

COALITION CABINET FORMED IN FRANCE

Briland Organizes New Ministry in Which All Parties and Factions Are Represented.

NOTED MEN IN ITS MEMBERSHIP

PARIS, Oct. 29.—A new French cabinet, headed by Aristide Briand as premier and minister of foreign affairs, came into existence tonight. This is the first time in the history of the French republic that there has been a coalition ministry of all the opposing parties and factions. It follows closely on the recent innovation of forming a British coalition cabinet of conservative and liberals.

The action taken today informing the cabinet was the culmination of a deep popular sentiment that at the supreme crisis of the war party divisions should give way to united action by all the parties in common support of the government. As the result of the cabinet of Rene Viviani being representative of only a few political groups, the ministers presented their collective resignations and President Poincaré immediately charged Aristide Briand with the formation of a new organization combining all elements. The resulting coalition is remarkable in personnel, including such venerable figures as Charles De Freycinet, who was one of Gambetta's aides in the upheaval of 1870, Jules Méline, former premier who instituted the protective system of France, and Leon Bourgeois, who is known as "the grand old man of the republic," which has the largest membership in Parliament.

Old and Young Statesmen. The modern elements represented by conspicuous leaders of all the political groups of the country. This new coalition brings together France's elder and younger statesmen and in personnel represents all the history of modern France since the fall of Napoleon III. The new cabinet also is notable in having the popular military leader, General Gallieni as the head of the war office and Rear Admiral La Caze as head of the ministry of marine, both of them replacing civilians.

The extent of the coalition is shown by the following representations from the various parties:

The radical party is represented by M. Bourgeois, a former premier; M. Combes, a former premier, and Rene Renoult, one of the foremost parliamentary leaders of the party.

The republican socialist have as members M. Briand, M. Viviani and Prof. Painleve.

The socialist group is represented by Jules Guesde, who has been the socialist head since the death of Jean Leon Juarez, and by Marcel Sembat and Albert Thomas, prominent socialist leaders.

The democratic left has as members Gabriel Guisthau and Jos Thierry, while the radical left has Etienne Clementel as its representative.

The royalist and clerical element is represented by Denis Cochin.

This embraces all the parties and groups in Parliament which for years have been arrayed against each other.

GET TOGETHER IS WATCHWORD OF ESTABROOK
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The actual condition which we are so prone to forget as a consequence is to forget his recent sufferings. It seems that property had vanished, with seemingly no prospect of return. It means that between the election of a democratic administration and the outbreak of the European war the richest nation in the world had virtually gone bankrupt. Our loneame president, set like a solitary in a circle of incompetents, an island of theory entirely surrounded by theorists—was dazed and bewildered at the devastation wrought by governmental policies which seemed to his didactic mind so logical in the abstract. He regarded the phenomenon, in all soberity, as physiological—a state of mind. But this explanation did not appease the hunger of the hundreds of thousands of unemployed, who were standing in bread lines or living hand-to-mouth with nothing in either of them. They were like the young doctor to whom the cadaverous waitress had murmured—"Bald tongue, stewed kidneys, fried liver—hang your symptoms," interrupted the doctor, "what I want is something to eat."

Was a Cheerful Voice.
"Such being the unhappy plight of our country, the first growth of the dogs of war was like the watch-dog's honest bark—a cheerful voice in the night. War was an explanation that ought to satisfy everybody. We were vicarious sufferers in a European war. Business had seen it coming. By a sort of provision or clairvoyance peculiar to business it had known war was soon to break out, and had forthwith commenced to suffer in sheer sympathy, as it were. The national treasury, which a republican administration always leaves full to overflowing, was already a vacuum. Somebody had to cough up, and, as they say in the comic opera, our coffers were empty. But here was a chance to levy an emergency tax and call it a war tax. It was an earnest substitute which fooled nobody. So far from causing our distress, the European war is all that has saved us from going to protest. The figures given by Mr. Spears prove this beyond gainway:

"It is conservative to place the deliveries of munitions, cartridges, clothing, etc., since the war began, at \$40,000,000 to \$60,000,000. This is about what the United States pays Europe annually on tourist credits, alien remittances and freight."

Keeps Tourists Home.
"In other words, the war has kept our tourists at home at a saving to us of \$40,000,000, and Europe has handed us as much more in hard cash. But this is not all. Says Mr. Spears:

"The actual shipments are only one-quarter to one-third the value of the contracts negotiated here. One can sit down with paper and pencil and in a few minutes foot up a bill of \$1,000,000,000 to \$2,000,000,000 that the Allies will have to pay here in the next nine or twelve months, on materials already spoken for."
"Small" the administration he credited with this fever of "prosperity?" This should be the first to disclaim it, for the war has been a Chinese wall of protection—protection related to the North—fantastic, chaotic, almost satanic. But the war must have an end, and then what? Why, corporate stocks that have gone up like a rocket will come down like a stick. Millions of men crazy to get back to work on any terms will dump their

products on the United States and our high-blown bubble will be pricked. So much is conceded even by Mr. Redfield, who says that this inevitable predicament will be met from an ethical standpoint at the end of an economic standpoint. "To increase the tariff," he says, "might seem to be the simplest and easiest way." But who ever heard of a democrat taking the easy and simple way of a protective tariff, demonstrated by history to be the sure and effective way. When there was a theory to be exploited and a goodly number of laws to handle the situation on an ethical basis entirely. He says.

Could Check Shipments.
For instance, if after the war is over it is seen that a movement is under way to ship foreign goods to this country in great quantities and sell them at a price below which we can produce them that movement can be checked.

At the present time no goods can be shipped to this country from any foreign country without a manifest signed by our consular agent in that country approving the cargo. If foreign countries attempted to ship goods into this country at a price or price our consular agents could demand the right to investigate the means of producing the commodities at a lower price than he should. If the agents were refused the right to make such an investigation the American consuls could then refuse to sign the manifests and the products could never leave the ports for the United States.

There would be a chance, of course, that some goods might get by. Another agent to meet this situation congress could pass a law making it illegal for any foreign goods to be shipped into this country in an effort to undersell American manufacturers.

The Washington correspondent who sent this dispatch purports to have transcribed Mr. Redfield's exact words, otherwise I would swear the secretary had been misquoted. Gaze at the proposition, ponder the beauty of it, note and inwardly digest the logic of it!

To Help Foreigners.
"The sole object of lowering tariffs is to enable foreign manufacturers to sell their goods in America in competition with our own manufacturers, isn't it? What other possible object could there be? But Mr. Redfield says he will not permit this object to be accomplished. He will add to the duties of our consular agents the function of a Paul Pry, who investigates the private business affairs of foreign manufacturers, their means of production, the cost price to them and their selling price to us. If it is found difficult to engage a consular agent who is willing to have his nose tweaked or his vertebrae telescoped as a regular concomitant of his activities, then Mr. Redfield will make it a statutory crime for any American to purchase an imported commodity at a lower price than ought to be charged for it!

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Democracy to Ourselves.
"It is true that all Europe is in a conflagration, but that fact only emphasizes our own duty to ourselves. Europe today, with the madness of insanity, is destroying what it has taken it centuries to create. Was there ever a time when America could less afford to experiment with its own great creative facilities?"
"War or no war, I believe that the present administration, having gained some little knowledge of the world, must either recede from its distasteful, speculative policies for the good of the republic, or that in a time of its need be supplanted by an administration to whom experience rather than theorise, however plausible, or hopes, however sanguine, shall be a lamp to the feet and a lodestar to the mind. What this country really needs, and always needs, is a republican administration of its affairs. The man whom the republicans shall nominate for president in 1916 is not so important as the party principles that stand back of him, provided always he is a man upon whom republican factions, if they still exist, can

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through a democracy; Hamilton, a noble wail, without pride of family or ancestral type of the anonymous that was destined to give name to the anonymous—Hamilton, I say, was in his theories of government centralist, fearful of the imbecility or neutralisation of divided power, believing that for the good of all its exercise should have the energy that comes from centralized authority. For our government to tend beyond the tendencies of Hamilton would tend to imperialism. Yet Jefferson was not an anarchist, nor was Hamilton an imperialist. No, these towering figures are our pillars of Hercules, marking the dangerous channel which our ship of state must navigate if it would escape the rocks of Gibraltar on the one hand or those of Ahyia on the other! And so we have, not a pure democracy, which is all discussion and no action, nor yet anything approaching an autocracy, but this wonderful republic of ours—and this wonderful republican party of ours—guardian of the republic—the party that made it and saved it and is yet to bring it forth the most glorious product of man's effort and God's providence—the only party that comprehends the insuperable distinction between ordered liberty and utter anarchy—the hope of America, as America is the hope and beacon of the world!

Once Republican, Always One.
"That I am one of those who believe in letting bygones be bygones; of letting the dead past bury its dead. I do not believe that a man who ever called himself a republican would be happy to be called by any other name. Wherefore we must get together, not as hyphenated republicans, but as rejuvenated republicans. The republican party is big enough and tolerant enough to include men differing as widely in opinion as Mr. Root and Mr. La Follette. It is really big enough to include Mr. Roosevelt unless he insists upon flooding by himself, for our party is concerned not at all with sections or individuals, but only with the nation and the people as a whole.

"There can be but two great parties in any nation. All others are sporadic, ephemeral, tangential—or any other high-falootin word you are pleased to call them—comets, zigzagging through space, bound for God knows where—all tall and no head—all gas and no substance. For just as in chemistry, antagonistic substances fall apart at the first shock to their enforced union, so in politics the alliances of opposing interests can never last. Stephen A. Douglas said as much in his debate with Lincoln, and Lincoln did not deny the statement. No thinking man has ever denied it. And the reason of it inheres in the very nature of things. Science tells us that every molecule of the universe is in motion, including perhaps the very atoms that make up the substance of our thoughts. Science tells us that this motion is rotary and that rotary motion evolves two forces: centrifugal, away from the center; centripetal, towards a center, and that each force acts as a check and balance upon the other. Everyone of us is conscious of these opposing tendencies in his own mentality, and is attracted to the school of Hamilton or the school of Jefferson, according to his dominant proclivity. For Hamilton and Jefferson were and continue to be symbols of opposing tendencies. Jefferson, born an aristocrat, proud of his antecedents, was, nevertheless, in his theories of government, centrifugal, jealous of centralized power, believing that its exercise should be diffused

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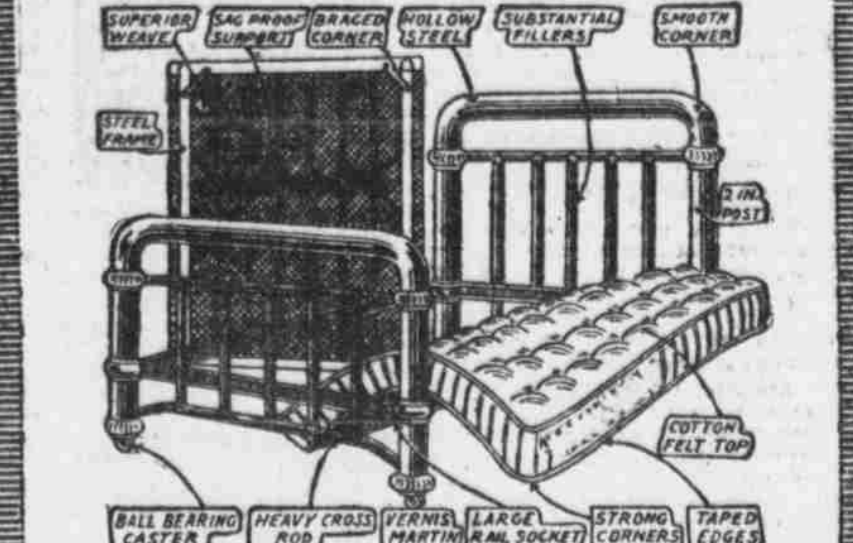
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