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WEATHER: Fair tonight and Friday, somewhat milder.

CLOSER MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BELIEVED RESULT BERLIN VISIT

IN THE NEWS



HON. W. P. JONES, K. C. Chairman of Old Age Pensions Board Who is Celebrating His Seventy-first Birthday Today

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Chairman Pensions Bd., Popular With Everybody, Has Held Important Positions

Hon. W. P. Jones, K. C., Chairman of the Old Age Pensions Board is today celebrating his seventy-first birthday. Mr. Jones was born at Woodstock and is the son of the late Randolph K. Jones a former barrister of that town and a gentleman who was for very many years Register of Deeds for Carleton County. Hon. Mr. Jones practiced his profession in Woodstock for many years and is (Continued on Page Four)

MANDER BR. HOUSE COMMONS NEPHEW OF LOCAL MAN

LONDON, Nov. 25—In the course of the discussion in the House of Commons over the visit of Viscount Halifax to Berlin recently, Geoffrey Mander (Liberal), pressed for an answer to a question asking for an assurance "that there is no truth in the report that the government are considering giving Germany a free hand in Austria and Czechoslovakia in exchange for no demand for colonies for six years..." When the prime minister replied that no pledges had been given Mr. Mander gave notice he regarded the reply as unsatisfactory and that he would raise the question again on a motion to adjourn the House. Tonight, however, Mr. Mander saw the Prime Minister and it was understood that in view of the "reassurances" the Prime Minister gave him, the Liberal member did not plan to pursue his announced intention. (Continued on Page Five)

Tobacco Growing in New Brunswick May Be Developed

Dominion Experimental Farm Here May Again Take The Matter Up; Climate Suitable

FORMERLY GROWN HERE

Franciscans In Victoria Co., Cultivate Tobacco; Value Canadian Crop Nearly \$17 Millions

THREE MEN DIED FROM DRINKING WOOD ALCOHOL

AMHERST, N. S., Nov. 25—Three men were dead here last night and a fourth in serious condition in hospital, with medical authorities giving poisoning from wood alcohol as the cause of death.

The four men were all members of the crew of the Norwegian freighter Blink, now docked at Pugwash, N.S., 15 miles away, after a trip from Philadelphia, Pa.

Leif Skaar, 33 year old fireman, died in hospital after being rushed here in company with Thos. Anderson, 50, who was unconscious tonight, Erling Marchinsen, 25, another fireman, and Evar Marchinsen, 21 year old deckhand died aboard the freighter.

Police said the men had purchased wood alcohol at a drugstore in Pugwash Monday, telling the proprietor it was to be used to wash the freighter's engine cylinders.

Dr. J. A. Lagille of Pugwash said he had been called by Captain Lawrence of the Blink last night, when he found all four men in serious condition. He ordered Skaar and Anderson to hospital, but said the other two could not be moved. They died aboard the freighter today while Skaar died in hospital here. The inquest will be held tomorrow night.

An attempt at the growing of tobacco at the Experimental Farm did not prove a success and was abandoned in 1931 on instructions from Ottawa, according to information received today from officials of the Dominion Experimental Farm. The official who discussed the tobacco situation so far as New Brunswick is concerned expressed the opinion that in this province could grow as good a tobacco as is produced in the provinces of Ontario or Quebec. The samples sent to Ottawa in 1931 however were pronounced as a "poor burn." Whether it is that that the tobacco would not burn or would burn too much was not explained by the Ottawa officials. It is stated that it may have been that the proper fertilizer was not used at the Experimental Farm here. However it was decided to abandon the experiment for the time being and it may be taken up again.

At the Franciscan Monastery located at the Mouth of the Tobique River in Victoria County tobacco is grown successfully in considerable quantities and the monks at that institution have a way of curing it so as to produce different blends. Those who have visited the Franciscan Monastery state that the tobacco is really of a good quality. The monks do not make any special effort to push the sales as they are not in the commercial business. Different farmers in the upper counties of the province produce tobacco for home consumption and it would seem that if the Experimental Farm would carry on further experiments and get ad-

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Great Britain Once More Leader Talk Over European Affairs

French Premier A nd Finance Minister's Acceptance of Invitation Evidence Public Declaration In View

LONDON, Nov. 25—British and French diplomats will confer here Monday and Tuesday on the international situation. Prime Minister Chamberlain announced today Premier Chamberlain and Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos had accepted an invitation from the British Government.

It was learned the terms of the invitation refer only to "conversations on the international situation." French circles predicted the talks will cover not only the meeting recently between Chancellor Hitler and Lord Halifax in Germany, but also the situation in the Far East and the problems of non-intervention and the Spanish Civil war.

Mr. Chamberlain informed the House of Commons that no commitments were made to Germany during Lord Halifax's visit and that none would be made without full opportunity for the House of Commons to discuss them.

The invitation to the French statesmen to come to London was regarded as fresh evidence Mr. Chamberlain favors informal discussion to "public declaration"—as he stated himself in a speech earlier this month. The cabinet assembled tonight for 45 minutes after holding a session

CANADIAN SCIENTIFIC STATION NEAR THE NORTH POLE IS SUGGESTED

Department of Mines and Resources Considers Proposal for All-Year-Round Research Centre

OTTAWA, Nov. 25—A proposal that the Dominion Government build and maintain a scientific station some- earlier in the day. In the House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain made a brief statement on the German conversations in response to Labor questions.

He declared the talks Lord Halifax held with Hitler and other German leaders were confidential and declined to discuss them beyond stating that "no pledges had been given."

"I am satisfied, however," he said, "that the visit had been valuable in furthering the desire, which I believe to be generally felt in both countries, for the establishment of closer mutual understanding."

In reply to a question, the prime minister said Britain did not contemplate an exchange of ministerial visits with governments of Russia and Czechoslovakia. Foreign Secretary Eden, he pointed out, had recently met both Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet foreign commissar, and Milan Hodza, premier of Czechoslovakia, in London and Brussels.

where near the centre of the Arctic Archipelago has been presented to the Department of Mines and Resources. Departmental officials have the matter under consideration and will probably discuss it with leading scientists interested in Arctic exploration before advising Hon. T. A. Crean, Minister responsible for the Northwest Territories. So great was the interest demonstrated by British and United States scientists as well as those from Canada to delve into the secrets of the North during the next summer that it is argued the Dominion should lend its aid by providing a centre from which expeditions could operate. Ten expeditions went into the North last summer in addition to the tour of the Eastern Arctic Patrol on the R.M.S. Nasconie. The site proposed for the station is on the northern end of Boothia peninsula, the most northerly mainland on the continent. It would be adjacent to the north magnetic pole and on the dividing line between the Eastern and Western Arctic.

Government House

DURING THE PAST WEEK there has been a good deal of discussion in the Canadian Press regarding the closing of the million dollar Government House at Toronto and of the consequent refusal of Lieutenant-Governor Bruce to remain in office for an extended term. Governor Bruce resigned at once and a new Lieutenant-Governor was appointed within twenty-four hours. Now the Halifax Herald, one of the Tory bulwarks of Nova Scotia, comes out in favor of abolishing the Government House in that city. The Halifax Herald says:

"It is announced by the Premier of Ontario that the Lieutenant-Governor of that Province will not continue to reside in the 'million dollar' Government House in Toronto. 'We cannot continue to maintain that palatial mansion out of public funds,' he declares. 'Now, there is no disposition here to picture Government House in Halifax as a 'palatial mansion'—but the principle asserted by the Premier of Ontario applies with equal force to the situation in this Province.

"In times like these, where there are so many demands upon revenues to alleviate want and suffering among many of the people of Nova Scotia, an outlay on the upkeep of Government House cannot longer be justified.

"Moreover, there are important public purposes—very necessary purposes—that could be served by a utilization of the present Government House property for those public services.

"There is talk, for example, of erecting a new public library building in this City. That Halifax needs a public library is a plain fact. Indeed, it is a disgrace to this City that it has not a public library worthy of the name.

"But why put the taxpayers of this City to the expense that would be involved in the erection of a new building for public library purposes, when such a building as Government House could be made readily available for such purposes?

"As we have pointed out again and again, when the Legislative Council was abolished in Nova Scotia, Government House as such became an anachronism.

"In New Brunswick they abolished their Government House many years ago; and there is no good reason for the continuance of Government House in this Province at the public expense.

"We have just had erected in this City a fine new provincial building, and surely it would be possible to provide proper official quarters for the Governor of the Province in that new building."

In the province of New Brunswick, as is pointed out by different papers throughout the Dominion, the Government House was abolished more than forty years ago, at the time when Sir Leonard Tilley was Governor of the province, and when Hon. A. G. Blair was Premier. The Government House was abolished at the demand of people from all over New Brunswick, with the possible exception of Fredericton and of adjoining points in York County. No person has seemingly suffered very much by the abolition of Government House. The main objection to the idea is that the Governor of the province may live wherever he happens to have a home. Government House under the present system is like the tents of the Arabs moving from place to place. Government House may be located at Saint John under one Governor while the next Governor might live at Monquart, in Carleton County, or at Buttermilk Creek, in Kings County. Imagine the Lieutenant-Governor of the province sending out letterheads, "Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, Buttermilk Creek." During the last forty years, Lieutenant-Governors have resided at Rothesay, St. Stephen, Hopewell Cape and various other places, not forgetting Saint John. (Continued on Page Four)

EIGHT PROVINCES HAVE STATED POSITION CONCERNING PROPOSED B. N. A. ACT AMENDMENT

New Brunswick Expected to Give Pronouncement This Afternoon On The Proposed National Unemployment Insurance

OTTAWA, Nov. 25—In reply to a request from Prime Minister King to every province in the Dominion that they state their opinion as to whether or not their provincial governments would agree to amendment of the British North America Act in order to set up national unemployment insurance, Premier Maurice Duplessis of Quebec has sent the following reply: "Quebec government is 'willing to co-operate heartily in the establish-

ment of a sound and fair system of unemployment insurance" but at the same time will safeguard Quebec province's full autonomy." Premier Duplessis' letter stating the Quebec government considered "absolutely essential" information as to the "broad lines" and "important details" of the unemployment insurance project, went forward to Ottawa yesterday and was released here early tonight. (Continued on Page Four)

Minto Miners Are Voting Today on Fair Wage Board Plan

Secret Ballot on Government Recommendation to Return To Work So Board May Act

FUNDS ARRIVE FOR MINERS

Barrett Charges Minto Merchants-Are Co-Operating With Operators To Break Strike

Following the conference held here yesterday between Premier Dymally and the United Mine Workers' representatives a meeting was held last night at Minto on which it was decided to vote today on the recommendation of the Premier that the men return to work so that the Fair Wage Board may be able to function and thus prevent the deadlock. A secret ballot is being taken on the Government's recommendation that the men return to work. The voting started at nine o'clock this morning and will continue during the day and up to nine o'clock tonight. The decision to take the vote was made last night at a meeting attended by some seven hundred workers of the United Mine Workers of America. The speakers at last night's meeting included D. W. Morrison, Glace Bay, N. S., President of the U.M.W. of this district and Sibby Barrett, International Board member. Mr. Morrison stated last night that regardless of how the vote went the miners will remain with the Union and would strive for recognition. He stated that the Union would either seek a royal commission or a reconciliation board under Industrial Disputes Act to investigate the situation. A declaration that the Fair Wage Board is endowed with full powers to deal with the conditions of the Minto mining area was made by Premier Dymally at the close of the Fredericton meeting. (Continued on Page Four)

"SELF-HELP" ROOM SHOWS RESULTS IN MONCTON CITY

MONCTON, Nov. 25—A new method of coming to the assistance of deserving citizens who are in need has been launched successfully in Moncton. Women are invited to the room where they are given materials with which to knit, sew, etc. Instruction is provided without cost and the finished garments are given to the makers. Several quilts have already been made, the society was told.

Acknowledgment was made of donations from Mrs. H. N. MacKenzie, Miss Georgie Marks, Mrs. E. W. Givan, Mrs. W. F. Wheeler, Mrs. Roy Capson, Mrs. W. D. Atkinson, Mrs. J. C. Graves, The T. Eaton Co. (Maritime) Ltd., J. D. Creaghan Co., F. W. S. Colpitts, Sumner Co., W. R. Parker, Atlantic Underwear Co., Mrs. R. E. Brown, Mrs. C. M. Arnold and anonymous benefactors.

It was decided to hold a charity ball early in the New Year. The Self-Help room will be closed during the Christmas vacation. Mrs. W. A. Ferguson, president, presided.

OSLER AND HUXLEY NAMED MEN OF BEST EDUCATION BY RADIO BOARD HEAD

Leonard Brockington, K. C., Pays Tribute to Men From Hamlets

TORONTO, Nov. 25—The greatest need of the world today is the spirit of science—that spirit of humanity and of sacrifice which seeks conclusions and does not jump at them. Leonard Brockington, K. C., Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, told the Women's Canadian Club of Toronto in the Eaton Auditorium yesterday. Mr. Brockington declared the world had had too much economics. "They are like statistics which have been compared to a drunken man leaning against a lamp post; used more for support than for enlightenment," he said. "I get tired of the pictures of scowling dictators and all the talk of fascism and communism. It seems to me...how often we've erected the wrong statues in our national pantheon, how often honored the wrong men. After all, there's plenty of room for patriotism, but not for the cursed spirit of intolerance that subordinates the race to the nation," he continued. Mr. Brockington discussed the life of Sir William Osler, whom he considered one of the two best educated men who had lived in the Anglo-Saxon world during the last three decades. The other was Thomas Henry Huxley. "They combined a knowledge of literature and of science—a love of scientific truth and of literary grace," he said. His subject was, "A Very Great Canadian." He reminded the audience that Osler had said: "I will never approach

the temple of science in the spirit of the money character," and that he taught what he believed and practiced what he preached. Recalling the influence exerted by Osler's teachers upon him, Mr. Brockington (Continued on Page Five)



C. HEDLEY FORBES, Director, Fredericton Exhibition, which had a surplus this year.