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SOUTH AFRICAN VETERANS CELEBRATE PAARDEBERG

The Glorious Record Made By The Canadians In The South African War Recalled This Week On The Anniversary Of The Decisive Battle Of Paardeberg, In Which Prince Edward Islanders Took A Distinguished Part.

Twenty eight years ago this week, the first of Canada's sons to take their part in the far flung battles of the Empire were upholding the glory of the Motherland and the honour of Canada in the ten days engagement known as Paardeberg. Fought amid the arid and dusty plains of the South African veldt, it was a long and dreary march with short rations under the broiling heat of the semi tropical sun, with the enteric fever wreaking worse havoc among their ranks than even the deadly rain of bullets from the enemy's mousers, this was a battle to try the mettle of the stoutest heart.

On February 18th, 1900 after a gruelling forced march, they caught up with Cronje's men. The Modder River in flood had to be forded. This in itself was a task for heroes. By the guidance of a rope, used to hold on which might mean death, up to their necks in the swift running water, they toiled across, at daybreak after an all night march, and before midday the firing line was formed before the Boer positions. Our Island boys, who were in G and H Companies in reserve, but even so, they were raked with bullets. Here it was on the first day of the engagement that Roland Taylor was killed. That evening an ill advised attack was made by our troops. It was repulsed, leaving eighteen Canadian soldiers dead upon the field. And among them was Colonel Aldworth, address, laying of wreaths, prayer, of the Cornwallis who had ordered the attack.

After this the Canadians had a respite from actual fighting for a time. Cronje moved up the river four miles to a stronger position, where he was completely surrounded. The Canadians taking up a position on what has been called Starvation Kopje, a long ridge lying on the side of his "laager" furthest from the river. It was reported that a relief force was coming to his aid, and it was the duty of Smith-Dorrien's 19th brigade, in which the Canadians fought, to keep a look-out for these. Cronje's hopes were vain, no succor came.

The encircling lines drew ever closer and closer up on him. Trenches were dug at night, and each morning the Boers could see with dismay that the line of British troops was nearer. On the 26th the Canadians were only 600 yards away, their bullets raking the enemy positions.

That morning (Feb. 27th) was the anniversary of Manjuba day, and it was accordingly resolved to storm the position. Roberts, chose the Canadians to be the spear-head of his attack, as did Haig eighteen years later, when the Hindenburg line was to be taken. So at two o'clock in the morning they left their trenches and moved cautiously forward.

He had advanced to within forty yards of the Boer position, when some one stumbled over a wire strung with tin cans. At once the Boers opened a deadly fire at point blank range. Some one yelled "Retire and bring back your wounded," and Companies 'C', 'D', 'E' and 'F' withdrew in disorder.

'G' and 'H' companies made up of men from the Maritimes, did not retreat as the supposed order but made a stand of 40 yards and entrenched there. During the night they kept up a steady fire into the enemy, and when day light dawned, it was evident both to themselves and the foe that they were enfilading his position. Further resistance was useless, and Cronje surrendered.

Such, in brief was the story of Paardeberg. In the engagements, two Island boys gave their lives for their country, Taylor, as we have seen, at the beginning of the attack and Alfred Riggs in the assault.

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SIMON COMMISSION IS GIVEN FLOWERS BY CALCUTTA CROWD

CALCUTTA, Feb. 24.—Sir John Simon and his colleagues of the Statutory Commission were given a reception when they arrived at Howrah Station today that was an impressive contrast to the manner wherein they were received when they first landed in India. European, Moslem, Marwari and Hindu Liberal representatives had assembled to greet them on their arrival. Members of the Commission were garlanded with flowers and deputations from the Government House amid cheering. Their reception en route was more mixed. Outside the station processions paraded the streets with banners inscribed, "Welcome to the Simon Commission," but at the other side of the bridge was a black banner with the words: "Simon go back."

In an interview Sir John said that he regarded it as a misfortune that the Legislative Assembly should have by a narrow majority rejected the idea of adding an Indian wing to the Commission, but did not think a majority of six could decide the matter for all time.

"We have plenty of patience, complete good temper, real sympathy and understanding," he said. "To do our best and be helpful. The Commission has its own plans and will carry these out, and I hope the work we are trying so hard to do will be for the real advantage of India."

Appointed To Succeed Sir James Walker

(Special to the Guardian) EDINBURGH, Scotland, Feb. 24. Prof. James Kendall of New York University has been appointed to succeed Sir James Walker to the Chair of Chemistry at Edinburgh University.

James Kendall, S. C. B., who has been Dean of New York University Graduate School since March, 1927 will at the end of the Academic year leave to accept the Chair of Chemistry at Edinburgh. He was born in Surrey, England, and received a major portion of his education at the University of Edinburgh.

He was for a number of years Professor of Chemistry at Columbia University. His researches in the field of Physical Chemistry led to his nomination as a fellow of the Royal Society of London a year ago.

Amount Collected From Betting Tax

(Special to the Guardian) LONDON, Feb. 24.—Chancellor of the Exchequer Churchill announced in the House of Commons today that approximately \$522,100 (\$2,522,100) had been collected by the Government from bets on horse races, greyhound races and football games between November 1, 1927, and Jan. 31, 1928.

Danish Settlers Suffer Sea Thirst

MONTREAL, Que., Feb. 24.—Danish settlers in the prairie provinces suffer terribly from sea sickness—not, of course, from heaving on the sea but from being absent from it," said Aksel Sandemose, novelist of Copenhagen, just back in Montreal from a seven months tour of the Danish settlements in the Canadian middle west.

In discussing his findings today in the offices of the Department of Colonization and Development, Canadian Pacific Railway—where apparently, he had dropped in for literature, maps, photos and things from the department's resources—Mr. Sandemose went on to explain: "This sea hunger—or, should I say 'thirst'—no that won't do either—but at any rate this new and strange absence from the sea is experienced by practically all of the 30,000 Danish settlers in the West; for you must remember that it is almost impossible to live anywhere in Denmark without being in sight or sound of the sea, either the coast or bay or inlet.

"But," Mr. Sandemose hastened to add, "this sea-sickness gradually wears off, after a year or so, and once the settlers have dug themselves in and got used to the horizon they do well, even in wheat growing, which is new to them, and very few of them return to the homeland."

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TORONTO, Feb. 24.—Maritime, fresh to strong westerly winds, mostly fair and becoming considerably colder, with light local snow flurries.

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| Toronto, fair | 40-16 |
| Montreal, clear | 38-18 |
| Quebec, clear | 36-20 |
| Charlottetown, fair | 40-29 |
| Halifax, fog | 44-34 |
| St. John, fog and rain | 52-44 |
| New York, cloudy | 54-40 |

High tide this afternoon at 1:52 and tomorrow morning at 5:42. Sun sets this afternoon at 5:42 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:44.

First quarter moon Monday, Feb. 27th, 10:57 p. m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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PROCEEDINGS IN THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT

(From Our Own Correspondent) OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 24.—As the debate on the budget progresses members are more and more given to the use of exaggerated language and striking metaphor as substitution for ideas. Mr. Mitchell, who yesterday was picturesque in dealing with the U. F. A. S. and Progressives who would not play in the Liberals backyard, got his bolus for an Oliver when later Evans (Rosetown) described Robb's Budget as a "rich mans feast," and charged that party funds were subscribed to by bootleggers, rum runners, and distillers, who purchased the legislation they desired which enabled them to evade the law. In fact it was a caution what he did say about things not on the farmers agenda including tariff profiteering and contributions to party funds. The budget he described as a product of purchased power and influence, and made reference to the "apostasy" of former progressives who had gone over to the Liberals.

Flay MacDonald, Conservative, Cape Breton South, was quite willing to co-operate with Evans in investigation of party funds because if it were true of the Conservative party some persons were "holding out" and he wanted to find out who they were. A constructive suggestion was that a commission of five members and representatives of the coal companies, railway tariff department, coal consuming industries, business men and miners should be appointed to study the whole problem of moving Canadian coal to Central Canada. In this way he felt sure the problem could be solved. So far as the budget is concerned it held out no hope for any part of Canada.

Mr. Bourgeois (Liberal, Kent, N. B.) had another remedy than that for Maritime ill. He urged that the Government should open negotiations with the United States whereby the products of the forest and the seas should be admitted there on favorable terms. New Brunswick had not progressed agriculturally as other provinces had simply on account of geography. The Dunce Report in this respect would be of incalculable benefit to the Maritimes. The Australian treaty had not joined New Brunswick, and he looked forward to a great stimulus to trade with the West Indies when the new steamship service is inaugurated.

A very carefully considered statement of the effect of the new textile schedules in the budget was made by Mr. A. M. Edwards (South Waterloo), whose constituency is one of the most highly industrialized in Canada, and which will feel it most keenly. He congratulated Mr. Ehler on his elevation to his present position and as a native son of Waterloo his people were proud of him, but his presumed infidelity to the Government should have been sufficient to protect the industries in the southern part of the country.

As compared with England, France and Belgium in regard to wages and the safeguards provided by law, Canada was entitled to greater rather than less protection, and he entered largely into the conditions which affected the textile industry, the loss of employment and in investment in the spinning trade would be very great. As in the whole of Canada there was only one mill that did not spin its own yarn. He buttressed his statement by opinions expressed by a number of manufacturers. Analogous to some of the criticism in the House were expressions of opinion at a labor meeting last night held under the auspices of the all Canadian congress of labor at which the sinful extravagance of the idle rich displayed at the opening of parliament, was denounced while the poor people had to wait for a snow fall for the means of earning their bread.

"Any man," said Mr. Dowd, one of the speakers, "who wears silk stockings should get a swift kick." Incidentally, internationalism was severely denounced. Internationalism it was declared must come first.

The firm of chartered accountants appointed in connection with the reorganization of the department of national revenue has submitted a report commending that six hundred of the 729 ports, outposts, and stations in Canada should be done away with and the work concentrated in the remainder. Of the 258 in the Maritimes 20 are in P. E. I. In 234 of these revenue collecting places in Canada the cost of expenditure exceeded the amount of takings, and more than 96 percent of the whole revenue was collected by 100 of the present ports.

At last the senate divorce bill is to have a sponsor in the Commons in Mr. A. N. Smith (Stormont). There are divorce courts in all the

Committee To Probe Health Conditions In Montreal

(Special to the Guardian) QUEBEC, Feb. 24.—It has been learned here that a commission with Sir Arthur Currie, Principal of McGill, at the head will be formed to delve into the sanitation and health conditions of Montreal. The committee, which will be composed of leading medical authorities of the Metropolitan, will endeavor to discover reasons for the high death rate in Montreal, and when the work is completed will turn the results over to the civic administration.

Canadian Fights African Disease

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Dr. A. Maurice Wakeman, of Yale Medical School, and Clarence A. Morrell, a Canadian, have been appointed by the Rockefeller Foundation to make a specialized study of yellow fever in Africa. It is announced that the scientists will sail this month to join the corps of physicians and bacteriologists already at work in the central laboratory of the Rockefeller yellow fever commission at Lagos, Nigeria. It is expected that this renewed onslaught will uncover scientific data sufficient to guarantee the banishment of the disease from Africa.

Mr. Morrell will assist Dr. Wakeman in the clinical study of the fever and will be consultant to the entire staff of researchers in chemical phases of the investigation. The two will make an extensive series of blood analyses on cases of the disease which are expected to clear up hitherto puzzling phases of the malarial fever.

Mr. Morrell, as chemist, is well equipped for his task. Formerly of Hamilton, Ontario, he graduated from the chemical department of the University of Toronto in 1924 and spent the following year in medical research at the university and since 1925 he has been engaged in chemical and physiological investigations at Harvard Medical School.

Prior to leaving for Africa, Dr. Wakeman and Mr. Morrell overhauled apparatus at Yale University, New Haven, and gathered their tropical equipment together in New York. Paraphernalia for the expedition included many duplicate sets of chemical apparatus to prevent loss of time in case of breakdown, and the usual wearing apparel for the tropics. Mosquito boots are an important item as protection against fever-carrying insects. The African headquarters at Lagos are 150 miles from the equator and at sea level, and this means that the expedition will have to be on guard against both heat and possible insect-borne diseases.

The latter of course is religiously opposed and the few cases that arise there will always have to be dealt with by the Senate, but the Senate feels that its own work would be greatly relieved if Ontario courts were permitted to function as elsewhere. There would be little difference in results, and certainly the cost would not be greater and in the very nature of things a court of justice might be expected to deal more satisfactorily with such matters than a committee of the Senate. There will be strong opposition to the measure in the Commons from practically a solid Quebec and from members in other Provinces conscientiously opposed for similar reasons.

When the House opened this afternoon the Rev. T. W. Bird had a serious grievance against the Post Hope papers which he aired in the way of a question of privilege. His attitude on Mr. Woodsword's amendment to the criminal code in re-blasphemous utterances had been misrepresented as one in favor of blasphemy instead of free speech and such a reflection upon the conduct of two ministerial characters should not be tolerated. On a question of order he was rebuffed from the chair to be brief. Debate on the budget was resumed with Col. James Arthurs (Barry Sound), to-bat. There were, prosperity in Canada which might be attributed to four chief causes: (1) Good crops for three years and good prices. (2) Mining. (3) Pulp and paper industry. and (4) The pulp and paper industry, for not one of which the Government was in the remotest degree responsible. Prosperity in the real sense was non-existent. In fact, conditions in that sense were worse than four or five years ago. In regard to immigration respecting which the Hon. Forke is the subject of continuous barrage, in five years 642,212 Canadians had gone to the United States and their emigration represented for the period in question one third of the immigration into that country.

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Mr. Russell is the editor of the "Irish Statesman" and has been a leader of Irish thought for many years. He is an Irishman who has achieved fame and done much for his country without taking part in politics. With Sir Horace Plunkett he played a prominent part in organizing the Irish farmers on a co-operative basis, bringing about the establishment of co-operative stores and creameries and doing much to improve the economic position of the tillers of the soil.

A stout, heavy man with a massive head adorned with heavy brown hair and a copious beard, he impressed one as a thinker and philosopher rather than a poet, while the range of his poetry is not wide, it is intensive, most of it being along the lines of a deep meditation on nature, emphatically that of a pantheist.

Discoveries and encouraging new Irish poets is Mr. Russell's pet hobby. He is also a painter of ability and is quite at home discussing philosophy, politics and economics. He is engaged on a limited lecture tour through the United States, and his appearance here on February 24 will be his only Canadian engagement.

large staff of natives to aid in all but the fine scientific work.

Despite scientific study of yellow fever dating back many years, much remains to be learned about the exact nature of the germ or virus responsible for the disease. Some physicians are of the opinion that the ailments classed as yellow fever in different parts of the world are really different diseases each peculiar to its own locality. The Rockefeller expedition will be at work for a year or longer.

Truro Bearcats Defeat Boston

(Canadian Press) HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 24.—Truro Bearcats handed George Owen and his University Club of Boston a 4 to 1 defeat here tonight in the second and final game of the two match series with Nova Scotia teams. Truro completely outplayed and outskated the visitors throughout piling in a total of fifty one shots on Lennard, while Kuhn mated out thirty drives.

George Owen caged the lone Boston score less than a minute after the start of the game, with a beautiful low shot through the defence. It was the first shot of the night. Truro tied it up eight minutes later when Gould snapped a back hand drive from the wing into the cage. Eleven minutes after Ryan scored on a close in shot.

In the second period "Doggie" Kuhn shot two markers, the first coming in four minutes on a pass from Gould and the latter on a lone tally on the right from Lane. Thirty five hundred people watched the best game played in Halifax this season. The University players will leave tomorrow for Boston.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

- **The races at North River today start at 2 p. m. 2739.
- **Robin Hood Rapid China Oats, better oats, better China.
- **Concert in Central Christian Church tomorrow evening at 8.30. Best city talent. Silver collection. 2746
- **Come to the Leap Year skate at Cape Traverse rink Friday night, February 25th. 2743
- **Dr. Cliff, M.D. in chronic cases, 112 Prince St. Phone 897-J. Charlottetown. Self-Help. Don't delay. 2-16-1 mo.
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Mr. Russell is the editor of the "Irish Statesman" and has been a leader of Irish thought for many years. He is an Irishman who has achieved fame and done much for his country without taking part in politics. With Sir Horace Plunkett he played a prominent part in organizing the Irish farmers on a co-operative basis, bringing about the establishment of co-operative stores and creameries and doing much to improve the economic position of the tillers of the soil.

A stout, heavy man with a massive head adorned with heavy brown hair and a copious beard, he impressed one as a thinker and philosopher rather than a poet, while the range of his poetry is not wide, it is intensive, most of it being along the lines of a deep meditation on nature, emphatically that of a pantheist.

Discoveries and encouraging new Irish poets is Mr. Russell's pet hobby. He is also a painter of ability and is quite at home discussing philosophy, politics and economics. He is engaged on a limited lecture tour through the United States, and his appearance here on February 24 will be his only Canadian engagement.

large staff of natives to aid in all but the fine scientific work.

Despite scientific study of yellow fever dating back many years, much remains to be learned about the exact nature of the germ or virus responsible for the disease. Some physicians are of the opinion that the ailments classed as yellow fever in different parts of the world are really different diseases each peculiar to its own locality. The Rockefeller expedition will be at work for a year or longer.

Truro Bearcats Defeat Boston

(Canadian Press) HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 24.—Truro Bearcats handed George Owen and his University Club of Boston a 4 to 1 defeat here tonight in the second and final game of the two match series with Nova Scotia teams. Truro completely outplayed and outskated the visitors throughout piling in a total of fifty one shots on Lennard, while Kuhn mated out thirty drives.

George Owen caged the lone Boston score less than a minute after the start of the game, with a beautiful low shot through the defence. It was the first shot of the night. Truro tied it up eight minutes later when Gould snapped a back hand drive from the wing into the cage. Eleven minutes after Ryan scored on a close in shot.

In the second period "Doggie" Kuhn shot two markers, the first coming in four minutes on a pass from Gould and the latter on a lone tally on the right from Lane. Thirty five hundred people watched the best game played in Halifax this season. The University players will leave tomorrow for Boston.

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- **Dr. Cliff, M.D. in chronic cases, 112 Prince St. Phone 897-J. Charlottetown. Self-Help. Don't delay. 2-16-1 mo.
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