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## NOVA SCOTIA TORY M. P. MAKES AN ATTACK ON THE HON. F. B. CARVELL

**Mr. Butts Criticizes Public Works Expenditures in Cape Breton—Says Liberals Were Let in on a Contract for Airplane Sheds—Appointment of T. J. Carter is Criticized—Hon. Mr. Carvell Defends His Action—Lively Day in the House of Commons.**

Ottawa, April 8.—Estimates for the Public Works and the Trade and Commerce Departments kept Parliament busy during the afternoon and evening sittings. Hon. F. B. Carvell was more or less under fire during the afternoon. He gave place to Hon. A. K. McLean in the evening.

Mr. Carvell came in for some criticism from R. H. Butts, Unionist member for Cape Breton South, in connection with the letter of contracts for aeroplane stations in Nova Scotia. He complained that Mr. Carvell had let one contract to an undertaker and another to a group of men who were all Liberals, including George Kyte, former Liberal member for Richmond, (N. S.)

### NO REASON WHY CONTRACTS SHOULD NOT GO TO LIBERALS WHO COULD PERFORM THE WORK

Mr. Carvell defended his action in both instances. The undertaker he said had satisfactorily performed his contract and as to the other there was no reason why contracts should not go to Liberals if they were able to satisfactorily perform the work. It was not his custom in letting contracts, he said to inquire as to the politics of those putting in tenders.

When the House went into committee of supply on the estimates of the public works department today, Hon. F. B. Carvell stated that there were only two works put through in Canada last year which had not been done by contract. These were two buildings which had been erected at North Sydney and Dartmouth, N. S., for the department of the naval service. In every case where contracts had been let they had been always awarded to the lowest tenderer.

### SOLDIERS' HOSPITAL BUILDINGS MAY BE TURNED OVER TO THE MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN A YEAR

Mr. Carvell dealing with the question of military hospitals, said that, within a year from now he expected that the militia department would not require any of its hospitals. The work of looking after invalids would be gradually handed over to the department of soldiers civil re-establishment. He expressed regret that in the first place the policy had not been to build additions to existing municipal hospitals instead of erecting new buildings. When the additions were no longer required the government could have handed them over to the municipalities to meet their growing requirements.

Mr. Copp asked about Mr. Carter, a solicitor who had been appointed to the department.

Mr. Carvell replied that the department solicitor had been appointed by the civil service commission, but he considered him the best man he knew of for the position in Canada. As to what he intended to do regarding the old employees the minister said he was awaiting the report of the commission, and he would then know what to do.

### THE LIBERALS SAY GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN INSINCERE IN EFFORTS TO ABOLISH PATRONAGE

Mr. McMaster accused the government generally of insincerity in declaring that patronage had been abolished. He insisted that in making appointments to the bench and other high positions this was just as much patronage as appointing wharfingers.

Mr. Carvell resented the remarks, declaring that he had never dealt in the patronage, had observed the law, and concluded by saying: "My honorable friend is talking through his hat".

Mr. Butts criticized the appointment of a solicitor to the department of public works recently, declaring that Allan J. Cameron, a returned soldier qualified for this position had applied for it, but had been unsuccessful.

## OFFICIALS APPOINTED AT MARYSVILLE

**New Town Council Held First Meeting of the Year—A Slight Fire Last Night.**

Marysville, April 9.—The newly-elected Town Council held their first regular meeting last evening, when the various committees were chosen and officials appointed for the ensuing year. Coun. G. R. Sloat was appointed as representative of the Council at the Legislative Committee Rooms at Fredericton today in connection with the proposal for the acquisition of a poor farm by the County. The committee which had been appointed re the Nashwaak Pulp & Paper Company's Bill submitted a report which was adopted. A communication from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipality of York was read which gave the Town's proportion of the Assessment for the ensuing year as follows: Contingent \$1496; Board of Health \$379.94 Schools \$765.16, total \$2640.20. The following town officials were appointed Town Clerk A. D. MacPherson, Town Treasurer John Finnamore, Town Marshal A. W. Armstrong; Auditor Cameron Daley, Assessors D. P. Reid, J. W. Walker and W. H. Gray. Coun. McDowell was chosen as Chairman of the Finance Committee; Coun. MacPherson of the Police Committee; Coun. Wister of the Light Committee; Coun. Minue of the Poor Committee; Coun. Sloat of the Assessment and Appeals; and Coun. Finnamore of the Road Committee. The Town Clerk was instructed to communicate with the officials of the C. N. R. with a view to securing better suburban service, and after the disposition of several minor matters the meeting adjourned.

A very enjoyable dance was held at the assembly room of the Dawson Club last evening. Johnston's orchestra provided an excellent programme of music.

The Captains of the ten teams which participated in the recent bowling tournament will roll a match at the Dawson Club Alleys this evening the losers to be the hosts at an oyster supper following the match.

Mrs. A. D. MacPherson and Mr. Robert MacPherson have returned from a visit to relatives at St. John.

A slight blaze occurred at the residence of Mr. G. Milburn White last evening having originated from the furnace pipe. Little damage was done, the chemicals from the cotton mill quickly extinguishing the blaze.

**Provincial Constable**  
Andrew Garnett of St. John has been appointed a Provincial Constable.

**Fire at Noon Today**  
At noon today the firemen responded to a still alarm sent in from "Ye Mecca Tea Rooms". The fire was slight being a blaze in the cellar which started in the woodpile and was extinguished without any difficulty.

## IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT TO AID IN SETTLEMENT OF SOLDIERS

**Will Provide Them and Their Dependents Free Passage to a Convenient Point in Overseas Destination—A Like Privilege to be Extended to Women Who Have Been in the Service.**

London, April 8.—In the House of Commons today Mr. Amery, replying to a question regarding the govts. emigration policy, said that ex-service men who were accepted as approved settlers under any settlement scheme of overseas governments or who can show that they have assured employment awaiting them and are otherwise acceptable to the authorities of the Dominion to which they wish to proceed, will be given free passage for themselves and dependents to the nearest convenient port to their overseas destination.

The same privilege, subject to similar limitations, will be extended to ex-service women who have served in any recognized women's service corps including the land army.

Mr. Amery added that in view of prior claims of their own ex-soldiers and sailors for re-settlement the Dominion Governments would be unlikely to be in a position to welcome any British ex-soldiers and sailors before the end of the present year even if shipping were available. Earlier applications from ex-service men will be received for a year from becoming 41 last or from the date of their release from the service or if necessary for such period as may be found requisite to afford them ample time between opportunities for employment and settlement in the British Dominion overseas.

## Huns to Make Immediate Payment on the Indemnity

### MR. PINDER IS CRITICAL IN PUBLIC ACCTS.

**Committee Has Passed All Receipts and Will Consider Expenditures Tomorrow—Printing.**

The Public Accounts Committee held a short meeting this morning. Receipts all were passed and tomorrow morning the committee will start on expenditures. The session was enlivened by some of the usual outbursts of Mr. Pinder.

Mr. Magee the chairman announced that the committee had before it the first correct statement of the financial position of the province.

Mr. Pinder wanted to know why the province had been informed that there had been a surplus of \$30,000.

The Comptroller General replied that the statement of cash transactions did not purport to be a statement of all operations. In 1916 for instance there was a cash surplus of \$500.

Mr. Pinder said that did not prevent party organs showing that there had been a surplus.

Mr. Pinder found fault with the statement of Valley Railway earnings. One page of the Comptroller General's report showed them as \$39,550 and another as \$39,272.

The Comptroller General explained that the larger item included earnings due from the preceding year.

Mr. Jones remarked on the fact that many items were duplicated in the Comptroller General's accounts and the departmental reports.

The Comptroller General said that the government already had under consideration an alteration which would reduce printing expenses.

## BOY KILLED BY MOTOR TRUCK

Halifax, N. S., April 9.—Edwin Wright, four years old, was crushed to death at Camp Hill commons yesterday afternoon, when a heavily laden motor truck broke through a small bridge under which he was playing. The bridge spanned a ditch that runs over Summer street.

### RETURNED FROM SIBERIA

Victoria, B. C., April 9.—Seventy eight officers and men of the Canadian forces in Siberia returned to Canada on the steamer Empress of Japan which arrived here last night. All the men were declared unfit for further service. One of them was seriously ill.

## Preliminary Peace Treaty Will Call for a Payment of Twenty-five Million Francs in Cash and Raw Material—Total Amount to be Paid Will be Written in Treaty—Huns will Appeal to Allies to Maintain Order in Germany.

Paris, April 9.—The preliminary peace treaty will require Germany to make an immediate payment on account of 25 billion francs in cash and raw materials, according to the Echo de Paris. The treaty, it declares, will not leave uncertain the total amount which Germany is to pay, as that amount will be written into the document.

At the last session of the German cabinet council the government considered the eventuality of making a appeal to the Allied armies to maintain order in Germany in the interest of the whole of Europe, the urlich correspondent of Le Journal reports.

### GENERAL HUMBERT MAY BE APPOINTED

#### COMMANDER OF THE ALLIED FORCES IN EUROPE

The newspaper L'Eclair understands that General Humbert, former commander of the French third army, will be appointed "Commander of the Allied troops in Central Europe."

There is much apprehension in peace conference circles as to the effect the establishment of a soviet government at Munich may have on the conclusion of peace. As the Munich government appears from present despatches to be well established, the peace delegats are considering the virtual necessity of negotiating two peace treaties with Germany, one with Berlin and the other with Munich.

### WILL ASK THAT FRENCH BE MADE OFFICIAL

#### LANGUAGE OF THE PROPOSED LEAGUE OF NATIONS

The French society for the promotion of the national language has adopted on motion of Prof. Aulard of the University of Paris, an eminent authority on history, a resolution asking the Peace Conference to adopt the French language as the official language of the League of Nations. The society is also promoting a movement in favor of Paris as the seat of the League of Nations.

This organization is entirely unofficial and the French government will take no steps to assist them in selecting the capital of the league. The foreign office officials who will speak on the subject say that France would be proud if alteration in this country might be chosen, but that no formal steps would be taken to that end.

## SENSATIONAL COURT CASES TO BE TAKEN UP IN QUEBEC THIS WEEK

Quebec, April 9.—When the court of Kings Bench starts its spring term tomorrow at Quebec, it will prepare for a series of the most sensational trials it has had to pass upon in years. Among the most striking trials will be the alleged scandal of the military exemption. The defendants so far in these trials are George Pion, notary, Capt. J. A. Goulet and J. O. Guay. These men are charged with conspiracy to defraud but what gives a sensational turn to their trial is the fact that this conspiracy is claimed by the authorities to have been committed in connection with the illegal grafting. The other sensational trial will be that of Arthur Vermette, who is to be tried on a charge of sedition in connection with the anti-conseriptionists here last year. It is supposed he will ask for a summary trial before the police court. About ten trials will take place before the Kings Bench on various charges.

## HALIFAX MAN PASSES AWAY AT DENVER

Halifax, April 8.—Word reached the city today of the death in Denver, Col. of Hugh W. Blackadar, for forty years postmaster of Halifax and widely known as an extremely publicly spirited citizen throughout Nova Scotia. For several years previous to taking over the postmastership in 1875, Mr. Blackadar, who was an especially gifted editorial writer, was identified with his brothers, C. C. Blackadar and the late H. D. Blackadar, in the production of the Acadian Accorder, and together they played a conspicuous part in the early development of the province. He retired from the postmastership four years ago in failing health, and removed with his wife and daughter to Denver, where his two remaining daughters reside.

**Municipalities Committee**  
The bill to establish a Municipal Home for the Towns of Devon and Marysville and certain parishes of the County of York was passed by the Municipalities Committee of the Legislature this morning with minor amendments.

## MONCTON MEN STRIKE FOR A SIX-HOUR DAY

Moncton, April 8.—Moncton has a six-hour working-day strike. Moulders in the Record Foundries and Machine Co. works are out on strike demanding a twenty-five per cent. increase and a six-hour working day. The works have entirely closed down as the company could not see its way to meet the demands, having a large surplus stock on hand. Some seventy hands are out of employment.

## THE MEGANTIC AT HALIFAX

Halifax, April 9.—The Megantic, with two thousand returning Canadian soldiers came up the harbor in the teeth of a twenty-five knot wind this morning and made several attempts to dock, but was unable to do so. The tugs are now leaving her and it is presumed she will remain at anchor in the stream until the wind moderates.

## POSTAL MEN WANT MORE PAY

Ottawa, April 8.—Conferences between postal employees and members of the government are in progress today and will be continued tomorrow. This morning's conference was between representatives from Winnipeg or Western letter carriers, railway mail clerks and post office clerks. They were received by Senator Blondin, Postmaster General Robertson and Hon. N. W. Rowell president of the privy council and Dr. Coulter deputy postmaster general. Their claims were filed and include generally questions of better pay and working conditions. The conferences are proceeding in private. Tomorrow, representatives from Toronto, Hamilton and other points are to meet the government.

## HALIFAX MAN SHOT HIMSELF

Halifax, N. S., April 1.—Harry Judge a former employee of H. M. C. Dock yards here, shot and killed himself at his home on Uniako Street yesterday afternoon. Judge had been suffering from melancholia as a result of the great explosion of 1917. A wife and several children survive.

## SIDNEY DREW DIED TODAY

New York, April 9.—Sydney Drew, actor on the stage and for the moving picture screen, died today at his home here.