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Weather: Moderate Easterly Winds,
cloudy and cool tomorrow.

LAWYERS AT HALIFAX ARE URGED TO TAKE TIMELY STEPS TO SAFEGUARD DEMOCRACY

Quebec Legislature May Abolish the Legislative Council

Premier Designate Duplessis is Ready to Speed
Changes

Autumn Session Faces Busy Task

Economic Council is a Strong Plank of Union
Nationale

QUEBEC, Aug. 22.—When the first session of the twentieth Legislature opens in October or November, its members will find that the new Duplessis Government will have prepared a heavy programme of work for it, according to information obtained in circles close to Mr. Duplessis. Already a preliminary survey had been well advanced by the Opposition experts in various branches of the Administration and, as soon as possible, legislation to effect the reforms advocated by Conservative leaders for some years and especially by the Union Nationale during the last campaign, will be submitted to the House.

Budget Changes Awaited

It is certain that the new Government will not be guided by the policies of the former administration even in the preparation of the budget to be submitted for the current year, it is said. One of the first acts of Mr. Duplessis as Prime Minister will be to instruct the heads of the various departments to confer with the new provincial treasurer with a view to introducing economy wherever possible so that a brand new kind of budget will be prepared.

Much has been said about the Legislative Council whose abolition will be sought by the new Administration. According to the best authorities available, it may take one year or two before the change is made, unless the present Legislative councillors consent to adopt the bill for abolishing their chamber, to be passed in the Lower House.

While this may be possible, very few regard it as probable. The case of Nova Scotia where it took nearly three years before the Upper House could be abolished, is recalled in this connection.

Meanwhile nothing will prevent the Duplessis Administration creating the Economic Council, one of the planks of L'Union Nationale. It is believed that this will be one of the first measures to be brought before the

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CABINET TOLD OF WESTERN HEAT LOSSES

\$10,000,000 Will Be Re-
quired by Drought
Areas

OTTAWA, Aug. 22.—Although no definite appropriation has yet been made, it is believed not less than \$10,000,000 will be required from the Federal Exchequer to provide relief for the drought-stricken areas of Western Canada.

It was a story of farmers prostrate from five consecutive crop failures, of hundreds of thousands of cattle starving from lack of fodder and of millions of acres of wheat and grazing lands devastated by torrid weather and lack of moisture that was unfolded to Prime Minister Mackenzie King and members of his Cabinet this week by Provincial Ministers and members of the House of Commons from Saskatchewan.

The Prime Minister had with him Hon. Charles A. Dunning, Chairman of the Cabinet sub-committee dealing with drought relief problems; Hon. Thomas A. Crerar, Hon. James G. Gardiner and Hon. Norman Rogers, while the Saskatchewan case was presented by Hon. George Spence, Minister of Public Works; Hon. R. J. M. Parker, Minister of Municipal Affairs, and Hon. J. G. Taggart, Minister of Agriculture. There were also present Charles R. Evans, M.P., for Maple Creek; Dr. Thomas F. Donnelly, M.P. for Wood Mountain, Charles E. Bothwell, M.P. for Swift Current, and J. Gordon Ross, M.P. for Moose Jaw.

More Serious Devastation

In the past two years Parliament appropriated \$9,000,000 for drought relief alone, and it is estimated that at least \$10,000,000 will be necessary during the approaching autumn and winter for drought relief in the three

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Where We Failed

Now that times are getting better and prosperity is just around the corner, we need to take a lesson by the past.

There is an old adage about locking stable doors after the horse has been stolen. It is usually put as conveying the idea of a precaution taken too late. It is too late, of course, for saving the horse from the thief but it is the right thing to do, nevertheless, for it gives promise of precaution hereafter taken in time.

It needs but a glance over the past ten or fifteen years, or at least one need go back no further than the end of the War, to see that for years everything that men did, involving money, was done extravagantly. Nations and governments were extravagant; cities and towns and municipalities were extravagant; manufacturing and commercial corporations were extravagant; and private citizens were extravagant.

Public corporations borrowed money as though there were no limit whatever to the capacity of the citizens to pay interest on the borrowings.

Private corporations were carried on in more than one country upon money borrowed from banks while, at the same time, the money earned by their business operations was gambled in Wall Street. Private citizens borrowed money to play the stock market game.

Legitimate and profitable industrial enterprises were merged and consolidated with worthless concerns, and the combination inflated far beyond its value, in order that its stocks and shares might be gambled with to the private profit of a few persons. And it is grimly humorous to note that sometimes those selfish persons overreached themselves and fell down on the other side.

Private and personal buying of manufactured goods of every sort was pushed to such lengths as to become a sort of madness. Every house and every barn in the land was stuffed with manufactured goods, mostly not essential, often useless, usually not having any earning power, pushed by "whirlwind campaigns" of expert sellers and costly advertisements. People bought on credit and were not only encouraged but coaxed to do so. Advertising pages shouted, and radios blared, that the thing for man to do was buy on credit, and to spend his money in having a good time.

People bought on credit. They are still paying. Many can never pay, and have a mill stone about their necks for years to come.

If there was a cheaper way of doing anything as well as a dearer way, the dearer way was deliberately chosen in most cases. As a choice between a telegram and a letter, a telegram was sent, with no advantage by its choice. If a man wanted something from a distant point, and the choice was between freight train and express at much great cost of the latter over the former, the thing was ordered by express.

These things are all true, are they not? Everyone knows that they are true.

BRINGS SHARP REPLY FROM MINISTER

TORONTO, Aug. 22.—Premier Hepburn last night commended Hon. Ian Mackenzie for a statement at Ottawa which said Canadians did not want "any pre-empting imperialists to dictate our defence policies."

"I want to commend Hon. Ian Mackenzie for having the courage to make a statement which will be concurred in by practically all the sound-thinking people of Canada," the Ontario premier said.

OTTAWA, Aug. 21.—"We are Canadians here and we don't want any pre-empting imperialists to dictate our defence policies," declared Defence Minister Ian Mackenzie today, commenting on the reports of a speech in Toronto by Lord Elibank president of the British Central Chamber of Commerce. Lord Elibank spoke of the vulnerability of Canada in the event of war and declared that if Great Britain were involved in a war Canada could not keep out of it.

"I should think," the defence minister declared, "that Lord Elibank should adopt the principal of Canadians with respect to British affairs. I don't think any persons should come here from another country and attempt to tell us what to do."

Mr. Mackenzie recalled that six Canadian ministers were in Great Britain this summer. "And," he added, "we attended scrupulously to our own affairs. We do not go over there telling them what they should

RAPID PROGRESS IN HARVESTING IN THE WEST

(Special to The Daily Mail)

WINNIPEG, Aug. 22.—Cutting and threshing figures for the Prairie West released in the Canadian Pacific Railway's weekly crop report show unusually rapid progress in harvesting work.

This has been accomplished in spite of light to heavy showers and rains which have been fairly general on the prairies since last weeks report.

Manitoba wheat is practically all cut, the estimate being 98 per cent., with 90 per cent. of the coarse grains cut. Threshing, held up for a short time by rain, shows 50 per cent. of Manitoba wheat in the bin.

In Saskatchewan cutting figures are wheat, 85 per cent.; oats, 63 per cent.; barley 81 per cent. Last year at this time only 25 per cent. of Saskatchewan wheat was cut and harvest of coarse grains was not even general. Saskatchewan wheat is 37 per cent. threshed.

Alberta wheat is now about 62 per cent. in the stook, or threshed, the latter figure being about 50 per cent. coarse grain harvest is just starting in some places while in others it is completed.

We in Canada can take care of our own policies, defence and otherwise."

ROYAL SWANS TO BE PRESENTED LONDON, ONT.

Lord Mayor of London,
England Will Make
Presentation

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MONTREAL, Aug. 22.—From Thames to Thames, a distance exceeding 3,000 miles, two pairs of swans, the gift of the Vintners Company of the City of London, England, to the city of London, Ontario, are now on board S. S. Duchess of York and are scheduled to arrive in this city, en route to Ontario, next Tuesday. They are consigned to His Worship T. F. Kingsmill, jr., Mayor of London, and it is hoped that presentation of the birds will be made to him September 1st, on the arrival in that city of Sir Percy Vincent, Lord Mayor of London. On their long journey the birds are being handled by the Canadian Pacific Express Company.

These royal birds—for centuries they were the property exclusively of the Kings of England—have to be handled very carefully and full instructions were sent to the Express Company officials by Swan-Warden Ronald Williams and Swan-Master R. H. Turk, who were unable to accompany their valuable cargo across the

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PREMIER BRACKEN ELECTED AT THE PAS DEF. ELECTION

WINNIPEG, Aug. 22.—Election of Premier John Bracken, head of Manitoba's Liberal-Progressive government, in the deferred election in The Pas constituency was conceded last night.

With 31 of 41 polls reported in The Pas riding, the vote was: Bracken, 2,868; George B. Mainwaring, Conservative, 1,952.

In Rupert's Land constituency where the only other deferred election was held today, Oddur Olafson, Independent, held a lead over W. W.

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Black Legion Allegedly Had Planned Taking Over Federal Government on September 16

THIRTY LITTLE SQUARE PEGS ARE ADJUSTED IN ENG.

(Special to The Daily Mail)

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 22.—Known to the world at large as Lady Beatrice, sister of the Earl of Pembroke, wife of Sir Neville Wilkinson of Titania Palace fame, mother of grown up daughter and most of all one of the hardest working, sincere and thorough of British philanthropists to the thirty small, under-privileged boys between the ages of six and eleven, at St. Alfred's Balham, London, she is worshipped as just "the Zoo Lady," a benign being, half fairy, half godmother, who takes them to the London Zoo, gives them jammy buns and tea out of real cups and saucers instead of mugs, into which they can put as much sugar and pour as much milk as they like, shows them the tigers and monkeys and bestow on them her own particularly heart warming smile. Over coffee cups at the Empress Hotel here while with Sir Neville a guest there, Lady Beatrice told me something of this newest of her philanthropic activities.

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Threat to Moscow Against the Alleged Interference in Spain

Germany is Still Demanding an Apology From
Spanish Government

Italy Ready to Ban Arms Shipments

British Warning Has Nothing to Do With the
German Move

ANNOUNCEMENT NEW ARCHDIOCESE AUG. 30 IN MONCTON

(Special to The Daily Mail)

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, MEMPHIS, Aug. 22.—At the close of the annual Retreat for the clergy of the Saint John Diocese yesterday, announcement was made by His Excellency Bishop P. A. Bray of Saint John that he had been appointed by the Apostolic delegate of Ottawa to make formal announcement of the creation of the new Archdiocese in Moncton. The official announcement will be made by the Bishop in the Assumption Church at Moncton on August 30. Chief among the names mentioned for the appointment of the new Archbishop is His Lordship Bishop Arthur Melanson of Gravelbourg, Saskatchewan, but nothing is official as yet, as to who the new Archbishop-elect will be.

Another appointment announced was that of the new Assistant Curate of St. Dunstan's Church in Fredericton, who will be Rev. Father Albert C. McDonald of Saint John, who was ordained to the priesthood in June. The priests who attended the Retreat have returned to their various parishes in the Diocese.

Brig.-Gen. L. F. Page, commander of Military District No. 7, is here today, accompanied by Mrs. Page. He is inspecting local military units.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—Italy has stated she will ban shipment of arms to Spain if all other nations do the same.

Italy's acceptance—with reservations—of the French proposals, received favorable reaction from German officials, it was asserted. At the same time Germany continued to demand satisfaction from Madrid in the "Kamerun incident."

Germany, it was pointed out, demands the Madrid government to apologize for the reported searching of the German steamer Kamerun and return a sequestered German airplane before Chancellor Hitler's government will agree to a lineup in a non-intervention pact.

Sources close to the government said the Madrid loyalist regime has been warned failure to make peaceful amends to Germany might mean the collapse of the entire neutrality pact.

Ban Recruiting

The Cabinet of Premier Leon Blum already has announced a ban on organized recruiting in France, but has said it was powerless to prevent various organizations from raising money by popular subscription for the Spanish loyalist cause.

The committee demanded the Spanish Government be given "guarantees of international law which permitted it to supply itself freely in its defence against rebel generals in the service of Fascism."

Official Statement

An official communique from Blum's (Continued on Page Four)

VICIOUS INROADS BEING MADE ON RESPONSIBLE GOV'T BY THE FORMATION OF DICTATORSHIPS

HALIFAX, Aug. 22.—At the closing session of the Canadian Bar Association here yesterday strong appeal was made to Canadian lawyers to use their knowledge and abilities of leadership in improving the common weal by taking a "more determined and decided influence in public affairs."

The fight for responsible government, first attained in Nova Scotia under the leadership of the patriot Joseph Howe, was still being waged in Canada, said J. W. deB. Farris, K. C., former attorney-general of British Columbia.

"I see creeping this country," the newly-elected first vice-president of the bar association said, "enactments and proposals of policy which are subversive of responsible government and overlooking its principles."

He hurled criticism at the system of recall, referendum, and the individual attitude of "selfish" voters.

These "vicious" inroads in responsible government were the more serious in that democracy was being assailed on all sides and dictatorship after dictatorship had been formed.

"Dictatorship," Mr. Farris asserted, "is the proper form of government any time a country is unable to govern itself." In Britain, democracy had taken its firm stand and "British peoples are showing an increasing capacity of government."

Special Responsibility

"We shall work out a solution of our Government problems as our fathers did before us, and," the speaker added, "in rearing this new democracy, a very special responsibility falls on this Association. We have been given special privileges because of recognized ability, knowledge and experience which the legal profession possesses."