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### The Civic Election.

We gave Controller Cameron disinterested and reliable advice when we warned him that he had no chance of defeating such a redoubtable champion as Mayor Church. But Controller Cameron had an obstinate regard for his own opinion which interfered with his judgment in this personal matter. Had he remained in the board of control contest he would almost certainly have regained his seat, and not eliminated himself from an important year in the life of the city.

Mayor Church has shown indefatigable industry in his official capacity, and he has made the war his own, These things have commended him to the electorate, and it is but just that he should have the honor of seeing the end of the war if it should be ended, as we all hope, this year.

There are two principles which we trust the new board of control will keep in view. The first is one to which everything else must be subordinated, the preparation for regaining the street railway franchise in 1921. An essential part of that policy will be the purchase of the Metropolitan Railway rights within the city limits. The figure mentioned by the company as their price for this property does not appear to have considered the right of way which the company is to have from the city. To the layman this right of way appears to be almost as valuable as the franchise itself. The Metropolitan will certainly have more facilities with a double track than at present.

The other principle to be observed by every member of the board of control and every member of the council is that of economy under the advice and leadership of the commissioner of finance. He is the man at the emergency wheel at the present time, and he knows the course. There is little ahead in city affairs outside these two big issues to occupy the council this year. Any attempt to start new issues aside from the war or until the war is over would be a mistake of judgment.

the city his best assistance in the street railway re-

Ald Robbins has been elected as the representative of labor in the city, and as an alderman who has done his duty faithfully by all interests will be looked to as one who represents a large share in a partnership where all interests are identical.

Controller O'Neill is a shrewd and sound business man and is returned at the head of the board for his record and his ability. He and Mayor Church are the only survivors from last year's board, and he will have much to do in maintaining a continuity of policy which the defeat of Controllers Cameron and Shaw has shown to have been approved by the citizens.

The changes in the aldermanic representation are due to causes not always on the surface. No doubt some of the issues raised in the recent Dominion election accounted for some of the changes. Three old members of the council are returned in the persons of Ald. Cowan, Ald. Weir and Ald. Plewman, the latter representing the fourth estate. Mr. Mogridge, also of that ilk, made a creditable run in ward three for a first attempt. There are several new men in Messrs. Honeyford and Johnston of ward one, another Mr. Johnston in ward three, Mr. Blackburn in ward five, and Messrs. Birdsall and Sykes in ward six.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Courtice and Miss Constance Boulton were returned to the board of education in wards one and four respectively. Dr. Steele and Mr. McClelland accompany them for another year in office.

The street railway vote was over ten to one in favor of taking over the system in 1921. The vote was a comparatively light one or the majority would have been even larger. There can no longer be any doubt of the mind of the citizens on this question, and the council will be judged this year largely by the way it is handled in the interests of the people.

# Economy and Production.

Sir Thomas White's appeal to the Canadian people to practice economy has more behind it than most people are aware. People who come to Canada from Europe are shocked at the careless and indifferent attitude we display towards the war, or rather towards the conditions that we should be conscious of as attending the war. In Europe the millions of the several nations are confronting famine as a perpetual menace. In Canada the average man and woman does not order his life with the conviction that his next door neighbor is starving. Yet this is the fact. We are asked to stint ourselves of food in order that those who have nothing may not die.

The regulations about food, about meatless days, about eating potatoes instead of bread, about substituting other grains for wheat, about abstaining from bacon and pork, are dictated on account of the scarcity of food certainly, but especially on account of the absolute dearth of food in Europe, and, owing to the scarcity of shipping, of the necessity of using the most concentrated and readily preserved forms of food for shipment.

Sir Thomas speaks of "luxurious consumption of an kinds, and particularly of imported articles, which take money out of the country." Under present conditions it is a form of treason to buy anything that is not of Canadian origin. It would be good for Canada and good for Canadians if they could lay this

to heart. Our condition after the war will depend very largely on the extent to which we have relied upon ourselves, and there is no better way to rely upon ourselves than by self-restraint and self-denial wherewith to provide a necessary margin for the

Let us not neglect, however, while we deny ourselves in indulgences, not to spare ourselves in production, in activity. Usually the aim of the citizen is to reverse this process, and produce as little while consuming as much as possible. Our success after the war will depend upon our activity and our economy now. It should stimulate the nation towards the saving of food to know that all we export increases our credit, and that we shall have a material reward in this respect for our prudence.

### Seven Thousand Traitors.

"Today, in the offices of The Providence Journal, is a card index of the names of seven thousand people. hundreds of them American citizens, dozens of them honored leaders in professional and public life, who are known still to be working the kaiser's will in every important city in the United States."

This statement appeared in The World's Work for December, and is undeniable. The question is how many of these people or their friends are operating in respect to the railway of them. The only possible policy in the understanding that cific, but with the understanding that cific and cifi

in Canada. Three weeks before the parliament buildings at Ottawa were burned The Providence Journal gave warning, but apparently no notice was taken. If any Canada has as many traitors in proportion to population as the United States there must be five or six hundred of these agents of the kaiser busy here; a hundred and fifty in Ontario on the same ratio; thirty or forty in Toronto.

It is not a comfortable thought, but it need not be disturbing. If we use our common sense and watch those who are helping the kaiser in one way or another by their pacifist or anti-war or anti-conscription propaganda, and report all suspicious actions in sh to the police, they cannot do much harm. Of course the more open agitators are not the most dangerous. But they are usually to be found associated with those who are dangerous, and these may not profess enmity to Canada at all, but seek thru some other pretext than the war to weaken the faith and allegiance of our citizens. It is customary to give the traitor credit for conscientiousness. This may be true of the open agitators, but not of the secret workers. "O enemy, sly and serpentine!" wrote Major Whyte Melville, and the line may be applied to all kinds of traitors bethe line may be applied to all kinds of traitors besides the one he had in mind. But there is always a

This is abundantly shown in the record of the counter-plots by which the German conspiracies have been uncovered and checked in the United States by mr. John R. Rathom and his assistants. The egotism of the Germans led them, and still leads them, to despise those against whom their plots are directed. No doubt they despise us Canadians, and they have a right to do so if we neglect the clear signs and warnings that are given us. We are not likely to do so with the spirit that carried the recent election vital and active thruout the Dominion, but it should always be in evidence if for no other reason than to keep the caused in the recoment connership and there is every reason to believe that the nationalization of the German Conspiracies have been uncovered and checked in the United States by Mr. John R. Rathom and his assistants. The egotism of the German led them, and still leads them, to despise those against whom their plots are directed. No doubt they despise us Canadians, and they have a right to do so if we neglect the clear signs and warnings that are given us. We are not likely to do so with the spirit that carried the recent election vital and active thruout the Dominion, but it should always be in evidence if for no other reason than to keep the canadian Pacific Railway, and there is every reason to believe that the nationalization of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway in the eight probability in the first plot of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway in the recont of the United States by Mr. John R. Rathom and his assistants. The egotism of the German Conspiracies have been uncovered and checked in the United States by Will be achieved in any event at the coming session of parliament, and probably the nationalization of the old Grand Trunk Pacific Railway interplants of the United States by Wr. John R. Rathom and his assistants. The egotism of the German Conspiration of the old Grand Trunk Pacific Railway interplants of the United States by Wr. John R. Rathom and his assistants. The egotism of the Caradian Pac

# Now the Seatless Street Car.

Senator Norris of Nebraska has found it rather re-Senator Norms of Nebraska has found it rather repugnant to senatorial dentity to be compelled to ride in the Washington street care hanging to a strap while many passengers are enjoying seats. He therefore proposes that the seats shall be taken out. Two objects are sought—to provide more standing room and to create a truly democratic situation by putting all riders on the same level. Both objects would be attained by removing the same level. Both objects would be attained the same level. Both objects would pugnant to senatorial dignity to be compelled to ride in

of food sound from across the channel, should know that NATION-WIDE TOUR this is the British way to speak out plainly. British people, whose wealth and power dates from centuries past, which was already a free nation at a time when German princes still sold away their "subjects," like so many head of fat stock would sink back into the placidity of their every day sporting life, if they were not told that they could be saved from danger only by exerting their full energy. Hence the searchlight throw on everything, never an attempt to minimize national difficulties. In this light a nation can exist only which governs itself, which is able to expel bad administrators, capable ministers, untruthful army leaders.

# The Knitters.

All o'er the land the Knitters sit, And swift the shining needles flit; And grows the stocking-bit by bit-In myriad hands.

The rainbow colors fade away, That erstwhile decked the maidens gay; And what is left is only gray

and those who knit—the true and tried, And old and young, from far and wide, In city, town, or county side-

O grant that as the days go by loving toil, the prayer, the sigh, Hasten the Day when blessedly Sweet Peace may reign.

Sweet Peace! For thee with longing heart We yearn; and each her part Toward that blest Day-in home and mart The Knitters take. -Florence Spinney in The Boston Transcript.

# Young Soldiers.

Only yesterday were they Chafing at unwelcome rule, Measuring study by their play In the little world of school.

Only yesterday intent On the limits of their sphere, Every waking effort bent On the "Now" and on the "Here."

Lo, at midnight came the call, Breaking in upon their sleep, And their manhood, over all, Rose to live and run and leap.

Thus, before their day was born, Many a war-kissed eager lad Thought of childhood with a scorn-As a thing he never had! -Ivan Adair, in London Graphic,

### THE RAILWAY QUESTION

The Winnipeg Telegram opposes the nationalization of the Canadian Pacific and says:

tionalize the C.P.R. It would be an almost impossible load, even did Canada not need every cent of money she can possibly raise by tax or loan for the purpose of carrying on her war

gesting that the Dominion Government should revert to its old practice of grant

stupidity about the traitor that handicaps his exorts and enables those he would victimize to escape his wiles.

This is abundantly shown in the record of the country let be heard the miner alors he were the country let be be worked out without friction or difficulty. We already have more than one-third of our radiusays under government connership and there is every reason to believe that the nationalization.

# ST. THOMAS ELECTIONS

Ald. E. A. Herton Wins for Mayoralty by a Fair Majority.

# OF PAULIST CHOIR

Will Raise Hundred Thousand Dollars Edwin Switzer, C. W. Robb, Dr. G. P. Allen. Belgian Cities.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—In a nation-wide tour to raise \$100,000 to aid in the re-habilitation of razed French and Belgian cities the Paulist Choristers, Chicago's famous boy choir, departed to-day for the east. The trip will last six months, and will include all the large cities in the United States and The campaign, which is also design-

ed to spiritualize and stimulate the martial spirit of the country, has not only the approval of President Wilson and the Catholic hierarchy, but has been launched with the special blessing of Pope Benedict ing of Pope Benedict.

# SPIRITED CANNONADING

Artillery Duels Alone Reported Paris Official Statement.

Paris, Jan. 1.—The following official ommunication was issued tonight: "The cannonade was rather spirited on the left bank of the Meuse to the north of Hill 304 and on the right bank in the region of Beaumont and Bois le Chaume. On the remainder of the front there was intermittent cannon-

"Army of the east, Dec. 31: No event of importance took place today. Bad weather prevails."

# FOUGHT A DRAW.

Akron, O., Jan. 1.—Johnny Griffiths and Bryan Downey fought a terrific 12-round draw here this afternoon. Both men were badly cut up at the end of the battle.

# EVADED IMMIGRATION LAWS.

Windsor, Jan. 1.—Bernard Litfin, aged 26, a young German from Kitchener, who has been held in Sandwich Jail since the immigration authorities found he had failedto register, will be charged with perjury as soon as he is released this meek. He came to Windsor last September with the wife of an overseas soldier, and soon got into trouble by talking too freely. It is now alleged that he obtained a passport here by swearing he obtained a passport here by swearing h was British-born. The authorities alleg

# "WORKING" HIM.



# **ARE ASPIRANTS** TO CIVIC OFFICE

Additional Nominations for Councils Held in the Province.

Following are additional no ons of aspirants to municipal office

Clarke, Thomas Clarke, A. G. Luxton. Reeve—John Campbell. Councillors— J. N. Scott, A. G. Luxton, Thomas H. Eilis, N. Yeomans, William Patton, A. E. Gibson, John Ernst, J. P. Noonan,

AMHERSTBURG-Mayor-Dr. W.

Deneau. William E. Turner, George Shipley, F. E. Larmie, Alex. Bertrand jr., George D. Pettypiece, I. H. Denike, Silas Allen, W. T. Wilkinson. Public school trustees—George Gott, C. A. Cuddy, W. S. French, Alexander Park. NAPANEE—Mayor—J. E. Robinson, Asiago Sectors—British Make S. C. Dennison, J. N. Osborne. Reev -M. P. Graham, H. Meng. Council lors-F. S. Boyes, A. McGregor, J. N

lors—F. S. Boyes, A. McGregor, J. N. Osborne, W. A. Steacy, John Lowrey, F. S. Wartman, T. Symington, C. H. Spencer, W. T. Gibbard, Stuart Paul, H. Meng, M. Stevens, A. Cabon, W. H. Hunter, E. Meng, J. B. Allison.

RENFREW—Mayor—J. K. Rochester, W. A. Moore, B. N. Moss Reeve—ter, W. A. Moore, B. N. Moss Reeve—ter, W. E. Smallfield, W. Bollem, H. Mac. A. L. Handford, C. A. Duff. Councillors—W. P. Allen, A L. Handford, James Murphy, G. M. French, W. E. Smallfield, A. Lindsay, A. Fraser, M. A. McArthur, B. Grace, A. A. Ferrier, A. Jamieson, William Dean, N. Hamilton, J. Stringer, A. Laboute, W. Bolem, F. Plant, J. M. Roberts, H. Totten, Trustees—A. E. Wright, J. R. Easton, A. Ferrier (accil.)

A. Ferrier (accl.) HANOVER. — Mayor — Dr. Taylor (acclamation). Reeve — Dr. Mearns (acclamation). Councillors—I. Arm-(acclamation). Councillors—I. Arm-strong, Brocklebank, Devlin, Forester, Frook, Hoffman, Hahn, Lang and

# LABOR MAN ELECTED

Special to The Toronto World.
St. Catharines, Ont., Jan. 1.—Ald.
James A. Wiley, labor candidate, was elected mayor today in a close contest AMHERSTBURG—Mayor—Dr. W.
Fred Park, Dr. O. Teeter. Reeve—A.
G. Brown. F. A. Hough, F. H. A.
Davis. Edward Crimmins, J.Gott, A. G.
Brown (acdl.) Councillors—E. Crimmins, A. Woods, J. H. Sutton, W. E.
Craig, L. B. V. Sansac, S. J. Pettypiece, Charles O. Dette, W. H. Jones, H. Cadarotte, A. P. Barron, Gordon

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Raids Across Piave River.

Italy reports that the Italians at the W. E. Smallfield, W. Bollem, H. Mac-Domald, A. L. Handford, Deputy reeve —J. K. Rechester, W. E. Smallfield, A. L. Handford, C. A. Duff. Councillors Grappa and Asiago sectors, where Grappa and Asiago sectors, where they have worked untiringly to streng-then. Little snow has failen. The success of the French yesterday in the Monte Tomba region has given much

"Some small raids have been successfully made across the Piava by the British. The crossing of the river is difficult at this season of the year. British artillery and aircraft continue their efforts daily to destroy the enemy's betteries.

my's batteries.
"In retaliation for Dec. 26, when they lost 11 machines, the enemy aircraft have been very active lately in bomb-ing raids. The damage thus inflicted

has been slight.
"All the allied troops are confident of future success of their united ef-forts and look forward to the new

# RAILWAY MAN DEAD.

Special to The Toronto World.

St. Thomas, Jan. 1.—Leslie Cascaden, aged 42 years, yard conductor for the Michigan Central Railway, St. Thomas, died here today at his residence on Elizabeth street. He was a prominent railway man of the city. He is survived by his widow and two children.

