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ROOSEVELT DEFEATED

New York stalwarts turn Down Ex-President-Roosevelt in Fighting Mood and Declares War

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Theodore Roosevelt matched strength with the old guard of the Republican party New York state today and met defeat decisively. The Republican party in state committee session here by a vote of 20 to 15 refused to recommend for temporary chairman of the state convention, which meets at Saratoga on September 27th, instead Vice-President James S. Sherman was selected. This is Roosevelt's second defeat at the hands of the old guard, the first having been the legislature's refusal to pass the Cobs in direct primary bill, although Mr. Roosevelt especially endorsed it.

With his defeat today, plans for harmony within the party in the state received a severe setback and as soon as Mr. Roosevelt heard the news he issued a statement in which he enrolled himself as a "progressive" and goes as the New York state situation goes. It was his most pointed political statement since his return and those who saw him were convinced that he had determined to begin an open fight on the old guard. The statement follows:

"To the various persons who asked me if I would accept the position of temporary chairman of the state convention, I said I would do so only if they were sure, after knowing my attitude, they desired me, because my help would be of such that I might help if the convention nominated the right kind of a man, on a clear-cut progressive platform, but that it would hurt if neither the right kind of a man were nominated, nor the right kind of a platform adopted."

Although repudiated today, it does not necessarily mean that Roosevelt will not be temporary chairman. The convention delegates themselves will decide who is to open the meeting and deliver the keynote speech, but the state committee's recommendation of Mr. Sherman for the place served notice on the ex-President and his supporters that the old guard would give him a fight to the end.

In the interval between now and September 27th, it is expected that the struggle between the organization and the Roosevelt-Hughes forces will be carried into every corner of the state and that the chief issue will be at the primaries for the election of Roosevelt or anti-Roosevelt delegates to the convention. Whether Mr. Sherman lent his support to the movement which resulted in Mr. Roosevelt's defeat has not been established definitely.

Homesteaders for Harvest. D. J. Wylie, M. L. A. for Maple Creek, has called the attention of the Department of Agriculture to a method by which considerable help may be secured for the harvest. There are in the western part of the province thousands of homesteaders who have not had an opportunity to have crop this year, being their first year on the farms. These men will be at liberty to assist in the harvest if transportation can be secured. Mr. Wylie has asked the Department of Agriculture to arrange with the railroads for reduced rates for these men to the harvest fields and also for the movement of thousands of expert harvest hands will be secured for our farmers.

Loggers Escape. VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 16.—One hundred loggers employed in the camp of Hastings Mills, one hundred miles up the coast last Saturday afternoon, escaped by a narrow margin through a blinding smoke and angry flames seeking refuge on the Beach of Granite Bay five miles away. A bush fire fanned by a west wind, travelled five miles in less than an hour and a half, destroying valuable standing timber, it cleared a pathway a mile wide. The loggers abandoned their camp after loading their supplies and donkey engine on flat cars. The run was made down grade at a record speed. They had a close call.

Not Reducing Force. OTTAWA, Aug. 15.—A telegraphic statement from Vancouver to the effect that Col. Fred White, comptroller of the Royal North West Mounted Police, was there on his way to Dawson to arrange for the reduction of the number of the force in the Yukon is officially denied at the department. Colonel White, instead of being en route to Dawson, is actually on the way back to Ottawa, and there is no present intention of reducing the force in the territory.

CONFERENCE AT WORK

Delegates Welcomed by Victoria City Council and by Premier McBride—Interest in Globe Editorial

VICTORIA, B.C., Aug. 16. The general conference was occupied with committee work all this forenoon. Such questions as the time limit, the course of study for probationers, and the new college at Calgary being under earnest consideration. Among the probable candidates for the general superintendency, either as assistant or as successor to Dr. Carman, the name of Dr. S. D. Chown is the most prominently mentioned. The matter of a retiring allowance for general conference officials was advocated this afternoon by R. W. Rowel and opposed by B. Allison. No action as yet.

Several deputations were the order of the day. First came members of the city ministerial association, Rev. W. L. Clay Presbyterian, spoke on their behalf. While he could not say whether his church as a whole would vote for the union with the Methodist he was sure they would vote for a union to include Dr. Rose, who had preached for them on Sunday morning.

Next followed a deputation from the city council Mayor Morley, Alderman Bishop and McKeown and Solicitor McDiarmid. The mayor presented a document from the council conferring the freedom of the city upon the conference and expressed the hope that so far as possible the conference might hasten the day of union, so that generations to come would look back on this occasion with pride.

The Premier's Welcome. In the third place Premier McBride appeared before the conference, being introduced and prolonged applause, by Rev. Holling. The Premier said that he never answered a summons more gladly than this offer to extend a welcome to the general conference. He placed high estimate on the Methodist community as a force for right doing and clean citizenship, not only in British Columbia, but in Canada. He deplored the absence of Dr. Robson, and said Canada had no nobler citizen. His tribute to the work of pioneers, such as those like Crosby, was appreciated, also to the late Dr. Sutherland and Dr. Potts, the latter being a warm personal friend and counsellor. The Premier did not fail to speak of the unlimited resources of British Columbia.

To all these Dr. Carman made suitable reply. W. M. S. Delegation. Last but not least was the W.M.S. delegation, headed by Mrs. G. N. Jackson, of Winnipeg, who addressed the conference. Her address was really the outstanding feature of the afternoon proceedings.

She briefly outlined the work of the society during the 28 years of its existence, its early struggles and its later triumphs. During the last four years they have erected ten buildings as homes or schools, and have sent twenty new workers into the foreign fields. Three hundred and thirty-five have been added to the church through their ministrations abroad. The home work is carried on by a staff of forty-nine workers.

The editorial list in last week's Toronto Globe, "A Crisis in Methodism," has been reprinted in the Victoria papers and has received much favorable comment. Yet some regard it as an attempt to advise the general conference what to do. It gives special commendation to Dr. Jackson and his recent book studies in the "O. T." This tends to offend the conservative section of the conference.

OTTER TO COMMAND. Popular Canadian Officer To Be Inspector of Militia. OTTAWA, Aug. 16.—The announcement that General Mackenzie, who is being sent out to Canada by the War Office, is to be the chief of general staff, confirms the impression that the position of inspector general, now held by Sir Percy Lake, will go to General Otter.

General Mackenzie will, however, be chief military adviser in succession to General Lake. The latter at present is head of the general staff.

No official confirmation of General Mackenzie's appointment has yet been received at the militia department, but his name was submitted to the Canadian authorities and approved. Sir Percy Lake's tenure of office in Canada expires in October, when it is expected he will go to India.

THE CRIPPEN INQUEST

Evidence Shows that Belle Elmore Was Subject to Choking Fits—Inquest Will Be Protracted

LONDON, Aug. 15.—Owing to the death of Coroner Thomas a week ago it was necessary to make a fresh start in the Crippen inquest today by the deputy coroner, Dr. Schroeder. The mangled remains, supposed to be those of Belle Elmore, were again viewed by the jury, and the inquest opened with a brief recital of the known facts in the case by Dr. Schroeder, who intimated that the inquiry was apt to be a protracted one. Solicitor Arthur Newton, who was retained by the friends of Dr. Crippen, and whose services were accepted by the latter by cable, was in attendance on behalf of Dr. Crippen. Solicitor H. Watts, represented Miss Le Neve. Some of the more formal evidence given at the first hearing was repeated, and a new witness, Mrs. Linda May, secretary of the Music Hall Ladies' Guild, of which Belle Elmore was treasurer, testified that at Christmas time Mrs. Crippen complained that her sleep was disturbed by a choking sensation as if she were going to die. On February 20, Miss Le Neve brought to her a pass book, a cheque book and a letter in Dr. Crippen's writing, saying that Belle was going away for a few months and asking that the guild elect a new treasurer. Superintendent Forest, of Scotland Yard, informed the court that he expected Dr. Crippen and Miss Le Neve to arrive in England in about three weeks, after which the proceedings were adjourned until September 12.

NEW LINE NOW OPEN. Marysfield to Bienfait Now Ready for Traffic—Regular Train Service Soon to Be Installed. BRANDON, Aug. 15.—Tapping some hundreds of square miles hitherto lacking railroad facilities, the new Canadian Northern branch from Marysfield to Estevan is rapidly nearing completion and will be taken over by the company at an early date. From the opening up of work this year the construction gang has been busy laying steel and ballasting, two trains having been in constant operation with the latter work, and the road is now almost ready to be handed over for regular freight and passenger service.

General Superintendent Cameron of Winnipeg went over the new line on Friday last returning on Saturday and is well pleased with the rapid progress made and the excellent condition of the roadbed. It is expected that a regular service will be inaugurated at all points between Marysfield and Estevan before the close of the year. A portion of the new road was utilized last year for removing the wheat crop, and so great a boon did it prove to the hundreds of farmers who had formerly been compelled to haul their grain long distances to the C. P. R. main line or Estevan branch that hundreds of thousands of bushels of the crop were hauled, this traffic keeping the road busy throughout the greater part of the winter. With the finished line the officers expect to have all the wheat traffic this fall that they can possibly handle.

Bonnycastle Resigns. WINNIPEG, Aug. 15.—Mr. A. L. Bonnycastle arrived in the city Monday evening. Yesterday he was a visitor at the government buildings where he spent a good deal of his time with Hon. Robt. Rogers, after which he informed a Telegram reporter that he had resigned his seat for the constituency of Russell.

When asked if he had any statement to make, he replied: "Nothing further than this, while I am by no means convinced, nor have I any knowledge that any irregularity occurred, in view of the fact that some doubt might exist I have decided to tender my resignation."

Sail Thursday. MONTREAL, Aug. 16.—It is practically certain that Inspector Dew and his party will be on board the Royal Edward on Thursday, taking Dr. Crippen and Miss Le Neve back to England, but no official statement can be made by the company, owing to the secretive methods of the Scotland Yard people.

EXPOSITION DESTROYED

Fire Swept Through the Great Belgian Exposition—English and French Sections Totally Ruined

BRUSSELS, Aug. 15.—Fire swept through the great Belgian exposition tonight. The flames were driven by a high wind, and soon destroyed the Belgian, English and French sections. It is believed that the whole exposition will be destroyed. Two persons are dead and thirty injured. Many jewel exhibitors were uninsured. In the French arts section. Priceless gobelins, paintings and sculptures were ruined, as were rich treasures of the British, Belgian, Parisian and Turkish sections. All arches were burned, and it will therefore be impossible to confer medals and diplomas. The fire was due to a short circuit. In addition to a panic that prevailed in the bazaar, there were several minor panics at other points within the grounds and women and children were crushed in the rush. Some wild animals escaped from their cages and added terror to the scene. It is believed several of them are still at large. Bands of thieves engaged in pillage, and a soldier was stabbed while attempting to arrest three men whom he found rifling a jewelry exhibit. The loss is estimated at \$1,000,000. Diamond exhibit owners are the heaviest sufferers.

It is impossible in the present confusion to estimate precisely the losses in the fire which last night swept through the Belgium exposition of 1910, wiping out whole sections of the architecture and causing the loss of two lives, but the damage will run into millions of francs. The losses, however, are not so great as was at first believed during the excitement of the conflagration, when they were estimated at \$100,000,000. The entire Belgian and British sections in the whole divisions, and the Congo Island of the exposition, with water chutes, toboggan slides and other special entertainments, and everything west of the Avenue des Nations were destroyed, but by heroic work of the fire men in the early hours of the morning and the use of dynamite in blowing up buildings in the path of the flames the fire was checked. Fortunately the most priceless art treasures, which had been loaned to the exposition or acquired by it, including 8,000 valuable gobelin tapestries, a large exhibition of jewelry, many paintings, marbles and ancient furniture, were successfully removed by the police, firemen and exposition employees beyond the reach of the flames and of the pillaging criminals, who attempted to take advantage of the disaster. The reproduction of the house of Rubens, and the official pavilion of the city of Antwerp, containing masterpieces of the Flemish art of the galleries of the world, was not even scorched by the flames.

WEYBURN CONVENTION. Meeting to Be Held September 17 to Select Candidate. At an enthusiastic meeting in Weyburn on Friday the following executive was chosen by the electors opposed to the present provincial government: Hon. president, Geo. Betschel; president, John McTaggart; vice-president, R. C. Angus; secretary-treasurer, Jas. H. Phelps. Executive—W. Jackson, W. J. Gallon, O. Worden, J. Adamson, Dr. Bowman, T. H. Hillier, H. A. Staveley, O. S. Mitchell, Dr. R. H. Smith, C. H. Hartney, E. B. Brown, M. Stewart, W. W. Irvine, W. Baxter, W. H. McCallum, J. C. Knox, J. Bacon.

It was decided to call a convention to meet in Weyburn on Saturday, September 17th, when a candidate will be nominated.

FARMER KILLED. Southey Farmer Meets Death From Lightning. SOUTHEY, Aug. 14.—A gloom has been cast over the town by the news of the fatal accident which befell a farmer living just south of Southey. On Sunday afternoon, shortly after two o'clock, Ludwig Rieke went out as usual to feed the horses. A heavy and violent thunderstorm was in progress and while making his way across the open the unfortunate man was struck by lightning. When found the body presented a ghastly appearance, his clothes being all burned off, his boots split wide open, and everything indicating a fearful end. The accident occurred on the quarter of section 2-2-18 for which Rieke had just obtained a patent. He leaves behind a wife and two children, who have the sympathy of a great number of friends. The funeral took place on Monday.

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NEW DESIGNS FOR COINAGE

Many Suggestions for Designs for New British Coins—Want English Instead of Latin on Coins. LONDON, Aug. 15.—The production of a new coinage is always a rather slow process, but on the present occasion it may be expedited to some extent. In the case of the late king, who came to the throne in January, 1901, the order-in-council and proclamation, determining new designs for gold and bronze coins was issued on December 10 in the same year, and came into force on January 1, 1902, while the order relating to silver coins was not approved until January 12. On that occasion there were several changes on the reverses, notably the half crowns and florin, with the object of making the two coins as dissimilar as possible. The only change, it is understood, which will be made in the new coins will be the royal effigy, for which Bertram MacKinnal, R.A., the Australian sculptor, is now engaged in making designs.

Portrait of King. The portrait of King Edward, which appears on the present coinage, is the work of Mr. DeSaules, the then engraver of the mint, the head in profile being truncated in a similar manner to the effigy on the first coinage of union Victoria, and on the coinages of most of his late Majesty's predecessors since the reign of Charles II. Perhaps the best that can be said for the design is that it is commonplace and inoffensive. There is a confident expectation that Mr. MacKinnal will produce something worthy not only of his reputation as a sculptor, but also of a coinage which, so far at least as its gold is concerned, enjoys the largest circulation in the world.

Conservative Convention. OTTAWA, Aug. 16.—June, 1912, is now regarded as the most likely time for the assembly of the Dominion Conservative convention. The original intention was to have held it this year, and the date was even selected, but it was considered better policy to wait till nearer the general elections.

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