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MEIGHEN NOW UNABLE TO GET MAJORITY

STRENGTH CUT TO 116; ONLY 6 SEATS IN DOUBT

Practically Certain that King Will Not Resign Office

NEAR DEADLOCK

General Opinion Is That New Session Is Bound To Be Short One

OTTAWA, Oct. 31.—With 116 seats and only six still remaining in the doubtful column, Conservatives cannot now secure a clear majority in the next House. In these circumstances, it is practically certain that Premier King will not resign before meeting Parliament. The Premier has still to consider the situation with his colleagues.

He will have a conference with the Governor (General) before making any public pronouncement. But, in circles close to the ministry it is understood that he favors challenging a vote of non-confidence in parliament. If he is supported in parliament, he will continue in office, at any rate, for the time being.

UP TO HOUSE

If the House votes against him, his resignation will necessarily follow. Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative leader, according to usual practice, would then be called upon to form an administration. But it is not likely that he would continue in office long without another opportunity to be given. In any event, the possibility of Meighen's resignation is not likely to be anything in the way of sweeping legislation. The situation has resulted in the ministry's approach to parliamentary decisions in the history of the Dominion.

SITUATION UNCERTAIN

Premier King could only count on a majority with the help of Progressive Labor and Independent groups which, although not included in the official opposition, sat on the opposition side of the last house. The ministry is likely to be little beyond necessary money appropriations and essential legislation. At the same time, the situation will be one of constant uncertainty with party wings harassed day and night. At any moment a situation may arise—a surprise amendment, perhaps, with a few unpaired supporters away from the official circles generally is that Canada's fifteenth Parliament will be of long duration.

MEIGHEN SILENT

OTTAWA, Oct. 31.—Right Hon. Arthur Meighen declines to make any statement on the situation at present.

LIBERALS LEAD KENORA

KENORA, Ont., Oct. 31.—With four small polls to hear from, Peter Heenan, Liberal, had a majority of 152 at ten o'clock this morning. His election was according to latest reports. Hoy, John E. Sinclair, minister without portfolio, tied with D. Mackinnon, in the race for the second seat.

\$10,000,000 LOSS, 1,000 PEOPLE DIE

This is Estimate Reaching Washington of Result of Damascus Bombardment

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Estimates placing the property damage during the French bombardment of Damascus at \$10,000,000, and the loss of life at 1,000 persons, have reached Washington. Detailed information is still awaited as to the damage done American property and it is expected formal claims will be presented in Paris, when complete data is at hand.

ENTERTAINED CLASS

Miss Abbie Mason entertained enjoyably at a Halloween party in honor of her Sunday school class at her home, 88 Duke street on Friday evening. Games and music were enjoyed and the spirit of Halloween prevailed. Those presented were Misses Mae Mitchell, Clara Nills, Almeta Stanley, Edith Mabee, Doris Thompson, Dorothy Brittain, Helen Day and Ruth Stubbs. Miss Edith Mabee received first prize for the best costume presented.

LITTLE ONE DEAD

The sympathy of a wide circle of friends will go out to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence LeBlanc of Kingsville in the loss of their 17 months old child whose death occurred yesterday. The funeral took place this afternoon at 8 o'clock and interment was in Holy Cross cemetery. The little one was one of twins. The other died three months ago.

U.S. Church Council Declares Prohibition Has Justified Adoption

HUGE SYNDICATES NOW RULE IN RUM ROW

EASTERN EXCURSION TO PACIFIC PLANNED FOR AIRING PROBLEMS

Would Diffuse Knowledge of Difficulties and Seek Better Understanding; Central Provinces Will Be Well Represented at Winnipeg

By A. M. BELDING

STAFF REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TELEGRAPH-JOURNAL AND EVENING TIMES-STAR, WHO IS NOW ON AN ACTIVE CANVASS OF CANADIAN IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS IN BEHALF OF THE MORE GENERAL USE OF CANADIAN PORTS.

TORONTO, Oct. 30.—Twelve Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce in British Columbia will be represented in Winnipeg at the convention on November 17 and 18. The Prairie Provinces will be largely represented. John M. Innie of Edmonton, just elected President of the Board in that city, is already planning to get an eastern excursion through to the Pacific coast, to diffuse a wider knowledge of national problems and create a better understanding. The Central Provinces will be well represented at Winnipeg. Toronto will send a large delegation. Montreal will do the same. The great importance of this national conference of business men is universally recognized. The Maritime Provinces must not fail to have a large delegation on this historic occasion. That is especially desired by business men I meet here.

It was a pleasant surprise when I went to address the Business Men's Club at West Toronto at luncheon yesterday to find that the president is A. E. Taylor, manager of the Bank of Montreal there, who is a native of Moncton, and a nephew of the late John M. Taylor of Saint John. He was particularly pleased to have the case for the Maritimes presented. Mr. Taylor is an enthusiast in his regard for the provinces by the sea. I was introduced by Dr. Butt, who said that on hearing my talk about the Maritimes before the Kiwanis Club he had felt that West Toronto folk should also hear the message. W. J. Sheppard, in moving a vote of thanks, referred to an address there by the late W. B. Snowball, and admitted that until he had heard Mr. Snowball and myself he had no real knowledge of the situation and the difficult conditions in the Maritimes. He said the lack of information was partly the fault of the Maritimes for not having their case presented as it now being done. J. W. McCabe spoke with equal appreciation. Mr. Taylor mildly disagreed with Mr. Sheppard as to the cause of a lack of knowledge, observing that Ontario people should take the trouble to familiarize themselves with Canadian history. I am asked to address the club again if opportunity later on will permit.

I spent last evening in the home of W. R. Belyea, manager here for W. H. Dunn, Ltd. who had been here since August it was only in late September that Mrs. Belyea and the three boys arrived from their summer cottage at Brown's Flats. They are well settled in a charming home in West Toronto.

Mr. Belyea had something interesting to say about marketing fish in Ontario. He finds a good market for sardines and flaked fish in cans, sent forward by Lewis Connors & Sons, and believed it would pay our provinces to put on an intensive campaign among consumers here, to popularize sea fish, both fresh and cured. In his view the Maritimes will find their fisheries a great factor in bringing back prosperity. As others have done, here and in Montreal, Mr. Belyea lays particular emphasis upon the quality of the product, whether fresh or cured. Quality, he insists, rather than production, must be the watchword if a market is to be gained. Once it is gained, the production will take care of itself. Mr. Belyea sees, as others do, a market here for Maritime specialties, if properly graded and packed attractively in boxes.

At the Kiwanis Club today, S. B. Gundy, President of the Board of Trade, outlined the purpose of the coming Winnipeg Conference and the part taken by the Toronto Board in bringing it about. He said nothing could illustrate better than the present federal election campaign the utility of presenting a policy which would only suit one part of this country as the policy for all; and that the business men of all parts must get together and survey the situation from the national viewpoint, seeking a solution of our economic troubles. He said that as the movement looking toward a conference proceeded the representatives of Boards from Halifax to Victoria drew closer together in sympathy and a desire to have a broad and full discussion of the nation's problems. The Montreal Board, he said, will move at Winnipeg for the formation of a Dominion Chamber of Commerce, and he added that no other organization had done as much for the benefit of the business of the United States as its Chamber of Commerce. When I was in Vancouver last winter the officials of the Boards of Trade told me they had been appealing for some time for the formation of a Dominion Board. It may now be accomplished. In addition to Sir Thomas White, who will open the Winnipeg convention with an address on Canada, it is hoped to have President Beatty of the Canadian Pacific as a speaker at the closing banquet.

Air Display Marks Fascist Observance

ROME, Oct. 31.—Continued celebration of the anniversary of the Fascist march on Rome centred here today with a gigantic airplane display in which 200 machines of every type participated. Combat formations, bombardment, pursuit and reconnoitering maneuvers were demonstrated and three dirigibles also flew over the city.

NON-SUPPORT CASE

George W. Day, charged with non-support, was before the police court this morning. His wife said there were seven children and that he had supported her until about six weeks ago, when he had left the house. She said she did not wish support for herself, but for the children. J. Starr Tait, for the defendant, said his client was ready to support the children. An agreement was prepared and the case was withdrawn with the consent of the court.

HAD NICE EVENING

The young people of St. Paul's church held an enjoyable Halloween party last night, with about 40 present. The prize winners in a novelty contest were: Girls, Florence Young; boys, Robert White. Miss Ida McKay was accompanist and Mrs. Lyons as chaperon.

LITTLE TRADERS ARE WIPED OUT BY COAST GUARD

Canadian Ports Mixed Up In Smuggling Operations

PAPERS "FAKED"

Officials on "Inside" Said to Be Concerned in Clearance Methods

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—The delimitation of rum row is over. The business of supplying New York and vicinity with liquor from the sea has fallen into the hands of one or two syndicates and is being conducted with all the regularity and order of a huge legitimate business, plus the cunning of years of experience.

The latest "warbler" in the rum-running game, is that of floating contraband ashore. The smugglers are handling kegs of Scotch malt, which upon being safely landed, "beat" seven times to produce a still more potent beverage. Thus the other day 18 small kegs of the malt, valued at \$200, were landed upon the open beach. "Beats" were "beat" waiting to haul the contraband away.

METHODS CHANGE

The running of liquor, moreover, has been changed from the old free-for-all methods. Rum syndicates have decided that the use of small boats for evading the coast-guard patrol is a thing of the past, and have turned their attention to schooners or steamers.

SEES GOVERNMENT WEAK IN ANY CASE

London Daily News Calls Destruction of Progressives Feature of Result

LONDON, Oct. 31.—The Daily News commenting on the Canadian election result says the issues in the campaign were never very clear. General dissatisfaction with the Liberal Government at the high taxation in the Dominion, the recent bad trade conditions, and the rather vacillating, uninspired character of King's policy, the News says, explains sufficiently the Liberal loss. The paper adds that internal dissensions and lack of candidates explains the almost complete destruction of the Progressive party, which is the real feature of the election.

ROMANCE OF THREE LANDS CULMINATED

Daughter of General O'Ryan is Married by Chaplain of Father's Regiment

Special to The Times-Star. NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—A romance which started on one continent and progressed in another, culminated with a wedding in a third when Dorothy Holmes O'Ryan, daughter of General and Mrs. John F. O'Ryan, of New York City, was married here yesterday to Darwin Curtis, of Chicago. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Francis P. Duffy, chaplain of the "Fighting Sixty-Ninth," a regiment which during the war was commanded by the bride's father.

HAICHOW OCCUPIED

Change's Forces Experience Little Trouble in Taking Kiangsu City

TSING TAO, China, Oct. 31.—The 8,000 Manchurian troops of Marshal Chang Tso Lin's forces, which left here Tuesday, aboard gunboats have occupied Haichow in the province of Kiangsu. They met with little resistance. This manoeuvre strengthens Marshal Chang's position and gives him a base from which to attack the rear of the advancing enemy forces.

STUDEBAKER LIFTS DIVIDEND

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—Directors of the Studebaker Corporation today raised the annual dividend rate from \$4 to \$5 and declared an extra dividend of \$1 in addition.

U.S. Clings To Federal Dry Enforcement

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—The Federal government does not intend to relinquish any of its prohibition enforcement activities to the states. This was made plain at the White House Friday, when President Coolidge was represented as believing that it would not be feasible for the government to leave the field of enforcement. The President also feels, it was stated, that the present force of about 1,500 federal agents should not be reduced.

N.Y. NEWSPAPERS AT ODDS OVER VOTE RESULTS

Times Sees Issues Begged by Party Leaders

ONLY REHEARSAL

King's Defeat So Certain He Must Resign, So Says World

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—Commenting on the inconclusive state of the Canadian vote under the heading "A Phantom Election," the New York Times says:

"The canvass was a curious one, to most Canadians unimpressive. Mr. Meighen's main contention was in effect that Canada was going to the devil. Unfortunately for him, the whole economic situation has changed for the better. Mr. Meighen needs a better issue. An air of unreality was felt in most of the utterances of the Conservative and Liberal leaders. Two extremely clever politicians were so clever that they forgot to be statesmen, that they betrayed and to some extent, disgusted the public. So, that this election is only a rehearsal."

SEES LIBERAL WEAKNESS

The World says: "Premier King's defeat is so emphatic that he cannot delay his resignation. Holding precisely half the seats, he asked for a clear majority. The election has left Liberal weakness the one outstanding fact in a situation more confused than ever. Mr. King's Liberals pay the usual penalty of a party which pursues a compromise policy between two sets of extremists. Politically Canada swings back toward the two-party system. Governmentally Canada has spoken for a stiffer tariff, for economy and for a more aggressive immigration policy. But the militant Western Provinces will not permit Conservatism to go too far."

Sees Christian Unity Before Century's End

UNITED PRESS. NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—All the Christian churches might be fused into a single denomination before this century was ended, Bishop Robert L. Rudolph, of Philadelphia, Dean of the Reformed Episcopal Theological Seminary, prophesied in an address here last night before fellow churchmen. "The sixteenth century saw the formation of Protestantism; the nineteenth century saw the beginning of tolerance; this, the twentieth century, may well see the attainment of the union of churches," Bishop Rudolph declared.

Australian Voters Who Fail To Cast Ballots In Federal Election Liable To \$10 Fines

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—Compulsory voting will be introduced for the first time at the Australian general elections, November 15, the commissioner for Australia, Sid James Elder, was advised yesterday. For the last 10 years, compulsory voting has been enforced in the State of Queensland, but this is the first time for it to be applied to Federal politics.

Under the new law, registrars prepare lists of those entitled to vote and any elector who fails to go to the polls, without giving a valid reason for staying away, will be liable to a fine of \$10.

Asked \$1,000,000 Got \$150,000

CONTINUATION OF SUPPORT OF MOVE PLEDGED

Say No Necessity For Modification In Stand

RESULTS LAUDED

Friends of Project In Other Lands Urged to Be Encouraged

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—"Prohibition has already yielded results which fully justify its adoption."

This is the flat statement of the administrative committee of the Federal Council of Churches after considering its policy on the subject in the light of the recent report on the prohibition situation issued by its research department. There is nothing in the report, the administrative committee says, to justify modification of the hands of those who are responsible for prohibition enforcement. The statement urges the friends of prohibition in other countries, not to be deceived by various attempts to interpret the research report as a confession of failure or even discouragement, and calls upon the churches to undertake a new moral crusade to strengthen the hands of those who are responsible for prohibition enforcement.

GERMAN GENERAL KILLED AT PRACTICE

Machine Gun Bullet Falls Short While Manoeuvres Carried Out

BERLIN, Oct. 31.—Accidental killing of General Mueller, Commander of the Saxon Reichswehr, by a machine gun bullet at manoeuvres of his division on the Jüterbog artillery range yesterday, has focussed attention here on the extraordinary risks to life and limb incurred in training the present German army. Allied and American officers agree that dangerous field exercises carried out by the Reichswehr with loaded cartridges would be permitted in no country outside Germany.

GUN SHOTS SHORT

The bullet which killed Mueller almost instantaneously, was fired by a heavy machine gun, one of several engaged in laying an indirect barrage over a line of infantry 1,000 yards ahead. The General was standing with Defence Minister Gessler and 70 staff officers, including several over generals, on a knoll about 30 yards behind the infantry. So far as can be ascertained, thus far, one machine gun began firing short. The bullets were seen to drop dangerously close to the infantry men. Then before the gunners in the rear could be ordered to lengthen their range, Lieutenant Colonel Von Hoerauf was struck in the leg and a few seconds later the General received the missile that caused his death.

SOVIET COMMISSAR DEAD

MOSCOW, Oct. 31.—General Michael W. Frunze, Soviet commissar for war, died today, following an operation yesterday.

Historical Society Resumes Sessions

The first meeting of the season of the New Brunswick Historical Society was held last evening in the Natural History Society rooms with the president, D. C. Clinch, in the chair. Rev. C. Gordon Lawrence and William Jack were elected members. Magistrate Henderson reported that the society's tablet on Caton's Island was in need of repair and he was given authority to make the necessary repairs. A round table talk followed the business session.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS — Pressure is high on the Atlantic coast and low over the Western Provinces. The weather has been fair in nearly all parts of the Dominion, with higher temperatures in the west.

FORECASTS: Fair and Cold.

MARITIME — Moderate to fresh north and northeast winds, fair and cold Sunday. Moderate to fresh winds, fair.

NEW ENGLAND — Fair and not quite so cold tonight. Sunday fair and warmer, diminishing northeast winds, becoming variable.

Temperatures.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Temperature. Locations include Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, etc.



"I'm a sad and disillusioned woman," says Mrs. Doris Stevens Woodhouse, whose alienation of affections suit against her husband's parents, Vermont millionaires, finally has been settled, after three years by the payment of an award of \$150,000 and costs. The case was in the court for three years. "If they had only let us alone," she sighs.

How Parties Stand

TORONTO, Ont., Oct. 31.—At 11.30 this morning, the Canadian Press reported the following standing by provinces.

Table showing political party standings by province: Province, Lib., Cons., Prog., Lab., Ind., D'fist, T'U.

Doubtful seats are: One in Queens, P. E. I., where the vote is tied; Bow River and Peace River, Alberta and Kindersley and Maple Creek in Saskatchewan.

Slip of Tongue Gives Prisoner His Freedom

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—The slip of a jury foreman's tongue gave Timothy Williams, a negro charged with assault with a deadly weapon, his freedom yesterday. When the verdict was brought in, it was announced as "not guilty," although the jury intended it to be "guilty." The mistake of the foreman was known to the court and the jury was polled, returning a verdict of "guilty." Justice Stafford decided that the first verdict must stand and ordered the defendant released.

GETS THREE YEARS

Former N. S. Government Clerk Sentenced For Theft of Province Funds

HALIFAX, Oct. 31.—H. P. Story, of Halifax, a former clerk in the Provincial Secretary's office, charged with the theft of \$6,000 from the province of Nova Scotia, was sentenced to three years in Dorchester penitentiary by Judge W. B. Wallace in the county court here this morning.

A. M. BELDING HOME

A. M. Belding, special representative of The Telegraph-Journal and The Times-Star, who has been interviewing exporters and importers of Canada on the matter of larger use of Canadian ports, arrived home at noon today. Next week Mr. Belding will go to the Maritime Board of Trade meeting at Charlottetown.

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