STRONGLY ACCLAIM UNION GOVERNMENT

Enthusiastic Meeting of Ward Two Conservative Association.

SIR EDWARD KEMP THERE

Set at Rest All Rumors Regarding His Recent Appointment.

Unio ngovernment was enthusiastically claimed at the big meeting of Ward Two Liberal-Conservative Association at Victoria Hall last night. The large audience was disappointed at the non-appearance of Sir George Foster, who sent a letter of regret, explaining that he had been called away by official business.

Stirring addresses, however, were delivered by Sir Edward Kemp, Edmund Bristol, M.P., Hon. Dr. Pyne and others. Sir Edward definitely settled all rumors as to his position in the cabinet by saying that he had been offered and accepted the position of minister of militia overseas. He said that the prime minister desired him to go to England as quickly as possible, but the date of his departure would somewhat depend upon his constituents of East Toronto. It is thought possible in view of the importance of Sir Edward's early departure for London that he may be given an acclamation.

Mr. Bristol delivered an eloquent speech, which elicited great enthusiasm. He warned his hearers that a determined battle would be waged against union government and conscription by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his followers in Quebec and by slackers all over the Dominion. He said that the people of Quebec complained of our hostility to their language, but they were at the same time unwilling to fight for the preservation of the French language and for the liberty of France. He hoped they would yet show themselves worthy of their French ancestry and of the blessings of British liberty and Canadian citizenship.

Should Forget Politics.

A. E. Donovan, M. L. A., said he thought this was the time for all citizens of Canada to unite in helping the boys at the front. He was sure all were proud of Sir Robert Borden. He had exhibited great statesmanship in bringing union government into existence. This was a time when party politics should be eliminated.

He concluded by saying that he believed the Conservative party would rise to the occasion, sink party differences and help to forever crush German militarism.

Ald. Robbins expressed his faith in union government and was followed by Hon. Dr. Pyne, who said he had confidence in his leader, and he pledged his support to the policies which the new government will advance.

Unionism an Experiment.

Sir Edward Kemp was given three cheers when he rose to speak. The efforts of the government had been very seriously hampered during the period of the war, he said, and he trusted this condition of affairs would be overcome by the new government. "Unionism is an experiment," he said, "but we must give it a fair trial."

There were many reasons why the union government was justified, he maintained, and in his opinion the men in the trenches would look with disgust upo na purely party election campaign. Petty differences here would cause discouragement among the fighters. A condition of affairs was needed that would tell every man who has not done his most in the war that Canada is a British country. "It is to the prime minister we owe the credit of union government," said Sir Edward. "He persevered until he succeeded."

Sir Edward reviewed the history of the late government and the efforts that had previously been made towards coalition, and said the opposition depended upon alien enemies for election. "Imagine what the conditions would be if a party like that got into power," he said. "We didn't want men who were sympathizing with Germans voting, so we disfranchised them, and besides that we brought in an act giving the women who have men at the front the vote. Isn't that a proper thing to do?"

War-time Government.

Sir Edward emphasized the point that the union government is a war-time government only, and is for the purpose of directing matters bearing upon the war. Speaking of the conscription bill, he asked: "Is it fair that one family should give seven sons and its neighbor none?" (Whole audience, "No.")

Owing to the large number of Canadians overseas, there had been created a new portfolio, that of minister of militia overseas, he said, in explaining his appointment. It remained for the constituency he represented to say as to how soon he went to England. "We must fight this war to a finish until victory is won," he concluded.

Blames Sir Wilfrid.

Edmund Bristol, M.P., said: "I think this election is a national crime. We are facing the greatest fight in our history." He then proceeded to lay the blame upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his followers for bringing the election about. Instead of devoting its entire time to the prosecution of the war, Canada was entering upon two months of election campaign.

"If our friends in Quebec think so much of their language why don't they go and fight for it?" he asked, amid applause.

"Until the election is over do not neglect to do your work for the Borden candidates," said Mr. Bristol, "for Sir Robert needs your hearty support and the support of out-and-out win-the-war candidates."

Mayor Church said he was a supporter of Sir Robert Borden and his national government. "I have no politics at this time but the soldier," he said. He eulogized the work accomplished by the late government, and altho mistakes had been made they were few when the great tasks at hand were considered. "I am not agreed with the present form of government," said the mayor, "but I will support Sir Robert Borden, because he has done so much in this war."

Ald. Ball spoke briefly in support of the Borden policies and union government.

Col. Noel Marshall spoke briefly, merely stating that the one question on his mind at the present concerned the Red Cross Society, which he hoped would realize the greatest contribution yet received from the citizens of Toronto.

The following resolution was proposed by E. B. Ryckman and seconded by Ald. Beamish: That the meeting of Ward Two Liberal-Conservative Association desires to record its renewed and continued confidence in Sir Robert Borden and in the government which he has formed for the energetic prosecution of the war to its successful conclusion, and we further pledge our hearty and continued support to the members of the house of commons of Canada representing us in parliament who offer themselves for re-election.

President John Winnett occupied the chair.

BLAME MIDDLEMEN FOR HIGH PRICES

Farmers' Representative Addresses Trades and Labor Council.

GRANT TO RED CROSS

Suggestion Made to Raise Age of Children Leaving School.

At last night's meeting of the trades and labor council in the Labor Temple that old question, the high cost of living, was under discussion, when some interesting information was given by J. Hunter of the farmers' organization. He said he represented a body of farmers who "were up against it" regarding the middlemen and the other various commission agents, and said the real solution of the matter rested with the consumers themselves. He suggested that they organize so that the farmer can ship by means of small stores direct to the consumers. By adopting this method, he said, produce could be obtained considerably cheaper, and he gave some interesting figures. Potatoes, he said, can be obtained from the farmer at 60 cents per bag, peaches at 35 and 40 cents per basket, tomatoes at 35 cents per bushel, corn 10 cents per dozen, berries, including wild berries, at 5, 6 and 7 cents per quart, milk at from 7 to 8 cents per quart, by putting on a special milk train from the farmer to the consumer. He made the startling statement that there are thousands and thousands of dollars' worth of milk and vegetables going to waste on account of there being no market for these commodities. "The farmer only wants a square deal," he told them, "as at present he is cheated out of a lot."

It was decided to send word back to the organization represented by Mr. Hunter that if they will appoint a committee of five, the trades and labor council will also appoint a like committee to go into the matter.

Grant to Red Cross.

On the recommendation of the executive committee it was decided to donate the sum of $50 to the British Red Cross. It was first suggested that the sum of only $25 be donated, but this was afterwards altered to the larger amount.

The question of raising the ages of school children from the present standard of 14 to 16 when they shall leave school, brought in the form of a resolution by the educational committee, was the signal of heated discussion, but it finally carried, and will be forwarded on to the minister of education. Another resolution calling for the council to arrange for a series of lectures to educate the parents of the children was referred back, as was also that calling for the children who leave school at 16 to be cared for by the government in those cases where the parents are unable to do so.

HAMILTON'S HEART TRUE TO RED CROSS

Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars Obtained in First Day of Drive.

Hamilton, Friday, Oct. 19.—"The British Red Cross is the hand of tenderness, reached across the seas to be laid lovingly upon the breasts of the wounded and dying."

When Major Gordon (Ralph Connor) gave the above beautiful definition of the work being carried out under the Geneva flag on all the allied battle fronts he must have touched a responsive chord in the hearts of Hamiltonians, for when the first returns of the $100,000 British Red Cross campaign were totalled up last night the news rang out that $65,000 had been secured in the first drive.

The campaign will be continued with unabated vigor today, and when the factory returns are received tonight it is earnestly hoped that the desired goal will be in sight.

EXEMPTION CLAIMS LOWER PROPORTION

Yesterday's Results Show These Down to Nine to One.

MEN IN CLASS TWO

Those Who Have Reached Age Limit Now Liable on Next Call.

Men reporting under the Military Service Act to the registrar's office from Toronto and Toronto Military District reached a total of 4869 up to last night. Of these 429 reported as ready for military service and 4440 made application for exemption. The figures for yesterday alone were 165 reports for service and 1434 exemption claims. It is stated that only a very small proportion of the papers so far received, either reporting for service or asking exemption, are being filed by the men in Category A., that is those medically fit for trench service.

Men who were under 20 years of age when the military service proclamation was issued calling out Class One, but who attained the age of 20 previous to the calling out of Class Two, will be included in Class Two when it is called.

Letters Are Filed.

Many letters are being received by the registrar, Glyn Osler, giving the names of persons who the writers say should register for Class One. Ninety per cent. of the letters are anonymous. All are filed for reference.

Of a total of 506 men appearing at the Toronto mobilization centre yesterday 110 were enroled, 54 of these joining the C. E. F., and 56 the Royal Flying Corps. Thirty-seven of the men enroled came from the British recruiting depots in the United States. The 54 men who joined the C. E. F. were gained by the following units: First Depot Battalion, C. O. 34; York and Simcoe Foresters, 4; Army Medical Corps, 5; No. 12 Forestry Depot and Special Service Co., each 3; Machine Gun Corps, 2; C. A. D. C. and U. of T. Co., each 1.

Authority is granted for the employment of the following officers at the Toronto mobilization centre: Major F. Winnett, Capt. A. C. Hendrick, Lieut. C. H. Hair, Lieut. J. Chassels and Lieut. R. W. Naylor.

GIVES UP CANDIDACY TO BACK BALLANTYNE

Montreal, Oct. 18.—C. H. Cahan, K.C., Conservative candidate for parliament in the district of St. Lawrence-St. George, this city, at a meeting in the Monument National tonight, announced that he would withdraw from the field in favor of Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, the minister of marine and fisheries in the union government at Ottawa. Mr. Cahan had spent considerable money in advertising himself as a "win-the-war" candidate, and his announcement caused a good deal of surprise.

The retirement of Mr. Cahan does not leave the field to Hon. Mr. Ballantyne alone, as Ald. Weldon, also a Conservative "win-the-war" candidate, still remains.

SASKATCHEWAN IN CABINET SHUFFLE

S. J. Latta Succeeds Hon. J. A. Calder as Highways Minister.

Regina, Sask., Oct. 18.—The vacancy in the Saskatchewan cabinet, created by the entry of Hon. J. A. Calder into the union government at Ottawa, was filled today by the appointment of Samuel John Latta, M.L.A. for Last Mountain and editor and proprietor of The Govan Prairie News, as minister of highways.

Premier Martin becomes president of the council in addition to holding the portfolio of minister of education, and Hon. Charles Dunning takes over the railway portfolio, in addition to the treasureship, which he now holds. The cabinet as reconstituted will be as follows: Premier, president of the council and minister of education, Hon. W. M. Martin; minister of agriculture, Hon. W. R. Motherwell; attorney-general and provincial secretary; Hon. W. F. A. Turgeon; minister of public works, Hon. A. P. McNab; minister of telephones, Hon. G. A. Bell; minister of municipal affairs, Hon. G. Langley; provincial treasurer and minister of railways, Hon. C. A. Dunning; minister of highways, Hon. S. J. Latta.

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

MOON ISLAND, which lies next to Oesel Island, in the entrance to the Gulf of Riga, has passed into German possession, according to Berlin. In the fighting for the narrow channels of this region, the Russians lost a third-class battleship, the Slava. Two German dreadnoughts, attacking the Slava, hulled her below the water-line, and down she sank, the bulk of the crew being rescued. The enemy is employing the greater part of his fleet in these operations. Rumor suggests that he is next going to attack the Aland Isles. British newspapers are beginning to find fault with the British Government for not instantly sending an allied fleet out of the allied superabundance of warships into the Baltic Sea to help the Russians. The proposed blockade of strangulation, however, may presuppose the gaining of preponderance by an allied navy in Baltic waters.

* * * * * *

The enemy asserts that he has bottled up about twenty Russian naval vessels in Moon Sound, and that he will destroy them. He is employing the latest dreadnoughts in this enterprise. British admiralty officials report that the morale of the German navy is weak. The military authorities have drafted 100 of the best sailors from each big warship for service in Belgium. German submarine crews are also prone to mutiny; those at Ostend did mutiny when ordered to put to sea and threw an officer overboard. Owing to cruel and characteristically German treatment, the Austrian submarine sailors have revolted against German domination. The Germans have shifted their submarine base in the Adriatic, from Pola to another Austrian port. The real motive for this act is probably the expectation of an allied naval attack and reduction of Pola. The undertaking against the Russian fleet may well have its mainspring in an attempted diversion to compel the allies to loosen their grip on Pola and the Austrian navy.

* * * * * *

Field Marshal Haig is waiting for the plain of Roulers to dry a little before marching the British infantry across its expanse. The British now hold practically all of the last ridge in Belgium, called the Passchendaele, but they have still to subdue the Houthulst Wood, its northern pillar. The enemy has so strongly fortified this last position that it is deemed impregnable to frontal attack, so the British will probably have to work around to the rear. The object of General Haig is to advance on a wide front, so as to conduct a wheeling movement, so it would not be surprising if he launched his next big attack south of the road to Menin. The loss of this sector as far as the Lys, by the Germans, would place Lille in danger of envelopment. The German army is practically immobilized and if good fortune should attend the British army, Field Marshal Haig has a chance of winning a smashing victory, crippling to German aspirations.

* * * * * *

The Italians are continuing their siege work of the eastern and southern slopes of Monte San Gabriele. The enemy is thoroly alive to the danger that here menaces his whole system of defence, and he is more lavish than usual with his cannon fodder in attempting to hold on until the last moment. The loss of the whole of Monte San Gabriele would bring with it the loss of the whole Austrian defence between this mountain and the sea and would expose Trieste to direct assault, for the Italians could sweep forward from the Bainsizza Plateau, east of San Gabriele, and get behind the whole Austrian position. Their patrols yesterday got in a little closer to the last slopes of San Gabriele and made prisoners in brisk encounters. The Italian grip east of Selo, in their turning movement of the Hermada Plateau, is also galling the Austrians. The Austrians tried to relax the pressure a little by counter-attacks, but the allies defeated all these attempts and continued their relentless pressure. The greatness of the peril to the enemy has induced him to move up forty divisions from the Russian and Rumanian fronts. The Austrians have also fallen back ten miles in Galicia to secure a line of defence that they can weakly hold.

EAST END LIBERALS OPPOSED TO UNION

New Government Condemned and Laurier Promised Support.

CORPORATE INTERESTS

H. H. Dewart Criticizes Nickel Policy of Provincial Cabinet.

"That this meeting puts on record its continued confidence in the leadership of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and condemns in the strongest terms the makeshift union government as a means of preventing the people of Canada from expressing their verdict at the polls on its stewardship."

The sentiment contained in the above resolution, which was unanimously passed by the Liberals of Ward One meeting in Armstrong's Hall, Pape avenue, last night, was repeated in substance by Hartley H. Dewart, M.L.A. for Southwest Toronto, and R. T. Harding, who addressed the meeting.

"Today we are facing an important and interesting condition in this province and in the Dominion," said Mr. Dewart. "The issue is one between the people and the monopolies. There never was a time in the history of Canada when the real issue between the Liberal party and whatever party it may have to face was so apparent. The question to be decided at the coming election is whether the people shall rule or whether the vested interests or the moneyed people shall continue to lead the government. The man who goes into this union government puts himself in line with the corporate interests and against the interests of the people. The question is: What shall we do with the profiteers? and so far as the Liberal party is concerned we can stand four square to every wind that blows."

The War-Time Election Act, he explained, had been enacted because of the Conservative desire to have a "hand-picked electorate." The revenue lost to the province in the past five years as a result of the failure of the provincial government to tax the corporation in control of the nickel mines would have been sufficient to pay the entire war tax of Ontario up to the present time. These and other incidents were referred to the meeting as glaring examples of the inefficiency of the Conservative governments.

R. T. Harding followed with an even more vigorous tirade against the government. There had been a union government in Canada since 1911, he declared, made up of the pro-British in Ontario and the anti-British Nationalists of Quebec. The black deeds of the present government had been a disgrace. Any man or corporation, he declared, who would supply to the government under contract inferior goods was one of the worst enemies that Canada ever had.

J. C. Allen, president of Ward One Liberal Association, presided.

MAIN VIADUCT NEARLY READY

(Continued from Page 1).

erection of the poles to carry the trolley lines.

The Rosedale viaduct, with the exception of a small portion of the paving, is also finished. A gang of men are now busy o nthis, and it will be absolutely finished and everything cleared away by Wednesday next.

In regard to this Rosedale viaduct, G. G. Powell, deputy city engineer, stated yesterday that it was rapidly nearing completion. The rain had caused delay, but he was hopeful that work would be about finishedby end of the week. He was not sure, however, whether the viaduct would be open for traffic next week, as the installation of a lighting system might cause still more delay. There was little doubt that during the following week at the latest all would be complete.

The public therefore await an announcement from Mayor Church as to what is to be the policy of the board of control toward this great and costly public work; whether they will take it over at once and try to rail and pave the 1700 feet so as to give the citizens the use of it this fall, even for foot passengers and vehicles, or whether it is to stand idle for perhaps another year. Controller Foster has a fine chance to take the lead in this direction at the next meeting of the board. Colonel Rolly Harris is expected back almost any day from his well-deserved holiday. Controller John O'Neill is also anxious to give the east end the immediate use of the bridges. Mayor Church is the man who should show the way thereto.

"The House That Quality Built."

Score's Ties

—By Special Appointment—

TODAY IS PIM'S DAY

Every day is a good day to select an assortment of those desirable and exclusive ties—but we emphasize Friday as special introduction day to our customers—and for today we offer a 40-dozen lot of the newest and richest effects in color and pattern in Pim's four-in-hands. Regular $1.50, for $1.25

ASK FOR SCORE'S CORRECT DRESS ETIQUETTE CHART.

R. Score & Son, Limited
Tailors and Haberdashers.
77 King Street West, Toronto.

PLAYS, PICTURES AND MUSIC

"The Show of Wonders."

If we are to believe the reports that have preceded it, "The Show of Wonders," the New York Winter Garden extravaganza at the Royal Alexandra all next week is one of the most pretentious entertainments that will visit this city during the present season. There are over 150 people employed in its presentation, fifteen scenes ranging from the ballroom of a palatial New York hotel to the interior of a mystic Burmese temple, and including the widely talked-of "Submarine F-7."

"Peg o' My Heart."

"Peg o' My Heart" will open for one week's engagement at the Grand on Monday evening. This is one of the rare comedies with a reason to offer for its existence—a comedy in which humor and whim blend delightfully with pathos. Someone has added tears to smiles and thus defined humor. Be that definition correct, "Peg o' My Heart" and humor are synonymous. In the role of Peg little Miss Ann Pittwood's interpretation leaves nothing to be desired.

Only Title Retained.

An entirely new production, entitled "The eiast Show in Town," will be seen at the Gayety Theatre next week. Jas. E. Cooper, the well-known burlesque producer, has surpassed himself this season in giving to the lovers of clean burlesque a production par excellence. The company is headed by those versatile comedians, Frank Hunter and Eddie Carr, and among the large and well-balanced cast will be found Bert Lahr, Lynn Canter, Clara Keating, Virginia Ware, Mattie De Lece, Isabella Sisters and the Davenports in a posing act. The entire organization is new in all its departments, and nothing but the title has been retained from last year.

Good Comedy Farce.

The "Girls From the Follies" company will be the attraction at the Star Theatre next week, starting with matinee Monday, October 22. "In the Air" is the name of the piece to be presented. It is a successful comedy farce that has pleased in New York and Boston, and should go down equally well with the patrons of the Star. The two acts are well worked out, and the Parisian origin of the plot is evident from the introduction of much unconventional frivolity.

Fred Binder as the "Flyman," who will "feed" but wont "fly," finds ample outlet for his distinctive humor. Two other artists of sterling merit are Tom Robinson and Madge DeVoe, who as "Guff" and "Gabble," add materially to the rollicking gaiety.

Fanny Ward at Strand.

"On the Level," the fine Lasky production which is being presented at the Strand during the latter half of this week, is a play with punch to it. Fannie Ward is the star, and has not had a better vehicle since she appeared in "The Cheat." She wears some magnificent jewels and some startling dresses, such as make "On the Level" well worthy of a visit by any woman who cares for clothes and jewelry.

Regent patrons are this week enjoying the noted across, Mme. Petrova, in a gripping love drama, "To the Death." An added film feature is a tour of the battlefields of France. The Gray Children, with dancing specialties, are a decided novelty. Next week Jane Cowl, among the foremost American actresses, will make her screen debut in "The Spreading Dawn," by Basil King, a story that is known to millions thru its publication in The Saturday Evening Post.

William Collier Coming.

Anderson and Weber, who will offer William Collier, the well-known comedian, at the Royal Alexandra Theatre on October 29, in James Montgomery's stage version of Frederick Ishad's latest novel, "Nothing But the Truth," claim that there are 304 laughs during the two and one-half hours that it takes to play the farce, and after one has witnessed the many troubles and tribulations that Mr. Collier has, as the young stockbroker who bets he can tell the truth for 24 hours, one thoroly agrees with the producers. The piece played for one year in New York at the Longacre Theatre, and comes with the highest endorsement of both press and public.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

INFANTRY.

Killed in action—W. R. Dagg, Portage du Fort, Que.

Died of wounds—W. Boulding, St. Thomas; J. Young, Burk's Falls, Ont.

Died—J. C. Pratt, Montreal; Act.-Corp. D. J. Lewis, British Isles.

Wounded and missing—J. A. Green, J. A. Crosby, England; E. J. Powles, Burnaby, B. C.

Wounded—K. A. McIvor, Hazeldale, N. S.; R. W. Crichton, Scotland; C. Derochie, Cornwall; S. H. Morris, England; E. Baron, St. Marie de Blandford, Que.; D. Curtis, Curvendon, N. B.; W. Lee, England; D. Jackson, Ireland; E. Sambrook, Clearwater, Man.; G. Duguay, Campbellton, N. B.; Lance-Corp. Ayr, Caspe, Que.; C. W. McGregor, Waterdown, Ont.; D. Parker, Glanford Station, Ont.

Ill—C. L. White, River Herbert, N. S.; J. E. Sager, Riswold, Man.; J. Perris, not stated; E. Sargent, Campbellton, N. B.

Previously reported missing, now reported safe with unit—R. Brophy, Collingwood, Ont.

ARTILLERY.

Wounded—512638 G. B. Waterbury, Hamilton; C. G. Doyle, Dundas.

SERVICES.

Died—A. W. Bell, Sarnia.

Wounded—J. T. Bogan, Montreal; Dr. C. Robins, Newmarket; J. Laderout, St. Vital, Man.

Ill—55357 Act.-Sergt. R. C. Pettigrew, Hamilton.

ENGINEERS.

Ill—D. J. Boyd, Caledonia, N. S.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Ill—F. Phillips, Rockwood, Ont.

OMEMEE ASSISTS RED CROSS.

Omemee, Ont., Oct. 18. — Omemee today raised $1000 for the British Red Cross. The list is still open.

FIFTY-FIFTY WITH THE BRITISH RED CROSS

The Regent Theatre, the Rialto Theatre and the Globe Theatre will give to the British Red Cross half of their total receipts for Friday afternoon and evening performances.

How many more will do the same? The British Red Cross invites every theatre and motion picture house to follow suit.

Recognition will be given in the evening press, if you phone Adelaide 500,000 and announce your intention to the Secretary's Department. REMEMBER THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE IN THIS CAMPAIGN.

BRITISH RED CROSS APPEAL