

N. B. ELECTIONS TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 10

DYSART AND HILL IN CABINET; VENIOT HEADS POWER BOARD

Hydro Commission Increased by Four; Includes Dr. E. A. Smith, Burgess, Foster, Michaud, Fawcett and Burt

REVAMPED BODY MEETS TUESDAY

First Grand Falls Contracts Will Be Let at Saint John Session; Both Parties' Candidates' Line Up Almost Completed; Premier Discusses Salary in New Post

Canadian Press Despatch.
FREDERICTON, July 17.—The provincial general elections in New Brunswick will be held on Monday, August 10. That date was set for polling at the special meeting of the provincial government here this afternoon. Nomination day will be a week earlier, August 3.

The choice was made Saturday and Monday for polling, and a change was made at the last minute from Saturday until Monday, because in some portions of the province having operations will not have been completed and Monday will be a more advantageous day for polling than Saturday would be in those districts.

Cabinet Completed

Premier Veniot completed his cabinet before ordering the election writ issued by calling Hon. Allison A. Dysart, of Buctouche, the Speaker of the Legislature and member for Kent, to the portfolio of Minister of Lands and Mines, and Burton M. Hill, Chief Highways Engineer, to the portfolio of Minister of Public Works. Mr. Hill has already been nominated in Charlotte County, where he will lead the Government ticket.

Both of the new ministers were sworn in this afternoon before Lieutenant-Governor Todd.

Power Body Enlarged

An order-in-council was also passed this afternoon appointing the re-organized New Brunswick Electric Power Commission, in accordance with an Act passed at the last session of the Legislature. The Commission is increased from three to seven members, divided into executive and advisory sections, with Premier Veniot, who has retired from the position of Minister of Public Works, as chairman of the Commission.

The complete personnel of the Commission follows:
Executive Section—Premier Veniot, Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith, Hon. J. E. Burgess, ex-M.L.A., Grand Falls.

Advisory Section—Hon. W. E. Foster, L.L.D., Saint John; Hon. J. E. Michaud, Edmundston; A. Chase Fawcett, M.L.A., Sackville; Elwood Burt, Grand Falls.

Chairman Since Start

Hon. Dr. Smith, a former Minister of Lands and Mines, was chairman of the former Hydro Commission since its inception and Hon. J. E. Michaud, a member of the Government without portfolio, has also been a member of the former Commission. Mr. Hill has taken an active part in the international and inter-provincial negotiations which preceded the obtaining of the necessary order from the International Joint Waterways Commission to proceed with the development of Grand Falls.

Hon. Walter E. Foster is a former Premier of the province. He inaugurated the present hydro policy in 1920 and has been styled "the father of hydro in New Brunswick."

Progressive Chief Named

A. Chase Fawcett is a prominent farmer and was the leader of the Progressive Group in the legislature which has just been dissolved. He led practically the solid Progressive Group in favor of the Government's policy for the development of Grand Falls as a public ownership proposition at the last session.

James Burgess was a member of the legislature some years ago and has been one of the leading business men of the town of Grand Falls as well as a successful lumberman.

Elwood Burt is one of New Brunswick's most progressive business men; he is also a successful lumberman, operating several mills in Central New Brunswick and on the North Shore.

Will Meet in Saint John

The reorganized hydro commission will have its first meeting under the chairmanship of Premier Veniot at Saint John next Tuesday afternoon. One of their first acts will be to award the initial contract in connection with the development of Grand Falls on the Saint John River, tenders for the spur line railway which will run to the power house site closing tomorrow.

Both parties have almost completed line-ups of candidates already in the field, and, while polling is to be brought on about as rapidly as possible from the date of issuing the writ, it cannot be said that either party is unprepared.

Candidates Lined Up

With nomination convention for the new urban constituency of Fredericton, Devon and Maryville, held here tonight, the Government now has candidates in the field in all constituencies except the new urban constituency of St. Stephen and Milltown, formerly part of Charlotte county, and Carleton county, where, because the Progressive candidates are running as

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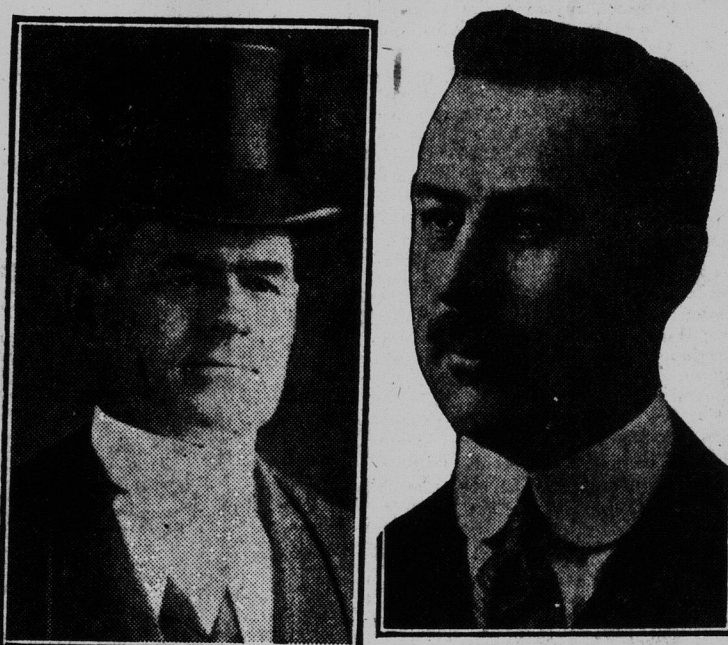
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Called To N. B. Cabinet



Hon. Allison A. Dysart (left), speaker of the Provincial House, who yesterday took the oath of office as Minister of Lands and Mines, and (right) Burton M. Hill, chief highways engineer, who was named Minister of Public Works in the Veniot Cabinet.

supporters of the Government's hydro development policy there may be no straight Government ticket.

The Opposition have tickets everywhere except in Northumberland, where there has been indecision as to whether to run a straight ticket or to make up a coalition combination, inasmuch as four independents carried Northumberland in the last general election.

To Receive \$3,500 Salary

FREDERICTON, July 17.—Hon. Dr. P. J. Veniot, Premier of the province, in announcing at the Liberal convention here tonight that he had become chairman of the reorganized New Brunswick Electric Power Commission, stated that the salary attaching to the position was \$3,500. He made this statement in reply to the charge of Hon. Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, leader of the Opposition, that the Premier was creating a \$10,000 job for himself. The Premier pointed out that he was relinquishing the portfolio of Public Works as minister of which department he received a salary of \$3,500.

PICNIC PLANNED FOR KIDDIES NEXT WEEK

J. D. O'Connell to Give Treat on East End Playgrounds Wednesday.

J. D. O'Connell, of Camagway, Cuba, and of Sussex, N. B., announced yesterday that he would hold an outdoor treat for the kiddies of all the city during the coming week. He said that he would have a picnic for the orphans at the playgrounds on Wednesday, August 1, but would give his treat for them later.

The children of the South End, Centennial and the East End playgrounds will be guests of Mr. O'Connell at the East End playgrounds on Wednesday afternoon. Each child must have a ticket, obtainable from the supervisor of the playground which he or she attends.

Tickets Printed.

The tickets are now being printed. They are of the strip variety, the sections calling for a box of candy, ice cream and cake, all-day suckers, peanuts, oranges and a scramble for prizes. The 30 cents cash usually given to the orphans will be reserved for them for a later date, Mr. O'Connell said. Mr. O'Connell is in the city and is at the Royal Hotel.

The children of other playgrounds will be guests at a picnic later in the week. The Centennial and Allison grounds will be closed Wednesday afternoon.

BRITISH-CANADIAN NAVAL AID DEBATED

More Intimate Connection Between Motherland and Dominions Urged.

LONDON, July 17.—In the course of the debate in the House of Commons on the naval estimates Major L. Hore-Belisha, Liberal, suggested that there should be a more intimate relationship between the Mother Country and the Dominions when the naval problems were settled. He said the naval expenditure per capita was as follows: Great Britain, 25 shillings; Canada, a fraction over 3 shillings; or approximately 74 cents; Australia and New Zealand, 8 shillings each; South Africa, 21 pence.

The Dominions are not bearing their full share of responsibility for naval matters, Major Hore-Belisha said; not because they are unwilling to do so, but because the problem probably has never been approached by them from a truly Imperial point of view.

Major Hore-Belisha's remarks subsequently were endorsed by other speakers, including Lloyd George.

GOVERNMENT RESIGNS.

LISBON, July 18.—The Government resigned Friday. Lieutenant-Colonel Victorino Guimaraes headed a Government which took office March 31, 1925. Premier Guimaraes previously had formed a government Feb. 15.

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EXTRAVAGANCE ALLEGED ON N. B. ROAD WORK

Landry Declares Gov't Patrolmen Made Hay During Duty Hours

HOLDS WORKMEN LOAFED ON JOB

O'Leary, Arsenault and Other Candidates Attack Government.

BUCTOUCHE, July 17.—Waste and extravagance in road and bridge work of the province were allegations made at an Opposition rally at McKee's Mills, near here, tonight by Hon. Dr. D. V. Landry, former Provincial Secretary-treasurer. Arthur O'Leary, of Richibucto, and Telephone Arsenault, of Adamsville, candidates with Dr. Landry, criticised the administration of the Crown lands and health departments as too costly.

Discussing road work, Hon. Dr. Landry said he had noticed that in some places there were as many as five men loading gravel into a cart, which cart had to go a distance of about a mile to deposit the gravel while the men at the gravel pit would be swapping stories, and such sights were of daily occurrence, he averred.

Hon. Dr. Landry continued: "Patrolmen were seen knocking off work before 4 o'clock in the afternoon, others not working at all for as many as three days making their hay but getting their daily wage as if they had actually worked on the roads. The most interesting sight ever seen on the roads, to my mind, was a team of mules driven by a proprietor never on his wagon seat and another man unloading his truck and the road commissioner standing in the light wagon by those two men, showing conclusively that the three were working from a wage standpoint."

BUCTOUCHE BRIDGE.

"If we turn our attention to the bridge work in this country we find as much waste and extravagance as in the other departments."

"While we are talking about bridges, let us say one word about the Buctouche bridge. The bridge was a draw-bridge which opened every year to let schooners go up the river. It was found in the year 1920 when it was found necessary to open that bridge any more. The Department of Public Works knew that the bridge could not be opened and every one about Buctouche knew full well that the bridge could not be opened. Previous to the year 1920 a man had been employed when necessary to open the bridge at a yearly salary of \$30.

SAYS NOTHING TO DO.

"As the Buctouche steel bridge could not be opened, the Department of Public Works did not employ anyone to open the bridge in the year 1920. But in 1921, although the Buctouche steel bridge could not be opened, Mr. Veniot decided that it would be a nice public appointment for a good Liberal to be named to open the bridge in question. As nothing could be done with the bridge, the Minister of Public Works thought that as long as it was public money he was squandering, he would appoint a man to do that special nothing at a salary of \$100 per year. By the way this was an increase in salary over the years when the bridge was being opened."

DISMISSED.

"Likewise in 1922 the same man was employed by the same Public Works Department to do the same work as in 1921, namely—nothing. In 1923 the caretaker of the Buctouche steel bridge was dismissed from his job of doing nothing at \$100 per year and the public records show that this busy man employed to do a special nothing was paid only \$88.83 for doing that special nothing from Jan. 19, 1923, to Dec. 1, 1923.

"Now do you begin to understand how the public monies are squandered all over the province to provide yearly jobs to employ do-nothings? How

WINS AUTOMOBILE

Mrs. T. J. Phillips, With Ticket 7,529, Suxcess Car at Suxcess.

The Chevrolet touring car, for which tickets were sold in connection with the firemen's circus at Suxcess recently, was won by Mrs. T. J. Phillips, 89 Lansdowne avenue, Saint John. The lucky ticket was numbered 7,529. The drawing took place at the Imperial Theatre, Suxcess, last evening and Mrs. Phillips was subsequently notified of her good fortune by telegram.

Town Topics

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A Globe Trotter's Opinion

"A cousin of mine, who is head of the Limited of Liverpool, England, passed through here recently on a pleasure trip around

the world. He said he had been in chocolate plants in New York, Chicago, Toronto and Winnipeg, and told me that of all the chocolates he had sampled, Moirs were the best. I agree with him."

Vancouver, B. C., June 15, 1925.

And that seems fairly conclusive.

Damage By Scab to Apples Light So Far

FREDERICTON, July 17.—Provincial agriculturalist A. G. Turvey reports that the rainy weather of the last few days has not produced scab on the apples to any great extent, yet the yield of apples will be light, however. Strawberries have been shipped in large quantities from this province for the last week. The season in the most advanced districts is nearing the close. In later districts berries still are coming on the market. This crop was large and of good quality.

Opposition Candidate In Gloucester County Retires; Kent is Probable Successor

BATHURST, July 17.—M. H. Polier, who was nominated as a candidate in Gloucester county at the Opposition convention for the coming provincial election, has placed in the hands of the county executive his resignation. While no successor has been named as yet, W. J. Kent, former Mayor of Bathurst, is mentioned as most likely to be chosen to replace Mr. Polier.

Mr. Kent has been connected with the commercial life of this county for a great many years, is a native son of Gloucester, and has a very extensive acquaintance.

Undoubtedly some definite announcement will be made at the big picnic to be held here by the Opposition next Wednesday, when the leading men of the party, as well as the local candidates and members of the county executive, will all be together.

SAYS PAID FOR NO WORK.

"If you will bear with me for a little while longer on the bridge matter, let us examine into the painting of the Little River Mouth bridge in 1921. A foreman and 12 men were employed to paint that bridge making together 13 men. Whether the foreman was too busy bossing the men or whether it was thought that the number 13 was an unlucky number it was decided to make the number 14, by getting a young man from Bathurst, a hotel clerk, I understand, probably a good painter. In addition to the 13 men, the Public Works Department at Fredericton or the superintendent on the bridge was ashamed to put that new importation as time-keeper to keep the time the foreman stuck in the mud for they put him down as another painter, thus squandering \$80 to good purpose."

CRITICIZES HIGHWAYS.

"Now let us travel rapidly over the permanent road from Buctouche to Richibucto and when we will get to the Galloway Portage, about half way between Buctouche and Richibucto, we will find three automobiles mired in the mud all on the same day; we will find five automobiles stuck in the mud during the spring of 1925, notwithstanding the fact that two patrolmen were kept at work for two seasons."

3 CHURCH BODIES DECIDE TO UNITE

Wesleyan, Primitive and United Methodist Vote For Amalgamation.

LONDON, July 17.—The Wesleyan Methodists today passed a resolution in favor of union with the Primitive Methodists and the United Methodist, and now the way is cleared for the union of these three bodies, the Primitive and United Methodists having recently voted for union.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLE OFFICER IS HONORED

Lieut.-Colonel McLeod Receives Long Service Medal at Charlottetown.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., July 17.—At the annual inspection of the First Battalion, Prince Edward Island regiment, today, the officer commanding, Lieut.-Col. Allan McLeod, received from the hands of Major-General Thacker, commanding Military District No. 6, for the auxiliary officers, medal for long and meritorious service. Colonel McLeod had completed 20 years in the militia service, including four of active service in the late war.

ROBERT IS SOUGHT.

No word has been heard in Detroit, Chicago or anywhere else from Robert Scott, one time Canadian financier, snatched from the gallows by a week's reprieve from Governor Small a few hours before he was to have been hanged for the murder of a drug clerk, last night was as skeptical as the authorities over the authenticity of a telegram that saved him from death for a week.

FRIENDS BLAMED.

"It was just a bit of strategy on the part of his friends," George Corman, assistant state's attorney, who prosecuted Scott, said. "I think Russell's friends are sparing for enough time to get a commutation of sentence. In any case Russell Scott was a party to the murder and must be punished accordingly. The state's attorney's office still contends that it was Russell and not Robert who fired the fatal shot."

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BOTH PRISONER AND OFFICIALS ARE SKEPTICAL

State's Attorney Believes Message Was Sent by Condemned Man's Friends

RUSSEL SAYS BROTHER MAY BE IN AFRICA

Believed Wire Was O. K. at First, But Now Questions It.

Eye-Witness Denies Russel Scott Is Killer

DETROIT, July 17.—The Detroit Free Press tonight says that James M. Ball, local telegraph operator, tonight telegraphed Governor Len Small of Illinois that he was a witness to the shooting of Joseph Walter in a Chicago drug store a year ago and that Robert and not Russell Scott was the murderer.

MOST MINES READY FOR OPERATION

Can Hoist Coal on Short Notice in Cape Breton; 3 Fires Put Out.

GLACE BAY, N.S., July 17.—Main-tenance work is progressing at all collieries in the Cape Breton coal mining area and it is understood that in most of the pits coal could be hoisted with very short notice.

Truck Went Through Floor Of Garage

The hind wheels of a heavy truck, owned by Murray & Gregory, Ltd., and loaded with lumber for the new Ryan garage being rebuilt in Princess street, fell through the concrete floor yesterday afternoon when the truck was being backed in to unload. The wheels went down deeply into the hollow space which was under the floor midway of the former building which was burned last winter. The truck had to be unloaded in its position and some of the timbers used for jacking it up and getting it out of the hole. A slide was made for the hind wheels and the car, which was undamaged, got away under its own power.

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