

BORDEN CERTAIN TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF MR. MONK, AND REORGANIZE CABINET

Hon. Robert Rogers Would Like To Have Charge of Government's Big Spending Department and Will Probably Be Named.

NANTEL MAY FOLLOW MONK, PELLETIER CERTAIN TO STICK

Government's Action With Nationalist Leader Considered as a Proof That the Naval Policy Is an Emergency Contribution.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Oct. 18.—Two months ago when Hon. F. D. Monk was making his tour of Canadian inland ports, and proclaiming in every speech the necessity of spending millions of money to improve our transportation facilities, it was announced that the Minister of Public Works was laying the foundation for his opposition to Mr. Borden's naval policy as hinted at by the Prime Minister in England, and that after the return of his political chief, Mr. Monk would almost certainly retire from the cabinet.

It was stated that on the return of the Prime Minister a situation would be created not dissimilar to that which led to the retirement of Hon. J. I. Tarte from Sir Wilfrid Laurier's cabinet. The story was ridiculed in the ministerial press, but today it stands confirmed in almost every particular.

CASE LIKE TARTE'S.

Today, while it is possible that Mr. Monk's resignation is not actually in the hands of Premier Borden, it is on the point of being submitted. Mr. Borden expects to receive it, and has made up his mind to accept it for reasons contained in a brief statement, which he gave out last night as follows:

"Mr. Monk is convinced that the situation which confronts the Empire at this juncture is grave and even critical. But he is earnest, and even insistent in his opinion that no assistance should be given by Canada, even as an emergency contribution, without referring the question to the people."

THREE IMPORTANT POINTS.

That is as far as the Prime Minister's statement goes, but it will be noted that it contains three important points:

1. That the cabinet, at its meeting yesterday, definitely decided on an emergency contribution.
2. That Mr. Monk, while not opposed to the gift, thinks the people should be consulted, and will resign if they are not.
3. That his resignation, if not in hand, is expected.

MONK'S VIEW.

There is much comment in regard to the attitude assumed by Mr. Monk in both approving and disapproving of the emergency proposals. No doubt, as a man of honor, he believes that in view of the many declarations made by himself in the House and in the public platform, that a publicist must precede action in regard to the navy. He would be stultifying himself if he pursued any other course.

PELLETIER TO STICK.

His declaration of belief that existing conditions justify an emergency gift will make it easier for Hon. L. P. Pelletier and Hon. W. B. Nantel to look to their portfolios. The former has never been credited with any intention to give up his place as Postmaster-General. Monk and Pelletier are men on distinctly different terms, with quite different ideas of what constitutes consistency in public life. No matter what happens Pelletier will stick to his portfolio, and he is the more inclined to do so because of the desire of his enemies within his own party in the Quebec district to crowd him aside.

NANTEL UNCERTAIN.

On the other hand, it has been frequently stated of late that Hon. W. B. Nantel will follow Mr. Monk's example, but the Minister of Inland Revenue attended yesterday's meeting of the cabinet at which the naval situation was first canvassed, the presumption is that he has decided to let past declarations go by the board, and fall in with the views of the majority of his colleagues. It may be possible, however, that Mr. Nantel has not yet fully made up his mind, and that his retirement will be announced later.

NOT GOING ON BENCH.

The practical announcement of Mr. Monk's withdrawal from the Government by the Premier himself makes it almost certain that it is not the intention of the minister to accept a seat on the bench. He will continue to represent the constituency of Jacques Cartier in the House, and will be the recognized leader of a Nationalist group supporting the Montreal policy of the Government, but proposing a plebiscite on the navy question. Just how large or important this group will be depends on the ability of the Government to induce the men who fought and won for the Nationalists in Quebec, to abide by their pre-election pledges.

CABINET TO BE REORGANIZED.

While nothing is definitely known it is understood that a cabinet reorganization will follow the retirement of Mr. Monk. If Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of the interior, has his way he will become Minister of Public Works. The very conservative leader is anxious to get control of this big spending department. Should he succeed, Hon. W. J. Roche, secretary of state, will become Minister of the Interior. L. T. Marchand, K. C., Montreal, will probably be the new Secretary of State. If so, Louis Coderre, member for Hochelaga, will be asked to retire in Mr. Marchand's favor. The name of D. O. Lesperance is also being mentioned in connection with the soon to be vacancy, but the suggestion is not taken seriously, because that would leave Montreal district to a French-Canadian representative in the cabinet.

Another thing in Mr. Marchand's favor is that Hochelaga, with its large English vote, can be carried easier for the Government on its naval proposals. Messrs. Marchand, Coderre, M. P. Lesperance, M. P. Deputy Speaker Blondin, Beaubien, K. C., and Lorne McGibbon have all been Ottawa with him in the past few days discussing the situation with the Prime Minister and his colleagues, and it is believed that the Government's line of action following the formal retirement of Mr. Monk has been practically decided upon.

AIM TO DEVELOP BETTER WORKMEN

Certificate of Efficiency From Industrial School May Be Asked.

WILL ESTABLISH CLASSES

Engineers Agree to Furnish a Class of Fifteen Students to Start.

A certificate of efficiency from the industrial school of the city will probably be demanded of apprentices in the various shops, and by the various trades of the city.

At the regular meeting of the Builders' Exchange, held Tuesday morning, this question was debated at some length, the majority of the members present being favorable towards the step. However, definite action was postponed until a later meeting.

It was also decided to recommend the establishment of a plumbing class at the night industrial school. The sanitary and stationary engineers agreed to furnish a class of 15 students, this would be sufficient to commence operations with. The Builders' Exchange will visit Alexandra school on Thursday evening next to look over the industrial plant there.

Favorably Received. "We had a most interesting discussion," said Mr. E. R. Dennis, chairman of the industrial committee. "We took up the question of demanding a certificate from the industrial school for apprentices, and the idea seemed to be most favorably received. We delayed action on this matter until a later meeting. The scheme has been adopted with a great deal of success elsewhere. In Rochester, for instance, a certificate must accompany the application of any

apprentice for a trade. With such a recommendation, the boy is given every possible chance to develop and improve, and he learns much more rapidly. There is not so much guesswork about apprenticeship boys, because every lad with one of these certificates must have shown some aptitude for the line of endeavor he intends to pursue. It gives all a chance to develop his bent. I think such a scheme would work out most satisfactorily here, and I expect to see it adopted."

"We had a deputation for the sanitary and stationary engineers present, and they urged that classes in plumbing be opened up. As they promised to furnish the formation of such a class, as a member of the board of education, I do not think there will be any difficulty in getting it started."

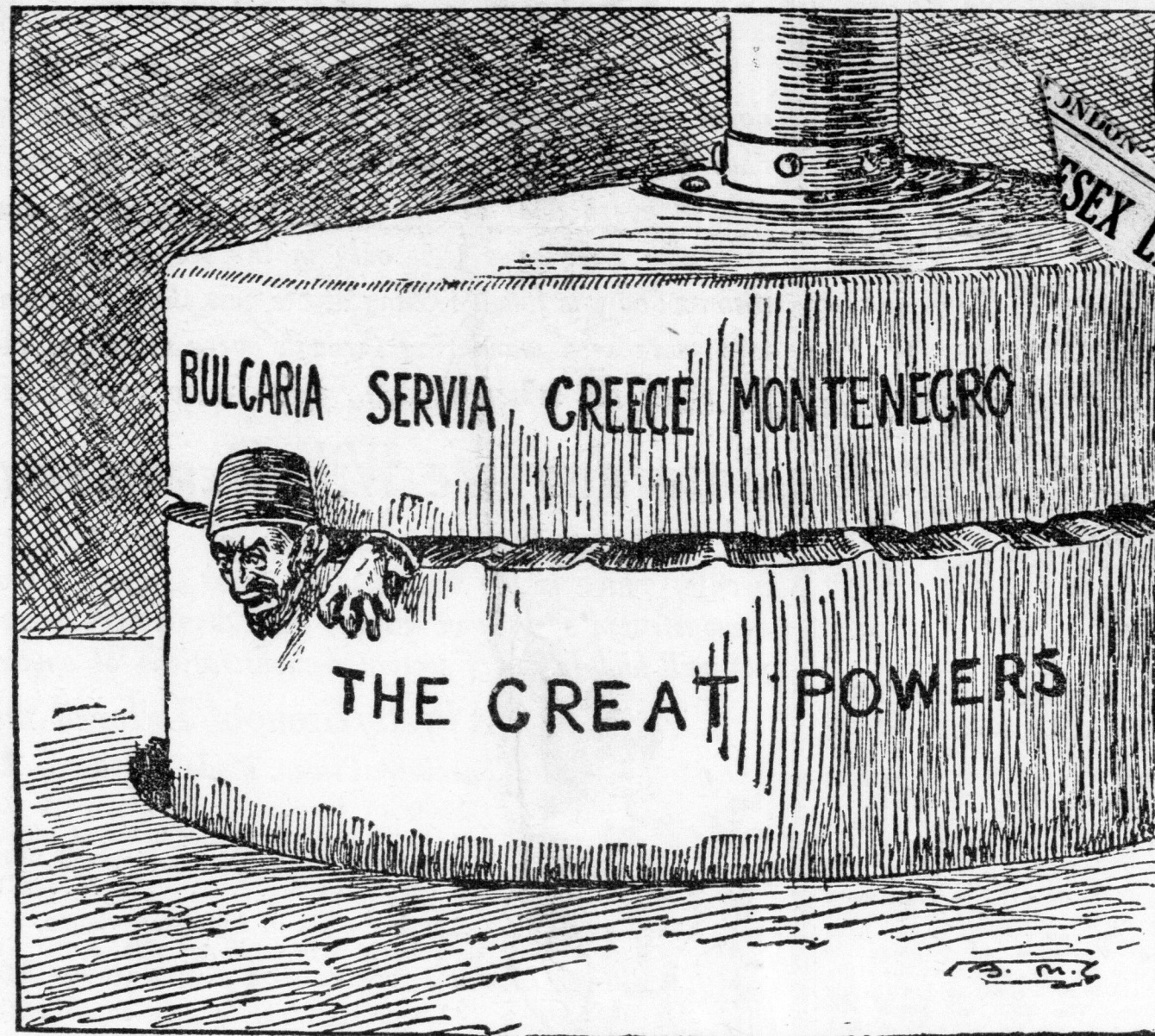
"H. L. Martyn and myself were appointed a committee to prepare a statement, explaining the operation of the adolescent act, which we were endeavoring to put in operation here. By this act, the compulsory school age will be raised from 14 to 16 years. I personally think it an excellent idea, and it will work out satisfactorily. We will have our explanation ready at the next meeting. A number of other matters were talked over, such as half-day classes, and kindred topics. On Thursday evening next, we will go to the school in a body, and thoroughly inspect it."

"The exchange members are particularly interested in the success of industrial education here, as they were largely instrumental in having the board of education adopt the idea."

BERLIN TOLD OF WAR DECLARATION

Berlin, Oct. 18.—Germany's benevolent neutrality regarding the Balkan war was requested last evening by the Bulgarian, Serbian and Greek ministers here, who presented a circular note to Foreign Minister Von Kiedrich-Waechter announcing that the governments had declared war on Turkey.

A CARTOON OF THE DAY



Between the Upper and the Nether Millstone.

WITH ALL CHARGES FACED, HYDRO WOULD HAVE DEFICIT OF \$20,000

Sinking Fund on Transmission Line and Depreciation on the Local Plant Are Sidestepped in Mr. Glaubitz's Optimistic Document.

CHAIRMAN DEFENDS SYSTEM OF MAKING VARIOUS CHARGES

The financial statement showing the electrical department to have a surplus of \$15,000 for the first ten months of the year is very gratifying to Chairman Pocock and the commissioners.

On the other hand, it is claimed that the board would have a big deficit if all the charges against the department were paid. For instance, there is the sinking fund on the transmission line, amounting to \$12,000, and depreciation on the local distribution plant, which at 5 per cent would amount to \$20,000. The net deficit, according to this statement, would be about \$20,000.

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No Alarum and Tear. The statement does not include any charge for depreciation. It is usual, it is stated, to set aside 5 per cent for depreciation on the plant. The machinery is gradually wearing out, and becoming out of date, and it is the custom to make allowance for that. However, the water commissioners did not allow for that. At 5 per cent the depreciation would amount to practically \$20,000.

The sinking fund on the transmission line is not to be paid for a couple of years yet," said Mr. Pocock. "We are to pay the debentures off in 25 years, not 30, as was the original intention. We are paying the interest. However, the sinking fund amounts to less than 2 per cent, and on \$2,500,000 would mean but \$70,000. We will never have to pay more than \$28 a horsepower, and it will be much less. I think. The sinking fund is nothing to worry about."

His Theory of Repairs. "We do not think it necessary to make

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—UNSETTLED.

Forecasts. Toronto, Oct. 18.—8 a.m. Today—increasing southerly winds; fair and warm today; rain tonight.

Tomorrow—increasing southerly winds; fair and warm today; rain tonight.

Temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations. High. Low. Weather. LONDON..... 63.5 39 Cloudy

Calgary..... 62 39 Cloudy

Winnipeg..... 62 38 Fair

Port Arthur..... 62 40 Clear

Perry Sound..... 62 40 Clear

Toronto..... 64 40 Cloudy

Ottawa..... 64 40 Clear

Montreal..... 64 40 Clear

Quebec..... 56 42 Clear

Father Point..... 50 42 Cloudy

Weather Notes. A storm now centred in Manitoba is likely to move eastward across the Great Lakes.

Sues Another Woman for Alleged Alienation of Wife's Love.

Edward J. Dawson, of this city, through his solicitor, Mr. E. W. Scatcherd, has issued a writ against Margaret Lawson, also of London.

The plaintiff claims damages for the alienation of the affections of his wife by reason of talks and stories, tending against the plaintiff, and all of which are false, and knowingly false, and done and uttered with an intention to injure the said plaintiff.

The costs of the action are also claimed.

FERDINAND FIGHTS FOR MACEDONIANS AND CHRISTIANITY

In Declaring War Says Resource to Arms Alone Can Settle Questions.

SERBIA AND GREECE BREAK WITH PORTE

Roumania Fearing Effects of Bulgarian Success Preparing to Mobilize Forces.

London, Oct. 18.—Bulgaria, Serbia and Greece have formally declared war on Turkey.

Bucharest, Roumania, Oct. 18.—The Roumanian Government has decided to prepare for the mobilization of three of its army corps.

In the opinion of semi-official circles here Roumania considers that any eventual successes of the Bulgarian armies would be dangerous to herself. She has therefore decided to abandon her waiting attitude and to order the mobilization of the first, third and fifth army corps immediately upon Bulgaria gaining an important victory.

[Canadian Press.]

Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 18.—A striking proclamation to the Bulgarian nation has been issued by King Ferdinand. In it he recounts the sufferings of the Macedonian Christians, and the efforts of the European powers to secure better treatment for them, and finally says that he has called his people to arms only after the patience of the Balkan nations has been exhausted.

The proclamation opens with a reference to King Ferdinand's peaceful reign of 25 years, and says he had hoped that he would have continued, "but Providence judged otherwise." The moment has come when the Bulgarian race is called upon to renounce the benefits of peace, and have recourse to arms for the solution of the great problem.

"Beyond the Rino and Hodop Mountains our brothers in blood and religion have not been able until this day, 35 years after our liberation, to secure a competent man to make the

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IF LONDON HAS CHEAPEST POWER, WHY SO SILENT?

City Does Not Appear To Be Taking Advantage of What Would Be Boon in Securing Industries.

PUBLICITY AGENT REFUSES TO DISCUSS STATEMENT

The statement made by Chairman Pocock of the water commission on Thursday afternoon, that London could sell power cheaper than any city in the hydro-electric zone, is disputed in the city, as it is claimed that Hamilton, Toronto, and other cities nearer the Falls have a much more favorable rate for manufacturers than London has.

Mr. Henderson Silent.

Mr. J. Grant Henderson, commissioner of industries, absolutely refused to discuss the situation. He would not deny that other cities had a more favorable rate, but stated that he had no desire to enter into any controversy on the question of the price of power.

"I have nothing to say whatever," said Mr. Henderson.

Ald. Spittal would not discuss the question, as he had not looked into the matter as yet.

Disputes the Claim.

However, a businessman, who did not care to get his name connected with the controversy, stated that Hamilton was furnishing power at a much less figure than London. All the big manufacturing plants established in that city in recent years had largely been attracted by cheap power. The city of Hamilton advertises this fact as one of their big assets. London cannot hope to compete with these cities, he stated.

Efforts are being made to secure the schedule of power prices from the other municipalities, and when these schedules are obtained a comparison will be made with London's rates.

Board To Discuss Figures.

It is expected that these will be in the possession of some of the water commissioners at an early date, possibly next week, and they will be discussed at the next meeting.

NOT ONE DOLLAR OF "SURPLUS" COMES INTO CITY'S COFFERS

New Law Now Effective Means That the City Pays Every Cent of \$30,000 Lighting Bill.

The city council will have none of the reported surplus of the electrical department of the water commission.

It will be remembered that in 1911 the sum of \$6,000 was handed over to the city at the conclusion of the year's business, and it was applied to the reduction of the tax rate.

At the last session of the Legislature, however, the hydro-electric commission had an amendment introduced providing that no surplus from the hydro enterprise should be returned to the municipality.

Receive Money for Debentures. That amendment became law, and when

the estimates were struck this spring, no provision was made for any surplus. All the city will receive from the water commission is the sum of \$20,123. Interest and sinking fund, which must be paid out, of course, to meet the debentures.

As a result there is some dissatisfaction among the aldermen. Street lighting last year was nominally \$30,000, but with the surplus, \$6,000, it actually cost \$24,000. This was not considered excessive, but this year the corporation will have no return, and will have to pay \$30,000 for lighting the streets, with no possibility of reduction.

Of course, Ald. Richter may succeed in having the hydro-electric commission reduce the bill, but such a thing is hardly dreamed of.

Death Threat For Wilson Police Are Guarding Candidate

Foreigner at Wilmington, Del., Declared He Intended To Shoot Democratic Nominee the Same as Roosevelt Was Shot.

[Canadian Press.] Wilmington, Del., Oct. 18.—A large number of policemen were distributed among the crowd at the opera house here last night when Governor Wilson spoke. "This was the result of a threat made by an Italian to 'shoot him the same as Roosevelt was shot.' The governor himself knew nothing of the affair, neither did any of the members of his party."

Chief of Police Black was notified by Mrs. Sarah Hudson, of Wilmington, that while her sister, Mrs. Hattie Whitson, was leaving her place of employment yesterday she heard an Italian workman exclaim: "Wilson is here today, and he will get a bullet through him the same as Roosevelt did; I will put one in him!" I will shoot him myself, the police knew the name of the Italian, but have not yet located him.

BABY BOY FATALLY CRUSHED UNDER HIS FATHER'S AUTO

Ailsa Craig Child Run Over by Backing Car, Cannot Recover.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ailsa Craig, Oct. 18.—The 2-year-old son of David Witherspoon was so badly hurt at his home here this after-

noon that no hopes are held out for his recovery.

Mr. Witherspoon was backing his automobile out of the yard and failed to notice that the little child was directly behind.

The heavy car passed over his chest, crushing him terribly. Dr. Gunn is attending the boy.

ADVISES WITHHOLDING PAYMENT FOR WALKS

City Solicitor Believes Contractor Anthistle Should Not Be Paid Now.

At a meeting of the finance committee this afternoon a number of accounts for work done by Contractor W. J. Anthistle will be presented, but payment will be withheld until the dispute over the walks has been finally settled.

City Solicitor Meredith has written to the committee advising that this action be taken. There is a considerable sum of money due the contractor. He is given progress certificates on all his contracts, and when the work is completed he is given altogether 85 per cent of the contract price. As soon as the walks are finally accepted by the city which is generally within a couple of months after they are laid, the final payments are made.

Mr. Meredith's letter advises against the payment of any further money on any contracts. Mr. Anthistle has 15 per cent coming to him on the Dundas and Richmond street walks.

In the meantime efforts will be made to secure a competent man to make the

WANTS A REFERENDUM ON THE NAVY QUESTION

But Mr. Monk Says He Has Not Yet Officially Resigned.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, Oct. 18.—It was freely stated in political circles on the streets here today that Hon. F. D. Monk, minister of public works in the Borden cabinet, had tendered his resignation on account of a disagreement with his leader on the navy question.

LeDevoir, the organ of Henri Bourassa, the Nationalist leader, and certain Quebec papers, have recently announced that the intention of the Government is to make an emergency contribution of \$30,000,000 to the British Government, and to send back to the admiralty the Rainbow and Niobe, purchased by the Laurier Government.

It is understood here that Mr. Monk has demanded that a referendum be taken on the question.

In an interview over the telephone with a reporter of LeDevoir, Mr. Monk denied that he had officially tendered his resignation, though he acknowledged that he wanted a referendum taken on the question of an emergency contribution of money to the British admiralty, which Mr. Borden is desirous of making.