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RUSSIAN LITERATURE FOUND IN RAID AT WHITNEY PIER

(Canadian Press.)

SYDNEY, May 17—Within a few hours after his arrival in Sydney last night, Ernest Curtis, Canadian Vice-President of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, found his quarters at a local hotel in temporary possession of the provincial police.

Documents and literature were seized and carried away for examination. Curtis was formerly an employee of the Besco plant here but several years ago was elected to his present position and since that time has divided his time between Pittsburg, Hamilton, the Soo and Sydney.

The police this morning stated that literature seized in the raid on Steve Firlotts place at Whitney Pier last night included pamphlets issued by Ladofsky, Moscow Government leader and a number of personal letters signed by Ladofsky.

EARLY PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT NOW EXPECTED

(Canadian Press.)

OTTAWA, May 17.—Early prorogation of parliament is the subject of rumors which are gaining currency around the corridors.

June 9th or 12th, are dates mentioned in this connection. It is stated that in order to make prorogation possible, that date it will be necessary for a revision of the Bank Act and the re-distribution bill to go over to next session.

DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET PRODUCES ADVERSE CRITICISM

Conservative Says it is a Political Budget and Progressive Says it is a Rich Man's Budget While Liberal Says That the Liberal 1919 Platform Should Not be Taken as the Standard.

(Canadian Press.)

OTTAWA, May 17—Dr. R. K. Anderson, Conservative, Halton, in the budget debate today said the present budget appeared to be drafted not so much for the purpose of dealing with the exigencies of the present national situation as for political effect.

It was colorless and featureless. Instead of reducing duties the Liberals had increased them on an average while the Finance Minister had practically accepted the principle of protection. There were other converts to psotection of the government side, including the Prime Minister and the Minister of Agriculture.

Mr. Anderson expressed himself convinced that the time had come when the budget should be balanced and a sinking fund started with which to reduce the national debt. The Minister of Finance had taken no step in this direction.

The offer of reciprocity was something the people of Canada turned against in 1911. If reciprocity were brought about it would necessitate the changing of the whole transportation system of the Dominion. He said he could not vote for the amendment because of the reciprocity idea and neither could he vote for the budget. He would therefore vote against both.

R. J. Woods, Progressive, of Dufferin, said the reduction of the Maximum tax on cheques to one dollar marked the budget as a rich man's budget. The United States with its high tariff had nevertheless taken care of the farmers. Farming implements entered that country absolutely free.

W. D. Euler, Liberal, Waterloo, was of the opinion that the platform of 1919 should not be permitted to shackle the government in the matter of tariff or any thing else. Mr. Forke, he said, had criticized the budget in that it did not carry out the 1919 platform. Yet Mr. Forke did not offer as an amendment the platform of the Progressives which called for free trade with Great Britain after five years. He depreciated the "Holier than thou" attitude of the Progressives and also the statement that both old parties took their orders from the "big interests."

Turning to the National Railways Mr. Euler expresses the greatest optimism in their future.

"I believe that in less than five years they will pay not only operating expenses but also fixed charges."

When that time arrives profits should be applied to decreasing rates. The present system should not be loaded down with all the obligations of the roads prior to their being taken over.

"BOOKS AND READING" SUBJECT OF FINE ADDRESS

Splendid Lecture Last Night at St. James Hall by Dr. H. L. Stewart.

Before a large audience at St. James' hall last night, Dr. H. L. Stewart of Dalhousie University delivered in a delightfully interesting manner his final address on the occasion of his present visit his subject being "Books and Reading." This topic fascinating to everyone who reads, was given with numerous digressions upon his own individual experience in reading which very much increased the charm of the lecture. His easy and conversational style and his extraordinary gift of presenting in clear cut language his subject matter, was never exhibited to better advantage. The audience came prepared to hear something worth while from Dr. Stewart, and everyone carried away some vivid impression or suggestion which will be remembered for a long time to come. Rev. W. Orr Mulligan presided.

Dr. Stewart spoke of the enormous mass of literature which is every year issuing from the press, and the consequent urgency of the need for some principle of selection by which the reading public may be guided .He pointed out that far less than the reasonable degree of profit is obtained from literature owing to three causes: (1) Many people read too much, or (2) read the wrong kind of books, or (3) fail to take pains in preserving the results of their reading.

It might seem, the lecturer said, an extraordinary statement to make that many people read too much. The contrary vice was undoubtedly more prevalent in a great proportion of our communities. But it was quite possible to over-read. An analogy might be drawn from the food of the body. This must be carefully proportioned to one's powers of digestion, and these powers were by no means alike in all people. So, too, a sort of intellectual dyspepsia was not seldom induced. Milton,—himself a great bookman—had uttered a warning against this error, insisting that thus wisdom is often turned to folly. The mind becomes surfeited and clogged; material is swallowed far in advance of the power of assimilation, and the "waste products" are not satisfactorily eliminated. Dr. Stewart reminded his audience of the rule observed by the French philosopher, Auguste Comte, who prescribed for himself a periodic discipline of intellectual fasting under the name "Carebral Hygiene."

Again, people often read the wrong kind of books. Choice in this matter was like the choice of one's friends, Bacon had wisely said that a man should have but a small circle of real "intimates," and the society which a man admitted to his inmost habitual thoughts and reflections in his library should be sifted with a like care. In this matter far too much was left to chance, to the random action of enterprising advertisement, and far too much attention was paid to the so-called "fashionable" books, the "best sellers," often the mere flotsam and Jetsam of publishing offices that had been pushed or puffed into an ephemeral notoriety. Not only should there be a strict avoidance of the books that are positively evil; one's time was so limited and so precious that there was no need to waste it upon books other than the best. The task of advising the public as to the best in current literature was laid upon that afflicted class of men—the reviewers, who are doomed to ransack all that comes from the press. The general reader would do well to rely upon the counsel of such really authoritative guides. Moreover, in respect to the older books the "great assize of literature" had already been held; its decisions had been given; and in regard to the works of permanent value those in the very first class had their place assigned with tolerable finality. It was one of the most wholesome features of our literary period that the best books of all are now the least expensive.

Dr. Stewart pointed out that a further cause of failure lies in the lack of care taken by most people in conserving the fruits of their reading. He quoted the wise old saying in the Book of Proverbs about him who "roasted not what he took in hunting." The great mass of literature which the average reader has scanned is allowed to perish from his memory because he has adopted no system for keeping hold of it, comparable to the system he uses in the important affairs of business life. A scrap-book, a file, a card catalogue of references, some sort of machinery by which one will have suggested to him the right thing at the right time from the books he has read—herein might be found some remedy for the wastage. It was a safe rule to observe that whatever book is worth reading at all is worth making notes to preserve what has been got out of it. And such notes to be of value, should be individual. No man's scrap-book can be of the same value to another as to him who has prepared it, for it should connect what has been studied with the earlier content of the mind and the special interests for the sake of which it was extracted.

The lecturer advised everyone to have a "focal" as well as a "marginal" interest, to have a hobby of some kind in reading, to unite with a desire to know the general outlines of all sorts of subjects, a desire to be thorough and complete in regard to some one field. Everyone, for example, will want to know the broad outlines of what has been discovered in science, the salient points of contemporary discussion on public affairs, the fundamental facts of history, and so forth. But the knowledge of the specialist in all of these fields is not for the average man to seek. The average reader, however, should have some favourite pursuit. In regard to this he should make a persevering study of the best books, while in regard to the subjects of "marginal" interest he may well content himself with the best magazines and reviews.

A hobby for which a special plea was made was biographic literature. Good biographies were commended as the quickest and at the same time the most interesting avenues for historical progress. A plea was entered, too, in favour of really good fiction as the most vivid form of presenting the social features of an age. Dr. Stewart urged an interest in controversial writing, pamphlets social and political and religious, as a means of widening and broadening one's sympathies and of acquiring a sympathetic understanding of views other than one's own. He urged his audience not to neglect the great masterpieces of style, both in prose and verse. Our language, he said, had deep musical melodies whose charm could be appreciated only by those who had studied them as displayed by the great experts in artistic speech. Writers like Froude, Cardinal Newman, Burke, might be read with advantage altogether apart from the opinions they expressed, just for the sake of the entrancing music of the form. And it was an excellent rule to choose, say for each winter, some one first-class author and to live with him until his mind was intimately known to the reader in all its phases, like the mind of a familiar friend.

The great purpose of literature, the lecturer said, was education, and the great purpose of education was to impart to the mind a new elasticity and breadth. It was with this end in view that our rules of reading should be defined and observed.

At the conclusion of Dr. Stewart's address Rev Mr. Mulligan announced that tentative arrangements have been made to have Dr. Stewart here in the Fall to give a course of lectures, the suggested subjects being, George Eliot, George Bernard Shaw, Mrs. Henry Ward, Lord Bryce, Frederick Harrison, Carlyle, Biography, Luxury, Leisure, What We Owe to The Greeks, etc., etc. Dr. Stewart leaves this morning on return to Halifax.

S. Schooner Ashore And Breaking Up

(Canadian Press.)

EAST HAMPTON, N. Y., May 17 The three masted schooner Ruth Cliffe out of Parrisboro, N. S., driven ashore by yesterday's gale, three miles west of the coast guard station here was today breaking up upon the beach.

The schooner fourteen days out from Turk's Island with salt for Rocksport, Maine, was standing in a heavy fog with only a few rags of canvas showing when she was seized by a high wind and carried into the surf line where the crew narrowly escaped when they made shore in a lifeboat.

Natives prepared to launch small boats for salvage, thinking the Northcliffe a liquor boat, but they were disappointed.

Message From Ship, Lost Five Years Ago

MONTREAL, May 17.—The washing ashore at St. John, N. B., of a plank bearing the message, "Lost ship and crew "me, Capt. Burns" survives" is believed to tell of the loss five years ago off Barbadoes of the schooner E. E. Armstrong. Captain Burns was the skipper of that ship.

The most romantic aspect of all is that the plank with thousands of miles of Atlantic seaboard to choose from came to rest in the home port of the vessel, St. John, from where she had made her last voyage.

Steamer Damaged By Ice Off C. B.

(Canadian Press.)

NORTH SYDNEY, May 17.—The steamer Blackheath, iron ore laden from Bona, Algiers, arrived this morning with the forepeak broken and flooded as a result of encounters with ice off this port last night. The ship will be surveyed this morning.

Canadian Suicides in U. S. Jail

(Canadian Press.)

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., May 17.—Thomas Cassen, aged thirty of St. Catharines, Ontario, committed suicide in the local jail here last night.

He was awaiting trial on a disorderly conduct charge.

Labrador Gold Find Is in Disputed Area

OTTAWA, May 17.—The Dominion Government has not waived any rights of sovereignty which belong to the Dominion or to the Province of Quebec within the territry covered by leases in Labrador which are said to have been obtained from the Newfoundland Government by a gold mining company.

In the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, C. A. Gauvreau, (Liberal, Temiscouata) asked a series of questions in regard to this mining company, which were answered by Hon. A. B. Copp, Secretary of State.

Mr. Copp said that if the territory was such as advertised by the company, then the whole of the area covered by the leases was in dispute between the Newfoundland Government and the Dominion Government. It was not probable that the Newfoundland Government could acquire any advantage by acts of administration while litigation was in progress.

Enjoyable Meeting

The Men's Clubs of St. Peters and St. Pauls Churches met in joint session in St. Paul's hall last evening. There was a very good attendance of the men of both congregations, Mr. A. A. Pomeroy presided. The first item on the program was a solo by Mr. Stubbs, of St. John, who is the possessor of a very fine voice and was twice encored. This was followed by an address from Judge Warburton, who on this occasion took as his theme the early history of Presbyterianism in P. E. Island and also dwelt upon the splendid missionary work performed by that body in foreign lands.

Mr. Chas. Earle was in splendid voice and rendered a sea-song with admirable effect, and as an encore sang "Canada, My Home." Rev. Mr. Malone Rector of St. Peters chruch contributed much to the enjoyment of the evening by an excellent address in which he described the Island of Monserrat, the customs of the people and other features of interest in that tropical isle. The next item was a reading by Mr. Geo. Beers, whose rendition of "Lasca" was well received and in response to an encore he gave Kipling's 'Mother o' Mine," equally well.

One of the most interesting features of the evening was a short address by Rev. Mr. Raymond who told of his trip to Vancouver as a delegate from this Province to the convention of the Bible Society. He outlined some of the splendid work being accomplished by that body and his remarks were heard with a great deal of interest.

Before the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the ladies of St. Pauls. The appreciation of the members was voiced in a vote of thanks to the ladies for this much enjoyed feature of the gathering.

The proceedings were brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

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Sir Henry Thornton Optimistic As To Future of C.N.R.

(Canadian Press.)

NEW YORK, May 17.—That he had never been more optimistic regarding the future of the Canadian National Railways than he was at present, that he had not been hampered by political interference since accepting the presidency and that he was confident the large deficit of the lines operated by the Canadian government would ultimately be a surplus, was the hopeful outlook expressed by Sir Henry Thornton when he arrived here today for a series of business conferences.

U. S. Minister Delivers Ultimatum To Chinese

(Canadian Press.)

TSAOCHWANG, Province Shantug, May 17—Get the foreign captives out of the grip of the Suchow bandits and talk terms afterwards otherwise there will be drastic action was the ultimatum laid down to the Chinese government officials late yesterday, by Dr. Jacob Schurman, United States minister to China.

THE RURAL MAIL CONTRACTORS WANT A CHANCE

OTTAWA, May 17—In an endeavor to secure better terms for the rural mail contractors from the Government, the Canadian Mail Contractors' Association had addressed a circular letter to the members of the House of Commons and Senate. The abolition of the contract system and the introduction in its place of a salary system is asked. A yearly salary of $40 per mile of the route covered is asked. For contractors operating between railway stations and steamers and post offices, a salary three times the present rate is asked. They desire the increased rate to be retroactive to January 1, 1917, to offset losses which it is claimed contractors have incurred in the last few years. Saturday holidays with full pay, and the removal of all rural mail boxes from the left to the right hand side of the road, to avoid accidents, are among other requests.

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Another Steamer Ran Ashore in Bay of Fundy

(Canadian Press.)

ST. JOHN, May 17.—The Norwegian steamer Pluto from New York for Walton, N. S., to load plaster, ran ashore in a dense fog on Quaco Ledge, 30 miles up the Bay of Fundy from here at six in the morning and got off later under her own steam, but is leaking badly.

She arrived off St. John at noon with a tug standing by and will go on the Market Slip.

The Pluto is nine hundred tons.

Marathon Dancing A La Francaise

(Canadian Press.)

PARIS, May 17.—Marathon dancing a la Francaise is the latest choice morsel on the Paris amusement menu. It combines all the delicate refinement of the six-day bike race and the ball room and adds the polishing French touch to the crude American system of just plugging along.

The French dancing federation announces its six-day contest will begin at midnight, May 18, the winners to be selected on points of grace, ability and endurance.

Each team will be composed of two couples who will relieve each other in the arena whenever they wish. Jostling rivals will be absolutely forbidden and medical attendance and food will be furnished by the management.

It is at this point that French etiquette steps in to dictate rules. Evening dress must be worn from eight in the evening to six in the morning. During the rest of the day soft shirts and soft white collars will be the mode.

Aerial Pullman Coming Soon

LONDON, May 17.—Plans for an aerial pullman are being examined by British aircraft authorities. A great slim metal saloon, like a long tapering pullman car, is the basis of the idea.

Covered with smooth, gleaming sheats of a featherweight metal alloy, this great air coach will be designed to rest on a long framework which will have wheels like a railway coach. The conveyance, which will have day and night accommodation will run on ordinary into a railway station to receive its passengers. When they are abroad an engine will take it to an airdrome outside a city, where it will be brought to a halt in the centre of a strange intricate framework of widespread wings and machinery. The coach shedding its railway wheels, will then slide into postiion above a powerful pneumatic tired airplane chassis to which it will be bolted.

Thus in a few minutes a railway car will be transferred into an airplane.

800 Head Cattle Leave Montreal For England

(Canadian Press.)

MONTREAL, May 17.— Eight hundred head of cattle left here this afternoon by the White Star liner Welshman for England and were in charge of Forester Hill the English cattle breeder.

Bandits Rob Manitoba Bank Securing $3,000

(Canadian Press.)

WINNIPEG, May 17.—Overpowering the teller who occupied chambers overhead, bandits looted the Bank of Toronto at Mather, Manitoba, early this morning, escaping with three thousand dollars.

Russian Volunteers Join up For War Against England

(Canadian Press.)

MOSCOW, May 17—Many volunteers are offering their services to fight England in the event of a break over the present crisis.

It is firmly believed war is inevitable.

War Clouds Again Gathering Over Balkan States

(Special to The Guardian.)

LAUSANNE, May 17.—Renewal of the Turco Greek war in which Serbia is threatened as an ally of Greece and Bulgaria as and ally of Turkey is threatened. Such a Balkan war it is feared might precipate another world struggle.

Two Greek submarines attempted to approach Dikla, but were forced to withdraw.

Twelve Persons Killed When Chemicals Explode

(Special to The Guardian.)

ENSENDA, Lower California, May 17.—Twelve killed in an explosion at Tuxpam when a drunk dropped a lighted match into a vat containing chemicals.

The fiery liquid scattered over the crowd, igniting their clothing. Several jumped into the river and were drowned.

The Weather, Etc.

TORONTO, May 18.— Maritime moderate south to south west winds, showery and wram.

High tide this morning at 11.54 and tomorrow morning at 1.11.

Sun sets this evening at 7.29 and rises tomorrow morning at 4.23.

First quarter moon Wednesday, May 23rd, 10.25 a. m.

Great Powers of Oxford University

LONDON, May 17.—There was a sequel in the House of Commons today to the recent banning of theatrical activities at Oxford by Vice-Chancellor Farnell of Oxford University after a license had been granted by the civic authorities for the performances.

It was pointed out in the House today that the University posseses powers over markets, weight, measures theatres and travelers by train, thus competing with authorities established by Parliament and not confined to Oxford or members of the University It was also pointed out that the University exercised criminal jurisdiction, not connected with the powers of the Vice-Chancellor as a magistrate, extending to the whole of England nd not confined to students in the University ad also civil jurisdiction in respect of contracts anywhere in England, if one of the parties to the suit was a member of the University. The questioner suggested that legislation should be enacted revoking these powers. In reply the Attorney-General, Sir Douglas McG. Hogg, said he had no reason to believe that this jurisdiction had been abused, and he knew of no grounds for taking the action suggested.

Rotary Club

Rotary as Club was the subject of an admirable address, delivered by Rotarian Dr. Stewart of Dalhousie University at the Rotarian luncheon yesterday.

Dr. Stewart dealt with certain candid criticisms which have been levelled at Rotary. Its so called "superficial frivolities" are condemned. It is called a Booster's Association existing for the greater glory of certain individuals. Its motto "Service before self" they say, is not lived up to and moreover, Rotarians shouldn't take credit for discoveting that ideal which existed long before Paul Harris founded rotary. It is also charged that the professions of Rotarians are not followed up by achievements.

The speaker said that the untrue criticisms may readily be answered. It is the criticsms which are true or partly true which deserve the serious consideration of the members. He thought that Rotarians are inclined to be a little boastful about the things they are undertaking. Too much emphasis is often laid upon calling members by their Christian names. Common sense must be used. The essence of the Rotary idea is sound. It is a great step forward in ushering in the new world order (which is succeeding the great war) by casting down class barriers, bringing men closer together into sympathetic relationship and a more intimate understanding of each other's feelings, dispositions and ideas.

At the conclusion of the address, a vote of thanks was extended the speaker by the chairman Mr. Wm. Rowe.

Among the guests present were Rev. Wm. Orr. Mulligan, Rev. Ross Eaton, Rev. W. M. Ryan and others. A pleasing feature of the afternoon was a solo excellently rendered by Mr. Stewart Stubbs.

British Premier's Resignation Again Current Rumour

(Canadian Press.)

LONDON, May 17.—Political circles attach importance to the departure of Lord Beaverbrook for Paris to join Bonar Law, fresh rumors having arisen that the Premier's health is causing apprehension and that his resignation is possible.

It is generally believed Beaverbrook holds very definite views about Bonar Law's successor.

Lord Carnarvon's Estate Valued At $2,000,000

(Special to The Guardian.)

LONDON, May 17.—Lord Carnarvon left an estate of $389,927 pounds. His widow will sell the Egyptian treasures to the English Museum for twenty thousand pounds. If they don't want them she will sell to the American museums.