

Father Coughlin is Economic Shyster Says Johnston

Radio Priest, Who Is Popular Here, Says Johnston is a Cracked Gramophone Record Screaming His Master's Voice.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13—Hugh S. Johnston bid for the co-operation of "every thinking American" yesterday to "exterminate" the influence of Father Charles E. Coughlin and Senator Huey P. Long—whom he called "a pair of political termites".

Johnston dropped a hint that he would carry on his fight in a statement in which he called Mr. Long and Father Coughlin "economic shysters", and "public political enemies number one and two". At the same time, a denial was made by his secretary of a report that Johnston is negotiating for a series of commercial broadcasts.

Johnston declared that Father Coughlin and Mr. Long were making "visionary promises backed up by phony statistics". He called Father Coughlin's speech of last night "pious flubdub".

Declaring that he would answer Father Coughlin in detail later, Johnston said:

"I will have to answer him on three important particulars; first his absolute distortion or falsification of my simple statements; secondly, his falsifications of facts in general, and thirdly his falsifications of my record and other circumstances.

"It doesn't take half the intelligence of a Hitler to know that you can win followers by promising them the world with a fence around it.

"Old Stuff! That great dictator Julius Caesar, taught these Lorelets their philosophy when he said: 'Men easily believe what they wish to believe'."

Coughlin Returns Johnson's Attack

DETROIT, March 13—The Rev. Charles E. Coughlin assailed General Hugh S. Johnston as "a cracked gramophone record squawking the messages of his master's voice".

The priest's radio reply to Johnston's blistering attack of a week ago and Senator Huey P. Long, of Louisiana asserted:

"I need not condemn you before the court of public opinion. You have condemned yourself."

The priest asserted that Sunday's Treasury monetary action was the answer to his demand for money reform and the reply to Johnston's attack.

Coughlin declared that Johnston attacked him personally "but not once did you dare attack the truths which I teach".

He opened his 45-minute address with a defence of the priest's right to participate in public affairs.

Retains Citizen's Rights

"I am mindful that as a Catholic priest, whose voice has been carried into the home of millions of persons who do not share my faith, I am thoroughly mindful that despite differences of religion, race, color, and of profession, I am also an American citizen privileged as such to speak to American citizens", said Coughlin.

"The economic disaster, which overwhelmed our nation proved beyond question that independent of racial or religious differences, there was a common need for Catholic, Protestant and Jew and the irreligious to solve a common problem.

"... Someone, irrespective of his Catholicity, or of his Protestantism, or of his Jewish faith, was required to raise his voice, if for no other reason than to condemn those, who refusing to leave this land of sorrow, obstructed our passage to the land of prosperity.

"It is and always will be impos-
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Saint John Salmon

Local anglers, as well as those interested in tourist travel, are making an effort to improve salmon angling on the Saint John river. With this end in view the matter has been taken up with the Department of Marine and Fisheries at Ottawa. Hon. R. B. Hanson Minister of Trade and Commerce, has also been requested to use his influence in regard to having matters improved.

There are many runs of salmon on the Saint John river. The first to arrive passes here either in late April or about the first week in May. This salmon, it is said by those who seem to know, ascends no tributary of the Saint John river except the Tobique and when it reaches that river the greater part of this run continues on to the Serpentine branch of that river. During June and July our Saint John river is at its best for angling purposes, but the class of salmon which we are getting here are the kind that will not readily take the fly. This is the defect that it is proposed to try and have remedied. If this were done our tourist travel would be increased and our hotels, fishing camps, guides and others would be benefited. It has been suggested that we plant in the Saint John river salmon fry from the Restigouche. The Restigouche salmon generally ascends the river in late May and during the month of June. Besides taking the fly freely this is an excellent fish and is very popular both for angling and for table use with those who have fished on the Restigouche. The necessary fry is produced in the fish hatchery at Tide Head, Restigouche. The Dominion Government owns this hatchery and some of their officials should be able to make the necessary transfer without any cost to this province.

Harry Chestnut of this city, who is a noted angler and game hunter, has recently made a very sportsmanship offer. He has offered to give any amount up to two hundred dollars to help cover any expense incurred providing the fry is planted in 1935. This offer should be appreciated. But it should not be necessary for Mr. Chestnut or any other private citizens to have to put up the money. The Dominion Government should do this and we have no doubt that they will do so if the conditions are properly explained to them. So much for the Saint John river. Now for the Nashwaak: Local parties have been interested in developing fly fishing for salmon on the Nashwaak. The fish going up the Nashwaak are not the best kind of salmon for fly-fishing, according to those who know their fish. The fish one sees along the dam at Marysville and above that point are of the late August and September run. They are a very poor table fish and are old chaps who do not readily take the fly. Another thing against the Nashwaak as things are at present is that in September there is practically no water in that river. If those in authority could arrange to dump some good fish into the Nashwaak that would go up that river in May, when the water is at a high pitch, then conditions would be favorable on the Nashwaak also. Until this is done all other efforts would seem to be wasted. There is an early run of salmon up the Saint John river in early May. Why cannot those who know more about fish than we do, arrange to have an early variety of salmon visit the Nashwaak at high water in May. This should be arranged for in some way. Fish coming up that river in late August and in September and trying to swim through warm water over rocks are neither good catching or good eating.

It is to be hoped that the efforts of those who are trying to improve our angling will meet with success. They are to be commended and we hope that the Dominion Fisheries Department which has charge of this work, will see that this is done early this spring. We have not the least doubt that Hon. R. B. Hanson will give his best attention to this plan.

VAULT DOOR QUILTS BEFORE \$75,000,000

MONTREAL, P. Q., March 13—The mills of the gods grind according to their well known schedule, except when something goes wrong with the works. And when those works happen to be in the door of a bank vault, it is just too bad.

On Saturday 75,000,000 in gold were delivered to the Bank of Canada, St. James and St. Francois Xavier streets. Armored trucks rolled up, workers under armed guards transferred the precious metal to the vault, the authorities heaved appropriate sighs of relief and metaphorically dusted a good day's work from their fingertips. And then the vault door refused to lock!

Cajolery, invective, and perspiration alike proved futile. It was just "one of those things. The door would not lock and that was all there was to it. All of course, except the little matter of 75,000,000 in gold, inside.

But Montreal's handiwork can save its regrets, for a detachment of stalwart members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police was summoned and kept

Large Funeral For Eugene Connolly At Newcastle

NEWCASTLE, N. B., March 13—The funeral of Eugene Connolly, publisher of The Union Advocate, who passed away at his home here on Friday morning was held Monday afternoon. The cortege, which was lengthy and included persons from all walks of life, showed the high esteem in which Mr. Connolly was held. The funeral was held from his residence at the Northwest Bridge at 2:30 o'clock and proceeded to St. Mary's Church, where service was conducted by Very Rev. J. J. McLaughlin. The church was crowded to capacity. Prayers were said at the grave by Rev. O. E. Legere, of Bathurst, assisted by the Rev. L. Lamontagne of Newcastle. The pallbearers were J. Leonard O'Brien, W. L. Durick, A. S. Gremley, Weldon Creamer, John Hutchinson and Edward Barry. There was a large number of floral tributes, spiritual bouquets and telegrams marking deep sympathy for the bereaved.

Watch and ward over Canada's millions till the necessary repairs were completed.

HON. P. J. VENIOT PROTESTS FOOD DESTRUCTION

Burned By R.C.M.P. In Sight of People on Relief

OTTAWA, Ont., March 13—Royal Canadian Mounted Police set fire to food confiscated from a rum vessel of 150 people who were on relief, it was charged in the House of Commons last night by Hon. P. J. Veniot, former postmaster general. The vessel was the Paul T.

The New Brunswick member claimed the 20,000 liquor cargo from the boat was destroyed on a dump at Bathurst, New Brunswick, but the Mounties set no guard afterwards. "School children visited the dump and we had the spectacle of seeing those children staggering through the streets because the R. C. M. P. did not do their duty and see no person went near that dump".

Dr. Veniot said he had no objection to police destroying smuggled liquor on the vessel. His criticism was against the police for destroying the food while people were on relief.

Before the liquor was shipped to Bathurst it was stored in the house of a policeman in Shippeagan. Dr. Veniot said, "Right under the eyes of the police", 28 cases were stolen. Arrests were made but "there is a very serious suspicion in that district the liquor was not stolen by those upon whom they attempted to place the blame".

National Revenue Minister R. C. Matthews said control of police lay in the justice department, suggesting inquiries be made there.

Roads and Street Workers' Wages Reduced in Marysville

MARYSVILLE, N. B., March 13—The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council was held this week with a full attendance of members. Mayor J. W. Walker was in the chair. Regular business was carried on. It was decided to reduce the wages of road and street workers.

A representative body of the members of the Temperance Alliance from the different Churches were present and presented the following resolution to the Council—To the Mayor and Members of the Town Council of Marysville.

At a meeting of representatives of the Churches of Marysville held recently it was reported that liquor is being sold in the Town contrary to the statute of this province and the following resolution was passed:—

"Whereas there is reason to believe that liquor is being sold in the Town of Marysville contrary to the Statute of this Province. Therefore be it resolved that this representative body petition the Town of Marysville to either take action to have such illegal practices cease or to appoint a representative to act in conjunction with representatives from the churches to the end that such practices as mentioned above cease".

The following spoke on the subject: Rev. S. Smith, Rev. M. Mannel, Rev. F. F. Dunlap and Don. Cochrane.

Deputy Mayor Finnermore was appointed to act in conjunction with the Alliance to interview the proper authorities to end alleged local bootlegging.

Deputy Mayor Finnermore made some remarks on the subject and stated that as Chairman of the Police Commission he was aware of alleged conditions but that not much headway had been made.

After discussion of Road work meeting adjourned.

MRS. AHERN'S ILLNESS

Many friends of Mrs. W. J. Ahern, who is seriously ill at her home on Regent Street, will regret to learn that there is no change in her condition.

U. S. Lumber Favor Trade Agreement

TWO DECREES DIVORCE WERE GRANTED TODAY

Norma Irene Glasgow of This City Given Decree From Husband — Decree Also in Phillips Case.

The New Brunswick Divorce Court, Mr. Justice Grimmer presiding, granted two decrees of divorce this morning. The first was that of Norma Irene Glasgow vs. Frank Stanley Glasgow, an action from this city, in which Winslow and McNair filed the petition. The case was undefended.

Witnesses called in the Glasgow case were Dr. A. L. Gerow, Kenneth H. Staples, George M. Byron, and the petitioner.

In the case of Lynn James Phillips vs. Helen Phillips a decree was granted and Mr. Justice Grimmer severely reprimanded the co-respondent in the case, who had admitted committing adultery in the evidence. The Judge warned of the seriousness of adultery. The case was a remanet.

In the defended action of Jessie Milner Searle, of Boston, vs. Roy Stanley Searle, of Saint John, the hearing in the case was completed yesterday afternoon, court reserved judgment. Witnesses called in this case were, Mrs. Emma Hall, of Saint John; Miss Margaret McCormack, of Saint John, and Miss Agnes Cunningham, of Saint John.

BENNETT BETTER, NEEDS LONG REST

Disturbance of Cardiac Rhythm Disappears

OTTAWA, March 12—The following bulletin regarding Right Hon. R. B. Bennett, Prime Minister of Canada, was issued this afternoon:

"The Prime Minister's recovery was uneventful until last Thursday when he suffered a syncopal attack. Following this there was some disturbance of the cardiac rhythm. This has now disappeared and his general condition is improving. This, while not serious in itself, will necessitate a long rest. The respiratory infection which he suffered on February 24, together with a long period of overwork, undoubtedly contributed to his present illness."

The bulletin is signed by R. S. Stevens, M.D.

Mr. Bennett is not likely to return to Parliament this week and will very probably not do so until after he has taken a period of rest.

As is usually the case when a statesman is ill, all sorts of rumors are going about.

The facts are that Mr. Bennett has overworked himself. He contracted influenza two weeks ago with some other symptoms indicated, but there is nothing alarming or nothing which a period of rest and care would not overcome. No doubt Mr. Bennett will follow his doctor's advice to slow down.

For any other reports concerning either his condition or his intentions there is no warrant.

Cabinet colleagues will carry on the work of piloting the sessional legislation through and Liberals have indicated, on more than one occasion their readiness to assist in plans for expediting the sessional work.

Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Minister of Justice, who has been ill for over two weeks, returned to his office today.

Would Increase Business Between United States and Canada and Would Eliminate Empire Preference.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13—Approval of the principles of reciprocal trade and tariff agreement by the lumber industry was contained in a brief filed with the Federal Tariff Commission by Dr. Compton for use in connection with the proposed trade agreement between Canada and the United States.

Such an agreement, said Dr. Compton, general manager of the National Lumber Manufacturers Association, and spokesman for the industry, "will substantially increase trade and improve trade relations between the United States and Canada".

In the proposals the lumbermen are not willing for present excise taxes of \$3. per thousand feet to be eliminated except on items produced in the Dominion and not produced in the United States.

The industry proposed that the Canadian duties on such lumber be no greater than the United States duties on the Dominion product, but on other species imported from Canada, which would be in direct competition with United States species, the industry asked that there be no changes in the tariffs and other charges.

Pointing out that Canada is the principal competitor of the United States in the world lumber markets, Dr. Compton said that Dominion operators were distributing within the borders of the United States species which are in direct competition with home products.

He said that Canadian manufacturers and shippers have a "substantial advantage" over United States operators in more favorable conditions and lower costs of timber buildings and purchases; lower cost of transportation, especially in inter-coastal shipments from British Columbia and lower cost of lumber product.

In his brief Dr. Compton urged the government to "seek the co-operation of the government of the Dominion of Canada in securing promptly the abandonment, in the lumber markets of the British Empire, of discrimination in favor of Canadian lumber, in tariffs, quotas, or in other forms; so that lumber exported from the United States and lumber exported from Canada into the world markets may compete on equal terms and without discrimination".

AWAIT SHOWDOWN ON CHACO BATTLE

League Committee holds Session to Discuss Paraguay Sanctions

GENEVA, Switzerland, March 13—The League of Nations Chaco War committee opened a "showdown session" as Great Britain and Argentina were understood to be ready to take a firm hand against any new sanctions against Paraguay in the long-drawn-out conflict with Bolivia.

The 23-nation meeting was to decide to what extent the League Covenant is applicable for solution of the jungle war. Paraguay having refused the League arbitration plan and having withdrawn from the League after the Chaco committee lifted the arms embargo in favor of Bolivia, it was up to the committee to take action in consequence.

Britain was believed ready to protest against sanctions for Paraguay since she has never been formally denounced as the aggressor.