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Weather: Cloudy and cool tonight and
Saturday, showers or snow flurries

NOVA SCOTIA GOVERNMENT WILL SPARE NO EXPENSE IN EFFORT TO SAVE ENTOMBED MEN

Annex to Provincial Parliament Building May be Erected

It May Be Proceeded With Soon at Saint John
to Accommodate Hot Air Merchants Who
Now Bother the Legislature

Members Here are Bothered

Whole Province is Paying Expenses of Running
Legislature and Saint John Delegates
Monopolize It Unnecessarily

It is suggested today that it might be well for the Provincial Government to consider building some kind of an annex of the present Parliament building for the purpose of allowing the many Saint John delegations to spout all their hot air at Saint John instead of having them come to Fredericton and take up the time of the Legislature. The present session as well as during other sessions the Legislature has been held up by these delegations who come here in droves. The time for which the members are paid by the province is taken up by some of these people who have gall enough to imagine that the provincial legislature have nothing to do but to attend to their grievances, imaginary and otherwise. It is getting worse each year and it is getting unbearable every government has had to put up with it. It has been suggested by the Sackville Tribune that the Saint John people hire a barn and make their campaign and other speeches down there. They are a nuisance. Probably they like to come to the Capital and breathe at times the refined air of culture here. The whole province is paying expenses of running the Legislature and the Saint John delegates are monopolizing it unnecessarily.

A bill empowering the lieutenant-governor-in-council to expropriate any land deemed necessary or desirable for carrying out any public work or enterprise, or other public purpose, was introduced in the New Brunswick Legislature yesterday by Premier A. A. Dymally.

A bill introduced by Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts, minister of health and labor, vests the financial and general management of the Jordan Memorial Sanatorium in the minister.

The proposed act will come into force by proclamation, at which time the board of commissioners of the sanatorium will cease to function and the term of office of each of its members will end all powers vested in the board becoming vested in the minister, and all duties and responsibilities incumbent on the board being placed upon the minister.

(Protection Of Sheep)

Hon. A. C. Taylor, minister of agriculture, introduced a bill in amendment of the act respecting the protection of sheep from dogs. It provides for the issue of tags to sheep owners.

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108 M. P.'S REQUEST GERMANY TO LIBERATE COMMUNIST

LONDON, April 17—A petition to the German Government, asking for the public trial or liberation of Ernest Thaelmann, chairman of the banned German Communist Party, was signed by 108 members of Parliament of all parties.

Two Labor members of the House of Commons will go to Berlin to lay the petition before the Nazi leadership.

MORE BRITISH WARSHIPS NOW AT GIBRALTAR

LONDON, April 17—The Admiralty took additional precautions in the Mediterranean last night, announcing 15 especially designed ships classified as mine-sweeping trawlers, a new secret type of anti-submarine weapon, have reached Gibraltar from England in the past week.

Naval observers estimated there are now 190 warships in and near the Mediterranean, although the tonnage is probably slightly less than at the height of the crisis in 1935. Several large battleships have been pulled out and replaced by numerous smaller craft.

At the same time the Anglo-Franco-Belgian general staff talks were concluded. No announcement was made, and observers, surprised at their brevity, believed nothing very substantial was worked out in the two-day sessions.

A white paper giving correspondence in connection with the alleged Italian bombing of a British Red Cross unit at Quorom, Ethiopia, in March, is to be issued today.

Right to Bargain Is Wiped Out

CALGARY, April 17—Rights of individual teachers or groups of teachers to bargain with the Department of Education, or, in the case of individuals associated with a group to bargain with school boards, were removed by the general meeting of the Alberta Teachers' Association when disciplinary by-laws were adopted. The by-laws will become law when approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

To enforce discipline, a committee is to be set up with membership of two years. Investigations will be conducted under court powers and ordinary legal procedure will be followed. The right of appeal is provided for.

Unprofessional conduct, as defined by the meeting will include "entering into collusive arrangements, to circumvent or nullify Provincial acts dealing with education."

When Chancellor Hitler came to power, the Communist party was declared illegal and its leaders charged with high treason. Thaelmann, its chairman, was immediately placed in a concentration camp and has been held incommunicado ever since. Thaelmann opposed on Hindenburg and Hitler in the German presidential election of 1932 and polled almost 6,000,000 votes.

Hon. L. J. Tweedie's Repartee

One day in the long ago when Hon. L. J. Tweedie, father of Fred M. Tweedie, M.P.P. for Northumberland County, was Provincial Secretary and the late Hon. D. L. Hannington, member for Westmorland was leader of the Opposition, there was a funny speech made in the House by Mr. Tweedie.

That session Mr. Hannington had the habit of interrupting the members of the government from day to day by calling across the House, "Who wrote the Leary telegram?" This question referred to certain charges that had been made against the late Hon. Dr. Pugsley regarding the authorship of a certain telegram which had been used for political purposes.

Now Hon. Mr. Tweedie, who was an eloquent speaker and had the appearance to back it up, was also a wit, and could rely on the spur of the moment in a way seldom equalled either at that day or since. When Mr. Hannington had put this question once too often Hon. Mr. Tweedie came back at the leader of the Opposition in a speech that was talked about for several sessions after. It appears that some months previously a Moncton man named Selick who was an animal trainer staged a fight in a little tent between a bulldog and a bear. Hannington was in the tent to see the fight. An S.P.C.A. officer stepped in and asked Selick to stop. Hannington, looking at the officer, said, "Let the fight go on, Selick. I'll stand at your back."

Well! When Hon. Mr. Hannington put the question, who wrote the Leary telegram, Hon. Mr. Tweedie sailed in and in the course of his speech referred also to the hobbies of certain other members, including A. C. Smith of Saint John, grandfather of the present A. C. Smith M.P.P. also of Saint John. He said: "The honourable gentleman originated not many months ago the very important question of who wrote the Leary telegram. The honourable gentleman scarcely does himself justice. It will not be by these words that the memory of the honourable member will be transmitted down to posterity. The honourable member has uttered heavier and mightier words; words that will go pulsating and reverberating down the corridors a long time after his political course shall have ended. Long after his failure as leader of the Opposition has ceased to be written and read. Long after the Tantamar Marsh and the ram pastures of Westmorland have been washed away by the all-devouring waters, and the bullfrog from his marshy home on the main streets and thoroughfares of Moncton shall have ceased to croak. Long after the honourable member (Mr. Smith of St. John) shall have retired from the political arena having achieved the height of his ambition in coming to Parliament, namely, the reduction of the price of turkeys for the lunatic asylum of from twenty to eighteen cents per pound. Long after the bloom of youth has faded from the cheek of Dr. Alward of Saint John and the lemon squeezer of Dr. Stockton has become a burden, shall stand out the words of the honourable member.

Side by side with the "Up, guards, and at them" of Wellington, "England expects every man to do his duty" of Nelson, and "All is lost, 'tis the Prussians who are coming" of Napoleon. Shall stand the ever memorable words of the Hon. Mr. Hannington, when alone and unaided in a little tent, confronted by a fierce bulldog and an untamed bear, and a still fiercer officer of the S.P.C.A., with dashing eye and hair erect, he proclaimed the liberties of the small boys and the wild bears, when he said, "Let the fight go on, Selick. I'll stand at your back."

This took place more than thirty years ago. The writer remembers the speech word by word. If they were recorded in the debates of that day and if they are still in existence I believe it will be found that the writer has quoted them about word for word. This is a sample of some of the cross-firing that took place across the floor of the House in the nineties.

There was a combination in the Legislature in those days of the nineties that would be hard to beat in any legislative body in America. This included Messrs. Blair, Tweedie, Pugsley, White, Hannington, Stockton, Alward, Powell, Phinney and Emmerson.

The writer was connected with the legislature at that time and has been almost continuously since then. There is only one man either on the floors of the House or in anyway connected with it either as official messenger, or otherwise, who is around the building today. Ninety per cent of these men are dead. Speaker Burchill, John O'Brien, C. H. LaBelle, George F. Hill, and many others, have crossed the bar. R. P. Allen is an exception.

Mr. Allen, who has reported the debates to the Legislature continuously for more than forty years is probably the most expert man in that line in any Provincial Legislature in Canada. He and the writer were connected with the reporters' gallery in the House during the days of Mike McDade, W. H. Fry, R. A. Payne, Bill Quinton, Frank Ellis, Dr. James Hanney, all of them crack-jacks in their day and hard workers all.

Perhaps at some future time the writer will give other reminiscences of old-time legislators.

SPEAKS AT SAINT JOHN

Prof. R. E. D. Cattle, of the faculty of the University of New Brunswick is in Saint John today and will deliver an address to the Saint John Teachers' Association.

RECEIVING CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon E. Saunders of Fredericton are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a young son, Arthur Edward, born Sunday, March 29.

ETHIOPIA ASKS SANCTIONS AND ARMED AID

Italy Will Not Agree to
Conclude an Armistice
Now — France Seeks
Delay for Italy Show-
down Between An-
thony Eden and Il Duce

The terms of Italy which have been rejected by Ethiopia would mean "that the League shall be wiped out with mustard gas."

Ethiopia rejects the terms outright and demands application of all sanctions under Article 16 of the League covenant, that all members of the League shall come immediately and effectively to her aid. All sanctions would include the use of armed force by sea, land and air.

Members of the Committee of 13 showed consternation over the sanction, but were struggling to find a loophole. Anthony Eden, British foreign secretary, and Mussolini are faced with irreconcilable positions. One has to back down. "Very unfavourable" was the British reaction to Mussolini's terms. Very unfavorable also was said to be the reaction of the other members of the Committee of 13.

The committee met secretly for a couple of hours in the new League building. Italy was willing to make a small concession, but only small. She was ready to keep the League informed of the progress of peace talks with Ethiopia. The committee referred Italy's concession to the Ethiopians, then adjourned until tomorrow. Then comes the showdown.

Italy will only agree to an armistice negotiated on the field of battle with the Ethiopians. Britain will not agree to the lifting of sanctions until the fighting stops. Italy has only vaguely indicated what territorial demands she intends to make, although it is assumed she proposes to turn Ethiopia into a puppet state. Britain still stands by the spirit of the covenant.

The sanctions Committee of 18 likely will be summoned for Saturday to consider further action. Yet from the present indications it is unlikely to reach unanimity on any extreme step. Oil sanctions taken alone have lost much of their value. British opinion strongly condemns Italian use of mustard gas, yet is unfavorable to any step which might precipitate war.

Italy's Position

Italy's position, as submitted to the secret meeting of the Committee of 13:

(1) Italy will not have regular League participation in peace conferences.

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Veniot to Get Job J. A. Doucet Will Go to Ottawa

Former Premier Veniot to Vacate Gloucester
Seat and Accept Position as Chairman
of the Commission

Local Government Whip for Seat

National Employment Commission to Act as
Soon as Possible is the Word
Here Today

(Special to The Daily Mail)

OTTAWA, April 17—It is understood here from official sources that Hon. P. J. Veniot, former premier of New Brunswick and former Postmaster-General of Canada, has accepted the appointment of chairman of the newly constituted National Employment Commission and will take over his duties very shortly.

In connection with the appointment of Hon. Mr. Veniot it is also understood that J. Andre Doucet, M. P. P., for Gloucester in the New Brunswick Legislature will take Hon. Mr. Veniot's place as a federal representative at Ottawa. The bill creating the new commission went through the Dominion house here on Friday last and the commission of seven will be named within the next few days.



HON. P. J. VENIOT, M.P.

C.N.R. REVENUE SHOWS INCREASE

(Special To The Daily Mail)

MONTREAL, Quebec, April 17—The gross revenues of the all-inclusive Canadian National Railways system for the week ending April 14th, 1936, were \$3,203,752 as compared with \$3,159,326 for the corresponding period of 1935 an increase of \$44,426.

CONCLUDES REVIEW

C. P. Inches, of Saint John, concluded his review of evidence taken in the original trial at the resumption in the N. B. Appeal court today of the case of Mrs. Ethel Macintosh and Lorne Allan Macintosh, widow and son of Dr. L. DeC Macintosh, Hartland, vs. the Dominion of Canada General Insurance Company. Court will adjourn this afternoon until over the week-end.

JAMAICA HAS BECOME POPULAR VACATION RESORT

(Special To The Daily Mail)

MONTREAL, April 17—Returning here after an absence of about two years at his post in the Caribbean, Thomas Cree, district manager of the Canadian National Steamships at Kingston, Jamaica, is now in the city on a business trip and visit, accompanied by Mrs. Cree. He stated that he is particularly happy as a result of the considerable increase in the passenger traffic business handled by the Canadian National Steamships.

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Rescue Work Speeded by Huge Dynamite Blast at Moose River Gold Mine in N. S.

Hope to Send Food and Water in Shaft—No Expense Spared

HALIFAX, N. S., April 17—The government of Nova Scotia was sparing no expense in its efforts to release three Toronto men trapped in the Moose River gold mine, Hon. Michael Dwyer, minister of mines, told the Legislature yesterday.

It was extremely doubtful if they could have survived, he added. The old mine was cold and two of the men were not in strong physical condition when they went below Sunday night to inspect the property they had purchased.

The minister said he had visited the mine and was of opinion the avalanche went down in the direction

of the level where the men were trapped.

Two of the three probably would have been in the lift at the time.

"It is extremely doubtful if any of them could have survived", Dr. Dwyer said. "It is not a nice story, but everything possible is being done."

MOOSE RIVER, Halifax County, April 17—A terrific dynamite blast, fired by experts, assisted rescue workers early yesterday in their efforts to reach three Toronto men who have been entombed in the Moose River gold mines since Sunday.

The explosion removed part of a rock barrier between the volunteers and the shaft through which they hoped to reach Dr. D. B. Robertson, H. B. Macgill and Alfred Scadding within less than twenty-four hours.

Warned away to the nearby woods

while the charge was being set off, the miners rushed in while rocks and mud were still flying through the air and continued their work. They swung a giant steam shovel into operation to clear the opening, and prepared to sink a narrow shaft through which one man could be lowered to explore the tunnels below.

If the new opening has intersected the old Meagher shaft at a point beyond the area affected by Sunday's cave-in there would be little delay in reaching the imprisoned men.

Drill Food Passage

Meanwhile work with a diamond drill was continued on a five-inch bore through which food and water was to be dropped to the men in hopes they were still alive. The drill had gone down 30 feet at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning. Its work would not be complete until tomorrow.

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