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BRITISH UNIONISTS ENDORSE BONAR LAW OPPOSITION TO SOVIET LEADERSHIP IS FINALLY WIPED OUT IN SIBERIA

Andrew Bonar Law Officially Enters Political Fight When Elected Leader of Unionists

LONDON, Oct. 23.—Andrew Bonar Law, who was recently called upon by the King to form a Government and who delayed taking action because he was not the accredited leader of the Conservative party in Britain, was unanimously elected leader of the Unionists at a meeting today.

This action of the Unionist party is in line with constitutional usage which requires that the premier shall be the accredited leader of the predominant party in the House of Commons.

Bonar Law, on leaving the Unionist meeting, told the newspapermen he would accept the task of forming a ministry. The meeting was attended by 439 members of the party including 152 peers.

Law was proposed for leadership by Earl Curzon, minister for foreign affairs in the Lloyd George cabinet. The nomination was seconded by Stanley Baldwin, president of the board of trade. His election enables Law to accept the task of forming a cabinet, thereby giving Britain her first Conservative prime minister since 1905. It is understood that the new cabinet is virtually complete.

Will Define Policy

The premier designate did not define his policy before the meeting, according to reports obtained from the gathering, but intimated that he would do so in a speech at Glasgow next Saturday.

Mr. Law expressed the hope that the coalition unionists, who had voted against the resolution passed at the Carlton Club last week for a return of the party to independence, would join their unionist brothers and go to the country as a united party. Law arranged for an audience with the King at 5:30 this afternoon.

In an address Law declared this was not the time for introducing large schemes which might be beneficial to the empire, however dear such might be to his heart. He added he should rather hope for a period of quietness than one of fierce controversy. His reference is supposed to have been to tariff reform.

Mr. Law declared the Irish constitution must be carried out.

Referring to Lloyd George, Bonar Law said he was sure they would have a "pretty tussle" but he hoped they still would be friends afterwards.

KITSUMKALUM LAKE YOUTH MEETS DEATH

Remains of Robert Smith Found
in Water With Head Half
Blown Off

Robert Smith, aged 17, was accidentally shot and killed at Kitsumkalum Lake near Terrace according to advice which was received today by the local provincial police office from Constable Mancor of Terrace. Smith's remains were found at the lake with the head blown off and the body partly in the water.

Later investigation by Constable Mancor established the fact that death had been entirely accidental, the youth's parents being satisfied to this effect. The remains are being brought to Terrace and the tragedy is being fully investigated.

STRIKE THREATENED IN SOUTH WALES FOR CLOSED SHOP SYSTEM

LONDON, Oct. 23.—Union miners have posted notices throughout South Wales mining districts that general strike of miners will take place in a fortnight unless the non-union miners join the federation and 100 per cent membership is obtained meanwhile.

CITY REFUSES TO PAY BILLS

Matter of Continuing Work on
Booth School Will Come Before
Council Tonight

On Saturday the finance committee of the city council on the advice of the city solicitor refused to honor checks issued against repair work at the new school, the appropriation made by the city council having been exceeded. It is understood that the matter will come up for discussion at the city council meeting this evening when members of the schoolboard will be present. At the same time it is understood there will be a report made on the present condition of the Booth school building.

Examined Building

Mr. Jeffers, seen this morning, said he had examined the building yesterday and there were five places where water came in last year. He believed that there was not yet enough waterproofing on the bricks. Where the walls were covered with stucco the water did not come through.

This morning Mr. K. Jeffers again visited the building and found a leak where water came in from the wood outlooks holding the cornice. This showed plainly that the bricks were still taking up water.

FIFTEEN LOST THEIR LIVES IN FIRE AT NEW YORK TENEMENT

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Fifteen persons, most of them children, lost their lives in a fire which destroyed a tenement building. It is believed to have been started by a fire maniac.

HALIFAX M.P. DIED

HALIFAX, Oct. 23.—Edward Blackadder, M.P. for Halifax, died on Sunday. This is the third vacancy in the House of Commons at Ottawa.

TRUE BILL AGAINST SECTION FOREMAN

Constantine Duralis Was Indicted
by Grand Jury at Supreme
Court Assizes This
Morning

A true bill was brought in by the Grand Jury at the Supreme Court Assizes this morning against Constantine Duralis who is charged with attempted rape and indecent assault against Mrs. Alexina Boudais at Doughty Station on September 22 last. Assizes are a railway section foreman. L. S. McGill of Smithers, is counsel for the defence. The hearing is proceeding this afternoon.

SUNDAY CONCERT PROVES SUCCESSFUL

Count Scheda Party Given Good
Reception at Westholme
Theatre

In spite of the unusually inclement weather which prevailed last night the special musical concert in the Westholme theatre given by Count Scheda and artists was a pronounced success, a large and appreciative audience being present. The artists were very indulgent and gave many encores with apparent delight.

The concert opened with pianoforte solos by Danielo Popovich, whose execution of the difficult masters brought forth rounds of applause. His selections included Sonata, B flat minor, by Chopin; In a three Horse Sleigh by Tchaikovsky; as an encore Mr. Popovich gave "Turkey in the Straw." Country Gardens by Grainger, and the Prelude, G sharp minor by Rachmaninoff concluded his excellent turn.

Andre Jovovich, the eminent Serbian baritone, gave a splendid selection of vocal numbers including Le Cor Flegien; Toreador Song from "Carmen"; and the Blind Ploughman by Clarke. As encores he sang Solo Mio; My Cousin Carus and a Serbian March. The applause of the audience proved that Mr. Jovovich's performance was highly appreciated.

Count Scheda, was perhaps the favorite of the evening with his violin. He played Nel Carpio non Misento by Paganini; Scottish Caprice by Carl Guhr, and the Polish Dance by Wieniawski. As encores he played Cavatina by Rimowski, Home Sweet Home and Ave Marie. The execution of his popular program stamps the Count as a star in the firmament of the world's violinists.

The Count Scheda Concert party will leave for Anyox on Wednesday night.

LADY DECAPITATED CAUGHT UNDER CAR

SASKATOON, Oct. 23.—Miss Helen Bird, aged 21, of Saskatoon, was decapitated when an auto overturned and the running board descended across her neck. Her mother, who was also in the car, was seriously injured.

FOUND GUILTY LESSER COUNT

Jury Finds McEachern Guilty of
Unlawfully Wounding Mate
Matthews of Whaler

A verdict of guilty of unlawful wounding with a recommendation for leniency was returned by the jury in the Rex vs. McEachern case at the Supreme Court Assizes before Mr. Justice Murphy this afternoon and adjournment was made until the end of the session when sentence will be pronounced. The taking of evidence and argument of counsel was heard this morning and the judge's charge was made just at the noon hour. The jury returned with its verdict shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon. Archie Donaghy conducted the case for the crown and Milton Gonzales, of William & Gonzales, appeared for the defence.

Robert Watts Cameron, jeweler, gave evidence as to the rifle that was produced in court and with which the shooting was alleged to have been done. It was a short Lee-Enfield as was used in service in the recent war.

Evidence of Accused

McEachern, the accused, gave evidence on his own behalf. Previous to enlisting in 1915 he had been a tailor. He had followed that calling on his return from overseas until last spring when there had been domestic troubles and he had gone to Victoria to find work that would take him away from "civilization." He had obtained a job on a whaling boat and had got along well with the captain, officers and crew. There had never been trouble or ill feeling. On August 24, the date when the shooting took place, he and other members of the crew had gone ashore at Massett to get tobacco and clothing. At the store Raybone had noticed some lemon extract and they had purchased a bottle. This they consumed and went for more, considerable of which was drunk.

Accused said he did not remember sparring with Raybone on the wharf nor had he remembered anything about the shooting. The first thing he remembered was waking up in a strange house in Massett, that of Constable Singer. He had asked Mr. Singer how he got there and he was told he had shot the mate of the boat and jumped overboard. That was the first he knew of the shooting.

Regarding the increase in wages, he had spoken to the captain about it but there was no ill feeling. He had no reason or motive for wanting to shoot the captain or the mate. He had got along well with both.

Addresses Jury
In addressing the jury, Milton Gonzales, counsel for the defence, dealt with the clean record of the accused before the war, during service and since. Accused had not been sober that was evident. It could not be believed that accused had shot with intent.

A. Donaghy, counsel for the crown, suggested that accused had not been drunk enough not to know what he was doing. Mr. Justice Murphy explained the counts to the jury. The charges of attempted murder and attempt to commit grievous bodily harm required proof of intent. If there was a doubt of the intent, it would be the jury's duty to find the accused guilty of wounding, about which there had been little controversy.

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Soviet Wins Out in Eastern Siberia and People There are Awaiting Their New Rulers

VLADIVOSTOK, Oct. 23.—The curtain has been rung down on the final scene in the Russian revolution. Those who defended this port, the last outpost of opposition to Soviet rule are departing. In the final struggle a few hundred persons were killed and the people are sitting back waiting for their new rulers, the soviet leaders of the Far Eastern Republic, better known as the Chita Government, to arrive.

The soviet progress was held back for a long time by the presence of the Japanese but they were recently withdrawn and the soldiers of the old regime were powerless to meet the advancing foe.

By many the change is welcomed as promising to settle the troubles in Eastern Siberia and making it possible for the country to settle down to a period of quiet in which trade and commerce may be restored.

AMERICANS WON RACE

Schooner Henry Ford Two
Minutes Ahead of Bluenose
at Finish

GLOUCESTER, Oct. 23.—Schooner Henry Ford won the schooner race today by about two minutes.

Schooner Henry Ford, the challenger, and the Canadian fishing boat Bluenose, the international fishing schooner champion, got away this morning in a good breeze in the first official race for the trophy.

Prior to the start the skipper and crew of the Henry Ford declared they would not start because Saturday's race was not recognized by the committee, but they were prevailed upon to start after the committee had ordered them to do so.

At the first mark the Henry Ford was 45 seconds ahead of the Bluenose.

Crew Annry

Only part of the regular racing crew of the Henry Ford, which won the Fishermen's boat race to day was aboard the winning vessel. The whole crew was angry at the ruling made after Saturday's race, which deprived them of victory, when the race was classed as unofficial because both boats ignored the committee's postponement signals.

Captain Morrissey, of the Henry Ford says Captain Walters of the Canadian boat told him today that he would be willing to consider the Cup won by America if the Henry Ford won again today.

Appeals made by Secretary of the Navy Denby induced some of the crew to go aboard with Captain Morrissey, while others were recruited from the wharves. The committee had announced that if the Henry Ford did not appear at the starting post, the Bluenose would go on without her.

Later

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PROHIBITION INJUNCTION

Judge Refuses to Make it
Permanent But Allows Appeal to
Supreme Court

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Federal Judge Learned Hand today dismissed a motion for a permanent injunction brought by Foreign and American steamship companies restraining federal prohibition agents from putting into effect the bone dry ruling of Attorney-General Daugherty. He extended the stay temporarily, however, providing the steamship companies file an immediate appeal to the United States supreme court.

25 FOOT TIDE ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON

No Damage is Reported Along the
Waterfront Either From This
or The Storm

The usual monthly high tide and a southwest wind tended to make the water of the harbor unusually high on Saturday afternoon when the variation between low and high water was 25 feet. This was not as high as on September 22, however, when the variation was 26 feet. No damage is reported along the waterfront either from high tide or the storm of the week-end.

STRANDED ON MUD NEAR METLAKATLA

Three Local Sportsmen Have to
Slay Out Late in Inclement
Weather

There were at least three people who did not enjoy the driving rain last evening. The three were Charles Starr, William Nelson and S. K. Campbell. They went to the Salt lagoon yesterday in search of ducks and anchored outside on the flats this side of Metlakatla. The tide was a very low one and as it went out it left the boat stranded on the mud and there it remained until much later than the hunters intended. They arrived home this morning before daylight.

STEVE KING HOME WITH HIS BRIDE

Married Miss H. Smith at Bognor,
Sussex, England, on September 20.

Steve King arrived home today on the Princess Mary with his bride who was formerly Miss H. Smith. The wedding took place on September 20 at Bognor, Sussex, England, and the couple crossed the Atlantic on the steamer Montcalm. Pending the taking up of a permanent residence in the city, Mr. and Mrs. King are staying at the Prince Rupert Hotel.