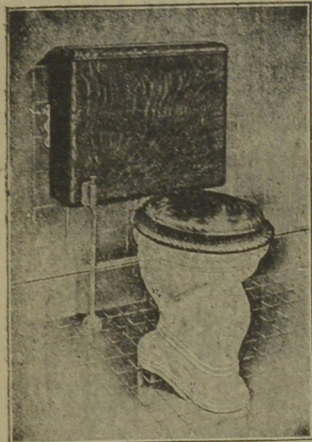


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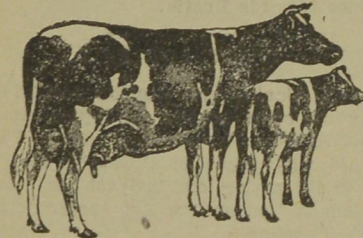
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## MALICIOUS ATTACK ON TWO GABINET MINISTERS

The chance of baiting Lloyd George is considered fine sport enough among certain classes of Conservatives, but when they have the unique opportunity of coupling him with Sir Rufus Isaacs the pleasure is much increased. There are some financial transactions that are so intricate that they cannot be explained to the common people, and it might be very difficult for a Minister to explain satisfactorily and convincingly that he had not been engaged in such, if it were charged against him with enough vigor and persistence. The present case, however, is quite easy to understand. Sir Rufus Isaacs was told by his brother that he had underwritten a good many shares of American Marconi stock at a figure that he thought would make them profitable. The brother advised Sir Rufus Isaacs to take part in this block of shares, Sir Rufus being a member of the Cabinet and knowing that a contract with the British Marconi Company was likely to come before the Cabinet shortly for consideration, asked his brother if there was any connection financially or otherwise between the British Marconi Company and the American Marconi Company. He was told that there was no such connection and took the stock. He later made an offer of some of it, as a thing in the future of which he had faith, to Mr. Lloyd George and the Master of Elibank. They each took over part of his holding, he assuring them, as he had been assured, that there was no connection between the American and English companies. As was expected the agreement with the British Marconi Company came before the Cabinet a little later for consideration, and on the signing of the contract shares ran up in value from \$1.00 to \$10.00.

Presumably as the result of this principle, the American shares advanced at the same time. On the rapid rise, both Sir Rufus Isaacs and Mr. Lloyd George sold a small fraction of their stock. When, however, the contract which Sir Rufus Isaacs and Mr. Lloyd George had helped to draw out was more carefully examined, it was found that the Company had the worst of the deal. Shares in the British Company tumbled and by sympathetic action there was a slump in those of the American Company. Shares went far below the value at which these men, of whom one at least, Sir Rufus Isaacs, is considered somewhat of a financier, had bought them, and as they still hold by far the larger part of the blocks, which they had bought, they are heavy losers on the deal. The attempt to prove that these Ministers speculated in shares which they expected to be increased in value by their action as Cabinet Ministers, has proved a fiasco. Whatever they did as buyers of stock, it is a fact that as Ministers in His Majesty's Government, they secured a contract for the company that has proved so good for the government, and so bad for the company that the company has asked to be allowed to withdraw from the agreement, and its shares have decreased instead of rising in value.

It is equally absurd to claim that they took a heroic course as Ministers of injuring the company in which they were deeply financially interested, for as has been stated they had no interest in the company. Their sole interest was in the American Company. There are two reasons why this baiting of Mr. Lloyd George and Sir Rufus Isaacs has gone so far. The first is, that Mr. Lloyd George is hated by many of the opposing political party for his land tax, and for the three Insurance Acts against old age,

against sickness, and against being out of work. Sir Rufus is just as bitterly hated by certain classes on other grounds. He happens to be a Jew, and he happens to be in line for promotion for the Lord Chief Justiceship, the highest permanent office in the gift of the government, one for which there is great rivalry, and one which has never before been held by a Hebrew. That the objection to these two men personally has been the incentive of the attack, is partially corroborated by the fact that none of it has been directed against Baron Elibank, formerly Master of Elibank, and Chief Liberal Whip. This man is an aristocrat of the aristocrats, and while he was equally interested with other participants in the deal, never a word is directed against his share in it. The weakness of the attack was evident from the first, the continuance of it will but act as a barometer against those directing it—Montreal W. News.

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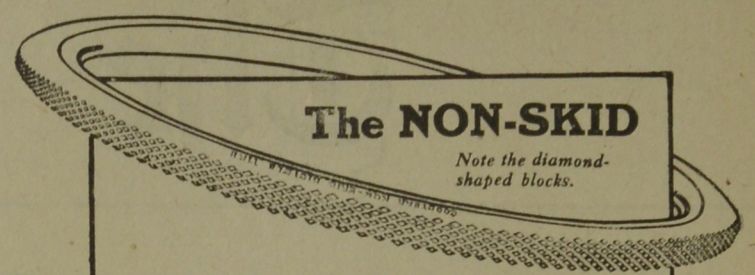
George R. Cotton, governor of Porto Rico, 48 years old today.  
Charles Herbert Moore, former professor of art at Harvard University, 73 years old today.

The American Federation of Labor had 1,913,420 members in January of the present year, according to the last report of Secretary Frank Morrison. It is predicted that before the next convention in November the membership of the Federation will exceed two millions.

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New York, N. Y., April 10—Attorney General not likely to oppose U.P. plain if court at St. Louis accepts it.

Governor of Missouri vetoes the bill permitting Standard Oil to continue business in that State.

Despite Ouster decree Corn Products Refining Company in answer to Government's suit, says condition of trade make it impossible to monopolize or establish prices.

New York Stock Exchange will not open until noon on Monday on account of the funeral of J. P. Morgan.

Governor Sulzer will send a special message to the Legislature today urging the passage of a state wide direct primary law.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit lends \$1,000,000 to New York City.

Tariff Bill expected to pass House as a single measure.

Bank of England rate unchanged at 5 per cent.

London settlement concludes tomorrow.

121 industrial decline 0.33, 20 active railroads declined 0.50. American stocks in London firm 2 y to 4.

Wm. E. McEwen, publisher of the Duluth Labor World and a member of the United Association of Plumbers and Steamfitters, is a candidate for Mayor of Duluth.

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