

## NICKEL BIG ISSUE IN PERTH CONTEST

Bilingualism is in Background,  
Declaration of C. M. Bowman, M.L.A.

### LARGE LIBERAL RALLY

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By a Staff Reporter.  
STRATFORD, Ont., July 7.—Not bilingualism, but the attitude of the Hearst government toward the nickel trust was declared to be the supreme issue in North Perth by C. M. Bowman, M.L.A., in an address to the big Liberal mass meeting here tonight. The meeting was the first to be held by the Liberals and compared favorably in point of attendance with the Conservative meeting addressed by Premier Hearst and Dr. Pyne last week. George McLagan, a big manufacturer and a strong advocate of prohibition, presided.

Wellington Hay, the Liberal candidate, declared that he loyally followed N. W. Rowell on the temperance question, and that he stood by the Ontario Temperance Act. He said it was the government, not the opposition, which was trying to get away from that legislation, and that Attorney-General Lucas had gone thru North Perth hinting that the Ontario Temperance Act might be repealed as soon as the war was over.

Attacked Sir Sam. There was little effort made to rouse party enthusiasm, as Mr. Hay is looking for a big Conservative vote on Monday. He went after Sir Sam Hughes, however, without gloves. "The minister of militia," he said, "is either a musician or a mountebank and it would be a good thing for the country if he was taken out and shot." Scott Davidson, M.L.A. for Brant, and several local speakers followed. About five hundred people attended the meeting, which was preceded by an automobile parade. The Conservatives will have a counter rally tomorrow night, to be addressed by Hon. W. J. Hanna and Hon. I. B. Lucas.

Hay Not an Abstainer. The Stratford Herald, the local Conservative paper, this afternoon republished from The Toronto News an interview with Wellington Hay, the Liberal candidate. In this interview he is quoted as saying that he is not familiar with the provisions of the Ontario Temperance Act, and therefore cannot say whether he is for or against it.

He declares that he will follow the leadership of N. W. Rowell on all questions relating to temperance, but the interview concludes with the statement, "I am not a temperance man myself."

Conservatives More Hopeful. The interview was hailed with delight by the Conservative members, who claim that it signs the death warrant of the Liberal candidate. They now claim that the liquor issue will be the one issue at Monday's election, and a large number of temperance Liberals will be compelled to come out to the support of the Hearst government. Whether it will have any such marked effect remains to be seen. Mr. Hay never claimed to be a total abstainer, but he has given active support to Mr. Rowell's "banish the bar" policy.

Unquestionably a certain number of Conservative votes may be lost to the party on account of the feeling against prohibition. Liberals' Counter-Attack. The Liberals claim, however, that the Conservatives have been trying also to play both sides against the middle on the liquor question. Attorney-General Lucas, in his speech at Listowel the other night, is said to have intimated that prohibition was merely a war measure, that the war would soon be over and the hotel-keepers might still have something to hope for from the Hearst government. The Liberals claim that Conservative statesmen, who are in less responsible position than Mr. Lucas, have been quite openly assuring voters of the survival of anti-temperance proclivities that they would have more to hope for from the election of Mr. Makin than from the election of Mr. Hay.

Liberals Seem Confident. However, the Hay interview has given some spice of interest to the election, which at noon today began to look like a walkover for the Liberal candidate. Both sides of course claim a victory on Monday, but the Liberals seem to be the more confident. There is little betting being done, and so far the betting has been even, but in nearly every case the money has been offered by the Liberals.

It is now understood that the soldiers of the 110th Battalion entitled to vote at the North Perth by-election will be allowed to go home and vote if they desire to do so. Only about 60 of them are on the voters' list for the City of Stratford, but probably a couple of hundred more, principally farmers' sons, are entitled to vote in the township.

Conservative Meetings. The Conservatives are still pursuing their policy of holding meetings all over the riding, and a number are being held tonight. One at Listowel Ferguson. Both sides are careful not to offend the German vote. The Liberals have refrained from holding any public meetings in order to avoid any offence to voters of German birth. The Conservatives have been bolder in public meetings, but if there has been any flag waving so far it has been done by the Liberals. The Liberals are making a great deal out of the nickel issue here in the City of Stratford, and are assisted by the fact that Judge John A. Barron, county judge of Perth, and a lifelong Liberal, has been inveighing against the export of nickel ever since the outbreak of the war.

Liberals Display Flag. The Liberals have a flag displayed at their headquarters, but neither of the two buildings owned by the Conservative committee has been adorned at any time by the Union Jack. The flag not being displayed during the visit of Premier Hearst, and there is reason to believe that the

failure to fly the flag was not altogether an oversight. The election will undoubtedly turn upon the City of Stratford. If there is anything like the sensational landslide in their favor which the Liberals predict their candidate, Mr. Hay, may carry the election by anywhere from 500 to 1000 majority.

If, however, the Conservatives carry the City of Stratford by a fair majority, say 300, they will probably elect their candidate, Mr. Makin. The Liberal candidate will come to Stratford with a majority which may run anywhere from 100 to 250. If the Conservatives get a good majority in the city they may wipe this out. The Liberals, however, insist that they will carry Stratford by a decisive majority. The indications still point to the election of the Liberal candidate.

Hearst and Nickel. Ament the discussion now raging here on the nickel question. The Beacon (Liberal) says this afternoon: "The Herald has been striving vainly to make this a patriotism campaign by using as a slogan the words 'Patriotism not Politics,' altho its utterances were all politics, with patriotism in the background. It is now greatly disturbed over the bomb thrown into the camp by W. F. Maclean, Conservative M. P., in his paper, the Toronto World, which calls upon the electors to condemn the unpatriotic action of the Hearst government towards the nickel trust, with its headquarters in Frankfurt, Germany, in largely controlling the Ontario output of nickel for armaments used to destroy Canadian soldiers. Mr. Hearst himself as minister of forests and mines some few years ago, placed the tax on nickel product of the Sudbury mines at \$40-500 per annum, whereas under the regular mining duty a tax of \$400,000 last year would have been collected."

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WHAT'S IN A NAME? By a Staff Reporter. OTTAWA, Ont., July 7.—Abram Slonemsky, a dental student of Toronto, has changed his name to Abram Sione.

## THREE MORE UNITS ARRIVE AT BORDEN

Commands of Col. D. Donald  
and Col. Le Grand Reed  
Reach Camp.

### PREPARING FOR REVIEW

Sir Sam Hughes Expected to  
Witness Exercises  
Tuesday Next.

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CAMP BORDEN, July 7.—Three more battalions arrived here today, the 134th, 170th and 14th bringing the total of soldiers encamped up to 23,000.

Eight battalions of infantry are due here from London, Ont., military district before Monday. The 126th Peel County Battalion, 127th York County Battalion and the 132nd Simcoe Battalion will also arrive here very soon.

All the headquarters staff force will be at Camp Borden by Monday. Sixteen brass bands held a massed band practice here today under direction of Lieut. John Slatter (48th Highlanders) in preparation for the anticipated review of the parade and review to be held on Tuesday, when Major-General Sir Sam Hughes, minister of militia, is expected to pay Camp Borden a visit. There will be 35 units lined up on the great parade ground for him to see in manoeuvres.

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## BATTERIES LED IN RECRUITING

Nine Men Out of Thirty-Two  
Went to Infantry  
Units.

### BASE HOSPITAL

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Being Entirely Re-  
modeled.

Thirty-five out of the sixty that were examined at the recruiting depot yesterday were successful in passing the medicals and were attested. The batteries led the field, the 69th securing seven men, the 70th six, and the 67th one. No. 1 Construction Battalion secured four men, while the 238th Light Infantry secured three. The 201st Battalion secured two, 204th two, 208th one, 140th one, and the 146th one.

This is a total of nine men secured by six infantry battalions, and represents the recruiting work of nine officers and 42 men, who were detailed to carry on recruiting for the infantry battalions in the City of Toronto yesterday. In addition to their pay must be added the cost of maintaining officers and other necessary expense. The number of men recruiting for the various infantry battalions in Toronto is as follows: 166th Battalion, one officer and eight men; 198th, two officers and 20 men; 201st, two officers and 20 men; 204th, one officer and 10 men; 208th, two officers and 20 men; 216th, one officer and four men.

The number of patients at the Excelsior camp hospital was increased yesterday by the following additions: Eighteen patients from Camp Borden, six from Niagara and two from Sim-

## START LOWERING GRADE ON YONGE STREET HILL

Preparatory to the Work of Filling Gap at Farnham Avenue.

Will Be Fine Hospital.

A great deal of work is being done at the old General Hospital by the engineers to fix up the building and put it in shape as a military base hospital. The work is under Lieut.-Col. S. P. Biggs, who has been promoted since taking charge of the work. Lieut. A. McAllister is the officer under him as Lt.-Col. Biggs is in charge of all the engineering work of the militia in Toronto. About \$12,000 will be spent on material alone, and by the time they turn the hospital over it will be almost entirely remodeled inside, and will compare favorably with any hospital building on the Continent of America.

Lieut.-Col. T. B. Richardson, officer commanding the second depot company of the C.A.M.C., which has charge of the medical work in this district, is at the hospital daily and in consultation with the military authorities.

## DECORATORS' ANNUAL PICNIC YESTERDAY

Approximately 150 members of the Master Painters and Decorators' Association and their families were yesterday afternoon on the estate of W. M. Weeks in Alexandra Gardens.

A baseball game between the supply house representatives and the master painters, which was won by the former by a score of 8 to 5, was the principal contest in the program of games. Sharp and Cotton were batteries for the winners and Woods and Vernon for the losers.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Weeks, moved by S. M. Hughes and seconded by J. R. Robinson. Lunch was served on the lawn by the women at noon.

## RUSSIANS INFLICT FURTHER REVERSES

Force Teutons to Retreat on Lower Styry—Capture Station.

TAKE THIRTEEN GUNS

Cossacks Give Vigorous Pursuit and Put Enemy to Rapid Flight.

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The Germans admit sustaining a reverse in Volhynia at the hands of the Russians. They admit that they have abandoned a salient in their lines in Volhynia projecting towards Czortow and selected a new line of defence.

The prisoners taken by the Russians went of the lower Styria on July 4 and 5 number 70 officers and 200 men and the spoils registered include 23 machine guns, six bomb-throwers, three mine-throwers and over 600 rifles.

Northwest of Kimpoling in southern Galicia the Austrians launched a vigorous offensive and they were repelled.

Violent artillery actions are being fought on the Dvina front and to the region of Polesie. In a fierce bayonet attack the Russian forces captured from the German part of their first line trenches, and they are sustaining violent counter-attacks from the enemy.

Officers Installed. Lakeview Lodge, I.O.O.F., Conducted Ceremony Last Night.

Lakeview Lodge, No. 272, I.O.O.F., met in St. James' Hall last night and conducted the installation of officers ceremony. The following officers were installed: K. C. Townsend, junior P.G.; Jos. Crompton, N.G.; A. Luxton, V.G.; W. McGregor, warden; Morley White, conductor; treasurer, Wm. Gordon; recording secretary, J. J. Patterson; financial secretary, John Baird; E. Brown, R.S.S.; W. Hamilton, L.S.S.; J. Taylor, chaplain; M. J. Patterson, R.S.N.G.; Geo. Dunne, V.S.N.G.; guards, T. Banks and P. Crompton. The proceedings were directed by Thos. D. Stokoe, D.D.