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SPLENDID NEWS

The White Commission on Maritime subsidy revision claims had its first formal meeting at Ottawa on Wednesday, and with business-like despatch agreed unanimously upon the following procedure:

- 1. Premiers of Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia to file with the Commission briefs covering their respective cases on or before Nov. 15.
2. Counsel for the Dominion to file brief in reply on or before December 20.
3. Counsel for the provinces and the Dominion to meet the Commission at Ottawa on Jan. 10 for the purpose of argument upon the briefs submitted.

The Commission has been empowered by the Bennett Government to take into consideration and deal with the recommendation of the Duncan Commission that there be a revision of the financial arrangements between the Dominion Government and the Maritime Provinces. The terms of reference are regarded as sufficiently broad to permit the fullest review of the financial arrangements between the Maritimes and the Dominion Government. It is also announced that the Commission plans reporting its findings in time for the next session of Parliament.

This is great news for the Maritime Provinces. Prince Edward Island is vitally interested in the matter of subsidy revision, and the result of the presentation of our case by the MacMillan Government will be awaited with the keenest interest. There is a feeling of confidence, not only in the ability of our Provincial representatives to make out a strong case, but in the equity and sympathy which they will receive from the Commission under the chairmanship of Sir Thomas White, whose Island colleague, Chief Justice Matheson, has first hand knowledge of every detail of the subsidy question, and is qualified in a truly outstanding degree to discharge the responsible duties of his appointment as Maritime representative on the Commission.

MARKETING SCHEME

It was plainly evident, from the lengthy discussion at Wednesday's joint meeting of potato producers and dealers, that the need of a marketing scheme under the provisions of the Dominion Marketing Act is generally realized. Many were inclined to extend the scheme to turnips as well as seed potatoes. All who spoke endorsed the purpose of the Marketing Act and seemed desirous of having it put in effect as speedily as possible, so as to be of advantage in the marketing of this season's crop. The dispute which arose, and which prevented the passing of the scheme submitted by the committee appointed at the shippers' meeting previously held, centered chiefly about the constitution and election of the local board which is to administer the scheme. The committee's suggestion was that the provisional members of this board shall consist of one appointee from each of the following groups: the P.E.I. Potato Growers Association, the Associated Shippers, Incorporated, the Canada Packers, Limited, the Wholesalers, and the Independent Dealers. Complaint was heard from many quarters that this did not give the primary producers a fair representation. True, there is further provision for the appointment of a committee of five producers to consult with the local board on matters of pooling, price fixing and "any radical or extreme procedure," but under the scheme as presented the appointment of these producers rests with the local board, and not with the producers themselves.

One member of the draft scheme committee maintained that it would be impossible for producers and dealers to work satisfactorily together, on one board, and that the dealers were best qualified by experience to administer a marketing scheme. On the other hand, many who expressed a sincere desire to have the scheme in operation were dissatisfied with an arrangement which, they claimed, would place matters almost entirely in the hands of non-producers.

Again, it was complained that the Provincial Marketing Board, appointed by the Provincial Government under the enabling legislation passed at the last session of the Legislature, had been entirely ignored in the scheme submitted, which provides that if a question arises in which unanimity of the local board is impossible the question must be referred to the Central Marketing Board, Ottawa, for decision.

In view of the criticism of the scheme as submitted, the meeting

advisedly decided to postpone decision until all concerned have had the opportunity of studying its provisions. The Provincial Marketing Board have been authorized to receive and consider the scheme, to give it wide press publicity, and to call another meeting in a week's time, when the whole proposition will be further, and it is hoped finally, considered. In view of the importance of the matter, and the general recognition of the need of prompt action of some kind, there is no reason why a unanimous decision cannot be reached which will be satisfactory to our farm producers who rightly regard their interests as paramount. We do not want a repetition of what occurred in the potato industry last year. The Marketing Act provides a remedy against such a contingency, but all concerned must be prepared to work together to make it a success.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Ladies Music Club open their season with a concert of the highest class on Monday.

The Queen Square School Hall should be too small for the adjourned meeting of potato growers and shippers.

What's in a name? If, for instance Jean Macdonald were to change her name to Jehanne Madonaleski, wouldn't her performances command greater adulation and appreciation by musical snobs?

If the farmers want to be fully represented on their marketing board they had better hold a meeting by themselves, and nominate representatives to speak and vote on their behalf at the adjourned meeting. It is essential that the actual growers or producers have a say in the fixing of prices. Now is the time to act.

The three starch factories at Murray Harbour, Hunter River and St. Peter's are buying approximately from 5,000 to 6,000 bushels of potatoes per day at from 12c to 15c per bushel according to starch content, and will use 225,000 bushels during this month and next. This is a slightly better price than dealers are alleged to be offering in the open market, and, moreover, the stock does not require to be graded.

The fight between Ontario's dismissed Commissioner of Securities, Col. Drew and Attorney General Roebuck, waxed fast and furious. The Col. launched a direct broadside in the Globe at his enemy, accusing him of giving his brother-in-law Mr. D. H. Walkinshaw a high position in the assurance department although previously he had his license cancelled as an insurance broker. The Colonel invited an action against him for slander by the Attorney-General, who has refrained, but has put up Walkinshaw in his stead.

Hon. C. P. Fullerton, Chairman of the Railway Trustee Board, is indignant that his remarks at a private function in Halifax have been published, more especially as he was misquoted. The trouble is that the Press considers that public questions a public man has no right to confine his views to a mixed audience of 50 men who are under no restriction as to secrecy. You cannot prevent men who hear such speeches telling their friends about them, and, if they chose, the Press as well. Only the risks of such second hand reports are mistakes such as Mr. Fullerton complains of.

The fishermen are certainly well pleased with their cooperative marketing experiences. "We entertain no misgivings as to the very important part which it will play in your future" the directors report. "Particularly advances along this particular line of endeavor include connections established in Great Britain for the sale of Canned Lobster and in the Island of Jamaica for pickled spring mackerel, dried salt cod and other cured fish. In both cases actual transactions have been conducted with not only very satisfactory results to the actual participants, but far-reaching as well. We refer particularly to the higher prices obtained by a number of producing groups, due to their being in a position to avail themselves of marketing services inaugurated during the past year.

Mr. P. D. Ross of the Ottawa Journal has declined to take his dismissal as Hydro representative at Ottawa from Mr. Stewart Lyon, chairman, and ex-editor of the Globe. Mr. Ross declares he has been despitely used, his successor

Notes By The Way

Austria will shortly introduce compulsory military service, it is announced; but Austria cannot do this under the Treaty of St. Germain. It is also said that a system of training young boys for military service will be started soon. Russia, Germany and Italy are all doing this systematically. How the treaty may be interpreted as affecting this in Austria is open to debate; even if it does not violate the letter, it is against the spirit. On the other hand much water has run under the bridge since the Treaty of St. Germain was signed.

Practically one German in every ten is expected to apply for a war decoration—the Cross of Honor instituted by President von Hindenburg shortly before his death. Six million are expected to be eligible for the Cross. This Cross is to be given in three classes: (1) Actual combatants in the war; (2) Those who did military service without actually being under fire, and (3) Widows, orphans and parents of those who were killed in action. It will be recalled that the Cross of Honor was placed among President von Hindenburg's decorations at his funeral, while Herr Hitler is said to have given German to be decorated with the Cross.

The dismissal of the director of the French secret police and of the prefect of Marseille and the resignation of the minister of the interior were inevitable. The organizations in charge headed failed, and those in charge must pay the penalty. They were responsible for the safety of individuals who were killed in action. They may have taken proved insufficient, and they have brought embarrassment and criticism on their country. It may be hard on them as individuals, but it is the only way to maintain a high standard of efficiency and a proper sense of responsibility in public service.

We are known, and always judged by the companions we keep. Find out a man's friends and you already know him. They may be equals and his inferiors in many respects, but the broad valuation or cross appraisal, is what suggests the estimate. Bad companionship has a worse character than any other agency. No companion worth one's time who does not contribute something, in some way. And each of us must be of the sort to add to the happiness of the companion with whom we associate. No matter how successful a man becomes, he cannot live happily without companions who are able to give what money has never been able to give—rich nourishment to one's mind and heart.

'Tis a peculiar age we're living in, to be sure. Instead of life becoming easier, it grows more and more of a mystery. Get by, one has to decipher baffling cryptograms and unravel queer problems, or else miss most of what is going on. For some time there has been a wholesale epidemic of initials such as the C.O.D., the P.D.Q., the R.S.V.P., the C.O.D., the P.D.Q. It got so bad that one had to tote a code book about to figure out all the hieroglyphics. Let the boys who originate these brain-twisted initials be called initials up until recently when the Curand were decided to call their new boat the Queen Mary, the gigantic craft was known to every

having been named in the Citizen before he had been advised. Mr. Lyon's excuse is that some one representing himself to be the Toronto correspondent of the Ottawa Journal had telephoned him that Mr. Ross was prepared to resign. The comeback of Mr. Ross is most effective. He writes: "I have no doubt that Mr. Lyon got such a message. Mr. Lyon is an sure would not say anything that he did not think was true. But Mr. Lyon is experienced enough in politics to know that the sort of trick of which he has been the victim is a common one. He should not have been taken in by it. He should not defend it now. He knows something of me, and he owes me an apology for thinking that I am the sort of lame cat who would entrust some unknown person with an anonymous telephone message to assure Mr. Lyon that I was ready to resign as soon as the Heppburn Government wanted to fire me."

Forecast provisions designed to bridge high pressure methods of security selling have been proclaimed in the Ontario Gazette. The regulations prohibit the sale of stock to the public by telephone. Calls to offices will be permitted, but not to residences. "Public" is defined as not including close personal friends, business associates, or customers with whom the salesman has been habitually doing regular business. Sale of bonds of any Government in Canada or Great Britain is exempted from the regulation. The exemption also applies to the sale of bonds of any municipality or other incorporated body in the Dominion of Canada which is empowered by statute to obtain money necessary for the payment of interest and redemption of bonds by public taxation. The Gazette also announced the increases in license fees. A \$100 fee instead of the former \$25 will be exacted for registration of a broker or security issuer, with an additional \$50 levy for each branch office. In the case of salesmen the registration fee is raised from \$5 to \$10, with a \$1 fee for renewals or alterations in the registration.

There's a hole in the bottom of the sea—specifically, the Sulu Sea, in Southern Philippine waters—and it's full of fishes with tails like rats, reports Science Service. Examination of the Smithsonian Institution's extensive collections of the so-called rat-fishes, brought in by deep-sea trawlers from all over the world, disclose a surprisingly large number of separate species from this one comparatively small, deep basin in the sea bottom.

We like to have our little essays into the world of crime, it was a world peopled by bold, big men with black moustaches and upturned mustaches in their pockets, and by snaky women who smiled caustically at the camera. It was a world where half-villains and half-heroes and women neither had nor good co-ming and part again. But, being much the same as we were in the earlier days, we still like to be piped out of Hades into the bright sunlight. We like to get back to that world where Rags are Royal Raiment when Worn for Virtue's Sake and where True Blue Harold rules the roost.—E.S.

That Body of Ours

By James W. Barber, M.D.

MEAT OR EGGS NECESSARY FOR THOSE WHO WORK. When it was found that over-indulgence in meat in those who live a "soft" life might cause trouble with the kidneys and bloodvessels, many got the impression that meat was harmful and began to cut down on the amount they were eating or did without meat entirely. Now, when meat is plentiful in our own country it is not so plentiful in others, and research workers are finding that in those countries where the meat supply has become small, the workmen and the workingwomen are gradually losing their strength, and thus their ability to work.

It is /3 proteins in meat that build and repair the body cells, used or broken down by work, and which furnish the best possible form of protein food. Milk furnishes a splendid form of protein because it also is really an animal protein but the percentage of protein is only about 3 or 4 percent whereas good beef has 18 to 20 percent.

Naturally in a baby or a little child milk furnishes all the protein necessary which together with the vitamins and minerals which milk makes milk an ideal food. However as the youngster begins to grow and begins to play—all small animals play—milk does not furnish enough protein food to supply the needs made necessary by this growth. A youngster that is "filled up on milk" may increase in size and increase greatly in weight, but there is not likely to be the muscular strength that should be present. Further, if the youngster is heavy and from the milk only, there he or she will not have much desire for play. And it is play and the desire to play that builds a youngster physically, mentally and socially.

Now milk must always be used as it is Nature's best food for children. Every authority on children agrees that their diet should be built around a quart of milk daily. But as they grow there should be also an increase in the meat or eggs to furnish the extra protein needed. Adults that do physical work should engage in some sport and certainly not cut down on their meat or eggs intake.

householder as the 534. Now to cap the climax, Charles Chaplin, the comedian, has chosen his Hollywood closet to announce the making of his next picture, for which preparations are being made. It will be called No. 5.—W. J. McCulloch in Hamilton Spectator.

It is a remarkable fact that with an aggregate trade not much more than one-third of the Australian, measured in sterling values, New Zealand has for the period surveyed, a favourable commodity balance of almost the same size. For the first six years of the 10, Australia had an adverse balance of nearly \$24,000,000, while New Zealand had a favourable balance of over \$25,000,000. The Australian reversal of the trend of trade has been the more dramatic, and it needed to be. These facts can be very well commended to the notice of thoughtful New Zealanders, not to detract in any way from the achievements of the latter's citizens to stone the Italian consul in various places, and in other Croatian institutions were seized and sacked. It may transpire behind the assassination, and may even be that they plotted, but to assume that Italy as a nation is a government, had any hand in the assassination, seems ludicrous. It is sincerely to be hoped that the Yugoslavian government will be strong enough to repress acts and demonstrations that can begette ill feeling between nations.—Exchange.

Reactions to the murder of King Alexander of Yugoslavia are beginning to develop and unfortunately they are not dictated by caution or logic. The tension that has so long existed in the relations of Italy and Yugoslavia has been broken by the latter's citizens to stone the Italian consul in various places, and in other Croatian institutions were seized and sacked. It may transpire behind the assassination, and may even be that they plotted, but to assume that Italy as a nation is a government, had any hand in the assassination, seems ludicrous. It is sincerely to be hoped that the Yugoslavian government will be strong enough to repress acts and demonstrations that can begette ill feeling between nations.—Exchange.

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Loye Laughing At Locksmiths

(London Times)

Among the recent developments of wireless across the Atlantic is one which sets its own delicate problem for the B.B.C. American programmes, it is well known are commercial in the sense that wireless is in private hands and that business firms may advertise. The desire to please the buying public is extreme; and so it happens that among other amenities, a public lover is now provided, who pours out the very height of ecstasy of love, not in a general declamatory way, but intimately and softly, so that each listener may easily imagine it is meant for her alone. The deep need for admiration and affection is thus, in part at any rate, allayed, and women with stolid and foolish husbands, or with none, are nevertheless able, at the Love Hour, to hear the prettiest compliments and the most charming speeches. The feature is accordingly popular, and is the sort of thing that the makers of soaps and cosmetics find particularly apt for their purposes, better than any concern of soft chamber music, which they have to provide a programme which will leave sweet impressions behind it. A new career, that of the wireless lover, has thus been opened to young men who are not only young and handsome, but in only too many instances, promise actions in real life. The privacy of the home, in which most listening is done, takes away from the effectiveness of many wireless programmes. But it adds to the power of this one, and may have awkward results for American men, whose shortcomings are already freely criticized. The shy and modest young man, meditating his proposal, will have horrible misgivings that his performance shall look too crude and flat by the side of the skilled rhapsodies which have just been switched off because he has not the right flowers.

Men have always had an answer when reproached with the obvious fact that the heroes in novels are more eloquent lovers and more finely acted proposers than the men who actually marry. They can claim to be Novels and their characters, if it is said in reply, are deliberate illusion. That, alas, cannot be said about wireless announcers whose practices, soft, seductive tones actually fill the room, which they would themselves be firmly removed. But no one wants a diet of sugar, and happiness could be yet further increased if, in addition to romantic possibilities made themselves heard at the microphone, women might be made less critical, even in the United States, of their actual partners if real bores came grumbling and grouting an hour at the end of the day, cursing an absence of slippers and pipe and pleasant that the mild remarks of real husbands would lose all their power to exasperate.

Longer Interest Rates (Mail and Empire) Another reduction in the interest rate on bank deposits was announced yesterday. The federal government is succeeding in its avowed purpose of cheapening money as one means of further stimulating the present commercial and industrial revival. Successful conversion loans of an unprecedented size have cut the national interest burden by upwards of \$14,000,000. The administration with the co-operation of the public has replaced war-time loans bearing high rates of interest with peace-time commitments yielding much lower rates of profit. The over-supply of money in the present federal loan by holders of old bonds and by the investing public demonstrates afresh the general public confidence in the Bennett administration. The beneficial results of lower interest rates will be felt by business and industry, agriculture, and the unemployed. It is of particular interest that the man on the land is to have cheaper money as a result of intervention by the federal treasury. Agricultural, over-burdened with debt, are in position under the Farm Debt Adjustment Act, passed at the last session of Parliament, to have their load lightened so that they may escape bankruptcy and remain on their farms in a productive capacity. The Empire trade agreements, obtained through the initiative of the Canadian prime minister, provide them with invaluable preferred markets overseas and the new Federal Marketing Act has already begun to facilitate the sale of many agricultural products on an increasingly advantageous basis.

Maine Potato Problem

(St. John Telegraph Journal) It will interest New Brunswick people to learn that Aroostook County in Maine is moving through its chamber of commerce to secure a government purchase of potatoes for relief purposes, but at the same time to guard Maine growers from competition. Of the situation the Houlton Pioneer Times, while agreeing that a market is needed to overcome the present depressed state of the market, adds this: "The direction of the Chamber of Commerce, many of whom are experienced potato men, were quick to point out that, while Aroostook would undoubtedly need a market for surplus potatoes in an effort to stabilize the price, any subsequent sale of potatoes purchased, in any ordinary purchasing constituent Maine's market, have just the opposite effect. They remembered the surplus potatoes purchased last year in southern states and put on the market for sale had a detrimental effect on the sale of Maine's product. It was therefore stipulated that, in any arrangements made, the redistribution for relief purposes should be outside Maine's selling area."

50 Years Ago

And Since

By FRED COOK

A FLAG QUESTION

When I assumed the office of Mayor of Ottawa in 1902 I realized that one of the questions likely to cause me trouble was the flying of the Union Jack on the city hall on the 12th of July. My friends of the Ottawa Brotherhood had been pressing for the inauguration of this custom for many years, and curiously enough it was a French-Canadian Catholic mayor, Thomas Payment, who had met the wishes of the order two or three years before. Mayor Payment did it of pure devotion. His compatriots laughed at his action; it was Tom Payment all over. But what would they say if a Protestant mayor acceded to the request of the brethren?

Along in the spring I had a call from Major-General Cotton, quarter-master-general at militia headquarters. Apologizing for his visit, the general asked if I was aware of the fact that the only flag flown daily in Ottawa was the stars and stripes—from the window of the office of the consul-general of the United States. I told him I knew such to be the case. General Cotton expressed himself very strongly at the indifference of Canadians to flying the Union Jack, and suggested that I should inaugurate a new policy in that respect at the city hall.

Quick as a flash I realized that this would be my salvation as regards the Orangemen. I warmly thanked Gen. Cotton for his kindly suggestion, and later in the day, when the newspaper men called, I informed them that I was presenting a large Union Jack to the city which would be flown daily on the municipal headquarters, while I was mayor. The newspapers announced that this custom would become effective on the day fixed for the King's coronation in June, and although there had to be a postponement of the coronation until August, due to His Majesty's indisposition, the flag was flown on the city hall on the day originally named. My difficulty had been solved: St. Patrick's Day, St. George's Day, St. Jean Baptiste Day, St. David's Day, The Glorious Twelfth, St. Andrew's Day, were all honored. Everybody was satisfied and I had saved my face.

Some weeks later I met an old friend, Pat Mongovan, on Sparks street. "Pat" was a free lance newspaper man who wrote the nom du plumme of "Rambler." He stopped to shake hands and then I said to him, "Patrick, it is sad news to have to impart. The Union Jack will be flown on the city hall on the 12th of July." Mongovan looked at me in amazement, and then clenching his fist, said "Fred Cook, I worked hard for you for the mayoralty, but I never thought that you would fly the flag as the 'Insign' of bigotry on the city hall. Good day to you." And Patrick turned on his heel and walked away, evidently in a very angry mood.

Two or three days later he met me again, and with hand outstretched and his countenance suffused in smiles, he said, "That was a fine joke you got on me the other day. After I left you I went down to Michael Starr's hotel to meet the boys. To them I imparted the sad intelligence that you had conveyed to me. For a while not one of them said a word and then Mike broke the silence with the remark, 'Pat, you are an old fool. The flag flies on the city hall every day.' Pat laughed again and rambled off upon his daily duties. A year or two later I was telling the story to Mr. Peter Elson, M.P. for East Middlesex (1904-13), and suggested that if he got a favorable opportunity he might urge the hoisting of the Union Jack on all Dominion public buildings. Mr. Elson did so, and today, as a result of his representations, the British flag flies daily on all the public buildings of Canada from coast to coast, and on the Parliament Buildings during the session.

Next—A Timely Word for Ottawa.

A survey of the United States reveals that 40 per cent of the citizens have not changed their residence in the past three years.

The first all-Persian moving picture film was shown recently in Teheran. All scenes were taken in the city or surrounding country.

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The Camerons Take Over (The London Observer) Scotland came into her own recently when the 2nd. Camerons took over London's public duties from the Scots Guards. "A great day for the Camerons," said a Cockney woman in the crowd; and, with all the arrogance of the Scot, one felt like retorting, "No; there an impressive pause, a great day for London." Not for years has there been such a crowd at St. James', and there was a larger number than usual of ex-servicemen among them. There was more than the normal stir when, instead of the swelling brass, the skirl of the pipes was heard, and the crowd was thrilled when the tall drum-sticks were seen flashing above the heads of the pipers. There are few things more terrific than the clan of a Highland bagpiper in his leopard-skin, unless it is the pomp and circumstance of a Highland pipe-major in full blast. And he was there too, with more than twenty of his men wearing their eagle feathers. 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