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Weather: Partly cloudy; cooler; possible snow flurries

ROYAL COMMISSION INQUIRY IS LAUNCHED AT WINNIPEG



Prime Minister of Canada goes to Florida for Brief Holiday

Rowell Commission Opens at Winnipeg Hears Man's Case

Constitutional Amendments By the Dominion Are Favoured by Provinces' Representatives

WOULD DROP SUCCESSION DUTIES

Asks Dominion To Carry Relief, Old Age Pensions and Other Social Services; Proposes Cancellation of Relief Loans, Capitalization of Subsidies For Debt-Carrying



YVON DELBOS Foreign Minister who will visit France's Allies

PRIME MINISTER CANADA LEAVES FOR FLORIDA

OTTAWA, Nov. 30—Prime Minister Mackenzie King left Ottawa last night for an unnamed destination in Florida. He declared his visit in the United States had "no national or international significance" and that he did not expect to see President Roosevelt.

WINNIPEG, Nov. 30—The Rowell Commission on Dominion Provincial relations opened its first session here yesterday and heard Manitoba's contribution towards the basic problems brought to a head by depression and drought.

In its lengthy and forceful presentation, the Manitoba government urged the necessity of a new, modern division of responsibilities if services now accepted as part of normal government functions were to be continued and additional governments were not to collapse financially.

The government asserted emphatically Canada should be able to amend her own constitution as a self-governing democracy. It asserted certain amendments were obvious, such as placing specifically within Dominion jurisdiction national services like unemployment insurance, old age pensions, wage-and-hours legislation.

So Manitoba might extricate itself from its own financial morass, direct result of the depression, the government proposed: Dominion cancellation of \$22,000,000 relief loans to the province; capitalization by the Dominion at 3 1/2 per cent of subsidies annually paid the province for debt-carrying purposes; and conversion of the remaining provincial debt at the same interest rate.

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Ontario's Claim To Oldest Twins Disputed

EDMONTON, Nov. 30—The Dionne quintuplets are enough for one province to boast about, John M. Payzant contends in disputing the claim of Charles and William Wendorf of Hanover, Ont., as the oldest living twins in the world.

"My uncles, John D. Payzant of Spanish Fork, Utah, and Isaac Payzant of Beaver Dam, Wis., are claimants of the title by four years," he said. "They are 95 years old."

FIRST REGIONAL C. W. L. RALLY IS HELD MILLTOWN

The first regional rally of the Catholic Women's League of Canada, Saint John Diocese, was held in Milltown, N. B., November 24th, when the Milltown Subdivision was hostess to the Eastern Subdivisions. Five Subdivisions were represented—St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Rolling Dam, Flumes-Ridge and Milltown.

Mrs. Anita Curran, President of the hostess subdivision, presided over the meeting which was largely attended, 124 being present, and graciously welcomed the members of the League, expressing pleasure at the large representation of Catholic Women of Charlotte County. Mrs. Curran introduced the chairman of the evening's program, Miss Mary Gophard, first vice-president of Milltown Subdivision. A pleasing and instructive program included inspiring addresses by Very Rev. C. P. J. Carleton, Milltown; Rev. M. O'Brien, St. Andrews; Rev. J. Whelby, St. Stephen, and Rev. Charles Carroll, M.A., Milltown. Appropriate addresses were

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Not Yet Ready to Give Political or Territorial Demands to Germany

LONDON, Nov. 30—That England and France are both concerned for preservation of peace in Central Europe and discussed Germany's ambitions, was expressed following an eight hour conference, the most important in years. They also expressed their appreciation of the "seriousness" of the Chinese-Japanese war and their "need for vigilance" to safeguard their interests;

5. They pronounced non-intervention the right policy in the Spanish civil war.

The ministers were understood to have dwelt at length on French Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos' coming tour of France's eastern and central European allies.

As the conversations began among Mr. Chamberlain, Foreign Minister Eden, M. Chautemps and M. Delbos, the chances for settlement of Europe's problems were held generally brighter than in several months. The conflict between China and Japan, however, cast an ominous shadow. It was considered one of the foremost problems under discussion.

But equally important in the review of the entire post-war era were the issues raised by a Germany reborn under Hitler — her claims to colonies and demands for special rights in central and eastern Europe. Of only slightly less importance was the Spanish civil war and its attendant threat to Mediterranean security.

Behind the Anglo-French meeting was believed to be a determined effort by Mr. Chamberlain to find some method of European settlement that would lead to arms limitation. Lord Halifax attended the conference today.

ALBERTA LAW PREVENTS PRICE WARS, DUMPING

Retailers Are Required to Charge at Least 5 Per Cent. Above Wholesale Price in Community

Funeral Of Late Solomon H. Darcus Is Held Here Today

The funeral of the late Solomon H. Darcus, who passed away early yesterday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ernest Allen, 688 George Street took place this afternoon. Mr. Darcus, who was born in Ireland but resided here for many years, was well known and enjoyed the esteem of many friends. Besides his widow and daughter, Mrs. Allen, he leaves to mourn six sons, Joseph and Richard, Victoria, B.C.; Thomas, Cambridge, England; George, Kingston, Ont.; John, Penticton, B.C., and Frank, in South America.

The service was conducted at the Parish Church at 3.30 o'clock by Ven. Archdeacon Spencer L. Gray. Interment was made at the Rural Cemetery Extension. The pallbearers were Frank J. Donahue, Ald. Ivan McKnight, H. A. Watson and W. B. Gilman.

The Saint John members of the C.W.P.C. held a tea recently at the home of Miss Alice L. Fairweather in honor of Miss Madge MacBeth. The guests included Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, Mrs. D. Laurence MacLaren and Mrs. L. P. D. Tilley.

EDMONTON, Nov. 30—Calculated to prevent "price wars" and dumping of goods by merchants, an Order-in-Council, prohibiting sale of merchandise under certain prices has been passed by the Alberta Government, it was announced today.

The order, authorized under the Trade and Industry Act, declares: "The sale of featuring or offering for sale of goods, wares or merchandise by a retailer in any locality at less than 5 per centum above the recognized wholesale price in such locality is hereby declared an unfair trade practice and is prohibited."

Asked if the Order-in-Council can be regarded as the first step in application of the "just price" one of the main features of Social Credit, a Government official said: "There is not the slightest reason for such a suspicion."

The Government official said it was felt a "definite percentage should be fixed in regard to 'loss leader' prices" He added immediate prosecutions of merchants were not planned. They will be given "plenty of time to obtain a full understanding of what is required," he said.

"The order means that no retailer will be allowed to sell goods at less than the wholesale price in the community, plus 5 per cent," it was stated.

C.I.O Faces Crisis Day of Reckoning is At Hand in Canada

Labor Demands Have Forced Wages Up So That Factories Have Closed Down

CAUSES BUSINESS SLUMP

Situation Will Cause Men Who Loose Jobs Through Slump To Drop Out Of The Union

Organized labor on this continent faces a major test this winter. In the United States hundreds of thousands of men are being laid off by the current recession of business. It is estimated an added million will be on relief rolls this winter. Factories have closed that kept turning through the 1930 depression, factories that have not been idle for 30 years.

A few months ago the picture was just the opposite. Men were being re-employed by the thousands; employers were facing a shortage of skilled labor. Wages were being increased on all sides; hours of work were shortened, says Kenneth Wilson in the Financial Post.

One potent reason for the current business slump is that wages and wage costs soared too rapidly. Forced by sit-down strikes and the threat of newly organized labor, which in turn was backed by the most violently pro-labor government the United States has ever had, the wage costs of industry rose drastically during 1936 and 1937. In some industries—noticeably building and construction—the increases granted were so out of line with the realities of the situation that buyers simply went on strike. They refused to build houses and factories at the prices required to cover inflated costs of labor and production. Buyers strikes cropped up in almost every line of business across the border—with the increase in labor costs largely responsible.

The C. I. O. has had a mushroom growth since its organization in Atlantic City in 1935. In the intervening two years it has claimed a membership of over three and a half million.

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Supt. N. B. Division, C. P. R. Looks for Big Winter Port Business at Saint John this year.

CATHEDRAL AID SALE

Come on Thursday at 4. New decorations, lovely handwork, a place to solve your Christmas gift problems, specials in aprons, books and odds and ends. Christmas wreaths and winter flowers and herbs, dolls, woolens, food, candy, hankies, etc. Salad tea for a quarter. Fortunes told. Don't miss this opportunity.

STUDENT'S APPEAL FOR RELIEF AT MINTO IS MUCH EXAGGERATED, SAYS GROUP

Necessity For Providing For Future Is Urgent; Union Funds Not Sufficient

Whilst the necessity of providing for the future at Minto is urgent the need for present relief is much exaggerated according to leading figures at a meeting last evening. The meeting which was held at Minto was for the purpose of organizing a community group to act for the welfare and to deal with matters arising out of the strike. Rev. R. B. Fraser expressed the opinion that the need for relief as voiced in an appeal by the Students Christian Movement of the University of New Brunswick had been exaggerated. Father Fraser believed that the funds could be raised easily if suggestion of President J. G. Watson was carried out. Mr. Watson's suggestion was that wholesale houses, insurance companies and others interested in business in the Minto area should be appealed to for financial assistance.

It is also suggested that when the men return to work that they also contribute to this fund as an insurance against any similar difficulty which might arise in the future. It is pointed out by officials of the Community Group which was organized last night that it is impossible for doctors to carry on unless some provision is made for their fees. The Union funds are not sufficient to

handle such matters as doctor fees and many urgent cases of those in need of medical service was pointed out.

An organization formed to act in the matter comprises Thomas Crawford, president; Fred Patterson, secretary; Arthur Ouellette, treasurer, and the following executive: J. G. Watson, Rev. R. B. Fraser, A. D. Hart and Rev. Samuel Steeves.

All members of the committee excepting Father Fraser, Steeves and Hart, and most of those at the meeting were said to be members of the miners' union.

Rev. Gordon C. Pringle, pastor of the United Church at Minto denies that he has taken sides in regard to the Minto strike. Referring to a statement made by D. M. Morrison, President of the United Mine Workers Union who said that the Protestant clergy of Minto were standing behind the colliery strikers, Mr. Pringle said, "I wish to make it clear that I have not taken sides in this issue. I am not an economist; I do not understand markets, production costs, freight rates or the pros and cons of collective bargaining but I am a minister of the gospel concerned with man's heart. My message is for men

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"The Day and A' Wha Honor It"

"In Action daring and in Council grave Their haughty souls in danger always grow No man durst lead, them where they durst not go Sedate in thought and steady in Resolve, Polite in manner and as years Revolve Always secure their largest share of Fame And by their Courage keep alive their Name."

TODAY the world over, Scotsmen, wherever they may be, gathered together will celebrate the memory of their Patron Saint, Saint Andrew. The Scotsman is proud of his country and of her history, and well he may be. The same spirit which characterizes Scotsmen in their native land, animates their sons and daughters in all parts of the world. Scotland has given to the world its share of glory and of greatness. The world has been richer by old Scotia's poets, its heroes and its statesmen. Even here in Canada and in our own province, men who have been leaders in one walk or another are either Scotsmen or sons of Scotsmen. Many of them have filled important positions in the professional and business world and in church and state in this city.

Saint Andrew's Society, which, since 1825, has been functioning in this city and which has numbered amongst its members some of the leading citizens of New Brunswick, has yearly kept the day alive. It will tonight honor the bonny Saint with the haggis, the heather and the pipes. Citizens of all nationalities will enter into the spirit with their brother Scots in honoring the day. The Scots the world over are a race ever honored for their honor and their integrity.

The Saint Andrew's gathering tonight will be only one link in the chain which is celebrating the day across Canada. They are brothers one and all.

"From scenes like these old Scotland's grandeur springs, Which makes her loved at home, revered abroad. Princes and Lords are but the breath of Kings, An honest man's the noblest work of God."

LITVINOV WARNS WORLD FASCIST ATTACK IS NEAR ITALY RECOGNIZES JAPANESE PUPPET

MOSCOW, Nov. 30—Warning of an impending near attack from fascists, Maxim Litvinov, Commissar of Foreign Affairs, told an audience of students and workers last night in Leningrad, where he is a candidate for the Supreme Council, that the Soviet Union relies only on her constantly growing military forces to "defeat any enemy or combination of enemies."

Reviewing foreign affairs for the first time this year Litvinov poked fun at the "importance" of the democratic countries before the "Fascist onslaught," and ridiculed the unwillingness of the powers at the Far Eastern peace conference in Brussels

Decides to Establish Diplomatic Relations With Manchoukuo

ROME Nov. 30—Italy yesterday became the third nation to recognize the independence and sovereignty of Manchoukuo, the nation Japan carved out of the former Chinese province of Manchuria. The other two were Japan herself and San Salvador.

The unexpected action followed by only a few weeks Italy's adherence to the anti-Communism pact of Japan and Germany. Though it has often been reported as imminent, German recognition of Manchoukuo has never been forthcoming.

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