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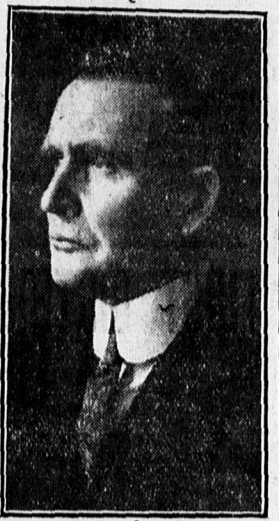
SPLENDID JOINT MEETING AT MOUNT STEWART

Conservative Speakers had Decidedly the Best of the Argument Throughout, and the Meeting was Distinctly Conservative.

The joint meeting at Mount Stewart on Monday night was very largely attended, quite a number of ladies being present. Mr. George Macdonald presided and with one that this was the swan song of a dying government. This Mr. Macdonald said was true of the present government. Mr. Macdonald went on to state that Premier Arsenault's expenditure on the roads was being done in many places. He instanced the road from Southport east which had been made up and machined eight times during the present summer, a gang of men being employed each time. He also dealt with the broken promises of the Bell government. Mr. Wood followed. Mr. John E. Sinclair followed, a substitute for the Liberal candidate, Mr. Russell Clark who has not yet found political voice. Mr. Sinclair devoted his whole speech to the advocacy of keeping the provincial and federal governments "in line." He also defended the sending of that notorious telegram to Dr. John F. McNeill, Sempronis, on the eve of the bye-election. He said he knew it was coming. Mr. J. A. Macdonald followed with one of the best speeches he has ever delivered during the campaign.

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The Able Leader of the Conservative Party Now Busy With Election Campaign

Large Attendances On Second Day Of Chautauqua

Yesterday afternoon and evening two excellent performances were given in the Chautauqua tent. In the afternoon The Ernest Gamble Concert Company gave a musical entertainment consisting of vocal and instrumental selections all of which were pleasingly rendered. Mr. Harry R. McKee gave a lecture on the subject "Your Country in Revolution," which was attentively listened to and appreciated. In the evening The Ernest Gamble Concert Company gave another excellent musical entertainment. The vocal soloists were Miss Martha Reed, soprano and Mr. Gamble; Miss Page giving several violin selections. The speaker of the evening was Miss Ada Ward, an undergraduate of London University. She is a talented speaker and a trained elocutionist. Her subject was "You folks over here." After discussing scenes in France during the war she told in a humorous vein of her first visit to America, drawing a most interesting comparison between customs in America and in England. Her address was interesting, humorous and instructive.

Canada Suffers From Ruhr Occupation

(British United Press) LONDON, July 17.—Canadian trade with Germany especially with the Ruhr district is suffering as a result of the French occupation. The British Empire Steel Company sold half a million tons of pig iron last year but since the entry of the French soldiers they are finding it exceedingly difficult to maintain the market this year. Representatives of Canadian firms in the occupied area complain they are finding the greatest difficulty from day to day in securing from the French authorities an interpretation of customs regulations. "It is obvious that the French are endeavoring to destroy as far as possible in the Ruhr," said the agent of one of the largest Canadian firms operating in Europe. "Regulations governing imports are changed every day with the result that shipments involving many millions are held up. Instructions issued by the government at Paris are not complied with as army officials declare the army is supreme in the Ruhr. Senseless destruction of railways and telegraphs hinder communication between the Ruhr and the rest of Germany and France." It would be quite possible for the Allies to collect a huge sum from Germany by proper methods in the belief of this representative provided proper methods of collection were agreed upon and maintained. French methods however are always but surely strangling Germany's wealthiest industrial province and making the possibility of collection day by day more doubtful and smaller in amount. Germany is quite prepared for an international commission of financiers to discover the exact capacity of Berlin to pay and the German government is willing to accept any scheme of trade and industry provided the method of enforcement of the plan is left to themselves.

PICTOU IN HOLIDAY ATTIRE WELCOMES GREAT THROUNGS

Skirl of the Bagpipes, the Booming of Guns and the Music of Brass Bands Open the Days Celebration. Governor General and Party Given a Royal Welcome. Governor Cox and Party, Press Representatives From Ottawa Given Fitting Reception. Members of Press to Visit P. E. Island This Afternoon.

(Special to The Guardian) PICTOU, July 17.—Pictou was a city today, a cosmopolitan city whose streets were thronged by thousands, whose houses were gaily attired in bunting and flags and whose air reverberated to the skirl of pipes, the discharge of cannon and the blare of bands. The festivities opened early in the morning when the Governor General and the Vice-Royal party arrived by special train over the Canadian National railways. At the station Lord Byng inspected a guard of honor and then drove to the market place where he was officially welcomed by the civic authorities. At the same time in the afternoon His Excellency unveiled a statue to the pioneers of the "Hector," Governor and Mrs. Cox of Massachusetts, who also arrived by a special Canadian National train a few hours before the Governor General was the guests of honor at the festivities. They received a private audience with the Vice-Royal party and in the afternoon were entertained to a tea by the town. After visiting the American warships docked here, Governor and Mrs. Cox held a reception for the press gallery, party from Ottawa who arrived here by special train over the Canadian National railways on Sunday. In the afternoon the press party responded by entertaining the Governor, read by Mayor Floyd, while Mrs. Cox on their car "Souris," warden John Mackay read the address extending a welcome to the Governor and expressing loyalty to the Governor and His Majesty the King. The brief reply was made by His Excellency. Two beautiful bouquets were presented to Lady Byng by Miss Genevieve Anderson and Miss Nancy Moore.

MURRAY HARBOR MEETING STRONG FOR CONSERVATIVES

The opening of the political campaign in the Murray Harbour District took place in the Murray River hall on Friday the 13th. Mr. Bruce Butler was the first speaker. He referred to the \$253,000 deficit which Mr. Bell incurred in the year 1919, also eighty percent of the increase of the deficit on strike. He claimed that the next year the Bell Government had a surplus; all the schools were supplied with teachers and at the end of the term they had paid \$100,000 on the debt. In view of the change that has brought about he claimed he was justly entitled to the increased indemnity and thought that the district would be wisely considering their own interest to return himself and Mr. Bonnell. Mr. M. P. McDonald followed making his maiden speech. He very much pleased his supporters and the audience generally with the manner in which he dealt with the promises and performances of the Bell Government. Mr. McDonald will no doubt be a formidable opponent in the incoming Conservative Government. Mr. Bonnell followed creating much amusement when he began to add the amount of debt which the present government paid off of \$100,000 from the school report that Mr. Butler did not know what he was talking about. He also dealt with the side of the account. He found the people when he stated that an Bell government found eighty schools vacant when they came into power. Mr. Mellish also dealt with the financial question and fully maintained his reputation of being one of the best, if not the best speaker in the province. After a vote of thanks to the chairman, Mr. Sensabaugh and the singing of the National Anthem the meeting closed. Private canvas lay down an embargo on exportation of pulpwood from free hold lands in the dominion.

Suspect Tampering With Sydney Ry.

(Canadian Press) SYDNEY, July 17.—A bolt dropped from one of the rails after the Sydney-Louisbourg express passed over this morning near the place where the rail was moved yesterday. Company officials do not regard this as an accident. The power line, Waterford to Glace Bay, was short circuited through the night, and six or seven hours were required to repair it. The Dominion Coal Company steamer Daghill is loading at the international pier, while two others are waiting in the stream. Ernest Curtis, representative of the Steel Workers' International organization, criticized Premier Armstrong's action in giving out a statement to the press in spite of the agreement to do otherwise. MONTREAL, July 17.—An appeal for financial assistance for the miners of Nova Scotia has been sent throughout the Dominion and to Montreal.

Acknowledgment Cards Subject To Tax Aug. 1st

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, July 17.—The Customs and Excise department announced effective August first that letters and postcards acknowledging payments of ten dollars and upwards are subject to tax on receipts.

Turkish Treaty May Be Signed Tuesday, July 24

(Canadian Press) LAUSANNE, July 17.—The Near East peace conference today formally confirmed an agreement reached between the Allied and Turkish delegates last night and it was decided that treaty would be signed Tuesday, July, Twenty-fourth.

Glace Bay Officials Barred From U. M. W. A.

(Canadian Press) ATLANTIC CITY, July 17.—International president, John L. Lewis of U. M. W. A. today notified officers of District Twenty Six at Glace Bay, Nova Scotia that the charter of the district had been revoked by him effective today for refusal of officers to call on strike of miners at that place. All officers and board members of the district are automatically deprived of their offices and a provisional board is created to function under direct authority of the international union. Silby Barrett of Glace Bay is designated as provisional president. Instructions will be issued according to Mr. Lewis for all striking miners to return to work at once. He-All unions continuing in defiance of these instructions will be summarily dealt with in conformity with the laws of the United Mine Workers.

Charges Of Murder Against Philippine

(Canadian Press) MANILA, July 17.—Sensational charges of cold blooded murder and torture of Moros on the Island of Basilan by members of the Philippine constabulary stationed there have been laid before Governor-General Leonard Wood by Captain Dolpan, of the inter island steamer Midget. The Governor has ordered a sweeping investigation.

Canadian Govt. To Consider Embargo Proposal

(Canadian Press) WASHINGTON, July 17.—The Canadian Government according to an understanding with state department officials will conduct a thorough inquiry before taking any final action on the proposal to lay down an embargo on exportation of pulpwood from free hold lands in the dominion.

SPLENDID RECEPTION TO CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATES

Messrs. Kennedy and McNevin are Given Great Reception in First Queens District. Rousing Meeting at Hope River Monday Night was Strongly in their Favor. Only One Liberal Speaker Heard From.

The Conservative candidates were given a splendid hearing at the political meeting at Hope River Monday night. There was a large attendance and Mr. William Hogan presided very ably and impartially. The speakers were Messrs. A. J. McNevin, J. S. Cousins, Murdoch Kennedy, M. P. P., Dr. W. J. P. McMillan, Mr. Patrick Doyle, and Mr. Hogan. Regret was expressed that Hon. C. W. Crosby, the government member, was too ill to be present. The chairman offered the floor to anyone who wished to speak on behalf of Mr. Crosby. There were no volunteers. Mr. McNevin, the first speaker, was greeted with great applause. He reviewed the promises of the Bell government and the manner in which they had been neglected. Then he went on to speak of the highways work and declared that the amount spent on many roads was not justified by the results, the audience replied "Hear, hear!" Premier Bell admitted he could get no help from his followers in the matter of pressing the Ottawa claims it was sufficient to show what kind of government was in power. They are now going to the country without an Attorney General. The speaker told the hanging names in which the teachers had been treated, until they were on the verge of striking, and said that even with the additional \$100,000 paid out for education the Bell government had still \$200,000 more of revenue than the Arsenault administration. The School Boards Department, which is now being run at a profit of \$3,000 a year, is not serving the people of this province as it should. "The books should be sold at cost." "That is one thing that we propose to do if we are returned," Mr. McNevin declared. A VOICE: You may be sure of that! (Applause.) ANOTHER VOICE: If you were as sure of Heaven you would be all right! (Laughter and applause.) The failure of the Bell government to implement its promise with regard to mussels and cheaper fertilizer rates was emphasized. They promised the fishermen an expert to teach them in regard to the catching, curing, and marketing of fish, and they sent the tax collector instead. They promised to sell liquor to the sick at cost. They claim the increased price is due to the Federal Government at Ottawa, but if so, how is it that the Bell Government got the profits? (Applause.) Mr. McNevin said he would not go into the question of public works since Mr. Crosby was not present. Mr. Cousins the next speaker talked at some length about the deficit of September, 1919. He had not made any broken promises if the Government made false statements he could not uphold them for that. He criticized the War and Health Tax of the Conservative government and received the reply from the audience: "That was an honorable tax, anyway." The liquor profits Mr. Cousins defended on the ground that the money went into the Government before that the profits had gone into the pockets of the vendors. It was just as well to get some revenue from it as to do that. VOICES: But you promised to sell it at cost! Mr. Murdoch Kennedy, the popular member for the Liberal Conservative, firmly greeted. He said he was a candidate who had preceded him and get down to business. The great question is as to the financial conditions. Hundreds of thousands have been borrowed over the heads of the people, and it will take generations to pay it off. Where the Conservatives collected \$91,000 in taxes the Bell Government collects \$190,000. A VOICE: Is that per year? MR. KENNEDY: Yes. Are they together they collected \$400,000 more taxes than we did. We aim to have put the 1919 taxes in our account. But they did the collecting, and not us. How then could it go to our account! (Applause.) The debt today Mr. Kennedy ex-

The Weather, Etc.



TORONTO, July 18.—Maritime moderate westerly winds, fine and warm. High tide this morning at 1:26 and tomorrow morning at 2:21. Sun sets this evening at 7:45 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:27. First quarter of moon Friday, July 20th, 9:32 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

- "Come to the Ice Cream festival and Bazaar at Elliot Hall Fairview Wednesday evening July 18th. 2701-7-17-21.
- "Come to the Ice Cream Social at Presbyterian Church overhead Wednesday July 18. Tea served from five to seven. 21.
- **Reserve Tuesday evening July 24 for Ice-cream Social and Bazaar on the grounds St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Cardigan. 2596-7-16-19-21
- **An Ice Cream Festival will be held on the Greenvale School grounds on Wednesday, July 18th. Proceeds in aid of Greenvale School. 21.