

FORTY-FIRST YEAR

RADICAL CHANGES IN SYSTE OF PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT PROPOSED

LABOR-MEMBERS MEET TODAY AT HAMILTON FOR ORGANIZATION

Controller Halcrow Wants Province Organized In Same Manner as
City Council with Mayor and Board of Control

HAMILTON, Oct. 25.—Organized labor of Ontario is meeting here to-day in caucus to discuss the Provincial political tangle. The rural and industrial electorate of the Province presented to its embryonic legislators one of the knottiest problems possible, that of establishing a stable government with four parties, no one of which is of sufficient strength alone to carry on the administration.

A Government constituted along the lines of a municipal administration is the plan the twelve members-elect of the Independent Labor Party are wrestling with. The scheme is the suggestion of Controller George G. Halcrow, M.P.P., East Hamilton, who outlined it to a reporter to-day.

"This system," he said, "is the logical sequel to the vote of the people. They clearly indicated their dissatisfaction with machine politics and an administration, similar to the municipal system, would eliminate all party machines."

"The Legislative Assembly would function as a City Council. As a whole it could select its Cabinet which would correspond to a Board of Control, and the Premier would preside as a Mayor. Individual members then could follow their convictions without fear of overthrowing the administration through a vote of non-confidence."

"How many times does it not occur that a Board of Control fails to secure in a Mayor's recommendation or that a City Council rejects the decision of a Board of Control, to the great advantage of the citizens as a whole, yet there is no thought of lack of confidence in any official or body of officials. Of course where the selected Cabinet would repeatedly have its recommendations rejected or its policy condemned, the House, as a whole, could recognize the cabinet."

"Old party politics"

TROTSKY ESCAPES STAFF CAPTURED

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 25.—The entire staff of Leon Trotsky, Bolshevik Minister of War and Marine of Russia, has been captured at Tarko-Selo, according to a Reval despatch to the National Tidende. Trotsky, himself, escaped by climbing to a railroad car and later fleeing from the scene in an automobile.

NEW EAR TRUMPET DOES THE WORK

St. Catharines, Oct. 25.—The body of sixty-year old Thomas Gray was found this morning in his little shack at Port Weller, having apparently killed himself by sticking a dynamite cartridge in his right ear, attaching a fuse to it, lighting the fuse and lying down on the floor.

SET BACK CLOCKS ON RAILROADS

Toronto, Oct. 25.—"Train time" throughout Canada will return to normal sundown at 2 a.m. to-morrow, and all railroad clocks will be set back one hour. Toronto and other cities, still on fast time, will return to sundown at midnight.

CARS ON CITY TIME

With the change in time the Grand River Railway cars tomorrow will run on standard time, namely, city time.

Lusknow's oldest citizen, Geo. McKenzie, died, aged 100.

LIBERTY LEAGUE WANTS HEARING ON FEDERAL PROHIBITION BILL

Ottawa, Oct. 25.—A delegation representing the Liberty League interviewed members of the Cabinet yesterday in regard to the Government prohibition bill. The delegation requested that the bill be referred to a special Parliamentary committee, before which they might have an opportunity to express their views.

Consideration was promised, but it was pointed out that, at this late stage of the session, it might not be feasible to appoint a special committee. The delegation was received by Sir George Foster, Hon. N. W. Rowell and Hon. C. J. Doherty.

BACK TO STANDARD TIME

At 2 o'clock to-morrow morning standard time will be resumed on the Canadian railways and officially throughout the United States.

In Canada daylight saving was not recognized officially this year, although the railways introduced it and nearly all cities and towns followed suit.

The latter, however, have generally reverted to standard time within the last six weeks or less.

There will be no daylight saving in the United States next year.

22,000 TORONTO BALLOTS SPOILED

TORONTO, Oct. 25.—Had all spoiled ballots in Toronto, nearly 22,000 of them, been properly marked it is possible that some of the defeated candidates might now be on the winning side. There were enough ballots spoiled to elect nearly all the defeated candidates.

Women voters recognized prohibition as the most important matter and after they had cast their votes on the referendum, they did not mark the ballot in a way that would count. The spoiled or unmarked ballots were considerably less in the foreign sections of the city in proportion to the vote than in the residential sections.

LINWOOD LOAN FANS

"There was doing" in Linwood last evening when Messrs. Fleming, Ross, Tate, Grigg and Eager invaded the town and broke the big news about the Victory Loan to the inhabitants. Mr. Eager entertained the audience with comic songs and recitations which were much appreciated by those present, especially the boys and girls who made up a considerable part of the audience.

Mr. Grigg boosted the loan on the ground of gratitude to our soldiers who must be brought home, and if sick or disabled must be provided for. The loan is necessary also in order that the produce and manufactures of Canada can be bought for cash from the producers and exported to European countries on their credit.

Mr. Ross went into the technical points explaining the advantages of the loan and showing what a splendid use had been made of the proceeds of previous loans. He said the benefits had been derived by the soldiers, the merchants and all classes.

Mr. Tate talked about the objective of the loan and how it could be reached. He believed that the farmers were very prosperous and the savings banks told a story of wonderful prosperity all through Canada. Mr. Tate bespoke a kind reception for the soldiers and invited the people to have their minds all made up so that canvassing would not be necessary.

The meeting was presided over in a capable manner by Mr. Kilmington, and the spirit shown by the friends who gathered to hear the discussion was very cordial. Linwood will give a good account of itself.

LICENSE BOARD WILL CONTINUE

(Special to Record.)
Toronto, Oct. 24.—With O.T.A. sustained and the Government defeated, the Ontario License Commission finds itself in an anomalous position. The board is carrying on as before but what the future will bring forth is much a sealed case.

"We are going on just as usual," said J. D. Flaville to-day. "In consequence of the Referendum vote, there has been no change necessitating the administration of the O.T.A. The establishment of more government dispensaries will be left to the new Government. The formation of a Farmers' cabinet would involve no great alterations, since prohibition is one of the strongest planks in the U.F.O. platform."

MUST BE SERIOUS

"If I were a poet," writes a reporter in the St. Louis Times, "with the simple fluency of a Riley, the flowing style of Robert Burns and the omniscience of the Avon bard, it would be an easier task to describe the thrill which vibrates not merely the human body but penetrates like an ethereal octopus to the very soul when one sits ensconced in the stream-lined fuselage of an heavier-than-air machine and gazes downward through 7,500 feet of space to the earth below. There is a delicate nuance of emotion which invades the senses as the realization comes that—"



SENATE MAY KILL OR AMEND G. T. BILL

Close Vote Expected, but Dissolution Not Likely if Bill Defeated.

OTTAWA, Oct. 25.—The Commons heard last night that the Senate may either kill or vitally amend the Grand Trunk bill.

There was much talk of dissolution in the corridors, but no one wants an election now because no one is in a position to determine what the result would be.

An election it is thought would return a House favorable strongly to nationalization and sufficiently so to awe the Senate or any opposing bodies, but not necessarily a House composed as this one is. Ontario's example is salutary.

The Senate has three courses open. One is to pass the bill, which may be done by a narrow majority. Possibly it may defer it until next session or it may so amend the measure as to provide that the whole amount of the stock, rather than a part, will be arbitrated and the award instead of being absolute should be subject to ratification by Parliament.

SUPPOSED ALIENS ENJOY FREE TRIP ACROSS AND BACK

Montreal, Oct. 25.—Two passengers on the Canadian Pacific liner Fredericton were supposedly German subjects, who had been in a Canadian internment camp, and were returned to the fatherland, where they were rejected on the ground that they were bona fide Canadian citizens.

It was shown that they were from Kitchener, Ont. and there was no alternative but to bring them back, thus they enjoyed the round trip from here to Rotterdam and back via Bristol.

On the Fredericton was Lieut.-Col. R. Raikes, of Toronto, who had gone over with the last group of aliens sent home on that ship. He stated that most of the returned aliens were not very enthusiastic about going back to Germany and Austria. On this last trip he acted as commanding officer, his party being confined to the two men.

11 RECEPTIONS IN FOUR DAYS

During the last four days there have been eleven public receptions to the Prince of Wales. For seven days the man who has breathed the tide of Western Ontario's enthusiasm and has evidently enjoyed every minute of it.

The Royal train stood in the Toronto station last night en route to Kingston, where an elaborate program awaits the Prince for the week-end. Brockville on Monday morning will be the last town of his Ontario tour.

BECK CONTINUES FAVORITE CHOICE FOR LEADERSHIP

Toronto, Oct. 25.—If the choice for the Provincial leadership does not fall on a farmer, then many people consider Sir Arthur Meighen the only other man who would be acceptable alike to the U. F. O. and to Labor. Many Labor men are particularly keen upon Sir Adam and are not backward in saying so.

The hydro chairman has given no intimation of how he feels upon the matter. His devotion to the hydro and the practical certainty that he would have to "carry on" with it, even if he became prime minister, would probably cause him to hesitate about taking fresh burdens upon his shoulders.

F. W. Curry, Liberal member-elect for Southeast Toronto, is being mentioned for as a possible Attorney-General. R. L. Bracklin, the West Kent Liberal, has nearly as good a chance as Mr. Curry.

The portfolio of education is another that the farmers can hardly fill with one of their own men, but whether they will invite Hon. Dr. Coffey in is a question. "They admit his ability, they have not forgotten that during the recent campaign their platform was sharply rappled by the minister."

EGGS USED IN VARSITY FIGHT

TORONTO, Oct. 25.—Medical sophomores and freshmen at the University of Toronto fought their annual bloodless battle yesterday morning. Both sides were evenly matched. The "freshies" were numerically superior, but the "sophs" had all the ammunition.

Empty egg crates, bottles of shoe polish and shovels of shirts and other articles of clothing decorated the battle ground. Behind the Medical building and in the western section of Queen's Park the air is heavy with the odor of ancient eggs.

The freshmen (arrayed in old clothes) many of them in football suits and discarded uniforms, drew up beside the fence back of the Medical building, slightly over 200 strong. The Sophomores had their munitions stored in the basement of the Medical building, each man carrying a paper bag filled with flour and containing several eggs, the "sophs" came forth to do battle.

They charged the freshmen and for several minutes the air was filled with the "pop" of the eggs, as they exploded. Against such an attack the freshmen retreated. In a minute the supply of eggs had run out and the parties were engaged in hand-to-hand conflict.

Few of those who were unfortunate enough to wear shirts came back with whole garments. When the conflict was over, trousers only covered several of the men.

Several "movin'" men, busily shooting the scene, in their eagerness to get "close-ups" narrowly escaped being rotten-egged. When the conflict ceased, the "line" up and paraded past the cameras.

While neither side is in a position to claim victory, the Freshmen claim that the Sophomores not stolen the four cases of eggs they had in readiness the day would have been theirs.

PRIVATE BETTING FINDS APPROVAL

STAND OF REV. A. E. ROBERTS, OF VANCOUVER SOCIAL SERVICE COUNCIL, BEFORE COMMISSION.

Vancouver, Oct. 25.—Hearty endorsement of the proposal to have Government supervision of all horse racing with the Governor taking charge of all proceeds over fair profits and devoting it to the improvement of horse breeding in the province was given at the session of the racing inquiry held in the city hall.

The social service council is not opposed to individuals making private bets on horse races, but it objects to any form of legalized betting, of the two sessions.

WIRE NEWS IN BRIEF From Many Quarters

WILL CONSIDER STRIKE SITUATION.
Washington, Oct. 25.—President Wilson's Cabinet will meet in special session this morning to consider the strike situation of the railroad and coal-mining called for next Saturday. Director-General Hines of the Railroad Administration has been invited to attend.

BOLSHIEVSKI CLAIMS SUCCESSES.
London, Oct. 25.—The Bolshevik official report, received by wireless, claims that their troops have recaptured Pskov and Tarko-Selo, south of Petrograd, by a dash attack. Many prisoners were taken. The report further states that the Bolsheviks have recaptured Todeok on the Siberian front from the army of Admiral Kolchak.

LADY FOR PARLIAMENT.
London, Oct. 25.—Lady Astor has been taken under consideration the invitation extended her to run for Parliament from Plymouth district. She will not decide definitely for a few days.

NO DECISION RE RECOUNT.
Toronto, Oct. 25.—No decision has been reached by the Government regarding the request of the Citizens' Liberty League for a recount of the referendum ballots throughout the province. Hon. L. B. Lucas, stated that it was impossible to say whether the request would be granted. He expressed the opinion that there had been few errors in compiling vote cast.

FORTY BURNED TO DEATH

BEUTHEN, Silesia, Oct. 25.—Forty persons were burned to death, following the collision of a passenger train with a freight near Krawitz, Silesia. The cars took fire, following the accident. Sixty persons were severely injured. Eighteen were slightly hurt in the wreck.

HELPING THE CAUSE

The young ladies are out to-day. The cause is the Navy League. Tags are conspicuous on many a coat and vest. As the object is a noble one, a good response is anticipated, so that the widows and children and other dependents of deceased men of the merchant and marine will not be forgotten.

Money Expended to Get Industries Brantford Makes Inducements.

Guelph report on efforts to secure new industries:—

"Guelph Chamber of Commerce has been in correspondence with a number of firms who contemplate building new factories, and four of these have intimated their readiness to come to Guelph, provided the city of Guelph is prepared to meet offers made to three of them Brantford has offered to build an entirely new factory, charging the firm a rental at the rate of 8 per cent. on the total cost of the factory building erected, and giving the firm the right to purchase the building within five or ten years, at the actual cost. It is understood that the city of Brantford guaranteed the bonds of the company that has been formed in Brantford, to make offers such as these, the intention being, of course, to secure a large number of new industries for that city, and so build up its population. The directors of the Guelph Chamber of Commerce are not able to meet competition of this kind and had therefore to respectfully refuse the offers made."

WINNIPEG LABOR ISSUES PLATFORM

WINNIPEG, Oct. 25.—If Labor wins control of the city government at the elections this fall, civic employees discharged in the time of strike will be reinstated, the "pledge" will be abolished and civic employees will be allowed to unionize again. Municipal trading and cold storage plants will be established to check profiteering, and homes assessed at \$3000 or less will be exempted from taxation. These are planks in the Labor platform, adopted by the Executive on Friday evening, on which S. J. Farrow will campaign for the mayoralty. This year's elections will be fought out on the main issues of recent general strike platform.

FEDERAL RESULTS TO GUIDE FARMERS IN FEDERAL FIELD

WINNIPEG, Oct. 25.—"I'm waiting for the results of the four by-elections to be held next Monday before I make any prediction of the place farmers will occupy in Dominion politics," N. F. Lambert, Secretary of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, said when asked for an opinion. "The election in Ontario was entirely provincial and may or may not have a bearing on the Federal situation, but the Federal elections on Monday in Assiniboia, Saskatchewan and Ontario and Stormont and Glengarry in Ontario, and Carleton in New Brunswick, where there are candidates on the farmers platform, will give a better idea of the way Federal political wind may be expected to blow."

MAKING AMENDMENT TO AVERT DEFEAT

LONDON, Oct. 25.—Members of Lloyd George's Cabinet conferred with some of the supporters of the Government in the House of Commons to-day relative to the situation which has arisen through the defeat on Thursday of the Government amendment to the alien bill. It was stated during the day that an understanding had been arrived at, by which a new clause in the bill which would be acceptable to the Government would be moved by members of the House. It is expected in this way to surmount the difficulty which brought about the defeat of the former amendment and to avoid the abandonment of the bill.

AN INTERNATIONAL Y.M.C.A. OFFICIAL'S SUGGESTIONS

He Points Out That Local Institution Must Build For the Future as Well as for the Present. Unselfish Service the Keynote.

GATHERING DATA FOR BUILDING PLANS.

A special meeting of the Provisional Committee of the local Y.M.C.A. was held yesterday afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. Offices, Weber Chambers, with Mr. A. R. Kaufman in the chair. The meeting was called for the purpose of hearing an address on some phase of National and International Y. M. C. A. Work given by Mr. F. S. Goodman of New York who was passing through the city.

During the course of his remarks, Mr. Goodman spoke of the visit he had made to Kitchener some 15 years ago, but failed on this trip to recognize any of the landmarks of those days. He congratulated Kitchener on its wonderful development, and hoped on his next visit to congratulate the city on possessing the finest and most up-to-date Y. M. C. A. Building on the North American Continent. He hoped the citizens would build a structure of which they could be justly proud, and that would not only meet the very pressing needs of the day, but for many years to come. "The Association is not merely a place in which to

draw men from the streets, but from which to send men and boys trained and inspired to unselfish service," said Mr. Goodman.

He also emphasized the importance of Committee Members keeping in touch with the Association Brotherhood at large, in order to keep abreast with the progress of the movement. He urged these present to attend the great International Y. M. C. A. Convention at Detroit on Nov. 19-23 at which some thousands of delegates will be present to decide the future working policies of the Association movement in North America.

The Local Committee, since the arrival of General Secretary McKellar, has been busy gathering data with reference to possible sites for the location of the building, and preparing tentative sketches of Building Plans.

The date for the Building Fund Campaign have been set for the early part of the New Year so that there will be no delay in the construction of the building as soon as the first is out of the ground next Spring.



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