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MEIGHEN SWORN IN AS PREMIER OF CANADA

CONSERVATIVES EXPECTED TO COMPLETE BUSINESS OF HOUSE

Sir Henry Drayton Favored as Government Leader in Parliament; Six Ministers Sworn in, Is Report

CUSTOMS REPORT STILL HELD TEST

Outcome of Whole Political Tangle Still Obscure With Interest at Fever Pitch; Progressive Leader Will Aid in Putting Through Supply Measures

OTTAWA, June 29.—Reports today are that if Premier Arthur Meighen secures the passage of his cabinet, rather than general elections. The Prime Minister has not so far made any announcement of his plans, but in Conservative circles it is stated that they will largely depend on developments in the House during the day.

OTTAWA, June 29.—Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative leader, was sworn in as Premier of Canada at Government House, shortly after 11 o'clock this morning.

As Mr. Meighen thereby vacates his seat in the House till re-election, it is understood that Sir Henry Drayton will be acting government leader in the Commons, and when the House meets again at two o'clock will make a statement. Several acting ministers are to be appointed to put business through the House. Reporters are it that both Sir George Perley and R. S. White will likely resign the seats they hold in Quebec province, to make way for the appointment of French speaking ministers. Hon. E. L. Pate-naude is mentioned for Mount Royal, Montreal, now represented by Mr. White, with a ministerial appointment in view.

MINISTERS SWORN IN

Six Ministers without portfolios in the new Conservative administration are understood to have been sworn in this morning. Their names, it is said, are Sir Henry Drayton, Hon. H. H. Stevens, Sir George Perley, Hon. R. J. Manion, Hon. Hugh Guthrie and W. A. Black, of Halifax. Official announcement is not likely to be made before the House meets at two o'clock.

The general understanding is that the Conservatives will endeavor to carry on and conclude the program of the House as it is already mapped out by the late administration, and it remains to be seen whether or not this will be possible.

FORKE WILL ASSIST

The leader of this group, Mr. Forke, has indicated that they are inclined to assist the Conservatives in putting through the supply, but he did not commit himself or his associates as to further extent they would co-operate with a new administration.

The customs report is still before the House and it is likely it will again prove a test of party strength.

The day opened with the outcome quite as obscure as it was yesterday, when Mr. King went to interview the Governor General, when he advised dissolution and being refused, tendered resignation.

HON. MR. BAXTER NOT FOR FEDERAL ARENA

"I SEE that Mr. Mears has been exercising his right of free speech by declaring that he would not become a member of the cabinet to be formed by Hon. Mr. Meighen.

A report circulating today was that George B. Jones, M. P. for Royal, would be the new Brunswick minister in the cabinet formed by Hon. Mr. Meighen and that he would have the portfolio of Postmaster-General.

The resignation of his government. The announcement of this shortly afterwards, in the House, gave parliament and nearly all connected with it, a surprise. The meeting today may produce quite as unexpected a situation as did that of yesterday.

MUCH SPECULATION

All night the quickly moving picture was closely watched. Each visitor of Mr. Meighen's office was noted. His midnight trip to visit Baron Byng when he accepted the task of forming a government, and the various small conferences and larger caucuses all gave food for the speculations which fill the corridors as to just how this unusual situation will work out. The Progressives are in caucus this forenoon and their decision will have an important bearing on the immediate future on Parliament Hill.

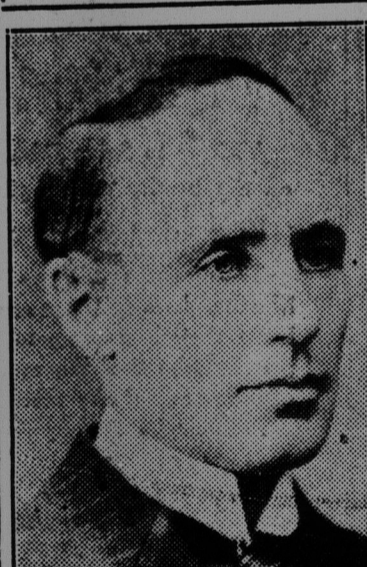
Progressive Support To Pass Estimates

The support of a Conservative government to pass supply and to clear up the legislation still before Parliament, was assured by the caucus of the Progressive party this morning according to unofficial statements made following the meeting of the caucus.

The Progressive party, particularly the Alberta group, this morning, took the stand that the new government should be given assistance in passing estimates. The legislation still before parliament, including the rural credits measure which has not been sent back to the Commons from the Senate, and the amendment to the Canada Grain

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Again Premier



RT. HON. ARTHUR MEIGHEN when sworn in as Prime Minister of Canada today at King St. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, who resigned yesterday.

22-Mile Subway In Rome To Be Built

ROME, June 29.—The Eternal City still bearing the splendid fragments of its ancient glory, is to have a subway totalling 22 miles. The work will be completed within 10 years.

Archaeologists will be called in to aid the construction, engineers in order to save as much as possible of the relics of antiquity, which is expected will be brought to light by the excavation work.

Carpenters In Rhyme Answer Senate's Act

BELLEVILLE, Ont., June 29.—A resolution calling for the abolition of the Senate and providing for the forwarding to every member of that body of a poem expressing the regret of the Provincial Union of Carpenters and Joiners of Ontario at the Senate's action in discharging the old age pension bill was passed at the convention of the union here yesterday. The refrain of the poem runs: "As you have dealt with the old one, may destiny deal with you."

J. F. Hayes, of Hamilton, was elected president of the union, and Niagara Falls, Ont., was chosen as the next convention city.

Early Election Seen Here By British Papers

By HERBERT BAILEY British United Press.

LONDON, June 29.—The constitutional problems involved in the Canadian political crisis are the subject of a great deal of discussion in political circles here today, and the general opinion among those well informed seems to be that Lord Byng acted wisely in most difficult circumstances.

It is generally expected that the change of government will not postpone an election very long and the issue between the parties will have to be faced by the Canadian public very shortly.

The Times, in a leading article today on the situation, expresses the popular view when it emphasizes the fact that the crisis is not a consequence of any feeble or backward condition in Canada politically or industrially, but rather an evidence of rapid growth and of the keen desire of leaders of Canadian commerce and industry to see a stable government in Ottawa which would insure the continuance of Canadian progress and development.

There is some interested speculation whether or not the new election will be held before October because this will involve the question of Canadian representation at the Imperial Conference in London.

CONSERVATIVE N. B. ORGANIZER PREDICTS VOTE

A. D. Holyoke, in City, Sees Federal Election Some Time This Fall

A. D. Holyoke, of Fredericton, president of the St. John and Quebec Railway, arrived in the city today. He is in the local house for Sunbury county. Mr. Holyoke, who is also organizer in New Brunswick for the Conservative party, returned from Ottawa recently. He said that the feeling in political circles there last week was that W. L. Mackenzie King would not be permitted to dissolve the House. His opinion was that Mr. Meighen would form a cabinet and pass supply and then go to the country. Mr. Holyoke said that he expected a Federal election certainly some time this fall.

Speaking of the change of government at Ottawa, he pointed out that the chance of the Federal government taking over the Valley Railway was much brighter now that the Conservatives were in power. He said that the Conservative party was anxious for an election as one would tend to clear the air and the last one was considered as unsatisfactory.

Speaking of the anticipated by-election in Saint John county to fill the vacancy in the local house, Mr. Holyoke said that there were plenty of candidates willing to run but nothing would be done until the fall. The Ottawa situation had complicated the matter somewhat, he said.

TWO HUSBANDS MEET

Both Claim Wife; Argument Results in Bigamy Charge Against Woman

BRITISH UNITED PRESS. CHICAGO, June 29.—Robert Johnson was driving his taxicab on the north side in search of passengers when he noticed a strange man talking to his wife on a street corner.

"Who are you, and why are you talking to my wife?" Johnson asked the stranger.

"Your wife?" the stranger replied, "this is my wife."

Police interfered with the argument that followed and took all three to headquarters, where Mrs. Johnson admitted she was married to both men, and was held on a charge of bigamy.

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Change Urged In N. B. School Graduation Tests

FARMERS AGAIN SWEEP ALBERTA; LIBERALS LOSE

Conservatives Once More to Have Representation in House

ALL CABINET IN

Attorney-General, New Member, Leads Edmonton Poll on First Count

CALGARY, Alberta, June 29.—The United Farmers of Alberta duplicated the landslide of 1921, which swept them into power in Alberta, for the first time, and at the provincial elections yesterday were given a mandate by the people of the province to continue the government with the co-operation of Labor.

Indications were that the government would not only retain its numerical strength in the legislature, but would gain a number of seats. Only one definite gain was reported late last night, recorded by A. Deslisle, who captured the Beaver River riding from J. M. Dechene, Liberal, member of the last legislature.

CABINET RETURNED

The tide of public approval that returned the Farmer government carried with it victories by Premier J. E. Brownless and all members of his cabinet, if fairly definite indications last night are maintained in the one or two instances where second counts will be necessary.

The preferential system of balloting used for the first time in a provincial election, made the gathering of complete returns from various ridings, a matter of some difficulty.

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New Glasgow also suffered from rain and hail, which caused much damage to trees and gardens. Lightning struck the roof of one house but the resultant fire was soon extinguished.

NEW CATHEDRAL AT ST. LOUIS CONSECRATED

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 29.—The massive new cathedral of the archdiocese of St. Louis, which has been intermittently under construction for 19 years, was consecrated today. The beautiful ritual was celebrated by Cardinal Bonzano, Papal Legate, and participated in by scores of high dignitaries of the Roman Catholic faith.

MANY ATROCITIES IN SYRIA REPORTED

Stories of Mutilated Men and Much Suffering Common Occurrence

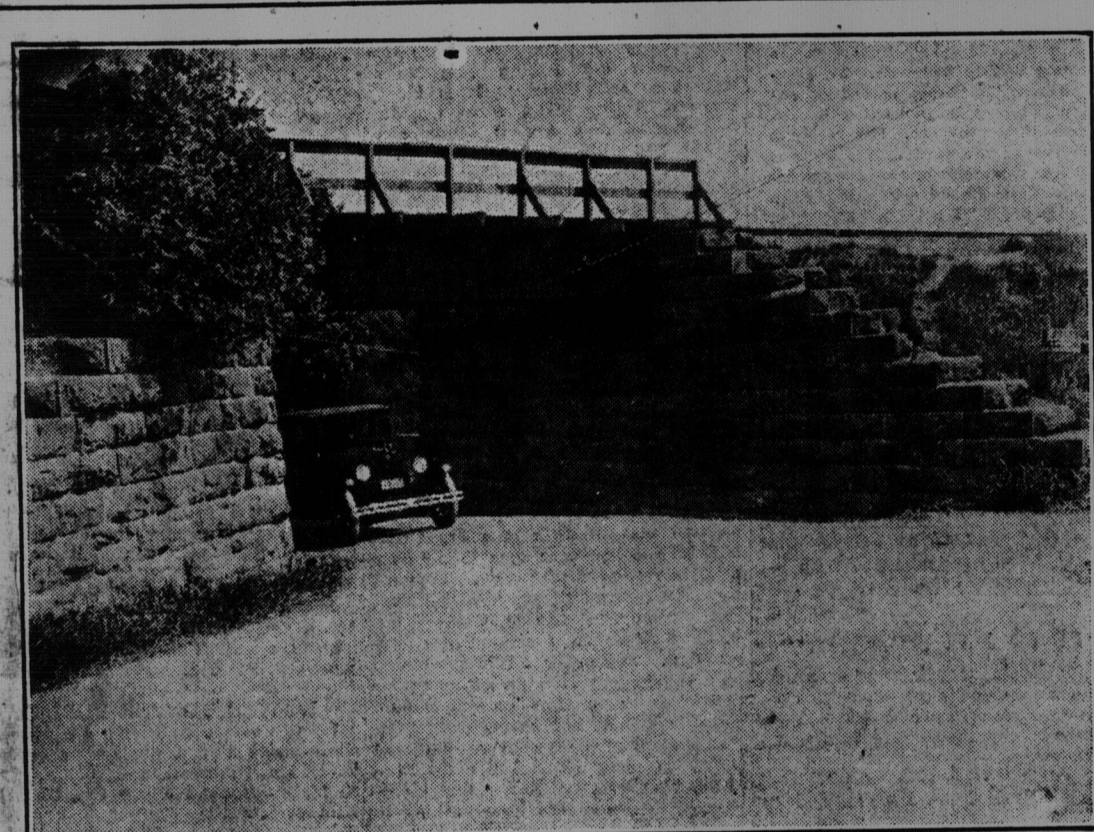
DAMASCUS, June 29.—Syria today is writhing in the throes of the cruellest wars ever waged, and charges and counter-charges of atrocities of the most revolting sort are constantly being made.

Without going into the matter of responsibility for the present situation, the fact remains that Syria, which it was intended should enjoy peace and prosperity under the protection of the League of Nations, is now a country where the hangman operates in the public square.

SCARLET FEVER OUTBREAK

Weymouth, Mass., June 29.—Thirty-five cases of scarlet fever believed to have resulted from tainted food at a graduation banquet, have broken out here among 136 students and teachers of the Weymouth High School, who attended the dinner last Thursday.

Another View of "Death's Corner"



THIS view of the dangerous curve at Fair Vale is the reverse of the one shown in The Times-Star yesterday. It was taken from the opposite side of the railway bridge looking toward Saint John. The wall on the right is the one that a motorist crashed into a few days ago, with disastrous results both to himself and his car. The abrupt S turn is a positive menace even to the most careful of drivers, and when two cars meet at the spot depicted by the auto under the bridge every resource of the drivers is demanded to avoid a collision.

N.S. AND P.E.I. SWEEP BY SEVERE STORMS

Lightning and Hail do Damage in Several Parts of Provinces

HALIFAX, June 29.—The northwestern part of Nova Scotia and a bit of Prince Edward Island yesterday were visited by a severe electric and hail storm, which caused considerable damage, estimated roughly at about \$40,000. Despatches reaching here told of a fire caused by lightning at the Falconwood Hospital for the Insane near Charlottetown, where property valued at \$25,000 was destroyed by flames.

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MINERS' CHILDREN WELL LOOKED AFTER

British S. P. C. Investigates Reports of Suffering; Clothing is Needed

LONDON, June 29.—Stirred by a statement issued by the British Miners' Relief Committee in New York, to the effect that the workers' families were in desperate straits and facing starvation, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, has made an investigation into the circumstances.

The gist of a number of reports from numerous mining centres, is to the effect that the needs of children everywhere, are being adequately met by local authorities. In many places children are better fed than before the coal strike began. Nevertheless the society finds that there is increasing need for the replacement of shoes and clothing.

STERLING EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, June 29.—Sterling exchange steady; Great Britain, 46 1/4; France, 287 1/4; Italy, 36 1/4; Germany, 23.80. Canadian dollars 6-3/4 of one per cent. premium.

4 SLAIN WITH AXE

Two Relatives Missing, Two Held by Police After Tampa Tragedy

TAMPA, Fla., June 29.—Four persons were slain with an axe as they lay asleep in a two room house within a few blocks of the business district here yesterday. Two relatives are missing and two other men are held for questioning. The killed were Mrs. Adeline Rowell, said to be 102 years old; her son, Bee Rowell, 45, his nephew, Ira Rowell, 30, and his niece, Lena Rowell, 16. Police refused to divulge the name of the prisoners until further arrests have been made.

Love Thy Neighbor As Thyself, But Not Better, Says Aikins

It was well to "love thy neighbor as thyself," he said, but not better than one's self. To love one's neighbor better than one's self meant economic suicide and general national ruin. The time should come when all Canadians should love themselves best.

"In the name of Canada and our country, let's do justice to all our provinces," he exclaimed. "Each province knows its own problems best and is worthy of a hearing."

MONCTON MAN WOULD ABOLISH LOCAL EXAMS.

W. McL. Barker Proposes Instead Departmental Papers

U.S. HONOR SYSTEM

Harvard Professor Declares Plan Does Not Always Work Out

FREDERICTON, June 29.—The local examinations for high school graduation should be dispensed with entirely and graduation should be determined upon the results of the annual departmental examinations in New Brunswick, was the opinion expressed this morning before the Teachers' Institute of New Brunswick, in a paper prepared by Principal W. McL. Barker, of Moncton, and read in his absence by W. C. Haines, B. A., of Moncton.

The paper dealt with the subject of examinations in the public schools of the province and the advisability of reducing or increasing the number of written examinations. The recent trend is towards more examinations, said Principal Barker in his paper, while employers are more and more requiring certificates of matriculation from their employees. Examinations were necessary because of the fact that teachers were unable to deal sufficiently with the individual pupil under any other method.

UNIFORM GRADING

Papers should be carefully set and the pupils made to correct all errors and to check their own rates of progress. Papers should be set by teachers thoroughly familiar with the course for which the candidate is preparing, while all grading should be made as uniform as possible.

Considerable discussion followed the reading of this paper. Prof. Charles Swain Thomas, of the Graduate School of Education of Harvard University discussed the new type examinations of the United States, which have as their objective the obtaining of results which can be graded with mathematical accuracy. Questions on such papers required short answers and contained false and true statements between which the student was required to distinguish.

HONOR SYSTEM

Discussing the honor system in the United States Professor Thomas said that it did not always work out and that the kind of no system which would prevent dishonesty in examinations.

Callate Savoie, retiring principal of the Edmundston High School, objected to pupils entering Normal School after High School graduation as well as those entering from common schools being required to take the same course in Normal School. Matriculation as high school leaving examinations and Normal School entrance for first class should be uniform.

Dr. H. C. B. Bridges, principal of the Normal School, in reply, said that country students were allowed to enter Normal School were carefully fitted.

TOO MANY SUBJECTS

Continuing the discussion, Miss Etta Losier expressed the opinion that pupils were examined in many subjects.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS: The depression which was centred in Northwestern Ontario yesterday, has passed into Quebec and the barometer is now rising over the western portion of the Great Lakes. Heavy rain has again fallen in Northern Alberta and the weather is now showery in the province of Quebec.

FORECASTS—

Mostly Fair. MARITIME—Fresh to strong southwesterly winds, scattered showers, but mostly fair and warmer today and Wednesday.

NEW ENGLAND—Fair tonight and Wednesday, not much change and temperatures fresh to strong southwest winds.

Temperatures

TORONTO, June 29.—Lowest Highest during 8 a.m. Yesterday night

Table with 3 columns: City, Highest, Lowest. Includes Victoria, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Saint John, Halifax, New York.