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Put One Over on Mr. Scheidenhelm

WHO GAVE HIM AN ALTERED CONTRACT TO CONSIDER?—WAS IT THE EX-MAYOR?

Progress Made Today—Current to Westfield and East St. John to be Credited Against St. John's 10,000,000 K.W.H.—Can be Distributing Some Current by April in St. John Without Power Company Lines.

With the exception of the arrangement of two technical clauses, which were referred to the electrical advisors of both parties, a tentative agreement was reached on the proposed hydro contract for the Musquash current at a conference between the members of the City Council and the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission this morning. A redraft of the contract, including the suggested amendments, will be compiled by the solicitors for the parties and placed before the Common Council for approval on Monday morning at eleven o'clock.

Mayor Fisher presided, and those present included the four city commissioners, G. G. Hare, city engineer, and Barry Wilson, city electrician; Premier Foster and Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith, chairman; C. O. Foss, chief engineer; Gordon Kribs, consulting engineer, and J. D. P. Levin, solicitor of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission.

The Common Council was assured that all the current passing through the city's sub-station, including that distributed in Westfield, Lancaster and Simonds, regardless of whether it was distributed by the city or not, would be credited against the minimum amount of 10,000,000 kilowatt hours contracted for by the city. The terms of the contract was agreed on at fifteen years to date from April 1, next.

It developed during the discussion that the draft of contract considered yesterday originated with Mayor Scheidenhelm and contained several amendments which had not been agreed upon at previous conferences.

Before discussing the contract, the Premier asked to say a few words. Premier Foster said it was regrettable that a draft of contract which had not been discussed at the joint board should be brought in for consideration, particularly as a copy had not been submitted to the Commission's solicitor.

Commissioner Thornton said the copies had been furnished by Ex-Mayor McEllan.

The Premier said there were clauses inserted in that draft which Mr. Scheidenhelm declared yesterday were impracticable and impossible and would not be fair to the Commission.

Commissioner Frink mentioned that a suggested amendment that payment would start on April 1 was not included in the draft now before the meeting.

To the Premier Commissioner Thornton said that it was apparently the McEllan draft on which Mr. Scheidenhelm made his report.

The Premier remarked that it was strange that he did not call the Council's attention to the clauses which he said yesterday were impracticable.

Discussing the matter of various of voltage and frequency Mr. Kribs said that fluctuations would be only momentary and would not be noticed in lighting and power. The Commission hoped to keep the variation below five per cent up and down, but could not guarantee that for momentary fluctuations.

The city electrician said that the variation of five per cent would give satisfactory service.

The two sections referring to quality of service were referred to the technical advisors of both parties to prepare a suitable section.

It was agreed to add to the clause providing for the commission's liability for failure of service a paragraph placing on the commission to accept responsibility for failure to supply in case of faulty construction, operation and maintenance of hydraulic and electric equipment.

The Resale Clause. Some discussion developed on the section prohibiting the turning over by the city of power to a person or corporation for resale at a profit.

WHAT IS FUTURE OF LLOYD GEORGE?

One of Questions Following British Elections.

New Government Likely to Follow Policy Much Like That of Coalition—Defeat of Winston Churchill Declared Amazing Development.

(Canadian Press) London, Nov. 17.—British voters apparently refused to be influenced by tradition when they cast their ballots on Wednesday with the result that the most apparently firmly established political figures were cast into the discard. Perhaps the most amazing development was the defeat of Winston Churchill, former colonial secretary, in Dundee, a constituency which he has held for many years.

The Bona Law majority is so large that Lloyd George can hope for little comfort even from those Conservatives who stuck by him at the Carlton Club meeting. In fact the entire political situation in the light of all but a few scattering returns brings out the problem.

What can Lloyd George do to re-establish his prestige? The Bona Law government is likely to go on with a policy so close to that of the coalition government that little chance will be given Lloyd George to make attacks. Lloyd's gains constitute a new menace, and unless both Lloyd George and Asquith ultimately decide to resign, the coalition government will have to continue.

The following, with 607 out of 615 returns, is the result of the parliamentary elections. This was, of course, to be expected from the Conservative press, but some of the Liberal newspapers also find certain grounds for satisfaction, or at least compensation.

They recognize that the coalition government is a return to party government and the disappearance of all they most disliked in the survival of the coalition long after they regarded its dissolution as due.

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The Daily Herald, exulting over Labour's success, anticipates another election within eighteen months, and says: "If meantime we play our cards boldly and skillfully we ought to have a Labour Government without doubt."

The Times regards the result with deep satisfaction, and says it denotes the last argument for maintaining the coalition. The newspaper would have preferred that the balance be held even evenly between the Liberals and Labour, but believes the country has nothing to fear and much to gain from the return of the Liberal party to power.

Several of the newspapers derive satisfaction from the fact that the Conservative majority is not overwhelming, thus enabling the opposition to continue to play a check upon the predominant party.

The size of the Conservative majority is disputed by the papers, the figures ranging from eighty to eighty-seven, and until all the returns are complete, this divergence will continue to be a subject of discussion.

The curious situation obtains in the northeast division of Derbyshire where the Labour candidate, Frank Lee, was elected by a majority of fourteen votes. A recount being demanded, this majority was reduced to two.

There have now been six elections in all, and all have been challenged. The first time in the history of the British parliament a candidate standing as an avowed Communist was elected when J. W. Newbold was returned for the Motherwell division of Lanarkshire.

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Likely Re-elect Speaker. London, Nov. 17.—The House of Commons will meet on Monday afternoon to elect the Speaker and it is considered certain that the late Speaker, the Right Hon. John Henry Wylie, will be re-elected. Tuesday and Wednesday will be occupied in swearing in the new members and reading of the oaths.

Canada May Have a Minister of Immigration Soon. Ottawa, Nov. 17.—(Canadian Press) Appointment of a separate minister of immigration is understood to form part of proposed plans for more intensive present government assumed office. Hon. Charles Stewart has held the portfolio both of the interior and of acting Minister of Immigration, but if present proposals are adopted it is likely that immigration will again be handled by a separate minister.

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DUMBELLS IN COURT—BUT AS SPECTATORS. Magistrate Ritchie, who is a great admirer of the Dumbells was visited at the police court this morning by three of their number. They took a lively interest in the proceedings.

Sultan Flees From Constantinople

Is on British Warship Bound for Malta, Feeling that he Was in Danger in Capital—Assembly Orders Trial of Ruler and Ministers.

Constantinople, Nov. 17.—Mohammed VI., the Turkish Sultan, has fled from Constantinople on a British warship, bound for Malta. Upon embarking the Sultan emphasized that he was not abdicating but merely removing himself from immediate danger.

Constantinople, Nov. 17.—The National Assembly at Angora has adopted a resolution, submitted by Mustapha Kemal Pasha, to place the Sultan and his ministers on trial.

PAPERS PLEASED WITH RESULT OF THE ELECTIONS

Liberals Get Compensation in Return to Party Rule. Labor, Glad of Gains Made. Sees Another Election Within Year and Half—Churchill Upset by Defeat—The Woman's Vote.

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As Hiram Sees It

Well, sir," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "every time I cross the old brook now I feel like lakin' off my hat. Yes, sir, I do so. When I think of what water is doin' up in Ontario do fer us here in New Brunswick—I feel I'd like to be livin' fifty years from now to see the changes in the settlement of 'every-where else."

"That is all very well," said the reporter, "but don't you know that there is grave danger in spending big money on dams, and building transmission lines and sub-stations and distribution systems, that you will interfere with the great national industry of selling watered stock?"

"I ain't worryin' about that," said Hiram. "We might get along without any such tricks. I callate the Lord intended them three water powers fer us, and what's more, it's in our hands to get 'em fer mankind in general, sir. We got red of the pirates on the salt water—now let's get red of the fresh water gang—By Hen!"

WIFE FREED OF MURDER CHARGE

Evidence That Former Judge Often Threatened to Beat Her.

Beechley, W. Va., Nov. 17.—Mrs. Alice Anderson last night was found not guilty of the murder of her husband, John M. Anderson, former judge of the Criminal Court of Raleigh County.

BANK YOUTH IN THEFT TROUBLE

Passbooks Correct, but Sums Not Entered in Ledgers—Total of \$6,026.

Montreal, Nov. 17.—Aime Belanger, former twenty-year-old paying teller of a branch of the Banque Nationale here, pleaded guilty yesterday to the theft of \$6,026.

ADULT GIRL WAS STRAPPED TO BED

Dorothy Gordon's Guardian Says He Didn't Ask How She Was Treated in the Asylum.

Boston, Nov. 17.—William F. Jardine, guardian of Dorothy Gordon, a girl confined in the McLean Hospital at Waverly, admitted before Judge Pevey in the county court house that he knew his ward was strapped to her bed in the asylum. John Gardner, uncle of Dorothy Gordon, is trying to have Jardine removed as guardian. His attorney said he visited the asylum at night and saw Dorothy in bed. They pulled her hair out and she was tied to the sides of the bed," he testified.

LABOR WELL UP IN POPULAR VOTE

Analysis of the Figures in the British Elections—Georgians in Fourth Place.

London, Nov. 17.—(Canadian Press) Approximating the probable vote for the proposed mandatories at 10,000 each, which is a conservative estimate in the British elections, the following is an analysis of the "popular" vote. The parties including all acclamations and the results to date—

Conservatives—5,821,848. Labor—4,236,245. Liberal (Asquithians)—2,784,080. Georgians—1,501,500. Independent—239,000. Irish Nationalists—12,614. Farmers—11,466.

DEFEND JOHNSON. Moose Jaw Progressives to Raise \$6,000 for Appeal from Decision Unseating M. P.

Moose Jaw, Sask., Nov. 17.—A resolution of confidence in the integrity and uprightness of R. M. Johnson, Progressive member for Moose Jaw, and of Frank McTeehile, his official agent, has been adopted at a convention of Progressives of the Moose Jaw constituency.

Mr. Johnson was complimented on his faithful and effective work in parliament, and it was decided to raise a fund of \$6,000 with which to prosecute his appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada during the week ended Nov. 13 are estimated by the Monetary Times at \$547,500, compared with \$221,100 the previous week.

Egypt Problem At Near East Conference

Real Independence; No Special Privileges for British; Troops to Leave, Are Demands—Indian Mohammedans Protest Against Britain Interfering with Caliphate.

Lausanne, Nov. 17.—(Canadian Press Cable) For Egypt and the Sudan, with the evacuation of the British troops and no special privileges there for Great Britain, is the demand of the Egyptian people, which will be placed before the Lausanne Peace Conference, so Hassib Pasha, head of the unofficial Egyptian delegation, told the Associated Press yesterday. His statement revealed the fact that Egypt, if the Egyptians have their way, will form one of the disputatious problems of the conference.

MUSSOLINI WINS THE DEPUTIES

Acclaimed as Greatest Leader Since Crispi. Fascisti Rule Will Endure, They Say, After Hearing Youthful Chief—Does Not Ask, But Demands, Confidence Vote, and Gets It.

(Canadian Press Cable) Rome, Nov. 17.—Premier Mussolini's first appearance before the Italian Chamber of Deputies proved a great personal success. He announced his foreign and internal policies and warned his adversaries that the Fascisti Government had come to stay. He did not ask, but demanded, a vote of confidence in his government, declaring that if the deputies refused, their mandates would be withdrawn.

His bitter enemies, who had looked forward to his encounter with the experienced politicians on their own behalf, were disappointed. They had found the leader for which she has been looking for many years.

At today's meeting of the chamber, Prof. Tangaroli, will explain the details of the government's plan for bureaucratic and fiscal reforms.

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CAPTAIN BLAMELESS

Reprimand of Court Comes to Man Who was Engineer of S. S. Saskatchewan.

Montreal, Nov. 17.—Captain W. E. Cornett of the steamer Saskatchewan, which caused the destruction of two gates of the Lachine Canal on October 21, with resulting damage to the Grand Trunk elevator and the steamer Winnipeg, was exonerated from all blame by the dominion wreck commissioner's court yesterday. The responsibility was laid by the court on the ship's then engineer, J. B. MacLaren, who was said to have made a mistake in the operating of his levers due to "momentary irresolution." The engineer received a severe reprimand from the court.

REMARKABLE EXHIBITION IS GIVEN BY CHESS EXPERT

New York, Nov. 17.—Playing thirty-four chess games simultaneously last night, Jose Capablanca, world's chess champion, won thirty, lost two and drew two. The two winners were E. Kats, secretary of the Manhattan Chess Club and A. E. Santsch, also of New York.

Canada's Fire Losses. Toronto, Nov. 17.—Fire losses in Canada during the week ended Nov. 13 are estimated by the Monetary Times at \$547,500, compared with \$221,100 the previous week.

