

LOYD GEORGE IS NEW PREMIER OF BRITISH EMPIRE

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TO BE NATIONAL CABINET

Administration Constructed Without Regard to Party, it is Said.

CONFER WITH MONARCH

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The Press association says it learns that on Bonar Law's advice, King George asked Lloyd George to form a government and that it understands on good authority that Lloyd George consented to accept the task and will endeavor to form a national ministry without regard to party differences.

The court circular tonight announcing the political audiences and conferences at the palace today, adds:

"The king gave a further audience this evening to Bonar Law, who intimated that he was unable to form an administration. Thereupon the king summoned Lloyd George who, at his majesty's request undertook to endeavor to form an administration."

London, Dec. 6.—A Bonar Law today declined the invitation of King George to undertake the formation of a new ministry and the king then sent for David Lloyd-George, who is believed, like Mr. Bonar Law, to have informed the sovereign of the difficulties which he would have to face if he undertook the construction of a cabinet.

This afternoon the king initiated negotiations in the hope of composing the differences among the members of the Asquith administration, Mr. Asquith and all the other members being summoned to Buckingham palace.

Mr. Lloyd-George already was there. A. J. Balfour, Arthur Henderson and Mr. Bonar Law soon arrived. They and other members had been in conference with the king for some time before Mr. Asquith on receiving an intimation that his presence was required, hurriedly left to join them.

The earl of Derby said today he believed it possible that an agreement which would bring the coalition back to power might be reached in regard to the membership of the proposed small war council, the difficulty which wrecked the coalition.

Carson Stands by Ulster.

The nationalists, who withdrew their support from Premier Asquith because of his failure to carry out the agreement made by Mr. Lloyd-George for bringing home rule into force immediately, would hardly be likely to follow a cabinet of which the unionist leader was the chief and in which Sir Edward Carson was included. It had been suggested their support might be obtained by granting their demands regarding Ireland and it was even said Sir Edward was a party to this, but the Ulster leader telegraphed to his supporters in Belfast a denial of the report, saying:

"The proposals attributed to me are without foundation. Ulster men know my views and my unabated loyalty to them."

Labor Party Behind Asquith.

Another difficulty was presented by the labor party, whose leader, George Wardle, announced yesterday the intention of the labor members in the House of Commons to support Mr. Asquith. They are meeting to take a final decision. The Manchester Guardian, which generally voices the opinion of the provincial members, expressed the opinion that Mr. Bonar Law would be more likely to effect a combination which the House of Commons would support than Mr. Lloyd-George would be and added

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DAN CUPID TAKES FALL FROM STECHER

Dodge Wonder and Miss Frances Ehlers Married at Fontenelle Hotel.

WILL MAKE HOME HERE

Joe Stecher, Nebraska's wrestling pride, came down from Dodge yesterday with Miss Frances Ehlers of Scribner, Neb., and were married at Hotel Fontenelle at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. Charles W. Savidge.

The bride's sister, Miss Marguerite Ehlers, and bridegroom's brother, Anton Stecher, accompanied them. Joe Hetmanek, Stecher's manager, came on an early afternoon train.

No one but their parents were told of the young people's plans. Miss Ehlers, who is only 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claus Ehlers. Her father is president of the First National bank at Scribner. Stecher is 23. The couple met at the West Point races in 1914. She is the young woman who watched Joe with such interest in his first Omaha match.

Mr. and Mrs. Stecher left last evening for New York, where he will fill several wrestling engagements. On their return the end of the month they will live in Omaha for some time until they decide where they will settle permanently.

"Which is harder, getting married or getting ready for a wrestling match?" the bashful young wrestling champion was asked.

"A wrestling match. But they're two different things," he replied with a slow smile.

Approaching marriage seemed to have had its influence on the hitherto laconic Dodge pride. This is the first time on record Joe answered a question with more than one or two words and it was noted that he laughed and smiled frequently while conversing with his bride and reporters.

Mrs. Stecher seems as retiring in her nature as her famous husband. She is a beautiful girl of the blond, blue-eyed type, with fresh coloring. She is quite tall and wore a black velvet coat trimmed with bands of brown fur, and a small black hat, the crown of which was pale pink and gold brocade with a touch of white. For the wedding, she wore a mustard colored Bolivia cloth suit with a blouse of the same shade of chiffon and Georgette crepe, and light-colored shoes. She carried yellow chrysanthemums.

Her sister, Miss Marguerite, wore a black velvet suit and large black hat and carried the same flowers. She and Anton Stecher leave for their homes tonight.

When it was noted in the court house that Joe Stecher was taking out a marriage license, all legal business was suspended. County officials rang vainly for stenographers, tax receipts lay unnoticed, jurymen left jury boxes and lawyers argued to thin air. All went to gaze. Joe Stecher's wedding was of more moment than the marriage of a president.

Mrs. Stecher, while naturally an admirer of athletics, is more musically inclined than anything. She has had quite a training in voice and is said to be talented along this line. She is also a great out-of-doors girl.

Body of Sunday's Nephew Is Buried In Ames Cemetery

Ames, Ia., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram.)—The body of Howard Sunday, 20 year old, nephew of Rev. William A. Sunday, the evangelist, was buried in the county cemetery, one mile south of here this afternoon. Mrs. William A. Sunday attended the services.

Munitions Plant Blast Kills Over Score of Women

London, Dec. 6.—Twenty-six women were killed and about thirty injured in an explosion in a munitions factory last night, according to an official announcement, which adds that the effect of the accident on the munitions output will be negligible.

Dakota Lifts Embargo Against Live Stock

Pierre, S. D., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram.)—Secretary Beaumont of the State Live Stock board this evening lifted the embargo against shipments of live stock from this state to states south, and the same to go into effect tomorrow morning.

ASSERTS TWELVE MEN IN CONTROL OF FOOD SUPPLY

Commissioner of Weights and Measures Says Dozen Persons Have a Strangle Hold on Nation.

ASKS GRAND JURY TO INVESTIGATE

Government High Cost of Living Assumed Definite Shape.

WILSON STUDIES SITUATION

New York, Dec. 6.—It appears twelve men in this city are so manipulating the food market that they establish prices for the entire country. Joseph Hartigan, commissioner of weights and measures, said today in a statement recommending the calling of a federal grand jury to investigate the situation with a view to indicting men who might be guilty of maintaining an excessively high cost of living.

John J. Dillon, state commissioner of foods and markets, announced that certain dealers were defying his order that cold storage eggs be so marked and that he would submit evidence to city or state authorities and urge prosecution. He said he had written President Wilson suggesting national legislation regulating cold storage and urging standardization in packing and freight rates.

An egg boycott movement was launched in more than a score of upstate cities today in response to proclamations issued by their mayors.

Investigation Takes Shape.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The government's investigation of the high cost of living began assuming definite outlines today in conferences between officials of the Department of Justice, the Federal Trade commission and United States Attorney Anderson of Boston, into whose hands the attorney general has placed direction of the work.

President Wilson also began his study of such reports as already have been made to him and will await others before making recommendations to congress.

The investigation will center at first in the chief cities. Mr. Anderson will be aided by a special force of Department of Justice investigators and by all federal district attorneys from whom he may request assistance.

Such organizations as the Chicago Board of Trade, the New York Produce exchange and exchanges where coffee, sugar and other foodstuffs are dealt in, may come within the scope of the investigation, it was announced, although it has not been determined definitely when they will be investigated.

One Factor Illegal.

Three factors are regarded by the Department of Justice officers as prime reasons for the increased cost of living. They are the natural economic upward tendency of prices, the desire of dealers to obtain as much as possible for their wares, even to the extent of taking advantage of the situation created by the war to advance prices unwarrantably, and possible agreements by producers or dealers to increase prices.

The last factor, it was authoritatively announced, is the only one with which officials are concerned. The trade commission will co-operate with the department to the extent of submitting such data as it already has and of securing other data readily obtainable.

In addition to the rise in foodstuffs, officials have decided to investigate thoroughly the causes for the recent increase in coal prices. It was pointed out, however, that local increases, such as the recent rise in the price of coal sold to tenement house dwellers in New York and other large cities, does not come within the federal government's jurisdiction.

Bogus "Osborne" Is Identified by The Real Osborne

New York, Dec. 6.—Charles H. Wax was identified at the United States attorney's office here today by James W. Osborne and his wife, together with Edwin Wilcox, an assistant in his office, as "Oliver Osborne," the man who won the affections of Rae Tanzer.

Wax, who arrived here from Chicago last night under arrest, was brought to the federal building after a night in the Tombs.

Mr. Osborne picked him out from among a room full of newspaper men, shaking hands cordially with him.

Wilcox, who corroborated the identification, was the assistant in Mr. Osborne's office who saw "Oliver Osborne" when the latter visited Mr. C. Osborne to tell him he was the wooer of Rae Tanzer. Miss Tanzer had claimed that Mr. Osborne was "Oliver" and brought suit against him for breach of promise.

J. P. Mills, Writer of Songs, Critically Ill

Santa Rosa, Cal., Dec. 6.—J. P. Mills, better known by his stage name, Joe Hayden, who wrote, among other popular songs, "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," which was used as a battle song by the American soldiers in the early days of the Cuban and Philippine occupation, is seriously ill in a hospital here, it was learned here today. Because of his advanced age, little hope was entertained for his recovery. Mills was born in Chicago.

STATE MUST WAIT WYOMING DECISION ON WATER RIGHTS

Failure of Legislature to Furnish Money for Law Department Endangers Nebraska's Case.

REED SAYS IS WAY OUT

Other Pending Suits Will Protect Users of Water on Land.

KINKAID GIVES DINNER

Washington, Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram.)—The case of Wyoming against Colorado, growing out of the building of a canal on the part of Colorado connecting the Laramie river with the Poudre, thereby diverting a large flood of water from the Wyoming watershed, was reached for hearing in the supreme court late this afternoon. Counsel were given six hours for argument.

This is the case in which Nebraska is greatly interested and has sent here Attorney General Reed and a staff of special counsel.

It was an original action commenced by Wyoming in 1911 to prevent Colorado from diverting the water because it could never be returned to Wyoming. There is no other stream of similar size within 100 miles in either direction, east or west of the point where the Laramie flows into Wyoming and it would be exceedingly disastrous to Wyoming to have the water thus diverted, it was asserted.

It may be asked, why does not Nebraska intervene in this case? Attorney General Reed explained in a nutshell when he said: "It was too late when the appropriation was made for this purpose."

Intervention Impossible.

"To have intervened would have bound Nebraska upon the evidence introduced by Wyoming alone because its interests are identical with Nebraska. But Nebraska has a much higher and greater claim and should be allowed to prepare topographical maps showing the extent of land subject to irrigation, the amount irrigated and so on, the value of the products, the extent of the damage sustained by Nebraska through the failure to receive a just portion of the water by reason of prior appropriations.

"Nebraska can and will be fully protected by and through the course we have pursued thus far, inasmuch as there are two suits now pending against Colorado water users by the water users of western Nebraska.

"As it is, Nebraska will be in excellent position to protect her own case at the present suit" since the state will have been prepared at that time to institute an independent action of its own if the necessity should require it.

Storing Flood Waters.

Attorney General Reed and his associates are interested in the storing of flood waters in the reservoir sites to be selected in Wyoming as well as in Nebraska and today in addition to their attendance on the supreme court found time to call on a number of senators and representatives with a view of giving them first hand information looking to a solution of floods on the lower Mississippi and at the same time taking care of the summer flow, which is so essential and necessary for irrigation in the semi-arid section of Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado. They met with much encouragement in their propaganda.

Two-Cent Fare Law.

Mr. Reed expects to leave for Nebraska on Friday, stopping at Chicago, on account of the hearings wherein the 2-cent passenger law of Illinois is being assailed in the federal court in an effort by the railroads to wipe out the authority of railway commissions and legislatures to make passenger rates, which are wholly within the state. In the event of the state of Illinois losing the suit, similar action with undoubtedly follow in Nebraska. Mr. Reed's associates will probably leave for home on Saturday.

Windsor Hotel Guest Turns On Gas and Retires

M. D. Pownell of Bake City, Ore., was found in his room at the Windsor hotel unconscious from the effects of gas escaping from an open jet. Pownell accidentally knocked the jet open when he retired. He was revived by Police Surgeon Kully.

Crib Bed Will Save Life of a Little Girl

A crib bed—who will give one to help in saving the life of a little child? Tuberculosis is slowly eating away the strength of a little 7-year-old Omaha girl. Her parents are poor and they have a large family to care for. If she receives proper care, good, nourishing food and has plenty of fresh air, the doctor says she will recover. It is, of course, necessary that the child be kept by herself but let her leave the home. The family is too proud to appeal to charity, with the result that the little girl is fading away. If some charitable person will supply the little crib bed, others will see that the child has proper food and attention and lying in the fresh air, she will certainly live.



AMERICAN VESSEL IS SUNK BY SUBSEA

John P. Lambert Sold to French Line and on Way for Delivery Destroyed.

NO NOTICE GIVEN TO CREW

New York, Dec. 6.—The steamship John Lambert, listed in the maritime register as an American vessel, was shelled and sunk without warning by a German submarine off the Isle of Wight on November 22, according to members of the crew, Americans, who arrived here today on the French line ship Espagne from Bordeaux.

The John Lambert was one of twelve vessels light on the Great lakes, which the French line agreed to purchase. According to arrivals today the vessel had not been turned over to the French interests, but was on its way to Havre for delivery there.

The attack took place at 4:30 p. m. when the ship was twenty-five miles south of the Isle of Wight, members of the crew said. The engineer, Edward Harrison of this city, said that the U boat first made its presence known by sending a shell crashing through the John Lambert's bridge and that the firing continued during the time the crew was taking to the boats, twelve shots in all being fired.

The crew, numbering sixteen, all of whom arrived here today without their captain, said they rowed forty miles to the French coast, being on the water twelve hours, and that shortly after the John Lambert went down they saw the submarine attack and sink two unidentified vessels—a steamship and a bark.

The John Lambert was the last of the twelve Great lakes craft to be taken to France for delivery.

Eighty members of the crews of the four vessels were passengers on the Espagne today.

John Bernardus, second officer of the John Lambert, said that the vessel flew the French flag when it went down and had been using that flag, although not yet formally turned over to the French.

He said he was on the bridge at the time the attack began and that the first shot struck the water about ten feet ahead of the ship's bow. The second, he said, hit the bridge.

"As soon as the submarine opened fire on us, I ordered the French flag run up and the men to take to the boats," Bernardus said.

The John Lambert left Montreal October 21, reaching Falmouth, England, November 10, putting in there because of engine trouble, and leaving November 21. It was the following day that it was sunk. It was in command of Captain Thomas Harris Montreal.

Drys Gain Fifteen Cities in Bay State

Boston, Dec. 6.—No license of "dry" forces, gained four new successes in elections in fifteen Massachusetts cities today. Fall River, Haverhill, Leominster and Taunton shifted from the wet to the dry column. The license advocates were not successful in effecting any changes, Brockton, Salem, Cambridge and Waltham remaining no license.

New Bedford, while keeping to the wet column, did so by a greatly reduced margin.

Haverhill's change to the "dry" column divided interest with the defeat of Mayor Albert Bartlett by Leslie K. Morse after a campaign in which the rioting which followed the attempt of Thomas Leyden to deliver an anti-catholic lecture here last April had a prominent part.

Only eleven of the cities elected mayors this year and of this number not one was chosen a democrat. The republicans were successful in seven contests, the other four bearing no national party designation.

The British Cabinet Crisis

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Salingor ruled that O'Connor had been insane, but was now of sound mind, with the possible exception of delusions concerning his wife's fidelity.

The insanity commissioners of Webster county are enjoined from proceeding against O'Connor, and he is to be released from the state asylum at Cherokee.

O'Connor asked for a writ of habeas corpus commanding his release from the institution. He was one of the best attorneys of Iowa.

Black Hills Club Secretaries Will Meet Legislators

Lead, S. D., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—The Association of Black Hills Commercial Club Secretaries will meet in Lead on December 27 and will entertain on that occasion the state senators and representatives-elect from the Third congressional district.

Among the discussions will be an appropriation for a gymnasium at Spearfish Normal. Hot Springs will have a speaker who will discuss the irrigation project. The high cost of living will come up, with a view of regulating prices under state laws. F. W. Brown and Dr. Woodworth will speak on the "State Tuberculosis Hospital." J. L. Curran will discuss a "Good Road from the Missouri to the Hills." Miss Carrie M. Voigt, secretary of the school board and probation officer, will talk on the practical work of the juvenile delinquency law. Good roads legislation will fall to the task of elucidation at the hands of Attorney James G. Stanley.

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Miss Colby alleged Thomas had called her a "red light woman" when she reprimanded him for withholding news when she visited him in her capacity as a reporter for a newspaper in Thompson Falls.

She asserted that John C. Manire, editor of the paper, and A. S. Ainsworth, its publisher, had urged her to make Thomas apologize, and both were arrested on charges of having instigated the murder. Manire was acquitted. Ainsworth's case is pending.

The defense sought to prove that Miss Colby, whose mother, Mrs. Jane F. Coolidge, of Worcester, Mass., testified to indications of hereditary insanity, was mentally deranged and irresponsible because of the alleged insults heaped upon her by Thomas.

The defense asked the jury to acquit Miss Colby or return a first degree verdict, punishable by death.

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