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THE B. N. A. ACT

IN HIS REPLY to Right Honorable MacKenzie King, Dominion Prime Minister, Hon. A. A. Dysart, Premier of New Brunswick, dealing with the proposed amendment of the British North America Act giving the Dominion jurisdiction over unemployment insurance and similar matters, states that this question is one which must be decided by the Legislative Assembly. This is along the line which was adopted by representatives of this province at the Dominion-Provincial Conference. At that time the conference members were informed that New Brunswick would require full details of the scope of any proposed amendment to the British North America Act before giving its assent. The way the matter now stands, three of the nine provinces of Canada have not consented to the proposed amendment. Three provinces withholding their consent are Quebec, New Brunswick and Alberta. The province of Alberta wishes to secure further details regarding the proposed amendments. The province of Quebec also desires further information in regard to the matter, and while agreeing that the principal of unemployment insurance does not believe that it is necessary to have constitutional amendments to the B. N. A. Act in order to secure this object.

The letter of Premier Dysart to Rt. Hon. MacKenzie King only confirms the attitude which this province has assumed from the time of the Dominion-Provincial Conference. The matter may very well be decided by our local Legislature where it reasonably belongs. This should set a precedent to be followed when future amendments to the Federal constitution. In the face of the fact that three out of the nine provinces have taken the stand outlined above it is practically certain that nothing will be done regarding the proposed amendments to the B. N. A. Act at the coming session.

AN APPEAL TO CHARITY

AN APPEAL FOR HELP on behalf of the children of Minto who are in desperate need, is being sent out by the Students' Christian Movement of the University of New Brunswick. The appeal is for clothing for the children of the Minto coal mining district. These children are suffering as a result of the strike conditions which now exist in that community.

It is not a question of whether we approve or disapprove of the strike. The fact is the children of Minto are in desperate need. Adult clothing is also needed. Since the strike commenced practically one hundred thousand dollars in wages has been lost in that locality and with the winter months before them the families of the miners are facing a very serious situation. The women and children of these families cannot be allowed to suffer as a result of the strike. The exact needs in Minto will not be known until after the report of Miss Dorothy Cox, Field Secretary, is received. Miss Cox is spending the week-end in the district making a survey of the distress and of the amount of requirements needed to relieve this distress. This is a matter which should appeal to all charitable persons who are disposed to lend a helping hand to lessen the suffering of these distressed families.

THE BANK OF MONTREAL

THE ANNUAL REPORT of the Bank of Montreal which was published in this paper on Saturday last, gives evidence of a year of steady expansion in this solid old Canadian institution. Its expansion was in keeping with the general business activity of the country. The report which is now going forward to the shareholders of the Bank of Montreal should be an encouraging one.

The assets of the Bank, now standing at \$829,633,950.98, show an increase of \$24,552,000, as compared with a year ago.

An analysis of the assets reveals the remarkable strength of the institution, the proportions of quickly available resources standing at \$599,051,153, as compared with liabilities to the public of \$752,736,753, being 79.58 per cent. of these liabilities.

The Bank has again followed its custom of some years' standing by issuing the statement in an easily understandable form, grouping the figures with annotations that explain their purport.

From the public standpoint the most interesting feature of the statement is the demonstration that it gives of the expanding scale of the country's industrial and commercial operations, reflected particularly in improvement in current loans in Canada, which, at \$204,760,812, show an increase as compared with last year of more than \$30,000,000.

On the other hand, due no doubt to the restricted operations in the security markets, call loans in Canada are down from \$8,169,988 last year to \$6,357,700 at the present time. A similar movement is noticeable in call loans abroad, these now standing at \$19,878,944, as compared with \$25,400,166.

Total deposits amount to \$717,799,105 — an increase of \$26,487,000 as compared with last year's statement.

In keeping with the larger scale of the Bank's business, the profits show a moderate increase. The net total, after deduction of Dominion and Provincial Government taxes of \$942,957, amounts to \$3,408,328, being at the rate of 4.47 per cent. on the combined capital, reserves and undistributed profits. After payment of the usual dividends and an appropriation of \$400,000 for bank premises, the sum of \$128,328 was carried forward to profit and loss account. The officers and directors of this splendid old financial house, established in 1817, are to be congratulated upon the standing shown in the annual report.

TRANSPORTATION REGULATION NEEDED

SPEAKING BEFORE labor representatives comprising the Federated Trades in the Labor Temple, Moncton, E. M. Sherwood, Special Representative of the Canadian National Railways, dealt with the problem of highway competition. Today, he said, the railways haul a ton of freight a mile at an average of about one cent which is about twenty per cent. less than they got fifteen years ago and which represents lower rates and consequent savings for the shipper and the consumer. Freight train schedules have been speeded up and millions of dollars have been spent in improvements and new equipment, and the amount paid in the Maritimes alone last year for wages, fuel and taxes exceeded \$15,000,000.

SNAP SHOTS

A. R. Mosher, All-Canadian Labor Congress, struck the right note at Saint John yesterday. He believes that the "solution of poverty in the midst of plenty is to be found in the co-operation of labor and industry," and "that every means of conciliation should be employed before resorting to strikes." Mr. Gillespie, a labor man and a member of the All-Canadian Labor Council, of which Mr. Mosher is head, is a member of the Fair Wage Board sponsored by the Provincial Government to help labor.

People should set their alarm clocks on Sunday morning so as to get to church in time to avoid disturbing the congregation.

In a railroad town about twenty miles from Fredericton, there dwells a devoted citizen who at one time was connected with every municipal office he could obtain, from sanitary officer, to member of the school board and keeper of the churchyard gate. He was demoted of all duties except the latter, and at this he was most proficient. He kept it so well that it was difficult to obtain permission to pass through the gates to hold a funeral, work on the lots, or to dig a grave. The citizens were aroused to anger, and rearing hacksaw blades cost only ten cents, the lock was broken, and it is believed from apparently well informed circles that the gate has found a watery grave in the Oromocto. If any community has a position for an efficiency man, we believe this man's services are available.

The Bonny Scots will celebrate tomorrow the world over, and in no place can they do honor to the day better than they can right here in Fredericton.

Why keep on speculating? One man is born to earn money only by the sweat of his brow and another is born to sell him stock.

There are two kinds of people: The winners who base their opinions on facts, and the losers who base theirs on wishes.

A committee, in a small town, consists of four or five prominent citizens and a chairman who does all the work.

It's a wise man who is so unobservant that he is unable to tell his wife the color of his new secretary's eyes.

The biggest problem of the modern bride is how to keep most of the wedding presents out of sight until they can be used for bridge prizes or Christmas gifts.

BRITISH CABINET

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caused a strain on Cabinet unity, never, until now, have come to the point of a death grapple. The groups may be identified under headings as follows: There is the left wing Conservative group, represented by the younger members of the Cabinet, led by Anthony Eden and Malcolm MacDonald. There is the right wing group, whose acknowledged leaders are Sir John Simon and Sir Samuel Hoare. This group is itself divided Lord Baldwin, when Prime Minister, successfully straddled the fence, but Mr. Chamberlain has given increasing indications of lining up with the reactionary element.

With a brief exception, the half-hearted sanctionist policy against Italy which commanded the support of all sections of the Cabinet because of a general election was impending, and the peace ballot, which offered bright prospects of vote catching, the right wing Conservative have been in command of the British foreign policy from the outset, and this control is evidenced by the anti-League policy adopted during the Japanese aggression in Manchuria, the later stages of the Italian conquest of Abyssinia, in the Spanish conflict, and now in the Sino-Japanese war.

But the right wing Tories are divided on the question of the return of the former colonies to Germany. J. L. Garvin, editor of the Observer, leads a strong group in favor of a settlement precisely along the lines proposed by Hitler, while Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, former Colonial Secretary, and the National Review are prepared to die in the breach rather than surrender one inch of the present British Empire to anybody.

In essence, therefore, this struggle is between the young radical Conservatives, who believe in the League of Nations and collective security, and the Conservative old guard, which, through Simon and Hoare, and possibly Mr. Chamberlain himself dominates the cabinet.

Mothers!

Don't take chances with colds... rub on VICKS



Ernest A. Simpson, the London ship broker who was divorced by the then Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson so that she could marry the Duke of Windsor, and his new bride, Mrs. Mary Kirk Raffray, childhood chum of the ex-Mrs. Simpson at Baltimore. The wedding took place at Fairfield, Conn., Nov. 18. They're shown after the nuptials.

FOREIGN LABOR UNIONS

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Ontario and in Quebec. The organization headed by John Lewis, as is pointed out by one labor leader of national repute, advocates force, the sit-down strike, mass picketing.

In a statement made today by the leaders of the Minto strike. One gentleman states that he is not opposed to the Fair Wage Board and that the strike leaders at Minto are not obstructing the work of that Board. One has only to point out different articles contained in the "Strike News", a typewritten paper circulated by the strike leaders at Minto to answer this statement by the U. M. W. leaders. This paper has attacked the Fair Wage Board on more than one occasion and the paper is supposed to be the official organ of the strike leaders at Minto. THE FAIR WAGE LAW IS DRAFTED TO PROTECT THE WORKING MAN AND IT IS PROCEEDING ALONG THE LINES ADVOCATED ABOVE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE ALL-CANADIAN CONGRESS OF LABOR, MR. MOSHER. ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE FAIR WAGE BOARD IS FRANK GILLISPIE, OF MONCTON, A REPRESENTATIVE OF LABOR, AND A MEMBER OF THE ALL-CANADIAN CONGRESS OF LABOR HEADED BY MR. MOSHER. The Committee of Industrial Organization which controls the situation at Minto is, it is pointed out in an article by a national labor leader, a one-man union. That man is John Lewis. He has practically made himself a union dictator. His contracts show this. The members of the C. I. O. simply sign their names to the contract, and do as they are told. It is alleged that Lewis is charged with attempting with the help of a few irresponsible organizers to whip all newspaper editorial writers into a biased organization. IF LEWIS SUCCEEDED IN DOING THIS, HE WOULD HAVE IN HIS POWER THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS. BUT IN THIS HE WILL FAIL AS HE HAS FAILED TIME AND TIME AGAIN IN HIS LEADERSHIP OF THE MINERS. HE FAILED IN HIS FIGHT WITH THE MOTOR INDUSTRY. HE FAILED IN HIS FIGHT IN ONTARIO. HE FAILED IN HIS FIGHT IN QUEBEC, AND HE IS INJURING HONEST LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PUBLIC OPINION.

A FREE AND UNBIASED PRESS IS ESSENTIAL TO THE PROTECTION OF LABOR. THE PRESS HAS FOUGHT FOR LABOR, AND AN HONEST PRESS WILL SUPPORT LABOR UNIONS RIGHTLY CONSTITUTED AND GOVERNED BY RESPONSIBLE CANADIANS, IN SECURING THE RIGHT TO WORK UNDER PROPER CONDITIONS AND THE RIGHT TO SECURE A LIVING WAGE FOR THE LABOR PEOPLE.

IF IT IS FOUND, THROUGH THE REPORTS OF THE FAIR WAGE BOARD, THAT CONDITIONS AT MINTO ARE NOT AS THEY SHOULD BE, NOT ONLY THE PRESS, BUT THE AUTHORITIES IN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COUNTRY, WHICH AUTHORITIES HAVE ESTABLISHED A FAIR WAGE BOARD, WILL SEE THAT THE RIGHTS OF LABOR ARE PROTECTED. THESE RIGHTS CAN BE PROTECTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COUNTRY AND BY THE MACHINERY WHICH THE GOVERNMENT SETS UP WITHOUT ANY INTERFERENCE AND STRIKES ON THE PART OF IMPORTED FOREIGN LEADERS.

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ple. It is felt that the small business must be protected against the inroads of chain-stores or associations. It has been found that a group of companies could not agree to fix prices or agree to the production of allocation of markets under the anti-trust laws, but they are able by amalgamation to effect a single production and marketing policy. This and other evils will be removed. But in every policy there will be exercised a care and precision not to damage private initiative and enterprise, which is a profitable lesson gained by the experiments of the New Dealers in the United States.

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