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FRIENDSHIPS RENEWED WITH OLD COMRADES

Lord Byng Visits Soldiers in Hospital Who Receive the "Glad Hand" from a Gallant Soldier

(Special to The Guardian)
TORONTO, Ont., March 24.—No visit to Toronto by the Governor General would be quite complete without an hour or two spent at Christie Street Hospital. So yesterday afternoon Lord Byng gave two hours of his time to renew friendships with old comrades, talking to the men who had been through the worst of the war, and for whom the war was still something more than a memory. From word to word Lord Byng went, not as Governor General of Canada but as a man who had seen and known.

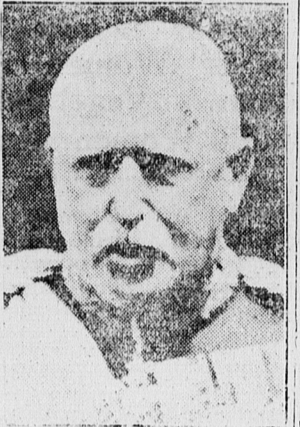
Polish Adherents Ordered Out By Germans

(Special to The Guardian)
WARSAW, March 24.—In pursuance of the German-Polish Convention signed in Vienna last August, the German Government has ordered those persons domiciled in Germany, who declared preference for Polish nationality to leave German territory before August 1 next, with the alternative of expulsion by force.

Condensed Specials

- CHOICE HERRING FOR SALE—W. J. Brawlers, 681-2-2714
- WANTED—A CHAMBERMAID—Apply Morell Hotel.—1121-3-25-31
- WANTED TO BUY—SIX ROOM Cottage with barn. Apply "C" c/o Guardian.—1096-3-24-21
- NOY'S BIG DISCOUNT SALE—still in full swing at Hunter River. All lines greatly reduced.—1089-3-24-31
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- WANTED—SECOND HAND OF Fice Specialty Filling Cabinet, of section of same. Apply 88 Great George St.—1082-3-24-31
- PHONE 807 J. M. ROOP & CO., wholesale Pork Packers, 83 Water Street, Charlottetown. 882-2-19-17
- SAUSAGES MADE fresh today. Saunders, Newson & Co., Market Building, 6050 124-6 mos
- FLOUR AND FEED AT SPECIAL prices during our big discount sale. P. J. Joy & Co., Hunter River.—408-3-24-31
- JOB PRINTING OF EVERY description cheaply and expeditiously executed. "Guardian Central Job Printery, Phone 133. 2876-5-611
- SEED OATS FOR SALE—500 bushels banner oats, grown from certified seed last year. Fred J. Haslam, Springfield, Lot 47, Emerald R. R.—1078-3-24-21
- LIVE HOGS—WE ARE TAKING in live hogs at Millville Station on Wednesday, March 25th, at the highest market prices. Jenkins Bros.—1078-3-24-21
- JUST RECEIVED FOR LENTEN season, fresh Pillars, Pinner Haddie, Blotters and choice Boneless and Skinless Cod.—W. J. Brawlers, 681-2-2714
- SPECIAL OFFER OF HIGH grade envelopes, 50 for 20c, 125 for 35c, 250 for 55c, 500 for \$1.00 for \$1.95. Guardian Office.
- LOST—YESTERDAY AFTERNOON on Main Street, ladies wrist-watch, carved gold case, owner's name and address on card. Finder, kindly leave at Guardian—Reward.—11

SUBMITS TO SURGEON'S KNIFE



THE EARL OF YPRES

Who as Field-Marshal French commanded the British Armies in France during the war underwent a serious and lengthy operation on Mar. 19. His condition is reported as satisfactory but will give rise to anxiety for some time.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

When the Legislature met yesterday forenoon, Mr. Saunders, Leader of the Opposition, asked the Commissioner of Public Works, "What system of maintenance has been adopted by the Government for the improved highways of the Province. At what time is this system to be put in actual operation? What is the estimated annual cost of such system? Hon. J. A. McDonald replied in effect that it was proposed to divide the highways of the Province into sections, and to place each section under the care of men who will be supplied with means of keeping the roads in repair. The estimated cost of maintaining the roads of the road according to this system will be \$29,000 a year. This amount, it is expected will be obtained from the proceeds of the gasoline tax and supplementary taxes. The matter of road maintenance is still in the experimental stage and improvements may be introduced. Under this system it is proposed to begin work as soon as possible this season.

Mr. Saunders asked the Leader of the Government to lay on the table of the House a statement in writing showing what was the amount collected by the Government in 1924 under the gasoline Tax Act. Hon. Mr. Stewart replied that \$14,231.61 was the amount collected and that rebates to the amount of about \$2,500 had been applied for and paid.

Mr. Saunders also asked the Leader of the Government to lay on the table of the House a statement in writing showing: What has been the increase (if any) in the cost of education in this Province during the year 1924 over the preceding year, how much of such increase has been actually paid by the teachers of the Province; has the Government agreed upon any system or policy to deal with comparative increase in the per capita cost of common school education throughout the Province; and if so, what are the details of such policy? Hon. Mr. Stewart submitted in writing the statement desired. It shows that the expenditure by the Department of Education from December 1st 1922 to December 31st 1923 (thirteen months) as shown by the Public Accounts for the fiscal year 1923, was \$259,649.41; and that the expenditure of the Department from January 1st 1924 to December 31st 1924 (twelve months) was \$244,227.63. By deducting one thirtieth of the former amount from the total which roughly amounts to \$209,000, it was shown that approximately \$240,000 was expended in 1923, and \$244,227.63 in the year 1924.

The House resumed in committee consideration of the bill entitled, "The Voluntary Winding-up Act." Mr. McNeven in the chair; and after some time the Bill was reported agreed to with amendments.

The bill entitled "The Coroners Act" was then again taken up in

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MRS. JOHN REARDON
DIES IN PERRY, ME.

BLACK'S HARBOR, March 24.—The death of Mrs. John Reardon occurred at her home in Perry, Me., on March 13 after a lingering illness. Besides her husband, Mrs. Reardon leaves one daughter, Mrs. Jessie Hibbard, of Perry; two sisters, Mrs. P. W. Connors, of Black's Harbor, and Mrs. Lewis Connors, of St. John; one brother, Edwin Gillis, of Tignish Station, P. E. I. The funeral took place at Perry, Me.

Will Build Base At Singapore

LONDON, Mar. 24.—The House of Commons has voted to continue construction of the great naval base at Singapore despite Ramsay MacDonald's warning that to do so would both scrap the naval ratios agreed upon at the Washington disarmament conference and provide a breeding spot for war.

SAYS QUAKE WAS WARNING TO AMERICA

(Canadian Press)
NEW YORK, March 24.—Give heed, O Israel. Recent earth rumblings were but the presymptomatic warning to the wicked city, according to Christian Pankhurst, former British Militant Suffragette. For weeks she has rapped the public with trail, white hands and informed an unheeding world that natural forces were bringing the words of Revelation to pass. She has rushed to the newspapers day after day and has read the message of prophecy in the world.

Her blue feather check and her small hat pointed with renewed vigor in Calvary Baptist Church, as she said the Lord had been merciful to New York this time but he would not always be so, in spite of the "hush-hushing" seologists.

The earthquake to her was simply a sign and a warning to America, but by no means the last in store for this country. It was a message to the church and to the world that she begged would not be ignored.

Mr. Robb dealt at length with the question of railway financing, stating that the National Railway Company had not yet been able to meet out of its earnings, the arrears of interest accumulated on our loans. "The total amount of these arrears of interest on March 31, 1924," said Mr. Robb, "was about \$131,000,000, but it is not treated in our public accounts as

an asset; it is held in abeyance as an overdue account."

OTTAWA, March 24.—Taxation changes in today's budget briefly are:

- (1) Export duty on electricity of three one hundredth of a cent per kilowatt hour upon power, duty payable from April 1, 1925. The rate will be equal to \$1.95 per horse power year.
- (2) Few tariff changes. The principal change will be in bituminous coal. The item "slack coal" is repealed putting it into class of "coal not otherwise provided." Slack coal imported from the United States will be dutiable at fifty cents per ton instead of fourteen cents as at present.
- (3) Reduction in the tariff rate on well and on engines for propulsion of boats by individual fishermen.
- (4) The duty on rolling mill rolls to be restored. During recess these were placed on the free list by Order in Council.
- (5) Amendment to the customs tariff in regard to the dumping duty.
- (6) Amendment of special war revenue act to give better definition of cheques, bills of exchange, etc.
- (7) Well drilling machinery and engines for propulsion of boats owned by individual fishermen will continue to be exempt from the sales tax.
- (8) A bill to be introduced aiming at the prevention of smuggling.
- (9) The estimated increase in revenue from the taxation changes will be about \$1,000,000.
- (10) The budget makes no change in the income tax or sales tax rates.
- (11) Mr. Robb did not announce the details of the Canada-Australia Trade Treaty.

KING GOVT. BUDGET ASSESSES FOR MILLION MORE REVENUE

While Claiming a Surplus of \$1,837,000 Of Revenue Over Expenditure the Government Provides a Readjustment of Taxation To Increase the Revenue—Arrears of Interest On Railways Indebtedness is \$131,000,000 Which is Held As A B. and D. Debt.

(Special to The Guardian)
OTTAWA, March 24.—Before a crowded House today, Hon. J. A. Robb, acting Minister of Finance, presented his second Budget. It was a statement in which Mr. Robb told of a heavy reduction in public revenues, yet one which, he said, had finished up with a surplus of revenues over expenditures of \$1,837,000. "A remarkable result," said Mr. Robb, "in which Canadians can feel a justifiable pride." The reduced revenues Mr. Robb attributed largely to the government's policy of last year in reducing the burdens of taxation and, on tariff changes he observed that "for the present, opportunity of unobstructed observation of the effect of the extensive tariff changes made last year should be afforded." Points from Mr. Robb's speech are:

(1) Revenues down by \$52,837,000 estimated as against the previous year.

(2) Decrease in ordinary expenditures of \$5,100,000.

(3) Surplus in revenues over expenditures of \$1,837,000 or of \$5,823,162 if \$4,000,162 received from Greece and Rumania is added.

(4) Increase of Canada's favorable trade balance with the world to \$263,414,226.

(5) Board of Advisors for which provision is made in the main estimate to inquire into the tariff and other trade problems.

Canada's Stand On Protocol Praised

LONDON, March 24.—"Canada's valuable lead," so runs the headline over an article in the Daily News of today by H. Wilson Harris, now connected with the League of Nations, in which he deals with Mackenzie King's memorandum on the League protocol. He says in this article that Canada's readiness to take part in a general conference on all round reduction of armaments would provide a basis of agreement that would mean real progress. He asks, "Is Britain going to refuse to follow where Canada now leads," and he adds the reservations which Canada mentions would fully safeguard interpretations of maritime law about which some reasonable misgivings exist.

The writer also says that Canada is right in saying the covenant does not go far enough for her, and concludes that if "Britain can be persuaded to fall in line with the policy taken by Canada, the framers of the protocol will not have labored in vain."

Mussolini Appears Cheered By 30,000

ROME, March 24.—The sixth birthday of Fascism was celebrated Sunday by a monster mass meeting and a parade of more than 20,000 black shirts. The great moment of the day came when Premier Mussolini, making his first public appearance since the beginning of his illness, emerged on the balcony of Chigi Palace, and addressed the wildly enthusiastic crowd estimated at 30,000.

"The Fun Begins."

Putting out significantly in the Premier's short talk was the phrase: "What I want to say to you is that it is spring now, and now the fun begins."

After the first ovation had ceased, Mussolini said:

"My infirmity has not taken away my voice. My appearance on this balcony destroys the paper castle of falsehood and ridiculous rumors. My appearance here marks for me and for you, an integral and total resumption of Fascist action against everybody. Will you follow me?"

Four of Family Die in 2 Days

TORONTO, Mar. 24.—Four members of one family on Danforth Avenue, Toronto, have died from influenza in two days. On Saturday, while the double funeral of William and Edward Toms, father and son, respectively, who died Thursday, was in progress, the disease claimed Stewart Toms, a second son, and a few hours later Charles, a third son. A sixth son is now suffering from the disease.

Shepherd Crossed Bridge of Sighs

CHICAGO, Mar. 24.—William Darling Shepherd, attorney, indicted on the charge of murdering his foster-son, the "millionaire orphan," William McClintock, tonight again crossed the "Bridge of Sighs" in the Criminal Court building to the jail from which he is seeking release on bail. The hearing on bail will be resumed tomorrow morning.

Lockout Situation Now 100 Per Cent

(Canadian Press)
CALGARY, March 24.—William Sherman, President of the United Mine Workers of America, district 18, received word from Hill Crest, yesterday to the effect that the colliers there had been shut down indefinitely and that they would not be reopened until the miners were willing to accept a cut in their wages. "This means a hundred per cent lockout and is a distinct breach of the existing agreement," he said.

Canada Has Good Supply of Wheat

OTTAWA, March 24.—A report that Canada has only 35,000,000 bushels of wheat available for export, as compared with 135,000,000 this time last year is incorrect," stated Hon. W. R. Motherwell, Minister of Agriculture, this morning. He has twice that much in sight. In the Port Arthur elevator alone, we have about 40,000,000 bushels awaiting for the opening of navigation on the lakes. Then, we have large quantities in the elevators at Calgary, Edmonton, Port Colborne, and wheat at Montreal and other points."

Canadian Marine Carries U. S. Coal

OTTAWA, March 24.—The extent to which ships of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine are being used to carry bituminous coal from United States ports to Eastern Canadian points in the last three years, was the subject of a question from Brig-General J. A. Clark, Conservative, of Barrard, in the House of Commons this afternoon.

General Clark was informed that in 1922 none was carried, in 1923 2,235 tons was carried, and in 1924 a total of 9,249 tons was carried.

Route Over North Pole Arouses Jap Interest

(Associated Press)
BERLIN, March 23.—Germany, the Scandinavian countries and Japan, all are showing interest in a proposal to operate an air route over the North Pole area from the coast of Russia to Alaska. The idea is not particularly new, but it has been revived recently because of the improvements of late years, in airship construction. It is understood that Dr. Fridtjof Nansen has offered to lead such an enterprise, under international support.

An airship a little larger than the Los Angeles is contemplated for the run. May is regarded as the best month in which to start. Murmansk, on the north coast of Russia, would be the European point of departure. The route would be over Emperor Francis Joseph Land to the Pole and then over the unknown territory of North Canada to Alaska. The return trip would be over Bering Strait, Wrangel Island, DeLong Island, and the explored territory of Nova Zembla.

The Japanese are especially interested because success might result in quicker communication between Europe and Japan.

Maritime southerly winds, fair and milder, cloudy by night.

Maximum and Minimum temperatures:

Toronto, fair	36 30
Montreal, cloudy	32 26
Quebec, cloudy	34 14
Ch'town, clear	38 28
Halifax, cloudy	50 28
St. John, clear	38 22
Boston, clear	48 28
New York, fair	50 36

High tide this morning at 11:37 and tonight at 11:51.

Sun sets this evening at 6:20 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:50.

First quarter moon Wednesday, April 1st 3:45 a. m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

TO COMMAND IN INDIA



SIR WILLIAM BIRDWOOD
British Field-Marshal who has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of Britain's troops in India.

London Sits For Its Picture

(Associated Press)
LONDON, March 23.—Airplanes flying high above the city will shortly take 1,000 photographs for the purpose of making a big air map of Greater London. The pictures will be fitted together to form a vast mosaic, giving a birdseye view of an area of 100 square miles.

Duke of Nemours Comes to Canada

LONDON, March 23.—The Duke of Nemours, a nephew of the Belgian King Albert, sails on the Marloch on Saturday.

He is going to be a farmer in Canada. He goes to Lord Rodney's farm at Fort Saskatchewan, where he will serve a term as a pupil.

Two of the children of Lord Rodney and his farm manager, Mr. Vereker, will sail on the same steamer.

Commands Bisley Team

OTTAWA, March 23.—Col. D. R. Street, of Ottawa, was appointed commander of the Canadian 1925 Bisley team at a meeting of the D. R. A. Council, which followed the annual meeting of the association. Major A. G. Styles, of Regina, was appointed adjutant August 17 was set as the date of the annual Dominion shooting at Connaught ranges.

Radio Fans Pay Taxes

BERLIN, March 23.—Thirteen million gold marks, about \$3,000,000, flow into the coffers of the German post office department annually in the form of radio license fees. There are now 550,000 radio subscribers, each paying two marks, almost 50 cents, a month for the privilege of listening in. To set up a radio without a license is punishable by fine.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

- Rates—2c. per word each insertion.
- **No Teacher's Training Class at St. Paul's tonight.—1123.
- **Shipping hogs on 31st Special meeting on Saturday. List at once.—Uigg Shipping Club. 1119
- **Lecture—The Great North Country, by Hammond J. Ince, Tryon Hall Saturday, March 28. Also Box Social.—Come. 1102-3-25-31
- **A meeting will be held in the Hall at Brookfield on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock to organize a Boys Ayrshire Heifer Club. Interested parties are asked to attend. 1093-3-24-21.
- **The Corran Bann Dramatic Club will present the Four-Act Drama, "The Dust of the Earth" in Morell Hall, Friday, March 27th, with specialities. Door opens 7.30. Curtain rises 8.30.—1108-3-25-21
- **NOTICE—Super Special program at Yeo's Theatres, Georgetown, Thursday, Montague, Friday, Souris, Saturday.—1109-3-25-21

LOCAL B. OF T. SUPPORTS NEW TRADE ROUTE

Mr. H. A. Ellis, Owner of the Gaspé Trader, Needs \$15,000 Subsidy to Place Boat on Service -- His Proposal receives Endorsement of the Board

A special meeting of the Charlottetown Board of Trade was held last night, with the President Mr. J. P. Gordon, in the chair; and the following visitors present: Messrs J. LeRoy Holman, L. R. Allen and C. R. Rogers, Summerside; and Mr. H. A. Ellis, Montreal, owner of the ship "Gaspé Trader."

The Secretary Mr. Wallace Higgins, read a letter from Mr. E. H. Norton, Los Gatos, California, replying to correspondence relating to the sugar beet industry. Mr. Norton wrote that if possible it would be advisable to secure seed from Colorado and make a test this year, regarding the quantity that could be produced, and the sugar content of the beet grown.

Mr. H. A. Ellis, who was present at the request of the Board, addressed the meeting regarding the proposed boat service between Charlottetown and Summerside and points in New Brunswick including Buctouche, Richibucto, points in the Gaspé Peninsula including Port Daniel, Perce and Gaspé. He stated that for such a service he would require a subsidy of about \$15,000 per annum.

Mr. J. L. Holman, the next speaker, spoke very highly of the possibilities of such a service. He was followed by Messrs H. V. Buntain and R. E. Mutch, who were greatly interested in the matter. It was moved by Mr. Mutch, seconded by Mr. J. O. Hyndman, and ably supported by Messrs G. D. DeLo, Maxime, Keenan, L. R. Allen, P. W. Clark, W. M. Rowe, Vice President A. A. Pomeroy, F. J. Holman, C. H. Chandler, S. A. McDonald, F. M. Stewart and Nelson Ratenbury and carried unanimously, that the following resolution be endorsed by the Board:

WHEREAS, this Province in years gone, when suitable sailing vessels were available, enjoyed a large and profitable business in all kinds of produce with Northern New Brunswick points, as well as with points on the Gaspé, Quebec coast;

AND WHEREAS, with the decrease in the available supply of sailing vessels suitable to carry our products to these points, the exchange of products is greatly handicapped;

AND WHEREAS, the Charlottetown Board of Trade, having listened to the proposition outlined by Mr. H. A. Ellis, owner of the "Gaspé Trader," the placing of this boat on the route, heartily endorses the proposition, and hereby authorizes the Council of the Board to co-operate with other interested parties in securing a suitable subsidy and in bringing this matter to a successful conclusion;

On motion of Messrs F. J. Holman and C. H. Chandler, the Board appointed Mr. Nelson Ratenbury as a delegate to go to Ottawa to press for the subsidy necessary to secure the services of the Gaspé Trader, and the Secretary was requested to forward a telegram to the following points regarding the matter, Buctouche, Port Elgin, Chatham, Bathurst, Newcastle and Campbellton.

The telegram which was forwarded after the meeting, being as follows:

At a meeting of our Board held last evening, at which Mr. H. A. Ellis, Montreal, owner of the Gaspé Trader was present by request, a resolution was passed strongly supporting the movement on foot to have this boat operated on the route between Charlottetown, Summerside and points in New Brunswick from Buctouche to Campbellton, also calling at points in Gaspé Peninsula and pledging the support of the Charlottetown Board in securing the necessary subsidy which the Federal Government from Mr. Ellis places at \$15,000. We are assured of support of our Federal members and Senators, and could you arrange to have a delegate from your Board join a delegation from the Province to go to Ottawa about April 1st to press the matter on the Government. Please wire reply. (Sgd) WALLACE HIGGINS
Secretary Charlottetown Board of Trade.

The question as to the form of the regular quarterly meeting on April 8th was then discussed and the matter left in charge of the entertainment committee.

