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warm, with snow and probably
sleet tonight and most of Sun-
day.

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BENNETT INTRODUCES EIGHT-HOUR DAY ACT

Weekly Rest Day Bill Is Presented By The Premier

Two Separate Measures
Are Given to House by
Mr. Bennett—Indus-
trial Work Defined—Dis-
cussion of Legislation
To Be Held Over to the
Coming Week.

OTTAWA, Feb. 23—Legislation to pass an eight-hour day and 48-hour week in industry, and a weekly day of rest, was presented to the House of Commons today by Premier Bennett. There are two bills, one fixing the hours of work and the other providing for one complete day's rest in seven.

Both measures are based upon conventions adopted by the International Labor Organization of the League of Nations which were ratified by both Houses of Parliament in the past week. Discussion of the measures was held over until next week.

The two acts are entitled "The Limitation of Hours of Work Act," and "The Weekly Rest in Industrial Undertakings Act," and both apply to the same classes of workers. Industrial workers are deemed, for the purpose of the acts, to include those working in

Mines, quarries and other works for the extraction of minerals from the earth:

Various Classes

Industries in which articles are manufactured, altered, cleaned, repaired, ornamented, finished, adapted for sale, broken up or demolished, or in which materials are transformed, including shipbuilding, and the generation, transformation and transmission, of electricity or motive power of any kind; construction, reconstruction, maintenance, repairs, alteration, or demolition of any building, railway, tramway, harbor, dock, pier, canal, inland waterway, road, tunnel, bridge, viaduct, sewer, drain, well, telegraphic, or telephone installation, electrical undertaking, gas work, waterwork or other work of construction, as well as the preparation for or laying the foundations of any structure; transport of passengers or goods by road or rail, including the handling of goods at docks, quays, wharves or warehouses, but excluding transport by hand.

The Weekly-Day-of-Rest Act is along lines of the Lord's Day Act with some widening of scope. It provides penalties for failure of employers to observe its provisions which require that all the staff employed in any industrial undertaking affected shall have a rest of at least 24 consecutive hours in every seven days.

Where possible the day of rest must be given the whole staff simultaneously, if possible on a Sunday. Exemptions from application of the Act may be granted by the Governor-in-Council after consultation with responsible associations of workers or employers when they exist.

A denial was made today by the Minister of Railways and Canals, Hon. R. J. Manion, that the Government was seeking revenge against R. J. Touche & Company, former auditors for the Canadian National Railways.

The Minister introduced a bill to appoint Clarkson, Gordon, Dilworth, Guilfoyle & Nash as auditors. He said it had been suggested the Touche firm was being dismissed as a penalty for suggesting the capitalization of the railway be written down. This he denied.

MAYOR McEVOY ILL

His Worship Mayor E. J. McEvoy of Devon is confined to his home this week with an attack of la grippe. This afternoon his condition was reported improved.

Good Bye Friends

WE ARE TO BE "BUMPED OFF!"

Several complaints have recently come in from the districts at the back end of the town regarding hold-ups and assaults on women and girls. Some of these came by 'phone, some by letter from those who know that The Daily Mail takes an interest in community welfare and is not afraid to speak out in meeting. In two cases reliable citizens have come to this office and have given specific instances of where and how the attacks were made. In one case we had all the harrowing details. It would be unwise to publish these.

Chief of Police Jones and his force got busy after they read our article in The Daily Mail. They covered the back street as well as could be expected with the number of police at their disposal. If the men making these attacks are strangers THEY SHOULD BE ROUNDED-UP AND RUN OUT OF TOWN.

One lady who lives in the upper part of the city, writes this paper disclaiming the fact that there have been any attacks made at the back end of the city. Well, there have been several hold-ups, two on Victoria street, near the shoe factory; one on Argyle street, near the John Palmer Company factory; one near the corner of York street, and several insulting remarks, etc., near the Union Station. The Daily Mail has its facts from reliable sources.

We are pleased to know that the police are getting busy.

The Daily Mail is not trying to cast reflection on the section of the city mentioned above. We are printing the information as we have it from reliable sources. The Daily Mail publishes this news as a protection to the public. If these things are going on it is well to learn about them and to have them remedied rather than to have them winked at.

The editor of The Daily Mail has received a letter from some hobo threatening to "bump us off" or words to that effect if we said any more about these hold-ups. Of course the letter is probably a joke. If it is not and the party who wrote it is serious, he can go to blazes and start his machine gun shooting anytime at all.

Fredericton is above the average as a well-conducted orderly city. Our police force may not be a band of experts but they are doing what they can. If there is any gang of roughnecks in our midst who are prowling around at night holding-up people, the sooner the police get after them and the law makes an example of them, the better. Women saying that there is no trouble, and fools talking about "bumping" respectable people off, won't remedy the situation.

We are going to have the letter framed. Mr. Roughneck should have painted a blackhand and crossbones on the corner where he spelled killed as "kilt."

NEW MINIMUM PRICE BASIS FOR N.B. POTATOES

G. C. Cunningham, agent in New Brunswick for the Eastern Canada Potato Marketing board, has announced a new minimum price basis at which potatoes produced in New Brunswick are to be sold commencing on Monday. It is higher than the first minimum price quotation of the board which became effective on February 4 and is on the same level as the Prince Edward Island minimum. In making the announcement of the change, Mr. Cunningham notes that the former difference of five cents between the prices of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island potatoes had closed the markets to P. E. I. stock. He said that it would not be surprising to find that in the near future New Brunswick potatoes would command a higher price and a larger market than any other stock.

"Since the Marketing Board scheme and the new grading regulations came into effect, New Brunswick potatoes have not only been commanding equal prices on the larger markets, but have been moving to the trade almost to the exclusion of other equally priced stock," the agent said.

"The trade and the consuming public generally have recognized that the more delicate flavor and finer texture of New Brunswick potatoes are outstanding. New Brunswick potatoes cook a pure white, while potatoes

CORONERS ACT, ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN BILLS

Two brief bills, one to provide minor amendments to the Coroners' Act and the act respecting illegitimate children were introduced in the New Brunswick Legislature yesterday by Hon. W. H. Harrison K.C., attorney general of the province. Under the Coroners' Act amendment depositions taken at coroners inquests will be filed with the deputy attorney-general at this city in order that they may be looked over to ascertain if prosecutions are required, said Mr. Harrison. Formerly such depositions were filed with the clerk of the peace for the county at which the inquest was held.

Under the amendment to the Illegitimate Children's Act, if a charge is dismissed under the act, the judge may, in his discretion, order the payment to the defendant by the overseers of his costs of defence, including his costs before the magistrate. The awarding of the costs thus will be left to the discretion of the judge and not made mandatory.

from other sources frequently have the objectionable quality of cooking dark or turning dark on standing. These valuable qualities have been obtained only after years of careful breeding and selection and attention to the influence of soil and climatic conditions."

FREDERICTON IS SCENE OF A NOVEL BIRTHDAY PARTY

An Indian Bride Mourns Deportation

Beauties of the City Extolled as 150th Anniversary of City as Capital is Celebrated--Birthday Cake and Addresses Featured the Ceremonies.

A novel birthday cake carved in snow on the very banks of the Saint John river, and amounted with one hundred and fifty burning candles, which last night lit up the A & B Club grounds and reflected the N. B. Legislative Buildings in the background, tokened the 150th birthday of the city of Fredericton as the capital of New Brunswick.

Hundreds of the citizens as well as school children and the Boy Scouts gathered at the scene and from the verandah of the A & B club house, His Worship Mayor W. G. Clark, Hon. Dr. Murray MacLaren, the Lieutenant governor and Premier L. P. D. Tilley delivered commemorative messages.

Lieutenant Governor MacLaren urged the citizens and the young people gathered, to reflect the beauties of their surroundings in their lives. Premier Tilley urged a patriotic love for every inch of New Brunswick soil and Mayor Clark asked the citizens to continue their pride in the capital's beauty and to carry on the record of prideful citizenship.

March From City Hall

The ceremony at the A & B Club house was preceded by a march of school children and Rover Boy Scouts from the city hall, where they assembled at seven o'clock last evening. En route down Queen Street to the scene of the "birthday cake" the youths were treated to bags of candy which had been donated by the merchants. The school children represented this city, Devon, and the Devon Indian Reserve and they were marshalled into parade formation by Sergeant Major Herbert Endall, assisted by the Rover Scouts. The York Regiment band led the parade.

With the candles lit, the ceremony opened with the band playing "O Canada".

Lieutenant Governor MacLaren spoke of the province's first governor, Sir Thomas Carleton, who was in office for 33 years, and of his eight-day tramp on snowshoes from Fredericton to the city of Quebec to visit his brother, Sir Guy Carleton.

He pointed out that he had no brother in Quebec, and that the house was in session, so Premier Tilley would not let him go.

He said nothing was so beautiful as the elms of this city and the citizens of the city were most gracious and kind in their reception of himself and family, he added, and he and his family were very happy in Fredericton. He concluded by wishing the city many happy returns of the day, after which he was greeted with three rousing cheers.

"Help Yourself To Cake"

Premier Tilley's remark that each boy and girl should receive a slice of the cake was met with good-natured laughter.

The Premier continued that Fredericton was one of the most beautiful cities of its size in the Dominion. In reading the history of the province, he found that on February 22, 150 years ago, an order-in-council was passed authorizing the laying-out of the capital into town lots.

Among its lists of mayors were included many distinguished men. He congratulated Mayor Clark for being in office for nine years. He urged the children to be proud and honored to call themselves Canadian citizens. After the playing of the National

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COASTAL SHIPPING BILL REJECTED

Govt. Turns Down the
Railway Board Regu-
lation Plan

OTTAWA, Feb. 23—The government last night turned down a bill to place Canada's coastal shipping under the control of the Dominion Board Railway Commissioners. It was proposed by A. W. Neill (Ind., Comox-Alberni).

Hon. R. J. Manion, minister of railways, said it would not be feasible to place Canada's passenger and freight boats under the Railway Board especially when the Great Lakes were not included. Canadian ships might be prejudiced if they were under the board's control while foreign vessels were not. The minister said he had received many protests from shipping interests all over the country.

D. B. Plunkett (Cons., Victoria), opposed the Neill bill. It would lead to disaster, he said.

Hon. Dr. P. J. Veniot, former post master-general, also opposed the Neill bill.

When the Speaker called for the division, there was a feeble response of those in favor while those in opposition were thunderous in their response. There was no recorded vote, the bill being killed.

OPPORTUNITY FOR EDUCATION IN RURAL DISTRICTS

Improved educational opportunities in many of the rural districts of the province due to improved economic conditions was reported in remarks in the annual report on the schools of this province, which was tabled in the Legislative Assembly yesterday by Hon. A. J. Leger, K.C., provincial secretary treasurer.

Among other things the report says that schools which have been closed for a year or two have been re-opened. In places where new settlers have been granted lands, provision has been made to give the children of those settlers a chance to get an education. School districts have been established and new school houses erected. The average salaries of the teachers in 1934 in all classes showed a decrease from the average salaries prevailing in 1924.

The total number of teachers employed during the year was 2,713 for the first term and 2,753 for the second term. The expenditure from the provincial revenues for the payment of grants to those teachers, in a total of 2,516 schools, amounted to \$356,467.65. This compared with \$344,629.41 paid to 2,641 teachers in grants in 2,422 schools in 1933.

The total amount of county fund for the school year was \$240,229.72, which was disbursed as follows: To Trustees of the public schools, \$220,063.47; to schools for blind, \$11,521.61; to schools for deaf, \$8,644.64.

An approximate estimate of the total expenditure for public school services, not including the grants to the schools for the blind and schools for the deaf and dumb, was given as follows: Voted at annual school meetings, \$1,922,036.32; county school funds, \$220,063.47; provincial funds disbursed by the education office 523,098.11; making a total of \$2,665,797.90.

Is Left Stranded on B.C. Reserve and Can't Do Anything About It—Loses Protection of the Dept of Indian Affairs.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 23—International law has rent a North Vancouver family asunder and left the wife, an Indian woman, on the Capilano reserve.

Joseph Laveri, an Italian, deserted from his ship at Vancouver in December, 1926. He married Margaret Lewis of the Squamish tribe, sister of Louie Lewis, lacrosse player, at the church on the reserve and settled down to married life.

About a year ago Laveri was out of work and forced to seek relief. Inquiries were made, the upshot of which was his deportation to his native Italy a few days ago. His wife, a native of Canada, is left behind with none to care for her.

It appears that the Italian steamship company from whose vessel Laveri deserted was assessed \$1500 when he failed to return to his ship.

Since Laveri's whereabouts were established with his application for relief, the steamship company petitioned the immigration department for his deportation to Italy to reimburse themselves on the \$1,500 bond. Laveri was deported. Meanwhile his wife, an Indian, through her marriage to a white man, has lost the protection of the Department of Indian Affairs.

According to Andy Paul, well known member of the Squamish tribe, Mrs. Laveri is left without legal rights because no department of the Government has any jurisdiction in her case and she is left stranded.

CHANGE AFFECTS INQUEST EVIDENCE

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CITY CONGRATULATED

His Worship Mayor W. G. Clark has been in receipt of telegrams of congratulation from the mayors of the cities of Quebec, Verdun, Montreal, Truro, N. S., Moncton, and Saint John on the occasion of the 150th "birthday" of the City of Fredericton as the capital of the Province. Yesterday in the N. B. Legislature the felicitations of that body were extended the city. Dr. W. W. White, of Saint John, declared that Fredericton was one of the most delightful little cities in the Dominion of Canada. Its beauty which was enhanced by its beautiful public buildings and its many lovely residences could not be exceeded, he said. The hospitality of its people was renowned, he pointed out.