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FARMERS AND CONSUMERS TURNED DOWN AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, April 14—The Dominion Council of Agriculture, speaking for organized farmers throughout Canada, pressed upon the Borden government the necessity of removing the Canadian duties upon wheat and wheat products in order that, under the Underwood Tariff of the United States, Canadian wheat and wheat products might secure free access to the American market. The same request was made by the farmers' organizations of Western Canada. In western legislatures the request was endorsed. Even in Manitoba, where a Conservative government is in power, a resolution calling for free wheat was passed unanimously.

Again and again it was pointed out that the markets now open to the Canadian grain-grower are not adequate, that it is impossible for him to dispose of his grain in good season and at the most favorable price. It was pointed out, too, that lack of free access to adequate markets, coupled with unfavorable transportation conditions, had made wheat growing in the west an industry of practically no profit and that the flow of immigration and the development of the country was suffering in consequence.

From the side of the consumer it was pointed out that the removal of the duty on flour must mean a reduction in the price charged the Canadian user by the Canadian miller, who today sells his product to the British consumer, thousands of miles away, for less money than he demands from the people of Canada.

But the millers and the railways protested to the government against yielding to the farmers' request. The millers wished neither for the competition of the American miller in the purchase of Canadian wheat, since that meant that a higher price would be gained by the Canadian grower of wheat, nor for the competition of the American miller in the Canadian

four market since that competition must mean an end to the present monopoly in the Dominion by which the Canadian artisan and business man is compelled to pay an excessive price for the flour he uses, and the bread he eats.

In his budget speech Mr. White made answer on behalf of the government to the counter claims of the farmers, on the one hand, and the millers and the railways, on the other.

The millers and the railways won out. The government, placed in power by the millers and the railways and the other privileged interests, had given heed to the commands of its masters.

The wishes of the farmers of the Dominion counted for nothing with Mr. White and his colleagues in the Borden government when the Special Interests spoke. Mr. White announced to parliament and the country that the duty on wheat and wheat products would not be removed—and in the same speech he announced to parliament and the country that the tariff would be increased on iron and steel and certain other products upon which the Special Interests had demanded increased duties, which mean increased profits for those interests. Mr. White was not only bold in his declaration that the government would not meet the wishes of the farmers. He went further. He clearly indicated that consideration for the railways of Canada, those built and those under construction, had influenced the government in its decision.

The farmers made plain to the government what they wished. They made it plain that they, the men most concerned in the grain-growing industry, do not desire tariff protection for their products. They made it plain that existing conditions were making wheat growing unprofitable in the west, hindering the de-

WEATHER MAN KIND FOR GOTHAM PARADERS

New York, April 12—The Easter parade today had weather conditions which were nearly ideal. They could not have been brighter, and if the strong breeze did not please participants in the parade the spectators did not object to it in the least.

By ten o'clock hundreds were entering St. Patrick's Cathedral, where admittance was by card, and hundreds more were standing on the steps. The parade reached its meridian of brilliance at about one o'clock, as crowds were leaving after church services.

During the noon hour the dull black and brown spots in the crowd were swept over to the edge of the sidewalk by an increasing current of bright silks, feathers, and shining tiles.

When the parade got under way on the sidewalk an automobile and horse show started on the street. It grew into solid divisions, each a block long, moving in regular patterns from block to block when the traffic policemen willed it. Dozens of machines were very evident in new Easter machines.

"MOVIE" HALTS THE PARADE

A moving-picture concern had possession of one of these cars, which was stationed on the fifth street corner of Fifth avenue, opposite St. Patrick's Cathedral. The lens was aimed at the cathedral steps while the crowd was filing out. When this was over the operator aimed his machine at the sidewalk near the bus on the west side of the street, and began to take pictures of the parade in progress. The first few feet of film were good, but as soon as the people saw they were getting into moving pictures they quit marching and stood at attention under the bull's-eye of the camera. In a few minutes the whole block was jammed with persons struggling either to move on down the street or to supplant someone who was sticking to his position in the film with a pertinacity that bordered on selfishness. The congestion here lasted for more than an hour and seriously blocked the parade.

There are no statistics to show the quantities in which denizens and strangers were mixed yesterday. There were probably two or three hundred thousand of both classes.

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Development of the western provinces, lessening the purchasing power of the western farmers and hence, lessening the amount of farmers' purchases from the factories of the east.

What they wanted was of little importance to the Borden government. The Special Interests were opposed to the farmers and the government elected and chosen by the Special Interests were deaf to the agriculturists.

When the steel and iron men wished more protection for their products, the government turned to them a willing ear. The increased protection was given.

The men for the farmers, the laboring men, the other everyday citizens of Canada is plain. The Borden government is not a government for the people but a government for the Privileged Interests.

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Shreveport, La., April 16—Comprehensive plans whereby the rural schools may become a potent agency in making farm life more attractive and encouraging the "stay-on-the-farm" principle are to be formulated by the Louisiana State Teachers' Association at its annual convention which began here today. Nearly one thousand teachers, county superintendents and others interested in educational work are attending the sessions, which will continue through the remainder of the week.

MEETING OF WATER AND LIGHT EXPERTS

Atlanta, Ga., April 16—The Tri-State Water and Light Association began its fourth annual convention here today with an attendance of members from many of the leading cities of Georgia and North and South Carolina. President A. J. Sproule of Greenwood, S.C., called the gathering to order and Mayor Woodward of Atlanta, delivered an address of welcome. During its two days' sessions the association will discuss such subjects as the purification and treatment of water, the conservation and protection of water supplies and various problems relating to municipal lighting.

MAY DELAY JACQUES CARTIER BY-ELECTION

Ottawa, Ont., April 14—The by-election in Jacques Cartier caused by the resignation of Hon. F. D. Monk is not likely to be held until after the session. It is reported that Hon. Sydney Fisher may be the Liberal candidate.

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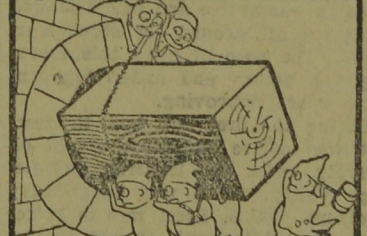
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