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LABOR MEMBER CREATES STIR IN BRITISH PARLIAMENT

Lords Charged With Having Insulted Members of Commons—British Press Comments on Ramsay MacDonald's Speech in Albert Hall.

(British United Press.)
LONDON, Jan. 9.—Formal proceedings in the Commons today were allayed by members of the Labor party. When the speaker took the chair to wait for the royal assent given to his reelection as speaker, a Labor backbencher commenced to whistle the "Red Flag." He whistled it under the startled members of the Commons. This cry soon became so loud and general that the speaker stopped at once. The Commons then proceeded to the Lords where the time honored ceremony was carried out. During this ceremony there were disturbances and when they returned to the Commons to take the oath of office, Jack Jones, a well-known Labor member, jumped up to a point of order declaring that the Commons had been insulted by the Lords. The speaker asked for details. Jones replied: "I will give it to you. You saw it yourself."
He explained that the constitution demanded that the Lords receive the Commons in a decent manner whereas at the ceremony just completed one hundred Commons had been received by "five marionettes from an Italian opera."
This remark had reference to the five commissioners in red and ermine cloaks and black cocked hats who had attended in the Lords.
LONDON, Jan. 9.—From the expected flood of lobby rumors which the first meeting of the new Parliament gave rise to, there emerged reports involving three parties.
One states that a section of the Conservatives is disgruntled with what is regarded as Mr. Baldwin's hasty and mistaken action in the precipitating of an election, thus losing the Conservative majority.
Another report has it that a faction of the Liberals is equally dissatisfied with Herbert Asquith's determination to help the Laborites into power while still another rumor is built around the supposed disapproval by a group in the Labor party of Ramsay MacDonald accepting the prospective Premiership which it is held he can only hold on sufferance.
LONDON, Jan. 9.—Ramsay MacDonald's speech at the Albert Hall last night in celebration of the victory won at the polls created a good impression by its moderation and the fact that he steered clear of the controversial questions of capital levy and nationalization of industry.
The London press this morning notes with satisfaction that he emphasized in all sincerity the employment of prudence and caution and referred to Labor's desire for a general settlement of all disputes from the coast of Japan to the coast of Ireland. The speech was chiefly interesting for its specific reference to Afghanistan, a country it is regarded with considerable satisfaction that MacDonald as the mouthpiece of Labor does not ignore the world wide interests of the Empire. Naturally his

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THE YEAR 1923 WAS A BANNER ONE FOR CONSERVATIVES

Wave of Conservatism Sweeping the Country, Says Dr. Tolmie

(Canadian Press.)
TORONTO, Jan. 9.—Hon. Dr. S. F. Tolmie, former Dominion Minister of Agriculture speaking of the result of his observations in a tour from Victoria, B. C. to Halifax, N. S., as Dominion organizer for the Conservative party declared before the Conservative Business Men's Club here today that there was a general feeling that a Conservative wave was sweeping through the country.
"The year 1923 was a gala year throughout the Dominion so far as the conservative party is concerned," said Dr. Tolmie.
Dr. Tolmie directed attention to the victories of the party at recent bye-elections in the Maritime Provinces.
Our Seed Potatoes have made a name for themselves with southern growers, and are in great demand. It is estimated that this year six hundred thousand (\$600,000) dollars was brought into this Province from this source, and we are just beginning.
There appears to be at the present time very great activity in the Silver Fox industry. The American people are beginning to realize the wonderful possibilities it possesses, and are buying Prince Edward Island foxes in large numbers, as a basis for their breeding stock. Edits of our Province, have been advanced in price, on the English and American markets, all of which means prosperity for us, and ranches. It is estimated, that the revenue from this branch of industry, will this year be well over two million dollars. Our Seed Potatoes and Silver Foxes, are not only a source of great income, but they also serve as an advertising medium for Prince Edward Island to such an extent, that their worth cannot be measured in terms of dollars and cents.
Our fisheries too exceeded by many thousands the total received during 1922.
Cheese, Butter, Eggs, Pork, etc., all contributed to swell the amount distributed to our farmers.
While it is true we are passing through a time of stress and storm in the financial world the keenest business men are unanimous in saying that this tide has turned and from now on the incoming wave will bring on the crest of the wave, prosperity and success in abundance. We have a wonderful country, let us boost, not knock it.
Throughout the year just ending, we did not have any very important developments, but we have endeavored to look after the many details incidental to our office, and a proper working of the Board with an eye to your best interests, and that of the Province. During this time, we have had eighteen Council meetings with an average attendance of eleven or twelve members. This would indicate, that the members of the Council were reasonably interested in the workings of the Board.
Some of the more important matters to which attention has been directed during the past year are:
PICTURE—CHARLOTTETOWN

NEGOTIATIONS FOR LIBERAL-PROGRESSIVE AGREEMENT NOW ASSUMING SHAPE

Hon. T. A. Crerar And Premier Dunning of Saskatchewan Are Both Expected to Arrive in the Capital To-day.

(Canadian Press.)
OTTAWA, Jan. 9.—Negotiations for a Liberal-Progressive agreement are assuming definite shape. Hon. T. A. Crerar, former Progressive leader and Premier Dunning, of Saskatchewan, are speeding east and should be in Ottawa tomorrow when it is expected discussions will begin. So far as the government is concerned, however, official confirmation or otherwise of a policy of "broadening out" is lacking. There was an extended meeting of Cabinet Council this afternoon and it is presumed that the situation was discussed. But the only announcement Premier King had to make when the meeting concluded at 6:30 this evening was the appointment of Hon. Narcisse Perreault as Lieutenant Governor of Quebec. Mr. King intimated that there were no other appointments and of relations with Progressives.
had nothing to say. He added that the date of opening parliament would not be announced till after January 15. This, taking into consideration the usual month's notice, means that parliament will not meet till the third week in February at the earliest.
Assuming that negotiations for a Liberal-Progressive agreement open on Thursday, comment in political circles now turns on what the nature of any such agreement is likely to be, what portfolio if any, will be offered to Mr. Crerar or other Progressives, and what modifications are likely to rise in the government's policy as a consequence.
At present, the only cabinet portfolio actually vacant is that of Justice, but negotiations of an understanding with Progressives—whatever it may be termed—would involve several cabinet changes and a reshuffling of portfolios.
There is a rumor that the continued illness of Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, may lead to his retirement from public life. Should Mr. Fielding decide to take such action it is thought that he would be succeeded by Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Immigration and acting Minister of Finance. This would leave a vacancy at the head of the Immigration Department and to this were he willing to accept it, Mr. Dunning might be appointed. In this connection, some significance is attached to the fact that Mr. Robb, who has been in Atlantic City, arrived back today for the meeting of the cabinet.
From present indications, Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Marine, will go to the Justice Department, but the question who will succeed him at the Department of Marine presents difficulties. Maritime Province members on different occasions have pressed for a Maritime Province man at the head of this department, but this could only be accomplished, unless Quebec representation in the cabinet is to be diminished, by some shifting ground of portfolios.
And if two or three Progressives are to enter the cabinet some considerable reorganization of the government would necessarily follow.
It is thought quite likely that as a condition of his joining the government, Mr. Crerar would insist on such reorganization. But whether Premier King would be willing to assent to this course or to any fundamental change in policy involved is another matter.
help answer our prayers by active work.
There were on the platform Rev. Messrs. Taylor, Eaton, Mulligan, Genge, Ryan and Raymond. Excellent music for the occasion was rendered by the choir.
The service tonight will be in St. Paul's Parish Hall, where the annual meeting of the British and Foreign Bible Society will take place. The meeting starts promptly 7:30 p.m. A collection is being taken, 75 per cent of which goes towards the P. E. Island Hospital.

FRANCE HAS NOW HELD THE RUHR FOR ALMOST A YEAR

Opening of 1924 Finds Germans Getting Together on Plans to End Conflict—Hate Still Felt.

(United Press.)
BERLIN, January 9.—The Ruhr's hymn of hate is deadened.
The curses that greeted French occupation almost one year ago have been stilled. Hate still burns in many a Ruhrite's heart, but the desire to live in the strongest passion which the Ruhr now shows.
And the Ruhr, despite months of "passive resistance," followed by a hunger wave, now believes that the path is opening to a final settlement with France which will give the Ruhr and Rhineland a chance to work.
The preliminary agreement between the German industrialists and the French "Micum" will probably be extended. And the Ruhr and Rhineland believe that there are signs of a real adjustment—a hard bargain, perhaps, but better for Germany than trying to dodge reparations burdens and having to fight French counter attacks.
Ruhr and Rhineland magnates are now starting talks seriously in the face of the first time since the war, impartial outside businessmen say that the industrialists have realized that they must pay and are adjusting themselves to this program.
This means that German industry is going to come back. It will be a long process, this paying, but the terrible spectre of starvation and unemployment are destined in the next months to subside according to business men's calculations.
Whether the Rhine and Ruhr will definitely be under French domination is still a question. The French willingness to reduce its occupation forces is regarded here as a slight concession. But, the plans for a Rhinisch currency (French-franc supported) is a nut which the Berlin government has had trouble to crack.
Sensibility of Rhine and Ruhr from their mother land, Prussia, do not alter some cold facts that the French occupation plus certain Berlin government mistakes—have caused a certain estrangement.
Nor do such speeches change the fact that the realization that the Ruhr will inevitably cause a certain alteration in the form of governmental and economic connection between the industrial region and the rest of Germany.
The Stinnes concerns are already readjusting their trust arrangements taking into consideration the fact that there is at least an invisible, though real, barrier between occupied and unoccupied zones.
The Rhine and the Ruhr have eaten the already dilapidated Berlin treasury out of cash. Trying to support the unemployed has been a problem which no cabinet has been able to solve satisfactorily.
For a time the government considered throwing the occupied area to the French with the demand, "You take care of these people under the Hague land-war convention." This aroused a storm and the idea was abandoned.
But since then there has been hundreds of governmental conferences, wherein the question of temporary separation or at least an alteration in relation which would free the central treasury, has been discussed.
The Rhine and Ruhr undoubtedly will remain German.
But, they realize that financial questions make it probably impossible to retain in now the old form of governmental and economic relations which prevailed before the horizon-line forces swept into Germany's Pittsburghian district.

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BANK ROBBER GANG ROUTED

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Jan. 9.—The notorious Ashley Mobley gang of bank robbers, who have made Everglade their rendezvous for years, was wiped out this morning by Palm Beach county sheriffs and posse. Deputy Sheriff Fred Baker and five members of the gang were killed.

Schooner Held in Sand of N. Y. Crew All Safe

(Canadian Press.)
BOSTON, Jan. 9.—The schooner G. M. Cameau was reported abandoned and on fire in latitude 39.44 north, longitude 61.57 west or about 700 miles east of New York, by the United States Shipping Board steamer Sangamon today.
The schooner was sighted last night, and had a cargo of lumber. All her boats are gone.

MISS HERRINGTON WELCOMED TO CH'TOWN

A meeting of St. Dunstan's Girl Guides to welcome Dominion Field Secretary Miss Eleanor Herrington was held in Rosary Hall last night with an attendance of almost 100 members.
An excellent program was carried out by the Girl Guides during which an address was read by Patrol Leader Mary McEachern. The presiding guide then introduced the guest of the evening who delivered an interesting and descriptive address explaining the movement in all its details. A full report of this address will appear in a later issue.
After the meeting Miss Herrington together with the Girl Guide Company officers and the officers of Charlottetown sub-division C. W. L. were entertained by Mrs. F. Casey, President C. W. L., at her residence Cumberland Street. A prettily appointed tea table was presided over by Mrs. J. J. Johnson and Capt. Martina Monaghan cut the loaves. Several pleasing musical numbers helped to round out a very delightful evening.
Miss Herrington will address a meeting in Rosary Hall tonight at 8 p. m. to which all ladies interested in girls' work are invited.

Montreal Gold Bond Issue is Oversubscribed

(Canadian Press.)
NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The \$9,700,000 issue of the city of Montreal, five per cent, gold bonds, made on the local market today, has been oversubscribed and the books closed.
Major Norman P. Bailey, who is alleged to have murdered his wife, Marjorie Bailey, aged twenty-two, in their home at London, England. They were happy and devoted and the apparent lack of motive makes the crime all the more mysterious. She was found in bed, shot through the head, and with a knife through her heart. Letters have since been received from her husband, who says he spent a night of horrible war memories and saw nothing more until he came to himself in London. He is believed to be now in Canada. They lived in a fashionable part of London and were both well liked.

Need of Prayer in Civic Life

The Union prayer service at Zion Church was largely attended last evening. Rev. Mr. Taylor presiding. The address was given by Rev. R. C. Eaton, who spoke on Prayer and Civic Life. Mr. Eaton stressed the following points:
Prayer needed for civic and community life; there being so much danger of confining our Christianity to narrow limits of the church and home. Need of infusion of Christian spirit in civic, social, business, political and international life.
Prayer needed for our civic officials. We are free to criticize or find fault with our leaders; we should be as ready to support and pray for them, both as churches and individuals. It would strengthen in our duty to know that the Christian Church is praying for them.
We ought to pray for a Christian conscience in civic affairs and especially on matters of moral welfare and uplift. The compliance with which we tolerate wrongs is in itself alarming. We ought to pray for active Christian interest in community affairs.
Prayer is no excuse for laziness. If our Province or City are not the places they should be, do not blame it on God for not answering prayer. Do not blame it on the Premier or Mayor or Police. The burden of responsibility is on the Christian people of our Churches. There is no reform that cannot be brought about, nor evil corrected, nor sin driven out, where the Christian people are in earnest. We must

5 of Family Perish in Fire

(Canadian Press.)
NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Two women and three children, all members of one family, were killed in a fire that swept through three Brooklyn apartment houses late today.

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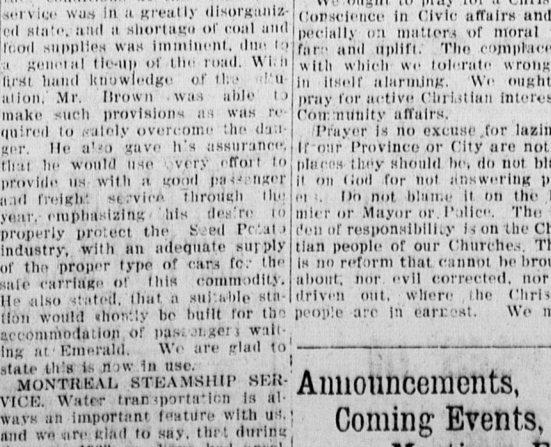
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The Weather, Etc.



THIS YEAR THE PRIMARY CANDIDATES GET A CHANCE TO FIVE AWAY THE 300 CIGARS THEY GOT FOR CHRISTMAS.

TORONTO, Jan. 10.—Maritime moderate to fresh winds, partly clouds.
Temperature yesterday: Maximum, 35; Minimum, 21.
High tide this afternoon at 2:00 and tomorrow morning at 1:34.
Sun sets this afternoon at 4:36 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:40.
First quarter moon Sunday, Jan. 13th 6:45 p. m.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.