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South York Representative Declares Public Ownership and Distribution Only Solution to Save People From Conditions Created by Monopoly That Controls Great Storehouse of Energy.

SIR WILFRID IS RECEPTIVE BUT DELAYS PRONOUNCEMENT

Sees No Reason Why There Should Not Be Public Ownership So Long as It Is Vested in Municipal Authorities—There Will, at Any Rate, Be Regulation of Prices.

Ottawa, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—To-day was notable in the people's struggle against monopoly.

A very thoughtful address by Mr. Monk (Conservative, Quebec), principally dealing with the local conditions in Montreal, was followed by a stirring speech from W. F. Maclean (South York), proclaiming the new national policy of Canada for the Canadians, a prohibitive export duty upon Niagara power, and the distribution of our natural resources to all the people, as opposed to the policy of locking them up by grants to great corporations who toll from the people extortionate sums for the payment of dividends upon watered stock.

Mr. Maclean pointed out the deplorable conditions that obtain to-day from monopoly of electric power in Montreal and Hamilton, the power of the electric trust that invaded city councils, legislatures and parliaments, and, in Toronto, absolutely controlled the leading Liberal newspapers, and finally contrasted the lethargy of the Laurier government with the activity of the authorities at Washington, who were parceling out the great electrical treasures of Canada and preparing to parcel American railways with our Niagara power.

One Solution.

He believed that the one solution was public ownership. He feared, however, that the premier was still committed to the private ownership of utilities. Even so, much might be done to protect the people. LET ALL CONCESSIONS OF WATER PRIVILEGES BE CONTROLLED BY THE RIGHT OF THE GOVERNMENT TO REGULATE THE RATES TO BE CHARGED THE CONSUMER, AND LET US AT ONCE PROHIBIT THE EXPORT OF NIAGARA POWER.

When Sir Wilfrid Laurier rose to reply the house instinctively felt that the premier was about to make a statement of great importance. He spoke for about a half hour, and interest grew as it became evident that the premier was timely grasping his way out of the doctrinaire public ownership. He regretted that he could not go so far as his hon. friend from South York, but he agreed with him that the regulation of rates should be preserved for the people. He could only at present go as far as municipal ownership. He was not prepared to say that the exportation of electric power should be prohibited, but counselled awaiting the report of the waterways commission.

In view of the fact that the government, according to The Toronto Globe, has adopted Mr. Maclean's idea of government express business, or, in other words, the extension of the public ownership, the announcement this afternoon has made a profound impression. Politicians are asking whether this skillful strategist will swing his compact army into line for public ownership before Mr. R. L. Borden can collect his scattered forces.

Both Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Borden agreed that hereafter no concessions should be granted without reserving the right to regulate charges to the railway commission, or some similar branch of the government.

Monk Starts Debate.

Mr. Monk (Conservative, Quebec) addressed the house respecting his several motions for regulation, showing all water powers sold, leased or granted by the Dominion government during the past ten years and within 100 miles of Montreal. He commended the splendid work done by the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission. He would like to see a similar inventory taken by the national government. The Province of Quebec had diverted a number of valuable water powers which the speaker believed did not belong to the province, but were under the exclusive control of the Dominion government. He asked what was the policy of the government respecting the water powers remaining undisposed of. Many valuable privileges had been granted to private companies. In Montreal the water power on the Soulanges Canal were controlled by a strong monopoly, which excluded any competition, as it had from the Quebec government an exclusive right to transmit electric current to Montreal. The electric power in Montreal, also produced by the power, cost from 30 to 50 per cent. more than that produced by steam in Toronto. He declared himself strongly disposed to government ownership. In any event, he demanded that the government make no further grants, unless by sale to the public. He repeated the common rumor that the great water power along the Beauharnois Canal had been secretly conveyed to a private corporation in return for the control of La Presse.

Mr. Fisher, acting minister of public works, denied that any water powers at the Beauharnois Canal had been alienated. A commission had been appointed some time ago and had made a valuable report. He did not refer to public ownership or to government

NEW NATIONAL POLICY

W. F. MACLEAN, M.P.: It is the policy of our government to formulate a national policy, to prohibit the export of electrical power. Why should our great national resources be taken across the line to build up the United States? This tremendous storehouse of energy at Niagara Falls belongs to Canada. It can be distributed by the provincial government, so that not only will factories be operated and railways electrified, but so that every farmer may have cheap light for his home and cheap power to run his mill and operate his farm. Let Niagara power go to furnish light, heat and power for the farms of Ontario. Why do not members of the government do this if they are the farmers' friends? A greater combine than the coal combine is in sight in this country. If we allow these very clever men, these great financiers, to corral all these waterpowers, they will be able to make the people pay four times more for electrical energy, just as the coal barons have made the American people pay three times what they ought to pay for coal.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER: I am not in favor of public ownership of all kinds of public utilities, but, in so far as such utilities as water and light are concerned, I see no reason why there should not be public ownership, provided it is vested in the municipal authorities. I would not desire to have this government the owner and distributor of electric energy, but I have no objection, on the contrary, I think it would be a good idea, to have public ownership in this respect vested in the municipal authorities. The government does not propose to go into the business of developing that waterpower (of the Beauharnois Canal), but intends letting that be done by private or municipal enterprise. We can either sell it by public competition, or directly to one of the applicants. I may say at once that, no matter what course we may take, the government must retain the power of regulation of the price of distribution.

CARS RUN; NO DISORDER PROSPECT OF PEACE TO-DAY

Strikers Impose New Obstacle to Settlement, But Aldermen Have Hopes That the Parties Will Come Together—Rioters in Police Court.

Hamilton, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—The street car strike is not settled yet, but negotiations are still on, and the aid-municipal committee, consisting of Ald. Stewart, Mayor, Clark and Findlay, have hopes of bringing about peace in the morning.

They have been trying to get the union to make an unconditional reference to the Ontario railway board of the whole trouble. The union has always imposed the condition that all the men must be taken back at once, while the arbitration is on. To-day it waived that condition, but imposed a new one. What the new one is no one will say, but it is not acceptable to the company.

However, negotiations are still in progress, and it is hoped that the union and company will agree to-morrow on a basis of arbitration.

In view of the fact that negotiations were in progress, Mayor Biggar requested Col. Gibson to take the cars in. He refused and kept the cars out until 9 o'clock. They were not molested, and although there was a big squad of police in reserve, with batons and revolvers, and the soldiers, who have been served with ball cartridges, were kept ready for trouble, there was not the least trouble of any kind.

Four rioting cases were heard at the police court this afternoon. In each case the prisoner was acquitted. They are: Merritt Roy, 137 South John-street; John Swallow, 143 Grant-avenue; Fred Fisher, Buffalo, and Henry Hoyle, 61 Vine-street.

The policemen who were held in reserve this evening put in their time singing religious hymns. Sheriff Middleton was in the hall ready to read the riot act again, but was not called upon to do so. The company operated

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only four cars on the East King-street route again to-night.

The city council this afternoon, but the only reference made to the street cars was a question of Ald. Findlay as to whether the council intended to ask the company to name a price for its system.

Ald. Stewart replied that he would introduce a motion to that effect at the next meeting of the council.

Sympathizers of the strikers. The police court had another all-day session to-day on the rioting cases. Thomas Garrett, 444 Mary-street, was the only one who trusted himself in the hands of the magistrate, and he got two years for throwing stones at a car and at soldiers yesterday afternoon. In passing sentence, the magistrate said that thousands of citizens, and even the bench, sympathized with the strikers, but throwing stones was no way to show sympathy.

The following were discharged: Newton Mathews, 30 Cheever-street; Geo. Phillips, 75 North Wentworth-street; Thomas Wilson, 157 Princess-street; Cecil Smith, 285 North Victoria-avenue; Joseph Carson, 34 North Hess-street; and Thomas Champ, 29 Steven-street.

Alex. Thompson, 251 North John-street, was committed for trial on the charge of assaulting Sergt. Finch, and Joseph Sherrier, 39 East Stuart-street, on the charge of riotous conduct.

TWO LIFEBOATS OF WRECK OF STEAMER JONES ASHORE

Christian Island Missionary Confirms Loss of Georgian Bay Craft.

Owen Sound, Nov. 28.—The reported finding of wreckage from the steamer J. H. Jones was confirmed this morning, when a letter was received by Mayor Joyce from Rev. John Wilson, Methodist missionary, and teacher of the Indian school at Christian Island, which leaves no room for doubt as to the fate of the boat.

Rev. Mr. Wilson gives details as to the wreckage found, which included two lifeboats bearing the name J. H. Jones, and part of a wheel house. He adds that the northwestern shore of the island is strewn with wreckage. A rumor was current to-day that Captain Crawford, Engineer Shaw and a passenger had been found, still living, on Barrier Island, but so far no foundation can be found for the report. It is, however, possible, as Barrier Island is about in the track of the drift from the point where the steamer is supposed to have gone down. Whether any have landed there will soon be known, as the tugs Sanford and Crawford of Wilketon are now out searching every possible place where castaways might be found. Even if any were cast up, it is doubtful if they could survive the cold and exposure for Barrier Island has no sort of shelter.

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KILLS DAUGHTER'S CHILD WOMAN'S MIND DERANGED

Mrs. Ezra Book of Lincoln County Beats Out Little One's Brains—Her Second Mad Act.

St. Catharines, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—Her mind deranged, Mrs. Ezra Book, wife of a prominent farmer of Rosedale, this county, murdered her daughter's eight months old babe this afternoon by beating the little one's brains out with a club.

The woman was recently released from the asylum, to which she was sent four or five years ago after throwing her own child into a well and drowning it. At that time County Crown Attorney Brennan had the woman committed as "lunatic."

Dr. Merritt, coroner, will go to Rosedale in the morning to hold an inquest.

BOY'S FRIGHTFUL DEATH.

Port Arthur, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—Clifford Morin met a frightful death this afternoon. He was driving a rig when his horse became frightened and the lad was thrown down, his head going between the wagon and the wheels. The rapidly revolving spokes inflicted injury to the head, and the boy's head was beaten to jelly. The boy died a few minutes after.

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CANADIAN TO SUCCEED DURAND

Sir Richard Jebb Suggests Such an Appointment to Meet Persistent Complaint That Our Interests Are Often Sacrificed at Washington.

London, Nov. 28.—(C.A.P. Cable.)—Sir Richard Jebb writes The Morning Post that the present seems a good opportunity to establish a useful imperial precedent by appointing a Canadian to represent the empire at Washington.

After stating that the Canadian understands the psychology of his American neighbors, and that Canadian interests have often been prejudiced at Washington by the European bias of the British ambassador, who generally is an Englishman first and last, Sir Richard argues that such an appointment would raise the Dominion towards the position all Canadians desire her to occupy on their own continent, and would officially recognize the conception of co-equal nations in partnership as the ultimate object of imperial statesmanship.

TO EXPLAIN POWER SCHEME WILL HOLD THREE MEETINGS

Active Educational Campaign Begun by Municipalities' Union—Forty Places Will Vote on B Laws at the January Elections.

Galt, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—President Fryer and Secretary Lyop of the Western Municipalities Niagara Power Union held an important conference in Guelph last night, and decided to call three meetings next week, under the auspices of the power union, in different parts of the province, where municipalities are interested in the cheap power scheme, to which members of the hydro-electric commission will be asked.

The first meeting will be held in Berlin on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Thursday in Brantford and Friday in London.

Councils and boards of trade in towns and cities and villages, which have applied for estimates on power, are invited to send large delegations. Hon. Adam Beck and Engineer Strohmann of the commission will be present. Fryer will also be present, and report on the work of the union.

A new feature will be added to the bylaws, which will be submitted, said Ald. Fryer to-day. Municipalities will not be asked to guarantee that any specific quantity of electric energy will be used, but a maximum price in the bylaw will necessarily have to be placed somewhat higher, providing for any possible unexpected emergencies. Forty places will vote on the bylaw in January.

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PATHOLOGICAL DEPT.

WANTED FOR HOSPITAL

Provincial Government Will Be Asked to Co-Operate in the Matter.

The plans for the reorganization of the Toronto General Hospital staff are as yet merely in embryo, and, as a result, the sub-committee of the board dealing with the subject will not be ready to submit a report for at least two weeks yet, while it will probably be later.

In the meantime, the matters under consideration are being kept carefully guarded, but it is known that the establishment of a thoroughly well-equipped and modern pathological department was one of the chief themes discussed at the meeting of the sub-committee, held in the mayor's office last night, and that it was practically decided to ask the provincial government to co-operate in the matter.

Up to the last two years, there has been little attention given to pathological research at the hospital, and the present means fall very short of requirements. The feeling has steadily grown among members of the hospital board that in order to make any practical effort to check the ravages of such progressive diseases as cancer and consumption, nor to mention neurotic ailments, these ills must be studied and attacked at their very roots, and a pathological department affords the means. The alarming spread and increase of insanity in Ontario is another argument in favor of prompt action.

It is hoped that Dr. William Osler, who sailed from England yesterday, will consent to address the hospital board, and it is the intention to invite a number of distinguished specialists to speak from time to time. Prof. Adams of McGill, who is a pathologist of repute, will be asked very shortly to read a paper.

Thus far it is understood the sub-committee has been working very harmoniously. J. W. Flavell is the chairman. Other members present at last night's meeting were the mayor, W. T. White, Ald. Noble, Dr. J. O. Orr, Prof. Macallum, P. C. Larkin and Superintendent Dr. J. N. Brown.

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TWO OLD PARTIES IN CAUCUS LIBS. TALK BOURASSA CONS. FREE TRADE

Impending Split in Latter Party on Tariff Question, Western Members Wishing to Put on Clothes of Former Anti-Protectionists.

Ottawa, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—Both parties caucused to-day. The Liberal caucus was not attended by Messrs. Bourassa, Armand, Lavergne, Ver-ville and Robitaille (County of Quebec). Whether or not they were invited it is certain that they did not attend.

The main discussion raged about Bourassa, and there were some heated discussions respecting The Toronto Globe and The Montreal Herald. It was objected that The Globe gave too much prominence to the personality and speeches of the member from Labelle, and several private members complained that The Herald omitted their speeches.

Senator Jaffray defended The Globe. "Newspapers," he said, "must give the news, and there is great curiosity about Mr. Bourassa."

The Conservative caucus disclosed an impending split in the party on the tariff question. The western members are clamoring for free trade. They claim that the Liberals are now high protectionists, heartily supported by the manufacturers, and that the Conservatives should at their caucus catch the free trade breeze from the embattled farmers of the great Northwest.

M. & M. GET CONTROL OF LAKE ST. JOHN ROAD

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Montreal, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—The rumor is confirmed as to the reported control of the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway by the Canadian Northern. It transpires to-day that MacKenzie and Mann have purchased 51-100 part of the stock of the company at \$34 a share, the capital stock being \$3,400,000.

The Quebec and Lake St. John extends from Quebec to Roberval on Lake St. John with a branch from Chambord Junction to Chicoutimi, and a more important branch from River Pierre Junction to St. Tite, a great pulp district, is now nearing completion.

It is also understood that the question of extending the road from Roberval to the great timber and mineral deposits in Northern Quebec, and later on to James Bay, will be considered at a later date.

NO CENSURE.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.) London, Nov. 28.—At the York Chamber of Commerce a resolution of censure on Hamar Greenwood, M.P., was unanimously withdrawn and an amendment substituted, declaring the chamber neutral on the fiscal question and acquitting Mr. Greenwood of any intention of misrepresenting the chamber.

CARUSO "VINDICATED."

New York, Nov. 28.—At the Metropolitan Opera House to-night Enrico Caruso, the noted Italian tenor, made his first public appearance since his recent conviction in a Paris court of the charge of annoying women in Central Park. He was given a cordial reception.

RECALLED.

Toulon, Nov. 28.—It became known this morning that the squadron of warships which left Toulon early this morning for Tangier, was recalled by morning signals.

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