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Dissensions Follow Victory of Left in French Elections

SEES SUGGESTION FOR DAVES PLAN

COALITION NECESSARY FOR CONTROL

Socialists are Refusing Compromise With Radicals; Communists Alone.

HERRIOT KEEPS OUT

Declines Announcing Course Till Matters Settle Down After Victory.

BY WEBB MILLER (United Press Staff Cor.)

Paris, May 15.—Dissension over the spoils of political victory is increasing daily in the ranks of the Left Wing. Many Socialists will have nothing of compromise with Radicals, and Communists disdain affiliation with any party.

For the purpose of government, a combination of parties of the Left is necessary. No one political group is within 100 seats of being able to control the chamber for a day. Politicians recognize this, and are quietly arranging the necessary compromise in the interval before Premier Poincare resigns.

Says Herriot Will Accept. Edouard Herriot, Mayor of Lyons, who is spoken of as likeliest successor to the premiership, has been to the south of France. He has carefully refrained from revealing his attitude but the newspaper Quotidien announced today that Herriot would accept the task of forming a cabinet.

Leon Blum, one of the leaders of the Socialists, announced opposition to his party participating in a cabinet with Radicals or "any Bourgeois party." The Socialists have summoned a congress for June 1 to consider participation in the next government.

Paris, May 15.—The coalition of the Left seems less and less decided on what to do with the victory won in Sunday's elections. The Socialists, who claim the lion's share of the credit for defeating the National Bloc, are beginning to show uneasiness at the continued absence of such men as Herriot, Painleve and Briand, who, they logically say, should be at the helm of the new coalition ship but all of whom appear to be waiting for some one else to take command.

Paris, May 15.—M. Herriot, head of the Radical party is waiting for the political situation to clear before making a decision as to his future course. He is quoted as declaring to the Lions correspondent of Le Matin: "After the formidable tidal wave which has submerged French politics, the parties have need to get back their breath and the elected deputies to be classified in well-defined groups. Until then I shall observe strictest reserve, and take no attitude of decision, save in leaving today on a short trip."

SOME REDUCTIONS IN EXPORT RATES

St. John and Halifax on Same Basis as American Ports.

Montreal, May 15.—As a result of conferences with millers and the Board of Railway Commissioners, certain reductions in export rates on flour and grain products from milling plants in Ontario to Montreal, Quebec and other Atlantic seaboard ports will be made by the Canadian railways. These rates, which are quoted below, become effective on May 26.

From lake ports to Montreal the rate will be 17 1/2c per 100 pounds, and to Quebec, St. John, Halifax, Portland, Boston and New London, 18 1/2c. To New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, from Port Colborne, the rate will be 18 1/2c on flour and 19 1/2c on other grain products; from Goderich, 21c and 22c; from Collingwood, Midland and Tiffin, 22c and 23c; from Depot Harbor, 24 1/2c and 25 1/2c. These rates represent a reduction of 1/2c and 2c per 100 pounds. The new rates will permit milling at interior mills in Ontario under the usual transit arrangements.

Heads the University



CHANCELLOR C. C. JONES.

ROTHESAY BOY IS ONE OF GRADUATES

Richard R. Gilbert in Civil Engineering at Nova Scotia Technical College.

Halifax, N. S., May 15.—Twenty-four students, including five in civil engineering, seven in electrical engineering, eight in mechanical engineering and four in mining engineering, will graduate tomorrow from the Nova Scotia technical college. Ralph G. Johnstone of Halifax, electrical engineering, has been awarded the Alumni prize, and J. A. Rogers, Nictaux, N. S., mechanical engineering, has won the Governor-General's medal. The graduates include: Richard R. Gilbert of Rothesay, N. B., civil engineering; Mark C. Lowe, St. Martins, N. B., electrical engineering; George Symonds Gilbert, M. A., Bathurst, N. B., mining engineer.

THE LIBERALS ARE ON THE WARPATH

Asquith and Lloyd George Call For Action—Campaign to Begin Next Week.

London, May 15.—The intensive campaign by the Liberal party, which has been booming in the press as a result of the election, is now being repudiated by the party which the latter's hostility to the party which put them in power, is to open at Brighton next week when former Premier Asquith, the Liberal leader, will make an important statement of policy. A meeting of the Liberal party last evening discussed the campaign, and appointed a committee of management. Former Premier Lloyd George strongly appealed to the members to exert themselves to the utmost.

Wire Briefs

Woonona, N. S. W., May 15.—Playing against the South Coast at Woolongong yesterday, Canada's all-star soccer eleven beat the Southern 2 to 0.

Rochester, Minn., May 15.—Rev. W. A. (Billy) Sunday, evangelist, arrived here today to enter the Mayo Clinic Hospital for treatment for a kidney ailment.

Shanghai, May 15.—Stuart MacLaren, British aviator, was unable to hop off today from Allahabad, on account of water in his petrol supply. He hopes to leave tomorrow for Calcutta.

Berlin, May 15.—Dr. Weiss, chief of the Espionage Bureau of the Berlin Police, has been suspended pending a clearing up of the circumstances surrounding the recent raid on the Russian Soviet trade mission here.

Fredericton, N. B., May 15.—A meeting of the Provincial Executive has been called for June 4. "I expect that matters largely of a routine nature will come before us," said Premier Veniot.

Hanoi, Indo-China, May 15.—Lieut. Pelletier D'Oisy, French aviator, who has arrived here on his flight from Paris to Japan, was received yesterday by the Secretary-General of the Colonial Government, in the absence of Governor-General Merlin.

Fredericton, N. B., May 15.—(Special).—Asked if consideration had been given to the appointment of a minister to succeed Senator C. W. Robinson of Moncton, as head of the Lands and Mines Department, Premier Veniot said today that the Government had not considered that yet.

TALK FUND OF \$500,000 FOR U. N. B.

One Member of the Alumni Reported Willing to Give \$50,000.

ENCAENIA TODAY

St. John People Attend—References Made to the Railway Situation.

(Special to The Times-Star)

Fredericton, May 15.—This is encaenia day at the U.N.B. and it is marked by several matters of interest. The one hundredth anniversary of the laying of the corner stone of the original arts building of the University of New Brunswick will be commemorated in 1925 by a grand reunion of university graduates, it was announced here this morning by W. J. S. Myles, of St. John, newly elected president of the Alumni Association. This decision was reached at the annual meeting last night and the following committee appointed to handle the details—John B. McNair, chairman; Dr. H. V. B. Bridges, C. McN. Steves, B. H. Hill, C. W. Hall, Dr. A. E. VanWay, Fredericton, and Lt. Col. E. C. Weyman and W. J. S. Myles of St. John.

Fund of \$500,000. The alumni also endorsed a proposal to establish a permanent endowment fund of \$500,000 for the university. Mr. Myles said that no effort would be made to campaign for this fund until the new Memorial Hall had been completed and paid for. He announced that a member of the association had pledged to contribute \$50,000 to this fund if it was realized inside of ten years. The bank interest on donations received for this fund would not be used for any other purpose than to achieve the mark aimed for, Mr. Myles added.

St. John Man Honored

When Professor William J. Cunningham of Cambridge, Mass., delivered the Alumni oration at the final encaenia exercises here today, the most interested person in the large audience, which included many distinguished citizens, was his mother, Mrs. W. A. Cunningham of West St. John. It was with a great deal of pride that Mrs. Cunningham listened to her son, as it is an honor to have this proud oration given by any other than an alumnus. Professor Cunningham's brilliant career fully justified his selection by the Alumni Association. Born in West St. John in 1875, the son of W. A. Cunningham, engineer on the Carleton ferry, Prof. Cunningham attended the public schools in West St. John, and at the age of fourteen he entered the employ of M. R. A. Ltd., with Harry Brodie, a St. John boy who has risen high in the C. P. R. Soon after leaving M. R. A., Professor Cunningham went to the United States, where his rise in the railway profession was rapid. Today he holds the James J. McLaughlin chair at Harvard University, which conferred an honorary M. A. on him last year. Professor Cunningham's address today was on "The Transportation Situation in the United States." He will return to Epton this evening.

In New Hall

The exercises today were held in the new Memorial Hall built by a St. John firm, B. Mooney and Sons, Ltd., while the occasion was unique for St. John in that for the first time in its history law school graduates from St. John received the degree of Bachelor of the Civil Law formerly conferred by Kings.

Among the St. John people attending were: Daniel Mullin, K. C., Judge H. O. McInerney, Mrs. Thomas Gorman, Miss J. Gorman, Mrs. Margaret Corkery, Miss Muriel Corkery, Miss Gertrude O'Neill, Mrs. R. L. Grannan, Joseph Corkery, D. Gordon Willet, H. E. McLeod, Miss Maud Cunningham, E. W. Bowman, Col. A. B. Snow, W. J. S. Myles, Dr. W. W. White, Fred Brodie and others.

The programme today was: 2 p. m.—Academical procession formed in lower hall of main building. 2:30 p. m.—Chair taken by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor. Address in praise of the founders by Professor Claridge.

3 p. m.—Distribution of medals, prizes and honor certificates, and conferring of degrees. 3:45 p. m.—Address to the graduating class by Charles E. Neill, Esq., Montreal. 4 p. m.—Alumni oration by Prof.

Gets His \$200,000 Seized Stock Back

Washington, May 15.—Joseph Magg of Zurich, Switzerland, has won his case in Equity court against Colonel Thomas W. Miller, alien property custodian. Chief Justice Walter J. McCoo ordered the return of 350 shares of stock of the Bearings Company of America, for which Mr. Magg said he paid \$200,000. The shares were surrendered by Knauth, Nachod Kubine, bankers, of New York, as owned by an alien enemy. The decree against Colonel Miller also requires him to turn over to Mr. Magg interest and income on the stock amounting to more than \$85,000. The stock was once in the name of George J. Ustensfeldt of Hanover, Germany, from whom Mr. Magg purchased it.

MIRAMICHI LOGS IN SAFE WATER

Every Stick is Expected to Come Out—Four Mills Are Running.

(Special to The Times-Star)

Newcastle, May 14.—Miramichi lumbermen are happy. Better driving conditions have been practically unknown on the river, and unless something altogether unusual happens practically every log will come into the boom. There is still upwards of a foot of snow on the banks, and a big freight on all branches of the Miramichi river. The first drive to reach safe water was that of William Sullivan on Little Sevegie, in charge of Kiah Copp. It is now in the North West Boom. Melvin Murphy's drive for the Miramichi Lumber Company on Devil's Brook reached safe water last Thursday, while Frank Menzies' operations for the same company on Catamaran Brook ran into the main Little Sevegie on Monday. Allison's drive for the Ritchie Company was in the river last night, while Dick O'Brien's drive for the same company on the Hungarvon will reach safe water today. David Mutch's drive for Sullivan was at Stoney Brook yesterday, and while the exact location of Wallace Johnson's crew for O'Brien, Limited, on the Tomogony was not ascertained, logs from this operation are running very thick at Way's bridge. Kingston's drive on the Sevegie and Robinson's will be in operation in a few days. The drive on the Millstream had to be temporarily abandoned due to the boom being filled with logs. The drive on the Millstream is safe. Tuesday's heavy rain caused a rapid rise in the water and it was feared many logs would be carried into the water, but the rise was only temporary as it fell over a foot again yesterday.

The mills of Fraser Companies and Burchill at Nelson, Sinclair's, Newcastle, and Miramichi Lumber Company, Douglastown, have already commenced the season's sawing, and it is expected that Ritchie's, Sullivan's and Robinson's will be in operation in about two weeks. Messrs. O'Brien, Limited, are rushing work on the new mill to replace the one destroyed by fire recently. It is expected that J. W. Maloney will operate the Creagham mill at Millerton this season. Mr. Creagham having been appointed manager of the new creosote plant now being erected here.

FOLEY IS CHIEF OF TAMMANY HALL

New York Judge Quits Bench to Lead Political Organization at \$15,000.

New York, May 15.—Surrogate Judge James A. Foley last night was elected successor to the late Charles F. Murphy, as leader of Tammany Hall. But two of the seventy members of Tammany's executive committee voted against him.

Surrogate Foley will resign from the bench within a few days to assume the leadership of New York's oldest and most powerful political organization. His present office carries a salary of \$15,000 a year.

William J. Cunningham, M. A., Harvard University, was the subject of a 480 p. m.—Valedictory address by A. E. Leslie Booth.

The Railway Situation

In the course of the Alumni address, Prof. William J. Cunningham, Professor of Transportation at Harvard, whose subject was "The Transportation Situation in the United States and Canada," spoke hopefully of Canada's railway problem, but issued a strong warning against undue or unbusinesslike competition between the government railways and the C. P. R. Both should be given a fair chance. He spoke highly of Sir Henry Thornton, in referring to the Canadian Pacific, he gave it strong praise as the best that there is under private management and likely to maintain its superiority among the great transportation systems of the world.

Address in Praise of the Founders

Professor Claridge, who delivered the address in praise of the founders, said: (Continued on page 2)

STRING MAY SEND LESSER TO THE CHAIR

New York Sleuths Tracing Him to Scene of Other Crimes.

IS ARRESTED

Link Robbery of Mrs. Johnson With Other Jewel Thefts.

By FRANK GETTY (United Press Staff Correspondent)

New York, May 15.—A similarity between some bits of cord may send Harry Lesser to the electric chair, the police say. The smooth, young man, whose face is warped and crooked, but whose outward manner has the Broadway polish, used cord to strangle some of his victims. Other times they were merely bound. When he slipped a noose about the jewel-laden throat of Mrs. Howard Johnson, wife of the composer, and stripped her of her gems, he made the inevitable mistake and overlooked something. By such a little thing as an empty medicine bottle, neglected on a bathroom shelf, Lesser was traced and caught within 24 hours after his victim was found, half strangled, the familiar cord nearly buried in the white flesh of her neck.

Murder of Girl

In such a way Louise Lawson died. The little Texas musician, whose short, mad whirl on Broadway is still a byword, was strangled to death by one of two men who stole the jewels from her uptown apartment not far from the hotel in which Mrs. Johnson was robbed.

Belief exists that this man of half a dozen aliases may indeed be leader of a gang of jewel robbers, whose methods of putting the women who are friends of the Charltons (often quite carelessly beyond life) revert to the strangulation by cord practiced by the thugs of India.

The police have found that the cord which nearly cost Mrs. Johnson her life was similar to that which bound the hands and feet of Herbert Bartlett, a silk merchant, robbed by a gang three weeks ago, and to that used in a robbery of the apartment of Mrs. Mildred Ford, who has identified Lesser as her assailant.

BAXTER'S PROTEST BRINGS RESULTS

Leads to Important Amendment of Branch Line Bills at Ottawa.

Ottawa, May 15.—(Canadian Press)—With practically no discussion the railway committee of the House this morning decided to incorporate the following clause in all the Canadian National branch line bills: "Should it appear to the company upon making final surveys of the said line of railways that the expenditure involved in the completion thereof will exceed the limits of expenditure specified in the act, the company shall not commence nor proceed with the work upon the said line of railway without first obtaining the approval of Parliament."

When the committee met yesterday, Hon. J. B. M. Baxter raised the point that there was nothing in the bills to prevent the Canadian National Railway Company from building the eastern portions of a projected line from the appropriation and then coming back to Parliament for more money. He proposed an amendment to safeguard this.

Today, however, the new clause cited above was submitted with the approval of the Minister of Railways, and Mr. Baxter accepted it in substitution of his own proposed amendment.

"I gladly accept it," said Mr. Baxter. "It is as far I think as the Government or the Canadian National can go."

Pooling of Fruit Sales Continues

Vancouver, B. C., May 15.—Pooling of fruit sales under the Associated Growers Limited of British Columbia will continue and 88 per cent of the tonnage in the Okanagan Valley actually has been signed up, according to a statement by the directors. The Association will be in a much better position to control the market during the coming season.

Offer Blood to Save Babe



Here is one of the hundreds of tests made at Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., in the feverish efforts medical men have been making to save the life of tiny Mimi Gaglia. Hundreds volunteered for a transfusion, declared necessary to save the baby's life, but illness had caused a queer change in the child's blood and scientists believe none can be found to match it.

Shoots Himself When 12-Year-Old Daughter Accuses Him of Coaching Her in Thievery

New York, May 15.—An instant after he had overheard his twelve-year-old daughter, Emily, standing only a few feet away from him in the Hamilton Avenue Police Station, accuse him of having urged her to commit a series of small thefts, Albert Christian, 41 years old, of Brooklyn, whipped out a revolver and sent a bullet through his right temple. He is dying at the Long Island College Hospital, where he was taken in a hurriedly summoned ambulance.

According to the police, Christian, upon the death of his wife several years ago, committed two of his children to an orphan's asylum and the third one, Emily, his favorite, he entrusted to the care of Mr. and Mrs. Kristian Kristiansen, an aged childless couple, who had been life-long friends of the Charltons. It was only last week that the Kristiansens, through the help of an intermediary, Albert Christiansen, an agent of the Children's Society, 125 Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn, legally adopted Emily.

The father of the girl, however, continued his visits to his daughter at the Kristiansen home, 72 Second Place, Brooklyn, and the couple noticed that for about a month and after each visit small sums of money were missing from the house. They began to suspect the father of inducing Emily to steal during his periodic visits and as Christian was expected last night, Christiansen, the Children's Society agent, was requested to question him. When this was done, however, and the stolen money was still unexplained, Emily, her father, her foster parents and Christiansen went to the Hamilton Avenue Police Station to settle the difficulty in an official manner.

It was here that Detective Vincent Giordano took Emily to one side and learned how the girl's father, destitute and out of work, had urged her to take the money, \$15 in all, from the Kristiansens. Emily became hysterical after the shooting and Giordano hurried her from the scene for an automobile ride, hoping to make her forget the tragedy, in which she had just figured.

HE'S NOT CHEERFUL

Walter Knox Says Canada Has Not Much Chance at Olympics.

Calgary, Alta., May 15.—Canada's chances for the 1924 Olympic Games are not very rosy, according to Walter Knox, well known Canadian athlete and former Olympic coach, who was in the city yesterday on his way east. According to Knox, the Dominion has only two athletes capable of securing points—Cyril Coafes, a sprinter and Murdoch, a hammer thrower of Vancouver.

PUT SOCIAL WORK IN CARE OF BIG MAN

Ontario's Premier Plans Reorganization Under a Competent Administrator.

Toronto, May 15.—Premier Ferguson is contemplating a reorganization of all the social departments of the Ontario Government under the administrative head. They are now scattered among the departments of several ministers.

"My idea," he said, "is to get a big man with administrative capacity, who can get out to the public and make an appeal, enlist the co-operation of the outside social organizations and the churches, and who is able to look after the general administration. He will have supervisory charge of all delinquents, feeble-minded, the underprivileged, and all classes of welfare work. Under him there should be men in charge of the various branches of social organizations who are sympathetic with the work and capable of handling it."

GLEAM OF HOPE FOR THE WORLD

Morgenthau Says European Restoration is Now in Sight.

WILL AFFECT U. S.

Billions Now Deposited in New York Will Flow Back Home.

BY CLARENCE DUBOSE (United Press Staff Cor.)

London, May 15.—"We are not out of it yet—but there is daylight ahead and I believe European restoration is in sight." So said Henry Morgenthau, American diplomat and financier, today, in an exclusive interview with the United Press.

General Charles G. Dawes' plan for settling the European muddle will, if successful, he said, result in removal of several billion dollars of ready money from United States. This may temporarily tighten the New York money market, but will have no serious financial effect, Morgenthau said. He added that it would be "a good buy" if America actually paid this sum and lost that much American money in order to effect European stability.

Billions of Dollars. Mr. Morgenthau explained that, during and since the war, individuals and organizations all over Europe had got as much gold as they could to New York and deposited it with bankers there.

"No man knows the exact total, but it is certainly hundreds of millions and most probably runs into billions of dollars," he said. "As soon as reparations are settled, the Franco-German impasse eased, and European tranquility in prospect—which I think the Dawes report will accomplish—the Europeans will draw out their New York deposits and bring their money back to their own countries. Ultimately this will be a very wholesome thing for the American money market as it will put our idle gold to work."

Exchange Rate on Freight Shipments. "Germans, I believe, have more money in New York than any others. There is supposed to be considerable Russian gold, and heavy deposits from France, Spain, Greece and Italy and some deposits from every central European country."

"America has been regarded as the strongbox of the world and the American dollar the only absolutely safe money, since the war. So our strong box is full of other people's money. As soon as Europe becomes safe it will bring its money back to its own strong boxes. The Dawes report is one of the world's greatest examples of constructive statesmanship. It is almost the first gleam of light and hope that a turmoil Europe and a frightened world have seen since the war. The world has gone through a dark, forbidding and perilous passage."

AFTER CANADIAN MARKET FOR COAL

British Producers Will Make Huge Shipments—Strike Averted.

(By H. N. MOORE (British United Press))

London, May 15.—The appointment of a court of inquiry into the dispute between the coal trimmers and the authorities at British shipping ports has averted a national strike, which threatened seriously to affect huge shipments of coal to Canada.

British coal producers have inaugurated a campaign to capture the Canadian market, believing the Ruhr mines will soon be producing their utmost output. I understand that the ship owners are co-operating by giving low rates to prevent the ships from returning in ballast.

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