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DRASTIC LEGISLATION AGAINST PROFITEERS IN THE OLD COUNTRY

Bill Passed the House of Commons by a Large Majority—Manufacturer Quoted by Sir Auckland Geddes as Saying That He Was Ashamed of the Profits He is Making—Big Profits Being Realized on Shoes.

London, Aug. 12.—The House of Commons last night passed the second reading of the government bill providing for prosecution and penalties for persons guilty of profiteering. The vote was 251 to 8.

The bill was subjected to severe criticism mainly on the grounds that it had been hastily considered and would fail to reach the real offenders.

Sir Auckland Geddes, in moving the second reading of the bill related the story of a north England manufacturer who told him: "I am perfectly ashamed of the profits I am making." He added that although he had reduced prices below those of his competitors he had made two hundred thousand pounds profit.

SHOES WHICH SELL WHOLESALE AT FROM

15 TO 25 SHILLINGS RETAIL AT BIG PROFIT

Sir Auckland said that shoes which sold at wholesale at from 15 to 25 shillings, retailed, even in the unfashionable districts, at from fifty to sixty shillings.

Arguing in favor of stopping the operations of profiteers, Sir Auckland said that this step would have a tendency to decrease imports, the value of which in July exceeded exports at a rate equivalent to £900,000,000 per year. He also said that attention was concentrated on the home market where profits were easier to the disadvantage of the overseas market. After September 1 he said, import restrictions would be reduced and there was an imperative necessity for dealing severely with profiteers.

PROFITEERING RESPONSIBLE FOR SOCIALIST

UNREST AND CONTINUED INFLATION OF PRICES

Sir Auckland said that among the strong reasons for checking profiteering was its responsibility for Socialist unrest and discontent and for continued inflation of prices. He explained that the government had rejected the idea of internal control of trade and also the idea suggested in the United States of stamping goods with factory prices and establishing a system for fixing prices. He admitted that the government had no alternative but to confess it was powerless under the laws as they stand at present.

Sir Auckland declared that the bill had not been hastily introduced, but had been long and carefully considered.

LABOR ORGAN DISCOVERS GREAT PLOT

London, Aug. 11.—That the British government is organizing a sinister secret plot against labor and is conducting systematic spying activities on the actions of workers, is a charge that is featured today in the Daily Herald, the labor organ, which connects with this alleged movement recent official reports of Bolshevik conspiracies as part of the scheme.

According to the story printed by the Herald, the military intelligence department of the war office, which it declares greatly strengthened and enlarged its system of espionage during the war, now is being used for industrial spying under the control of the home office and Scotland yard.

Every attempt, says the newspaper, is being made to undermine the labor movement by sowing mutual distrust in the ranks of the workers at the same time that the police force and the army are being "purged".

POPULAR PRIEST PASSES AWAY

St. John, N. B., Aug. 11.—Rev. Francis J. McMurray, pastor of the Catholic Church of St. John the Baptist here, died today aged, 56. He was stricken with paralysis last Tuesday while at the Cathedral Sunday school picnic.

WAR VETERAN IN THE FIELD

Hamilton, Ont., Aug. 11.—Lieut. Sam Landers, a prominent labor man and veteran of France, is in the field as successor to the late Allan Studholme, in the provincial house for the riding of East Hamilton.

WILL BUY THE THOMSON INTERESTS

St. John, Aug. 12.—A big shipping deal is reported in the making. D. W. Ledingham, office manager of William Thomson & Co., shipping agents here, is in Montreal in connection with negotiations for the transfer of the Thomson interests to the Furness Withy Company. It is expected that Mr. Ledingham will take over the duties of general manager of the Furness-Withy people in this territory and that the staff now employed by Wm. Thomson & Co. will be retained under the new ownership.

It is thought that the new move of the Furness-Withy Co. is in connection with its program to increase trade between Canada and European ports, to which end they have already taken over several smaller shipping concerns.

AN UNUSUAL COMBINATION

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 12.—If whiskey, powder puffs and rouge are legitimate aids in securing a B. S. degree at the University of Nebraska, then D. J. Young, who said he lived on the Kansas side of the state line, should receive the sheepskin marked with special honors.

Young was arrested at the Kansas City, Kan., depot by one of the detectives engaged in trailing liquor smugglers. In Young's suitcase was the following: 22 quarts of whiskey, a much-used powder puff, half a jar of rouge, a pair of dancing pumps.

Young admitted that he had intended to drink the liquor and that he was accustomed to use the rouge and the powder in making himself "presentable."

Mr. W. Matheson, of Edmundston, is registered at the Queen.

CHEVROLET SERVICE STATION TO BE BUILT

Grant & Horne Have Contract for the New Garage for J. Clark & Son, King Street.

Grant & Horne, contracting firm, has the contract for the new brick garage which will be erected in King street by J. Clark & Son. Work should have started last week, but was slightly delayed. It will begin at once.

The new building will be a service station for the Chevrolet cars on account of the greatly increased number of cars of that make now in use.

Eventually a public garage business will be done.

The building will be of brick and of two stories. The second story will be used exclusively for storage, a special feature being winter storage of cars.

NEW MINISTER IS SWORN IN

Ottawa, Aug. 12.—Dr. S. F. Tolmie, the new Minister of Agriculture, was sworn in at 10.30 this morning by Mr. Rodolphe Boudreau, Clerk of the Privy Council, in the presence of Sir Louis Davies, Deputy Governor, and Sr R. L. Borden.

The new minister received the congratulations of his colleagues and friends, and as a preliminary to taking over his new duties, met a number of the more prominent officials of the Department of Agriculture at luncheon.

Injured by Train Yesterday

Fred Harris of this city was seriously injured in the C. P. R. yards Monday afternoon. He attempted to board a moving train and was struck by a car and thrown against a car on a nearby track. He suffered scalp wounds and also abdominal wounds said to be caused by a bottle in his pocket breaking. He was taken to Victoria Hospital and today is reported to be improving.

Case Postponed

A prohibition case which came before Police Magistrate Limerick this morning was postponed until this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. The charge of selling liquor was laid by Fraser Saunders, liquor Sub-Inspector for this district.

Indian Remanded by Magistrate

An Indian appeared before Magistrate Jaffrey at the Devon Police Court this morning charged with assault and was remanded until tomorrow morning for judgment. He was mixed up in a big scrap which took place at the St. Mary's Reservation in Devon on Sunday morning about 1.30 o'clock. The aid of the police was called to help settle the fight. The Indian in question was arrested last evening and was given lodging in the local cell over night.

Mr. E. W. Dunham of Moncton is in the city.

ORIGINAL AMERICAN DRAFT OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS MADE PUBLIC

Contains Provisions Widely Different From the Covenant Finally Adopted At Paris—No Reference Made to Monroe Doctrine in United States Plan.

Washington, Aug. 11.—The original American draft of the League of Nations, covenant sent to the foreign relations committee today by President Wilson, contains provisions widely differing from the League covenant as adopted at Paris.

The much debated provisions of article ten of the present covenant for guaranteeing territorial integrity of league members is almost identical with a clause in the American draft. The latter was as follows:

"The contracting powers undertake to respect and to protect against external aggression the political independence and territorial integrity of all states members of the league."

A DISARMAMENT PROGRAM.

Many of the arbitration provisions are virtually the same in the two drafts. The American draft also contained the plan finally adopted for a council and a larger assembly and embodied a disarmament program similar to that in the final covenant. It also provided for an economic boycott of covenant breakers.

The American plan contained no provision for withdrawal from membership and made no reference to the Monroe Doctrine. It also contained a provision not finally accepted under which the league would "inquire into the feasibility of abolishing compulsory military service."

There also was a provision in the American plan omitted from the final draft which would declare it a "fundamental covenant that no power should overstep in the agreements for rights on the high seas."

France Demobilizing Army Built up During the War

POSITION IS OFFERED TO SIR H. AMES

Ottawa, Aug. 12.—Sir Robert Borden has offered the post of financial director to the permanent secretariat of the League of Nations at Geneva, Switzerland, to Sir Herbert Ames, M. P., Montreal.

Sir Herbert, who has accepted the appointment, will be a sort of Finance Minister of International Economy. He is to prepare the budget, present the estimates at the annual meeting of the league council, arrange collection of assessments, supervise the expenditure of the secretariat and bring into operation a pension system for the league staff.

THE BIGGEST CUSTOM HAUL ON RECORD

London, August, 11.—The Saxony Crown Jewels, including a pearl necklace valued at 39,000 pounds, were contained in the two packages dropped last week near Malmö, Sweden, from an airplane and taken charge of by the police of Malmö, says the Correspondent of the Daily Mail at Copenhagen. In the packages were also gold heirlooms and securities worth hundreds of thousands of pounds, making it the biggest customs haul on record.

HON. MR. CARVELL DOWN TO WORK

Ottawa, Aug. 11.—Hon. F. B. Carvell, former Minister of Public Works, today took over his new duties as chairman of the Railway Board, after first visiting the Department of Public Works and saying farewell to his staff. Mr. Carvell has been on a visit to New Brunswick since the day of the announcement of his retirement from the government.

THE PRINCE AT ST. JOHNS, NFLD.

St. Johns, Nfld., Aug. 12.—The Prince of Wales landed here at noon today and rode through an enthusiastic crowd lining two miles of city streets over which decorated arches had been erected.

Will be Placed on the Same Footing as in Pre-War Days—Will Maintain Army of General Mangin in the Rhine Provinces in Compliance with the Provisions of the Peace Treaty—The Situation in Hungary.

Paris, Aug. 12.—Demobilization of the military organization built up by France during the war is proceeding, and when it is completed the organization will be the same as in 1914, before the outbreak of the war. The French army, if present plans are not changed, will comprise the twenty-one corps of 1914, and two corps created during the war.

The three army groups and the nine separate armies which made up the French military organization at the end of hostilities have been decreased until the army group of General Fayolle, the armies of occupation commanded by General Mangin and General Gerard respectively, and the army of General Gouraud in Alsace, are all that remain. The army commanded by General Mangin will be maintained in the Rhine provinces in compliance with the provisions of the peace treaty.

ROUMANIA WILL BE REQUIRED TO LIVE UP TO THE TERMS OF THE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT

There is no indication here that any member of the Supreme Council of the Peace Conference desires to have relations with the Hungarian government set up by Archduke Joseph before a report on the facts relative to its establishment has been received from Allied generals. The opinion seems general in conference circles, however, that Roumania must be required to live up to the armistice agreement. Otherwise, Allied states and, worse still, enemy states, would be encouraged to disregard the terms of the peace treaty.

Nicholas Misu, of the Roumanian peace delegation, conferred with M. Renes, one of the Czecho-Slovakian delegates, today and assured him Roumania was taking only such supplies as are necessary for her army, and expects to account fully to the Allies for everything, so that reparation claims may be equitably settled.

SEVERAL CANADIAN OFFICERS DEBARRED FROM GETTING HONORS

London, Aug. 12.—Several Canadian officers doing administrative duties here have received a letter from Canadian headquarters informing them that their name was submitted by the departmental chief for an order of the British Empire. "I am, however, advised," the letter proceeds, "that a resolution has been passed by the Canadian government, which has submitted a memorial to His Majesty praying that no further honors be granted the Canadian personnel, and in those circumstances no action can be taken to advance my recommendations."

Many recipients of this letter express deep disappointment at being denied "the bit of ribbon," and point out that many officers who also did administrative duties took their discharge at the earliest moment, but received decorations before the memorial to the King was submitted.

SUIT AGAINST ACTORS AND SCREEN STARS

New York, Aug. 12.—Suits for \$550,000 for damages alleged to have resulted from the strike called by the Actors' Equity Association were filed by the Winter Garden Company (the Shuberts) in the District Court here late today against nearly 300 of the company's most prominent stage and screen stars.

The complaint, which charges the actors with conspiracy, follows the general line of the famous Danbury hatters case in which the hatters, members of a labor union, were sued successfully for \$220,000, and many of the workmen lost their homes by attachments to satisfy the judgments.

TO DRAW UP NEW WAGE SCALE

Cleveland, O., Aug. 12.—Three hundred local chairmen of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, representing more than 100,000 firemen and hostlers, throughout the United States and Canada, met today to discuss wage demands to be presented to the railroad administration. A new wage scale will be drawn up and submitted at the close of the meeting which is expected to last the greater part of the week, according to Timothy Shea, Acting President of the Brotherhood. Further action will depend on whether the demands are accepted. Mr. Shea said, adding that the members are firm in their purpose to obtain better living conditions.

SHIPPING TIED UP BY FOREST FIRES

Sault Ste. Marie, Aug. 12.—Up till last night, since 11 o'clock Sunday night, not a vessel had passed through the canals bound up, while of the down bound traffic only two vessels have locked through since Sunday.

Over the St. Marys river and Lake Superior hangs smoke from forest fires, like a low cloud completely obscuring vision in every direction. Navigation has practically ceased. It is the worst situation that has confronted navigation for years.

First Harvest Excursion

The first of the Farm Laborers' Excursions left last night over both C. P. R. and C. N. R. About seventy excursionists left Fredericton via C. P. R. and none left via C. N. R. The latter line not giving a rate which would compete here with the C. P. R. Along the line of the other railway however a number of excursionists were picked up. Another excursion will leave next Monday night.

Unveiled Memorial Window

A memorial window for the late Lieut. Charles M. Lawson who was killed in France while serving with the 26th Battalion was unveiled Sunday at St. Jude's Church, St. John West. Rev. G. F. Scovell of Guelph, Ont., formerly rector of St. Jude's was the preacher and also unveiled the window. The late Lieut. Lawson was a graduate of the University of New Brunswick and several years ago was a member of the teaching staff of Fredericton High School.

Hon. P. J. Veniot Minister of Public Works is registered at the Queen.