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## ONTARIO FIXES DATE FOR ALL FUTURE ELECTIONS

### New Election Bill Includes Definite Date for all Future Provincial Elections. Parliamentary Term to be Four Years.

(Special to The Guardian.)  
TORONTO, March 24.—Ontario hereafter escapes all the uncertainty and speculation as to the date of a general provincial election. The new election act brought down in the House yesterday by Premier Drury sets a definite date every four years. The Premier in his explanation said positively that the present assembly would continue until August 31, 1922, and that a general election would be held that year and on every fourth year thereafter. The bill specifies that nominations shall be on the second Thursday of October and the polling day on the second Mon-

day thereafter, giving ten days instead of seven between nominations and election.  
The Premier in reply to Major Tomlin, after his review of the bill, admitted he had not mentioned bye-elections stating that the government would bring this point up at discussion of the bill and would welcome suggestions. The Premier invited opposition suggestions to make a perfect election day.

His review was applauded heartily by the Liberals who seemed well pleased with the general features of the bill.

## Anthracite Miners Threaten Strike

(Dom. Press Special.)  
NEW YORK, March 24.—Anthracite coal miners meeting here today considered the demand by the miners union officials that any wage increase granted after April 1, when the present contract expires, be made retroactive to that date. The miners threatened to strike on April 1 unless this demand is met.

## Features of Fur Sale at Montreal

(Dom. Press Special.)  
MONTREAL, March 23.—Ottawa was the feature of the afternoon sales by the Canadian Fur Auction Sales, Limited, here today. The highest price paid was \$105 and it was stated that the prices ranged about 35 per cent. higher than those paid at the last auction sales at St. Louis. Ermine skins went at \$4 and 38,433 of them were sold. The sale has been running behind schedule and it is possible that evening sales will have to be held to end the auction by the close of the week.

## CONDENSED SPECIALS

WANTED SMART GIRL FOR Linotype. Apply Guardian Office.

FOR SALE—LOBSTER GEAR for all good repair. Apply to John A. McDougall, Canoe Cove. 7855-3-25ME21pd.

WANTED—HOUSEHOLD MENDING or plain sewing by experienced needlewoman. Apply 202 Great George St. 7862-3-25-ME21

WANTED—AT ONCE A SECOND hand invalid chair. Apply 157 Prince St. 7863-3-25-ME21pd.

MINK WANTED—RANCH BREED. Must be dark. No. 1 quality, for export to Europe. Will pay \$100 pair. 7861-3-25ME31pd.

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WANTED AT ONCE, MAID TO assist with general housework and able to do plain cooking. Washing sent out. High wages to right person. Apply 245 Queen Street, Charlottetown. 7805-3-32-ME31.

WANTED—RELIABLE ERRAND boy for drug store. Apply at Guardian Office. 7495-3-9ME1f.

WANTED—TWO ROOMS AND board for three people. Apply stating terms to "S" care of Guardian. 7633-3-16ME1f.

WANTED, BY MAY 1ST, HOUSE with modern conveniences and centrally located. Apply "M", Box 116, city. 7454-3-6ME1E

THIRTY HOUSES FOR SALE in city. For further particulars apply at office of Mark R. McGuigan, Solicitor. 7838-3-24-ME61

FOX FEED FOR SALE—WE have on hand a few thousand pounds of small size codfish more than we require for our regular trade, which we can offer to Fox Ranchers at the right price. Quality guaranteed absolutely fresh. Matthew & McLean, Limited, Souris, P. E. I. 7860-3-25ME10pd

## China Able to Defend Herself

(Special to The Guardian.)  
PARIS, March 24.—All the recent reports of appeals by China to Japan for Japanese aid in resisting the spread of the Bolshevik movement in Mongolia and Manchuria are either based upon misinformation or deliberate propaganda.  
China feels that she is fully able to guard that part of the trans-Siberian railroad which is no longer protected by United States. The military agreement between China and Japan made in 1917 designed to check the Austro-German menace then threatening to extend to Siberia, expired with the end of the war and China is now sufficiently strong to defend her own borders. As for what is happening beyond her own borders China has adopted a strict non-interventionist attitude which applies both to Russia's internal affairs and to whatever differences may arise between Japan and Russia.

## German Balloon Falls in Rumania

(Special to The Guardian.)  
BUCHAREST, March 24.—A German dirigible balloon headed for Moscow, fell near Hotih near Cernovitz. Its officers and 300,000 rubles worth of supplies were also found. Justice Mathieson, President of the court was occupied by Dr. W. J. McMillan, 1st Vice President with whom were present Messrs Percy Pope, W. P. Tidmarsh, H. M. Van Buskirk, Canon Simpson, Reginald Atken, G. J. McCormac, A. E. Morrison, J. E. Bell, S. F. Hodgson, and J. O. Hyndman.  
Mr. VanBuskirk, chairman of the Finance Committee made a statement respecting the same and Mr. Tidmarsh, representing the Boys' Naval Brigade and the Educational Committee gave a report on these branches of the work. He reported that the Committee had purchased 200 yards of blue serge to equip the boys of the brigade with suits which will be provided at an early date. He also pointed out the difficulty attending the purchase of suitable rifles. At present he is in communication with military departments in England with a view to purchasing the necessary supply of rifles.

## Monthly Meeting P.E.I. Navy Brigade

A meeting of the Prince Edward Island Branch of the Canadian Navy League was held yesterday afternoon in the Home on the Esplanade. In the absence of Chief Justice Mathieson, President of the club was occupied by Dr. W. J. McMillan, 1st Vice President with whom were present Messrs Percy Pope, W. P. Tidmarsh, H. M. Van Buskirk, Canon Simpson, Reginald Atken, G. J. McCormac, A. E. Morrison, J. E. Bell, S. F. Hodgson, and J. O. Hyndman.  
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## THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE TIDE, MOON ETC.

TORONTO, March 25.—Moderate south winds fair and mild. The tide will be high this afternoon at 1.05 and tomorrow at 1.47. It will be low tomorrow morning at 3.04 and Saturday at 4.09. Sun sets this evening at 6.20 and tomorrow at 6.22; it rises tomorrow morning at 5.50 and Saturday at 5.49.

## Is There a Ku Klux Clan in Ireland?

(Dom. Press Special.)  
LONDON, March 24.—It is now declared there is in Ireland a secret anti-Sinn Fein organization operating along lines similar to the Ku Klux Klan and formed to avenge the numerous brutal murders recently of soldiers, policemen, members of Royal Irish Constabulary and other loyalists. The theory is advanced that the murder of Mayor MacCurtain of Cork may have been the work of this organization.

## Tension in Ireland Near Breaking Point

(Dom. Press Special.)  
LONDON, March 24.—Tension throughout Ireland has been increased since the breaking point in the excitement growing out of the assassination of Lord Mayor Thomas MacCurtain of Cork, dispatches said today. The inquest on the Lord Mayor's body adjourned late yesterday after counsel for the defence had insisted that the dead Sinn Fein leader was killed by the police. He declared the raiders who shot MacCurtain carried rifles like those carried by the police and said a number of men dressed in civilian clothes and carrying rifles were seen to enter the police station shortly after the murder.

## Transvaal Gold Coming to N. Y.

(Special to The Guardian.)  
NEW YORK, March 24.—The banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb and Co., received today on the steamship New York \$1,250,000 gold from London, the first shipment of transvaal gold to reach the United States this year. The bank announced some time ago that they had succeeded in buying the metal at the London auctions. In addition to the present shipment, \$1,100,000 of the transvaal gold was recently bought by Kuhn Loeb and Co., but this lot has not yet arrived. Last year about \$5,000,000 worth of transvaal gold was bought in London by American interests.

## Strong Evidence in Winnipeg Trials

(Dom. Press Special.)  
NEW YORK, March 24.—George H. Lovett of Winnipeg testified yesterday at the trial of Harry M. Wintsky, local secretary of the Communist Party, charged with criminal anarchy, that in the Winnipeg strike in 1919 when the city was tied up, manifestos of the Communist party gave approval to the strike. Federal agents said the manifestos were written at Communist headquarters in Chicago.

## A Sudden Death in Charlottetown

A very sudden death occurred in this city about 9 o'clock yesterday morning at the residence of Mr. Eric McLean, 95 Sydney St. Mrs. Artemas Clow, of North Wilshire, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. McLean, was in the act of washing herself when she suddenly expired. Her daughter had just received a letter and was going upstairs to tell her mother something of its contents. When she got to the door she found it hard to open and on gaining entrance was shocked to find the prostrate form of her mother on the floor lying partly against the door. With the assistance of another person she was lifted onto a sofa. A physician was summoned immediately and upon his arrival soon after pronounced the woman dead. Heart disease was the cause of death.  
The sad affair is deeply regretted and much sympathy is felt for those bereaved. Deceased was 59 years of age.

## Annual Meeting Anti-Tuberculosis Society

This evening the annual meeting of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society will be held in St. Paul's Hall. This is a meeting that always, and very properly elicits the attention and the interest of all classes of citizens, and one that should be very largely attended. Apart from the report of the years work, which will be submitted, there is an additional interest this year in the fact that Dr. Porter, Secretary of the Dominion Anti-Tuberculosis Society, an authority on the subject will be present. It is in the general interest that the widest sympathy with this movement and the heartiest co-operation in the preventive means adopted by the society, should be evidenced by the citizens and it is hoped the attendance tonight will be in keeping with the importance of the matter in hand.

## PEACE WITH VARIATIONS AGAIN PREVAILS IN BERLIN

### Bauer Government Makes Sweeping Concessions to Extremists and a Socialist Cabinet is to be Formed. General Elections to be held Shortly.

(Special to The Guardian.)  
LONDON, March 24.—The Bauer Government has come to terms with the extremists at the cost of sweeping concessions, according to a Copenhagen despatch to the London Times. A socialist cabinet is to be formed which will try to reestablish order and hold general elections.  
The state troops will be immediately withdrawn and Berlin workmen's guards formed. The general strike will be stopped but instantly resumed if the Government is unable to effectuate the stipulated conditions.  
The foregoing agreement was reached this afternoon between Secretary Bauer and the Trade Union leaders and was followed by a split in the independents. The smaller part of whom joined the communists.

## A THRILLING WEEK AT ESSEN

LONDON, March 24.—Describing last week's events at Essen, Reuters Berlin correspondent says that at noon Friday the Spartacists severed an ultimatum on the peace commander that they would bombard the town hall unless the police surrendered within half an hour. The Spartacists placed their trench mortars and 10 centimetre guns around the hall. Capitulation with all the honors was eventually agreed to. Relying on the agreement a detachment of police left the building whereupon they were suddenly surrounded in a narrow street and forced by heavy fire from the houses to lay down their arms. They were then driven by the crowd with blows from rifle butts into prison. Other detachments were exterminated without pity. Only a few of the police who happened to be without uniforms escaped.

## Clash Between Admiral and Senator

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Cross-examination of Rear Admiral Sims was concluded today by the Senate Committee investigating his criticism of the Navy Department's method of conducting the war.  
Admiral Sims was charged by Senator Pittman, Democrat, Nevada, with a desire to "turn over the whole American Navy to the British during the war regardless of protection of the coasts of the United States," and with "having favored the French policy, certainly not the American policy, of sending raw, untrained troops to France."  
"The testimony, before this committee, proves to my satisfaction that you relied very largely on the British Admiralty for your opinions and recommendations," declared Senator Pittman. "You talked freely to Americans abroad during the war of your belief that the American expeditionary force transport system had broken down, and on November 9, 1918, you still thought General Pershing's supply arrangements behind the Argonne front had broken, and you never expected him to succeed there."  
"That is the veriest kind of rot," retorted the Admiral, "no officer of my experience, not to say record, would allow himself to be governed by any such policies."

## Propose Ban on Silk Stockings

(Special to The Guardian.)  
PARIS, March 24.—A ban on the importation of silk stockings has been decided upon by the government as a means to improve the exchange rate. Twenty million women who have no large stock of silk hosiery are praying for quick restoration of the exchange rate with Germany, hoping the exchange rate on the mark, so favorable to France in some respects, will induce finance minister Francois Marshall to take drastic action allowing them to obtain the coveted silk stockings. Last year instead of exporting silk hosiery France was obliged to import from the United States twenty million pairs valued at half a billion francs.

## Soldiers \$2,000 Gratuity up Again

(Special to The Guardian.)  
OTTAWA, March 24.—Supporters of the \$2,000 gratuity proposals almost flooded the Commons with petitions today, there being half a dozen from Toronto alone introduced to the House by Sir A. E. Kemp and H. C. Hocken. Several thousand names were attached.

## U.S. War Regulations To Be Repealed

(Special to The Guardian.)  
WASHINGTON, March 24.—Immediately repeal of all war legislation will be urged upon the House leaders tomorrow by representative Porter, republican of Pennsylvania, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Mr. Porter made this announcement today after he had informally discussed conditions resulting from the refusal of the senate to ratify the treaty of Versailles. He said the repeal of the war legislation is the only remedy for the condition in which the country now finds itself.  
The other plan, a resolution declaring that a state of peace exists between the United States and Germany, is only a make-shift. While the president might decline to sign a peace resolution it is not believed that he would go so far as to resist efforts on the part of congress to remove war restrictions from the country.

## Many C.N.R. Men To Retire Shortly

(Dom. Press Special.)  
MONTREAL, N. B. March 23.—It is reported in railway circles that a large number of C. N. R. employees in different branches of the service are shortly to retire under the Provident Fund Act. It is said the number dropping out of the service on maritime lines within the next month will reach as high as 150, and will include employees in the offices, shops, train service and track department, etc., some of the oldest and best known conductors in the service are slated for retirement at once.  
The Provident Fund Board however has to pass upon the names of those retiring voluntarily or otherwise.  
W. U. Appleton, C. N. R. Mechanical Supt. G. E. McCoy, Master car builder, W. E. Burns, master mechanic and James Stewart of the Fuel Dept., left today on an inspection trip over the Halifax and South-western. W. C. Roberts auditor of Stores and Mechanical accounts, Toronto accompanied the party.

## Buy in Canada Says Finance Minister

OTTAWA, March 23.—Extensive purchases in Canada as the surest palliative for the adverse exchange situation was the chief point in a question given by Sir Henry Drayton, Minister of Finance, to the Canadian Purchasing Agents in convention here today. Canadian purchasing agents held the remedy in their own hands and it was established that they could apply it by purchasing goods and materials in Canada wherever possible.  
Sir Henry's informal address which was given at a private luncheon, did not contain any official pronouncement of Government policy on International Exchange and he requested that his speech be not made public.  
A number of speeches will be made at the convention this afternoon by the Canadian agents. The convention ends tonight.

## Household Science Course for Female Dependents of Soldiers

A course in Household Science is to be opened in the Kindergarten Hall, Charlottetown, today for the female dependents of returned soldiers who are settled in this province. This course is being established here, under the direction of the Home Branch of the Soldiers' Settlement Board.  
Miss H. G. Campbell, of Toronto Assistant Director of the Home Branch in the city making arrangements for opening of the course which will last six weeks. It will comprise various branches of Household Science, cooking, laundrying, sewing, Millinery etc. There will also be instruction, both theoretical and practical, given in preparing poultry raising and dairy men. There are about twenty applications at present and it is understood there are openings for several others. Arrangements will be made to entertain the students in the city. The Home Branch furnishes free board, lodging as well as tuition to every pupil taking the course. Further particulars will be announced later. This is the first course of the kind in the East under the above Board. In the West these courses have been in operation for some months with very beneficial results.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

The McDonald Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mr. Wilfrid Boyer, Bunbury, Thursday, March 25th 2.30 p. m. 7812

## CANADIAN SHIPBUILDING DISCUSSED IN COMMONS

(Special to The Guardian.)  
OTTAWA, March 24.—Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Marine, announced in the commons today that the nineteen ships composing the government merchant marine in operation up until December 30 last, had net earnings of \$1,406,000, after five per cent. depreciation insurance and all other charges had been met. This information was given when the House was considering in committee the supply bill for another \$20,000,000 to complete the government ship building programme.  
The gross earnings, the minister said, were \$3,448,030 the government policy as to whether or not the shipbuilding industry which was under consideration would be subsidized would not be made known until the budget was brought down.

## MEETING YESTERDAY OF GRAND ORANGE LODGE

The fifty-ninth annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island opened in the new lodge rooms of Boyne Lodge, Cameron Block, Charlottetown, yesterday afternoon. There was a large attendance representatives from all the Island Lodges being present. Grand Master G. D. Wright presided.  
The Lodge opened with Scarlet Degree.  
The reports of the Grand Master, the Treasurer, the Manager of the Orphanage, and the Ladies Aid were submitted and were all very encouraging.

## Grand Secretary's Report.

The Grand Secretary reported one new lodge organized during the year, one lodge reorganized and another organized after the close of the year. He also made fitting reference to the great loss the Lodge had sustained by the death of Rev. D. McLean, Professor Hurst still continues to do good work in the school at the orphanage. At present there are 24 children in attendance.

## The Orphanage Manager's Report.

The Manager of the orphanage reported that there were thirty four children in the Home. Twenty one have been taken out by parents, guardians and one died. This number leaves the Home with 13 children. The cost of the issue of 13,860 days rations or 41,580 meals in the last year. This divided into the total expenditure as shown by books, gives a cash maintenance cost of slightly over 33c per head per day. Some of the main items were: meat, \$207.67, groceries, \$337.97, flour, \$557.39.  
Produce sold amounted to \$1027.07. Produce not yet consumed is worth \$1,355; consumed at home, \$347.60 worth of milk, eggs, beat flour, etc. The cash balance is a total farm production of \$3,318.10. The specialty of the farm is milk production. The scales reveal that there was produced on the farm 48,410 pounds being 2,200 pounds more than last year.

## Air Station for Truro

TRURO, March 23.—At a special meeting of the Board of Trade in the Town Hall this evening, an agreement was effected with the P. E. I. Aerial Transportation Co., Ltd., which operates the Devere Aviation Limited, and Eastern Canada Air Lines for the establishment of the Company's headquarters and factories at Truro. The expenditures of the Company will be more than \$30,000 for sites and buildings. On their part, the Board of Trade will endeavor to subscribe among its members \$25,000 worth of stock in the Company. Capt. L. E. D. Stevens and Lieut. Logan Barnhill were present, representing their Company.  
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## While government supporters lauded Hon. Mr. Ballantyne, they apparently believed the shipbuilding industry would be the salvation of the country.

Some opposition speakers characterized the administration's policy as a blunder, several of them strongly advised the government to get out of the shipping business as quickly as possible. Dr. Michael Clark, Red Deed of the farmers party, lined up with those opposed to line of national vessels. Hon. J. D. Reid minister of railways interested the opposition from some liberal members of railing that the liberal party was urging disposal by the government of its fleet.  
Hon. W. L. MacKenzie King, the liberal leader, reminded the House that he had expressed no opinion on the subject.

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