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PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARIES

Mr. King has declared his Government's decision to adopt to Canadian use the British system of parliamentary under-secretaryships. Junior M.P.s are to be chosen by the King Cabinet and appointed on salary to assist Ministers in the affairs of their Departments. The decision is wise in principle. If the principle is wisely applied in practice it should do much to ease the strain on Ministers and improve understanding between Parliament and Government. But in making the innovation the Prime Minister and his Cabinet will do well to fortify themselves in advance against abuses that can destroy its usefulness to themselves and to the country.

In Great Britain parliamentary under-secretaryships have been comparable to apprenticeships in a skilled trade. Their main purpose has been the schooling of promising parliamentary youngsters in the duties of office. Their use and value have been in building up reserves of trained and tested Ministerial material among the younger men of a party. It would be a tragedy both for Canada and for the Liberal party if that purpose were neglected here. Parliamentary under-secretaryships are capable of a development that will ensure Canadians of the future better and wiser government than their fathers knew. They should not be debased at birth to be distributed as spoils to clamorous sectional interests, or spread as salve on the wounded vanity of disgruntled politicians.

CANADIAN TIMBER

There can be no doubt that the increased attention given by Canadian timber exporters to the special needs of the British importers has resulted in the latter manifesting greater interest in Canada's timber output, particularly that of British Columbia. We possess nearly ninety per cent of the world's softwood supply, and fifty per cent of this is in the Pacific Coast province. Six years ago every mill in British Columbia was going full time and producing a million standards per annum. But the depression hit the timber industry particularly hard, and today, even with a certain definite volume of recovery, the mills are operating at only about half their full capacity.

Nevertheless, British Columbia, which in 1932 sent to Britain only four per cent of the latter's total requirements, last year sent a quarter of a million standards, or nine per cent of the total British timber import. But for the large stocks in hand in Britain, the imports from Canada would undoubtedly have been much larger. The first half of the current year does not tell any more favourable story, owing to the same circumstances. It is expected, however, that the new Housing Act in the Old Country will create a considerable demand for timber and that Canada will reap the benefit of this. Canadian timber exporters are now thoroughly well aware of the British requirements, and may be relied upon to do their full share towards securing a larger proportion of the British market than they have enjoyed hitherto.

The question so far as New Brunswick is concerned is whether our lumber operators are in a position to supply the British market with the size of timber which it requires for the building trades. The days of our long lumber, which was so popular in Great Britain, are over.

PUBLIC SERVICE ONLY

In taking office Mr. King considered it of the utmost importance to emphasize the point that no commitments had been made to any corporation, interest or individual. That such a statement was regarded as necessary would be somewhat startling were it not for the fact that many people believe the "two old parties" are tools of favored interests, which sit in the saddle at all times. The new groups in the recent campaign were evidence to this effect.

The assurance, therefore, that the Liberal administration takes up its responsibilities without strings attached to it, and with no object other than to serve the public welfare, is timely, and ought to assist in restoring confidence in governmental integrity.

With a clean slate in this respect on the part of the Ministry as a whole and with the pronouncements on the public platform as the guiding principle, the electorate should be able to recall once more that "democracy is direct self-government, over all the people, for all the people, by all the people."

His first step, after hearing the election results, he stated, was to communicate with the Provincial Governments to arrange an early conference on questions affecting the relations between the two jurisdictions, involving the unemployment situation and social legislation designed to ameliorate conditions.

That Mr. King intends to make full use of the political harmony that here prevails to deal with problems from the national point of view, and with the aid of the intimate knowledge obtainable from the Provincial representatives, is one justification for the faith imposed in him. He has an opportunity rare in history to weld the responsible forces of the country in support of a common cause—that from which he excludes special corporation or individual interests. Obviously the proof will be in the results, and it is certain much will be anticipated, although, in the last analysis, as he has explained, his expectations loom largest from a more liberal attitude toward external trade.

The assurance of independence he has given for the Government he has required from the Cabinet Ministers individually. Implementing party policies, and what may be considered as Ministerial obligations, will depend on Cabinet sanction "endorsed as being clearly for the public weal." This is the sort of service the public has a right to expect. If Mr. King is able to live up to the letter of such an undertaking he will be entitled to the confidence of the country.

In structure the Cabinet is about as representative of the various sections and activities of the Dominion as could well be. It contains, in addition to expert and experienced men, much new timber, and, doubtless with a desire to neglect no Province, some surprises. But with a Ministry committed to co-operation on broad public policies, and with what might be called an Advisory Council composed of Provincial Premiers, its ability to deal with problems expeditiously and wisely cannot be questioned.

It is unnecessary to say that capacity and wisdom will be needed. The country's affairs are difficult, and are likely to remain so for some time. The best promise for their solution, however, was in the choice of a Government having no commitments to interfere with concentration on public welfare.

Hon. J. E. Michaud
Receives a Hearty Reception

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 and surrounding places drove to St. Quentin this morning to meet him on his way from Campbellton. There he was met by a cheering crowd and was escorted to a hall, where a reception was held. Fred E. Rivard, St. Leonard, acted as master of ceremonies. Mr. Michaud thanked his friends for their support in the election and promised to do his best.

The party then proceeded to St. Leonard, where another demonstration had been prepared. They were met at the town limits by town officials and a band, and were escorted to the public hall, where Dr. L. J. Viollette read an address to the new minister. Ephiane Nadeau, president of the Madawaska County Liberal Association, gave a brief sketch of Mr. Michaud's career.

At Edmundston, another large reception was held. Deputy Mayor John J. Daigle read an address, Mr. Michaud replied appropriately and a bouquet was presented to Mrs. Michaud.

MEMORIAL CEREMONY

A handsome bronze pulpit lamp was dedicated in the United Church of Canada, Jacksonville, on Sunday evening at a memorial ceremony held in loving memory of the late Mrs. Charlie Harper and Miss Ada R. Wiley. Rev. J. W. Howe paid fitting tribute to their memory in appreciation of their services to the Church of God. The presentation was made by the ladies of the congregation.—Woodstock Press.

Days to advertise in The Daily Mail.

SNAPSHOTS

The F.H.S. trimmed the Saint John High School at football. Then they added insult to injury by feeding them to a "bountiful repast" of cold beans and cold coffee.

A crowd of toughs took advantage of the High School boys' celebration on Saturday night, to throw stale eggs about the street. In one case a lady's clothes were ruined. It is alleged that the fresh youths had nothing whatever to do with the High School, but just butted in.

Are unlicensed fly-by-night travelers allowed to come to town and sell blankets and other goods from door to door in opposition to our local merchants? It is understood that there is a fifty dollar license fee for these people. If so they should be made to pay up and not get away with a five or ten dollar one. It is not fair to our local merchants who have to pay taxes, rent, etc.

This peddling business should be gone into thoroughly. There is too much of it in every line.

What will Premier King do with the Radio Commission? There is no law to hang them, and perhaps they do not altogether deserve it.

Chain store profits should allow the biscuits offered for sale here to be protected by cellophane.

Flies should not be current about the currant cookies in shop windows.

Jack Frost is just around the corner.

"Cleanliness is next to Godliness." Some places where eatables are displayed are far from being heavenly.

Supervision of play in school grounds is one important matter not yet acted upon by the Fredericton School Board.

Sweet shops should not be sweat shops in order to reduce the price of candy.

SERVICES AT
CITY CHURCHES

The usual Sunday services were conducted at the churches in this city and vicinity over the weekend. Although the weather was unpleasant there were large congregations at the churches. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at the morning service communion was given, the subject of the address by the pastor during the morning being "The Institution of the Lord's Supper." In the evening Rev. Dr. Ross spoke on "The Sequel to Fellowship in the Upper Room."

At Brunswick Street Baptist church morning and evening sermons were especially on the church, sermon titles being "Looking Forward." Rev. G. W. Guion spoke.

The morning service at St. Paul's United church was a baptismal service while the evening service was entitled "Diseases of the Soul."

Rev. J. W. Bartlett, pastor, spoke at both morning and evening services at Wilmot United church. In the morning the subject was "A Good Man with a Bad Name," and in the evening the sermon subject was "The Youth Who Could Not Shiver." The sermon was especially for young people. At 2:30 o'clock the Men's Brotherhood of the church met in Pythian Hall and had as their guests the Jewish Brethren from the local synagogue. Nathan Liphshetz was the chief speaker and many were in attendance.

Communion service was held at Gibson Memorial United church in Devon with Rev. William A. Burge conducting at all services. At the Devon Baptist church Rev. D. L. Kennedy spoke in the morning on "The Christian's Relation to Christ," and in the evening on the theme: "Where is God My Maker, who Giveth Songs in the Night?" Rev. Dr. Milligan conducted the services in St. Dunstan's church during the day. Rt. Rev. Monsignor Carney being confined to his home with illness. The Feast of Christ the King was celebrated by a special High Mass and in the evening there was a special act of consecration. Large congregations attended all services.

A SAD TRIP

Mrs. J. A. Perkins has returned after being called to Moncton to be at the bedside of her mother, the late Mrs. Mary C. Sullivan, who died at the Moncton Hospital last Saturday.

DIED

COYLE:—At Fredericton, October 28, 1935, Robert W. Coyle.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday with service at 8:30 o'clock and High Mass of Requiem at St. Dunstan's Church at nine o'clock. Rev. Dr. Milligan will officiate and interment will be in the Hermitage.

OUR MAIL BAG

LEAVES OF HOPE

O race of man, Long feel on boundless hopes,
 So answerest thou; but why not rather say:
 We count the hours—These drams of ones,
 Like the wave; hope ebbs and flows
 Try come and goes,
 We live no more, when we have done our span."
 So answerest thou; Our vaunted life is one long 'ameral.
 Mazed with doubts and sick with fear,
 So answerest thou; but why not rather say:
 "Hath man no second life?
 Sits there no judge in Heaven, our sin to see?—
 Was Christ a man like us?—Ah let us try
 If we then, too can be such men as he!"
 How then should sound upon Life's darkening slope
 The ground-whirl of the perished leaves of Hope.

EDWIN H. CLARKE.

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of the World

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including private houses and ships, along the lines followed in the last Parliament, and second, by the transfer of labor from areas of stagnation to areas of greater industrial activity. In addition, it is planned to reorganize certain industries, such as mining, on a more rational basis.

Attention was drawn to improvement brought about in agricultural prices and wages.

The manifesto included: "The advent of a Socialist government pledged to revolutionary measures of which the ultimate results are not clearly foreseen would inevitably be followed by a collapse of confidence."

It was signed by Prime Minister Baldwin, leader of the Conservative party, former prime minister Ramsay MacDonald, leader of the National Labor party, and Sir John Simon, leader of the National Liberals.

Other Manifestos

Liberal and Labor manifestos opposing the government also have been issued. The Labor statement called the period of the present government's power "four, barren years," while the Liberal platform-statement did not "recognize the present administration as a National Government" because it said it was not supported by any party except the Conservative. Many political observers predicted the government would be returned on Nov. 14 with a strong working majority of 150 to 200 seats.

Arthur Greenwood, prominent Labor leader, today accused the government of seeking re-election only so it can "pursue its policy of increased armaments."

Greenwood, in an address at Wakefield, declared the statements at Geneva of Anthony Eden, minister for League of Nations affairs, are in conflict with those of men at home who advocate vastly increased armaments.

Among these he included Neville Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer; Winston Churchill and Col. Leopold Amery, both former cabinet ministers.

Eden, he charged, is being used by the government as a blind to throw off people from the problems at home.

War Profits

Sir Stafford Cripps, left-wing Labor member, condemned speculation for profit now going on in industry and in the markets as a result of the Italian Ethiopian war. He said Labor would change all that if it is triumphant in the elections.

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The government is "using the League to deal with a rival, so it has urged the use of economic sanctions," declared Sir Stafford in a speech at Greenock.

George Lansbury, recently resigned as the Labor leader in the House of Commons told a Dundee audience the Labor party envisages the nationalization of the coal fields as the solution of the constant wage problem in the mines.

A statement declaring that "in deference to the splendid work of the League minister in the cause of peace no Liberal candidate would be submitted in the districts of Warwick and Leamington where Eden is running, was issued by the Liberal party. Eden will be opposed by a Labor candidate however. He is J. Berry, municipal councillor of Birmingham.

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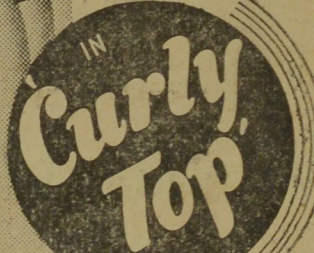
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