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PREMIER MEIGHEN FIRES FIRST GUN OF CAMPAIGN TUESDAY; EXPOSE "FARMING OF FARMER"

Great National Issues Will Be Dealt With On Visit To Maritime Provinces—More Difficulties for Mackenzie King—Wants to Run in Prince, P. E. I.. Again, But They Won't Have Him—Clark's Latest Attack On Crerar Completes Rout of Farmer Party in Ontario.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Sept. 22—In his address to his constituents on Tuesday at Portage La Prairie, the Prime Minister will deal with Western problems as well as National issues. He will reaffirm his position on the tariff and, it is believed, will deal with the grain trade problem. Although Hon. T. A. Crerar, blocked by an injunction an investigation into the storage elevator scandals in connection with his company, the matter will not be allowed to rest and, it is understood, efforts will be made to expose the "farming of the farmer," as Dr. Michael Clark describes the operations of Mr. Crerar's company. In his Montreal address on Friday, Sept. 30th, the Prime Minister will deal with the great National issues. His Montreal address will be of equal importance to his great speech in London, when he made the issue of the campaign.

To Maritime Provinces

His great national tour begins at Montreal and thence to the Maritime Provinces. He will be accompanied through the Maritime Provinces by Hon. J. B. M. Baxter and probably one of his French Canadian colleagues. He will spend about ten days in the "Provinces by the Sea" and then Ontario. Hon. R. B. Bennett may also make a tour of Ontario. Hon. H. P. Stevens leaves Saturday for the West with the Prime Minister. He goes to British Columbia and will take charge of the campaign in that Province. The Government claims there is only one doubtful seat in the Pacific Province. Hon. Dr. Tolmie will speak in British Columbia, but will also campaign in all the other Provinces. His election in Victoria is conceded by a large majority. Sir James White will assist the Prime Minister in his efforts for fiscal independence and will deliver a series of addresses in Ontario and possibly other Provinces. The Government has an opportunity to make a wonderful platform campaign. Never has there been a federal administration with such an abundance of platform talent.

Senator Appointed

Four senators were appointed today, Sir George E. Foster, Hon. J. D. Reid, Hon. J. A. Calder and John McCormick, North Sydney, all go to the Second Chamber. Sir George Foster has the unique distinction of having served in seven administrations He has been in the Cabinets of Macdonald, Abbott, Thompson, Bowell, Tupper, Borden and Meighen. Hon. John McCormick is a Scotch Catholic who succeeds to the Senatorship made vacant by the death of the late Senator A. B. Crosby. Several times he has opposed. D. D. McKenzie, in North Cape Breton and Victoria but never succeeded in defeating the temporary leader of the Liberal party. Other senatorial appointments are expected very shortly although some vacancies will not be filled until the return of the Prime Minister from the Maritime Provinces. When all the vacancies in the Senate are filled the standing of the two parties will be government 63, opposition 33.

Hon. MacKenzie King appears to rush from one difficulty to another. When he was accepted by Princes, P. E. I., it was conditional that at the general election he would retire for a local man and return to North York. Also his declaration to the Liberal's of North York was accepted at its face value by the Liberals of Prince. They proceeded to groom a candidate for the fray and it was intimated to a stalwart named McLean that he would be the choice. Now Mr. King wishes to return to Princes finding the outlook in North York dark and gloomy, but Mr. McLean refused to be passed over. He threatens to enter the field as a Farmer's candidate and if he does the Hon. Mr. King will be retired to private life. Many years ago Hon. William McDougall, from his frequent change of constituencies, was known as "wandering WiHie." This political species does not appear to be extinct. The Government forces are nominating a popular candidate, John O'Neil, in Princes and even in a straight fight with the Liberal leader they are confident he will win, but with two Liberals in the field his return is certain.

Dr. Michael Clark's latest attack on Hon. T. A. Crerar is expected to complete the rout of the farmers party in Ontario. His letter will have a greater effect in Ontario than in the West where class consciousness is more highly developed among the Agrarians. The member for Red Deer may not be in the next Parliament but he certainly will keep many of his fellow farmer associates at home also. In Ontario the farmers movement is on the down grade, and the surprise of the campaign will be the failure of the Farmer's Party in that Province. Dr. Michael Clark's challenge that the Agrarian forces are in alliance with the Red element in labor is confirmed in Ontario where the Simpsons, Bruces and others are working with the Drury party in the Federal fight.

No choice has yet been made for Solicitor General nor is likely to be for some time. The vacancy on the Railway Board will be filled by a representative of labor.

33rd Degree Mason

(United Press.)

Boston, Sept. 22.—President Warren G. Harding was voted a 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason, Thursday, the last day of the convention here of the Supreme Council of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the northern jurisdiction.

Geneva Assembly Clearing House For Balkan War News

Albanian and Serbian Delegations Issuing Official Communiques re Hostilities.

(United Press)

Geneva, Sept. 22—The Assembly of the League of Nations, theoretically the World's highest Peace Tribunal, has become center and clearing house for the Balkan war news.

Albanian and Serbian delegations beginning to issue "Official communiques" regardng progress of hostilities along the frontier.

Albania has notified the League that Serbian detachments, commanded by regular army officers and equipped with mountain batteries, launched an attack north of Miredita. Three hundred Serbians, "disguised as peasants,' the report says, participated in the fighting. Serbians were repulsed but their bombardment destroyed the village of Arras.

Entire population of Drin Valley, Albanians, declare, are now fleeing into the interior.

Record Attendance At Fredericton Fair

Triple Parachute Drop from the Clouds An Attraction—Judging Well Advanced.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Sept. 22—The Fredericton fair is drawing toward its close with the attendance keeping right up to the mark and the expectation of a record attendance nearer realization. Perfect weather, with a temperature like summer, favored the exhibition today and the grounds were crowded.

As usual, the open air attractions drew the big crowds. The aerial acts and other turns are generally stated to be unsurpassed by any fair in the Maritime Provinces or Maine this season. The triple parachute drop was performed for the first time today. The aeronaut again had to make his ascension in a gale of wind. This time he was not carried across the St. John River, but left the Fair Grounds in such a direction that he was carried over the water when he had to make his jump. The balloon was at a good height and not far above the highway bridge when he let go. The three drops came in rapid succession and he struck the water not far from the bridge. A boat at once picked him up and also the parachutes and the balloon. The judging is well advanced, in spite of the fact that all classes of exhibits are filled better than had been anticipated. The dog show ended tonight. It was the first in the history of the Fredericton Kennell Club, but its success makes it sure that it will not be the last. The quality of the dogs shown was of the highest.

Hiss And Jeered At The French

Monster Pro-German Demonstration Held at the Austrian Capital.

Vienna, Sept. 22—The great pro-German demonstration here yesterday may be taken first as a result of the postponed action on credit and second as indicative of the growing power of German reactionary propaganda. Thirty thousand persons gathered before the great cathedral here and cheered for Germany while a band played "die wacht am Rhein" and "Deutschland uber Alles."

Yesterday's crowd consisted largely of representatives of labor unions and hundreds were present from the German-speaking territory lost to Austria in Bohemia, Moravia and Tyrol—all in national costume. Both the German Republican and the old imperial flags were displayed and many in the crowd wore the swastika emblem of the German reactionaries.

The feeling seemingly was more anti-French than pro-German and the heartiest cries were "down with France the hangman." In dispersing, the whole crowd passed by the French embassy crying derisively and singing German national songs.

The transmission across the ocean by wireless of photographs and written documents in facsimile has been accomplished.

Clergy To Settle Mooted Question

County Folk Want to Know if Organs and Bells Are Instruments of Devil.

(United Press)

Columbus, Ind., Sept. 22—Country folk for miles around are greatly wrought up over the ministerial debate on the question whether church organs and church bells are instruments of the devil.

Rev. W. G. Roberts, of Oaktown, says bells and organs have no place in the house of worship. Rev. Wm. H. Book, of Columbus, is a modernist and believes n the propriety of bells and organs. Fifteen hundred residents of Oaktown have come to Columbus to hear their pastor debate the question with Rev. Mr. Book. Not since the last county fair has there been so much excitement.

Both Countries Claim Victory

Greece and Turkey Both Celebrate Outcome in Asia Minor.

Paris, Sept. 22—Military observers were baffled tonight by two official dispatches, one from Constantinople and one from Athens, which probably accord the Greek retreat in Asia Minor the unique position in history as the only decisive battle in which both sides were victorious. Stamboul is in the midst of a wild celebration with banners, torches and processions in honor of the defeat of the Greeks. From Athens comes the news that the campaign ended in a Greek victory. It only remains now to settle the diplomatic questions involved."

Meanwhile French sources in Constantinople report that Kemal's army still is pursuing the victorious Greeks and at several points in the Sakharia Valley are erectng bridges over the rivers so the Turks can keep the winning Greeks on the run.

Blackville Masons Dedicate Hall

Grand Lodge Officers Present for the Ceremony—New Hall One of Finest.

Special to The Standard

Newcastle, N. B., Sept. 21—Tuesday evening was an epoch in the history of the Masonic fraternity in Blackville that will be long remembered—it being the dedication of their new hall, by the Grand Lodge officers composed of Grand Master, J. D. B. F. Mackenzie, Chatham, Grand Secretary J. Twining Hartt, and Grand Treasurer George Ellis, St. John, Grand Director of Ceremonies G. Percy Burchill, Nelson, and Grand Stewards, R. A. Snowball, Chatham, and C. G. Coudsi, Newcastle, assisted by the officers and members of Miramichi Lodge, Chatham and Northumberland Lodge, Newcastle. After the Hall had been dedicated according to the ancient customs, the visitors were entertained at a banquet at which over seventy-five persons were present. The new hall, which was dedicated is one of the finest in the Province and the new lodge which was established there last year, is in a flourishing condition.

Chaplin Off To Capture Berlin

(United Press.)

Paris, Sept. 22.—Charlie Chaplin is off to Berlin after a bombardment of flowers from pretty little midinettes employed in establishments near the Hotel Claridge where he was stopping here. Charlie got away Thursday afternoon following a quiet luncheon with Sir Philip Sasson. The girls intercepted Chaplin as he was leaving for the railroad station and were not content until he kissed the petitest and prettiest of them and stepped a few yards of Chaplin walk.

There was the customary royal ovation for Charlie as he entered the railroad carriage at the station.

DIFFERENCES IN OPINION OVER THE IRISH NOTE

Ministers in British Cabinet Not in Accord on Nature of Reply to De Valera.

ONE DRAFT OF REPLY CAUSED LONG DEBATE

Lloyd George Anxious Reply Shall Meet Views of Every Political Faction.

(United Press)

London, Sept. 22—Reports from Gairloch where the British Cabinet is considering what reply Lloyd George should make to President De Valera indicate that the Premier's answer may be delayed until next week in order that differences of opinion within the ministry itself may be reconciled. It is suggested that there is a wide variance of opinion between the more liberal Cabinet Ministers and those who believe in insisting upon De Valera's open abandonment of Sovereignty claim for Ireland, and Lloyd George is reported to have prepared one preliminary draft of a reply only to have it subjected to unusually long debate by his colleagues.

Lloyd George desires each minister to study the reply closely before dispatch in order that it may as nearly as possible meet the general views of every political faction and every shade of British opinion.

Labor Troubles

While study of the Irish situation progresses an attempt will be made to dispose of the unemployment situation which is fast growing to proportions of political crisis in London. Dispatches from Dublin indicate extreme hopefulness that Lloyd George's next message to De Valera will be conciliatory.

In Belfast however, the growth of the Sinn Finn camps is causing some alarm. There are now three hundred men at Seaford Camp, well equipped with arms and ammunition, Lewis guns and motor lorries. They are conducting daily drills.

THE RED ARMY STILL EXISTS SAYS TROTSKY

Plenary Session of Soviet Learns of Army's Strength and Poland's Ultimatum.

(United Press.)

Moscow, Sept. 22.—Addressing the Plenary Soviet, just before his departure for Odessa, Leon Trotsky informed the workers' representatives that the Government had received an ultimatum from Poland demanding an immediate execution of the treaty of Riga, including the release of all Polish prisoners before October 5th. The ultimatum, he said, demands also, that the Soviets deliver to Poland the first installment of "evacuated property" under the terms of the treaty.

Trotsky's announcement came at the conclusion of one of his stirring speeches in which he referred, significantly to the Red Army which he recently reviewed on the Onieper and which, he described as "Stronger than it has ever been since the revolution." "One of the objects behind the recent Red Army maneouvres," he declared, "Was to remind certain of our neighbors that the Red Army still exists."

Two thousand members attended the plenary session of the Soviet, some in caps, some bare headed, some women with bobbed hair, and all in working clothes. They filled the immense ball room of the former Noblemen's Club. Instead of footmen in resplendent livery, who used to decorate the palace, long lines of Red Guards filled the wonderful marble corridors.

Memorial Fund To Late Franklin Lane

Friends Have Quietly Raised $100,000, the Income from Which Goes to Widow.

(United Press.)

New York, Sept. 22.—Without public solicitation, and so quietly that none save a few of the most intimate friends of the late Franklyn K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior in Wilson's Cabinet, knew what was being planned, a fund of more than $100,000 has been raised as a memorial to the former Cabinet officer.

The fund is to be put in trust and the income to be paid to Lane's widow during her life time. At Mrs. Lane's death, the principal will be used to found a permanent memorial in some institution of educational or other value to the public.

Herbert Hoover, Franklyn D. Roosevelt, and Adolph C. Miller, the latter a member of the Federal Reserve Board and formerly Assistant Secretary of the Interior under Lane, are behind the movement.

EX-EMPEROR CHARLES OF AUSTRIA IS REFUSED A HOME IN SPAIN

Paris, Sept. 22.—Ex-Emperor Charles of Austria has been informed by the Madrid government at his residence in Switzerland that the internal conditions of Spain hardly warrant a place for him and politely refuses to consider the ex-monarch as a guest. Switzerland, which only accorded Charles a temporary refuge, again is embarrassed as to what to do with the young ex-emperor. Any movement he makes toward central Europe will be opposed by the Entente, France already suspects him of plotting for restoration, and he is not loved in Italy. It is believed he will stay in Switzerland under a strict pledge to the government.

Mandates May Be Discussed At The Conference

Status of Yap May be Settled and Disarmament Problems Not Alone Considered.

(United Press.)

London, Sept. 22.—In view of the announcement by the Washington Government that the Armament Conference will be made the occasion for a discussion of the mandate question, an authoritative report that further discussions of the Mesopotamia dispute will be postponed until the conference delegates arrived in America is significant. It is hoped, however, that the status of Yap may be settled before the Conference actually begins, and British officials believe the preliminary conversations at Washington, prior to the actual conference, may smooth the way for a complete agreement during the sessions. State Department officials emphasize that the mandate problem is wholly disconnected from the problem of armaments, but probably they will accept the opportunity of discussing it at the great gathering instead of continuing the present exchange of notes. Therefore, no reply will be sent by Britain to the latest American note demanding equal commercial opportunities in Mesopotamia.

Important Question

Discussion of the whole mandate situation at Washington is of unusual importance, not only because it involves American rights under the Versailles Treaty, but because of America's relation to the League of Nations.

The Fifth Commission at Geneva has presented to the Assembly a report on mandates revealing that Anglo-French agreement, together with the demand of the United States for equal oil-trading privileges constitutes one of the principal obstructions to a settlement of the dispute over Class A. mandates.

The report does not refer to Class C mandates including that over the Island of Yap. It recommended the issuance of mandates over Togoland and Cameroons immediately. It is recognized, therefore, that the whole matter must become one of the principal items of business before the Washington conference.

William S. Hart Talks On The "Hoss"

Leaves His Train at Chicago for the Pastime — Comments on Arbuckle Case.

(United Press.)

Chicago, Sept. 22.—Who do you think was discovered Thursday at downtown corner shaking hands with the mounted cop's "hoss?" William S. Hart, equestrian idol of the screen, and by no mean a taciturn person as he appear in movies. He has many smiles, lines crinkle his eyes, and he is quite friendly.

"Just stopping off between trains," he drawled. "I'm heading for New York. No one to talk to so came out to say a few words to the hoss."

"What do you think of Arbuckle case," Bill was asked. Bill's beady eyes narrowed. "Well, I opine that I'm like everybody else in moving picture game. I deplore it deeply. I'm afraid the people condemn Arbuckle even more seriously because he is in movies, and so much before the public eye. Thats fame for you. People should remember that sin has no profession and hould not judge him until he has had a chance to tell his own story." Bill glanced up at the station clock. "Must catch my train," he said, "have a little business in New York in regard to pictures. Will be back in three week, so long," and Bill and his big black cigar hove out of sight.

Kennebunk "Ghost" Takes Vacation

Has Left the Harrimans Alone for a Few Nights—Family Catching Up Sleep.

(United Press.)

Kennebunk, Me., Sept. 22.—Kennebunkport's "clothes" ripping ghost, which terrorized the family of fourteen-year-old Florence Harriman, the object of its destructive tendencies, is on a vacation after a month of hard work, and the Harrimans hope it decides never to come back. For the past two nights all has been peace and quiet. No clothes torn, no plaster fallen, no furniture overturned and no ghostly rappings heard. Members of the Harriman family are catching up on sleep.

Reservations To Harding's Peace Treaty May Be Made

Fear That in Present Form America Might Become Entangled in Affairs of Europe

(United Press.)

Washington, Sept. 22.—Reservations may be made to Treaty of Peace President Harding has negotiated with Germany. This would be designed to prevent American entanglement in affairs of Europe, and are considered necessary by those who led the fight against the Treaty of Versailles, notably Senator Borah.

The uggested reservation is the same as ine Senator Lodge chairman of committee on Foreign Relations, offered when the Treaty of Versailles was before the Senate. It would prevent the participation of American representatives on International bodies created by Versailles pact, unless the express consent of Congress were obtained. Another safeguard desired by the irreconcilables is that there be a definite stipulation that in ratifying the new treaty America assumes no obligations to assist in carrying out the provisions of Versailles treaty.

Senator Borah directed the attention of the committee on Foreign Relations to these points when it met Thursday to consider the Treaty. He based his objections on the fact that the Treaty accepts certain provisions of the Versailles Pact. Borah contended that the approval of the treaty would entail a moral and probably legal obligation on the part of the United States to maintain troops in Germany.

Miss Pankhurst Is Expelled By The British Reds

Action Follows Her Refusal to Turn Her Papers Over to Others.

London, Sept. 22.—Owing to her refusal to turn over control of the "Workers' Dreadnaught" hitherto the organ of the British communist party, to a sub-committee of the communist party, Miss Sylvia Pankhurst—erstwhile the expcnent of woman's suffrage and latterly an advocate of Bolshevism for Great Britain—has been expelled from the party. In retaliating, she announces that the paper, of which she has been the editor and publisher since its foundation must cease publication because of the financial difficulties and in the last number takes a fling at her former associates.

She begins by describing the scene with the committee immediately after her release from prison. "Dressed in a little brief authority," she writes, "the executive was full of zeal to serve the communist party by controlling me and thus bringing to an end the pioneer communist paper that has been more continuously and more drastically persecuted by our capitalist government than any paper in the country. They informed me not to permit any member of the party to write or publish a book or pamphlet without the sanction of executive, the prohibition to extend especially to all who disagreed with the executive's methods. I refused to accept this. When I told them I would discontinue the Dreadnaught they considered revoking the order for my expulsion, but when I told them my reason was not because of their order, but for financial reasons, they decided they must expel me because 'financial difficulties' was a 'capitalistic reason.'

The Communist party in Great Britain is at present passing through a sort of political measles called discipline which makes it fear the free expression and circulation of opinion within the party.

Miss Pankhurst added that though outside the party now she will continue in the movement and keep on working for a "Communist revolution and third internationale."

CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATE

Special to The Standard.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Sept. 22.—The Conservatives of Prince County nominated as their candidate, today, James A. MacNeill of Summerside.

New York, Sept. 22.—Final details of a return bout between Jack Dempsey and Jess Willard for the world's heavyweight championship may be completed this week. Tex Rickard, who wants to stage the bout July 1st next in Jersey City, has been discussing terms with Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager. Kearns wants the former title holder to engage in several bouts as proof of his condition, but Willard refuses to do this.

WOMEN CROWD COURT ROOM TO SEE ARBUCKLE

"Fatty," Fighting Life and Death Battle, Finds His Wife Standing by Him.

DAMAGING EVIDENCE AT HEARING

Comedian Closes His Eyes When Photograph of Miss Rappe Was Handed About.

(United Press.)

San Francisco Sept. 22.—Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle was fighting on the second line defenses Thursday. There by his side sat his pretty big eyed wife, Minta Durfee, and she listened to his attorneys wrangle and struggle in the court room to prevent Police Judge Lazarus ordering him to trial before the Superior Court on the charge of murdering Virginia Rappe, Los Angeles, the aftermath of his Labar Day party in a San Francisco hotel. "Fatty's" famous baby eyes dimmed and he turned his head away when the big photograph of the body of Virginia Rappe was handed a witness for identification. Then he turned to his wife, and she patted his hand and clenched his arm a little tighter. Fatty straightened up—he was fighting a life and death battle, and his first love, the girl from whom he had been separated for two years, was standing by him.

Damaging Evidence.

The evidence at the preliminary hearing was damaging to Arbuckle's defense. Doctors testified to only one thing—external force—a blow or a fall—could have caused the death of Miss Rappe.

They described in detail the condition of the body. Their testimony was couched in medical terms. In brief, the physicians agreed that the bruises found on the body were the result of a blow or a struggle; that Miss Rappe was not suffering from any infectious disease as nurses had testified at the inquest; that she had been in good health prior to her fatal illness.

Women Crowded Court Room.

The hearing was held in a court room crowded with women of every kind. There were sprightly show girls, flashingly dressed women from the cafes, just plain curious girls and dowagers galore. In the front seats, with eyes pinned closely on Fatty, sat eighteen club women—composing the Women's Vigilance Committee, delegated by women's clubs of San Francisco to watch the Arbuckle case in the interests of justice to womanhood.

But only a handful of the hundreds of women who wanted to see "Fatty on trial" were in the courtroom. It took fifty policemen to handle the crowds which swarmed through the corridors of the Hall of Justice, and blocked the street outside. Over 1,000 women were on hand when the court opened. The last seat in the court room had been taken an hour and a half before the hearing started. Many spectators had brought lunches. Only women were admitted to the court room under the rule of "Ladies first."

Surgeons Testify.

Dr. Shelby Strange, autopsy surgeon, Dr. William Ophuls, who performed the unofficial autopsy, and Miss Grace Halston, surgical nurse who was at the autopsy, were the first three witnesses. Their testimony was all the same—namely, external force had caused a rupture of the bladder, resulting in Peritonitis which caused the death of Miss Rappe. They all had seen bruises on the body which they attributed to same cause.

Dr. Strange was asked to identify a photograph of Miss Rappe taken as she lay on the marble slab at the morgue. Then Arbuckle showed deep emotion for the first time. He would not look at the picture or even toward the witness as long as it was being passed back and forth among lawyers, court and winesses. He seemed relieved when the Clerk laid it face down on the desk marked "Exhibit A." The progress of the hearing was slow owing to the wrangling of attorneys. The defence hardly passed a question unchallenged. It is evident that every effort will be made to have the charge against Arbuckle reduced to manslaughter, a power which the Court has.

Late in the day the hearing adjourned until 2 p.m. Friday, pending the arrival of other witnesses.

Fishery Men Discuss Underweights

Special to The Standard.

Charlottetown, P. E. I. Sept, 22.—At the Maritime Fishery Conference here today, the experiences of officers re the enforcement of the meat and canned food act, were given as to the question of under-weight. The concensus of opinion was that the burden of proving that correct weight was in cans should be placed upon the packers. This afternoon Dr. Knight, chairman of Biological Board, spoke on standard pickling, recommending that it should be between two and three per cent. in the lobster can. Clarence Tidmarsh gave a demonstration on the development of bacteria in lobsters, giving the main causes of contamination.