

Reciprocity With Canada Is Again A Live Issue

Arrangement Sponsored By Taft Back In 1911 Has Never Been Repealed And Canada Prefers To Meet Its Requirements Rather Than Take Chances Under Fordney Tariff

Washington, March 1.—Canada today made her first move to forestall unfavorable action by the American Congress in tariff relations between the two countries.

W. S. Fielding, Canadian Minister of Finance, and one of the men who negotiated the ill-fated reciprocity agreement of 1911, has taken up with the Department of State here through the good offices of the British embassy the question of arriving at an understanding on reciprocal trade.

Mr. Fielding himself does not discuss his visit, preferring to make his inquiries informally and without publicity. But the situation which brings Mr. Fielding here is of the greatest importance to the relations of the two countries and is comparable indeed to the events of 1911 when President Taft, following the precept of another Republican President, William McKinley, offered Canada the hand of friendship through a reciprocity trade agreement. The American Congress ratified that agreement, passing a law providing for reciprocity, but through a series of misunderstandings inside Canada, the Canadian parliament failed to do its part.

Inasmuch as it was Canada which blocked reciprocity in 1911, the feeling of the liberal party which has just come into power at Ottawa under MacKenzie King is that Canada should make the first move in showing her willingness to go through with the 1911 agreement.

Curiously enough, the act of 1911 was never repealed and remained on the statute books of the American Congress. The House of Representatives once passed a bill proposing a repeal but it never passed the Senate. So if Canada should now do what she failed to do in 1911, the reciprocity agreement would promptly go into effect between Canada and the United States.

But under the terms of the original understanding, each country was to pass concurrent legislation and it is hardly likely that the Canadian parliament would take action if it appeared that the American Congress might repeal the reciprocity act, as indeed is now proposed in the Fordney tariff bill. That bill would automatically repeal all previous tariff arrangements, but would empower the President to negotiate new reciprocity agreements with any nation. Canada's viewpoint is that it would be far better to make an exception of the act of 1911 and leave it on the statute books so that the parliament at Ottawa might put it into effect than to negotiate a new agreement involving the reopening of all sorts of questions.

The desire for reciprocity in Canada is now intense. The former group and the Liberal party go hand in hand on that issue and they control a majority in the Ottawa parliament.

But the viewpoint of the agricultural bloc in the American Congress is bound to be influential. Senator Capper of Kansas, leader of the agricultural bloc, told this correspondent today that he had had not had an opportunity to study the effects of the reciprocity agreement of 1911, but that it was likely there would be some opposition from the border states on the northern boundary.

"The wheat growers of Minnesota and North Dakota," said Mr. Capper, "will want protection. They have been asking for it as against Canada and the interests of these states will naturally be our first consideration."

The reciprocity question, however, is not entirely local. It relates closely to the whole question of trade relations between the United States and Canada. Discrimination against Canada would not be swallowed without protest by the Canadian people. Already there has been talk about the necessity of buying goods from countries other than the United States because the Canadian dollar sold at a discount here. With the improvement in Canadian exchange, however, American business is bound to improve.

As long as the Democratic administration was in power at Washington, Canada obtained by the voluntary action of the United States many of the things she wanted under the 1911 reciprocity act but the determination of the Republican party to pass the Fordney bill has changed the whole face of things.

Former Pugilist May Be Preacher

Los Angeles, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—James J. Jeffries, former heavyweight champion pugilist, may become an evangelist, according to a story printed by the Los Angeles Examiner today.

Committee Grants Lady Rhonda's Plea

London, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—The petition of Lady Rhonda to sit in the House of Lords was granted today by the Privilege Committee. If she takes her seat she will be the first woman to sit in the upper house of British Parliament.

ACCIDENT AVERTED WHEN CAR SKIDS ON STREET Film Players Making Scene In Driving Rain Barely Escape Hitting Telegraph Pole

Holmes E. Herbert, who has the role of Wellman in the Alice Joyce production "The Inner Chamber," which will be shown at the Alkrama Theater today, narrowly avoided an accident by driving his car into a telegraph pole.

It was during the filming of one of the scenes, which were taken at night during a driving rain storm. In this incident the hero rescues the heroine from the home of her employer and on the way home becomes stalled on the road. The pair are forced to remain during the night on the highway because a rear wheel is buried to the hub in mud.

Two city blocks were required for the scene showing the car driving rapidly down the road against a driving rain. The rain beat against the car with such force and the night was so black that Mr. Herbert could not keep in the roadway. The glare of the studio lights set up on location confused him, and when the car swung to the right he headed directly for a telegraph pole.

A warning from the director caused him to pull his machine to the left just in time to avert an accident. He cleared the pole by barely an inch, brought his motor to a stop in a rut at the side of the road. The accident necessitated retaking the scene.

THREE KILLED IN EGYPT DISTURBANCE

London, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Three persons were killed and 24 injured, some seriously, in a disturbance at Tanta, Egypt, says a Central News dispatch from Cairo.

Under the 1911 reciprocity act, for instance, as well as under the Underwood Simmons law, cattle, sheep, wheat, corn and maize potatoes, fresh milk and cream were duty free. Under the Fordney bill, substantial duties are to be imposed on the admission of every one of these products, and the items which are dutiable under the Underwood law but which will have to be admitted free under the reciprocity act are all to have a higher duty.

Canada today buys one dollar and a half of American goods for every dollar bought from Canada by the United States. The Canadian government believes a trade relation as valuable as that deserves reciprocal treatment. Until now men like Samuel McCall of Massachusetts, who had charge of the reciprocity bill in the House of Representatives, have said that "after the rebuff in 1911, the initiative will have to proceed from Canada."

That's why the Canadian minister of finance is here. Whether his mission will succeed depends upon whether the agricultural bloc is willing to stand by the Republican doctrine of Taft and McKinley.

Anti-Hooch Serum



Dr. Charles B. Graf in his New York laboratory where he has perfected a serum which he claims will cure wood alcohol poisoning, if given within 24 hours. He converts the patient's own blood into an anti-toxin by means of the electrical apparatus shown in the photo.

Dr. Saliba Writes On Subject Of Fire

Local Surgeon Calls Attention To Unselfish Nature Of Fire Company's Work

The following article on the causes of fires and the work of the local Fire Company, is contributed by Dr. John Saliba, of this city. It is of more than usual interest, because it calls to attention the unselfish nature of the work of Elizabeth City's volunteer fire fighting organization. The article is as follows:

With the exception of the microbes of infectious disease, there is no danger that increases with the increase of urban civilization like the danger from fire.

The loss of property from fire in this country alone every year amounts to millions of dollars, and the annual loss of human lives throughout the world from the same cause is very great.

No doubt, formidable conflagrations are largely due to the fact that wood is used in a general way for building the greater part of ordinary dwelling houses.

In Russia where timber built houses are still very common, it is said that the entire erections throughout the country are practically destroyed in every seven years.

In this country and Canada, the cheapness and convenience of forest timber also lead to many towns and villages being built by wood, with the result that conflagrations not uncommonly make a complete clearance.

Each advance in the chief domestic comforts and in the principal industrial uses of power has augmented the risk of fire. Cheap matches, oil lamps, flannelette clothing, celluloid cans and other articles, the use of gas in lighting and cooking, and the employment of electrical power for illumination, have all combined to make even the modern brick dwelling places of the people almost as dangerous as the timber-built houses.

In mills, factories, and workshops, sparks from machinery, short circuiting of electric currents, over-heating of furnaces, boilers and steam pipes, and many other accidents connected with the use of high energies, bring about serious fires.

Our fire company is composed of private citizens, who give their services freely in the noble work of diminishing the general danger to life and property through fires. Even their out-of-pocket expenses are not reimbursed to them.

Now Yawn!



Lloyd George May Resign As Premier

London, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Either an early general election or the resignation of Premier Lloyd George will be the result of the present political crisis, it is generally believed.

Plan To Reorganize The Naval Reserve

Washington, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Complete reorganization of the Naval Reserve, abolishing the existing naval or marine corps reserve and establishing the naval reserve as a component part of the navy, consisting of three classes: Fleet reserve, merchant marine naval reserve and volunteer naval reserves is proposed in a tentative bill being prepared by the Navy Department.

WILLIAM MARTIN HAD MORE TROUBLE WITH HIS SPOUSE

Charged with destroying the personal property of his wife, William Martin, colored, was tried in recorder's court here Thursday morning. He was taxed with the costs of the case, and was placed under a suspended sentence of sixty days on the roads. Martin had previously been in court on account of trouble with his wife, and Trial Justice Spence put on the suspended judgment in the hope of preventing further conjugal disturbances in the family.

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL ITEMS

Mrs. H. L. Belangia, of Columbia, who was admitted to the Community Hospital on Tuesday for medical attention, is reported to be getting along nicely.

Mrs. W. M. Simonds, of 416 Queen street, who also went to the hospital on Tuesday, is recovering from an operation.

Mrs. Walter Rodgers, R. F. D. 5, City, was operated upon on Wednesday, and is now fast improving.

Wanchese School Children Gave Entertainment Saturday

Wanchese, Mar. 2.—An entertainment was given at the Wanchese Academy Saturday night by the fourth and fifth grades of the high school here under the direction of their teacher, Miss Mattie Ward. The program was as follows: Song, by the fourth and fifth grades; play, "True Bravery," five fourth grade girls; song, "The Old Arm Chair," by Theresa Gallop; play, "That Lovely Hat"; song, "A Merry Life," by school; play, "The Train Leaves in Ten Minutes"; dance, by nine girls; play, "Trials of a School Teacher"; song, "Good Night."

GYM CLASS MET THURSDAY

The men's gymnasium class will meet according to the schedule adopted Thursday afternoon at the Community gym at five-thirty. According to Secretary Job, much interest is being manifested in the class, and on Tuesday afternoon its members were so enthused that they exercised right on past the closing hour, six o'clock.

No apparatus is used in the stunts employed, which are made up of setting-up exercises, volley ball and running. There is no age limit, and those who join may participate in all or in only a part of the exercises, just as they desire. Tommie Hughes, the director, is being assisted by Mills Bell, who is also an athlete of skill.

SEABOARD WANTS BORROW HUGE SUM

Washington, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—The Seaboard Air Line today filed a blanket application with the Interstate Commerce Commission for large sums, the total of which was not announced, but fourteen million dollars is being mentioned as likely required to continue operations and extending its lines.

CHANGING APPEARANCES THERE

Painters and interior decorators are working a striking transition in the appearance of the store and show rooms of the M. Leigh Sheep Company, in preparation for the annual spring opening of this enterprising woman's wear store. A revelation of Easter styles is promised all who attend the opening, which will be held some time within the next week or ten days.

Succeeds, Husband



Princess Kalaniana'ole of Honolulu has taken the place on the Hawaiian Rehabilitation Commission made vacant by the death of her husband. She lived in Washington when he was Hawaiian delegate to Congress.

Pa And Daughter Want Divorce From Elopers

Maysville, Ky., Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Two divorce suits are pending in Mason County Court here because Carl Kellum and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Addie Gallagher, ran off together, according to petitions filed by Mrs. Ima Gallagher Kellum, eighteen, against her husband and John Gallagher, fifty-five, against his wife.

About To Make Another Arrest In Taylor Case

Los Angeles, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Officers are considering the arrest of the motion picture actor whose name was brought in the case by Mrs. John Rupp, who supplied information that led to the arrest of six alleged drug peddlers and bootleggers in connection with the Taylor case.

Sanitary Engineer Holds Conference With Council

H. E. Miller, director of the Bureau of Sanitary Inspection and Engineering of the State Board of Health, stopped over for a few hours in Elizabeth City Thursday morning on his way to Hertford, and returned to this city Thursday afternoon for a conference with the City Council on the enforcement of the State sanitary toilet law here.

Mr. Miller came at the invitation of the Council primarily to discuss the sanitary situation here. Before his conference with the Council, which was held at four o'clock in the afternoon, he would say little with regard to the suggestions that he had in mind. It was understood, however, that he was prepared to make recommendations regarding both the installation of sewerage, and the putting-in of toilets not connected with the city sewer system, but conforming with the requirements of the State sanitary law.

PRAYER MEETING FRIDAY

Mrs. Lizzie McAdams will hold a prayer meeting at the furniture store of M. G. Morrisette & Co., Friday morning at ten o'clock.

MEN ARRESTED ARE NOT CONNECTED WITH MURDER

Los Angeles, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Six men arrested on information furnished by Mrs. John Rupp have no connection with the Taylor murder, police announced today.

LOST \$25,000 IN JEWELS

Chicago, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Mrs. Robert K. Thorne, wife of the former president of Montgomery, Ward & Company, reported to the police today the loss of jewels valued at \$25,000. She returned yesterday from South Carolina.

Work Succeeds Hays Definitely Announced

Washington, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Dr. Hubert Work, first assistant postmaster general, will succeed Will H. Hays as head of the Postoffice Department, it was learned definitely at the White House today.

CASH FEATURE OF BONUS LEFT OUT

Except In Case Of Men Whose Compensation Would Not Exceed Fifty Dollars

Washington, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Unanimous agreement to eliminate the cash feature from the soldiers' bonus, except in case of men whose adjusted service pay would not exceed fifty dollars was reached by the special subcommittee of the Republican members of the House Ways and Means Committee.

Urges Quick Action

Washington, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Hope that the administration will not continue to procrastinate and will fulfill the promise made at the last election and pass a veterans' adjusted compensation bill without further delay was expressed by Edwin S. Bettelheim, Jr., chairman of the National Legislative Committee of the veterans of foreign wars.

Community Club Is Formed At Riverside

New Organization For Bayside And Riverside Pledged To Better Conditions

A community club for Bayside and Riverside neighborhoods was organized at Riverside school Wednesday night, with A. Stewart Morgan as president, W. F. Jennings vice president and Miss Hazel Owens, secretary. The new club is the first of a group of similar organizations to be formed in the County this year in a County-wide plan to better conditions in every rural community in Pasquotank.

County Agent G. W. Falls and Miss Marcie Albertson, Home Demonstrator, assisted in the work of organizing the club. The school auditorium was packed, and those present expressed much enthusiasm in the plan. The Riverside Community Club will meet twice a month, and the program of the next meeting will be arranged by Miss Daisy White, principal of Riverside school.

No Date Hearing Guggenheimer Case

Richmond, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Final determination of the case, it was decided yesterday, awarding S. F. Guggenheimer, of Richmond, ten thousand dollars against the Southern Seminary, of Buena Vista, on charges of false arrest in connection with the alleged kidnapping of Ruth Hanks, of Minneapolis, rests on the demurrer filed by his counsel. No date has been set for a hearing.

"ALL'S FAIR IN LOVE" WRITTEN BY SOUTHERNER

Author Of Many Successful Stage And Screen Plays, Wrote New Goldwyn Picture

Thompson Buchanan, author of the new Goldwyn Picture, "All's Fair in Love," which will be shown at the Alkrama today, is a Southerner by birth. He has written many successful plays, among them being "A Woman's Way" and "The Bridal Path," the latter play being the original of the screen story now released under the new title of "All's Fair in Love."

When Mr. Buchanan made his home in New York, he could not get accustomed to the business-like attitude of northern servants. He missed the little personal attentions of his own Southern mammy. It came to such a pass that the author finally sent home for his old mammy to take care of his bachelor quarters. With his physical comforts provided for, the author felt entirely at ease to go on with his writing.

Doughton Wins In Election Contest

Washington, Mar. 2 (By The Associated Press)—Representative Doughton, Democrat, is entitled to a seat in the House as a member from the Eighth North Carolina District, the Elections Committee investigating the contest filed by Dr. J. I. Campbell, Republican, reported today.