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Union Majority 43; Six To Be Heard From Parties Now Stand At 136 To 93 SOME WHO LOST DEPOSITS

Hon. P. E. Blondin and Hon. Mr. Sevigny Among Number—Views of the Halifax Chronicle and Herald on the Election—Sir Wilfrid in Ottawa

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Summary of Monday's elections follows: Government 186; opposition, 93; incomplete, two; deferred, four. Government majority forty-three.

Montreal, Dec. 19.—The following candidates lost their deposits in the election on Monday: Dan. Gallery, Independent Liberal, in St. Ann's, Montreal.

Quebec, Dec. 19.—Following is a list of Unionist candidates who lost their deposits in Monday's election: Hon. Albert Sevigny, District; Jos. Barnard, Quebec county; E. Rousseau, Lotbiniere; Jos. Girard, Chateauguay; Hon. Louis-Joseph, Beloeil; A. Bernier, St. Lawrence; H. Bonjour, Matane; M. G. Crombie, Richmond-Wolf; P. Curis, Bonaventure; P. Bouchard, Charlevoix; Montmorncy; H. Bonjour, Matane; S. St. Pierre, Quebec, Dec. 19.—So far returning officers have given out only majorities handed in by deputies.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier arrived in the capital early this morning. He spent the day at his home and denied himself to callers. His private secretary said over the telephone that the opposition leader would spend the day attending to correspondence and that he would not issue a statement bearing on the election result today.

Toronto, Dec. 19.—It is evident that Hon. Frank Oliver, Sir Wilfrid Laurier's chief western lieutenant, has had the night of his life in West Edmonton. This morning the Unionist candidate, Brigadier-General W. A. Griesbach, is leading by 909, with some polls to hear from. Battle River is also still incomplete, though Blair, Unionist, is leading.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 19.—Commenting on the election, the Morning Chronicle today says: "It is a verdict which reaffirms the determination of the Dominion to carry on with the war, concerning which was never any room for doubt. Apparently the people of Canada as a whole, by a decisive vote, have endorsed the principle of Union government and are willing to give it a fair trial. The union government appealed to the electorate as a non-partisan administration, and such, we take it, it has received the mandate of the people."

Germany Moved Her Best Men From Russian Front To West

With the French Armies in France, Monday, Dec. 17.—(By the Associated Press)—Before signing the armistice with Russia, Germany, according to the assertions of numerous prisoners, withdrew all soldiers between the ages of 20 and 35 from the divisions on the Russian front. These were replaced by older men and recruits of the 1918 class, thus nominally retaining the same formations on the eastern front.

RUSSIAN DEMANDS REGARDING PEACE

Stipulation That It Be "On Principle of Self-Definition of Nations" TROTSKY SO ORDERS

Details of Signing of Armistice With Germans—Ex-Czar and Family Want to Leave Russia and Request May be Granted

Russian representatives have been ordered by Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, to demand of the central powers at the peace conference at Brest-Litovsk whether they "agree to demittees and on the principle of self-definition of nations."

Petrograd, Monday, Dec. 17.—It is reported that the German emperor asked the Russian armistice delegates to ascertain the probable fate of former Emperor Nicholas and his family. It is said the commissioners asked the members of the former royal family as to their desires and that they replied that they would like to go abroad. The commissioners are reported to have agreed in principle to the wishes of Nicholas and his family, but they have not yet decided to place the matter before the constituent assembly.

NO PEACE NOTE FROM VATICAN

Rome, Dec. 19.—(Toronto Mail and Empire)—Mgr. Corriti, papal under secretary of state, Archbishop of Corfu, and formerly attached to the staff of the papal delegate at Washington, made this statement today: "The report circulated by some unscrupulous journalists to the effect that the Holy Father meditates a Christmas peace note to the neutrals is absolutely false. The Holy Father has not the least intention of issuing any appeal whatever for peace at this juncture. I hope widespread publication will be given to this official denial. I do not know why people who never take the trouble to approach the Vatican for information spread these false reports, which can only be harmful."

No Offer for Lajoie

Toronto, Dec. 19.—President McCaffery of the Toronto Baseball Club, announced this morning that he has not received an offer from any major league club for Manager Larry Lajoie. He is willing to dispose of the veteran if he receives his price.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service

Ten Killed in London Raid; Seventy Injured

London, Dec. 19.—Ten persons were killed and seventy injured in an air raid last night over London. Outside of London five persons were killed and twenty injured. The following official communication was given out: "Last night's air raid casualties were: Ten killed and seventy injured in London; only five injured outside London. Several fires occurred. The material damage was not serious. There was no damage to naval or military establishments."

London, Dec. 19.—One of the German airplanes which took part in last night's raid over England was brought down destroyed, and another is believed to have been destroyed, the war office announces. From sixteen to twenty raiders, divided into six groups, endeavored to reach London, but only five succeeded in dropping bombs on the city.

FREE FROM SCHOOL FOR JOYS OF THE SANTA CLAUS TIME

Christmas Closing Exercises Today; Record Number of Pupils in Grade Eleven; A Plea for Playgrounds

In the public schools today special programmes and exercises were successfully carried out, marking the closing of the schools for the Christmas holidays. The holidays lasted two weeks.

There were a large number of the paragon and friends of the pupils present to witness the exercises. The programme carried out was as follows: Selection—Orchestra. Recitation—Edith Trentowsky. Carol—Grade IX girls. Essay—Marjorie Manning. Selection—Orchestra. Recitation—Arthur Cunningham. Carol—Girls of grade IX. Recitation—The Silence. Selection—Orchestra.

HUGHES' REPLY TO BORDEN CABLE

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—The prime minister has received the following reply from Hon. Wm. Hughes, prime minister of Australia: "Heartiest congratulations on your magnificent victory. Canada has set Australia a glorious example which I trust she will follow tomorrow."

IN COLD STORAGE

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—A big decrease in the quantity of eggs and butter in cold storage is shown in the Dominion on Dec. 1, as compared with Nov. 1, is shown in the monthly report of the acting commissioner of the ministry of labor re cost of living.

LITTLE ONES DID WELL

Miss Elsie Trentowsky's private kindergarten, in the Church of England Institute, Princess street, was closed this morning for the Christmas holidays. An elaborate programme was carried out by the children and a Christmas tree was prominent. On the tree were presents for the mothers of the children. These presents had been made by the little ones. Santa Claus also had placed on the tree a present for every pupil. These were distributed by Miss Adra Sarwell, Miss Trentowsky's assistant. The mothers of the children expressed themselves as being much pleased with the work of the children.

"WITHOUT GUNS, SHALL LOSE MEN, MAYBE THE WAR"

SARRAIL HAS BEEN RECALLED

Commander of the Allied Armies at Saloniki

Guillemet Reported His Successor

London, Dec. 19.—General Sarrail, commander of the allied armies at Saloniki, has been recalled, according to newspaper announcement in Athens, says a Reuter despatch from the Greek capital, under date of December 18. His successor, it is said, will be General Guillemet.

General M. P. E. Sarrail has been identified with the allied operations based on Saloniki since October 1915, when he was sent to command the French expeditionary force engaged in an attempt to succor the Serbians during the Teutonic-Bulgarian drive that resulted in the overrunning of Serbian territory.

Paris, Dec. 19.—Two attempts by the Germans to approach French positions in the Argonne near Four De Paris last night were defeated with losses, the war office announced today. Last night German aviators threw down fifty bombs in the region of Dunkirk. No victims have been reported thus far.

FIFTY YEAR BOYCOTT IS REPORTED AS WILSON'S CLUB TO WIELD AGAINST KAISER ARMY OF ENGINE FIREMEN DEMAND INCREASE IN PAY

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New York, Dec. 19.—The Associated Press today carries the following: An Atlantic Port, Dec. 19.—Diverted from Halifax because of conditions due to the recent disaster there, a British ship bearing more than 2,000 Canadian soldiers, invalided home because of wounds or illness, arrived here today. The men will be sent to Canada by rail.

Americans Warned By McCormick Of Illinois HE WAS AT THE FRONT

Says Britain Will Not Have Guns Enough Until Spring and France Makes Call to Americans To Rush Manufacture

Washington, Dec. 18.—The congressional inquiry into army war preparations broadened today with the senate military committee decision to hear private manufacturers of ordnance and ammunition tomorrow.

General Petain said to me "make guns. Send us guns and ammunition, rather than steel billets. We are grateful for the little force you have sent us. The echo of its foot falls carried hope to every heart in France, but as it grows taxed to supply it. While its numbers slowly increase you Americans who are a great industrial people must see that this war is an industry of destruction."

Paris, Dec. 19.—The successful bombing by British naval aircraft, of the Engel airbase, behind the German lines in Flanders, is announced in the navy's admiralty statement.

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