

ONTARIO CABINET LOOKS TO FARMERS

Novel and Unprecedented
Situation Now Created,
Premier Hearst Declares.

Altho the members of the Ontario cabinet were in session for several hours yesterday there was nothing accomplished which in any way contributed towards clarifying the present somewhat complicated and unprecedented political situation. Sir William Hearst and his colleagues are, as a matter of fact, awaiting the outcome of the deliberations of the U.F.O. members who met in Toronto yesterday to discuss their line of action and to decide upon the important question of leadership.

The cabinet ministers are really more concerned upon what is going on outside than in their own particular circle. The large majority of them know their own ultimate fate as decreed by their constituents on Monday last, and it is only a question for them just how long they will be permitted to cling to the sweets of office. Thus they are now the interviewers rather than the interviewed. They question the newspapermen, whereas the latter have so long been accustomed to the role of the inquisitors. They want to know what is doing outside.

Much hinges on farmers. The farmers, who in their wildest dreams never recognized that they would really hold the key to the Ontario political situation. They expected to be strong numerically, of course, as the result of the elections, but not quite to the extent of practically holding the balance of power. The farmers have long enjoyed the reputation of being the backbone of the country in a commercial or economic sense, but it is a new experience for them to be the bone of contention for assuming control of the government of the province. They have great opportunities and possibilities.

Meanwhile the Ontario cabinet members are sitting tight on the portfolios and discussing any new outside phase which may be brought to their attention. They have not yet in their midst the man for whom the lieutenant-governor is likely to "send," and they are not doing much worrying over it. Some of the suggestions, it is said, cause them some amusement. The one man for whom they hope Sir John Hendrie will not "send" is undoubtedly Sir Adam Beck, whose efforts for hydro development they claimed as their own during the warring of the political campaign, but whom one or two of them at least have been known to "knit" as the opportunity presented itself. Sir Adam, however, is able to look after himself.

Cabinet Family Gathering. In the event of the lieutenant-governor not being able to arrive at a "find," the next possibility would be for the legislature to assemble in session as elected. It would, soon be known then how the different parties lined up, and Sir John Hendrie's taste might then be a much easier one. Just now, however, everything is absolutely in the speculative region, and the "wait and see" policy must necessarily be adopted.

All the members of the Hearst cabinet family gathered around their vanquished chieftain yesterday, and as most of them had also suffered defeat at the polls there must have been considerable mutual consoling. The looked anything like a funeral crowd, however. Sir William Hearst is not famed for his sunny smile, but he did not appear to be any less cheerful when, for instance, addressing a public meeting. He seemed to think the people wanted a change and that was all. Hon. Tom McGarry is not the type of man to be down-hearted over a political defeat and losing a measure of control over the purse strings of the province, and he was anything but yesterday.

Attorney-General's Future. Hon. Finlay Macdonald breezed into the premier's sanctum as the morning had happened to him, while Hon. I. B. Lucas, the little attorney-general, was quite perky when he remarked that the "government's front line had been attacked and badly beaten by irregular forces." "I. B." will now be able to carry out his pre-election threat and



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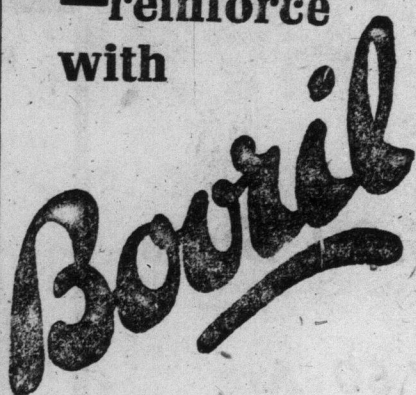
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retire to his law practice. Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, one of the survivors of the "something that hit the Hearst government," was as radiant as the machine had responded to all the made upon it. Dr. A. E. Ross, still proud of the acclamation and Hon. Dr. Preston, the rejected of North Lanark, both ministers without portfolio, also figured at the cabinet table.

The discussion went on for several hours while the newspapermen were making their own states outside. . . . body expected any finality to be reached, so that nobody was surprised when Sir William Hearst said: "No decision has been reached. The situation is novel and unprecedented and we will have to wait. It requires very careful consideration." A further meeting of the cabinet will be held today, but it is not expected that anything of importance will develop unless the farmers come to a momentous decision.

Saw Lieutenant-Governor. Following yesterday's cabinet gathering, Sir William Hearst had an interview with Sir John Hendrie in the latter's private office, but nothing was divulged.

Sir John Hendrie, departing somewhat from vice-regal custom, gave an other interview yesterday. This time it was on the question of Hartley Dewar's rebuke to his honor for commenting upon the Liberal leader's action in dealing with the provincial situation.

"I said nothing," Sir John Hendrie remarked, "that would indicate that Mr. Dewar was or was not the man I had in view. I mentioned no names yesterday, and Mr. Dewar should have taken nothing to himself."

POLICE BATTLE WITH SOLDIERS

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quarters. She flatly refused to leave her husband. Finally a policeman took both Mr. and Mrs. Rose from the automobile and escorted them to Police Station No. 2, Dundas street, a large gathering of irate friends of Flynn accompanying all three. The streets were so crowded at various points that street cars made their way with difficulty. Finally, at the police station Rose and his wife were taken in, and in a few minutes Mrs. Rose was taken home while her husband remained at the station several hours.

"Lynch Rose." Shouting for the crowd to close in on the police and release Rose so the crowd circled the police north of Shuter street and managed to push Rose in a doorway. Rose was quite perky when he remarked that the "government's front line had been attacked and badly beaten by irregular forces." "I. B." will now be able to carry out his pre-election threat and

An effort was made by the ring-leaders to have the crowd gather in front of West Dundas street station and prevent the police from entering the station. The reserves were lined up and, seeing that they were helpless, the howling mob stood around and booed until it was suggested that they go after Secretary William Turley of the Dominion G.W.V.A. They then lined up and started towards Yonge street. Turning south on Yonge street, passersby were asked to fall in.

At Queen and Yonge streets the crowd had reached the number hundred, and when they reached the Don there was a following of nearly 2000. In the meantime all of the reserves and day men went to go on duty at 10:45 were sent in the motor service cars to Carlaw avenue to guard the home of Turley. Four mounted men and 35 constables lined the street opposite Withrow Park and met the crowd as it marched up the street.

Drove Crowd Before Them. When the police halted, two men standing behind a fence hurled a brick at one of the police horses. The horse jumped with fright and Inspector John Pogue ordered his men to disperse the crowd. The mounted men drove them south to Gerard street with little difficulty. At 11:30 they had all boarded street cars and proceeded back to Yonge street. Charles Johnston, 86 Strathcona avenue, the police say, would not move on and Constable Davidson arrested him on a charge of disorderly conduct. Inspector Bond deemed it advisable to detain until midnight. Mrs. Rose was escorted to the street car by Plainclothesman Ward and sent to her home.

The police handled the fracas well and on no occasion were the batons used. Inspector Bond, speaking to The World last night, stated that in his opinion all street corner meetings should be stopped. There is no law which prevents persons from holding "soup box" meetings unless they become disorderly.

The crowd took exception to statements made by Rose, and had it not been for Bond saying that if the crowd stood aside he would arrest Rose, more serious trouble would have developed.

It is stated that Secretary Turley, being forewarned, left his residence long before the crowd arrived.

LABOR NEWS

MOVIE OPERATORS HEAR BEN TILLET

British Labor Leader Tells
of His Country's
Sacrifices.

Ben Tillet, the great British labor leader, was the guest at the banquet held by the moving picture operators, local 173, at the Florence Cafe, King street, yesterday. Mr. Tillet dwelt upon the stirring sacrifices made by the workers of Britain, suddenly become her warriors. It was with pride, he said, that he pointed to the accomplishments of even the youngest among them. "Better for us all that we be dead than devoid of ambition," he said. "War is horrible, devastating, brutalizing. But it links up those who do battle. As we recall the ancient empires of the Medes, of Greece, of Rome, of Macedonia and of all those great nations whose history is now shrouded in the mists of antiquity, we realize that they fell not because of any looseness of morals, but because they lacked a great common people. If the war which was to save us from the great demon of inhumanity is over it does not mean that the still greater war from economic freedom has reached its conclusion."

Mr. Tillet urged the need of greater heartiness in the general life of the workers, a factor which was lacking among Britishers, who took their duties and pleasures so seriously. "For instance," he said, "if the dockers in London down hold a social evening the daughter of the house feels she must do something to enliven the guests, so she straightway sings such a song as 'Oh, Father, Father, Dig, Dig Me a Grave.'"

Bitter was the speaker's invective against Judge Gary of Indiana. "That brutal creature has suddenly assumed that the worker is but a chattel of corporations, with no more soul than cattle and beasts of the field. Friends, it is such as he who are more productive of Bolshevism than any other force I know."

Other well-known guests of the occasion were Tom Moore, president of the Dominion Trades Congress; James Simpson, Dave Carey and James Bailey of the Exhibitors' Association. Mr. Moore specially drew attention to Canada as that link which bound the democracy of the United States to the still greater democracy across the seas. James Simpson made a strong appeal to the hundreds present to join the ranks of those workers who decided to gain the needed reforms by dint of the ballot, and Dave Carey congratulated the union upon its great progress during its short but splendid career.

William Covatt, in a short resume of the history of the union of which he is general organizer, stated that during the past two years the union had succeeded in increasing wages for the operators by more than \$2 a week, forcing operators on a four-hour schedule and by nearly \$18 a week for day operators with a seven-hour schedule. Returned soldiers were present to the number of thirty men. President Shay of the union, who is very ill at his residence in New York, was unable to be present.

WEST YORK Muddle.

Official counts of the West York vote will commence today at West at 2 o'clock. Up till 3 o'clock there were misapprehensions among labor men as to the way matters were proceeding with respect to the ballots, word being rumormongered that the ballot boxes had not been received at the West central station (West town hall). But at 3 o'clock General Organizer William Stephenson of the Labor Party campaign in Toronto stated that the last box had been received from Etobicoke. It was stated that Toronto district that considerable number of the results at the polls were noted from the factory district, which the election had been conceded even by the opposition. Mr. Stephenson stated that there were still fifty-six subdivisions to hear from. He challenged the figures presented by the press and in its Tuesday issue stated that the figures were so far involved at the moment that neither the press nor anyone else could venture an opinion as to the majority against the Labor candidate.

SWARMING WITH GRAFTERS.

"Toronto is swarming with grafters and profiteers," said Sergt.-Major Macnara, member-elect for Riverdale, in address delivered before the patients of Christie Street Hospital, of which he himself is a patient. The soldier member of Queen's Park advised his comrades to get into one grand body, one which would look into all questions of a political nature and see to it that the returned soldiers received a square deal. He was introduced by Sergt.-Major Charles H. G.W.V.A.

BECK VERY POPULAR.

Joseph Marks, provincial secretary, was very popular at a meeting of the returned soldiers at the Soldiers' Club, last night. He was introduced by Sergt.-Major Charles H. G.W.V.A.

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So Ruthlessly.

Herbert Lewis, general business manager for the International Union of Machinists, yesterday in evidence before the board now investigating the strike of the electrical workers of the Toronto Street Railway Company on the evening of September 3, stated that in an interview with an evening paper that the electrical workers had refused to join the metal trade workers in their strike because such action might inconvenience the public, but almost immediately had gone out themselves. Harry Harper, general organizer for the machinists, stated that the union had been twitted by certain employers with not demanding more money during the progress of the war. He refused, however, to give out any names in this connection, Judge Gunn ruling in his favor.

Distress to Public. I answer to James T. Gunn, Commissioner R. C. Harris stated that distress was occasioned to the public by the strike, and that he could not think of any reason for the men going out without giving proper notice.

C. A. B. Brown, vice-president of the Canadian National Exhibition, stated that the strike had decreased the attendance to the extent of about 17,000, and the monetary loss was in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

Frank Dainty, a member of the union who was present at the meeting which called the strike (Sunday) said that he gloried in the strike, and Peter White, counsel for the Toronto Railway Company, observed that corporations were not alone in damning the public.

HARMONY IN COAL YARDS.

Harmony of the best sort is said to prevail between the coal yards and their men. The men are now receiving from \$24 to \$28 a week for a ten-hour day, whereas before the strike, which is said to have resulted from a misunderstanding connected with the teamsters' strike of some weeks previous, the men were working ten hours a day on a weekly wage of only \$22.

Canadian Federation of Labor officials report the organization of the Canadian Industrial Union of Railway Workers in Calgary under the auspices of the federation.

Returning Soldiers

It is announced that the following returning soldiers for Toronto military district arrived in Quebec yesterday on the Saturday. The names are of men for Toronto city unless otherwise designated: Capt. H. T. Crumplin, Hamilton; S. Haines, A. E. McKinnon, Annapolis; Sgt. W. P. Ackerman, Sgt. J. C. Bradbury, Hamilton; Sgt. H. Milligan, Sgt. J. M. Irvine, Gunter; G. A. Anderson, Pte. J. E. Cook, Pte. H. G. Cabbett, Hamilton.

BRITISH HEROES ASSUME TITLES

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