

THE CUBAN GOV'T PRACTICALLY PROHIBITS NEW BRUNSWICK CERTIFIED POTATOES

Imperial Conference In London Following The Coronation

Canada Presents Happy Contrast to Countries
at War

Work Provided for Thousands Unemployed Men

Home Improvement Plan, Part Ownership, Con-
trol of Bank of Canada

OTTAWA, Jan. 14—Following is
the text of the Speech from the
Throne read in the Senate by Govern-
or General Lord Tweedsmuir at the
opening of Parliament yesterday after-
noon.

Honorable Members of the Senate:
Members of the House of Commons:
It affords me much pleasure to meet
you at the commencement of another
session of Parliament.

The people of Canada, in common
with the peoples of other parts of the
British Commonwealth of Nations,
learned with deep concern of the de-
cision of His Majesty King Edward
the Eighth to renounce the Throne
for himself and his descendants, in
accordance with the Statute of West-
minster. Steps were immediately
taken to set forth the request and
consent of Canada to the enactment
of legislation by the Parliament at
Westminster for the purpose of giving
His Majesty's instrument of abdi-
cation and providing for the suc-
cession to the Throne. In accordance
with the same statute, the assent of
the Parliament of Canada will be
sought to the alteration in the law
touching the succession.

Loyalty to King George VI.
You will be invited to adopt a res-
olution expressive of the loyalty of
the members of both houses of
Parliament to His Majesty King
George the Sixth.

His Majesty has been graciously
pleased to set the twelfth of May as
the date for his coronation. Provi-
sion will be recommended for the ap-
propriate representation of Canada at
the coronation ceremonies.

An Imperial conference will be held
in London, beginning in May of this
year, for the consideration of ques-
tions of interest to the various mem-
bers of the British Commonwealth.

The international situation con-
tinues to give much ground for an-
xiety. The September assembly of
the League of Nations gave earnest
consideration to the bearing of re-
cent developments upon the activities
of the League, and a committee was
appointed on which Canada is rep-
resented, to consider the question of
the application of the principles of
the covenant.

Happily, international relations on
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CUTS IN TARIFF ON TEXTILES SEEN LIKELY AT OTTAWA

OTTAWA, Jan. 15—Unless all signs
fail, downward revisions in the tex-
tile schedules of the Canadian tariff
will be a major development in the
session of Parliament, which opened
yesterday. Lower duties against Brit-
ish woollens and artificial silks are
expected and a cut in the imposts on
higher grade manufactured cottons
from the United States. Evidence of
profits made by some textile firm in
Canada submitted in Judge W. F. A.
Turgeon's inquiry into the industry
is believed to have caused the Govern-
ment to lend an ear to proponents of
lower tariffs. British textile people
also urge better treatment in the new
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Increase in Norway Budget This Year

(Special to The Daily Mail)
OSLO, Jan. 15—The King of Nor-
way opened Parliament today. It is
expected that there will be a slight
increase in the budget this year due
to Old Age Pensions. There will also
be a decrease in civil service salar-
ies.

Flu at Its Worst Now in England

(Special to The Daily Mail)
LONDON, Jan. 15—The flu is at
its worst at present in England. Five
hundred and seventy-four people have
died in London during the past week
and throughout England and Wales
seven hundred and sixty-eight.

Hon. A. C. Taylor, Salisbury, is a
guest at the Queen Hotel.
W. R. Hickey, Saint John, is stay-
ing at the Queen today.

MAY ALLOW FARMERS TO SELL PHEASANTS

TORONTO, Jan. 15—The Hepburn
Government, at the present time, is
considering the advisability of allow-
ing all Ontario farmers the right to
raise pheasants and other game fowl
in captivity and sell them on the
open market under regulations to be
provided by the Department of Game
and Fisheries.

If legislation is required to estab-
lish this new line of policy, it may be
brought down at the coming session
of the Provincial House. In the event
of the scheme working satisfactorily,
it may be extended to include the
rearing and sale of speckled trout.

All farmers taking advantage of
such a scheme would have to file re-
turns from time to time with the de-
partment. They would have to tag all
the birds put up for disposal, and
would have to submit to certain other
checks devised by the department to
prevent any "bootlegging" of improperly
taken fowl.

The Department is ready, it is un-

derstood, to give the idea a thorough
trial, cognizant of the fact that it has
been tested with excellent results in
most of the States of the Union.

American Volunteers Placed Under Arrest

(Special to The Daily Mail)
NEW YORK, Jan. 15—Two Ameri-
can air men who arrived yesterday
from Spain where they were serving
on the Government side have been
placed under arrest.

BERLIN, Jan. 15—Germany has
launched the first of 16 new destroy-
ers which she is building. These new
destroyers will bear the names of
Germans who fell in the last war.

School Matters

TWO items regarding meetings appeared in The Daily Mail yes-
terday. One of these referred to a meeting of the Teachers'
Association which was held in the High School. The other meet-
ing was that of the Home and School Association, held at the
home of the president of that organization. These items are of
interest in displaying the mentality of the Closed Door School
Board in regard to the ratepayers and their rights.

When the Home and School Association was formed a couple
of years ago, that organization was charged five dollars by the
School Board for holding a meeting in the auditorium of the
Fredericton High School. The ratepayers built the school. They
are taxed each year to maintain the building, to pay the interest
on its cost, the cost of keeping the building in proper order, and
for the insurance and other items, and the School Board shut
them out of the school building. The Home and School Associa-
tion is composed of ladies and gentlemen with modern ideas along
educational lines. They are part of an organization which has
been endorsed by all the leading educational authorities in this
country and in the United States. They are promoting at their
own expense this organization for the mutual benefit of the parent,
the teacher and the child. An organization such as this should
be encouraged, and the members who are digging down in their
own pockets to pay the expenses should not be asked to pay
five dollars a night in order to have monthly meetings in a building
which they have already contributed to building and maintaining,
and which is supposed to be devoted to educational purposes.

One of the successful features everywhere of the Home and
School Association is the Home and School Club. This club is
a branch of the association which meets in each school unit and
holds informal talks between parent and teacher. At these meet-
ings matters are ironed out and a better understanding reached
between the parent, the teacher and the pupil. These meetings
are held from time to time in the school units. In Fredericton, in
order to be in line with other modern cities and towns, the meet-
ings should be held from time to time in the Smythe, York, Model,
Regent and Charlotte Street schools. The parents and teachers
should sit in and discuss matters of mutual advantage, and ex-
change suggestions. The proposition by the Home and School As-
sociation to hold such meetings in the city school buildings was
turned down hard, although such a plan is encouraged by school
boards and provincial educational authorities elsewhere. At the
same time the same authority which refuses the use of the school
property to the parents who pay the bills, grant its use to the
teachers who are servants of these ratepayers. It is no wonder
under the circumstances that several of the teachers are as narrow,
old-fashioned and arbitrary as the School Board. This does not
apply to all the teachers, but it certainly does apply to some of
them. They are impossible in this day and generation. Others
would be modern if they had a chance.

The whole set-up seems to be that too much power is given to
people like those who control our school board. One trustee
bragged to the writer about a year ago that, according to the school
laws as they at present exist, the trustees in Fredericton have
the ratepayers tied up in a dozen different ways. The trustees
can practically do as they please under the present school regula-
tions.

It is suggested that the Provincial Department of Education
go into the whole lineup insofar as the rights of the public and
of the trustees are concerned. There is no reason why this non-
sense should continue just because it "always has been so," as
one old-fashioned man says. Because a thing has "always been so"
is no reason why it should continue "without end, Amen!" as the
stick-in-the-muds would like to have it. They are afraid that this
rot cannot be changed because it "always has been so." They are
afraid it is treason to suggest that these arbitrary chaps on the
School Board be pulled up sharp and told that the people have
some say.

We would suggest that there is missionary work for the Pro-
vincial educational authorities in going over the set-up of the
school regulations as a whole as they relate to Fredericton and
places similarly situated.

STRIKERS LOSING MILLION DOLLARS A DAY IN WAGES

(Special to The Daily Mail)
WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 15—No-
negotiations between the General Mo-
tors and the strikers of the Automob-
ile Workers Association are being
arranged for the purpose of settling
the differences and will begin on Mon-
day. A high official of the General
Motors Company today stated that
one hundred and twenty thousand
workers were losing nearly one mil-
lion dollars daily in wages and the

C.C.F. LEADER TO INTRODUCE BILL RE NEUTRALITY

OTTAWA, Jan. 15—J. S. Woods-
worth, C.C.F. leader, will introduce
a bill in the House of Commons short-
ly that Canada should remain neutral
in future wars no matter who the
belligerents are and Canadians should
not be allowed to profit from the sale
of war necessities.
company itself was losing three hun-
dred and thirty thousand dollars pro-
fit per day.

CROP POTENTIAL SUSPECTS IN WEST, SEVERAL ARRESTS

Stained Boy's Clothing
Found in Shack
Near-by

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 15—United
States authorities plainly indicated
last night they were seeking more
than one person for the kidnapping
and slaying of 10-year-old Charles
Mattson.

An impounded automobile at near-
by Everett yielded blood stains, evi-
dence of a possible woman occupant
and further clues indicating it might
have been used in the brutal crime.

(The Seattle Times said today Dr.
W. W. Mattson of Tacoma, Charles'
father, saw two men, believed to
have been the kidnapers of the boy,
in an automobile on Beacon Hill at
Seattle during a night attempt to
ransom his son before Charles was
found slain near Everett Monday.
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INSURGENTS ACHIEVE MAJOR SUCCESSES

(Special to The Daily Mail)
MADRID, Jan. 15—The insurgents
have achieved major successes in
the south. They have massed 20,000
men for an attack on a sea port near
Gibraltar and which they have bomb-
ed from the air and the sea. This
leaves the way open for an attack on
Malaga. More fighting is reported
and Madrid citizens in the southern
parts are leaving.

Japan Only Power Outside Agreement

(Special to The Daily Mail)
LONDON, Jan. 15—In the recent
naval agreement Italy has agreed not
to mount guns over 40 inches on a
ship. Of all the naval powers Japan
is the only power that is still outside
the agreement.

Cuban Impost Duty on Potatoes Prohibits Our Provincial Exports

Cuban Government Planks \$10 per Barrel on
Certified Stock

Duty is Now Effective

Hon. F. W. Pirie in Touch With Cuban Authorities
Regarding the Measure

Potato King



HON. F. W. PIRIE
President of F. W. Pirie Co. Ltd.
Who is in touch with Cuba by
'Phone Today re Potato Situation

Finnish President to Be Elected Tomorrow

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Jan. 15—
Finland will go to the polls tomorrow
to decide who will be its new presi-
dent. The latter will hold office for
six years.

As a result of a decree published by
the Cuban Government yesterday, but
actually effective the day before yes-
terday, the importation of Govern-
ment certified seed potatoes into
Cuba is practically prohibited by a
duty impost of ten dollars per barrel.
A steamer which arrived in Saint
John yesterday was due to leave this
afternoon at four o'clock with a full
cargo of potatoes for the Cuban mar-
ket. It started loading yesterday but
in view of information received it
will probably leave Saint John with-
out cargo.

F. W. Pirie, Ltd., were making the
shipment to fulfil orders from Cuban
buyers and were in communication by
telephone with Cuba early this morn-
ing and were informed that interest-
ed parties were meeting with offi-
cials of the Government at ten o'clock
this morning to discuss the situation,
and it was indicated there was a pos-
sibility of some special arrangements
being made in connection with the
Saint John shipments in view of the
fact that the sales had actually been
made some time ago.

Hon. F. W. Pirie, President of the
F. W. Pirie Ltd., expressed regret this
morning that at least thirty days' no-
tice had not been given as the procla-
mation without notice created disap-
pointment and considerable loss of
money. It is particularly unfortunate
in view of the fact that the shipments
from Saint John were about the last
of the season.

Shipments of seed potato stock from
New Brunswick to the Cuban market
have been very heavy this season and
the business has shown considerable
improvement for the last few years.

His Holiness Enjoys Sunshine, Reading Letters From Children Bearing Good Wishes

CHEAP RATES TO PACIFIC COAST ON CANADIAN R'WAYS

MONTREAL, Jan. 15—An oppor-
tunity to enjoy summer activities dur-
ing the winter season in Canada's
evergreen playground on the Pacific
Coast or visit some other part of
Western Canada, will be afforded by
the Canadian Railways which are
placing in effect special low excu-
sion fares from Feb. 20 to March 6.
Inclusive, according to C. P. Riddel,
chairman, Canadian Passenger Asso-
ciation.

For these excursions, three classes
of fares will be available, namely,
first class, tourist and coach class.
First class tickets will be good for
passage in standard sleeping or par-
lor cars on payment of additional
charge for accommodation in such
cars. Tourist tickets will be good
for passage in tourist cars on pay-
ment of regular charge for such ac-
commodation. Coach class tickets
will be good for passage in coaches
only.

These fares will be in effect from
all points east of an including Cap-
reol, Cochrane, Sudbury, Sault Ste.
Marie, Windsor and Sarnia to all
points such as Port Arthur, Arm-
strong and west thereof as far as the
Pacific Coast. Tickets will provide

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Persuaded Not to At-
tempt Celebrating
Mass, Will Assist From
His Bed.

VATICAN CITY, Jan. 15—Pope
Pius, enjoying the usual morning re-
lief from pains in his legs, was
placed in his new wheel chair today
and wheeled into a salon adjoining his
bedroom, where he conferred with
Cardinal Pacelli, his Secretary of
State, on current Church business.
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United States Will Start New Battleships in June

(Special to The Daily Mail)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 15—United
States Congress is putting a bill
through the House which will enable
the starting of the construction of a
thirty-five thousand dollar battleship
next June. The ship will be capable
of 26 knots. The size of the guns on
the ship has not yet been decided.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Jan. 15—
Dame Lloyd George, accompanied by
her daughter, Megan, arrived here to-
day from England to join her hus-
band, Britain's wartime premier, at
Montego Bay near here. The British
statesman expects to remain here un-
til the end of the month. He has
been vacationing on the Island for
the past six weeks.

CANADA FOLLOWS PATH OF PEACE

OTTAWA, Jan. 15—That Canada
has no intention of going on the war-
path, but desires to live at peace with
all nations, will be amply demon-
strated to the world when the main es-
timates are tabled in Parliament
shortly after the commencement of
the session.

It is anticipated that the Canadian
appropriations for defense purposes
during the coming fiscal year will not
exceed an extra \$15,000,000, which is
chicken feed compared with the bil-
lions great nations like Britain, the
United States, France and Germany
are spending.

About \$2,200,000 of the Canadian
vote will pay for the two destroyers
which are coming from Britain to re-
place the present obsolete vessels.
Much of the remainder will be used
for the acquisition of fighting planes
for the Royal Canadian Air Force and
for the modernization of the militia,
including the purchase of mechanical
equipment.

Improvement of the social condi-
tions of the Canadian people will be
proposed in Parliament early this
session by M. J. Coldwell, C.C.F.,
Leader from Saskatchewan. He will
urge the appointment of a Select Com-
mittee of the House to consider and
recommend specific amendments to
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