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Says Allies Will Win War This Summer

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 17.—In an address on the war here last night Frederick Palmer, well-known war correspondent, predicted that the allies would win this summer.

Line-Up is Complete For Battle Of Ballots

This is Nomination Day—No Speech Making Here—Life Long Conservative Joins Opposition

Nominations for candidates for the provincial general elections closed at noon today and the campaign entered upon the final stage. The closing of nominations sees a full ticket in the field in each constituency for both the government and the opposition. In every section of the province each government candidate faces an aggressive opposition and the character and ability of the candidates placed in the field by the opposition ensures generous support for the party, quite apart from the vital issue of good government which is at stake.

The election will take place on next Saturday. The exception to this rule is the county of Gloucester in which the election day is fixed by-law to take place on Monday, as a concession to the large number of fishermen in that county. The Gloucester election will take place on the Monday following.

The nomination papers for the opposition candidates for the city of St. John were filed this morning by MacMillan Truman and William M. Ryan. The nominations are as follows: William Ryan, John P. McElroy, A. O. Skinner, T. H. Estabrook, Arthur S. Connor, William J. Mahoney, F. Emery, F. B. Schofield, T. A. Linton, A. J. Macfarlane, Arthur S. Connor, M. T. Colahan, Harry L. Belyea, A. O. Skinner, Stanley B. Smith, Timothy Collins, Fred McTernan, R. A. Sinclair, C. P. Nixon, Urban J. Sweeney and others.

Government Candidates: The nominations for the government candidates for St. John county were filed yesterday by Allan J. LeBlanc. They are as follows: Hon. John B. M. Baxter, nominated

WILL ENFORCE PROHIBITION

The opposition party, if placed in power, will enforce the prohibitory law which is on the statute books and which will come into effect on May 1.

W. E. Foster has publicly declared over and over again that this is the policy of the opposition. His supporters endorse it.

Any statement to the contrary is a deliberate falsehood told to shield a government that is afraid of the people.

"KICK IT OUT"

The St. Andrew's Beacon, Conservative, says: "Provincial politics have been pretty rotten in New Brunswick for a good many years, and if there has been any actual improvement in the past two years, it has not been conspicuously apparent."

And now the Fleming-Murray government wants another lease of power.

VON BERNSTORFF LOOKS OUT UPON JAIL AND BREWERY

That is What He Sees From Deck of Steamship at Halifax

Small Army of Canadian Examiners Making Thorough Inspection of Credentials—No One Allowed to Land From the Vessel

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 17.—The task of examining the credentials of the various members of the German party, which is expected to land from the Scandinavian-American liner Frederick VIII on route from New York to Copenhagen, was begun this morning by a corps of Canadian immigration and customs officers. The ship was last night taken to a secluded portion of the harbor for this purpose. A small army of officials were taken out to the steamer to examine the papers of the German party, which includes Count Von Bernstorff, the former German ambassador to the United States, and other high consular officials leaving for the fatherland, while the ship is long detained in Halifax.

WOULD NOT VOTE FOR GOVERNMENT IF HALF OF FREEDERICK GIVEN

Frederick, Feb. 17.—Sheriff Howe received nominations, Edward Burt, Peter Hughes, A. B. Kitchin, and William P. Lawson were nominated by the opposition and James K. Pinder, John A. Young, Dr. W. C. Crockett and S. B. Hunter by the government. The candidates will hold separate meetings this evening. This evening H. J. Logan, a rally in the opera house on behalf of the government.

TAG DAY SUCCESSFUL

Kindergarten Committees Report Generous Response to Call

According to indications at noon today the Kindergarten "tag day" was a success. Members of the Free Kindergarten Association said that they were meeting with a generous response on all sides and they were confident that the sum collected would be as large as if not larger, than that collected in former years.

FREEDERICK PROPERTY SALE

Frederick, Feb. 17.—The Doyle property was sold under a decretal order here today and bid in by members of the family for \$7,800.

Blizzard in Winnipeg

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 17.—A blizzard struck the city last night and tied up the street car service. It was resumed fully this morning.

Twenty-One Cargo Ships Reach New York

New York, Feb. 17.—The Associated Press says: Owners and agents for ships declared today that they were ready to do their part in relieving the railroads from a freight congestion. They predicted that exporters would have no cause for complaint that they could not find vessels to carry their goods at least no greater cause than existed before the declaration of the German submarine blockade.

LOCAL NEWS

TRAIN DELAYED.—The Montreal train is reported five hours late today. The cause of the delay is to a blockade on the main line, caused by derailment of a freight car.

NOT GUILTY.—Ham King, a Chinese, sent up for trial on the charge of theft of a suit case, was acquitted by Judge Armstrong under the Speedy Trial Act.

HAD SLEIGH DRIVE.—Members of Dominion Lodge, I.O.G.T. held a successful and highly delightful sleigh drive to the city this morning. Following their return to the city, a supper was served at the home of Mrs. Emma McLaughlin on Murray street.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.—A special assessment commission, to discuss the criticisms of the proposed act, which was to have been held here last night, was postponed and probably will not be held until the week after next.

TWENTY DEATHS.—Twenty deaths were reported by the Board of Health this week as follows: Pneumonia, four; old age, three; bronchitis, two; apoplexy, two; hemorrhage, one; influenza, one; cholera, one; typhoid, one; acute indigestion, fracture of spine, chronic Bright's disease, carcinoma of stomach, one each.

NINETY-FOUR YEARS OLD.—Many will learn with regret of the death of Miss Elizabeth Scallan, which occurred at the Mater Misericordiarum Hospital, Sydney street, this morning. Miss Scallan was formerly a resident of the city and had been in the institution in Sydney street. She was ninety-four years of age and survived by her brother, Peter, of Chapel Grove. The funeral will take place from the home at 9:30 o'clock Monday morning.

IN THE MARKET.—Pork and sausage are reported in the country market this morning to be still on the increase in price. Pork last week was sold at 12 1/2 cents per pound, and today's sales were at 13 1/2 cents. Sausages a week ago were selling for twenty cents and today are at twenty-five cents. The prevailing prices are: Beef sixteen to twenty cents; pork twenty to twenty-five cents; turkey twenty-five to thirty-five cents and turkey forty cents.

HAVE TEA AND SALE.—A girls' club known as "The Sixteen" are this afternoon conducting a tea and sale at the home of Mrs. E. J. Estabrook, 162 Mount Pleasant. The proceeds are for patriotic purposes. The girls are: Hazel Lewis, Marie McDermid, Audrey McDermid, Zela Lanouaze, Myrtle Vanwart, Ethel Daley, Gladys Hannam, Ripshah Mahoney, Alice Wilson, Alice Brown, Rae Wilson, May Goodwin, Marion Estabrook, Mrs. Claire Gilmore and Mrs. George Hannam. Those presiding at the tables are Mrs. W. I. Fenton and Mrs. W. A. Henderson.

BRAND WHITLOCK TO REMAIN IN BRUSSELS.—Berlin, Feb. 17.—Brand Whitlock, United States minister to Belgium, will continue to remain in Brussels in his diplomatic capacity. Belgian relief work will still go on under the auspices of the new war in charge of its administration.

The Wheat Market.—Chicago, Feb. 17.—Crop damage reports from the southwest and west tend to increase the wheat market. Moderate dry weather was given as the chief cause of injury. The fact that some improvement in the number of bushels per acre was available for shippers here counted also as a bullish factor. Opening quotations, which ranged from 3/4 to 1/2 up, with May at 1 1/2 to 1 1/2 and July 1 1/4 to 1 1/4, were followed by an advance all around to well above yesterday's finish.

FINED \$50 FOR SUPPLYING LIQUOR TO SOLDIERS.—In the police court today Thomas Murray pleaded guilty to supplying liquor to soldiers in uniform. He was arrested by Detective William Duncan and Policeman Coughlin in an alley off Sydney street last evening. The police say that Murray was caught passing a bottle to a soldier. Murray was fined \$50.

LIMITING HEAT FOR HOUSES IN BERLIN.—Paris, Feb. 17.—The Havas correspondent at Geneva reports that the Berlin local government has decreed that on account of the lack of freight cars and the impossibility of obtaining sufficient supplies of coal, houses which are served from central heating plants must not have a temperature of more than fifty-nine degrees Fahrenheit. All central heating plants must close operations on March 31. Hot water supplied by the city to apartments is to be cut off immediately.

U. S. CONSULS MAY NOT GET OUT OF GERMANY FOR SOME WEEKS YET.—London, Feb. 17.—The United States consuls who are still in Germany may not be able to leave the empire for some weeks, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Times quoting an American source who has arrived there from Germany.

GOVERNMENT GETTING THE UPPER HAND IN THE CUBAN SITUATION.—Havana, Feb. 17.—It is officially announced that Colonel Pablos forces have occupied Escambray, the rebel headquarters in the province of Matanzas. The town was entered on Thursday afternoon—the rebels fleeing at the approach of the Government forces. Now the rebel forces are being driven from the Cuba and Júcaro and Moron railroads and have captured sufficient rolling stock for the transportation of the troops.

ONTARIO'S MUNIFICENCE TOWARDS RED CROSS.—Toronto, Ont., Feb. 16.—Sir John Henry, lieutenant-governor, has received a letter from Sir Harry D. Clarke, chairman of the finance committee of the British Red Cross Society, in which he says: "We are desirous to increase the amount of the Ontario contribution to the Red Cross Society, and we are sure that you will be able to do so."

COAL SITUATION IN TORONTO IMPROVING.—Toronto, Feb. 17.—That broads are being made into the closed conditions of the terminals at Fort Erie and Black Rock, where hundreds of cars of hard coal and merchants' coal are stored in the open, was apparent yesterday by the number of cars which were covered at the Toronto and Mimico terminals. It is estimated that 25,000 and 30,000 tons of all kinds of coal are being placed on well above the amount of soft coal.

LOCAL MILITARY MATTERS.—Major-General Lesard and Brigadier-General H. McLean returned last evening from Fredericton, after inspection of the 28th kiltie battalion. It is understood that the members of the battalions, it was rather difficult to get in view of his pleading guilty to all that was charged in the papers, the magistrate had him remanded to jail, telling him that he would very likely be sent back to Fredericton to serve out his term of imprisonment.

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With Milder Weather, Mighty Armies Prepare For Fight That May Bring War To End

Are Reaching Out Now, Feeling For Weak Spots

Here is the Real Issue

What do the honest electors of the province think of this?

British Headquarters in France, via London, Feb. 17.—(From a staff correspondent of the Associated Press)—The cold which has held the western front for nearly a month is gradually moderating and it is easy to sense all along the battle-line an unmistakable quickening which tells of the approach of spring and foreshadows the coming to grips of the greatest armies yet assembled in the world war.

Already these armies are reaching out toward each other, testing various parts of the lines and attempting to discover the most likely point of contact for the beginning of the titanic struggle that is expected to make this the decisive year of the conflict.

In anticipation of eventualities the Germans have removed the civilian population from the cities and towns in proximity to their lines but no such action has been felt necessary behind the allied front.

The Tiresome Guns.—Never silent, the British guns are beginning to roar more and more steadily. Tonight they are booming with particular violence in the sector of the Somme. From a distance the sound of their shells might easily be mistaken for the grating echoes of a passing summer storm.

The chorus of grating and falling shells in the distance is a great relief to the nerves of the British troops. They are beginning to feel that the war is beginning to take a new turn. They are beginning to feel that the war is beginning to take a new turn.

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LIVED BUT FEW DAYS TO ENJOY WAR HONORS WON BY SON

Dorchester Today is Mourning the Death of Mrs. John H. Hickman

Dorchester, N. B., Feb. 17.—At four o'clock this morning Theresa, wife of John H. Hickman, merchant and lumberman, passed away. She had been ill for ten days with pneumonia and she came suddenly this morning. Before her marriage she was Miss Hay of Amherst. Besides her husband she is survived by six sons, William M. Lieut. Joseph D., at the front; Gunner Jack, in England; Harry, Stewart, Robert and two daughters, Misses Alice and Arthur Goldsmith of Alderbrook, B. C.

From a distant B. C. bombardment she got her son, Joseph D., had received the Military Cross for gallantry in action at the front.

The funeral will be held at the home of the deceased on Monday morning at 10 o'clock. The interment will be in the Rural Cemetery.

MAY HAVE TO GO BACK TO PENITENTIARY.—Private G. W. Lavine, alias Watson, morning by an escort under Sergeant Clarke of the Field Ambulance Depot, West St. John, was placed under the supervision of Police Inspector J. J. Simpson.

According to the information obtained from the fact that he had not been filled and the diminution in numbers has been covered by other men sent to serve five years for breaking and entering O'Hara's barber shop in Mill street, some three years ago.

Watson, as the soldier was then known, was detected by Detective George Briggs, tried in the police court committed for trial and sentenced to serve five years in the penitentiary. He was taken to the penitentiary and was later let out on ticket-of-leave to enlist with the 28th kiltie battalion. It is understood that the members of the battalions, it was rather difficult to get in view of his pleading guilty to all that was charged in the papers, the magistrate had him remanded to jail, telling him that he would very likely be sent back to Fredericton to serve out his term of imprisonment.

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