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ALBERTA GOES DRY

On July 21 the people of Alberta, un-der the new Direct Legislation Act,

pronounced by a majority of over two to one in favor of the proposed liquor act prohibiting the sale of liquor thru-

out the province. The biggest majori-ties in favor of prohibition were piled up in the country districts in the south-

ern parts of the province, while in some of the northern constituencies where

liquor is now barred, except by permit,

All the cities with the exception of Lethbridge went dry, Edmonton show-ing a majority of 3,600 and Calgary about 3,300.

Only isolated polls gave a wet ma-rity. The result in both Calgary and

Edmonton was a big surprise, since the general opinion was that these cities might break about even. On the con-

the majorities were against.

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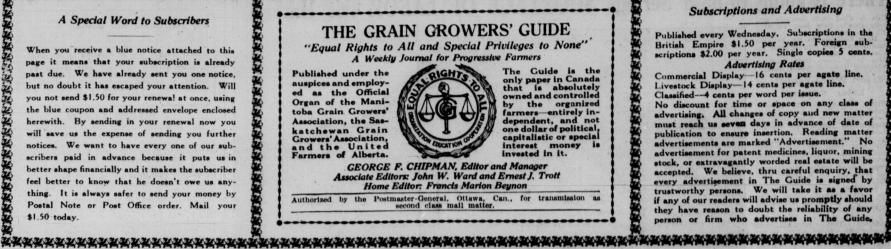
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"wet." Full returns are not available, but out of a total vote polled of about 76,600, the majority in favor of prohibition is about 20,000. The new liquor license act which

comes into force in Alberta on July 1, 1916, abolishes 320 hotel, club and wholesale licenses in the province. No liquor can then be bought in Alberta except for medicinal, scientific or sacra-mental purposes. For these purposes liquor will be handled by dispensaries under control of the government. act, however, does not prevent individuals importing liquor for their own use from outside the province. The act pro-vides for no compensation for those

The Alberta Liquor Act was submit-ted to the people under the Direct Legislation Act. This is the first time that a vote was so taken in Canada. The proposed act. attached to a giant petition, was submitted to the legislature last session, and according to the



terms of the direct legislation provisions was passed on by plebiscite to the people. The legislature at the next ses-sion must pass the bill according to the Direct Legislation Act.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS Work is well under way on the new stockyards which is being established at Edmonton by the Edmonton Stock-yards Limited. Spur tracks have been graded in from the C.N.R. and G.T.P. railways, both of which run alongside the stockyards site, while the C.P.R. have an arrangement with the C.N.R. to handle freight from their line to the yards. The G.T.P. will handle cars consigned to the yards from points on the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia line and the Alberta and

Great Waterways line tapping the new country north of Edmonton. The plans for the buildings at the yard call for two large sheds 326x246 feet, containing pens 26 x24 feet, di-

vided by alleyways. The cattle pens will be paved with brick, and the hog pens with concrete, the former giving a better foothold for larger animals. number of improvements over existing yards elsewhere are proposed. Light will be admitted from the roof, sides and ends of the sheds. The sides sides and ends of the sheds. The sides will be constructed so that they can be raised to admit a free circulation of air. Ventilators will be built in the roof over each alley. The tracks in the yards are depressed so that the stock can be unloaded on the ground level, doing away with the usual inclined chutes.

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