

PROGRESS WITH POWER BILLS

GEN. BOOTH IN PRAISE OF PROHIBITION

S. A. Head Says it Has
Made Good in the
United States.

THE HOMES ARE BETTERED

Is Quite Sure That Eng-
land Will Yet Go
Dry.

(Special to the Daily Mail by British
United Press)

New York, N. Y., April 27—That prohibition has "proved of immense advantage" in the United States is the belief of General Bramwell Booth, of London, international leader of the Salvation Army.

Reports from 1,200 service centres of the army, General Booth said, indicated that prohibition had aided in "bettering the homes making the children happier and opening the way for moral and spiritual teachings."

"I am quite sure that prohibition will come in England, even if you fail here," General Booth said.

COLLEGE TRACK SPORTS STOPPED BY WEATHER

The late spring and the cold weather has put a quietus on spring sports among the Maritime colleges. Mt. Allison was to have called the intercollegiate track meet but University of New Brunswick has heard nothing and no meet is expected as weather conditions have been uniformly unfavorable over the three Provinces.

The university track and field meet of U. N. B. also may be cancelled this season. Up to date there has been no opportunity for training and the university closes for the year a fortnight from Thursday. The snow is barely off the ground here and the soil has not dried out at all.

MANY YET TO SPEAK IN THE BUDGET DEBATE

Ottawa, April 26—May 6 is mentioned as the earliest date on which the vote on the budget is likely to take place in the House.

The list of available speakers is so large that it is now believed that the debate will at least continue well into next week, and may probably go into the following week.

So far the dates on which Premier King and Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative leader, will address the House has not been arranged.

COUGAR SHOT IN VANCOUVER

Victoria, B. C., April 26—Policemen trapped and skinned a full grown female cougar at a downtown street crossing this morning. James Strong, motorcycle man from a vantage point on a wall behind the public library, while the cougar crouched below him, sent a bullet through her skull.

The beast's flanks were sunken with hunger, but otherwise it was in the best physical condition. Eventually it had strayed from some mountain district in search of food, and lost itself in the maze of roads which eventually led it into the city.

BEING TRIED ON CHARGE OF ESPIONAGE

Three Englishmen and
Accomplices Before
Paris Court.

CASE HEARD IN CAMERA

The Charge of Espion-
age is Denied by the
Englishmen.

Special cable to the Daily Mail by the
British United Press)

Paris, April 27—Amidst greatest secrecy, the trial of three Englishmen and their two French accomplices on charges of spying began Monday.

The Englishmen are John Leather, William Fisher and Oliver Phillips, and the accomplices a dancing girl named Aimee Lefebvre and Marth Moreuili, a parachutist. The presiding judge insisted on hearing the case in camera despite the protests of defence counsel and the keen interest aroused here in the affair. The Englishmen represent a British wireless set firm and did a good business in their madeline shop. They deny the charge of espionage made by Mile. Moreuili some months ago. She had just been arrested on the statement of an international adventurer, Lionel Weil, held for swindling but who had aroused suspicion by frequenting military aviation camps. The girl confessed, saying she visited naval air bases notably those at Coulon and Nantes to obtain secrets about new French planes for the Englishmen.

FLAPPERS ARE NOT WANTED IN BUSINESS

Milwaukee, April 27—Miss Harriet Cunningham, New York, executive of the business and professional department of the National Board of the W. Y. C. A., who is attending the association's biennial convention here, has a bit of advice for business girls. She said: "Business men don't want flappers in their offices."

"Girls of the business world must learn to stand on their own feet if they are to be successful."

"Business influence on the part of women and girls should never be used as a sentimentality."

"Women will get better and more sincere co-operation from men in a business way as soon as they convince the men that they have gone into business for a really serious purpose."

FORTY YEARS FOR THEFT OF \$3

New York, April 27—A theft said to have netted him \$2.85 has sent Frank Ganatelli, 25 of Brooklyn, to Sing Sing for 40 years. Ganatelli told the court he was passing the scene of the robbery and saw it perpetrated, but as he was on parole he did not want to be caught near the place, so he started to run away.

It was then he was arrested and charged with the crime. He was on parole from Sing Sing, where he had been sent on a similar charge. He was sentenced by Judge Alexander of Brooklyn court who found him guilty of first degree robbery.

A GOOD FIGURE.

New York, April 27—Alexander Wahlig jumped at the chance to get \$18,000 for his left foot, so his attorney settled for that amount a \$50,000 suit he had brought against the Breyer Ice Cream Company. Wahlig was struck by the one of the company's trucks.

Some Press Comment On Budget Proposals Of Hon. Mr. Churchill

Is Greeted With Alarm and Animosity—Pious
Phrases Concerning Economy, Says the Daily
Mail—A Dull Budget, Brilliantly Presented,
is the Comment of the Daily News.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

LONDON, April 27—The British newspapers today greeted the announcement of the English government budget by Right Hon. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, with alarm and animosity.

The Daily Mail in referring to the "extravagant expenditures" outlined, asserts: "We are given pious phrases concerning economy and little else. If the policy is continued, the tax payer must prepare for greater extravagance."

The Daily Express, Beaverbrook organ, says: "The bad budget is Churchill's not the nation's."

"A dull budget, brilliantly presented", comments the Daily News.

"Viewing the budget broadly we see economies float like bubbles down stream. Expenditures are increasing", is the Morning Post's contribution.

The Daily Herald calls the measure a "Budget nobody can possibly like."

GRAND FALLS BILLS ARE BROUGHT NEARER FINAL PRESENTATION TO HOUSE

Corporations Committee at Work on Them Morn-
ing and Afternoon—Price of \$20 Per Horse-
Power Set for Current for Public Use—Lien
on Power-works on Saint John River to Meet
\$2.00 Tax—Section Relating to Transfer of
Licenses Held—Opposition to Proposal to
Permit Export of Pulpwood.

The Corporations Committee took another fall out of the bills which are necessary in connection with the Grand Falls development—the bill to incorporate the Saint John River Developing Company and the bill to incorporate the New Brunswick International Paper Company. The committee was in session until nearly two o'clock this afternoon when hunger drove its members out. This afternoon after the House adjourned after a brief sitting the Corporations Committee went at the bills again.

John F. Rollins counsel for the International Paper Company was present with other officials of the company. The power bill was the first one before the committee. The paper company bill was last and was under consideration but a short time before the committee rose. An important matter connected with the power bill was the fixing of the rate for current to be available to the public up to 6,000 horse power at \$20 per horse power the same as for the Fraser Companies Limited. The time in which the N. B. Power Commission will make its arrangements for sale of current to the municipalities was considered further, Hon. C. D. Richards made especial mention of this because of its relationship to Fredericton. Many other matters were considered.

On the paper company bill a section relating to transfer of timber licenses of the Dalhousie and Miramichi Lumber Companies without fee was held up for further information. The two companies named are owned by the Interna-

tional Paper Company. There also was a controversial subject introduced when Mr. Rollins proposed a new section to permit the export of pulpwood cut on Crown Lands. There is strong opposition to the section.

Archibald Fraser was present with C. L. Dougherty as counsel and P. J. Hughes, K. C., also attended as counsel.

Question of Time

Hon. C. D. Richards drew attention to the section requiring the N. B. Power Commission to state by January 1st 1927, whether all or only part of the 6,000 horse power reserved for use of the public would be required. Hon. Mr. Richards objected that the time, eight months, was too short, as it would take a long time to negotiate with the municipalities. He spoke particularly on behalf of the City of Fredericton the largest centre apart from the City of Saint John which would take the current from Grand Falls.

Hon. Mr. Veniot, Hon. Mr. Michaud, Hon. B. F. Smith and others agreed with Hon. Mr. Richards.

Wanted for Mill

Premier Baxter pointed out that it was necessary that the International Paper Company know how much current the Power Commission would take as any surplus would be required by the paper mill to be erected in central New Brunswick.

Mr. Rollins said he was not empowered by this company to decide on the point.

The section was left over for further consideration.

Tax on Other Developments
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AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE'S FINAL MEETING

Directors of Agricultur-
al Societies United
Were Present.

METHODS ARE EXPLAINED

Accountant to Examine
Books of the Organ-
ization.

The Agricultural Committee of the Legislature held its farewell meeting of the session this morning. Directors of the Agricultural Societies United were in attendance and made an explanation of the methods employed by the organization with respect to the purchase and distribution of fertilizer. Following is the official report:

Committee Room,
April 27th, 1926.

Seven members of Committee met with Mr. Dickson as Chairman. The Directors of Agricultural Societies United were present by invitation including Messrs. J. D. McKenna, A. A. H. Margison, Stanley Wilson, C. McCann and W. B. Gilman to answer an enquiry regarding the business conducted by that organization in the importation of fertilizer materials for Agricultural Societies.

Mr. Gilman as President called upon Mr. McKenna who gave a brief history of the Organization which had succeeded in reducing the price of fertilizers to the farmers by 25 percent, at least. The organization had never had any credit or capital and at first did not need it as fertilizer was bought in carloads. They however had found that a good deal of money could be saved by buying in cargo quantities and the purchasing agent of the Organization had had to put up his own credit amounting to about \$150,000 annually. The business was that of buying for the Agricultural Societies and not of selling to them or any one else. No profits had so far been made. It had been found advisable in order to reduce costs to buy in as large quantities as possible. In this way freight and insurance were both greatly reduced and supplies for selling agencies such as Anglo-Canadian Chemical Co. and Eastern Producers who gave orders for large quantities were also purchased. By this combination costs per ton were greatly reduced.

To Employ Accountant.

Hon. Mr. Smith explained that he had invited the Directors to come before the Committee as the Department had not the information which was being asked for by Members of the House. He suggested that a chartered accountant be obtained to go over the books of the Organization and make a report to his Department. The Directors expressed themselves as entirely agreeable to this suggestion and a motion was passed by the Committee expressing approval of this course.

Mr. Siddall wanted the report made to the public. This suggestion did not meet with the favor of either the Directors nor other members of the Committee as it was felt that private fertilizer companies who were competing with the organization and trying to put it out of business were not entitled to all the details of the business. All Agricultural Societies who joined the organization had a full opportunity to know just how the business was being conducted and they were the only interests who had any money involved. There was no public money in the business or spent to help it. Some of the directors showed what kind of unfair competition was given them by private companies. However it was agreed that the complete details of the business each year would be filed with the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Melville told of the great benefit the operation of the organization had been to the farmers of Carleton County in reducing the price of fertilizers.

After a full discussion of the many points involved in the importation, assembling and distribution of fertilizer materials Mr. Smith expressed the thanks of the Committee to the Agricultural Societies United directors for coming to meet them.

The Committee then adjourned.

Washington, April 27—No murder, no suicide, no thievery, no divorce; there actually is such a place.

It is Labrador, according to Dr. Wilfred T. Grenfell, who has conducted a medical station in that far northern province of Canada since 1893.

PAPER WAS DESTROYED BY FASCISTI

Office of Genoa Lavora
Raided and Set on
Fire.

BATTLE WITH THE STAFF

Police Dispersed the At-
tackers But Building
Was Burned.

Special cable to the Daily Mail by the
British United Press)

Chiasso, Switzerland, April 27—The premises of the newspaper Lavoro of Genoa, which the government recently suspended and then allowed to resume publication, were wrecked Sunday night by Fascisti after a spirited battle with the staff and composers. The Fascisti entered through the back door just before the paper went to press and while everyone was busy, set fire to several tons of paper stored in the rear rooms. Within a few minutes the fire had spread to the printing rooms and printers fought with Fascisti in their efforts to put the fire out. This the Fascisti prevented and the police who dispersed the attackers were too late to save the building.

SLOW DEMAND FOR POTATOES AT \$8 A BBL.

Caribou, Me., April 26—Trading on the Aroostook potato market, which was almost at a standstill last week, showed no signs of improvement today. Buyers had little or no demand for stock from Boston, New York and other points. Growers who still have potatoes in storage are not hauling any into market as the roads are bad in many places and the best price offered of \$8 a barrel does not appear attractive just now. Shipments of all grades from all over the country holds around 50 carloads a day. How long the demand will hold off is puzzling the shippers.

BIG FLOCKS OF WILD GESE AT AMHERST

Amherst, April 26—Thousands of wild geese have assembled on the marshes in the vicinity of Amherst. The birds are only a stone throw from some of the houses near the Laplanche River. They have apparently become accustomed to the presence of humans as pedestrians can approach to within a few yards of them. The birds are feeding on the flooded marshes. The flocks have been increasing in numbers daily and the newcomers all appear to be famished for food.

GIRL STARVED BY PARENTS

(Special to the DAILY MAIL by the
British United Press)
Newark, N. J., April 27—Starved because her inebriate parents had failed to supply her with food for several days ten year old Edith Broad had her father and mother arrested yesterday on charges of drunkenness.

It seems that a man can be personally dry and wet in principle, just as another might be personally wet and dry in principle.