POLITICAL NEWS

COCHRANE, UNIONIST FOR TIMISKAMING

Member of New Administration, Chosen by Cobalt Convention.

URGE CO-OPERATION

Candidate and Sir George Foster Appeal for Patriotic Endeavor.

Special to The Toronto World.

Cobalt, Oct. 24.—Hon. Frank Cochrane received the unanimous nomination as win-the-war candidate for Timiskaming at a thoroty representative gathering held here this afternoon. Many from as far north as Cochrane were in attendance, and it may be considered a compliment to Hon. Mr. Cochrane, who has so long been identified with the north country, to be accorded the nomination as candidate in the coming election by his old supporters and many who joined the ranks today on the same patriotic principle that the union government had been formed.

Hon. Mr. Cochrane in a comprehensive speech reviewed the part Canada had taken in the war, and emphasized the urgent need of combined effort to carry on the great task to a successful issue. In this there could be no doubt that the large meeting was in full sympathy with his patriotic appeal.

Sir George Foster delivered one of his great win-the-war speeches at the meeting, in which he urged all Canadians to get behind the newly formed union government and in united effort render all possible assistance in the task Canada had undertaken, so that the great sacrifices already made for the empire would not be in vain. From the beginning of the war Canada stood ready to render all possible aid to the motherland. Now the supreme test had come and all must respond, was the opinion voiced by Sir George.

RAILWAYS TO WORK TOGETHER FOR WAR

Leading Land Transportation Men Form Board of Co-operation.

Montreal, Oct. 24.—As a result of suggestions made by the government that during the period of the war there should be closer co-operation between the railways of Canada, an association has been formed by lines, corresponding to the railway war board of the United States, with the object of securing greater co-operation, not only between the railroads themselves, but also between the railways and the public.

The new board will be known as the Canadian Railway Association for National Defense and will have general authority to formulate in detail a policy of operation for all or any of the railways for the co-ordinating of industrial activities toward the prosecution of the war and for rendering the most efficient possible service to the national cause. It is expected that thru heavier loading of cars, elimination of unnecessary train service, the co-operative use of all facilities, etc., to the best advantage, the country's needs may best be served.

At the suggestion of the Canadian Government the presidents of the Canadian Pacific, Lord Shaughnessy, the Grand Trunk, Howard G. Kelly, and the Canadian Northern, Sir William Mackenzie, and Alfred Smith, for the American railroads, have formed themselves an executive committee. By the direction of this committee the administrative board was named as follows:

U. E. Gillen, Grand Trunk, chairman. C. A. Hayes, Canadian Government Railways; D. B. Hanna, Canadian Northern; E. D. Bronner, Michigan Central; J. H. Walsh, Quebec Central; Sir George Bury, Canadian Pacific Railway, and F. F. Backus, Toronto, Hamilton and Brantford.

A car service committee consisting of the following has been named: W. A. Kingsland, C.N.R.; W. N. Rippey, C.G.R.; A. E. Locke, T.H. and B.; J. E. Duval, G.T.R.; A. Hutton, C.P.R.; and W. A. Griffin, T. and N. O.

Sub-committees reporting to the administrative committee will be established in each province and these will be added to from time to time.

The head office of the association will be in Montreal.

VETERANS THANK WHITE FOR PENSIONS RAISE

Minister Gives Credit to Men Who Assisted Him in Work.

Ottawa, Oct. 24.—Sir Thomas White has received a letter from Mr. Knight, secretary-treasurer of the Great War Veterans' Association, expressing thanks on behalf of the 25,000 members of the association for the increase made in the rate of pensions and for the changes in the regulations relating thereto. In acknowledging the letter Sir Thomas refers to the able assistance which he received from W. F. Nickle, of Kingston, who devoted a considerable part of last session to pensions legislation, and from J. K. L. Ross, Col. Labatt, Major Todd of the board of pension commissioners for Canada, and their solicitor, Mr. Archibald.

Mayor of Montreal to Aid Breakfastless Children

Montreal, Oct. 24. — Mayor Martin has written to the principals of all the schools in this city asking them to ascertain if there are any school children who have to go breakfastless to school and if so to let him know. He states that if this is the case he "will accomplish the impossible to come to their aid."

GALT CONVENTION SELECTS F. S. SCOTT

Unanimously Chosen Win-the-War Candidate for South Waterloo.

CAMPAIGN IS OPENED

Hon. Hugh Guthrie Appeals for Unity and Support of Government.

Special to The Toronto World.

Galt, Ont., Oct. 24. — F. Stewart Scott, representative of the riding in the house of commons for the past three years, was the unanimous choice as win-the-war candidate in South Waterloo at a union convention held this afternoon in Galt armories, which attracted the largest crowd that ever attended a gathering of its kind in Galt. Many in the audience were soldiers' wives who will in the coming election cast a ballot for their men who are fighting in France.

Mr. Scott's name was the only one presented to the meeting and his nomination was moved by Dr. J. S. Wardlaw, Galt, and A. R. G. Smith, farmer of Wilmot Township. R. O. McCulloch presided over the meeting. Resolutions were passed approving the formation of a union government expressing confidence in Sir R. L. Borden and sanctioning the military service bill and other war measures.

Mr. Scott in accepting the nomination declared that the issue in South Waterloo was clear cut, the Liberal candidate, Dr. A. Thomson, Galt, having announced himself as a supporter of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and, therefore, against conscription. The main issue before the people was the winning of the war and the union government had put aside all political controversies. He declared that the Liberal party as a party was not responsible for the war-time election, but Sir Wilfrid Laurier, only.

Appeals For Unity.

Hon. Hugh Guthrie, solicitor-general, declared that conditions in the country were abnormal, due to the war, which was responsible for the hastening of women suffrage, and prohibitory liquor law in all provinces but one. He appealed to the people to be as unified as the government and to support the government in the work it had undertaken and not fall back into the old party lines and be divided. He declared that the Borden government had made blunders, but with thousands of other Liberals he was prepared to set them aside until after the war. Hon. Hugh Guthrie closed his address with a strong appeal for support of the new Victory Loan.

Senator Richard Blain, Peel, in an eloquent address explained the difference between the new military service bill and the Militia Act.

W. G. Weichel expressed no regret for the stand he had taken, for conscription and the disfranchisement of aliens. He had been told that his chances for re-election were not very bright, but he considered his duty to the country which gave him birth greater than any political standing. Politics should be cast aside and the first duty of the country was to do everything to win the war, he said

Two thousand people crowded the armory tonight to hear addresses by Hon. Hugh Guthrie and Senator Blain.

Magistrate J. R. Blake, conscriptionist and supporter of union government, presided over the meeting which inaugurated the campaign for Mr. Scott.

NO MORE PATRONAGE IN ANY DEPARTMENT

Pre-Union Promises Fulfilled and Premier Issues Official Statement.

Ottawa, Ocst. 24.—In each department the government has abolished the patronage list. An official memorandum just issued states:

"The work of the war purchasing committee has been so satisfactory and effective that the prime minister has under consideration the retention of its organization as general purchasing commission for all departments of the government. During the past two and one-half years the commission has undertaken and carried out the purchase of all supplies for every department of the government in connection with the war. These supplies have been purchased chiefly for the department of militia and defence, the department of naval service and the department of jusjtjice in connection with the internment operations. In pursuance of the government's intentions to abolish patronage both in respect of appointments to the public service and in the purchase of supplies, there will hereafter be no patronage list in any department of the government. There has been no such list in the war purchasing commission, which has purchased all supplies by tender after public advertisement or circular addressed to all known sources of supply in this country."

UNIONIST CANDIDATE IN STANSTEAD COUNTY

Dr. W. L. Shurtleff Secures Nomination From Liberal-Conservative Convention.

Coaticook, Que., Oct. 24.—Dr. W. L. Shurtleff, K.C., Coaticook, was nominated as a win-the-war candidate in Stanstead County at a joint meeting of the Liberals and Conservatives this afternoon. Dr. Shurtleff said that, having accepted the nomination as a win-the-war candidate, he would lay aside his political leanings and work for a united party to win the war. He pledged himself to follow the program as laid down by Sir Robert Borden and to support all legislation that had for its object the bringing out of the man power for the front.

Dr. Shurtleff has been identified with the Conservative party since 1911, having acted as organizer for the county.

The Liberal candidate chosen some time ago is W. Baldwin of Baldwin Mills.

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Chosen by West Lambton Liberals as Candidate for Re-Election.

IN OPEN CONVENTION

Says Laurier "Greatest Canadian," But Could Not Follow His War Leadership.

Sarnia, Oct. 24.—In a stirring address in which he emphatically stated that he would support the new union government as long as their platform is comprised of honesty and a spirit of true Canadianism, F. F. Pardee placed his renomination as a representative of West Lambton in the hands of his followers at an open convention held in this city this afternoon. At the conclusion of his address, on motion of John Dewar, of Plympton, seconded by James Smith, of Moore Township, he was almost unanimously nominated to represent this riding in the coming election. Altho much disaffection was evident when the chief Liberal whip began his oration he swing the crowd to his favor with his earnest and apparently conscientious efforts to impress his followers with his reason for breaking away from Sir Wilfrid Laurier on the Military Service Act, and of his out and out win-the-war policy. He also rapped war-time profiteering and advised the gathering that if returned he would do all in his power to stamp out profiteering.

Smother Profiteers.

"There are two things that must be done," said Mr. Pardee. "Smash the Hun and smother the profiteer. I admire, respect and revere Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and know that he is a man who will go down in Canadian history as one of the greatest of Canadians, but I followed the dictates of my conscience and broke from his leadership. His policy, as I understand it, is that in the event of his election he will make a national appeal for men and if this fails he will then take a referendum. This is not logical, and I cannot and will not support it. There should be no middle of the road in this crisis, no playing battledoor and shuttlecock. We are either for the men in the trenches or against them.

"I have no objections to offer to the platform of the union government as announced," continued Mr. Pardee, but I will work for an increase in the soldiers' pay and pensions. Also I advocate the appointment as minister of labor a real labor man who is in touch with the economic conditions of labor and object to the appointment of a business man or public man to that office.

"I reiterate that at all times I am Liberal, but the momentary fate of the parties matters little considering the supreme obligations of Canada in the great struggle. If renominated I will not do anything that will not allow me to look a returned soldier in the face," concluded Mr. Pardee. He was interrupted at intervals by spontaneous bursts of applause.

Carvell Backs Pardee.

Hon. F. B. Carvell, minister of public works, backed the stand taken by Mr. Pardee and stated that altho in the first two years of war he did not believe enforced military service was necessary he now had no qualms of conscience about enforced service.

"I have been known as the chief exposer of the Liberal party, but I have never made statements that I could not prove," continued Mr. Carvell.

Profiteering and conscription of wealth were also touched on by the speaker, and in conclusion he congratulated the convention for nominating Mr. Pardee.

A resolution, moved by J. Farquharson, seconded by H. M. Poussette, was unanimously adopted, that the Liberals in convention, having heard the declarations of Mr. Pardee, pledge themselves to support him. A gallery of women featured the rally, this being the first time that such a large number were in attendance, according to President McLean.

PREMIER TO NAME UNION NOMINEES

Government Advises Parties to Agree on Man in Each Riding.

Ottawa, Oct. 24.—The following official statement was issued tonight:

"The formation of a union or national government has changed the political situation thruout Canada, and in many constituencies two or more candidates, Conservative, Liberal or Labor, may desire to run and be recognized as union government candidates. Under the Military Voters Act it is the duty of the prime minister to designate a candidate in each riding as the government candidate, who thereby may receive the benefit of the soldiers' votes which are given, not for a particular candidate, but for the the government. It is the earnest desire of the government that in each constituency the supporters of union government, whether Conservative, Liberal, Labor or independent, should confer together and see if they cannot agree upon a candidate who will be acceptable to and may be designated by the prime minister as the government candidate for the purposes of the Soldiers Military Voters Act."

Voluntary Subscriptions for Patriotic Fund in Canada

Calgary, Oct. 24. — With the exception of Alberta and Quebec all the provinces of the Dominion are in favor of continuing to raise money for the Patriotic Fund by voluntary subscription, according to the statement of T. M. Tweedie, who has returned from Ottawa where he attended a meeting of the executive committee.

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An Ottawa despatch to The Toronto Star announces that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is in Montreal, and has practically recovered from his recent indisposition. He is said to be at work on his manifesto, but will hardly issue the same until after his conference with the western Liberals at London the last of this week.

In Carleton County there is a peculiar situation. Edward Kidd, Conservative, carried the county by over a thousand in 1911, and upon his death W. F. Garland (Conservative) was returned by acclamation. Mr. Garland, however, became involved in the scandal respecting the purchase of sanitary bandages at the outbreak of the war, and was publicly criticized by the prime minister. He resigned two years ago and since then Carleton has been unrepresented. Garland is popular and wants the union government nomination. Failing to get that he may run as an Independent Conservative. The Liberals have, therefore, nominated Maj. F. H. Honeywell, and hope for his election thru a split in the Conservative party.

Something of the same situation is presented in Lanark County, where Dr. Hannay and Col. Balderson may both go to the poll. The Liberals allowed them to fight it out at the by-election two years ago in South Lanark, but this year they will run Mr. Caldwell, the former Liberal member for North Lanark.

In Russell County the union government candidate will be opposed by Hon. Charles Murphy, a Laurier Liberal, and in Prescott G. E. Proulx, or some other anti-conscriptionist will undoubtedly oppose the government. In Glengarry and Stormont Johnny Angus McMillan, a conscription Liberal, will be the union government candidate, but the seat will be contested by John H. McMartin, who received the Liberal nomination a year or two ago. In North Renfrew Col. Gerald White will be opposed by a Liberal candidate, and there is a considerable German vote in this riding which is probably against conscription. In South Renfrew the Liberal convention may turn down Hon. George P. Graham and nominate J. E. Pedlow. Dr. Maloney, who unsuccessfully contested South Renfrew against Mr. Graham in 1912, may be the union government candidate.

In the City of Ottawa Liberal candidates will be nominated. Hal McGiverin is already in the field. It is quite possible that Ottawa may elect two English-speaking members, one Conservative and one Liberal.

In the Quebec ridings of Hull, Wright, Labelle, Argenteuil and Pontiac, all adjacent to Ottawa, no union government candidates are yet in the field. Pontiac and Argenteuil were represented in the last parliament by two Conservatives, Gerald Brabazon and Sir George Perley respectively, but neither gentleman is likely to seek re-election. In Argenteuil, however, they are hoping that the London high commissionership will be made a cabinet office, and thus make Sir George Perley eligible for re-election.

Public sentiment in favor of the union government at Ottawa and of electing by acclamation as many members of parliament as possible, thus avoiding the bitterness of political controversy, is rapidly growing in Alberta. This feeling was crystalized as far as the northern part of the province is concerned by the big "win-the-war" meeting held at Edmonton on Friday night when the two principal churches were packed by more than three thousand people who cheered Dr. Michael Clark and Dr. Geo. R. Parkin, Rhodes Scholarship trustee, in speeches in which they urged the people to forget party politics and get behind the new administration for a more vigorous prosecution of the war.

Hon. Frank Oliver, former minister of the interior, and Hon. C. W. Cross, attorney-general of Alberta, once sworn enemies but now active participants in the Laurier campaign in the west, have always regarded the Edmonton district as their particular stamping ground, and the whole province is buzzing with the success of the big meeting there Friday night, when the people of the capital showed unmistakably that their strong sympathy lies with the union government. Prominent Liberals and Conservatives vied with each other in declaring their unalterable opposition to the Laurier anti-conscription campaign, and it is predicted that Hon. Frank Oliver will have a most difficult task to obtain re-election in the constituency which he has represented for so many years.

TEDDY BOOSTS LOAN

Roosevelt's Eloquence Brings in $50,000 in Subscriptions.

Oyster Bay, Oct. 24.—After Colonel Roosevelt had delivered a stirring speech at a Liberty Day celebration her ethis afternoon the audience subscribed more than $50,000 to the Liberty loan.

"Some fools have asked why should our boys fight abroad," Col. Roosevelt said. Then, pausing for a moment, he added: "Our boys are fighting abroad with the allies so that they will not have to fight at home without allies. No man should wave a flag, sign a patriotic song or cheer until he is willing to help out. He should shoot the way he shouts."

TAKES PLACE OF HON. W. VILAS.

Knowlton, Q., Oct. 24.—A meeting of the Liberals of Brome County was held this afternoon to choose a successor to Hon. W. F. Vilas, who has been elected to the legislative council. Wm. Oliver, merchant, Mansonville, was the unanimous choice of the delegates.

GROUND IS STAKED FOR PLOWING MATCH

Positions at Oak Park Farm Near Brantford Allotted to Tractors.

By a Staff Reporter.

Brantford, Oct. 24.—This morning Messrs. McFarlane, Macrae and Simpson staked out the grounds where the tractor plows are to work, allowing each machine a frontage of 76 feet. Then Jim Clean, A. Doherty and James Weir were appealed to, and it was decided that each tractor was to plow its allotted territory in exactly the same manner so that the visiting plowman would be shown a fair comparative demonstration of the merits of each individual machine. Each tractor is to plow a ridge of 12 furrows. This will show how the tractors will finish the land. The positions were drown by ballot in such a manner that all tractors of the same make are to work on adjoining lands.

Positions were allotted as follows: 1, Monarch Tractor Co.; 2, Geo. White and Sons, 3, International Harvester Co.; 4, McDonald Thresher Co.; 5, 6 and 7, Goold, Shapley and Muir; 8, Massey-Harris; 9 and 10, Sawyer-Massey Co.; 11, A. Vansickle; 12, Charles Pelton; 13 an 14, R. A. Lister and Co.; 17, Gilson and Co.; 18, Essex Tractor Co.; 19, Allis-Chambers Co.

Among the prominent manufacturers present were W. S. McFarlane, Geo. Wellake, Jas. Russell, A. Norry, Geo. Penfound, J. D. McIntosh of the Cockshutt Plow Co., J. A. McConvey of International Harvester Co.; Y. H. Wisner, Thomas Simpson, J. Johnston of Massey-Harris Co., J. Allen, C. Brooks of Sawyer-Massey Co., J. McDonald of McDonald Thresher Co., F. White of White and Son; Messrs. Albert and Ross of Allis-Chalmers, J. Creelman of Monarch Tractor Co. Messrs. Macrae and Harold of Goold, Shapley and Muir Co., V. P. Smythe, J. Cline and J. Jamieson of R. A. Lister Co.

The walking plowmen's field was laid out by Messrs. Patterson, Weir, McLean, Doherty and Young, and all is now ready for the big match today. Among the prominent farmers who have already arrived besides these already mentioned are: Bert Kennedy, the winner of last year's championship trophy; Warder Rose, W. G. Bailey, ex.-Warden Sanderson and a number of others, many of whom mentioned that large parties from their districts were to be present for the contest.

W. F. NICKLE WILL RUN IN KINGSTON

Springs Surprise by Announcing Readiness to Stand as Unionist.

Kingston, Oct. 24.—Things political took another change today. Citizens were given quite a surprise when W. F. Nickle announced in a letter to the local papers that he had decided to stand as a union candidate. In his letter he said in part: "In announcing to you my intention in the forthcoming election not again to be a candidate I urged that the differences of the past be forgotten and that we count as nothing the opinions that may have made us members of this party or of that, but that as Canadians we of this historic and local electoral division unite in selecting from amongst us our representative in the next parliament. I anticipated that my withdrawal would facilitate the union of the various groups.

"The formation of a union I had most fervently hoped demonstrated that responsible statesmen of all parties realized the seriousness of the situation and the necessity for co-operation. Five weeks have passed without unanimity in this district being attained, and I have been asked by many representing all shades of opinion and also requested by generously signed petitions as a unionist to accept the responsibility of soliciting your support, and if elected I shall endeavor as in the past to faithfully discharge the trust."

James Halliday, reeve of Portsmouth and ex-warden of Frontenac County, who was some time ago nominated as the Liberal standard-bearer for Frontenac County, today wrote to Samuel Jamieson, president of the county Liberal association, declining the nomination. He said that as a union government had been formed he could not contest the riding as a straight Liberal.

TORIES OF ESSEX WANT LIBERALS' CO-OPERATION

Decide Not to Select Candidate Before Consulting Reform Leaders.

Essex, Ont., Oct. 24.—The win-the-war convention which was held this afternoon by the Liberal-Conservative Association was postponed with the view of calling a union convention of which the committee is to consist of both Liberals and Conservatives. The meeting was well attended. Capt. J. W. Brien of Essex, acting as chairman, delivered a stirring address dealing extensively with the war. J. M. Godfrey, president of the win-the-war association, spoke on "Sacrifice." He declared that while the voluntary system had worked out with telling effect in previous wars, he deemed it as useless now if the allies were to win the war.

He stated that up until recently he had been a strong Liberal but now he was a union man strongly endorsing Sir Robert Borden's new union government and promised to lend every assistance possible to its success.

Edward Winters of Leamington was called and made a short, snappy address, stating he became a unionist before such a party was formed, that he had left the Liberal party when Laurier had refused to join in a coalition government. He heartily endorsed a union candidate.

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Conferences of Canadian and U. S. Food Controllers Develop Program.

Victoria, B.C., Oct. 24. — Conferences between the food controllers of Canada and the United States have developed a program for increasing the fish production on the Pacific coast.

J. M. Maddox of Tacoma, Washington, has been appointed American representative on the coast and John P. Babcock, assistant provincial commissioner of fisheries has been appointed by Controller Hanna as general advisor to the committee on fish. Mr. Maddox, after a conference at Ottawa is now on his way to Victoria to confer with Mr. Babcock.

Meetings will be held in British Columbia and Washington State for conferences with the fish handlers of the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union.

A BIG WAR SECRET.

Power transmission by a method which will revolutionize all existing systems has been discovered and is now largely used by the British war office and admiralty, according to a statement made by an engineer in a recent public address in India. Indian Engineering, in referring to this remarkable utterance, quotes the speaker as saying that "the whole output (of the new system of power transmission) is taken up for war purposes. After the war this system will be available; it will revolutionize all forms of power transmission and will be highly beneficial to rubber estates, tin mines, and to all power users."