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SEMI-ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT FOR CAN. BANKS

(Canadian Press.) TORONTO, Jan. 14.—Independent audits twice a year of all Canadian banks is the proposal of Sir Clifford Sifton, for the solution of banking problems. He does not favor government audit or inspection but he suggests the creation of a central board to supervise the auditing. It would also serve as a bank of redress in times of stress and emergency. Sir Clifford outlined his ideas in an address to the Rotary club of Coburg, and he disagreed with notable banking authorities, at the same time declaring that the provincial savings banks should go out of business. Sir Clifford said he believed a provincial government was about the best institution in the world to conduct a bank and he feared disaster would result if the system was continued. Tracing the history of Canadian banking for the past 15 years, Sir Clifford declared that it had been shown conclusively that an independent audit and inspection is necessary and must be adopted sooner or later. Political evils, he feared, would interfere with the effectiveness of a government inspection. Instead of the proposed creation of a small central board made up of three men of mature experience, men who were successful bankers and financial men, "the same kind of men who have been appointed in the United States as directors of the Federal Reserve Bank." But he would not follow the Federal Reserve system of the Republic, declaring that Canada did not need its huge machinery.

Crew of Schooner Comeau Saved

(Canadian Press.) NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—The steamer Galileo en route from Aberdeen to New York, wireless today that she had picked up the crew of the wrecked Lunenburg schooner J. W. Comeau.

Boxing Promoter Arrested on Charge of Piracy

BOSTON, Jan. 14.—Ray Cass, Somerville, boxing promoter, was arrested today on a federal charge of piracy in connection with an attack on Captain Arthur Moore, of the British rum running schooner J. Scott Hankinson and the ship's cook, of Gloucester last August.

Condensed Specials

- ANNUAL LINEN SALE ENDS this week. Beer & Weeks. BUY TOMLIN'S BREAD, THERE is a difference. R. N. Tomlin's Bakery, Phone 974. 1wk WANTED—MAID, NO WASHING Apply, Mrs. Edward Hogan, 18 Prince Street, 942-1-15-31. WANTED—SEASONED HARD-wood plank and sleigh stock. Prond & Moreside. 945-1-15-31. FEATHER BOUGHT HIGHEST prices cash or trade. Beer & Weeks. RUMMAGE SALE—SALVATION Army Hall, Thursday, Jan. 24. Friends wishing to give, if not called on Phone 823. 31 JANUARY FURNITURE SALE now Wholesale prices on Furniture Beds and Bedding. Beer & Weeks. BUY BOB'S BRAN BREADJUST what you wanted. R. N. Tomlin's Bakery, Phone 974. 1wk LOST—MONDAY MORNING, between Spring Park Road and Cornwall, pair of fur driving mitts. Finder please leave at this office and receive reward. 943-1-15-31. LOST OR STRAYED FROM Koppoch, white collie dog with brown markings. Reward for information—W. H. V. Dunbar, City—31. YOU CAN MAKE \$6.00 TO \$10.00 daily easy selling wonderful invention that eliminates phonograph needles. Pay daily. Freeman's, 286 Robie Street, Halifax, 913-1-12-61.

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Annual Reports of the Health Officer And Meat And Milk Inspector Received—Coun. Pierce Announces His Retirement From Civic Campaign Owing to Ill Health.

At the regular monthly meeting of the City Council last night the usual business was disposed of and the annual reports of the Health Officer and Meat and Milk Inspector were received and adopted. His Worship Mayor Jenkins announced that a special meeting would be held next Monday night when the remaining annual reports would be submitted. The usual monthly bills were read and confirmed. An application for the position of building inspector was received from Wendell P. Phillips and placed on file. A communication was received from Mr. J. F. Whear informing the Council that he would sell the portion of his land on Prince Street required for the extension of Bishop Street for \$2,500. A letter from Mr. William Henderson was also read, stating that he would sell his strip of land required for the same purpose for \$2,000, and that he would move a barn building at present on this land, the condition of the sale being that the street opened up would not be less than nineteen feet wide between Mr. Whear's place and his own. These communications were tabled.

Health Officer's Report The annual report of the Health Officer was read, as follows: To His Worship the Mayor, Chairman of the Board of Health, Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 31, 1923. Sir,—I have the honor to submit a brief report on the year's work in the Health Department. The statistics for the year show that we had very few cases of scarlet fever and diphtheria, the former causing no deaths and the latter one death. Deaths from tuberculosis were fewer also than in the previous year and this is a pretty fair index of the public health in general. We have had quite an epidemic of Measles in the city for the past few months but the type of disease has been mild with very few complications and no deaths. In the latter part of the summer we had quite a serious epidemic of Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever in the city. Although there were some isolated cases at that time and since, nevertheless the great majority of cases were traced to the unsanitary condition of a water tank in the country which was contaminating the milk supply of one of the vendors. This was very definitely proven by the extensive analysis of milk and water samples sent to Prof. A. G. Nicholls, M. D., C. M., of Dalhousie University, Halifax. When the source of milk supply was cut off the epidemic gradually declined. It is most regrettable that a splendid young nurse, Miss Proffit, lost her life in this epidemic, during the performance of her duties in her noble profession. At that time a complete analysis of the city water was made and I am pleased to report that it was

Not Yet In Control Of Empire Steel Company

(Canadian Press.) SYDNEY, N. S., Jan. 14.—When questioned with reference to newspaper reports of rumors that D. H. McDougall has interested American Capital to buy out R. M. Wolvin's stock holdings in the British Empire Steel Corporation, and that Mr. McDougall would return as president of the Corporation, President Wolvin tonight said: "There is absolutely no foundation whatever for such reports and there have been no negotiations for the sale of any holdings to Mr. McDougall or anyone associated with him."

"Pussyfoot" Johnson Losing Other Eye

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—William E. "Pussyfoot" Johnson, self-styled "barker for the Anti-Saloon League," arrived today on the George Washington from a seven months' tour which took him about South Africa and Egypt in the prohibition cause. He was talking to reporters and puffing energetically on a long black cigar. One of the scribers remarked: "Watch your step, Mr. Johnson, your prohibition folks will be taking your cigar from you if you don't watch out; there's a movement on against cigarettes." "Glad! I hope they don't get my smoke," Johnson replied, adding he would not care if cigarettes were banned.

Catholic Editor Denies Report

(Canadian Press.) NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—The World today publishes a denial of the Rev. John K. Wynne, S. J., an editor of the Catholic Encyclopedia, that Pope Pius, as indicated in a Paris cable to the World on Monday, intends shortly to "deify" the Virgin Mary by proclamation of a new doctrine. Rev. Father Wynne said that such a proclamation would not "deify" the Virgin. "That," he said, "would be monstrous blasphemy. The proclamation will merely acknowledge before the whole world that as her soul and body were of exceptional purity on earth, they are now both actually rewarded by the assumption of body as well as soul in heaven."

Rt. Hon. Mr. Meighen Has Great Hope For Canada

(Canadian Press.) TORONTO, Jan. 14.—"No nation in the world has the same cause for optimism as has this Canada of ours," declared Ex-Premier Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, who on Saturday afternoon addressed a large gathering of the Executive of the Commercial Travellers' Association.

After declaring his faith in the future of the country he asserted that conditions were not so favorable now as they might be. The national debt, which the war was mainly responsible for and the burdensome transportation charges were pressing heavily on the people but there was not any reason why a strong and vigorous government should not be able to surmount all these difficulties.



WILL HE GO TO WASHINGTON? Contrary to expectations, Sir Lomer Gouin, who recently resigned the post of Minister of Justice, was not appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec. Hon. George Graham has said that Canada's Minister to Washington will shortly be appointed. It is possible that Sir Lomer will be selected for the post.

FEDERALS AND REBELS NOW PREPARING FOR BATTLE

Rebels Have Blocked Port of Tampico and Will Shortly Make Combined Land and Sea Attack on Town.

(Canadian Press.) EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 14.—Rebel forces in a combined army and naval move have blockaded the port of Tampico according to despatches received in El Paso today. The despatches stated that virtually all the "navy" commanded by officers who joined the Huerta forces was outside the port and was prohibiting vessels from entering or leaving the harbor. The revolutionary forces are massed in front of the town on the land side and an Oceanic Railway. The first bombing planes purchased in United States have arrived at Irapuato and are being put into military use against Huertista forces.

Labor Program Submitted to Premier King

(Canadian Press.) OTTAWA, Jan. 14.—Organized labor through the executive of the Trades and Labor congress laid a legislative programme before Premier King and his cabinet colleagues this afternoon. At act proposed for an eight hour day throughout the Dominion was one of the outstanding requests.

Queen Alexandra Has Icy Bath

(Canadian Press.) LONDON, Jan. 14.—Queen Alexandra of Denmark had an involuntary plunge into the icy water of the Sound Channel between Sweden and Danish Island off Zealand Thursday, according to a Copenhagen correspondent to the Daily Mail. The King and Queen were ordered to Tsarsisek to see the ice pack. They left the car and walked on the ice which suddenly broke. The Queen fell through up to the waist, but the King pulled her to safety.

Will Make Examination of Germany's Finances

(Canadian Press.) PARIS, Jan. 14.—Leading business men and financiers of Great Britain, France, Belgium, Italy, United States, began this morning to examine the assets and liabilities of Germany, their nation's debtor, with a view to saving some-

MOVE RENEWED TO PREVENT LABOR FORMING GOVERNMENT

Pending Industrial Disputes Now Seized Upon to Afford Justifiable Grounds for Retaining the Present Government in Office.

(Canadian Press.) LONDON, Jan. 14.—In the short period now intervening before the expected battle in the new House of Commons, the most notable feature of the situation observable is the persistence of the agitation to prevent Labor from forming a new government, or, failing that, to make sure that such a government, once it is formed shall have the shortest possible life. The latest effort in this direction has been to seize upon pending industrial disputes to afford justifiable grounds for retaining the present government in power. The argument being employed is that in the presence of such a disturbing factor as a big railway strike a new Labor administration might find its hand forced by the extremist sections of the Labor party to the injury of the public interests and that therefore safety lies in the retention of the Baldwin administration. This argument clearly is addressed to the Liberal party which with the Conservatives would have the power to overthrow a Labor government. It is impossible to say how far the argument appeals to the Liber-

BETTER ACCOMMODATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMONS

Member Declares Parliament No Longer Rich Men's Club

(British United Press.) LONDON, Jan. 14.—George Lansbury who lately warned the King to keep his finger out of the political pie attracts notice again over the week end by his demand that the Commons leave the present chamber and find quarters where the members will have better accommodation than they have at present. He points out that the present chamber is no longer adequate owing to the increased membership and that there are now seats for less than half the representatives. He argues that the increase of

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

- FEATHERS highest cash or trade price for feathers. Beer & Weeks. OUR annual January sale ends this week. Wholesale prices in all departments. Beer & Weeks. FURNITURE Beds and Bedding at wholesale prices. Sale ends this week Beer & Weeks. UNITED Bankers vs. League of Cross at Arena tonight. Special skate after game. Burns Night at Clyde River Hall Monday, Jan. 21st. Come with the crowd. 944-1-15-11. CARPET squares at wholesale prices this week only. Beer & Weeks. RE-upholstering—Special cut prices on labor and materials during our slack time period. Let us quote you on your job. Beer & Weeks. COAL, Coke and Wood. When in need of above please remember A. Pickard & Co. Phone 240 have a stock of all kinds selling at lowest prices. 940-1-15-61. THE first of a series of lectures will be given in the Prince Street school hall this Tuesday evening the 15th inst. at 8 o'clock, by R. H. Bosges, Esq., Chief Superintendent of Education. Subject, "The Study of Poetry." 941-1-15-11. A meeting to Organize the Swine breeders Shipping Club, will be held in Horne Bros house, on Sun sets this afternoon at 4.43 their lower farm Winsloe Road and rises tomorrow morning at Saturday evening Jan 19th at 7.30, 7.37. All from Brackley and North and Full moon Monday, Jan 21st, South Milton please attend. Mr. 8.57 p.m. Summerside tide catches minutes later than Charlottetown. 938-1-15-TueFri21.

UNUSUAL CASE OF J. W. PATTERSON VS. THE BANK OF COMMERCE

The case of J. W. Patterson vs. the Canadian Bank of Commerce was heard in Supreme Court yesterday before Mr. Justice Arsenault and jury, adjournment being made until 10.30 a. m. today. The plaintiff is suing for \$1,690.74, being the interest and amount of deposits made by himself covering a period of years, and which had been withdrawn recently at various times from the Bank. The plaintiff emphatically alleges no knowledge of the withdrawal of this money either by himself or with his authority.

The plaintiff, a returned soldier, testified that he lives with his mother and sister in this city, and is a farm laborer, being engaged throughout the summer months at farms in Banbury and elsewhere. In August, 1922, he had made a deposit in the Bank and had then to his credit \$1,596. The next deposit was in September, 1923, when he discovered at the bank that \$1,500 had been withdrawn in amounts ranging from \$100 to \$700, the withdrawals being made upon eight different occasions. He had been in the habit of keeping his bank book in a locked trunk in his bedroom on the third floor of the house occupied by himself, his mother and sister, the key being kept in a bureau drawer in his mother's room. Earlier in 1923 his younger brother, John, had come home for some time from the West, and had gone away again, his present whereabouts not being known. The plaintiff did not examine his bank book between the time of making the last two deposits and testified to having no knowledge whatever as to the withdrawal of the money. Evidence given by members of the Bank staff showed that on one occasion a young man claiming to be James Patterson, had withdrawn \$100. The stenographer recognized him at the time as a member of the Patterson family but did not know his first name. She believed she had seen him previously working as engineer on the York Point Ferry. The young man said that this would be his brother. He answered a number of questions and established what was considered a satisfactory identification. Evidence was given that on two occasions when money was withdrawn the plaintiff had been working out of town, and could not therefore have drawn the money himself. The accountant being asked if it was the custom of the bank to carry insurance against forgeries, replied that he had no knowledge of such a custom. Mr. Gaudet, K. C., for the defence said that it appeared plaintiff had carried an account for some years with the bank up to September 1922, amounting in all to something over \$1,600. The plaintiff was not known personally at the bank and other means of

THE WEATHER, ETC

SO FAR MY NEW LEAF—MORE EXERCISE IN 1924—IS MAKING THE WOODEN KIMONA LOOK A 100 YEARS AWAY!

TORONTO, Jan. 15.—Maritime moderate westerly winds, fair and moderately cold. Temperature yesterday—Maximum 36, Minimum 23. High tide this afternoon at 5.13 and tomorrow morning at 6.22. Sun sets this afternoon at 4.43 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.30, 7.37. All from Brackley and North and Full moon Monday, Jan 21st, South Milton please attend. Mr. 8.57 p.m. Summerside tide catches minutes later than Charlottetown. 938-1-15-TueFri21.