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DRURY'S PLAN OF PEOPLE'S PARTY IS IMPRACTICABLE, STATES U.F.O. SECRETARY

J. J. Morrison Declares Organization Was "Dragged" Into Politics—Executive Will Meet On Wednesday to Consider Action of Ontario Premier's Advocacy of "Broadening Out"—Attitude Regarding Politics To Be Definitely Outlined.

Toronto, Jan. 17.—Mr. J. J. Morrison, secretary of the U. F. O., stated today that a meeting of the executive of the organization will be held in Toronto on Wednesday when in all probability Premier Drury's recent advocacy of a "broadening out" political policy will come under discussion. If Mr. Drury's challenge is taken up a statement will likely be issued, making clear the organization's attitude in regard to political matters. "The U. F. O. is not a political society of its own free will," said Mr. Morrison today. "That is to say, there is not one word in its constitution that refers to politics. But the farmers, like every other branch of industry, sought to obtain relief from the disadvantages under which they worked as soon as they became class-conscious. And they dragged the organization into politics."

Mr. Morrison was asked what he thought of Premier Drury's ideal of a people's party.

NOT PRACTICABLE. "There are so many economic differences that would come up in such an organization that there would not be sufficient harmony to enable it to function properly. It is not natural for men to forget on what side their bread is buttered, and they vote that way."

But on the other hand, Mr. Morrison emphatically denied that he favored "class" government. He saw no reason why doctors and lawyers should not use their professional organizations to elect direct representatives of their class to Parliament. He thought it would be a good idea if the C. M. A. came out in the open and declared whom they supported as candidates for election. "Such a move would give us group government," he pointed out, and I think that is what we are coming to in this country. In such a group government, the names would be taken, I suppose, from whatever class had the most candidates elected. For my part, I would be perfectly satisfied with it, whether the farmers happened to be in the majority or not."

MACBRIDE REGARDS DRURY AS "POLITICAL CHAMELEON"

Toronto, Jan. 17.—The Star today published a letter from Mr. MacBride, M. P., of Brantford, replying to the charge of Mr. Drury, M. P., of Middlesex, that he withdrew his support from the Drury government because he was not made minister of mines. The letter, in part, says: "I think I have perhaps done about everything any one man could do in the matter of mine development. As a matter of fact when the time came to choose a minister of mines, I took one look at Mr. Drury, after a joint conference,

NAVAL BOARD OPENS PROBE INTO FLIGHT

Investigation Ordered by the Secretary of Navy.

Rockaway, N. Y., Jan. 17.—The naval board of inquiry appointed by Secretary of the Navy Daniels met here today to begin its investigation of the balloon flight of Lieut. Kloor, Farrell and Hazardous trip into Northern Ontario. Rear Admiral George Washington Kilne is the presiding officer.

SIR JOSEPH COOK TO BE HIGH COMMISSIONER

London, Jan. 17.—Canadian Press.—The Melbourne Age says that Sir Joseph Cook will be appointed high commissioner of the Commonwealth of Australia, and that Hon. E. D. Miller, minister of repatriation, will act as prime minister during the visit of Premier Hughes to London.

EXCAVATION WORK ON \$16,000 EAST END CITADEL, SALVATION ARMY, TO COMMENCE THIS WEEK

Will Be Erected On East Side Rectory Street Near Dundas—Full Particulars Expected Tuesday by the Local Headquarters Staff.

Word was received this morning from provincial headquarters of the Salvation Army that work will be commenced immediately on the erection of a \$16,000 new citadel for the east end of London. The building will be situated on Rectory street, just opposite the east end town hall. Brigadier Alex. Crichton, head of the local district, stated that he had received no information as to what the interior of the new building would be like. He also added that he thought the work of excavating would be commenced this week. During the past two weeks several important changes in buildings of the Salvation Army in this district have been effected. The Col. Taylor property on Emery street, between High street and Windsor avenue, was purchased last week for a children's home. Children's Home will be transferred to this building when the work of renovating

BRIAND CABINET FAILS TO CREATE ENTHUSIASM IN FRENCH CAPITAL

Majority of Paris Newspapers Express Mild Satisfaction.

WILL STATE POLICY

New Premier Is Advocate of Strong Friendship for U. S. and Britain.

Paris, Jan. 17.—Little enthusiasm was today evinced by newspapers of Paris over the new Briand cabinet. The decrees of appointment of the new cabinet, printed this morning in the official journal, "L'Espresso," raised by Raoul Peret, who on Saturday announced his failure to form a government, were not realized in the cabinet chosen by M. Briand. Most journals expressed mild satisfaction or reserved judgment.

In discussing the ministry chosen by the new premier, the Journal said: "It contains every element except sinuosity, pure royalists and communists." The Figaro, which ardently supported former President Poincare for the premiership, expressed its disappointment, saying: "It is the usual patchwork ministry, according to the pre-war formula."

The Oeuvre asked: "We have a new ministry; shall we have a new government?"

Will Declare Policy.

It is probable the new ministry will present itself before the Chamber of Deputies on Wednesday or Thursday, and M. Briand will at that time read the government's declaration of policy. The significance of the appointment of Aristide Briand as president of the council of the republic was not lost upon the people of the city of Paris. They recalled his friendship with Georges Clemenceau, who, while head of the French Government, assisted in framing the Treaty of Versailles, and the close ties uniting him with Raymond Poincare, who has stood for the enforcement of the Versailles pact. Speaking before parliament and in committee meetings, M. Briand has insisted that the treaty must be kept out, and that the interests of France in the Near East must be served. He has asserted that French troops could not be withdrawn from Russia at present.

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BEEF STEAK MAY AGAIN SELL AT 10 CENTS POUND

Local Butcher Sees Possibility If American Tariff Becomes Effective.

"Beefsteak will be 10 cents a pound here if that tariff goes on," said Charles Anderson of Anderson Bros., butchers, of the Advertiser last night. In reference to the proposed American tariff embargo against Canadian meats, Mr. Anderson anticipates might be bad news for the farmer and the stockman and a few others, but it is safe to assume it would be welcome news to the man at the bottom of the various economic layers of humanity all equidistant one another above and below—that unfortunate class of all classes, the man who has to eat to live.

At ten cents a pound for plain sirloin, the old-fashioned man with red cheeks "T-bones" and "blanks with onions" at fifty cents, might even find again what he has so long lamented. Other local cattle buyers are also of the opinion that as a result of the tariff the American Government would set on all meats imported to the United States, meat prices in Canada will be much higher, and that before the end of the winter beef may sell around 10 cents a pound.

"At this time of the year," said one buyer, "prices are always high because the farmers have room for their cattle in the barn, but I believe an immediate slump will follow the enforcement of the tariff. This district will be much affected, as about five carloads of cattle are shipped to the States every week. These cattle would have to remain in the country, with a consequent lowering of prices," he concluded.

HIGH SCHOOL DESTROYED.

South Portland, Me., Jan. 17.—The high school, a two-story brick building erected more than thirty years ago, was burned today. The loss is estimated at \$100,000. The school accommodated 300 students.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 32; lowest, 17.

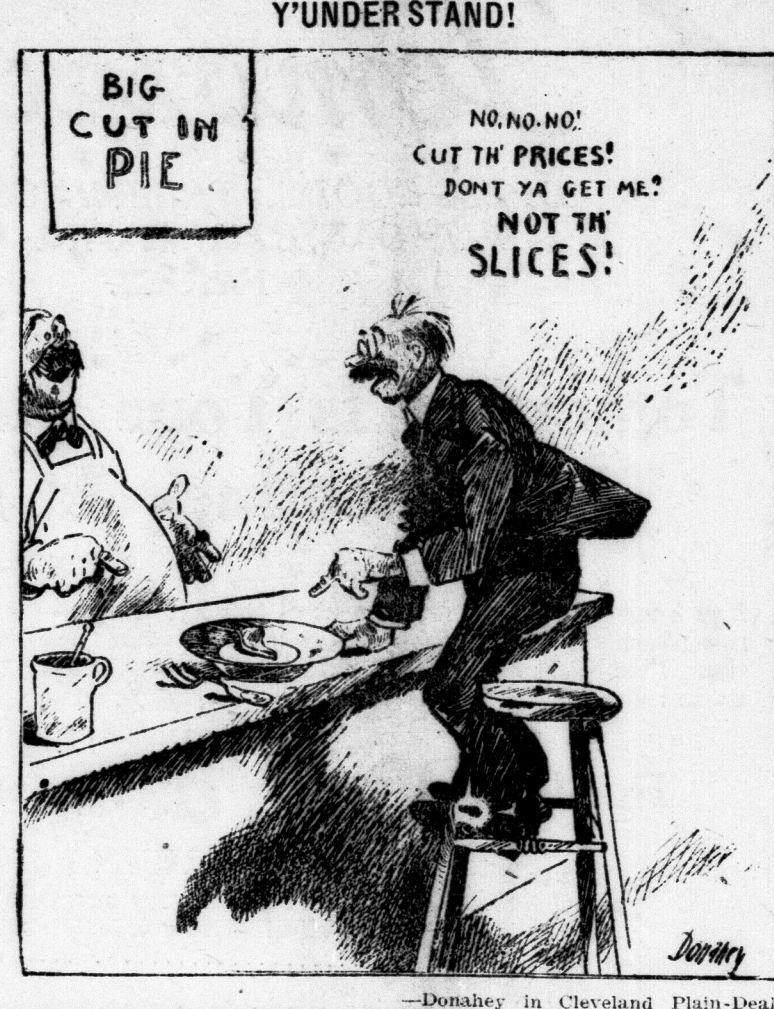
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a. m. today were: Highest, 19; lowest, 13.

TOMORROW—DECIDEDLY COLD.

Toronto, Jan. 17.—8 a. m. Forecast. Today—Local snow showers, but mostly fair and decidedly cold.

Tuesday—Fine, with temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a. m. today: High. Low. Weather. Calgary 22 14 Clear. Fair 22 12 Fair. Port Arthur 12 12 Clear. St. Louis 12 12 Clear. St. Paul 12 12 Clear. Toronto 32 28 Clear. Kingston 30 24 Cloudy. Ottawa 30 24 Cloudy. Montreal 20 20 Snow. Quebec 10 10 Snow. St. John 28 28 Cloudy. Halifax 35 35 Rain. Minus, (—) means below zero.

Weather Notes. The disturbance which was centered east of the Georgian Bay last night is now central over New Brunswick. A movement has been attended by moderate rain with snow and rain in the Maritime Provinces. A western cold wave which came down over the Western Provinces on Sunday is giving decidedly cold weather in Ontario and Western Quebec.



—Donahay in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

PARLIAMENT WILL OPEN ON ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

Change in Opening Date Is Made—Old-Time Ceremonies, Including Drawing-Room Function, Will Mark Beginning of Sessions at Dominion House—Governor-General To Deliver Speech From Senate.

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—The Government, after having decided upon February 14 for the opening of Parliament, has changed the date to February 14.

The first decision was reached at Friday's cabinet council, though some of the ministers favored the 17th. A compromise has now been decided upon, and a special number of the Gazette has been issued announcing the 14th, which is on a Monday.

It has been customary in past years to open on a Thursday and to adjourn over till the following Monday. In the present case the House will get down to business during the first week, for it opens on a Monday.

Preparations are being made for an old-fashioned opening. The new Senate chamber is almost ready for occupation, and his excellency the governor-general will deliver the speech from the throne from his seat in that chamber. There will also be a drawing-room function.

FUR-BEARING INDUSTRY IN CANADA GROWING IN VALUE

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—Canadian Press.—In a preliminary bulletin giving statistics on the fur-bearing industry in Canada, issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, the value of the fur-bearing industry in the year 1919 is placed at \$3,088,923. There were 414 fur farms in operation, including 249 in Prince Edward Island, 48 in Nova Scotia, 21 in New Brunswick, 32 in Quebec, 10 in Ontario, 1 in Manitoba, 1 in Saskatchewan, 11 in Alberta, 8 in British Columbia and 13 in the Yukon. The number of silver foxes on farms was 6,433, with a total value of \$3,013,115. Of the total number of silver foxes, Prince Edward Island possesses 4,704, Nova Scotia 361, New Brunswick 472, Quebec 318, Ontario 120, the prairie provinces 280, British Columbia 65, and the Yukon 113.

PREMIERS WILL CONFER JAN. 25

Lloyd George and Briand To Discuss German Disarmament.

Paris, Jan. 17.—Prime Minister Lloyd George and Premier Briand will meet for a conference on German disarmament and other matters now awaiting settlement on January 25. It was announced here today. The date for the conference was at first fixed for January 19, but a postponement was made necessary because of the ministerial crisis which developed here last week.

CARDINAL GIBBONS IMPROVES. Baltimore, Md., Jan. 17.—Continued improvement in Cardinal Gibbons' condition was reported this morning by a member of his household, who added that it was contemplated taking him for a short automobile ride today.

COLD WAVE

Washington, Jan. 17.—The crop of reports about blossoming dandelions and budding trees, always incident to a mild winter, is endangered by frost, the weather bureau last night forecasting a cold wave for the eastern portion of the United States. Cold weather already has made its appearance in districts lying immediately to the east of the Mississippi River, the bureau said, and the cold area is expected to reach the Atlantic coast from Maine to Florida by tonight.

PASTORAL CARE GREATLY NEEDED, MINISTERS TOLD

Dr. W. J. Robinson Makes a Strong Plea for Patients At Hospital.

SUGGEST CHAPLAIN

London Ministerial Alliance Favors Appointment of Permanent Pastor.

At the monthly meeting of the Ministerial Alliance, held this morning in the V. M. C. A., Dr. W. J. Robinson, of the Ontario Hospital, appealed to the ministers to make some definite arrangement regarding the Sunday morning services at the institution. Dr. Robinson said that his secretary experienced great difficulty in getting a minister to take the Sunday morning service, though some of the local ministers came several times during the year; others did not come at all. He pointed out that there are in the neighborhood of 150 persons at the hospital, including the staff, and a very large number of these are capable of appreciating a sermon and enjoying a hymn. In fact, it gave the inmates something to talk and think about, because it was a common thing to hear them make favorable and adverse criticism on the morning sermon.

It was suggested by several of the ministers that a resolution be passed and sent to the Government asking that a chaplain be appointed to the institution, but Dr. Robinson, though he did not think this suggestion would be prepared to lay out so large a sum of money as would be required to appoint chaplains in all these institutions, because if one was appointed in London, all other such hospitals would appeal for the same.

Ministers object to Fee. Dr. Robinson suggested that a fee be given to the minister taking this service, and that he would ask the Government for a sum that would cover the fee. The clergy, however, were not in favor of taking payment for conducting the services, considering it a duty. The reason that most ministers did not take these services was lack of time.

When it was suggested by Rev. N. S. McKechnie that a chaplain be appointed to the institution, the denomination was raised, and Dr. Robinson remarked that the majority of the patients' religious convictions are changed when they are suffering mentally, and that this point need not be considered. Another clergyman pointed out that chaplains appointed at Westminster Hospital and the Byron School of Medicine discharge their duties without any trouble.

Need Pastoral Care. Dr. Robinson asked for a little more pastoral care of the patients. Perhaps when on their deathbed or very ill, he said, it was sometimes hard to get minister right at the time. He referred to Rev. John Christie, who was a constant visitor to the hospital, and whose words comforted many patients. The majority of patients who died in the institution are given burial by their relatives, and that these arrangements were made for them, but there are a few, said Dr. Robinson, who have no relatives and friends, and sometimes it is difficult to get in touch with a minister, who is not too busy to take the service.

The alliance finally passed a resolution to the effect that the ministers in the vicinity of Pottersburg form a committee to look after the pastoral work of the hospital and make arrangements with the hospital secretary for the Sunday services to be taken by local ministers. Under this arrangement, which would be necessary for each minister to take the service once a week, Miss Bertha Hodge, who recently returned from China, gave a most interesting resume of her work there, and appealed to the clergy to try and send out more young men and women to the mission field.

GOVERNMENT MAY SECURE SUPPLIES FROM LOCAL FIRMS

Purchasing Committee Asks C. of C. for Suggestions On Purchases.

The London Chamber of Commerce has been requested to submit views and suggestions for the guidance of the purchasing committee of the Government in the purchase of supplies in districts where they are required to be obtained by the Government through-out the Dominion.

The purchasing committee of Canada supercedes the war-purchasing committee appointed by the cabinet, and A. E. Howard is acting chairman. The department commanding for its direction with respect to supplies include agriculture, commerce, inland revenue, finance, health, immigration and colonization, Indian affairs, inter-provincial and justice, labor, marine and naval, militia and defenses, mines, postoffice, public printing and stationery, public works, railways and canals, soldiers' civil re-establishment, etc.

Purchases of supplies for all these departments are made by tender, and the Chamber of Commerce will be glad of any suggestions which may be submitted to the purchasing committee with the object of supplying the maximum amount of necessities for the departments in this district from local sources.

UNCLE TURNS DEAF EAR TO NEPHEW'S PLEA

Young Toronto Man in Local Jail on Charge of Vagrancy.

John Grant, a young Toronto man, who is an inmate of the jail as the result of being declared a vagrant, is friends with and hopes to be glad of an interview, as he says the boy had a good home on a farm with another uncle but did not appreciate it. Grant, who has already spent two weeks in a cell, was remanded for another week this morning in order to give him an opportunity to write to his uncle. If it is shown that the police on his behalf he will probably face a 24-day stay at the county institution.

OBJECTION TO PREVENT BUILDING NEW CITY HALL PRESENT SITE EXPECTED

Many Citizens Opposed to the Plan, Says John Hayman—Aldermen P. J. Watt and G. A. Wenige Favor the Custom House Site.

That an injunction may be sought to prevent the building of a new city hall on the present site because the citizens on three separate occasions have favored the federal square site, was the information given to The Advertiser today by John Hayman. Citizens are opposed to the plan outlined by Mayor Little of extending the present utilities building and adding another story to the combined structure. Mr. Hayman declared and they are prepared to take legal action to prevent the carrying out of the project.

Mr. Hayman is himself strongly opposed to the plan. "It is more in keeping with the ambitions of a village than with those of a city this size," he said. "A building cramped upon that small site will be anything but a credit to London. Citizens who want to see the city built up will not want anything of that character as the chief building in the city. The site is altogether unsuitable."

The utilities building takes up every inch of space on its site. There is no place to walk or go to except the sidewalk of the main streets. The same condition will prevail if a city hall is built adjoining the utilities building. It will be impossible to give every department adequate room, and city justices will suffer as a consequence. "That action to prevent building on the present site is feared is indicative of the attitude of those advocating the plan. They take particular pains to recede from the plan, and they are not in favor of anything but City Hall. Whether this technicality is sufficient to set aside the vote of the people is one of the points which could only be settled by the courts."

While plans for a building on the present site are ready for presentation to the council tonight, it is by no means certain that complete indorsement of them will be given. As a matter of fact it has still to be decided whether the policy of putting new offices on the present site will be adopted at all.

REPORTED TO HAVE ACCEPTED POSITION VACATED BY MILNER

PLANS FOR CIVIC OFFICES WILL BE DISCUSSED TONIGHT

City Council Will Also Debate Elimination of Ward System.

PEOPLE WILL DECIDE

Change of Nomination and Election Dates Also Proposed in Bill.

Consideration of plans and estimates for new municipal offices on the present site will undoubtedly be the chief business of the city council tonight. A meeting of the year tonight. No definite action was taken by the committee pending completion of the drawings, of which the public utilities commission and Building Department were working. These will be ready to go before the council tonight. The committee likely will be authorized to take up their consideration in detail.

Elimination of Wards. Final indorsement of the London bill will be another important matter, as it contains a new clause asking for a vote in election and nomination dates and the election of aldermen to represent the wards, which at a railway crossing half a mile from the station a train dashed into him, smashing the head of his horse, and throwing him a considerable distance. The young man was conscious on the way to the hospital, where Dr. S. H. Murphy found him suffering from severe internal injuries, as well as broken arms. He died within an hour. He leaves a widowed mother.

DIES OF INJURIES AFTER BEING STRUCK BY A C. P. R. TRAIN

Renfrew, Jan. 17.—Albert Blackburn, 23 years of age, a farmer near Castleford, is dead, the result of being struck last night by a C. P. R. train. He was returning home from town in a single horse-drawn wagon, which was crossing a mile from the station a train dashed into him, smashing the head of his horse, and throwing him a considerable distance. The young man was conscious on the way to the hospital, where Dr. S. H. Murphy found him suffering from severe internal injuries, as well as broken arms. He died within an hour. He leaves a widowed mother.

Narrowly Escapes Death When Traction Engine Goes Through Middlesex Bridge

Perry Wilson of Parkhill Grasps Branch of Tree When Weight of Machine Causes Structure to Give Way—Traffic Blocked On Main Thoroughfare Between McGillivray and West Williams Townships.

(Special to The Advertiser.) Parkhill, Jan. 17.—Only his presence of mind in grasping a branch of a tree when the Seabee bridge collapsed under the weight of a traction engine which he was driving, saved Perry Wilson of Parkhill from death on Saturday morning. Water completely covers the engine, which has not been recovered yet. The Seabee bridge, which is a stagnant stream being very deep at this point, is probably a 24-day stay at the county institution.