Ryan's Drug Store.