

LABOR PARTY TO INSIST ON PASSING VETO BILL

New Chairman Announces That Precedence of Budget is Not Acceptable.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—George M. Barnes, member of parliament for Glasgow, Blackfriars division, who two days ago was elected chief of the labor party in parliament, threw a bombshell into the political arena this afternoon in the shape of a manifesto which, if acted upon, means the severance of the ties which heretofore have united the Liberals and Laborites.

That of course will not be acceptable to the labor party. It means that the powers that be, think the general election was not sufficiently decisive with regard to the lords veto and it involves, therefore another election before the question of the lords is settled.

"If another general election is to occur, we should have it as soon as possible." This manifesto, which has been sent to Premier Asquith, is generally accepted as an ultimatum; that in the event of this protest the labor party will vote against the government and it created an almost panicky feeling among the Liberals in the lobbies of the house of commons this afternoon.

Negotiations between the government and the Irish Nationalists are still in progress, but it is stated that the present position of the negotiations are very unpromising. John Redmond, the Irish leader, is reported to have failed to carry his demands and to-day T. P. O'Connor, president of the Irish League, took up the work of trying to unravel the political tangles.

Premier Asquith this afternoon had an audience with the king, then he presented the final draft of the speech from the throne.

UNIONISTS WOULD HUMILIATE By Letting Government Continue at Mercies of Allies.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—I. N. Ford cables The Tribune from London: "The pauses in the momentous drama of constitutional government are filled with ancient ceremonial and oath taking processes. Men of high rank, the moderates and forward who are in touch with the members of the cabinet are creating the impression that it will be a short lived parliament. Robert D. Stewart, the able and well informed editor of The Daily Chronicle, has told me that there will be another general election as early as June. He assumes that the suspended budget will be re-enacted, with John Redmond's followers abstaining from a division, but forecasting a strenuous constitutional struggle over the new budget and the veto bill, with the appeal to the country during the summer. The atmosphere of the National Liberal Club is surcharged with electrical energy, and all the statesmen talk in the same strain."

While cabinet secrets have not been revealed, it is evident that there are sets of official warrants for direct action as a menace to an early election, as a whip for driving the factions making up the coalition into a hard and fast line. It is the best weapon for the defence of a ministry supported by an unstable majority, for a premature election is dreaded, especially by the Nationalists and Labor factions, whose treasuries are empty.

The rumors that the government has reached an understanding with Mr. Redmond by which the passage of the old budget is assured are inaccurate. Probably Mr. Redmond's objections to the proposed method of procedure have been removed by evidence that the session will be devoted to legislation for the budget, the lords veto, and the veto, and that the guarantees will relate to the ultimate enactment of a veto law.

It is not yet arranged definitely that the Nationalists acting with Mr. Redmond will either vote for the budget or abstain from voting against it. What he wants is practical proof that he has succeeded in dictating terms to the government. Possibly a compromise may be effected on the whiskey duties in the budget of next year, but this has not yet been worked out. The ministers, who convinced that no alternative government can be formed with a reasonable expectation of regularizing the taxes already collected and straightening out the disordered finances, are not yet sure that they have the votes requisite for the passage of the rejected budget. If they cannot muster a majority for the budget, they will be obliged to resign or to appeal to the country.

As Mr. Redmond does not want to meet Mr. O'Brien's challenge in Ireland, and as the Unionists wish to discredit and humiliate the ministers by keeping them in office under the suggestion of the king, a conspiracy in restraint of trade. One of the men indicted is John S. Steers, a member of the state legislature.

The indictment charges that the defendants conspired to prevent W. H. Osborne from shipping four hogheads of tobacco from Drybridge to Cincinnati. They were charged with having intimidated, by threats of violence, both Osborne and the station agent at Drybridge.

The Unusual. Guest—Sir, I saw a rat crawling across the floor of my room last night. Hotel Clerk—I wouldn't blow that off. But remember our standing offer of five dollars to anybody who sees one crawling across the ceiling.

A Rebuke. Why, child, what are you doing? "Nothing, what are you doing? Well, stop making a fool of yourself."

RESULTS DON'T WARRANT DAM TO DEEPEN LAKE ERIE

Would Lower Lake Erie by Four Inches—Report of Waterways Commission Made Public.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—(Special).—Hon. William Pugsley tabled in the house of commons to-day the report of the international waterways commission, dealing with the report to dam the outlet of Lake Erie, with the idea of deepening the lake harbors and the Detroit and St. Clair channels.

The commission expresses itself as opposed to the proposed damming of the lake, for the reason that the results to be attained would not be of sufficient value to navigation to compensate for the lowering of the level of the water in Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River.

"It may be stated in general terms," says the report, "that, as in the case of every harbor, a very moderate degree of improvement in regulation above what nature provides is practicable in any of the lakes, and that, such as it is, this improvement is obtained at the expense and to the injury of navigable water below."

The report includes a record for the last forty years of the various levels of the lakes and shows that in the lowest stages of navigation on Lake Erie it would be possible to increase the level of Lake Erie by one foot. The result naturally would be the deepening of every harbor on the lake by that amount. On Lake St. Clair, Lake Michigan and Lake Huron the low water level could be increased by less than one foot by the proposed dams.

As the other hand, the proposed changes of Lake Erie would result in lowering Lake Ontario by four inches during the autumn months, and this would lower the levels in the Iroquois Canal by seven inches.

The reports point out that Buffalo and its southern suburbs would suffer from an increased damage by floods and from a postponement of the opening of navigation in the spring.

"It does not follow," says the report, "that nothing can be done to improve the level of the lakes. It is possible to raise it by simply reducing the size of the outlets, but here again are vested rights. Somewhere in the Niagara River, between the Lake Erie and the Falls, a submerged dam may be placed that will greatly benefit the navigation above without hurting that below. Without an attempt to regulate Lake Erie, the level of the lakes may be raised sufficiently to compensate for the damage heretofore inflicted by the Chicago drainage canal."

ASKS: IS A HEN A BIRD? Eggs Are Subject to Duty, But Bird's Eggs Are Not, Hence the Question.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 17.—"Is a hen a bird?" This puzzling problem was put up to-day to Robert O. Bailey, secretary to the secretary of the treasury, by a citizen who desires to be straight.

It appears as set out in the letter, that whereas eggs are subject to a duty of five cents per dozen in the Payne tariff law, bird's eggs are admitted free.

"The treasury department is asked: Is a hen a bird?" "Recently the customs division decided that frogs' legs were poultry within the meaning of the law. Secretary Bailey turned the letter over to the customs division."

She Came to Cheer. Visiting Friend—"You've got a cool, pleasant room up here." Invalid—"Yes, it is a very nice room. Visiting Friend (eagerly)—"But don't you think those stairs are rather inconvenient in taking a corpse down?"

Authentic. Billings is circulating the report that there is a fortune in stock speculation. True. He put one there.

NOT A PRIVATE WHARF BUT NO OTHERS USE IT

Pugsley and Crockett Clash Over Government's Payment of Extension to Albert Mfg. Co. Dock.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—(Special).—The opening of the house to-day saw a lively exchange between Hon. Wm. Pugsley and O. S. Crockett (York, N. B.). Mr. Pugsley rose to a question of privilege. He said Mr. Crockett the other day had denied the accuracy of The Toronto Globe's report regarding the Pink Rock Wharf, and had added that the minister himself knew it was untrue.

Mr. Crockett accepted the challenge with alacrity. He declared that the vote under review was for an extension of the wharf of the private property of the Albert Company. The agreement was nothing but a "colorable arrangement," the crown being allowed to collect tolls on vessels not owned by the company. But no other vessels had ever tied up there, and none other could use it for years to come. Moreover, he work had been ordered by the managing director of the company, and the bills simply forwarded to the public works department for payment.

"Smooth and skilful," "fine Italian hand," were allusions made by Mr. Crockett.

Mr. Pugsley began to talk again, and R. L. Borden asked if the matter in dispute was an extension of the present wharf. The minister replied that it was not. It was an addition built at the end of the present wharf (great laughter).

Mr. Pugsley concluded by saying that Mr. Crockett had better devote his attention to larger subjects. He was indulging in small tactics.

During question time Major Sharpe (North Ontario) asked if it was against the policy of the government to amend the Volunteer Bounties Act as to enable the Canadian civil surgeons who served in the South African war to receive grants.

HON. M. KELVILLE, ed. General Passenger Agent, Toronto, Ont.

ESTATE NOTICES. IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Isabella Peters, late of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the statutes in that behalf that all creditors and other persons having claims against the estate of Isabella Peters, late of the City of Toronto, in the County of York and Province of Ontario, who died on or about the 26th day of January, 1910, are required to send by post prepaid or deliver to the undersigned, solicitors for Margaret Donald Gordon, of the said deceased, on or before the 4th day of March, 1910, their names, addresses and full particulars of their claims duly certified and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them. After the said 4th day of March, 1910, the executor will proceed to distribute the estate of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice. All other claims shall be liable for assets or any part thereof to any persons of whose claim she shall not then have received notice.

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