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snow and rain tonight and part
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Canadian Parliament Was Opened Today

Resignation of Speaker Black Alters Procedure For Opening Day and the Speech From the Throne Is Being Deliv- ered Late This After- noon--New Legislation.

Ottawa, Jan. 17—Everything is in readiness for the formal opening of the final session of the 17th Parliament of Canada this afternoon. The speech from the throne will be delayed for half an hour owing to the unusual procedure caused by the resignation of Speaker George Black. Members of the House of Commons and senators from the nine provinces are on hand for the beginning of their annual task of making the laws of the country. Before the House of Commons gets down to work it will have the unique task of electing a new Speaker in the middle of the life of a single Parliament.

Debutantes and social leaders are in the capital also to join in the brilliant social events which accompany the opening ceremonies. The usual assemblage of brightly-clad women will gather in the Senate chamber to provide a background for the Governor-General and his suite when he reads the Speech from the Throne.

Procedure Agreed Upon

Owing to illness, Hon. George Black, member for the Yukon, resigned the Speakership yesterday. The necessity of choosing a successor left parliamentary officials and law officers somewhat in doubt as to procedure.

After many hours' study of the precedents from the British and Canadian Parliaments relating to the election of a Speaker of the Commons, it was agreed by the government and the official opposition that the traditional procedure followed in selecting Speakers at the beginning of a new Parliament should be adhered to now. This is the first occasion that a Speaker of the Commons in Canada has resigned.

When the Commons assembles at 3 o'clock, E.S.T., Prime Minister R. B. Bennett will announce that the position of Speaker is vacant. Then the Commons will be summoned to the Senate at the behest of the Deputy Governor-General, Sir Lyman P. Duff. When the members of Parliament appear in the Senate without a Speaker, the Deputy Governor-General will refuse to read the Speech from the Throne until the Commons has selected a member to speak for them.

Second Summons

The members will then return to the Commons chamber and a Speaker will be nominated by the prime minister. After he is selected, the usher of the Black Rod will again appear in the Commons and summon the members back to the Senate. The Governor-General will then read the Speech from the Throne.

As a result of the necessity of electing a Speaker, the Speech from the Throne will be about half an hour later than is the custom. Following it the Commons will return to the Commons chamber and the new members will be introduced.

Present arrangements provide for an adjournment after the new members have been introduced so that the members may attend the receptions by the new Speaker in the Commons, and the Speaker of the Senate and Madame P. E. Blondin. Tributes to the members of the Commons who died during the recess will be made on Friday and the debate on the Address started on the following Monday.

NO CHANGE TODAY

There was no change in the condition of Henry White, Wilsey Road resident, who is quite seriously ill at the Victoria Public Hospital with pneumonia.

A BIG SUCCESS

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade last evening was a very successful one. Encouraging reports were heard from the different committees. The meeting was the most largely attended in recent years, and a large number of new members were elected to this important local organization. It is encouraging that many of the newly elected members represent the city's younger business men. Their interest in the Board of Trade is a hopeful sign that the Board will continue. These younger men have the "pep" and their energy, with the experience of the older members, should make this Board go—and it will. It is to be regretted that owing to the constitution as it stands that some of the younger men amongst last night's new members did not get on the executive. But it is not always those on the executive committees who do the most work. The Board of Trade has a good executive this year and the new men will be in line for the work later. In the meantime they can do valuable work in the ranks and this is just where they are needed. We have seen some very stupid people put on the executives of different societies. People without experience on an executive make a fool of it.

One thing that must be kept out of the Board of Trade if it is going to be a success and that is POLITICS, federal, provincial, or civil. It is an old-fashioned idea, which has done damage to Fredericton institutions in the past, and is fifty years behind the times. The man who wants to bring up personal or political matters had better stay away; he is too small. We understand that the Board of Trade has been very free from this in the past. Let us keep it this way.

The older members made some good sane speeches and encouraged the younger men. President Hubbard's annual address was interesting. The report published today is worth reading. President Hubbard hands out some well-deserved criticism to the chain stores.

Of the original Board of Trade incorporated in 1891, the only surviving member is George W. Hodge. Mr. Hodge was at the meeting last night and his suggestions showed that they were the result of study and experience. A few of these older men sprinkled in with the younger fellows will make the Board a success.

If the Secretary will get busy now and drive it for all it is worth and if all the members assist, we will have a banner Board of Trade this year. THE DAILY MAIL WILL DO ANYTHING IN ITS POWER TO HELP TO PRODUCE THIS RESULT.

DILLINGER LAWYER FREED OF CHARGES

CHICAGO, Ills., Jan. 16—Louis P. Piquett, former bartender and City Prosecutor, who became attorney and confidante for John Dillinger, was acquitted on charges of conspiracy to harbor the outlaw by a jury in Federal Court last night.

The verdict was returned after the jury deliberated two hours and a half.

The stocky, bushy-haired lawyer, who stood trial in Judge William H. Holly's Federal Court, was the first to be snared in the Government's drive against alleged 'gangland lawyers'.

The verdict left leaders of the Federal prosecution admittedly downcast while Piquett was jubilant.

NEILSEN IS GIVEN SUSPENDED TERM

Andover, Victoria Co., Jan. 17—Sentence was suspended for one year by Magistrate N. A. Hanson in the local police court this morning in the case of Sydney Neilsen, North View young man, charged with the theft of an automobile belonging to his brother, Carl, North View. Neilsen pleaded guilty and conviction was entered, with the magistrate suspending sentence.

The accused was not represented by counsel. The Crown was represented by C. H. Elliott, Perth, clerk of the peace for Victoria County.

WAR PROFIT MAKING INQUIRY ENDORSED

Ottawa, Jan. 16—Strong support for the move for a parliamentary inquiry into profit making in preparations for war and organization of peace launched by the League of Nations Society in Canada has been offered by local branches of the society and affiliate organizations throughout Canada.

Since the executive circularized the branches and members on the matter T. W. L. MacDermot, secretary, has received numerous resolutions and letters all in support of the move.

Duke, Duchess' Auto Injured a Child

Le Bourget, France, Jan. 16—An automobile containing the Duke and Duchess of Kent knocked down a little girl and injured her slightly today while they were hurrying to catch a plane here for London.

The girl, Marguerite Ollier, was crossing the street to school when the car struck her. She was covered with bruises and after emergency treatment at a hospital went home.

The Duke and Duchess were alarmed by the accident, but a member of the British Embassy staff induced them to continue while he remained behind to see that the child was taken to a hospital.

He telephoned them at the airfield that the child was not seriously injured.

FARMERS AND DAIRYMEN HOLD FINAL SESSIONS

Varied Program Yesterday—Luncheon at the Experimental Farm—Many Addresses—Held French Session Last Night.

The 59th annual convention of the N. B. Farmers' & Dairymen's Association entered its final day today and will conclude with a night session, winding up its business. Yesterday's program included a luncheon at the Dominion Experimental Station and an interesting French session last night.

One of the principal addresses yesterday was that of Dr. J. A. Sinclair, of Cannington, Ont., who spoke on "Breeding and Management of Farm Horses, and Demonstration in Drenching, etc." Dr. Sinclair, according to an announcement by Hon. Lewis Smith, Minister of Agriculture, at the banquet on Tuesday evening will give his services to the government in the matter of advice and assistance to the farmers of this province in securing pure bred brood mares under a policy by which the Department will defray the transportation costs of such animals.

Dr. Sinclair described horse defects to guard against and answered many questions relating to cattle and horses. During the afternoon, Dr. R. I. Conklin of MacDonald College in Quebec gave an address on "Prevention and Control of Livestock Parasites."

At the French session last night, at which the annual meeting of the French Agricultural Literary Society was held, all officers were re-elected, including the president, Rev. A. J. Babin, Rogersville; the secretary-treasurer, A. J. Gaudet, St. Joseph; the assistant secretary-treasurer, A. Goguen, Shediac, and two directors, J. A. Doucet, M.L.A., Paquetville, and E. F. Pineau, Caraquet, district livestock promoter.

A paper entitled "Our Agricultural Situation," which was prepared in the name of the French-speaking provincial and federal agricultural staff, was delivered by Alphonse Dionne, of Edmundston, district agricultural representative. J. J. Gautreau, of the provincial department of agriculture staff of Quebec, gave an address on the importance of agricultural education to the future farmer.

At the 16th annual meeting of the N. B. Sheep Breeders' Association held yesterday, Carl C. Allen, of Melrose, was elected president, with other officers as follows: Vice-president, W. B. Pearson, of Colliana; secretary-treasurer, Stanley Wood, Fredericton. The following directors were elected:

Westmorland and Kent counties—C. C. Allen; Kings and Albert counties—H. A. Wallace; Queens, Sunbury, Saint John and Charlotte counties—R. A. Howe; York, Carleton, Victoria and Madawaska counties—Norman Palmer; Restigouche, Gloucester and Northumberland counties—Albert Payne; at large, W. B. Pearson and E. F. Pineau.

DISCUSSIONS ENDED ON THE WATERWAY PACT

Washington, Jan. 17—State Department officials indicated today that discussions with Canada regarding the proposed modification of the St. Lawrence Waterway Treaty have been completed.

Under-Secretary William Phillips said that while there had been discussions between the two governments on the question, no negotiations were in progress at present.

Phillips declined to comment, however, on reports that the two Governments had failed to reach an agreement on the proposed modification of the treaty.

Board of Trade Meeting Success

Annual Meeting Best Attended in Years As Many New Members Join Board—Encouraging Prospects for the Future—Chain Stores Problem

THOSE who have been promoting a rally for the annual meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade should be satisfied with the results. Last night's meeting at the City Club was one of the best attended meetings held in recent years. Keen interest was taken in a discussion of the topics brought up and several plans for the future development of the Board's activities were brought up and will be worked out.

A stronger connection between the Board of Trade, the City Council and other organizations was advocated with the City Council Chamber as a sort of civic centre. The matter of live wire work towards better transportation facilities for Fredericton will be taken up and a determined effort will be made to land somewhere. President Hubbard at the close of the meeting, cut loose in a good spirited speech with lots of kick to it and intimated that Fredericton had been pussy-footing long enough and that it was time that not only Fredericton but the provinces get somewhere in regard to a fair deal in regard to transportation.

D. R. WILSON OFFERS AS MAYOR AT ST. STEPHEN

(Special to The Daily Mail)

St. Stephen, Jan. 17—There is a great deal of street talk about the Town elections which take place next month. Mayor Davie R. Wilson, who has held office for two years is going to offer again. Several of our leading citizens are after ex-Mayor J. R. Polley to offer again. Mr. Polley is at present one of the councillors from the lower ward he is a good councillor and was an excellent Mayor. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, Mason's, Oddfellows, Pythian Sisters and the Orangemen. Mayor Wilson is one of our leading Oddfellows, a valuable member of the Kiwanis Club and an all around good fellow. There is also some talk of Councillor Harry Heiatt offering for mayor, Mr. Heiatt is at present a member of the Town Council. He is chairman of the fire committee and a good worker at the board. In politics he is a Liberal, a Mason of high standing, popular on the border and would make a good chief magistrate of his adopted home, he came from Saint John some years ago. Councillor W. W. Quartermain has also been approached to offer as Mayor but declined the offer, he is now Deputy Mayor, a good councillor and belongs to many orders. He is from Kingsclear, York County, but has been a citizen of St. Stephen for a great many years.

Although Mr. Polley has not fully decided to offer for Mayor and Mr. Heiatt is not sure yet, from the outside it looks as if there may be a three cornered fight unless some arrangements can be made between now and election day whereby one or perhaps two of the men mentioned may drop out.

The Quaintance Club of the Union Street Baptist Church were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Arthur Wachsm and Miss Gertrude Merritt in the Baptist Vestry on Monday evening, where about twenty-five members of the club were present, including Mrs. L. M. Ackland who was the guest of honor. Several parlor games were enjoyed and dainty refreshments served.

EARTHSHOCKS ROCK TOWNS IN TURKEY

Istanbul, Jan. 17—Houses crumbled and panic-stricken hundreds in Turkey rushed terror-stricken into the streets yesterday when eight violent earthquakes rocked the area around the sea of Marmora. Early reports said there were no victims. Five shocks struck the town of Erdek, sending seven houses and a school crashing in debris, and damaging the city hall.

The matter of freight rates will be taken up on the twenty-eighth instant with an expert freight man, Rand Mathewson of the Maritime Freight Rates Commission. As it is understood there is considerable of unfair treatment going on in regard to the Maritime Provinces and that Mr. Mathewson has found this out and is willing to help iron out these difficulties, it is urged that all the members attend the City Council Chamber on the evening of the twenty-eighth instant, and to meet Mr. Mathewson.

A large number of New members were elected last evening. These include C. L. Dougherty, W. A. West, J. L. Neville, M. A. John, E. M. Kidd, Leslie Mavor, Don Smith, J. G. Fenehy, Hedley Wilson, Fraser Dunbar, Howard Young, A. E. Eardley, Cedric Cooper, E. M. Young, George F. Crowley. A drive will be started at once with the object of interesting all the business and professional men in the community. It is felt that the time has come when the Fredericton home merchants have to band together if they wish to stay in business. A glance at Queen Street today tells the tale so far as the Home Merchant is concerned. Therefore it is felt that even if some home merchant is lacking perhaps in community spirit selfish interest would induce him to protect himself.

S. S. Miller, vice president of the board advocated increased membership. He suggested that a drive be made at once for further increased membership. He urged the necessity of getting the younger men to come in when they had achieved results the board could then, he said, go to the City Council and request financial assistance. The board should, he thought, have a home of its own where better co-operation could be carried on with other boards. He appreciated at the same time the kindness of the city Club in placing the present rooms at the disposal of the Board of Trade.

Oldest Member

In discussing the past, present, and future of the Board, it was brought out that the first attempt at a Board of Trade was in 1874. In 1891 the present Board was organized under a Dominion charter. The only survivor of that original band of 1891 is George W. Hodge, who through the changing years and the changing fortunes of the Board of Trade has stood by the organization and given it the benefit of

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MAN GETS HEAVY LIQUOR FINE

QUEBEC, Jan. 16—A fine of \$450 and costs was imposed by Judge Arthur Fitzpatrick yesterday upon George Demontigny of this city, who was found guilty of transporting liquor illegally. Judge Fitzpatrick also ordered that Demontigny's car be confiscated.

If the accused does not pay the fine he will have to spend three months in jail.