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ANTI-FOREIGN SITUATION GROWING STEADILY WORSE

Foreigners, Fearing Cantonese Advance on Peking, Continue Exodus From Shantung Province - U. S. Citizens Menaced in Northern China - Evacuation of Hunan Province Will be Effectuated Shortly.

(Canadian Press) SHANGHAI, April 6. -Anti-American agitation taking the form of a strike and a boycott of United States goods has broken out at Changsha, capital of the Province of Hunan, in southern China. A wireless despatch from that place today said the strike and boycott went into effect at noon Monday and reported that the United States consul has gone aboard the United States gunboat Falos on the Ssang river preparatory to leaving Changsha.

The whole province of Hunan will be evacuated by foreigners shortly because of labor and anti-foreigner manifestations. Kiukiang on the Yangtse river in Kiangsi province reported that a general strike against all foreigners has been called to begin at noon today while at Hankow, headquarters of the Cantonese or nationalist government, all business is virtually at a standstill.

Japanese civilians are boarding steamships on the Yangtse making ready to evacuate Hankow. About 100 French, Belgians and Swiss remain in the city. Britishers and Americans have taken quarters close to the water front so as to be ready to leave at short notice. Several heads of United States firms have applied to their consuls for their approval of their remaining at their posts, but he informed them they would stay at their own risk.

While the state of affairs south of Yangtse river caused by anti-foreign agitation appears to be growing steadily worse, the civil war is becoming more precarious as the Cantonese armies advance further toward the northern capital, Peking. For the moment the objectives of the Cantonese are Tsinanfu, capital of Shantung, and Tientsin, strategic railway centre of the north.

General Chang Tso-Lin, the northern war chief, it is felt here, can hold Peking only so long as he is able to retain possession of Tsinanfu, for the railway centre provides the only means of communication with the Manchurian base of the northern forces. Britishers and Americans in the territory through which it is expected the Cantonese will make their way are hastily seeking points of safety fearing a repetition of the outbreaks which followed the Cantonese victories in the Yangtse valley.

U. S. Citizens Endangered WASHINGTON, April 6. -With the submission of Nanking reparations demands by Minister MacMurray at Peking in concert with the British and Japanese believed to be imminent, the Washington administration has definitely turned its attention to the possibility that it may become necessary to rescue United States citizens in North China from the growing menace of anti-foreignism.

It was announced at the White House that in the event of forced evacuation of Peking and other northern cities, Tientsin will be the concentration point for Americans, as Shanghai is the southern assembly centre. Tientsin is about 100 miles southeast of Peking on the Peking-Mukden railroad.

Soviet Embassy Raided PEKING, April 6. -Troops of the army of Marshal Chang Tso-Lin the Manchurian war lord, and armed police raided the Soviet embassy this morning. Six Russians and 15 to 20 Chinese were taken to the police station and a machine gun, fifteen rifles and a quantity of ammunition were removed from the embassy.

Measures had been taken previously to guard all entrances to the building. More than 100 troops and police acting on signed authorization of the diplomatic corps, rushed the embassy. One shot was heard after which a Russian was dragged out fighting and kicking. He was bound and carried off in a motor car. The troops still occupied the building this afternoon.

The Russians and Chinese arrested at the embassy are described as agitators. Marshal Shang Tso-Lin has been described as a determined foe of Bolshevism after the disorders at Nanking.

Hankow-Canton Railway Cut. LONDON, April 6. -A Hong Kong despatch to the Exchange Telegraph says that the naval wireless service reports that the railroad between Hankow and Canton has been cut. The fourth army of the Cantonese which is loyal to General Chang Kai-Shek, has advanced from Kiangsi province into Hunan, establishing headquarters at Hengchow, it adds. This is interpreted in Peking, the despatch says, as meaning severance of communications between the Hankow and Canton except by way of the Yangtse river through Shanghai.

The fourth army is commanded by General Lichaid-Sun. If this interpretation of the measure is correct, the coup constitutes one of the greatest surprises in the reported split between the extreme and moderate sections of the Cantonese. Reuters Shanghai correspondent says friction has been increased between General Chiang Kai-Shek and the communists, his action in suppressing the provisional administration which the communists recently established to control the Shanghai area.

What Is Wrong In an Editorial entitled "What Is Wrong With Montreal" The Star censures The Civic Authorities of Montreal for their neglect in enforcing the Milk By Law.

It says in part it took years of endeavor on the part of private citizens to secure an enactment to stop the selling of poisoned milk and now behold what has come as a result of the refusal to enforce the milk by-law.

We have a typhoid epidemic with fifteen hundred victims and fifty deaths.

For these sufferings we have the Alderman to blame. Men sworn to protect the citizens.

60 per cent of the victims have been using milk supplied from one dairy. It is thought that many more of the victims got the fever from drinking milk at hotels and restaurants supplied by the dairy with the bad record.

The Weather, Etc. TORONTO, April 7. -Maritime, fresh to strong northwest winds, mostly fair and becoming somewhat cooler.

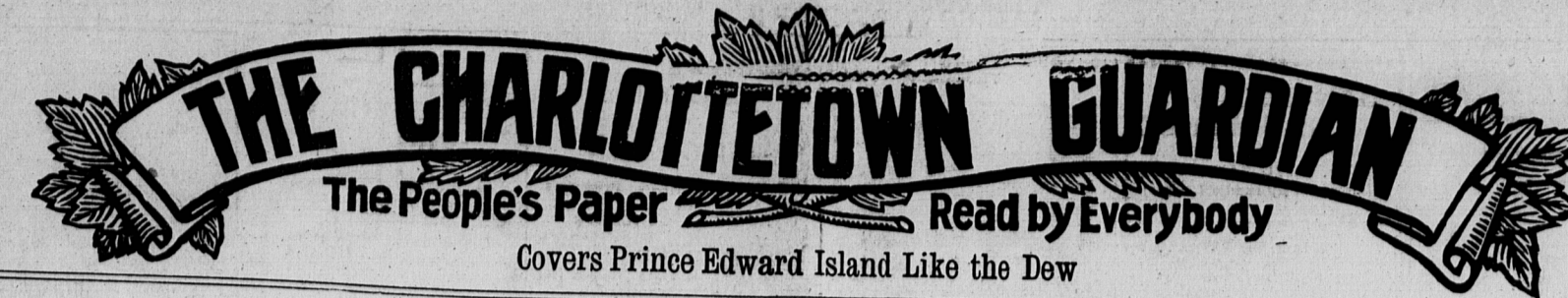
Maximum and minimum temperatures: Toronto, fair 50-36; Montreal, clear 44-31; Quebec, cloudy 43-28; Ch'town, rain 43-28; Halifax, rain 44-31; St. John, fog 44-31; Boston, cloudy 42-32; New York, cloudy 40-36.

High tide this afternoon at 2.15 and tomorrow morning at 3.54.

Sun sets this evening at 6.38 and rises tomorrow morning at 5.27.

First quarter moon Friday, April 8th 7.57 p. m.

Summerside time eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.



The most horrible anguish in the world is the barbed arrow that must be pulled backward; so it is with accusations falsely made.

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CHARLOTTETOWN, CANADA, THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 1927

Most Beautiful Jail in World Opened in N. J.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., April 6. -A new jail, said to be one of the most "beautiful" in the world, has been opened here. The jail interior has cream walls, tropical blue shades, bronze and gold lighting fixtures and terrazo floors.

To lessen unseemly noise the cell doors have been placed on roller bearings. Each cell is equipped with a bath and shower.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT

Third Reading Given to Maritime Freight Rates Bill - House Expected to Pro-rogue Next Tuesday

(From Our Own Correspondent) OTTAWA, Ont., April 6. -Third reading was given in the House of Commons late last night to four measures implementing recommendations contained in the Duncan report on Maritime claims. These measures provide for the reduction of railway freight rates in the Maritimes (with certain exceptions) by 20%, establishment of a harbor commission at St. John, N. B., establishment of a harbor commission at Halifax, N. S., and the appointment of a deputy minister of fisheries.

In reply to a request by Hon. W. A. Black (Halifax), Hon. P. J. A. Gardin, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, promised that harbor commissioners at Halifax would not be appointed until the Halifax City Council and Board of Trade had had an opportunity to confer with the government with a view to working out certain details.

It has not been definitely announced as to whether a separate Minister of Fisheries will be appointed or not. In the event of an appointment being made Hon. Mr. Sinclair, King's minister without portfolio, is slated for it.

An interesting discussion took place yesterday on the question of rates of wages on the railways which Senator Robertson had said were too low and freight rates were too high as the result of the action of the government, apparently a somewhat vicious circle.

Senator Dandand contended that rate of wages was not too low. In fact the impression throughout the country was that they were excessive, nor did he admit that they were lower than in the United States.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 6. -This morning and afternoon were taken up with affairs connected with the bill for an Act to incorporate the Summerside Golf Club with divorce, with the Ottawa improvement commission which will be authorized to expend four million dollars on the beautification of Ottawa and immediate district in a period extending over sixteen years, with the amendment of the elections act, whereby a new revision officer to succeed Col. Biggar will be appointed at a salary of six thousand dollars instead of twelve, and with the naturalization of Canadian women.

In respect of two of these, Dr. Edwards, Frontenac-Addington, took strong exception. While according to the principle of reasonably looking after the capital he thought the amount asked for was excessive and the programme altogether too extensive as well as expensive.

In connection with the amendment to the elections act, he proceeded to arraign the idea of legal fees for government purposes which were out of proportion to services rendered and of pensioning off judges too old or too lazy to continue in office. A man who got twelve thousand a year as judge who would not save enough to look after himself never should have been judge.

A strong plea was made by Miss Agnes McPhail, for the naturalization of women on a common Canadian citizen basis as to sex and the discrimination as to sex which they now labor when marrying men of another nationality, after whose decease or separation or desertion they have no status of citizenship either in their own country or that of the alien country into which they marry.

DEBATE ON THE BUDGET CONTINUED YESTERDAY

Five Members Spoke. Hon. Frank McPhee, Minister of Public Works Delivers a Masterly and Eloquent Speech Listened to by the Opposition in Wrapt Silence.

Wednesday, April 6th. House opened about 11.15 o'clock Mr. Saunders asked the Premier if he had an itemized statement of the amount of \$761.65 contained in the Provincial Auditor's Report on the Public Accounts. The answer was tabled.

In reply to Mr. Saunders asking that a statement of items of the expenses of Trade Commissioner, H. D. McEwen, the Premier replied that there were no items and further it is not the practice of a Minister of the Crown to furnish items of expense.

Mr. Saunders asked the Leader of the House if certain seized liquors were handed over to the Prohibition Commission and sold by the vendors. Honorable Premier Stewart replied that the liquor was received by the Prohibition Commission and after being properly analyzed was placed in stock for sale.

To further questions asked by Mr. Saunders, answers were not ready to be submitted but were in the process of preparation.

Mr. Buntain asked the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, Ernest Newson, Ephraim Costello and others praying for improvements to the Currie Road or Quinn Road, during the coming season, and if so, what are the intentions of the Department in regard to same.

Hon. Mr. McPhee replied that such was a large undertaking and before an answer could be given a survey was necessary and estimated by the Department to cost an engineer in the spring to look over the project.

Hon. Dr. MacMillan presented a petition from the P. E. I. Co-operative Egg and Poultry Association praying for an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the P. E. I. Co-operative Egg and Poultry Association. The bill was read for the first time.

On motion of Mr. Tanton an act to incorporate the West Prince Exhibition was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. M. F. McDonald an act to incorporate the Montague Electric Company was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Saunders the Act to incorporate the Saint-Esprit Electric Light Company Limited, was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Arsenault the bill for an Act to incorporate the Summerside Golf Club was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Hon. Dr. McMillan the Public Health Act 1927 was further considered by committee. Mr. Maynard McDonald, in the chair and progress was reported.

At 1 o'clock House took recess until 3 o'clock.

Mr. George Pope, in speaking on the Budget when House opened at 3 o'clock said, "This is a very important session. It is an important debate. The Conservative Government has been in power four years. In a few months we must appeal to electors of this province for a renewal of their confidence." Continuing Mr. Pope commented on the accomplishments of the Government. Premier Stewart was able to show a good surplus. He was able to show that every Department of the Government had been carefully and ably further considered by committee.

Mr. Pope congratulated the speaker on the impartial and able manner in which he has performed his duties and paid a splendid tribute to Premier Stewart on the excellence of the brief, prepared by Premier Stewart.

In comparing the expenditure of up next Tuesday, and as an earnest of this endeavor the military department has been notified to be in readiness on that day to furnish a bodyguard for the Chief Justice, acting Governor, in connection with prorogation.

The two Governments, Mr. Pope showed that the Conservatives, in 1926, had a net decrease of \$60,679, in ordinary expenditure than the Liberals in 1923; and that the Conservatives show for 1926 a total net decrease on the years work of \$142,410 over the Liberals for 1923.

Diamond Field Discovered South of Orange River

(Canadian Press) LONDON, April 6. -An exceedingly rich diamond field has been discovered at Alexander Bay, south of the mouth of the Orange River says a Cape Town despatch to the Daily Mail. The despatch says that powerful financial interests have acquired control of the diggings which accordingly will not be proclaimed public. The largest stone thus far reported on the new diggings weighed 81 carats and was valued at \$7,000.

DE PINEDO AND CREW ESCAPED WITH LIVES

(Canadian Press) APACHE LODGE, Roosevelt Dam, Ariz., April 6. -The inter-continental flight of Commander Francesco De Pinedo came to a disastrous end at 12.05 today when the Santa Maria caught fire as the plane was being put under way preparatory to taking off for San Diego from Roosevelt Dam.

Shortly before the plane took fire it had been announced at Washington that the four continent flight of the Italian aviator had been extended to include Vancouver, B. C., and Quebec City. Previously it had been announced that he would fly only to Montreal. The plane is a total loss. Commander De Pinedo and his crew escaped uninjured.

The Santa Maria had arrived at 10.14 a. m., mountain time, from Elephant Butte dam, New Mexico and had stopped at Roosevelt Lake to refuel. The Italian flier had intended to reach San Diego by four p. m., Pacific time. At 12.05 p. m., the aviator announced that he was ready to take off and the craft on the Lake moved shoreward. Almost immediately thousands of persons gathered on the shore saw the hydroplane aflame from stem to stern. The crew leaped overboard for their lives.

Mr. Dennis at some length dealt with the road policies of the both governments declaring that the road work of the Liberal administration was of a high standard. The patrol system is a joke in the Western end of the Island, in fact the system is a failure contended Mr. Dennis. He advocated the dragging of the roads at a time when the roads are wet as is done in Ontario. He would try a drag with a tractor to haul the drag when the mud was an inch and a half deep. The roads would be level, a pride to the country and a credit to the Government even if it were a Conservative Government.

In regard to Agriculture, Mr. Dennis claimed that the Liberals initiated everything worth while. The success of the Potato Growers' Association is entirely due to the Liberal Administration. He stated he was glad to know that the present Government is continuing to aid the Association. In continuing he spoke briefly on Dairy cattle, improvement of Livestock, the need of canning industry and improvement of cranberry culture and concluded his debate on discussing prohibition and law enforcement with special emphasis on the lack of law enforcement in Charlottetown and laying before the House a dismal picture of dances at Prince of Wales College in which, he stated, liquor was found in the ladies cloak room, that ladies were hauled home from the dances even intoxicated state and that liquor bottles were found next day on the desks of the students and professors as well.

Mr. Maynard McDonald spoke briefly and in the course of his remarks stated that the criticism aimed at the government is the greatest boost it could receive, especially where that criticism is entirely unsubstantiated by facts. He criticized the policy of the late Government, stating that they went into the pockets of the tax-payers as they always do for increased revenue. The criticisms of the Opposition are small and petty. They never let an opportunity escape without bringing up the payment of the bill for rent to Ex-Governor McKinnon. When the Honorable Leader of the Opposition tries to prove that this bill was paid by them, he dismally fails. We claim, he said, that the bill was not paid. If the bill was turned down by the late Government, why don't the records show it?

The roads do not satisfy the Leader of the Opposition. He says that they have been for the past three years in a disgraceful condition. This statement is incorrect as is evident from the tourists who visit the Province and the testament of the farmers who use the roads. The patrol system has done much toward road improvement. The policy of the Government in the past has been good roads, in the future it will be better roads.

Continuing, Mr. McDonald refuted statements that the Government had increased taxation and raised the land tax. Statements made against the Premier and Minister of Public Works, he declared as ridiculous and in concluding said that the aim of the Government is to administer affairs in an efficient manner and the people of the province are satisfied that this aim is being carried out.

Mr. A. J. MacDonald began his debate when House resumed at 8.30 and after complimenting the Premier and the speakers on the Budget and its debate took up the subject of the Provincial claims which were criticized by the Opposition. The matter of claims was taken up by the Bill Government, said the speaker. Premier Bell wrote a letter but this never reached Ottawa. You can only assume that Premier Bell said to his party "Give me some help" but this help he never received.

Premier Stewart had always in mind the obtaining of those claims and he achieved his objective. The Leader of the Opposition wants to give him no credit, in this he is backed up by the evening organ. The Liberals had the same opportunity but there is nothing on record that they ever thought of it. But the people of this Province are broad minded enough to give to Premier Stewart the credit which is due him.

In dealing briefly with finances Mr. MacDonald showed that if the Liberal Administration had had due consideration for the interest of the Province if they had considered the health of the people, they would have no surplus but deficit.

Suppose the Gasoline Tax was a substitution of the Poll tax, which the Government denies, is it not a fairer tax than the Poll Tax. The Opposition accuses us of paying too many bills, it is said they did not pay the bills they should. The Leader of the Opposition says we were extravagant, said Mr. McDonald. If we were extravagant why didn't he point out where we were so. He was not even in the House at the passing of the estimates.

THE CHARLOTTETOWN DRIVING PARK AND PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting Held Yesterday When Reports Submitted and Board of Directors Elected.

The annual meeting of the Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association, held in the Secretary's office yesterday afternoon. The following directors were chosen for the ensuing year: Messrs. James Paton, Geo. E. Hughes, Lieut. Col. D. A. MacKinnon, Frank B. Bell, James F. Roper, J. B. Andrew, C. R. Smallwood.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors officers elected were: President, Mr. Paton; vice president, Hon. Geo. E. Hughes; secretary-treasurer, Mr. C. R. Smallwood.

The annual report which was adopted was as follows: Directors Report for the Year 1926. To the Shareholders of the Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association, the Directors in submitting their report for the year 1926, regret to state that owing to unfavorable weather on the first day of the Exhibition, and the following day being not much of an improvement, the attendance was not as large as we looked for, and good attendance. Friday was also fine, and the attendance for that day was good. Owing to the Frederick Exhibition being held on our dates, the Live Stock Exhibit was not as large as on some previous years. The animals shown were of superior quality. Each year of our Exhibition shows marked improvement in Live Stock. Great interest during the judging of the various animals was manifested by the large numbers gathered around the judging ring. We are pleased to report that arrangements have been made with the large Exhibition Associations of the Maritime Provinces, your Directors have amalgamated with the Association known as the Maine and New Brunswick Circuit. This will end the clashing of holding Exhibitions on same dates.

Owing to the lateness of the season, entries for Fruit and Vegetables were not as large as in 1925. In quality there was however a very marked improvement, so noticeable the Judge remarked.

Yesterday afternoon a special meeting of the City Board of Health was held in the Council Chambers to discuss the advisability of removing the ban recently put on dogs in the city. His Worship Mayor Miller presided.

Commissioner Wright suggested that the ban be lifted and that dogs be given their liberty. He thought the law as it stood wasn't being properly enforced, and cited an instance where he understood that six violators had been brought before the Court and only one fined.

His Worship in answer to Mr. Wright stated that those who were not fined offered plausible excuses. He thought it was practically impossible to keep the dogs in confinement.

Dr. Yebo said that the resolution passed had been violated last month as dogs were running without muzzles and that no effort was being made to enforce it. He said the law with regards to some was a farce at the present time and would urge that more drastic action should be taken. The speaker cited the recent epidemic in head of cattle, hundreds of sheep and pigs had to be done away with in order to check the rabies which he said was still prevalent in some districts. The speaker said that absolute safety should be first considered and it would be well to move along slowly in this regard.

Dr. Croken on being called upon said that so far as he could learn he thought that it is safe enough to allow dogs their freedom. He continued by saying that the City Board of Health officials could well congratulate themselves for the way they handled the situation.

After further discussion in which Commissioner Connors, and Councillors Foster, and Moran took part, the following resolution moved by Councillor E. A. Foster and seconded by Commissioner G. D. Wright was passed.

Resolved that as the rabies epidemic in this city has evidently been eliminated. Further resolved that all dogs be given their liberty from this date.

After paying a tribute to the work and value of Women's Institute.

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