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WITNESS GIVEN 48 HOURS TO PRODUCE BOOKS

In Addition He Must Report Daily to the Customs Inquiry Committee—Stevens Urges Making Example of Gauthier.

OTTAWA, May 19.—J. H. Gauthier, a partner in the R. & G. Company of Rock Island, Que., manufacturers of overalls and shirts, was today given 48 hours to produce books and documents which the auditors of the customs inquiry committee have been unable to locate.

Stevens Protests

At one point Hon. H. H. Stevens protested that Gauthier was "just trading with the committee." This was when the witness answered, "I don't remember" to the question whether or not he ever smuggled goods into Canada.

Gauthier was called to tell where the committee might obtain the missing books and documents which have been unable to find.

Elected President of Canadian Historical Association

OTTAWA, May 19.—Professor George M. Wrong, Toronto, was elected president for the coming year at the closing session of the Canadian Historical Association here.

Condensed Specials

TO LET—NO. 172 KING ST. APPLY AT 36 Kent St. 9390-5-20-31
WANTED—A MAID. APPLY TO Mrs. George J. Rogers, 230 Prince Street. 9338-5-18-31

LOSES PRESTIGE



DAVID LLOYD GEORGE

Lord and Lady Byng Leave For East This Morning

(Special to The Guardian) VANCOUVER, May 19.—Baron and Lady Byng now on a farewell visit to Vancouver will leave for the east at ten o'clock Thursday morning instead of at 2.30 p. m. as previously planned.

Russell Scott is Mentally Sound

(Canadian Press.) CHICAGO, May 19.—The State commission named to investigate the sanity of Russell Scott, slayer of a Chicago drug clerk, has reached a conclusion and while no official announcement was made of the decision, the Herald and Examiner says it has learned from an authoritative source that the former Canadian financier has been found mentally sound and will be returned to Chicago.

Evangelistic Services At the Central Christian Church

A season of intercession and a real live service of song along with a heart-lifting solo by Mr. Woodruff preceded a message of rare power by the Evangelist.

Much Grain Handled At Port Colborne

(Special to The Guardian) PORT COLBORNE, May 19.—Port Colborne elevators broke all records for grain handling during the opening week of the 1926 navigation season according to figures issued today.

Only Peace Time Armaments Can Be Limited

(Special to The Guardian) GENEVA, Switzerland, May 19.—Only peace time armaments can be limited by any conference of nations. This provisional agreement was reached at today's session of the preparatory disarmament commission, which decided that it was impracticable at the present moment to think of reducing the ultimate war strength of countries.

CONSERVATIVES STRONGER NOW THAN EVER

Allowed Credit for Defeating General Strike—Baldwin Stands Supreme.

LONDON, May 19.—The future of David Lloyd George as the leader of the Liberals in the House of Commons is hanging in the balance, British United Press learns from inside sources today.

(While he has not actually threatened to resign it is known that Lloyd George is highly dissatisfied with the attitude of his party toward the strike. He feels that a great opportunity for the revival of Liberalism has been lost and that the Conservatives have been allowed to get all the credit for defeating the strike and promoting a mutually satisfactory settlement.)

Blames Newspapers

Lloyd George is also very disappointed in the fact that the Liberal newspapers all over the country were the slowest to resist the attempt of radical labor to suppress the newspapers and were the last to recover from this paralysis, as a result of which they have lost much influence to the Conservative papers which displayed far more enterprise and determination.

Party Strength in Present House

At present the House is divided as follows: Liberals 101; Conservatives, 116; Progressives, 24; Labor Independents 2. This gives a majority of 13 for the Government assuming that it receives the full support of all parties save the Conservatives.

House Sings While Division Bells Ring

It was a drowsy house which managed to rouse itself somewhat by English and French songs while the division bells summoned the members. The day itself brought a revived interest in the debate. Premier King made his first lengthy speech since his return to the House in the Prince Albert by-election.

Text of Conservative Amendment.

OTTAWA, May 19.—The text of the Conservative amendment to the Budget reads: "In the last general election campaign assurances were repeatedly given by the Premier and other ministers of the crown that before further tariff changes were made, an opportunity would be given to industry affected thereby to be heard before an advisory board."

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BUDGET CARRIED IN FEDERAL HOUSE BY MAJORITY OF 13

The Vote Was on Strict Party Lines—Liberals and Associated Groups Voted Solidly in Favor of the Main Motion, Conservatives Solidly Against it—Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen Absent From the House Through Illness.

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, May 19.—Nearly five weeks of Budget debate in the House of Commons concluded this morning by the Government securing a majority of 13—the largest majority given to a government measure this session.

It was 3.30 o'clock when the last speaker took his seat and the Speaker put the question. The Conservative amendment went down by 198 votes to 121. Then the Budget itself was carried by the same majority.

Mr. Bourassa Pleads for National Spirit

Henry Bourassa, Independent, LaBelle, said that while the trade condition in the country was fairly satisfactory, it was clear that there was disquietude. Mr. Bourassa thought there was more danger to the people and another as between man and man, Government in Canada, he asserted, had become a machine whereby appeals are made to groups and classes from day to day to maintain power.

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1925 RECORD YEAR FOR DIVORCE

551 final Decrees were Issued to Canadian Citizens as Compared With 543 in 1924

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, May 19.—Canada established a record during 1925 in the number of divorces granted in any year since Confederation.

A total of 551 final decrees were issued, 134 by the Federal Parliament to Ontario and Quebec residents and 417 by the courts to citizens of other provinces.

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Death Knell of Strikes and Lockouts

(Special to The Guardian) ROME, May 19.—Fascism's system for the solution of class war which is intended to sound the death knell of the strike and lockout and which Premier Mussolini considers one of the most important of his government's contributions to modern statecraft, was approved today by the Cabinet after nearly a year of intense study.

The basic principle of the tremendously complicated system is the right and power of the government to control directly through the new Ministry of Corporations and the elaborate machinery of subsidiary organizations the entire productive life of the nation.

Retail Merchants Hold Meeting

A meeting of the Retail Merchants' Association was held last evening in the Board of Trade rooms. In the absence of the President, the chair was occupied by Councillor T. W. L. Prowse.

Addresses were delivered during the meeting by the presiding officer, Mr. Nelson Rattenbury, of the C. N. R. Board, Dr. J. S. Allan, Fox Pathologist; Mr. Hazen Baker of Jenkins and Son; Mr. B. Roy Holman, Secretary of the Association, and others.

Storm Brings Death To Three Persons

(Special to The Guardian) CHICAGO, May 19.—The first severe wind and rain storm in the middle west this season centered its wrath on portions of Illinois and Indiana bringing death to three persons, one an aviator, and causing damage estimated at \$500,000.

Preparing to Attack Marshal Pilsudski

(Canadian Press) PARIS, May 19.—The Polish General, Haller, who has at his disposal 25,000 men of all arms, and with tanks, is preparing to attack Marshal Pilsudski, who recently carried out a successful coup and overthrew the Polish government, says the Posen correspondent of the Echo de Paris.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

**Pie Social and dance at For' Augustus Hall, on Friday night, May 21st. Ladies with pie free. 9357-8-19-31
**Coming—Special Show—Love Hour. Warnes Bros. Georgetown Friday, Montague Saturday. 9344-5-19-21.
**Crapaud. Church of England Cemetery meeting Saturday, May 22nd at 8 p. m. All interested please attend. 9374
**Don't miss concert of music, drills, pantomimes, readings, etc., at York 24th of May. Sale of candy, ice cream and cake. 9379
**Side Splitting Comedy. Three Act Comedy at Cape Traverse Hall Friday, May 21st. Snappy settings. If not fine Friday night, come first fine night. 9324-5-18-31
**Dance in Emerald Hall on Friday, May 21st. Ice cream and cake. Ladies please bring cake. 9358-5-20-21
**Come and see the Play entitled "Treasure Hunters" in St. Elizabeths Hall, Monday evening, May 24th. Admission 35c and 25c. Curtain rises at eight sharp. A fine play will be held first night.

ONLY WOMAN RULER GIVES UP THRONE

Begum of Bhopal Abdicates in Favor of Her Son—Governed 700,000.

LONDON, May 19.—India's only woman ruler, Her Highness, the Begum of Bhopal, has abdicated her throne in favor of her son, Nawab Zada Samidulla. For a long time she has contended for the Islamic right to name her successor, who under ordinary procedure should have been the son of her deceased eldest son, Nawab Nasrulla Khan.

The British Government finally acceded to her desires. The abdication of the Begum brings to an end a period of eight years of female rule in the little state of Central India of 6,902 square miles, with a population of about 700,000. She has ruled Bhopal for a quarter of a century with vigor and statesmanship. Although now 68 years old she still is mentally and physically vigorous, nevertheless she long had wished to see her only son established as her successor before her powers failed her.

Accordingly she came to London last September, with her son and his three young daughters, to arrange matters with the British government. The necessity for the special arrangement lay in the fact that two elder sons, both of whom died in 1924, left sons, and the eldest son of her eldest son stood next in line of succession, according to the laws of primogeniture.

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THE GIRLS WHO USED TO DANCE AROUND THE MAY-POLE NOW DANCE AROUND THE BARBER-POLE
TORONTO, May 20.—Maritime winds, showery. Maximum and minimum temperatures: Toronto, rain 70-46; Montreal, fair 68-42; Quebec, fair 60-38; Ch'town, fair 50-40; Halifax, fair 58-43; St. John, cloudy 56-43; Boston, cloudy 80-60; New York, clear 80-62. High tide this afternoon at 4.19 and tomorrow at 6.16. Sun sets this evening at 7.31 and rises tomorrow morning at 4.30. Full moon Thursday, May 27, 7.25 a. m. Summers tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.