

KING ABLE TO CARRY ON AND IS LIKELY TO DO SO

Graham Sees No Change In Premiers, Local Opinion Differs

MR. DENNIS WONDERS ABOUT IT

And So Does Mr. White, Although He Is Feeling Very Well This Morning, Thank You!

Mr. White was walking briskly down town this morning after a night of carefree rest when he saw Mr. Dennis studying the bulletin boards in front of the Advertiser building. He immediately crossed the road and seized Mr. Dennis by the arm.

"Well, well, my dear Mr. Dennis, it's very pleasant to see you on a fine morning like this, and looking so well too."

"You seem to be feeling remarkably well yourself, Mr. White, and I must hasten to congratulate you both upon your evident good health and the glorious triumph of yesterday."

"Tut, tut, Mr. Dennis."

"Not at all, Mr. White. It was an inspiring evening, I assure you. I was at home by the fire, you know, but Mr. Lawson telephoned me every few minutes. I got quite heated about it."

"The fire, you mean, or—"

"Didn't need Mr. Dennis."

"Oh no, I think it was the excitement, although I must say that it looks as though you didn't need me at all. Perhaps it's as well I did resign."

"Well, Mr. Lawton has been most faithful, Mr. Dennis. His services to the party have been invaluable. I almost feel that I should resign and give him my seat, but of course I know he wouldn't take it. He has no political ambitions."

"No, of course not, Mr. White. By the way, I thought we did not do so well in Western Ontario. Something seemed to be lacking. Mr. Elliott's victory in West Middlesex, for example, is most unfortunate and there are six others. I fear there has been too much Liberal influence in this district."

"Poor Mr. Lesueur."

"Yes, yes, Mr. Dennis. West Middlesex is indeed a blot on our escutcheon and West Lambton, with that fellow Goodson beating my dear friend Mr. Lesueur, is disgraceful."

"I suppose, Mr. White, the Western Ontario seats may prove to be the blockade between Mr. Meighen and the premiership? It looks far from certain to me."

"Well to tell the truth, Mr. Dennis, I don't like it either. It seems quite probable that this fellow King will continue as premier. It's a very unfortunate situation."

"There seems to be little use in Mr. Meighen trying to form a government if he is asked, Mr. White. He would be like you during the last parliament, sort of help."

"Yes, it would be very difficult. Mr. Dennis, I am afraid we would be beaten on a vote in the house. We shall not be able to increase the tariff and Mr. Meighen will not get much chance to do anything about selling the C. N. R."

"The Outlook is Dark."

"How very unfortunate, Mr. White, I suppose it means ruin. If we can not increase the tariff we shall go on with these terrible hard times you've been talking about—factories closing, people leaving, business failing, highest taxes in the world. Dear me, it looks very bad."

"Yes—yes, Mr. Dennis. Well, I must be off. I'm in a great hurry."

"Where are you going, Mr. White, in such a hurry?"

"Oh off to the factory, you know. I must get some more men there right away. We are going ahead with that extension in fine style this morning."

"Oh, but Mr. White, I thought—"

"Well good-bye, Mr. Dennis."

COL. MITCHELL ENTERS PLEA OF NOT GUILTY

Associated Press Despatch.
Washington, Oct. 30.—Having lost every preliminary effort to halt the court-martial proceedings against him, Col. William Mitchell today pleaded not guilty of the charges against him and informed the court he was ready to stand trial.

His plea was entered, and the trial actually got under way after the court had rejected the last of a long list of objections based on the failure of the prosecution to furnish a bill of particulars of the charges against Col. Mitchell.



TO BE OR NOT TO BE?
Above is Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, leader of the Conservative party, who, although he has the largest group, may not be called upon to form a government as he will lack control of parliament.

SILK TRAVELLER LOSES SAMPLES

Six Suitcases Removed From Automobiles Stored in Garage.

Special to The Advertiser.
Listowel, Oct. 30.—Between 12 o'clock midnight Tuesday and 7:30 a.m. Wednesday a robbery was committed at Fletcher & Nelson's garage, Wallace street, when six suitcases containing samples of novelty silk knitted goods were stolen from the car of Charles E. Yorick, a traveller, of Toronto.

When Mr. Fletcher entered the garage in the morning he saw that the door of the stable at the rear of the garage had been forced and a window between the two buildings opened. Mr. Yorick at once notified Chief Joseph Wilson of town and also the provincial police. As yet no clue has been discovered.

The fiery cross, supposedly of the Ku Klux Klan, was seen burning in the Listowel athletic park Monday evening, and as yet it is not known who put it there, who belong to the organization, or if there is any organization here. It was seen by a number of citizens to be burning brightly between 10:30 and 11 o'clock.

Ontario's Record

	Con.	Lib.	Prog.	Ind.
1887	46	36	18	
1892	38	58	4	
1897	21	64	15	
1902	29	59	12	
1907	34	57	9	
1912	32	49	19	
1917	41	43	16	5
1922	54	35	11	
1927	48	38	14	2
1932	72	13	1	
1937	74	8	1	
1942	27	21	24	
1947	70	10	2	

MUNCIE INDIANS PLAN DANCE FOR THIS EVENING

Great preparations are being made for the Muncie Indian dance tonight at the Ontario Council hall. A special orchestra has been secured, and residents of the reserve have been preparing for the big Halloween Indian dance tonight in special costumes for the occasion for several weeks.

Constable R. E. Nelson of the R. C. M. P. will be among those present, and will keep both eyes open for "Raisin Jack," the favorite intoxicating beverage on the reserve for some months past.



SIR ROGER KEYES,
British sea captain and commander-in-chief in the Mediterranean, who was shaken and bruised this week when an aeroplane in which he was a passenger was forced to land.

KING NEED NOT RESIGN; HAS RIGHT TO CONTINUE AND TEST WILL OF HOUSE

Constitutional Authority Says
Premier Is Justified—His Resignation Cannot Be Forced.

HAS MARGIN OF ONE

Meighen Likely To Have 122 Seats, With 123 Against Him—Outlook Is Precarious.

Special to The Advertiser
By Staff Reporter.

Ottawa, Oct. 30.—Premier King need not tender his resignation to the governor-general, nor can the governor-general call upon him to do so. Mr. King is quite justified in finding a new seat and in carrying on his government until parliament meets, and the will of the new house of commons is tested.

This is the statement of an authority on constitutional procedure, whose opinion is regarded as important. On the basis of such opinion the probability is that Mr. King will continue as prime minister, and that he will appoint new ministers to replace the eight members of his cabinet who, with himself, met personal defeat yesterday. Some of the defeated ministers may obtain new seats, but undoubtedly new faces would appear if appointments are made.

When parliament meets the first move will probably be a test of the house. If no changes occur in the present standing the Liberal-Progressive-Independent total seems likely to have a margin of one. Present indications are that there will be 122 Conservative members, with a total of 123 on the other side, composed of 98 Liberals, 22 Progressives and 3 Independents. This would mean that Mr. Meighen could not control the confidence of the house, and that Mr. King's margin would be precarious.

Conservative opinion is that Mr. King will resign, and that Mr. Meighen will form a government to struggle through the next session and avoid another immediate election. The contrary opinion, however, and the apparent probability seems to be stronger, and justifies the belief that Mr. King will continue in power.

Premier King today has denied personally any statement or rumor indicating that he will resign. Beyond that he will say nothing.

CONSERVATIVE OPINION.
Special to The Advertiser.
By Staff Reporter.

Ottawa, Oct. 30.—The almost certainty that there will be no new election at once, but that Hon. Arthur Meighen will form a temporary government is the view of prominent Conservatives here who have had experience before in cabinet making. "This is the first place," the Advertiser was told today, "the country doesn't want another election. It is not only costly, but it upsets business. Of course, there is the possibility that a new election may be necessary."

"But, it seems to me, that the Conservative leader will form some sort of government to carry on till the end of the session, upon the understanding that there will be an election then."

"There certainly doesn't seem to be any possibility of Mr. King being able to carry on. In the first place, eight of his cabinet ministers have been defeated. They're out, and where can they find a seat in Ontario, Ontario doesn't want them."

Meighen's Statement.
"Look at the situation another way. The three groups, Liberal, Progressives and Labor may possibly outnumber the Conservatives, but the ideas of these three groups are so different. How can they coalesce? There are the Liberals from Quebec, who nearly all want a high tariff, and there are the people from the west, on the other hand, who don't want the tariff. They are obsessed."

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Election Details

from Dominion ridings near and far will be found on inside pages, as follows:

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Page 13.—Western Ontario summary, city of London summary, and gallery of defeated and elected cabinet ministers.



MAY CONTINUE IN POWER.
Right Hon. Mackenzie King may not resign but seems likely to carry on in order to test the will of parliament when it meets.

PAINLEVE WILL TACKLE FINANCE

French Premier Will Sidetrack Debt to U. S. Unless Other Issues Cleared.

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, Oct. 30.—Premier Painlevé, having taken over in his newly formed cabinet the portfolio of finance from which Joseph Caillaux was deposed by the resignation of the ministry, is prepared forthwith to take up the complicated financial problems of the country as well as political and military issues.

It is evident that the question of France's debt to the United States is to be sidetracked for the present by M. Painlevé while he juggles the tangled skein of France's other debts and financial complications.

While he has not made any statement to this effect, it is asserted that he regards the United States debt question of less pressing importance than the financial problems at home.

ELECTION PARADE LED BY THRESHING-OUTFIT

Unique Celebration Marks the Close of Voting Day in Sarnia.

One of the most unique election celebrations reported since the results of the balloting became known, comes from Sarnia where W. T. Goodson, Liberal, defeated the Conservative R. V. Lesueur, who sat in the last house.

When it was conceded that the Liberal had carried the seat, a parade, the usual feature of a West Lambton election, was instituted.

Surviving are his wife, two sons and two daughters: Ernest of Winnipeg, Douglas of Welland, Miss Maude Payne at home, and Mrs. J. Ferguson, Southold, and two brothers and one sister.

Whether the threshing machine symbolized the candidate, who manufactures these implements, or whether it denoted the "threshing" received by the Conservative standard-bearer, was uncertain, but that it was singularly appropriate either way seemed to be the general consensus of opinion.

Liberals of the St. Clair river riding are elated over their victory and over the fact that they have once more put Lambton West in the Liberal ranks after its sole deviation since confederation.

MAJOR POWER OFFERS SEAT TO PREMIER KING

Canadian Press Despatch.
Quebec, Oct. 30.—Major Charles G. Power of Quebec South has offered his seat in that riding to Premier King, who was defeated in North York.

THEFT OF FOUR PUMPKINS ONLY HALLOWEEN PRANK

No Halloween damage in the county of Middlesex has been reported so far to High Constable Wharton. One man living just east of the city complained that a small boy has stolen four pumpkins but this is liable to happen almost any time, the county police say.

\$50,000 IS LEFT CITY CHARITIES

Three London Institutions Benefit in George Priddis' Will.

PRIVATE BEQUESTS

Home For Aged, Children's Aid and Health Association Receive Legacies.

The will of the late George Priddis of London township filed for probate at the court house this morning shows charitable bequests of almost \$50,000 out of the total estate valued at \$64,165.53. The balance of the estate was left to friends of Mr. Priddis, no relatives participating in the various bequests.

The largest amounts go to the London Health Association, Aged People's Home and the Children's Aid Society, who each receive \$14,821. This includes \$5,000 each mentioned in the will proper and the one-third each organization receives of the residue of the estate, some \$28,445.

Other charitable organizations that benefit are: Sick Children's Hospital, \$1,000; Salvation Army, \$1,000; W. C. A. for Victoria Home for Incapables, \$3,000.

Stanley Meredith, son of City Solicitor T. G. Meredith, K.C., receives \$1,000; Mrs. Robert Cameron, London, \$100; James M. Young, London, \$1,000; Robert S. Cadwallader, London, \$1,000; Leifh Farmcomb, London township, \$1,000; Kathleen Irwin, London township, \$1,000; Harry Farmcomb, London township, \$2,500; Wm. B. Bradshaw, London, \$1,000; Rev. A. L. G. Clarke, London, \$500 and Heartsease Hawkins, Pearl Turner and Lucy Turner, all of London township, each \$200.

The personal estate made up principally of mortgages and securities was valued at \$64,165 and the real estate, three acres of land in Westminister township on Brick street just west of the Springbank, reservoir, \$2,500.

The will was filed for probate by T. G. Meredith, K. C., acting for the Canada Trusts Co.

ELGIN COUNTY PIONEER DIES IN PORT STANLEY

Matthew Payne Came to Port to Construct First Breakwater.

Matthew Payne, a member of a pioneer family of Elgin county, died this morning at his home in Port Stanley, on his 82nd birthday.

He came to Port Stanley in 1859 with his father, Alfred Payne, to construct the first breakwater in the port.

Early in life he lost his arm and took up telegraph operating at the village postoffice.

For half a century his figure was a familiar one to residents of Port Stanley and to summer visitors.

He retired from active service a number of years ago and his health has failed year by year.

The deceased man was a member of Port Stanley United church.

Surviving are his wife, two sons and two daughters: Ernest of Winnipeg, Douglas of Welland, Miss Maude Payne at home, and Mrs. J. Ferguson, Southold, and two brothers and one sister.



MATTHEW PAYNE,
for fifty years postmaster of Port Stanley, passed away this morning after a lingering illness. He was in his 80th year.

Complete Summaries

Total Dominion Seats Now and at Dissolution—Standing by Provinces Now and 1921—London Comparison by Wards—Western Ontario Standing Now and 1921.

	Now.	Dissolution.
Conservatives	120	49
Liberals	98	117
Progressives	20	61
Independents, etc.	3	4
In doubt or vacant	4	4
Total	245	235

Of the four seats still in doubt it seems safe to concede two Conservatives. The final standing is likely to be: Conservatives, 122; Liberals, 98; Progressives, 22; Independents, 3. The Conservatives will thus have 123 seats against them and lack control of the house by one seat.

HOW THE NINE PROVINCES STAND.

	Now.	1921
Ontario	Libs. 70, Cons. 2, Ind. 0, Prog. 0	Libs. 21, Cons. 37, Ind. 0, Prog. 0
Quebec	Libs. 60, Cons. 4, Ind. 1, Prog. 0	Libs. 65, Cons. 0, Ind. 0, Prog. 0
Nova Scotia	Libs. 3, Cons. 11, Ind. 0, Prog. 0	Libs. 16, Cons. 0, Ind. 0, Prog. 0
New Brunswick	Libs. 1, Cons. 10, Ind. 0, Prog. 0	Libs. 5, Cons. 5, Ind. 0, Prog. 0
Prince Edward	Libs. 2, Cons. 2, Ind. 0, Prog. 0	Libs. 4, Cons. 0, Ind. 0, Prog. 0
Manitoba	Libs. 2, Cons. 7, Ind. 6, Prog. 2	Libs. 2, Cons. 10, Ind. 12, Prog. 1
Alberta	Libs. 5, Cons. 4, Ind. 7, Prog. 0	Libs. 0, Cons. 0, Ind. 10, Prog. 2
Saskatchewan	Libs. 12, Cons. 2, Ind. 4, Prog. 0	Libs. 1, Cons. 0, Ind. 15, Prog. 0
British Columbia	Libs. 3, Cons. 10, Ind. 1, Prog. 0	Libs. 3, Cons. 7, Ind. 3, Prog. 0
Yukon	Libs. 0, Cons. 0, Ind. 0, Prog. 0	Libs. 0, Cons. 1, Ind. 0, Prog. 0
Totals	Libs. 98, Cons. 120, Ind. 20, Prog. 3	Libs. 117, Cons. 65, Ind. 65, Prog. 3

There are still 4 seats in doubt, 1 in Yukon and 3 in Saskatchewan.

IN 27 WESTERN ONTARIO RIDINGS.

	Now.	Dissolution.	Gain or Loss.
Conservatives	18	6	12 gain
Liberals	7	10	3 loss
Progressives	2	11	9 loss

Net Liberal losses were three. The Liberals lost seven seats to the Conservatives, but took one from them and three from the Progressives. One new seat in Essex went Conservative. The Progressives made no gains.

HOW LONDON VOTED BY WARDS.

	1925	1921
Conservative	3132	2126
Liberal	2052	1536
Labour	444	384
Cons. majority	1080	590
Increase majority	591	455

1925: 4667, 2587, 888, 1480, 947. 1921: 2473, 1679, 2171, 2895, 1984, 1544, 1504, 2362, 799, 875, 1495, 1068.

Eight Cabinet Ministers Go Down To Defeat With Premier

Minister of Railways Beaten in South Essex by Eccles C. Gott of Amherstburg.

LAPOINTE RETURNED

West Sends Back Motherwell, Stewart and King, While East Saves Two.

Eight cabinet ministers in the King administration went to defeat in the elections yesterday, including the prime minister himself in North York. Ten ministers were elected.

Ministers defeated followed: Right Hon. Mackenzie King, prime minister, in North York.

Right Hon. George P. Graham, minister of railways, in South Essex.

Hon. T. A. Low, minister of trade and commerce, in South Renfrew.

Hon. G. N. Gordon, minister of immigration, in Peterboro.

Hon. James Murdoch, minister of labor, in High Park, Toronto.

Hon. Walter E. Foster, secretary of state, in St. John, New Brunswick.

Hon. Vincent Massey, minister without portfolio, in Durham.

Hon. Herbert T. Marler, minister without portfolio, in St. Lawrence-St. George, Montreal.

Ministers elected were: Hon. Ernest Lapointe, minister of justice, in Quebec East.

Hon. P. J. A. Cardin, minister of marine and fisheries, in Richelieu.

Hon. L. Cannon, solicitor-general, in Dorchester.

Hon. J. A. Robb, minister of finance, in Chateauguay-Huntingdon.

Hon. George Bolvin, minister of customs, in Shefford.

Hon. E. M. MacDonald, minister of defence, in Antigonish-Guysborough.

Hon. John E. Sinclair, minister without portfolio, in Queens-Prince Edward Island.

Hon. J. H. King, minister of public works, in Kootenay East, B. C.

Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of the interior, in Edmonton West.

Hon. W. E. Motherwell, minister of agriculture, in Melville, Sask.

OPINIONS DIFFER ON NEXT MOVE

Hon. Geo. P. Graham Believes King Can Carry On With Progressives' Aid.

LITTLE SEES ELECTION

Prominent Londoners Declare Liberal Candidate's Showing Proves Solidity of Party.

There is a wide difference of opinion among prominent politicians of Western Ontario regarding the situation which has developed in Canadian federal affairs because of the election yesterday. Rt. Hon. George P. Graham, while not expressing a definite opinion, thinks that the King government may be able to carry on. James Gray and Jared Vining of London think that another election shortly is inevitable, as no party, they think, can carry on government at Ottawa with the present division of parties.

Arthur Mould, London Labor man, thinks government could be carried on by the Liberals, with the assistance of Progressives, Labor and Independents. John Colbert, who was Labor candidate in London, states that the elections yesterday set progressive legislation back ten years.

Hon. George P. Graham, who was defeated in South Essex, stated to The Advertiser today that he could express no opinion on the general result until the final returns had been made.

"As the parties stand now it will take very careful consideration," he said, "but in view of the marked vote received by the Progressives, it seems only right that the government should carry on, owing to the fact that there is no division for either party."

He stated that as the figures stand today neither party has a majority to function, but by the fusion of two parties the government may be able to carry on.

Dr. W. A. Hall of Walkerton, the victorious candidate in South Bruce, stated to The Advertiser today that there were three reasons for the lead the Conservative party had taken.

1. The feeling that was aroused by the Conservatives in Ontario against the Liberal government, especially in Bruce, where the Conservative propaganda was controlled by the province of Quebec.

2. The changeable vote of the unemployed.

3. The vast amount of money spent in Ontario by the Conservatives, especially in Bruce, where the Conservative propaganda was controlled by the province of Quebec.

Dr. Little, who confessed to being exceedingly tired after the strenuous campaign of the past week, expressed satisfaction at the result in London. "I don't think there's much to add to what I said last evening," he remarked. "The Liberals made a good showing in the contest."

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The Weather

FORECASTS.
Today—Moderate winds and mostly cloudy.

Saturday—Fair with stationary or somewhat higher temperatures.

High pressure extends from the western states across the great lakes to New England, while the eastern storm is rising over the western provinces. The weather is fair in nearly all parts of the dominion.

The highest and lowest temperatures previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations.	High	Low	Station
Victoria	52	48	Clear
Calgary	38	28	Clear
Winnipeg	..	16	Fair
Port Arthur ..	24	10	Clear