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MACKENZIE KING LIBERALS ABANDON WESTERN FIELD TO CRERAR PROGRESSIVES

Further and More Convincing Proof That Secret Alliance Exists Between King and Crerar Causes Stir in Political Circles—Hill's Letter to Haydon Strongest Link in Chain of Convincing Evidence—King Deserts Laurier Liberals.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 2.—Publication of a copy of a message from the head of the Manitoba Norris Liberals (who are supporting Mr. Crerar) to Mr. Andrew Haydon, national organizer of the Mackenzie King Liberals, indicating that a secret alliance exists between Mr. King and Mr. Crerar has caused quite a stir in political circles. Mr. Haydon, interviewed today, denied knowledge of any "arrangement." He admitted, however, that "Mr. King has constantly advocated co-operation with the Progressives," but added that the latter had just as constantly rejected it. His statement follows:

"There is no arrangement of which I am aware between the Liberals and Progressives. Mr. King has constantly advocated co-operation with the progressives and with labor, but they have just as constantly rejected. The statement that there is an agreement to divide seats is pure Tory propaganda. On top of this guarded statement, and as if timed for its publication, comes the announcement that the Liberal candidate against Mr. Crerar in Marquette, Manitoba, was yesterday withdrawn. It was pointed out today, indeed, that in practically the whole of the West (excluding British Columbia where the Agrarians are non-existent) the Mackenzie King Liberals have practically abandoned the field to Mr. Crerar. A half dozen candidates have entered the contest in places where central authority could not exercise control, but even those are being rapidly withdrawn. Convincing Evidence. Mr. Hill's message to Mr. Haydon, it was pointed out, forms the strongest link yet adduced in the following chain of evidence of a Crerar-King understanding. The well known fact that Mr. Crerar tried to attend the National Liberal Convention and was only prevented from so doing by the representation of his advisers that his attendance would drive the Conservatives out of the Farmer movement. Mr. Charles Murphy's (Mr. Murphy was the organizer of the Liberal Convention) statement to Russell electors that Mr. Crerar would never speak in that riding against him. Mr. Crerar's studious failure to

NO ROOM HERE TO FIGURE GROWTH OF METHUSELAH'S \$1 Washington, D. C., Nov. 2.—Joseph B. McCoy, Government Auditor performed another stunt in mathematical wizardry today, to show how dollars will earn dollars if placed out at interest. He took Methuselah as an example. If Methuselah had invested \$1 at 4 per cent, compounded annually, which he was 1,900 years of age his wealth would have amounted to \$77,107,000,000,000,000,000 at the age of 9000 years. The interest on such a fortune for a fraction of a second would pay all of the world's war debts today.

ARREST TWO MEN WANTED IN N. Y. MAIL ROBBERY

Taken Into Custody Yesterday and Are Held on \$5,000 Bail. New York, Nov. 2.—Arrests of two men wanted by post office authorities in connection with the \$20,000 mail truck robbery, the night of October 24, was announced today by the police of Jersey City. The men were taken in custody yesterday while driving a motor car along a city boulevard. They were recorded at Jersey City police headquarters as Michael Arbet, alias Rafael Derog, and Frank Calabro, both of Hoboken. They are being held in \$5,000 bail each on technical charges of being suspicious characters. Police Commissioner Bentley of Jersey City, said he knew of the connection the men were believed to have had with the robbery, but could not make it public.

Provincial Gov't Members Attend Liberal Meeting

All Gov't Business Suspended to Talk Over Money Affairs for Federal Campaign.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 2.—The United Farmers of New Brunswick are on a still hunt for a candidate by Saturday it is expected they will be able to announce who he is, according to the statement of Gov. D. H. Clark today. Mr. Clark said that E. W. Stairs would not run and a number of names had been considered for the position, but he was not at liberty to mention them. He said that it was definite that Progressive candidate would be in the field. Don't Believe It. Many electors are sceptical concerning the Progressive candidate in this constituency. It is well known that Leader Crerar, when here last week, told his presumed followers that there should be just one opponent to the Government candidate here and as the Liberals have a man in the field the expectation is that nomination day will pass without a Progressive candidate being named. The Liberal Provincial gathering this afternoon for the purpose of considering the parties' chances in the Federal general election in this Province continued for some time at the local Liberal committee rooms. There was a fair representation with M. P.'s had been invited to the meeting, and the leading roles. Financial matters were discussed after the meeting was over. All that was talked to the press was that the meeting had been held and that there was no statement to give to the public. This gathering was so important that the members of the Provincial Government had to attend it, and, consequently, no session of the Government was held this afternoon. Vendorships in one of the houses to be considered at this Government meeting as all expired and are being continued merely pro tem.

Bank Teller Falls Through Trap Door

Yarmouth, N. S., Nov. 2.—S. M. Wat. Ker, Fredrickton, teller of the Yarmouth branch of the Bank of Montreal, suffered a fracture of his leg, arm and severe bruises when he walked through a trap door in the bank building and fell on the concrete floor of the cellar.

LLOYD GEORGE DEFERS TRIP TO UNITED STATES

Critical Stage Reached in Irish Negotiations Causes Premier to Change His Plans.

REGARDED, HOWEVER, AS FAVORABLE SIGN Believed Few Days' Delay in His Departure Will See Irish Settlement Reached. London, Nov. 2.—Prime Minister Lloyd George has definitely cancelled his passage on the steamer Aquitania, on which he was to have proceeded to the United States, November 3, to attend the Washington Disarmament Conference. This fact became official today, but it is believed that the Premier had been known for some days that the critical stage of the Irish negotiations had reached probably would prevent Mr. Lloyd George from sailing on Saturday. Owing to the grave turn in Irish affairs it is not even possible to fix a provisional date for the Prime Minister's sailing, but he is still expected to go to Washington at the earliest possible moment.

Will Arrive There Tomorrow and Address Two Meetings—Big Meeting in Evening

Montreal, Nov. 2.—Arrangements have been completed for the reception of Mr. Lloyd George when he will reach here Friday and will address two meetings before proceeding on a brief tour of the Metropolitan area. The first will be held under the auspices of the Women's Branch of the National Liberal and Conservative Party, in the afternoon at which Hon. Charles Monty will also speak. The second meeting will be in the evening and the Premier will be accompanied by Rt. Hon. C. J. Doherty, Hon. C. G. Bellamy, Hon. R. Monty and W. G. Ross, Conservative candidate in St. Antoine division, (Montreal). On Saturday the Premier will speak in Lachine and will then return to Ottawa, Monday night he will speak in Three Rivers. He will speak in Quebec Tuesday afternoon, Farnham Wednesday afternoon and Sherbrooke Wednesday night.

COMMONS TO DISCUSS ARMS CONFERENCE

This Action to be Taken in Connection With Resolution Presented by Labor.

London, Nov. 2.—A discussion of the Washington Conference on limitation of armaments and for Eastern problems will take place in the House of Commons next Friday, in connection with a resolution presented by the Labor members, "earnly approving of the conference." Austen Chamberlain, Government leader, announced today that the House will discuss the conference, and that the House will discuss the conference, and that the House will discuss the conference.

Ambassador Harvey Castigated By Am. Legion of Honor

Taken to Task for Speech Dealt With America in War. Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 2.—The National convention of the American Legion here today rejected a report of its committee on resolutions castigating Colonel George Harvey, American Ambassador to Great Britain and declaring him unfit to hold office in the American Government. The vote to table was 576 to 444, with fifty not voting. After the original Harvey resolution had been tabled, a sub-resolution was adopted. It was couched in less caustic terms and was adopted by unanimous vote. Col. Harvey was castigated for a speech made soon after his arrival in England which he discussed America's reason for entering the war.

Attempt to Poison Family of Toronto Fruit Merchant

Toronto, Nov. 2.—The police are continuing an attempt to poison Sava Bostrov, fruit merchant, his wife and six young children. Milk left in a bottle in their doorway was supposed to be poisoned. The police dog, which drank a small quantity of the milk, died a few minutes afterwards, the three-month old baby would have been fed the poisonous food.

CANADA'S LOT BETTER THAN ANY COUNTRY IN WORLD, SAVE U. S., SAYS PREMIER

Answer Tariff Question Positively and Unequivocally and There Will be Less Unemployment—King Supporting Any Platform That Will Give Votes—If Trickery and Perfidy in Public Life are Wanted, Vote for Liberals, Premier Tells Electors.

MONTREAL PLANS FOR RECEPTION OF THE PREMIER

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To Offer Prayers For Success of Arms Conference

Ten Thousand Churches of England to Co-operate With American Churches Sunday. London, Nov. 2.—The National free church council of England, in cooperation with the federal council of the Churches of Christian America will offer prayers in all the 10,000 churches of the country next Sunday for the success of the Washington Conference on limitation of armaments and for eastern questions. Cardinal Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster, has issued instructions to the Catholic clergy of his diocese to offer up special prayers on Sunday. He also has appealed to all the Roman Catholic Bishops in Great Britain to do likewise.

New York City Still Without Its Milk Distribution

Prospects of Early Settlement of Truck Drivers' Strike Has Vanished. New York, Nov. 2.—Prospects for early settlement of the strike of 10,000 milk wagon drivers, salesman and platform men vanished tonight when the Milk Conference Board, the employer's organization, voted against submitting matters in dispute to arbitration. The postponement is desired on account of election day and armistice day during the week of November 7.

TURNING LOOSE OF PRISONERS PART OF IRISH PEACE AGREEMENT

Dublin, Nov. 2.—It is announced that ten prisoners in Ballykinter internment camp were liberated today. While no reason was assigned for the release of the men, it was considered here as indicating that a general release of prisoners is not distant and that their being turned loose might be a part of a general peace agreement.

Peterboro, Ont., Nov. 2.—(Canadian Press Staff correspondent)—"When is this country going to learn that it can make its way by one method and one only and that, is by a tariff made by Canada for Canadian people?" This was the question which Premier Meighen addressed to an audience of about 3,500 people who gathered in the armories here tonight. The prime minister presented all his arguments in support of a protective policy.

Premier Meighen's meeting this evening concluded his Ontario campaign at any rate for the present. He left for Ottawa following his meeting here and will tour Quebec and the West before returning to this province. J. H. Burnham, candidate in West Peterboro, declared that he now wished to support Protection as they had it in England, for England was no longer a free trade country. "I do not think any government, Farmer, Unit or Tory, is responsible for present conditions in Canada," declared Mr. Burnham. "It is a result of the terrible conspiracy against the world led by Germany."

Premier Reviews Conditions. Premier Meighen opened by referring to his visit to Peterboro when he spoke on behalf of Mr. Deneau at the by-election last February. He had not changed his views since his last visit, he declared. He went on to compare conditions in Canada today with those in other countries which had participated in the war. "Tried by any standard you care to apply, Canada has better conditions than any country in the world, save the United States alone," he insisted. "The per capita debt of the United States was not as large as that of Canada, but twice as many men were out of work in that country, its population as compared to population as were unemployed in Canada."

Reason for Unemployment One reason for unemployment in this country was that there had been an agitation for ten years, with the ultimate reduction of tariff as its goal. The Progressives had carried on a free trade campaign in the West, which has become increasingly active in the last four months. The result was that capital was timid. People with money would not invest it under present unsettled conditions. "Answer this tariff question positively and unequivocally and you will have less unemployment in this country," said the Premier.

King Tricky. The Premier avowed that G. N. Gordon, former Liberal member for West Peterboro, had been elected on a policy of protection. The leader of the Liberal Party was pledged to a policy which was practically free trade, but was running around supporting his candidates on every conceivable platform which would get votes. "If you trust Mr. King now, you trust him to betray you," declared the Premier. But, he continued, Mr. Gordon who had promised protection when running for office, had also subscribed to the 1919 platform of the Liberal Convention. "Didn't he attend that convention?" asked the Premier. "Yes," he replied, "but he didn't attend several persons in the audience. "If you want trickery and perfidy," said Mr. Meighen, "in public life vote for the Liberals."

Both Sides Have Agreed to Take up Case November 14th. San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 2.—Both sides have agreed to a postponement from November 7 to November 14, in the opening of the trial of Roscoe C. Arbuckle, charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Virginia Ruppel, Devin McNam, chief defense counsel announced today. The stipulation will be presented to the court when the case is called Monday.

Two Inches of Snow. Montreal, Nov. 2.—Two inches of snow fell today in Arcootook County. It was the first fall of the season in New England, except for Charlies.

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Palmer and Binet Freed on Charge of Murder

Alleged to Have Caused the Death of Young French Canadian Shop Girl. Quebec, Nov. 2.—William Frederick Palmer, alias Cole and Raoul Binet, alias Legault, were tonight acquitted of the charge of murder in connection with the death of Blanche Gagneux, a young French-Canadian shop girl, who was abused and murdered on the 22nd of July, 1920, in the elder bushes near Victoria Park, this city. After deliberating for twenty-five minutes the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty," which was received with applause by the crowded court room. The liberation of the two prisoners was immediately granted by Mr. Justice Gibson, but Raoul Binet was subsequently re-arrested on a charge of perjury. Binet is charged with perjury as it is alleged that at the preliminary investigation he swore that he had seen William Frederick Palmer abuse and murder Blanche Gagneux, and last week at the trial when he was placed in the witness stand, he swore that when he accused Palmer of having killed Blanche Gagneux, it was false, because he was not in Quebec at the time and had never met Palmer in that city.

NATIONAL HOLIDAY

Washington, Nov. 2.—Armistice Day, November 11, will be declared a National holiday in honor of the inkless soldier of the United States to be buried that day in Arlington.

First Hanging in Northwest Territories

Fatal Drop for Indian Convicted of Murdering His Wife and Child. Edmonton, Alta., Nov. 2.—The first hanging in the history of the Northwest Territories was scheduled to take place at Fort Smith, 900 miles north of Edmonton yesterday, but definite information as to whether the sentence was carried out will not be available until the middle of December when the next mail comes out from the north country. Albert Lebeaux, Slavic Indian, convicted of the murder of his wife and child, Tuesday expired on the gallows his crime of ten months ago unless some unforeseen circumstances arose which delayed the carrying out of the death sentence. According to Major Jennings, superintendent of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, all arrangements were completed and the sentence was to have been carried out Tuesday morning.

Confident Good Will Come From Conference

New York, Nov. 1.—Confidence that much good will come out of the Washington Conference on the limitation of armaments was expressed by delegates from Italy, Great Britain and China on their arrival here today on the Olympic.

MANY RUSSIAN ORPHANS ON WAY TO ARGENTINA ARRIVE AT PARIS

Paris, Nov. 2.—Hundreds of Russian orphans who have been adopted by wealthy families in Argentina are beginning to arrive here from Poland on their way to South America. They are lodged in a big hall pending embarkation. Wealthy Parisian women are giving them toys and watching their transports of joy. The boys and girls show marks of fearful suffering. Great sympathy has been aroused, especially by those bearing wounds inflicted by the Bolsheviki. The first group of orphans will be sent on to Argentina next week.