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LORD BYNG SAYS POPULARITY OF THE ROBB BUDGET HELPED LIBERALS WIN THE ELECTION

Southampton, Oct. 6—Lord and Lady Byng arrived at Southampton today on board the Empress of France, which was gaily decorated with bunting. The former governor-general of Canada and Lady Byng were officially welcomed by the mayor and sheriff, and then His Lordship received a large group of newspaper men.

One of the first enquiries put to Lord Byng by the press representatives was with regard to his constitutional powers as governor-general which question was raised recently in connection with the political situation at Ottawa.

"I think we had better leave that alone," said Lord Byng with a laugh. "Everything turned out very satisfactory. If the question is raised at all again it will be at the Imperial Conference, but at the present moment there is nothing one can say about it. As I say, it all worked out very well."

Result of Election.

Asked about the recent Dominion election Lord Byng expressed the opinion that the result of the election was mainly due to the popularity of the Robb budget, with reduced taxation and to three good harvests.

Lord Byng spoke with enthusiasm of the prospects which Canada opened to British people who were prepared to work hard there.

Discussing the subject of the inflow of population in Canada Lord Byng said the greatest successes were those achieved through the migration of young people whose ages ranged from 14 to 17 especially those cared for in Canadian homesteads 98 per cent of whom proved good settlers. Older immigrants had to be prepared to forego many of the amenities of English town life, His Lordship said. He added that life in the remote

districts of the Dominion was harder on women than on men.

National Status.

Some of the newspaper men asked Lord Byng about the national status of Canada and the possibility of the fusion of the Dominion with the United States.

"There are extremists in every party—Imperial extremists and autonomy extremists" His Lordship replied.

"Is the union of Canada with the United States possible?" was another question asked of His Lordship.

Union of Friendliness.

"A union of friendliness most certainly," replied Lord Byng, who throughout the interview stood the almost incessant catechism with characteristic patience and good humor. "You need not worry about Canadian extremists any more than about extremists on this side of the ocean," he added.

Touching on his relations with the politicians at Ottawa Lord Byng said: "I have been governor-general when Conservative and Liberal ministers have been at the head of affairs, and my relations never have been anything but of an extremely friendly nature with everybody."

Asked as to his plans for the future Lord Byng said: "I have none. I have been on my feet 64 years and think it is time to sit down for a little while."

Lady Byng was present during the interview and appeared rather amused at the questioning which her husband was enduring. She very graciously and with manifest sincerity spoke of the happiness of the five years' residence of Lord Byng and herself in Canada. She exhibited the beautiful wristlet watch which the women of the Dominion had given her as a parting gift.

HON. A. MEIGHEN GETTING READY TO QUIT POST

Ottawa, Oct. 6—While awaiting the coming conference on Monday next of Conservative Senators, members-elect and defeated candidates, former Premier Meighen is winding up the duties of his office as Opposition Leader and preparing to take a holiday before he resumes his practice of law as a private citizen.

Mr. Meighen will formally tender his resignation as Leader of the party and present indications are that it will be accepted with the usual resolution of regret.

In best-informed circles here it is expected that merely a temporary House Leader will be selected for the coming season, leaving the choice of a permanent Leader open to a more representative gathering of Conservatives some time next year. In inner Conservative circles the prognostication is that Sir George Perley or Sir Henry Drayton will be asked to take the temporary leadership, with chances rather favoring Sir George, as the senior Privy Councillor.

Meanwhile there is some speculation in Ottawa official circles as to the exact present status of Right Hon. Arthur Meighen. He is not a member of Parliament, and has announced his retirement from the leadership, thereby relinquishing the prerogative of the office, including salary and the franking privilege. Whether or not his salary as Leader of the Opposition will be continued after the end of September rests apparently with the Government, since payment is conditional upon Governor-General's warrant and no provision has been made beyond the end of September.

The Prime Minister's attitude in regard to all expenditures unprovided for by vote of Parliament is that only absolutely urgent and necessary disbursements can be made under Governor-General's warrants. Similarly the franking privilege, which has been, according to precedent, always granted to the official Leader of the Opposition when Parliament is not in session but which since his resignation as Premier, has been used by Mr. Meighen, may also be withdrawn. There is rather a nice point of legal interpretation to be settled in regard to the time limit both for salary and franking privilege.

"So you're going to the mountains?"

"Am I? Well, I'm glad my wife made up her mind at last."

BY ELECTION WILL BE HELD NOVEMBER 9

Ottawa, Oct. 6—Ministerial by-elections will be held in ten constituencies on November 9. Nomination day will be Nov. 2. Writs were issued today.

The constituencies are:

Middlesex West, Waterloo North, in Ontario.
Chateauguay-Huntingdon, Dorchester, Richelieu, St. James in Quebec.
Gloucester, New Brunswick.
Brandon, Manitoba.
Regina, Saskatchewan.
Edmonton West, Alberta.

This leaves six vacant seats to be contested by members of the cabinet. There is also a practical certainty of another by-election in Nova Scotia when a seat has been found for the prospective minister of national defense, Col. J. L. Ralston. Writs for all of these will be issued shortly, it is expected, as soon as the formalities have been complied with under the Elections Act.

The Ministers.

Liberal candidates in by-elections, already announced will be the following cabinet ministers:

Hon. J. C. Elliott, minister of public works.
Hon. W. D. Euler, minister of customs.
Hon. J. A. Robb, minister of finance.
Hon. Lucien Cannon, solicitor-general.
Hon. P. J. A. Cardin, minister of marine and fisheries.
Hon. Fernand Rinfret, secretary of state.
Hon. P. J. Veniot, postmaster general.
Hon. Robert Forke, minister of immigration.
Hon. C. A. Dunning, minister of railways and canals.
Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of the interior.
This leaves the following ministers, who will also have to be re-elected as members of the cabinet:
Premier King, Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Hon. W. R. Motherwell, Hon. Dr. J. H. King, Hon. Peter Heenan, Hon. James Malcolm and probably Col. J. L. Ralston.

Andy—Dora is certainly dumb. Fred—Isn't she though. She thinks that just because she knows the chorus of the Star-Spangled Banner she'd make a good chorus girl.

Utopia is a place where the statutes in the book are as faithfully observed as unwritten laws.

NOVA SCOTIA SEA CAPTAIN IN TROUBLE

Will be Tried by the Supreme Court for Trying to Sink U. S. Ships.

Bridgewater, N. S., Oct. 6—The story of a 75-foot Nova Scotia windjammer with a gasoline "kicker" to help her along, pitting its strength against three armored vessels of the United States dry navy, far out on the bounding main, was told in the magistrate's court here today and on the strength of it Captain Norman Oxner of the schooner Gaspe Fisherman was ordered tried by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia for attempting to send to the bottom two units of the American fleet.

So damage was suffered by the fleet but the schooner with her cargo of alcohol got away.

The seriousness of the complaint which passed through the usual diplomatic channels and resulted in the Canadian government taking action against the schooner's skipper was evidenced by the presence in port of the United States destroyer M. G. McCall, which featured in the alleged attempts against two patrol boats and which brought a party of witnesses here for the trial.

Schooner Trailed.

The story is that the McCall was trailing Nova Scotia schooner at a point about 75 miles off the United States coast and 350 miles from the nearest Canadian land. The coast-guard boats CG-147 and CG-211 flanked the schooner, one on the port and one on the starboard. Members of the United States vessels swore in court today that as they proceeded in this formation the schooner suddenly swerved and ran straight for one of the patrol boats which was forced to go quickly astern to avoid being rammed. Outwitted in that direction the evidence declared that the schooner quickly zigzagged and made for the other escorting patrol boat which, however, succeeded in outmanoeuvring the schooner. This operation, it was testified was repeated four times within 15 minutes and in the confusion which ensued the schooner disappeared in a fog bank.

Denies Charge.

Captain Oxner who hails from Riverport N. S., declared in his defence that he had simply tried to prevent the encroaching patrol boats fouling his log line and that he had no designs upon the cutters. He admitted that he carried a cargo of alcohol but maintained that he had never landed any of it on American territory nor disposed of it in American waters.

According to the evidence of the witnesses Captain Oxner had cried to the cutters "Don't foul my log or I'll get you yet." And the answer that came back from the Americans was the evidence stated "To hell with your log."

Mr. Power for the defence asked Lieut. McCluskey of the McCall if he thought a little wooden schooner could do any harm to the armored ships of the dry fleet and the officer declared that only quick manoeuvres of the patrol boats prevented them being sent to the bottom.

Oxner was held in \$3,000 bail, which was furnished and the trial will commence next Tuesday.

M'ADAM TEAM AGAIN CARRIES OFF TROPHY

Montreal, Oct. 6—For the third year in succession the McAdam first aid team from New Brunswick carried off the Eastern Lines 'Grand Challenge Trophy,' symbolistic of the highest award, in the Canadian Pacific Railway competition held at the Place Viger Hotel in Montreal, today. Dr. Beatty, chief surgeon of the Canadian Pacific, was the judge in the competition the various teams being examined by A. H. Shakespeare, first aid instructor of the company.

The teams competing today were: McAdam first aid team, New Brunswick Division; Windsor street station police team of Montreal, and the Angus shops police team, Quebec Division; Toronto freight offices, Ontario Division, and the North Bay first aid team representing the Algoma Division.

The McAdam team will journey to Winnipeg to meet the western shops of the Canadian Pacific, on Oct. 13, when the first aid championship for all lines of the Canadian Pacific will be decided.

JEAN GRATTEN WON AT BROCKTON IN THREE HEATS

Great Canadian Bred Mare Added \$2,500 to Her Season's Winnings — Harry Putnam Showed Well.

Brockton, Oct. 6—Jean Gratten, the Canadian-bred and owned daughter of Grattan Royal, 2.06 1/4, and Darkey Hal, 2.02 1/4, which will go into Winter quarters the second largest money earner of the season at her gait, put \$2,500 to her credit by winning the feature event on the Fair Grounds track.

Jean was not bothered for two heats the expected opposition from the members of the field which raced so brilliantly at Rochester last week not materializing. She took the first two rounds in slow time, with Edmond Butler's Logical getting the place. The Bangor gelding, Harry Putnam, raced to form in the third mile, getting to the front after Jean had gone to the half in 1.02. He moved to the front and held the advantage almost to the finish. Sturgeon gave the mare from the North a lifting, whipping drive. Her stout racing heart stood the test just as her mother's did so often years ago for Will Snow, and she was home first in 2.07 1/4.

Will Snow Has Big Day.

Snow was present to see her and to add to his pleasure, members of his stable, The Progress and Helter Skelter, were first and second in the senior division of the two-year-old trot.

2.12 Class, Pacing, Purse \$5,000.

Jean Gratten, brn, by Grattan
Royal-Darkey Hal, by Star
Hal (Sturgeon) 1 1 1
Logical, bg, (Butler) 2 2 7
Harry Putnam, bg, (Chappell) . 7 6 2
Red March, chg, (Myott) 5 4 3
Ormonde Burns, blk, (Belle-ville) 8 3 4
Holt, bg, (Tobey) 2 7 5
Sister Peter, bm, (Kearns) 4 8 6
Peterkin, chg, (McWilliams) .. 6 5 8
Time—2.10 1/4, 2.08 3/4, 2.07 1/4.

N. H. L. TO MEET NEXT WEEK

Montreal, Oct. 6—A settlement of all the pre-season troubles of the National Hockey League will be effected at a meeting to be held in Toronto a week from next Saturday, October 16, it was indicated today with the announcement by President Frank Calder of the calling of a gathering for that date.

The necessity of another meeting after the annual affair arises in connection with two important matters, the adopting of the playing schedule and the settlement of the Boston hockey player case.

Owing to the changing of the groups which will play as parts of the N. H. L. this season, further work on a new schedule was necessary. And in view of the failure of the special committee to agree on a solution of the Boston problem recently, this is another thing that the league must discuss.

MORRIS MOTOR CAR KING OF GT. BRITAIN

The title of "Motorcar King of Britain" must go without question to Mr. W. R. Morris, head of the firm that makes the light British car. Mr. Morris has just brought off a big business deal which makes him the head of a motor-trade combine with a capital of \$25,000,000. Yet when he started in business all he had was a little shop in Oxford, where he built push-bikes which he sold to his acquaintances. He rode his own machine in races and won about twenty medals.

He had never had any technical engineering training, but he was born with a genius for motoring, and by 1912 he had his first one built. It took him two years. Now he turns out one every two and a quarter minutes.

PENNOCK LOST CONTROL.

St. Louis, Oct. 6—The only casualty on the Yanks' trip to St. Louis was Herb Pennock, who lost control shifting a razor blade and nicked the second finger of his pitching hand. There was a hurried call for "Doc" Woods, the club's trainer, who taped the cut digit.

"It doesn't amount to anything," said Pennock, "and I'll be ready when called upon."

The silver fox breeder of Kenneth Square, Penn., said he has recovered from the effects of Saturday's contest and was right as a rivet.

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