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## Making Business of Politics in U.S.A.

Contrasting the English and the American political systems, H. P. Lees-Smith, M.P., wrote in the New York Herald Tribune lately: "England has nothing to correspond with the American political machine. None is needed. For instead of electing a President, Senators, representatives, governors, state legislators and dozens of other officers in the United States, we generally have an election in four or five years, and that only for the House of Commons. We need not elect a President, for we have a King; nor a Senate because we have a House of Lords. In the United States the machine is necessarily in action all the time; but our local party association meets only once in four or five years, and even its executive committee practically ceases to operate as soon as an election is over." Of course, as a Canadian contemporary points out, circumstances may arise which demand two or three elections at intervals of a year or two, but generally speaking, and in the absence of national crises, the English elections come along every four or five years, and when they are over the average English public man is free to consider public affairs and drop politics.

But in the United States, as the Springfield Republican notes, the American people give practically one year on four to the election of a President. The preliminary moves for next November's election were made last winter. In the spring the party primary elections were held. Then came the national conventions of the contending parties, to be followed after an interval of some weeks by the speeches of acceptance of the Republican candidates. And until November the campaign will proceed at an accelerating speed. Then in one final orgy of balloting the American people will elect a President and Vice-President, Senators, hundreds of members of the House of Representatives, governors, lieutenant-governors, legislators and others down the line, including judges, prosecuting attorneys and sheriffs. Sometimes the elector is handed a ballot more than a yard long.

Every second year the whole process is repeated, with the exception that the President and Vice-President are not candidates. But the system means that a political machine to be effective must be kept running every day of every year. When a representative is not actually in Washington, it is said that he has gone home to look after his political fences; that is to say, he has gone home to inspect his own machine. Politics is a full-time job and, naturally, has developed a horde of professional politicians of a class unknown in England. As the Republican remarks: "It is significant that no theorist would ever have proposed such a system unless he were a madhouse inmate." It is also significant that there seem to be on foot no movement to change it.—Moncton Transcript.

## Colonies and Profits

The question whether colonies pay—whether they are worth while to the countries acquiring them—is one that economists are invited to explore in the light of present-day developments.

Exploitation was the purpose of Spain and Portugal with respect to their colonies. All 18th century governments shared to some extent the policy that they exemplified. British colonies for the most part were founded by emigrants seeking new homes or by large commercial companies which were granted monopolies in the resources of new possessions. The American colonies revolted when the British government sought to obtain from them revenue without their consent and thereafter Britain granted more liberty to her remaining dependencies. Today the major British colonies are self-governing and employ their natural resources for their own profit rather than that of the mother country. Profits derived by Britain from her colonies are only those which might be derived from any foreign country under suitable tariff agreements.

Diametrically opposed to the British system was that of pre-war Germany. The German colonies were peopled largely by immigrants who sought to get rich quickly and return to Germany. Natives were given no voice in government, and the colonies were administered by the same system in vogue in Germany, regardless of racial differences and customs. Revenue derived from the colonies was wrested from them at the cost of their loyalty. The German colonies, therefore, fell easy prey to the Allies during the World war.

France began with the commercial monopoly but failed to take over her colonies from the great countries in time to save them. Insufficiently protected by the mother country, the French colonies slipped into the hands of other nations. Modern colonial ventures have been undertaken by France because of military necessity rather than thought of profit. Her North African colonies have been a drain of money and men far out of proportion to any return derived.

An example of the successful investment colony is to be found in the Dutch East Indies. This group of islands in the Indian Ocean produces 99 per cent. of the world supply of quinine, 50 per cent. of the wrapper tobacco, 11 per cent. of the petroleum, and great quantities of rubber, cane sugar, sisal, palm oil, rattan, coffee, spices, tapioca products gums and essential oils. American capital invested in the islands amounts to \$75,000,000, and American trade with them totalled \$127,000,000 in 1929.

Behind this success is a story of patient development, cultivation and thrift. By rigid control of markets, the Dutch have built up some lines of trade, while new avenues of commerce have been opened by importation of tropical products such as the oil palm and the sisal hemp and their cultivation under careful restriction. Native man-power and initiative have been used wherever possible, the Dutch confining their attention to improvements and more complex problems of markets and finance.

Development of this colony has been made possible largely through the absence of any need for protection. A treaty under which the islands, if abandoned by Holland, would revert to Britain insures British protection for the colony, while British co-operation has aided in the negotiation of the world agreements for control and improvement of tin, rubber and tea prices. Through this co-operation, skillful development and improvement of natural resources and use of every available source of additional revenue, Holland has retained one of the richest colonies in the world and made it profitable.

Japan now has Manchoukuo; Italy has Ethiopia, and Germany is clamoring for restoration of her colonies. The question whether they also be made profitable remains to be answered.

## SNAPSHOTS

Now that the city hall committee who "investigated" the tourist affairs have fired one of their own aldermen and several leading energetic citizens of the tourist committee, they have decided to allow the Board of Trade to have the balance of the grant.

What do the leading citizens who were appointed by the full board and fired by the executive, think of the matter? Could they not arrange on their own account to have a little investigating at City Hall? There are many citizens who think that now that investigating has started that it would be a good idea to keep it going all along the line.

We believe that there should have been a show-down, but that it should be by the full board.

There is no truth that the Department of Education is going to move into the Old Peoples' Home. It is only the system that is old. But it will be rejuvenated before long.

The present government is anxious to get away from the George III period.

When an ex-member of the Legislature and a "prominent business man" clash, they resort to the same old methods, one smoke and the other fire.

## First Contingent

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veiled Walter Alward's magnificent sculpture.

"There seemed to be nothing that France could not do for us," said Captain, the Rev. S. E. Lambert, Chaplain to Christie street Hospital, Toronto, who, with Mrs. Lambert, also an over-seas veteran, was a member of the advance party that travelled ahead of the legion to make arrangements.

"We met the President at the Elysee Palace and he had many things to say of the warm regard France has for Canadians. As to the ceremony, itself, it is almost impossible to find words to describe it. It was magnificent."

Considered by many the most significant tribute to Canada's regard for the Sovereign was the singing of the National Anthem by the ex-service men at the close of the ceremony. As one bereft pilgrim said this morning, "it was the most un-military, and the most human thing we could have done, to sing the words when we should have been standing mutely at attention in proper army fashion."

QUEBEC, Aug. 13—"Canada can be proud of the showing made by Canadian Legion pilgrims to Vimy," said Major G. C. Burbridge, Montreal, first party leader of the pilgrimage to return, to reporters upon the arrival of the Canadian Pacific Liner Montcalm at Quebec this morning. "They made a wonderful showing at the ceremony and the visit of the ex-service men with their wives and dependents to France demonstrated the natural friendship that exists between the Republic and the Dominion."

Leader of "L" party that sailed from Montreal in the Montcalm July 16, Major Burbridge brought considerably less back that started with him. "The great majority availed themselves of the wonderful hospitality of the French people and returned after the London ceremonies for six days as the guests of France," he said. He spoke highly of the organization of the pilgrimage.

QUEBEC, Aug. 13—"Magnificent showing," was the description given by Captain A. R. Melke, R. D. F. N. R., Commander of the Canadian Pacific Liner Montcalm which docked here this morning, to the unveiling of the Vimy Memorial by H. M., the King. "Together with three of my officers, as guests of the Canadian Legion, I was given the opportunity of driving from Antwerp, where we had landed 1,500 pilgrims the day before, all through the battle areas of France and Belgium to Vimy and viewing the ceremony. As a 'civilian' guest, I feel I can quite properly comment upon the excellent impression made by the Canadian Legionnaires on the quarter million people who watched the unveiling."

The journey from Antwerp by way of Ghent, Courtrai and Menin, Captain Melke said showed many signs of the war, particularly on French territory from Menin to Arras via Lille.

New construction proceeding everywhere, he said, betrayed the formerly devastated condition of the country and many signs of the old trench systems are still to be seen. Returning by way of Cambrai, Valenciennes and Mons, Antwerp was reached via Brussels and Malines late the same night.

"Enthusiasm was so great," Captain Melke said, "that when His Majesty started his inspection of the Canadian veterans after the ceremony

## DAILY FOREIGN NEWS COMMENT

### POLAND'S UNENVIABLE POSITION

Poland has risen since the World War to a nation of 34,000,000, rich in coal, wheat and oil, with industries in some instances known throughout the world. However with all its national possibilities, the country is standing on the brink of a precipice.

#### Pilsudski's Death Great Blow

The late Marshall Pilsudski was the one forceful man, who was able to direct the destinies of the nation in a strong foreign policy. In his place stands a weak government which fears to move in the face of the terrorism of imported Nazism. The Naras and Endeks, a party of unemployed youths and professional agitators receive subsidies from the Nazi propaganda department in Germany. Their objects are to drive out the present weak Social-Democrat Government, force a dictatorship, and establish a Nazi party in Poland.

#### Poland Backing the Wrong Horse

Poland is backing the wrong horse in its alliance with Germany. In Poland the alliance is looked upon as a piece of political opportunism because it is felt certain that the Germans are merely biding a suitable time for an attack on their ancient enemies, the Poles. The Germans still remember that Pomerania was given to the Poles. They have not forgotten Upper Silesia. To think of a genuine and lasting alliance considering the irreconcilable territorial grievances between the two nations is the height of diplomatic hypocrisy.

### U. S. Cattle Quota Nearly Reached

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12—The customs reported today 98 per cent of the quota of light cattle and 89 per cent of the heavy cattle quota permitted to enter the United States this year under the Canadian trade agreement already have been imported.

### Lumbermen

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the coming season's cut, and the relation of employment to the industry. The conference was scheduled to get underway at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, but so far not many operators have arrived from outside points.

The provincial cabinet which met here yesterday continued its meeting this morning but no announcements were made at the noon-day recess. The cabinet is expected to meet again this afternoon and evening.

Speaking with The Daily Mail this afternoon Hon. Mr. Pirie stated that the meeting was a get-together of the government with the lumbermen to ascertain facts about the industry, and to learn of conditions as they are at present in the lumber industry. Between thirty five and fifty lumbermen are here today for the conference.

#### ORCHARD PHENOMENON

An interesting phenomenon in apple culture was shown today at The Daily Mail office when A. A. Waters of 242 Saunders street, called at the office and displayed a fully formed Nelson apple, grown from a tree in his orchard, and at the same time showed us an apple blossom which was growing side by side with the apple. This is only one of several specimens of its kind which Mr. Waters has in his orchard.

many of them broke ranks and it became an informal affair. The King did not wait to be presented formally with his Legion badge but was already wearing one—as a Canadian veteran himself—when he first appeared at the monument.

"The whole occasion was notable and I consider it was a great honour to have been asked to attend and participate as unofficial member of 'L' party, which under the leadership of Major Burbridge crossed the Atlantic in the Montcalm."

He remarked that the arrival of his party at Vimy marked the first time in years of travelling to Canada that they had reached Canadian soil by a land route.

## Notice of Meeting

The regular quarterly meeting of the Fredericton Branch of the New Brunswick Fish and Game Protective Association will be held in the City Council Chamber on Friday, August 14th at 8 o'clock P. M.

All members are requested to attend.  
C. N. GOODSPEED,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

## Northern and Southern

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inforcements to the insurgents in Spain.

PARIS, Aug. 13—Opposition leaders charged last night France's tolerance of aid to the Madrid Socialist government was obstructing the proposed international neutrality pact.

They blamed specifically raising of private funds and enlistment of Frenchmen as volunteers to aid the Spanish government as slowing progress toward a non-intervention agreement.

Germany, like Italy, is withholding a formal declaration of neutrality, diplomatic sources said, until the question is settled.

Twelve powers, including Italy, have approved the French formula but Rome, making reservations and suggestions, limited itself to adhesion "in principle."

Germany has shown similar reluctance and so far has failed to reply formally to the French suggestions.

### New Trade

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goods and electrical apparatus. Uruguayan exports to the Dominion are confined almost exclusively to canned meats. During the past fiscal year exports from Canada to Uruguay totalled \$368,508 while the South American country sent goods worth \$206,633 to Canada.

Preferences which Canada grants exclusively to other parts of the British Commonwealth, as well as preferences granted by Uruguay to bordering states, are expected from operation of the new agreement. It will have to be ratified by both countries, and becomes effective 30 days after exchange of ratifications.

In the meantime Canada extends her intermediate tariff to Uruguayan products in return for most favored nation treatment under the tariff of Uruguay, excepting concessions made exclusively to border states.

### Reich Sees

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announcement of compulsory military service in Germany. But it was not believed Germany would make any move in response to the Russian increase because its army is being moulded along carefully planned lines. German public opinion of the military situation is not made more cheerful by reports of the visit to Poland of Gen. Maurice Gamelin, the chief of staff of the French army. The official Polish Gazette at Warsaw, praising the French Polish military alliance, said that it has proved the most lasting act of post-war years and, denying that Polish policy would change regarding it, said that it assumed a most important place in the Polish foreign political scheme.

MOSCOW, Aug. 12—Vast increases in Soviet Russia's army were provided for yesterday when the Government issued an official decree extending the age of conscription to 19. Hitherto only Russians of 21 and over have been subject to compulsory military training regulations.

### PRELATE AGREES PREACHING COULD BE IMPROVED

OTTAWA, Aug. 13—Commenting on the statement by Rev. Dr. Fred. S. Flemming, in New York, that a moratorium on preaching should be declared for one or two years, Very Rev. E. Frank Salmon, Dean of Christ Church Cathedral here, today went on record as being "in entire sympathy with most of what Dr. Fleming said." In suggesting the moratorium, Dr. Fleming declared "there is practically no preaching worth the name to be found."

"There is certainly too much preaching," Dean Salmon said. "If the quantity was less the quality might be better. Less preaching and more systematic teaching would be a Godsend."

Dean Salmon said "those who have a gift for preaching and teaching should be trained for that special work, and should be left largely free from other responsibilities."

Such gifted and trained preachers, he said, could systematically travel in limited areas and congregations could gather for the primary purpose of hearing a sermon worth listening to.

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## Britain's Stand

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which Britain was named to safeguard Palestine and act as trustee for the development of a national home."

The penal codes of all countries should be revised to include anti-Semitism among political crimes, M. Jarblum, of France, recommended.

Jarblum stressed the necessity of unity and courage among world Jewry and hoped that the next congress would include representatives of all Jewish groups to form united opposition to anti-Semitism. Jarblum, although French, represented the Brazilian Jews.

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