

FLAYS HEARST FOR CONFUSING ELECTION ISSUE

Temperance and Politics Mixed, Hartley Dewart Tells S. Grey Libs.

NO CANDIDATE NAMED

Dr. Mearns, Liberal, Retires in Favor of United Farmers' Choice, Geo. M. Leeson.

[Special to The Advertiser.] DUREHAM, Sept. 18.—South Grey Liberals in convention here today received a most favorable impression of their new leader, H. Hartley Dewart, M. P. F. His address was brilliant, but limited as to time, as he had to leave by afternoon train. No candidate was placed in the field of South Grey in view of the uncertainty of the date of election, and that the United Farmers have a man in the field.

Dr. Mearns, who had been nominated two years ago, announced his retirement, leaving the contest between Dr. Jamieson, M. P. F. and Geo. M. Leeson, the U. F. O. candidate. Dr. J. G. Hutor, president of South Grey Liberals, was in the chair, and a good number of ladies as well as men were interested in the election.

The Opposition leader was the only speaker. He condemned juggling with facts as in the enumeration "business," and claimed the election date should be fixed that the Government could not obtain a one-sided advantage. In 1913 a motion was passed giving the Opposition leader a \$5,000 salary. Until April 1, but on then inquiring if part of it was available found that Mr. Proudfoot had it all. He hoped Mr. Hearst would get it after the election.

Had Never Pussy-Footed. "I have never pussy-footed on the temperance question as my opponents have alleged," declared the leader. He didn't intend to allow the Conservatives to mix two issues, temperance with politics. Prior to the 1914 election, every barroom was a Tory committee room, and the Government owed its life now to the influence and money of the liquor vote at that time.

In 1915 Liberal temperance measures were voted down by the Government, and Mr. Hearst, but the immense petition around on the temperance issue. Mr. Rowell shamefully spoke of him as the rising hope of the liquor interests when he knew it was a deliberate falsehood. In Southwest Toronto his opponent, who offered wine and beer licenses, had been ignored by Messrs. Hearst and Lucas, who hinted to the electors that his "ears were to the ground," had better have climbed a sycamore tree like his biblical prototype to see what was going on.

"I stand for the highest degree of temperance legislation if it is in the power of the Liberal party to pass," he stated. "The Conservatives have no temperance platform and will not call a convention. We have just the views of individual ministers."

High-Salaried Staff. The premier came in for further censure from appointing himself minister of agriculture and having a high-salaried staff do the work. Liberals offered to return unopposed any practical farmer as minister.

"Why the great unrest among the farmers at present," asked Mr. Dewart, "because the Government has played with agriculture. It was not expenditure which was required, but results." The Liberal platform, with but few exceptions, was similar to the U. F. O., and more advanced Liberals were entitled to the sympathetic support of farmers. Class representations solidly was not desirable in Ontario.

No Prosecutions. Mr. Dewart laid the blame at the Government door for much of the high cost of living. There had been no prosecutions of combines since 1906, and during the war profiteering had almost become a profession. Over a billion dollars had been spent on munition contracts in Canada in which there had been enormous graft.

In a rousing peroration, he declared the Liberal party proposed to see that the rights of the people were enforced, and that all the people get a square deal.

IMPORTANT POSTS FOR VETERANS IN EDUCATION DEPT.

TORONTO, Sept. 18.—Three returned soldiers have been appointed to important positions by the department of education in connection with professional training. H. G. Manning, of the staff of the Toronto University Schools, has been appointed departmental master in the Stratford Normal School. Mr. Manning is a graduate of the University of Toronto. Harold E. Amos, a graduate of Queen's University, has been appointed departmental master in the Hamilton Normal School. T. P. Carpenter, of the Technical School staff, Toronto, has been appointed to take charge of the manual training course for soldier teachers.

REV. W. C. RIDDIFFORD GIVEN AN IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT POSITION

TORONTO, Sept. 18.—Rev. W. C. Riddifford of London has been appointed Ontario provincial field secretary to the Great War Veterans' Association advisory committee to the repatriation and employment committee of the Dominion Cabinet. The salary of the position is \$2,400 per annum and the program of repatriation allows for a field secretary for each province of the Dominion. The field secretaries are not officials of the Great War Veterans' Association, but are government employees.

INCREASED ALLOWANCES FOR MARRIED MINORS

OTTAWA, Sept. 18.—Provision has now been made by the Government for payment of increased allowances to married minors who are undergoing re-training through the vocational branch of the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment.

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DELAWARE FOLK PAY TRIBUTE TO SOLDIER BOYS

2,000 Take Part in Monster Celebration and Presentation.

A SPLENDID WELCOME

Whole-Hearted Enthusiasm Marks Reception To Returned Men.

[BY STAFF REPORTER.] DELAWARE, Sept. 18.—Thirty-two returned soldiers of Delaware Township were formally welcomed home this afternoon by 2,000 residents of the district, who gathered at 1 o'clock on the village green. The reception tendered was wholehearted and splendid in every way and in addition to the entertainment provided during the afternoon and evening, each returned man was presented with a beautiful gold watch and chain.

The ceremony started with a spirited baseball game between the Poplar Hill and Delaware teams, which resulted in the score of 4 to 0 in favor of the visiting team. While the game was being played automobiles arrived so continuously that both sides of the park were solidly lined with them. Each motor contributed a capacity load to the hundreds of Delaware people who had walked to the grounds and so when the baseball game was concluded there were over 2,000 people in attendance. They eagerly awaited around the platform at one end of the field to watch the presentation ceremony.

Given Gold Watches. Chairman R. G. Fisher of London, in a brief introductory address, expressed pleasure that such a splendid reception was being given the boys, who had left their homes and loved ones to fight for their township and country. At his request, the returned men formed in line in front of the platform, and Reeve Alton Ryckman read an appropriate address on behalf of the township residents. Then a number of young ladies presented each soldier with a gold watch, inside the cases of which were inscribed the words "From the Township of Delaware to —" for services overseas.

Lieut. Thomas F. Howlett, Royal Air Force, made an appropriate reply on behalf of the returned men, in acknowledgment of the recognition extended and the presentation.

Col. Earl Robson, who went overseas in command of the 135th Middlesex Battalion, was then called upon the platform.

Deserve a Welcome. "What the boys of Delaware went through in France can be fully realized only by those who were over there," he said, "and they certainly deserve the welcome home which is being given them. I hope that the people of this township will take care of the returned cripples, the families of those heroes who have not come home, and that they will not forget the wonderful work accomplished overseas by the nursing sisters and at home by the ladies of the Red Cross Society."

"I am pleased," stated the next speaker, Capt. T. E. Robson, "to note how well the grand old people of Delaware are showing their appreciation of the work done overseas by their boys." He expressed thankfulness that so many of the township soldiers have safely returned.

J. C. Elliott, M.P. of Glencoe, added his tribute to the ex-soldiers, stating that the enjoyment of British liberty was now the impossible but for them. "Every Canadian," he said, "today is proud of the glorious record achieved by our boys in France and of the manner in which they encountered and bore hardships, not for days or months, but for long years."

Mr. Elliott felt that it was the manner in which the returned men and their dependents were treated upon arrival that truly showed the spirit of patriotism of the country, rather than the cheers given and the things said to the boys as they departed for active service. He also expressed the hope that the people of Canada would face the great problems in the Dominion at the present time as bravely and efficiently as the boys faced the Hun and all hardships across the ocean.

Those Welcomed. The returned Delaware men who were welcomed and given watches were: First Division—A. Elviage, R. Johnson, F. Tyler, H. Thomas, G. Greenham.

Second Division—B. Smith, L. Houston, Mrs. Herbert Hayes for the late Sergt. H. Hayes, H. Weyer, E. Eichenberger, C. Maier, Mrs. McGregor for the late Sergt. A. McGregor, and L. Little, R. Johnson, R. Biosdale, J. Porch and E. Eastman.

This Division—A. Leves, T. E. Howlett, J. Hicks, P. Hicks, H. Forest, B. Houston, O. Houston, L. Spillit, G. Ansel and S. Stapler.

Fourth Division—S. McFarlane, C. Gordon and G. Nichols. The young ladies of the township who presented the watches to the soldiers were: Misses Ryckman, Scott, Pinkham, Egan, Rudell, Butcher, Johnson, Evans, Biosdale, Hamilton, Monteith, Wannacott, Adams, Forsythe, Thompson, Kennedy, Jones, Matthews, Bignell and Bignell, Kelly, Jones, Reid and McFarlane.

After a girls' basketball game and a few races, which completed the sports program, a splendid dinner was served for the returned men and guests by a number of the township ladies. This event closed the day's ceremony, and it was thoroughly enjoyed by the hungry guests.

THREASHERS HELPING WITH SILO-FILLING TO SAVE CORN CROP

ILBERTON, Sept. 18.—Threshers have been quite busy through the district and are well on with the work. They expect to finish a month earlier than usual, as the straw is short. Silo-filling has started in Lobo and will be general next week. The corn crop is fine, and more mature than for some years. Some of the threshers are turning in their engines and gangs to help out in the work, believing that the remaining threshing can better wait than to leave the corn to be frozen.

APPLES SCARCE. The Ilberton F. G. A. have sold their entire crop of apples to a London firm, and it will be placed in storage for local use. The crop throughout the district is light, and many farmers will have to buy for home use. Some of the Ilberton orchards that have been properly cared for have an average crop of Baldwin and Spyra, for which they will realize good paying prices. Plums and pears were a good crop and grapes where grown also nearly a full crop.

READY FOR FAIR.

The Ilberton fair, to be held on September 26, promises to equal all previous records. The board have grandstand and other buildings finished and the grounds have a fine and up-to-date aspect. The secretary reports entries will break all previous "best years" in numbers and the prize lists show an increase in many sections over former years. The finishing touches will be given to the track and grounds early next week.

MASONIC SERVICE. Doric Lodge, No. 289, A. F. and A. M., are holding their annual service in Ivan Presbyterian Church on Sunday, September 21, at 3 p.m. Rev. John Hoile of London will conduct the service, and a large turnout of the brethren of the district is expected.

FEATURE EXHIBITS DRAW BIG CROWDS TO S. PERTH FAIR

John Dillabough Wins 40 Prizes—Exhibitor For 21 Consecutive years.

ST. MARYS, Sept. 18.—The South Perth Agricultural Society annual fair, opening here this afternoon with the placing and judging of exhibits, drew a large attendance. Ideal weather and unusually excellent exhibits were drawing features.

John Dillabough of Downie carried off 40 first and second prizes, with total entries numbering 41, and was awarded the banner prize for one-pound and five-pound prints of dairy butter. His exhibits have been placed in the fair

for 21 years without a break. Three school sections of Blanshard Township had a fine exhibit of land products and handicraft of the young men of the district.

Among the great variety of exhibits were featured art work, women's work, handicraft of returned soldiers, flowers and vegetables in great quantities, honey and preserved fruits, home-made pickles and home-baked bread and confectionery.

Miss Maggie Jamieson, Wellington street south, was awarded first prize for home-made bread exhibit. The poultry on view was superior to previous years' exhibits, while the display of apples, pears, grapes and vegetables was considered excellent. Friday, which will be farmers' day at the fair, is expected to prove a record day in attendance. Livestock exhibits and racing will be a feature of the day. Public and separate schools will also parade from the town and district, headed by the town bands.

The St. Marys Cement Company kiltie had this evening rendered a musical program on the grounds.

BURIED AT HENSALL.

HENSALL, Sept. 18.—The death of Sarah Bowman, relict of Alfred Mc-

Taggart of this village, occurred Wednesday, aged 82 years. She had been in failing health for several years, and gradually declined. Besides her aged husband, she leaves five sons and two daughters: Thomas J., of Saginaw, Mich.; William W., of Otter Lake, Mich.; Edwin, of Manitoba; Milton of Saskatchewan; and Alfred, Jun., also of Saskatchewan; Mrs. Phoebe Wilton of Alberta, and Miss Cynthia at home. The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Doan, and the remains were interred in the family plot at McTaggart's cemetery.

The death of Templeton W. Acheson, the youngest son of Weir Acheson of the Commercial Hotel, occurred in Byron Hospital in his 25th year, after a couple of years' illness. He had enlisted and went in training at Kingston and Petawawa, where he spent nearly two years, and where he contracted a serious cold which developed into the disease which ended fatally. The remains were brought to the home here and a military funeral was held, the service being conducted by the Rev. A. R. Garrett of St. Paul's Church, a returned soldier, assisted by the Rev. Mr. McConnell of the Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. Mr. Doan of the Methodist Church. The remains were interred in the Hensall Union Cemetery.



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