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## HON. J. A. MACDONALD PLEADS FOR KINGS COUNTY

### Unfair Discrimination Shown Towards The County Owing To Liberal Internal Disaffection.—Souris Breakwater In Jeopardy And Minister Promises To Give Matter Consideration In Supplementary Estimates.

In the debate on Supply in the House of Commons, Mr. Johnston in the chair, at the item: "Public works—harbours and rivers, Prince Edward Island—West Point—wharf repairs, \$4,000."

MR. MACDONALD (Kings) said: When these items were being considered the other evening, I was directing the attention of the minister to the condition which existed in Kings county, Prince Edward Island, in relation to these estimates, and I was pointing out that with the exception of the amounts recommended by the Duncan commission for warehouses for potato storage, last year \$107,000 was voted for harbours and rivers in Prince Edward Island of which sum only \$1,000 was earmarked for Kings county, which does not seem a fair division considering the fact that there are many works in that county which require attention. For instance, at my home town of Cardigan there is a government wharf the central portion of which to the extent of 200 feet has dropped; no repairs have been made, and the structure is in an unsatisfactory state. This is a disgraceful monument to the present government. In other places there are needs equally great; Bay Fortune needs breakwater repairs; Naufrage harbour requires some expenditures to be made; Little Sands breakwater requires repairs, and there are various other places which might be named.

## Last of Russian Crown Jewels

(By British United Press)  
LONDON, May 28.—The Soviet is eager to dispose of the most important pieces of the Russian Crown Jewels. M. de Haan, the great diamond merchant, has just returned from Moscow, where the Government offered to sell him the main pieces of the Crown Jewellery. They consist of:

The Imperial Crown. The Orloff diamond of Golconda (182 carats). The Shah diamond (80 carats). The emerald of 180 carats and the sapphire of about the same weight.

These are about the only remaining important Crown Jewels, and certainly the most valuable ever owned by the Imperial family.

"These are in the vaults of the State Bank," said M. de Haan. "The Soviet told me that they thought it would be better to have the money that can be raised from their sale to build factories rather than have the jewels idle in a bank. The Crown contains over 2,000 diamonds, ranging in weight from half a carat to 20 carats. The stones are in the old-fashioned manner, of course, which cause them to sparkle better, although they really do not fetch quite so good a price on the open market."

"They asked eight million dollars for the Orloff, which I consider excessive, as it would obviously be impossible to cut it, and it would be almost impossible to find a buyer at that price."

"I am returning in a month's time. Meanwhile, the Soviets are considering the counter-prices I suggested to them."

M. de Haan examined all this Jewellery with great care while he was in Moscow, and estimated the values of the stones.

"Large diamonds," he added, "have tripled in price during the last three years, and it is likely that they will go on increasing in price as time goes on."

## CROP REPORT

MONCTON, N. B., May 28.—All three provinces reported an increase of about ten percent in the acreage sown to wheat this season and beyond the desire for rain conditions are said to be excellent. Fall rye has wintered well at the regional headquarters of the Canadian National Railways here today. The report is based on the fourth week report of the national system issued in Winnipeg Sunday. It says that a heavy soaking rain would be of considerable benefit to the crops in Western Canada but there is still considerable moisture in the ground and no cause for alarm need be felt.

The long period of dry weather with high winds caused a rapid drying out of the soil over the prairies generally and a good rain would be needed. Weather conditions have been ideal for seeding. All wheat is now in the ground and the sowing of coarse grains practically finished in Manitoba and Alberta. Saskatchewan will finish the seeding of coarse grains this week.

Wheat is from three to six inches above ground and is healthy in all areas. There was a slight frost in parts of Southern Manitoba during the past week but no serious damage has resulted though growth will probably be checked for a few days. Cut worms have made an appearance near Isabella, Manitoba, but no damage is reported. These pests are not reported elsewhere.

OTTAWA, May 28.—A new ten-story hotel, of 325 rooms, to be operated in conjunction with a modern fire-proof garage, capable of holding nearly half a thousand cars, is to be built on properties on Metcalfe, Albert and Slater Streets, this city, options on which were closed today.

The entire cost will be between \$2,000,000 and \$2,500,000. Announcement of the project was made tonight. It is understood United States capital is involved, and that construction work will start within six weeks.

## Sections Of The Fisheries Act Are Ultra Vires

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, May 28.—The Supreme Court of Canada, in a judgment handed down today, decided that sections 7-A and 18 of the Dominion Fisheries Act 1914, are ultra vires of the parliament of Canada.

The sections declared ultra vires requiring the obtaining of an annual license for the operation of a fish cannery for commercial purposes and for the operation of salmon canneries or salmon curing establishments in British Columbia for commercial purposes. Under these sections the licenses were issued by the minister of marine and fisheries. Judgment on this point was unanimous.

## PROCEEDINGS IN THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT

(From Our Own Correspondent)  
OTTAWA, Ont., May 28.—Mr. Adshad this afternoon asked in reply to Mr. Kellogg's invitation to join in doing away with war, had been sent to Washington. The Prime Minister stated that a message would be dispatched in a day or two.

A Nova Scotia member wanted to know why Nova Scotia was not represented on the C. N. R. directorate. The Minister of Railways replied that it was not necessary the policy to have provinces represented as Provinces. Saskatchewan and other provinces were not represented, but the matter of Nova Scotia had not been overlooked. It had been urged by the Hon. Mr. Ralston.

In re dumping clause in answer to a question on Saturday by the Hon. S. F. Tolmie: "Are you going to put into effect another order-in-council tomorrow as you state you have power to do?" to which he had previously replied "yes," the minister answered "yes," and stated that he gives reasonable grounds for putting that order into effect the governor in council will act on the advice of the minister."

Today the Prime Minister added "the promised action has not been taken because an order has not been presented giving reasonable ground why it should be put into effect."

A senate bill to incorporate the Eastern Bank of Canada, a New Brunswick promotion was given first and second readings. Referred to committee on standing orders. The Minister of Finance explained that the project complied with the terms of the bank act.

Another senate bill, sponsored by Mr. Casgrain incorporating the peoples thrift corporation was advanced in similar degrees.

In answer to a question as to the Pelagic sealing treaty of 1911 up to the end of the last fiscal year the amount was given as \$846,202.

Proceedings took an interesting and unusual form this afternoon when Mr. Bourassa, Labelle, moved an amendment on a motion for the House to go into committee of supply. His amendment seconded by Mr. Woodworth, expressed regret that the government had not taken internal and external, to the equality of status affirmed by the Imperial conference in 1926 as the fundamental principle of the relations among the various dominions of the British Commonwealth.

Not much interest so far as the members themselves were concerned was displayed, both sides of the house being largely vacant. The Progressive and Labor groups were the only ones that remained practically intact. Obviously the government was not taken unawares, nor was the Prime Minister at all perturbed by Mr. Bourassa's fervid eloquence and it had all the appearance of being staged to give the member for Labelle a chance to get steam off and to afford the Prime Minister an opportunity to make a statement, in a subject upon which he loves to expatiate.

As the mover of a vote of want of confidence the forty-minute limit did not apply and he spoke with his characteristic vivacity and amplitude for an hour and a half. At the outset Mr. Bourassa declared that he regretted the necessity of having to move for a vote of non-confidence in the government, but this was imposed upon him by the regulations of the House and was the only way a private member could bring such a highly important matter before the commons.

In spite of the decisions of the Imperial conference there were still limitations in the exercise of full sovereign power both externally and internally, he said; and worse still, there continued to exist loopholes of equivocation which the last Imperial conference did not dispel. If full freedom of action was to be the constitutional basis of the morality to any nation, and this evening,

## POSTMASTER'S GET INCREASE

(Special to the Guardian)  
OTTAWA, May 28.—More than 9,000 rural postmasters are to be granted salary increases ranging from \$40 to \$200 per year according to the amount of business transacted at their postoffices.

Postmaster-General P. J. Veniot, made the announcement and explained the basis during consideration of post office department estimates in the Commons Saturday night.

The present minimum salary for rural postmaster is to be raised from \$80 to \$100 per year, he said, and the percentage allowance on postal revenues is increased in technical detail. It will cost the department about \$90,000 a year, and is retroactive to April first, 1928.

OTTAWA, May 28.—There is much chucking in the capital over the omission of salary increases for civil service commissioners. The chairman gets \$7,000 and the commissioners \$6,000 each. They applied for an increase just like the railway mail clerks and letter carriers did. The postmaster-general approved the increase for his men but the civil service commission turned it down. Now the same treatment has been accorded the commissioners. Their own increases have been turned down and are not to be found in the supplementary estimates.

OTTAWA, Ont., May 28.—An understanding between the leaders in parliament by which the present session will terminate on or before June 9th is said to have been reached. There will be no more series of opposition on the estimates and the Conservatives will relinquish their blockade tactics.

Mr. Woodworth followed on somewhat different lines, but fully in sympathy with the general sentiments as to the International relations, and Canada's status in relation thereto.

Hon. MacKenzie King shortly before six in a mild mannered way followed stating that it had been the intention to take up matters discussed by the mover and second in the full light of day. The Department of External Affairs were being dealt with. On the whole he was pleased with the attitude taken by Mr. Bourassa in respect of the government itself. It was not the intention to establish costly legations at Paris and Tokyo, but Washington owing to continuity and extent of mutual interests involved was different. The legation there had to be appropriate to the close relation of the two nations.

As to making the Governor-General Viceroys as suggested by the mover and have direct relations with the King events in that direction had to move slowly, but it was being consummated. As to Russia negotiations were still being carried on. At six o'clock the Prime Minister was still speaking and resumed diluting them.

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From French Acadicians lured to Acadia through sentiment to members of the British Imperial Parliamentary Association who are touring Canada for the purpose of further acquainting themselves with the Empire and parties of British boys and girls elected students from the Schools and Colleges of the Motherland who have received travelling scholarships for the purpose of visiting Canada.

There are five tours arranged under Canadian National auspices from Washington to Montreal thence to New Brunswick and N. S. Chene Beach and Moncton.

The various tours and parties will be entering these Provinces through the various gateways where connections are made with the National system. For instance via Montreal and Levis via Fredericton and St. John or by way of Boston and Yarmouth and the Canadian National shore route to Halifax and by way of Pictou and thence to Halifax or through Halifax travelling westward.

The first of the Washington tours will leave Washington July 1st and the last will conclude its tour September 7th practically embracing the two midsummer months. These parties will visit Moncton, Point Du Chene, Halifax, Kentville.

The American Express Co. are sending a party of about ninety people who will visit Halifax, New Glasgow, Pictou, Sydney and Saint John. A party of American engineers will arrive at Halifax from Boston via ship of the Furness Withy line on September third and

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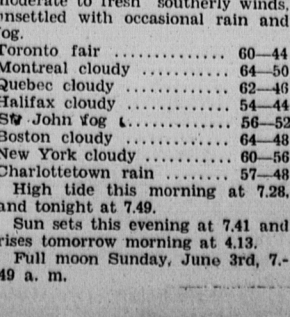
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  - \*\*Nice old fashioned Walnut Bedroom set will be sold at Mrs. Unsworth's sale of furniture today. 4733.
  - \*\*The play entitled "Safety First" advertised to be held in York Tuesday night, May 29, has been cancelled until further notice. 4742.
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  - \*\*Unloading this week car ROBIN HOOD FLOUR, Bran and Shorts. P. J. Noy & Co., Hunter River. 4689-5-28-31.
  - \*\*The Hope River Dramatic Club will present their play "Josiah's Courtship" in Tracadie Hall on Monday, June 4th. 4740-5-29-tts-31.
  - \*\*The Marshfield-Dunstaffnage Dramatic Club will present their 3 act play "A man from Denver" in Mount Stewart hall on Wednesday, May 30th. Admission 35 and 25 cts. 4739-5-29-21.
  - \*\*The Freetown Dramatic players will present the 3-act comedy drama "The Colonel's Maid," in the Hall at Stanley Bridge, Wednesday, May 30th. If not fine Thursday evening, 31st. 4698-5-28-31.