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OPPOSITION GROUPS IN NOVA SCOTIA HOUSE ARE TRYING TO JOIN HANDS

SECRET CONCLAVE RECENTLY HELD

Would Effect a Merger Under Ex-Leader Hall With the Object of Trimming the Murray Government — Two Members Were Not Let in on the Scheme.

Halifax, April 29—"Strange sights one sees in this land of lights but the strangest I ever did see"—so sang one poet but had there been a political rhymster present in a certain office of the Government buildings, Halifax yesterday he would have seen the strangest sight of all strange sights, namely a conference of Tory Farmer and Labor members of the House of Assembly of Nova Scotia endeavoring to find common ground for a coalition for the purpose as one present avowed "of trimming the Murray Government."

Were all the ingredients which go to make the Opposition chowder in the Local House present, one asks with astonishment and almost awe. But the answer is "No" Messrs Macgillivray, the Farmer member for Antigonish and Mr. Richardson the Farmer-Labor member for Cape Breton evidently being too highly seasoned with Liberalism were not invited. They were the Cinderellas—a sort of Cinderella twins. Whether the Prince who gave the party was Mr. W. L. Hall is not known for a surety but at any rate Mr. Hall was present in a sort of memorial recognition of his former leadership of the Tory Opposition.

The facts are these—but when one proceeds to tell facts about any thing amazing as a Tory Farmer-Labor Convention for the purpose of forming a coalition the conception of such a thing overwrems one—but the facts are the four straight Labor members and the six perhaps only five Farmer members of the Opposition of the Local House of Assembly gathered together in communion and conference for the good of their political souls to form a combination one of those terrible merger monopolies or corporations perhaps in order to "trim the Murray Government."

It was all so secret too but some one told somebody else "in perfect confidence" and he told someone else "absolutely on the quiet, you know" and the thing was out. But what was more this harp of Toryism which has been all but silenced on the walls of Nova Scotia for some time has untuned strings one of which represents that radical Laborite, Mr. For man Way of Sydney Mines. He like the "walk into our parlor said the spider to the fly" incident accepted the invitation to this pow wow but when he saw what it was the scales fell from his eyes so to speak it is reported that his declaration as "I am not prepared to die yet and I know d— well what will happen if I tie up with the Tory Party."

After this definite assertion of the Laborite there was a long silence much twirling thumbs and shuffling of feet. In the House of Assembly there was a great void; the House was in session, but all the seats of the Opposition were vacant—except two—Macgillivray of Antigonish and Richardson of Sydney and the twin Cinderellas of the "Coalition fire side."

Among the Labor and Farmer members the great tribunes of democracy and justice to all and privilege to none cult, it was said last night one could almost hear the workings of their conscience when they realized they had been alighting themselves with the common enemy of all progress and liberty and freedom the real Tory of the Tories as Sir John MacDonald of Richmond declares himself. What will follow this night of remorse is yet to be told—but what will they say in Colchester and Cumberland and Cape Breton?

COULD NOT REMEMBER ABOUT BREAKING IN

Frank Smith Convicted of Burglary at Colwell & Jennings' Store and Given Three Years.

Three years in the Maritime penitentiary was the sentence which on Friday afternoon in the Police Court Magistrate Limerick passed on Frank Smith "the boy bandit" who was charged with breaking and entering into the store of Colwell & Jennings late on the night of April 25th. Three other charges of breaking and entering have also been preferred against Smith. These are for robberies which occurred on the night of April 7th when the barber shop of Willis Ketch the Electric Massage Clinic of Jack Aston and the office of Estey & Curtis, wholesale druggists, all located in King Street were entered and a various assortment of articles stolen. Smith elected to be tried for these charges by a jury before Judge Barry on May 2nd.

Four Witnesses.

Four witnesses were called on Friday afternoon by the prosecution which was conducted by Chief of Police Finley. These included J. T. Jennings, M. Chappelle who assisted in making the arrest, and the two police officers Wm. Hughes and Dell Hartt who made the arrest. Officer Hughes said that shortly after twelve on the night of April 25th a call came into the Police Station that somebody was breaking into the store of H. W. Estabrooks at the corner of Westmorland and King streets. He and Officer Hartt were sent out there by the night sergeant. They found that a cellar window had been smashed but they saw nobody in sight.

Found in Cellar.

While waiting at this store they received another call to the effect that another break was being made into the store of Colwell & Jennings in Queen street. Upon arrival there they found that a cellar window in the rear of the store had been removed. They entered the cellar through this window along with M. Chappelle and discovered Frank Smith in the cellar hiding behind an abutment. He was thereupon arrested and taken to a cell in the Police station where he was locked up. Officers Hughes and Hartt then returned to the store and made a thorough investigation of the break. They found that a cellar window on Queen street had been smashed also. It was the breaking of this glass which aroused residents in Queen street and led to Smith's arrest.

Officer Hartt gave similar evidence. He said that Smith had been drinking but while there was an odor of liquor about him he has not in an intoxicated condition.

Could Not Remember.

The other two witnesses corroborated the evidence of the two officers. Frank Smith was not represented by counsel and did not go on the stand in his own defence. When asked whether he wished to say anything he stated that on the night in question he had been drinking considerably and that he remembered nothing concerning the break. His waking up in the police station the following morning was a surprise to him.

BARRIEAU WON BOUT

Toronto, Ont., April 28—Frank Barrieau 153 pounds Canadian welterweight champion defeated Johnny Klesch, 157 pounds, Cleveland Ohio, in a ten round main bout here tonight.

PROHIBITED FROM SHAVING

Sacramento, Cal., April 28—The City Council passed an emergency measure last night prohibiting men here from shaving until the days of '49 celebration is concluded May 28.

Russia Presents the Problem for Genoa to Solve

HISTORIC DOCUMENTS BEARING ON SUBJECT, SUBMITTED TO CONFERENCE — BRITISH PREMIER AND BARTHOLOMEW IN CLASH—FRENCHMAN MAY WITHDRAW FROM GATHERING — FRANCE PRESSES FOR PAYMENT.

Genoa, April 28—Two historic documents dealing with the reconstruction of Russia have been submitted by France and Great Britain to the economic conference and tonight are in the hands of a special drafting committee, which will endeavor to harmonize the differences in them.

The French document sketches at length means for restoring Russia's agricultural and industrial activities while that of Great Britain devotes more attention to credit for Russia.

France insists on the full payment of Russia's war debts and the restoration of private property to foreigners; Great Britain favors a reduction in Russia's war debt and is willing to be satisfied if Russia grants former foreign owners the use of their property, instead of a return of actual ownership.

THE FRENCH DEMANDS

The adoption of the twelve articles in the agreement with Russia which regulate the disposal of the Russian debt is favored by France. She demands that the Soviet conclude before Dec. 31 an agreement with representatives of owners of Russian state bonds in order to provide for the payment of interest.

If such an agreement is impossible according to the French contention the Soviet must promise to accept the decision of a mixed arbitration commission, the president of which will be appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court of the United States, or by the League of Nations or by the president of the court of international justice.

The French draft demands in case private property cannot be restored that Russia shall pay indemnities. These indemnities would be provided for by an issue of new Russian five per cent bonds.

DUEL OF WORDS

Today's discussion of the two drafts brought forth a duel of words between Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain and Louis Barthou, chief of the French delegation, which the auditors described as both witty and satirical.

Lloyd George objected to France's picture of Russian disorganization, saying it would displease the Russian delegation. Moreover, he added, France's draft spoke overmuch of agriculture and commerce while it was superficial on the momentous question of credits.

Every country, Lloyd George insisted should say frankly what it was disposed to do for Russia. He urged the formation of a concertium with precise offers from each nation, specifically saying what it was ready to do, not necessarily in actual money but in general guarantees and regarding a resumption of commerce with Russia.

TRIBUTES TO SEN. THOMPSON

Ottawa, April 27—Tribute to the late Senator Thompson was paid in the senate today. Senator Dandurand said that Senator Thompson was a public spirited citizen of good judgment and wise counsel. He was man of great knowledge and long experience and made many strong and lasting friendships. Sir James Loughheed who had been a colleague of the late senator for twenty years referred to his breadth of view and his faculty for making strong friendship. The senate would cherish many memories of their late colleague. A wreath was placed on the desk of the late senator.

SOLD WRONG MEDICINE

Augusta, Me., April 29—Arthur Te treault, an Augusta druggist, has been sued for \$5000 by Charles H. Cullinan of Bangor for the death of his son on July 20, 1921. The case will be heard at the May term of the Superior Court in Penobscot County.

It is alleged in the writ that the son went to the drug store and asked for a quantity of essence of checkerberry and that the clerk carelessly delivered oil of checkerberry said to be a much more powerful and deadly substance. Cullinan took a large quantity of the fluid and, it is alleged suffered great pain for several hours before dying. There are further allegations of negligence. The defense is a general denial.

SERIOUS FIRE AT HARTLAND

Hartland, April 28—Today at noon fire completely destroyed the interior of the Exchange hotel building which was used as a store and residence by the Hartland Fruit Co. Much of the stock and household effects were got out, but in badly damaged condition. The flames were well confined within the building by the good work of the firemen who played four streams under high pressure with no lack of water.

A high wind was blowing directly over the wooden portion of the town and, had not the flames been kept in control most of the townspeople might have been homeless tonight. The loss of the building and stock is more than \$1,500, with only partial insurance.

ITCH CLOSED SCHOOL

Auburn, Me., April 29—The rural school at Danville Junction has been closed this week on account of an epidemic of itch which has broken out among the pupils. The school will be closed all week and the school house will probably be cleaned and fumigated.

FIGHTING NEAR PEKING.

Peking, April 29—Fighting began this (Saturday) morning at dawn at Changs Tien, twelve miles southwest of Peking. Heavy artillery firing is audible in Peking.

PARLIAMENT MAKING VERY GOOD PROGRESS WITH THE ESTIMATES

FUNERAL OF HON. F.P. THOMPSON THIS AFTERNOON

Body Arrived From Ottawa This Morning—Senate Represented—Many Friends From Outside Points.

The funeral of the late Hon. Frederick P. Thompson took place this afternoon from his late residence in Regent street. The body arrived here this morning in Hon. F. B. Carvell's private car, attached to the C. P. R. express, accompanied by his son, Alex. J. Thompson, Hon. F. B. Carvell, Hon. Irving R. Todd and Hon. F. B. Black, the latter two being the official representatives of the Senate of the Dominion of Canada at the obsequies.

The funeral services were conducted at the house at 2.30 p. m., Rev. G. M. Young officiating. Interment was made at Rural Cemetery. The following were the pall-bearers:—G. N. C. Hawkins, Col. W. J. Osborne, F. B. Edgcombe, J. J. F. Winslow, Dr. C. P. Holden and Dr. R. S. Dakin. Large numbers of friends from all sections of the province were present to pay their last respects to the deceased. The floral tributes were very numerous and presented a beautiful array. Special music was rendered by members of the Methodist choir.

His Honor Lieut. Governor Pugsley was unable to be present but was officially represented by his Secretary, R. S. Barker.

The following is a list of the mourners: Alex. J. Thompson, G. E. Barbour, Hon. Irving R. Todd, Hon. F. B. Black, R. S. Barker, W. B. Snowball, F. T. Barbour, Dr. T. C. Allen, Hon. F. B. Carvell, Hon. A. R. Slipp, F. W. Harrison, R. FitzRandolph, Thos. Bell, H. P. Robinson, E. W. Mair, O. J. Fraser, A. W. McMackin, S. Hoyt, J. E. Marshall, S. B. Ebbett, W. E. Stone, J. Turner, E. Fraser, J. Smith and B. Chappell.

THE OLD TIME INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY

Bathurst, April 28—A little resemblance to old-time industrial activity in Bathurst is in evidence with the commencement of work at two of the saw mills located in the town. The honor of getting under way first goes to the Gloucester Lumber & Trading Company, whose mill started on Tuesday. Mill No. 1 of the Bathurst Company, Limited, made its first lumber yesterday morning and by the end of the week both operations will be running to capacity. The logs being cut are those which lay in the booms since last spring, as it is yet too early for any of the past winter's cut to be yet into the booms. Most of the staffs employed at the two mills is composed of saw mill men who have worked there during past years. There were two or three times as many men looking for jobs as there were places to fill.

Wages are much lower than when the mills last operated two years ago, and from present appearances there is little likelihood of improvement in this respect during the season as lumber prices are low, the market poor and labor plentiful.

SHOOTING IN CORK DISTRICT

Cork, April 28—Further shootings of prominent residents of the Ballineen and Dunmanway districts, west of Cork, occurred today. The five persons reported to have been shot and killed were:

John Chinnery of Castletown; Robert Howe of Kinnegh; Robert Nagle of Clonakilly; Rev. Richard Harbor, of the Murragh rectory, or his son, and Gerald Peyton of Ballineen.

SOME BRUSHES YESTERDAY

An Exchange Between Hon. Arthur Meighen and William Duff—Parliament Will Adopt Daylight Saving—Hon. Mr. Fielding's Rejoinder to the Tory Leader.

Ottawa, April 28—Estimates of the department of public works and the department of justice before the commons today combined to make a quiet afternoon devoted to the steady passing of item after item, although a short exchange between Hon. Arthur Meighen and William Duff (Liberal, Lunenburg) lightened the proceedings for the few minutes.

The exchange had its foundation in Mr. Duff objecting on the ground of economy, to the flying of flags over public buildings. Later, when Mr. Meighen was urging for details of the expenditure in the public works department, (Mr. Duff interjected: "Hear, hear.")

"And the objector to flag agrees with me," Mr. Meighen remarked.

"I wish to object. I think it was a contemptible remark to make and could only come from a contemptible gentleman, Mr. Meighen by name."

"I mean by nature," shot back Mr. Duff. Mr. Meighen observed that he did not intend to "disturb the level of the debate" by discussing the matter, and the contentious items were stood over.

Little Criticism.

Peace returned with the introduction of the estimates of the department of justice which were approved in rapid succession. But little criticism was made, although T. L. Church (Conservative, Toronto, North), ventured the opinion that Canada was away behind the times in prison reform. Sir Lomer Gouin, minister of justice, intimated that the number of prisoners was increasing.

In spite of the fact that the house strenuously debated daylight saving recently and appeared to be fairly evenly divided on the subject, parliament will conform on Monday with the introduction of daylight saving in Ottawa. The announcement was made by Hon. W. S. Fielding just prior to adjournment.

"The government is acting wisely in following the example of the late government in this regard," Mr. Meighen commented.

"If there have been instances when the example of the late government was worthy of being followed," retorted Mr. Fielding, "they are so rare that it is well to mention them."

Mr. Fielding immediately moved the adjournment.

"The finance minister did well to move the adjournment after the remark he has just made," said Mr. Meighen, who believed that the country would observe with remorse when the government departed from the course of the late administration.

BANK BANDIT HELD FOR TRIAL

Machais, Me., April 28—Fred Keaton, who figured in the sensational hold-up of the bank at Danforth, arrived here in custody of Deputy Sheriff Horace W. Hodnett, of Danforth. Treasurer Horace M. Pullen, of the Danforth Trust Company and Attorney Daniel D. Stewart, of Danforth, representing the bank, were also here. Keaton was arraigned before A. D. McFaul, sitting as a trial justice, in the jail office, on the two complaints, robbery and assault, and pleaded not guilty. After a brief hearing Keaton was held for the grand jury of the Washington county court which sits at Calais next Tuesday, with bail fixed at \$10,000 in each case. He was committed to jail in default.

Thomas Bell of St. John is in the city.