

## THE LABOR PARTY ADVOCATES CHANGES IN THE B. N. A. ACT

### Legislative Proposals Were Laid Before the Cabinet Council

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—Assumption by the now pays 75 per cent of the old age Dominion Government of the full pensions.

Share of old age pension payments, "Another discriminatory feature of establishment of a national system, the present legislation," they said "is of sickness and disability insurance, the clause demanding five years' residence in a province immediately prior to an application being made."

This prevented persons otherwise qualified from enjoying advantages of the legislation, they hold.

"This injustice could be eliminated by repeal of this section of the Act, but the same purpose would be more satisfactorily achieved if the responsibility for the administration of the Act was accepted by the Federal Government," the delegates declared.

The Congress spokesman commended the proposal to establish an economic council. He advocated approval of collective bargaining as a necessary basis of development of codes of fair practices in industry the right of employees to organize free from employers' control, extension of the Industrial Disputes Act to all tariff protected industries, thus "providing the means whereby employees could obtain public inquiry at any time into unfair conditions of labor," and stricter enforcement of minimum wage laws to prevent evasions and violations.

**Wider Authority Needed**  
Congress representatives requested amendment of the B.N.A. Act to ensure full competence of the Federal Government to enact any social and labor legislation, to permit control over industrial and commercial activities essential to ensuring observance of proper labor standards and eliminate unfair competition between provinces, to empower the Dominion to regulate highway transport, restrict powers of the Senate to veto a bill passed at two separate sessions of the House of Commons, and abolish appeals to the Privy Council.

They regretted that the Bank of Canada, while partially nationalized through retention by the Government of the Governor's appointment, had been left so far as ownership was concerned in the hands of private interests. They demanded prohibition of interlocking directorates of banks and more stringent supervision over loans to brokers. Bank employees should be given the right of association, they said.

Reduction of interest rates and employment by the Government of national credit to finance national undertakings were urged strongly.

Delegates advocated increased efforts towards international peace, and "noted with pleasure the action of Parliament to ensure strict observance of Remembrance Day."

The total number of pairs of leather footwear made during the month of December was 1,710,010, a decrease from the preceding month of 146,108 pairs, or 11 per cent, but an increase over December, 1933 of 225,194 pairs or 24 per cent.

Regretting that eight years after its enactment neither Quebec nor New Brunswick had adopted the Old Age Pension Act, the delegates urged that all responsibility for the act be shouldered by the Dominion. The Dominion

## HOUSE AND LOBBY

(By H. M. Morden, Star Staff Correspondent, Montreal Star.)  
Ottawa, Feb. 7.—Observers are still wondering whether Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King actually had the idea yesterday that he could "put over" on the Government a slyly worded motion of want of confidence. Certainly if he did, he has a very low conception indeed of Right Hon. R. B. Bennett's perspicacity.

To the layman in politics, the amendment which the Liberal leader moved on going into supply was innocent enough. It simply asked that the Department of Labor estimates be taken first when the House went into Committee on Supply. To one not versed in the intricacies of Parliamentary strategy there was nothing in that to cause any worry to the Government, and Mr. King naively asked that the Government accept the motion and let it pass without a division. Lurking in these innocent words, however, was nothing less than a deadly threat to the life of the Government. Had Mr. Bennett in an unguarded moment, agreed to accept the amendment, he would have been, then and there writing the resignation of his Government.

The "catch" is that any amendment to the motion to go into supply is a want of confidence motion. Should it be adopted the Government would have to resign at once. Mr. Bennett, however, gently chided Mr. King for thinking he could be caught by such a ruse and the peril to the Government was avoided.

Holders of farm mortgages have been having a pretty uncomfortable time of it since the amendment to the Farm Loan Act has come under discussion. They have been forced to listen to varied attacks on themselves and their doings. All the members of the House seemed to be concentrating on proving what friends they were to the farmer, and how anxious they were to get him out of his financial difficulties. Not a word about those whose money is tied up in farm mortgages.

These folk, however, at last found a champion yesterday. He arose in the person of Wilfred Hanbury, the Liberal member for Vancouver-Burrard, who can never be depended upon to take the orthodox view of things. He spoke right out in meeting in defence of the mortgage-holders. What is more, he attacked the various moratorium acts which have been passed by the provinces, and which have become almost sacrosanct because they were framed for the benefit of the down-trodden masses.

His words at least took some of the one-sided aspect from the Farm Loan debate and to the surprise of almost everyone, he found some support for his attack on the moratorium from no less a person than Hon. E. N. Rhodes, the Minister of Finance.

This session has thus far seen some strange things happening to the various motions of private members. The usual fate of many of them is to be talked out, but almost invariably, a respectable number of them come to a vote of the House.

Up to the present moment, however, only one such motion has been voted on this session. This was the motion of William Irvine, Progressive member for Wetaskiwin, calling for na-

tionalization of Canada's banks. It went down to crushing defeat Monday. Some eight or nine of these motions, however, have been dealt with. Some have been withdrawn at the solicitation of the Government, usually on the basis of more or less definite promises of action. Others have been sent to committees. One or two have been accepted and passed without a vote. But thus far the devils bells have rung only once to call the members to vote on a private motion.

As a matter of fact, the bells have been, unusually silent throughout the whole session to date. They have been rung only twice.

It is a distinct change from the average session. It is usually to be expected that there will be at least two or three divisions a week on various motions or pieces of legislation. The only votes this year have been on Mr. Irvine's resolution and on Mr. King's want of confidence motion of last week.

Probably the stilling of the jangling bells is largely due to the attitude of the Liberals that they want the Government's reform legislation as soon as possible. There was, for instance, not even an amendment to the Speech from the Throne, either from the Liberals or the Progressive-Labor group, almost an unheard-of occurrence.

## RUMANIA'S KING AGREES TO REMOVE MME. LUPOESCU

Vienna, Feb. 2.—King Carol of Rumania is reported to have agreed to remove Mme Magda Lupescu from her powerful pedestal as his uncrowned queen.

The Rumanian Cabinet decreed that the red-haired Jewess, for whom Carol once renounced his Kingdom, must go. Carol's advisers agreed and the King, himself, finally consented.

The action was decided necessary "for the good of the State."

Demands of Helen of Greece, Carol's former wife, and his 13-year-old son, Crown Prince Michael, were said to have caused Carol to give in—ending one of the greatest royal-commoner romances of the 20th century.

Interests of State and the return of former Queen Helen to rule with him now come first with Carol. This fact he himself has admitted to Dinu Bratianu, formerly a Cabinet minister, and long a patriot who has been demanding that Carol give up his love for a woman for his duties to his country.

**Another Chance**

When Helen will return is uncertain but apparently she will return to be with her son and give Carol another chance. She realizes the King needs her to consolidate his position with his subjects, and restore respect among them for the throne—a respect this philandering career and renunciation of his birthright have done much to destroy.

Former Premier Nicholas Jorgan Bratianu and other patriots in Rumania have been working seriously for years for Helen's return, and she now is reported yielding. Carol long turned a deaf ear to their appeals pointing out it was Helen, not he who obtained the divorce.

## Of Interest to the Women

### Brisk Winter Walk Helps Shivering Folk

If you're one of the shivery, teeth-chattering, red-nosed, blue-veined sisters of the Frosty Air, what you need is more air and colder draughts of it. Here's something that ought to scare the fireside huggers out of their chairs:

A lecturer said the other day that folk—he was talking to women as the "folk"—well, he said that folk who hated to go outdoors in winter and sidetracked every outdoor opportunity are either sick or old people; that that brisk cold winter air is the call to youth and those who will not respond have no youth left. Or words to that effect.

He called attention to the fact that there are women—thousands of them—who dread a cold blast as the cat hates water. They bundle up and rush from door or house to car or taxi. They rush to cover with head and face buried in collar or muff at other end of their journey. A whole winter through they do not get enough air into their lungs to give it one good cleaning.

If, perchance, such a woman has to stand on a street corner for five minutes on a cold day, she's a picture of misery with her chattering teeth and her nose. Rather than walk a few blocks home, the woman will crowd into a overfilled, stuffy, smelly street car.

Now, what that woman needs, our authority contends, is more cold air and more cold air. Her house or apartment temperature should first be lowered appreciably from the stifling heat in which she's found. She's recommended to slip on a sweater and stand before an open window and drink in not less than 30 cold, deep draughts. This preparatory to stepping out for a fast walk. The colder the better, he says, and the faster she must walk. Let her run a block every now and then, our authority urges.

Let her stand on a corner, deliberately stand and take twenty long draughts of air, and see if she isn't training herself to take the air better. The only way you can fight the shivers and the frost-bitten nose, it seems is to invite the cold air to come right in and take possession of the lungs.

### AND, BY THE WAY

When powdered or confectioner's sugar becomes lumpy press it through a fine-meshed sieve or roll with a rolling pin.

Whip the white of an egg into your salad dressing if you have no cream on hand. It is a good substitute for cream.

To clean mother-of-pearl wash it with whiting and cold water. Avoid soap, which discolors it and destroys the brilliancy of the shell.

Steam left-over fruit cake and serve as a pudding with hard sauce.

The odor of fish clinging to dishes and cooking utensils may be removed by adding a few teaspoons of vinegar to the dishwater.

Never allow silver spoons stained with egg to stand. Put them into cold water to soak as soon as they are removed from the table.

A little onion juice adds much to the flavor of French dressing.

When lemons become dry, immerse them in cold water. They will soon become quite soft and ready to use.

When the fastener has pulled out of a glove, darn the hole and sew an ordinary dress snap near the old fastener.

Never use a damp or wet cloth or holder in removing a hot dish from the oven or stove. The heat will cause steam to rise. A dry one prevents the heat from penetrating and scorching the fingers.

### FOR SATURDAY

BREAKFAST  
Tomato Toast  
Bacon

Coffee  
LUNCHEON  
Baked Beans  
Crackers  
Celery Salad  
Milk  
DINNER  
Lamb Chops  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Endive Salad  
Pineapple Tapioca  
Tea

## OUTBURST IN IN COMMONS BY LABORITE

London, Feb. 7.—James McGovern, fiery Glasgow Laborite, launched an attack in the House of Commons yesterday on the King and members of the Royal Family but was promptly ruled out of order. He wound up his outburst by charging: "This Government is a gang of national crooks."

"We pay King George £10,750 a week (approximately \$53,750) and one shilling (25 cents) a minute to the Duke of Kent and his wife," Mr. McGovern cried before he was interrupted. (The Duke of Kent, youngest son of the King, married Princess Marina of Greece last November).

The House was debating changes in the complex unemployment relief system.

Before he was called to order, the Glasgow member said he had heard \$150,000 to \$200,000 was going to be spent on the King's Silver Jubilee celebrations this spring.

"I say it should be spent," he cried, "in erecting black flags throughout the length and breadth of this country for a day of national mourning for the common people who are being destroyed and degraded by this National Government."

"If your class goes to war," he said further, "you will appeal to the workmen to help you. And I hope when that day dawns the workers will use their rifles on the ruling classes."

A group of about 50 alleged Communists created a disturbance in the central lobby of the Commons last night, shouting "We want bread" and other remarks indicating their opposition to the dole plan. Police quickly silenced and ejected them from the building.

Previously the Communists had tried vainly to see some individual members of the House but were unable to enter the public galleries.

Parliamentary rules in the House of Commons prohibits the mention of the King in debate but such firebrands as Mr. McGovern and his fellow radicals have burst forth against royalty several times in recent years. In 1933 Mr. McGovern interrupted the King in the course of the Speech from the Throne.

## STAND ARCTIC WINTER AS THE ESKIMOS DO

Edmonton, Alta., Feb. 7.—People in the Arctic suffer from cold no more and often less than Albertans because they have learned the secret of dressing suitably, Dr. J. A. Urquhart, federal government medico of Aklayik, told members of the Optimist club.

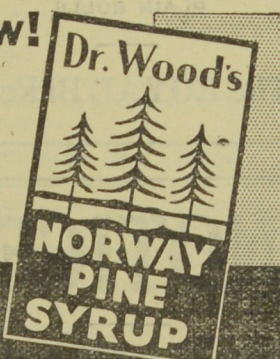
"When winter comes we know it's going to be cold and dress accordingly, but there people live in the hope a cold snap will end and are not so particular to wear proper winter clothing," he said.

Dr. Urquhart described the meticulous care the Eskimo women took to make warm clothing from caribou hides and sealskin. When a new parka was made the husband put it on and roughly jerked his shoulders. If the stitching did not hold he handed it back to his wife to make over because warm clothing meant life to him on a hunting trip, the doctor stated.

"When I want a new parka, I pick an Eskimo of my own weight and height and buy it right off his back. I don't take any chances in having one made for me," he related.

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