

"COMMONWEALTH BRITISH NATIONS GUARANTEE OF WORLD PEACE" - LORD RIVERDALE

Pres. of N. B. Labor Federation Praises Prov. Government

Congratulates Dysart Cabinet on Introducing Old Age Pensions and Free School Books

Critical in Some Things

Refers to Unemployment Problems and Claims Minimum Wages Too Low

In delivering his annual address this morning, President J. A. Whitebone referred to the death during the year of different members who had passed away, making a special reference to vice-president James B. Johnston, of McAdam, and to the loss sustained by the Labor Federation at Mr. Johnston's passing.

Mr. Whitebone said that he did not hesitate to commend the present provincial government for having placed in operation the provisions of the Old Age Pensions Act. This has been for years urged by the Federation of Labor as necessary legislation and it was gratifying that the distress of aged men and women had been relieved. He suggested that the government should have a representative of labor on the Old Age Pensions Board.

President Whitebone also expressed appreciation of the government's action in granting free school books up to and including grade five. He hoped that the policy would be further enlarged so as to include pupils in the higher grades where the cost of text books presents a serious problem to the parents of school children.

The pressing need for a separate provincial department of labor under the direction of a separate minister was pointed out by the speaker. He hoped that every effort would be exerted to have such department established without delay.

President Whitebone continuing referred to the operation of the Fair Wage Act and expressed disappointment at the enforcement of some of the provisions of this act. He was dissatisfied that the government had not appointed to the position of Fair Wage officer a man who had been recommended by the N. B. Federation of Labor. He referred to the matters in connection with the Workmen's Compensation Board and expressed satisfaction that in the reorganization of the Board that the Labor representative was not disturbed and remains as one of the Commissioners.

For this consideration, Mr. Whitebone (Continued on Page Four)

SHORTAGE FLYING TEACHERS NOW THREATENED

Flying Course Starts Today in Toronto

TORONTO, March 2—To help cope with a threatened shortage of qualified aviation instructors in Canada, caused by the sudden new life that has been injected into flying in this country during the past year, the Toronto Flying Club will today commence a special course for those who would teach future pilots to win their wings.

First of its Kind

So far as officials here know, the Toronto Flying Club is the first organization of its kind in the Dominion to provide this special course. Hundreds of young men who tried flying during the lean years of aviation.

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England Has Little Chance to Win the Cricket Title

(Special to The Daily Mail) MELBOURNE, March 2—England will have to do some miracle batting to gain the world cricket championship from Australia. Australia is leading with a very high margin her standing being now 604. With two wickets to fall Australia is practically sure of winning the world's championship.

SPAIN, March 2—The insurgents are claiming great successes today between Barcelona and Valencia.

ARCTIC DOG DERBY INAUGURAL RESULTS IN THRILLING VICTORY WITH ONLY 70 SECONDS' MARGIN

CAMERON BAY, N.W.T., March 2—Maurice Evans, a 'dark horse,' drove his team of huskies to a thrilling victory here over the week-end, in the inaugural running of the gruelling fifteen-mile Arctic Dog Derby after passing the favorite in a nip-and-tuck stretch drive.

The cheers of a colorful crowd of prospectors, miners, trappers and Indians ringing in his ears, Evans, an employee of the Bear Mine, 'mushed' across the finish line one minute and ten seconds ahead of the favored Arden entry from Cameron Bay.

Only 16 minutes and ten seconds separated the finishes of the six leaders, who piled over the tape in rapid succession to the tune of cracking whips and excited driving yells. The race was established as a real endurance test, each entrant having carried forty pounds of radium ore concentrates for each dog, weights being checked by Corporal Davies of the R.C.M.P.

Excitement ran high in this mining town, about 1,100 air miles north of Edmonton, on the shore of Great Bear Lake, as the first team rounded Silver Point and came in sight of the crowd at the finishing line.

After hooking up with Evans and Arden in the stretch drive, the Clock entry from Cameron Bay faded in the last few yards to finish third.

Meanwhile another group of three were fighting for fourth place. Willie Wylie, caribou hunter, of Cameron Bay, finally edged ahead. A surprise entry, the Eagles team from mouth of the Camell River, finished fifth, with sixth place going to Mrs. Nere Robert, an Indian huntress.

Following the race, everybody attended the caribou meat barbecue, where the Eldorado Trophy was presented to Evans by Mrs. Emil Walli, wife of the mine manager, former Toronto General Hospital nurse.

The Members' Indemnity

WHEN we consider that the indemnity paid to the members of our Provincial Legislature is one thousand dollars, we must come to the conclusion that our representatives are very poorly paid. It is unfortunate that the Province of New Brunswick is at present probably unable to pay either its Cabinet Ministers or its private representatives more money.

The ordinary citizen who does not study all the conditions probably thinks that the man who receives one thousand dollars for spending six weeks in the Legislature at Fredericton is very well paid for his services. He does not take into consideration, however, that the service which the member gives to his constituency and to the Province during the Session, while it is valuable, is only a small portion of the services which he renders during the year.

A visitor to the Capital during the Session sees his local member sitting in a plush chair in the Legislative Chamber listening to a debate or to the progress of a Bill through the House, and he thinks, "My! He earns his money easy." He does not know that the same member gets down to the 'House at nine o'clock in the morning, reads and answers numerous letters from people in his constituency, and runs about the different Departments interviewing Ministers and Deputy Ministers, hunting up information to send back in reply to these letters. One inquiry may take him to the Department of Education, another about roads to the Public Works Department, and still another regarding Colonization to the Lands and Mines Department, or perhaps to the Agriculture Department, and so on. Between times he has to serve perhaps during the entire morning on some important Committee such as the Municipalities, Agriculture, Public Accounts of Corporations Committee. It is generally after one o'clock when these adjourn.

The member then makes for his hotel for a lunch. Likely as not two or three of the boys from home are at the hotel. The member probably has to pay for their lunch or at least do the cigars. Then he has to listen to their business and help them get it straightened out, or perhaps listen to abuse because he cannot land them a job which they are not qualified to fill. After that he goes back to the Legislature and remains until six o'clock. If there is a night session he remains until after midnight and longer—hours after the people who sent him to the Legislature are in bed asleep.

Whilst the member is giving his attention to all these things in Fredericton his law practice, his store, his farm or lumber business as the case may be, back home is being neglected—perhaps getting shot to blazes.

When he arrives at home he spends the balance of the year running at the beck and call, looking after this bridge and that gravel pit, and so on. Adjusting imaginary and other kinds of grievances which this one and that one may have, with contractors, road engineers, school trustees, etc. He may have to drive ten miles in his car, pay for his own gas, meals, etc., and neglect his personal business—and chip in to various church and charitable demands—all out of his thousand dollars.

It is an honor for any man to be a member of our Provincial Legislature. But there is certainly no money in it at the present indemnity. The man who has the ability and the energy to do all this is entitled to very much more. The legitimate expenses of his election campaign cost him a good sum in the first place.

We have, before this, referred to the Cabinet Ministers who spend the greater part of their time in this city away from their own business affairs. There is no man in the City of Fredericton today who works as hard as do Premier Dysart and the members of the present Cabinet. They work hard every minute of the day and far into the night. In an experience about the Departmental Buildings extending well over a quarter of a century, and a contact with all the Cabinet Ministers during that period, we can honestly say that we have never known of men in their position who worked as hard. And they are certainly not receiving anything like the salaries to which they are entitled. New Brunswick has never paid her Cabinet Ministers sufficient salaries. We cannot recall one Cabinet Minister who was not a comparatively poor man when he retired from the Cabinet—unless, of course, he had previously been possessed of some private fortune.

Apart altogether from the sacrifices these gentlemen make in regard to their private practice or business, their hard work and their ability to handle the affairs of the Province entitles them to more than they receive.

Perhaps some day New Brunswick will be able to repay suitably her public men for the service which they are giving to this Province.

BRITISH PRESS HAILS TRADE AGREEMENT

LONDON, March 2—The new Anglo-Canadian trade treaty is warmly welcomed in the United Kingdom, not only because of the substantial advantages granted to British manufacturers, but because full satisfaction has been given to those in this country who criticized the Ottawa accord of 1932 as unfair. The first article of the old treaty which made the Canadian Tariff Board the arbitrator in disputes, was the source of much bickering. It has now been removed.

Some comment in the London press suffers from inadequate study of the new treaty. The Times observes that it maintains the 'existing margins of preference on both sides.' This is resented in Canadian circles inasmuch as the Canadian preferences have been extended widely.

But in the textile, iron and steel manufacturing centres a truer appreciation of the importance of the reductions in the Canadian tariff is apparent. Industrialists at Leeds, Manchester and Bradford find that the textile market in Canada has been substantially enlarged.

The Manchester Guardian points (Continued on Page Four)

WHEN SELECTION MADE PARK WILL BE ESTABLISHED

Speaking to The Daily Mail today, Hon. F. W. Pirie, Minister of Lands and Mines, stated that no site had yet been selected for the national park in New Brunswick. Mr. Pirie also said he was not prepared to say whether the selection of the site would be made during the present session of the New Brunswick Legislature.

Hon. T. A. Crerar, Minister of Mines and Resources, told the House of Commons in Ottawa that as soon as the New Brunswick government offers a suitable site for a national park, a park will be established in that province.

He was answering a question from A. J. Brooks (Cons., Royal) about the reason for the delay and a plea from Conservative Leader Bennett that the park be established as soon as possible. Mr. Crerar said it was up to the province to furnish a suitable site free of charge to the federal government. Where the purchase of land was involved this was sometimes difficult.

If the New Brunswick site were not selected in time for action this season, said Mr. Crerar, the park would be launched by an order-in-council.

German Ambassador Ribbentrop Urges Generous Gesture

Asks the Mandate Powers of World to Act Voluntarily

Envoy Reported in Disgrace

Failure to Advance Talks With England Believed Reason

BUDGET TODAY



HON. C. T. RICHARD

Provincial Secretary Treasurer Who is Today Delivering His Budget Speech in the Legislature

Mussolini Says All Men From 18 to 35 Are Liable For Service

(Special to The Daily Mail)

ROME, March 2—Mussolini stated today that all men from 18 to 55 years of age are subject to be called to the service of the Italian Empire at any time at all. He boasted that he can have an army of 18,000,000 men in the field at any time.

Further rearmament plans are expected to be taken up since Great Britain has resumed her defence policy. Details of Italy's plans, however, are not yet known.

LEIPZIG, Germany, March 2—Joachim von Ribbentrop, German Ambassador to London, called on the colonial mandate powers yesterday "to make voluntarily the generous gesture which we expect" regarding Germany's four-year plan for economic recovery.

Ribbentrop spoke at a meeting of the Commission for Economic Policy of the Nazi Party, held in conjunction with the Leipzig Fair. He defended the four-year plan against foreign charges that it is purposely designed to isolate Germany from the outside world.

"Germany," he said, "was forced by foreign powers to adopt this plan . . . whoever speaks of autarchy must begin with the autarchy of other countries. President Roosevelt's economic policies and above all the Ottawa Agreements (for British Empire trade concessions) are pure autarchic measures and were born long before the four-year plan, which is simply a matter of German self-help." Regarding colonies, Ribbentrop continued:

"Germany demands fundamentally the right to colonial possessions, such as is possessed by the smallest nations of the world, and must reject in every form any argument which seeks to deny her that right."

He recalled Adolf Hitler's statement that possession of colonies would not mean an increase in the German fleet. Tracing the economic importance of colonies to Germany as a source of raw material and a market for German industrial products, he added:

"I feel that the return of the former German colonies is of eminent importance to Germany and in the final analysis, can undoubtedly contribute to considerable improvement in Germany's economic condition."

He attacked Bolshevik propaganda in the world, especially against Nazi and Fascist movements and praised the Reich's new army, adding:

"In reply to German rearmament, whereby the German Army had to be created anew, others reacted by piling huge new armaments on top of those already existing."

British Manufacturer Says No General War in Sight in Europe

1,573 TO NOVA SCOTIA, 15,368 TO NEW BRUNSWICK

OTTAWA, March 2—No change is intended in the principle of coal subventions, Hon. T. A. Crerar, minister of mines and resources, told the House of Commons today.

Conservative Leader Bennett declared that but for the coal subventions during the 1930-1935 period Cape Breton would be in very bad circumstances and no Western coal would move farther east than Swift Current, Saskatchewan.

The intention of coal subvention (Continued on Page Five)

Big Improvement in Industrial Employment

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MONCTON, March 2—There will be no general war in Europe within the next 25 years or longer, stated Lord Riverdale, prominent British steel manufacturer, when interviewed on his arrival here yesterday over the Canadian National Railways from New York via Saint John, N. B., en route to Sydney, N. S. There is a possibility of trouble between Germany and Czechoslovakia but should this occur, it is not expected that it will involve any general conflict, the stilled industrialist said, who is also a member of the scientific industrial (Continued on Page Five)

POPULATION UP IN WEST

Prairie Provinces Show Gain of Around 61,000 in Last 5 Years --- Alberta Well in Lead.

OTTAWA, March 2—A gain of about 61,000 in population of the Prairie Provinces in the past five years is shown in final figures of the 1936 census published today by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

The total of 2,414,891 for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta compared with 2,353,529 when the previous cen- (Continued on Page Five)