

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Next Monday will be a most important day in the history of our Province. It is the day when we finally settle the fate of King Alcohol, if those entrusted with the franchise will vote as their conscience dictates.

It was a Baptist minister who won the air race across the continent. He had the advantage of his opponents in already being a successful sky pilot before the contest was on.

It is refreshing to read that very many veterans of the war publicly resent the statement of the so-called Liberty League that ninety-five per cent. of their numbers would vote against the Referendum. We never believed this libellous statement, as our boys fought gallantly for the right, and the complete banishment of the liquor business is certainly a righteous cause.

Governor Luton, of the Elgin County jail, has the best solution up to date of the high cost of living. According to statistics it costs the county but fourteen cents a day per head to feed his guests, and we are told that when they complete their visit of average length, they leave the premises fat and slick. How about the Governor, or perhaps Mrs. Governor, being placed on the Parliamentary Commission of investigation.

Here's something for those who vote for the first time next Monday to remember. If for any reason a mark is placed on your ballot where you did not intend it to be, don't try to correct the mistake, but apply to the Deputy-Returning officer for a new ballot. Any mark other than an "x" opposite each question will spoil your ballot, and your Referendum ballot will also be spoiled and thrown out if you do not answer all four questions.

The polls open on Monday at 9 o'clock in the morning and close at 5 o'clock sharp, standard time, in the afternoon. As this is really a double election, and every voter has two ballots, there should be every effort made to get to the polls early in the day. If voting is left largely till the afternoon, as is frequently the case at elections, the probabilities are that it will be impossible to receive all the votes. The officers in charge have no alternative but to close up at 5 o'clock, no matter how many are waiting to cast their vote at that hour.

There are one hundred and eleven seats in the Legislative Assembly, and the nomination meetings last Monday brought out nearly three hundred candidates, an average of nearly three for every constituency. There are more than a dozen designations by which the nominees are known, and in some ridings six different brands from which to make a selection. However, in each of the Elgins we find but two candidates, a Conservative and a United Farmer in both cases. Throughout the Province there are one hundred Conservatives, seventy Liberals and sixty-four United Farmers. Independents, Soldier-Laborites, Farmer-Laborites, Socialists, and a few others make up the balance.

Here's wishing unlimited success to the recently organized Chamber of Commerce, or Booster Club, or whatever you choose to call it. Such an organization was badly needed in Aylmer, and it may depend upon any support the Express is able to give. Throw away your little hammers and boost, boost, boost all the time. It is generally acknowledged that Aylmer is one of the prettiest, tidiest and best towns in the Province. It is getting better year by year, but at that it is not growing as fast as it should. What we need particularly is new industries—those that will grow with us. The Express is of opinion that it is far better to have ten industries employing ten men than one industry employing a hundred. The latter may be a failure, but some of the ten are sure to thrive and grow until they reach greater dimensions. Every town is just what its citizens make it. It's not what other people in other towns say or think about it. It's what our town says, and thinks and does that is going to effect its future. Adopt the slogan: "Throw away your hammer and get a horn." Aylmer has advantages over many towns of its size; what we want is to have these advantages placed fairly and squarely before industries seeking a location.

There is perhaps no community where the good effects of the Ontario Temperance Act have been more apparent than in this vicinity. We do not be-

lieve that our people want the old conditions to return, and that is sure to happen unless the verdict is decisive. On the result in Ontario next Monday depends the success of temperance in the other provinces of Canada. Let us show a good example and lead the way by giving an overwhelming majority for prohibition. The Toronto Globe, which has been doing excellent work for the Referendum, both from its own point of view, and that of leading business men and manufacturers, asks the following questions: "Do you know the ballot contains four questions to be answered 'es' or 'No'? Do you know that you have to answer all four or else your ballot does not count? Do you know that all you have to do is to mark an 'X' after each question? Do you know that there is only one sure way to make your vote count for prohibition? That one sure way is to mark four 'X's' in the 'No' column, just like sample ballot. That is all. The sample ballot has been published from week to week in the Express.

TOWN HALL PACKED FOR NOMINATION MEETING

Much Interest Shown in Coming Election by Women Voters.—Addresses by T. Merritt Moore, Malcolm McVicar and N. R. Martin.

The nomination meeting held in the Town Hall on Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock drew a packed house and a very large number of interested ladies were present. Mr. T. Merritt Moore, of Springfield, the Conservative candidate for East Elgin, was the first speaker.

He wanted to know what it was that the farmers had asked for which they had not received, (no answer). He then attempted to prove what the Hearst Government had given to the farmers of Ontario, that they had never asked for. He first cited the Ontario Temperance Act, as it is now in force. This was one thing he said that the government had given to the people, that they had not asked for. From a patriotic standpoint he said that Ontario had donated more by far than any other province in the Dominion. He mentioned the Hydro proposition and good roads. He said, that sending his opponent, Mr. McVicar, to Toronto, as a member meant the furthering of class legislation, namely farmers' legislation. He said that his opponent should not have been Mr. McVicar but Mr. Mills, of Sparta, the Liberal candidate, who dropped out of the running.

Mr. McVicar, the U.F.O. candidate was then called on. He stated that he was not a representative of class legislation, but a representative of all classes, as well as the farmers' Speaking of the Ontario Temperance Act, he said, that the Hearst government had been afraid to enact the said O.T.A., until they had sent a petition through the country, finding out if the people were in favor of it. If he was elected, he said, it did not mean the repeal of the act, as it was a separate question, and remained with the people. A lady in the audience asked Mr. McVicar if he was himself a liquor man, to which he replied that he intended to vote four No's on his ballot. He said the Department of Education was not looked after the way it should have been, and also that he knew of several very bad roads in the county, particularly in South Dorchester. He thought that the farmers had donated as much as anyone else to the Patriotic Funds.

Mr. J. R. Martin, supporter of the U. F. O., then took the platform. He said that many affairs of interest to farmers, which had hitherto been handled at Guelph, were now taken to Toronto. He stated that money was spent very foolishly at Toronto, members on Government money, etc. for maintenance of hall, holidays for He said that, at present, with the province in debt, was no time to start spending money for improvements, such as Government highways. He showed that the population had decreased during the Hearst Administration.

Mr. Moore took the platform and said that while admitting that the population had decreased during the Hearst Administration, his opponents had overlooked the fact that the western provinces had opened up meanwhile, and the tendency of young men was to move to the newer places. He said that before the Hearst Administration, the country had decreased in population to a greater extent than since the present government took the reins, and also, that an investment like the provincial roads would be an asset to the province, not a liability. He claimed that more had been done for education than ever before, under Dr. Cody.

The meeting closed with three cheers for the House, three for the Opposition and three for the speakers.

NOTICE

A meeting of Aylmer Poultry and Pet Stock Association will be held Thursday evening, Oct. 23rd at 8 p.m. All members and those interested in the coming show are requested to attend. W. D. Swackhammer, F. D. King, Sec. Pres.

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At the sixty-seventh annual convention of the Teachers' Institute, in Aylmer on Thursday and Friday of last week, D. N. McGregor, principal of our public school, occupied the chair. Addresses were given by Rev. W. K. Hager, E. T. Seaton, B.A., B.P., of the Hamilton Normal School; E. O. Awde, principal of the high school, Aylmer; Miss H. Bennett, of Stratfordville and others. Despite the very rough weather every teacher in the inspectorate was present, a record that has very seldom been equalled.

A concert was given under the auspices of the Institute, in the local hall, on Thursday evening. It was a remarkable success and drew a large crowd.

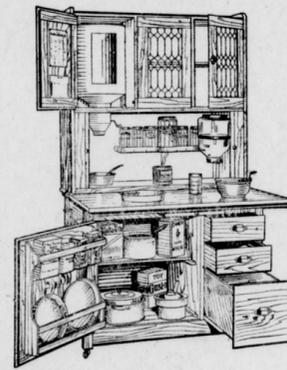
The committee in charge are to be congratulated on securing the services of Mr. George C. Carrie, vocalist of St. Thomas, and the Mendelssohn Glee Club under Mr. Carrie's direction, also Miss Eggleston, of London, violinist. Between parts one and two of the musical program, Mr. E. T. Seaton, of the Hamilton Normal School gave an address, "Some Curiosities in Arithmetic."
Musical—"March of the Guard" (Giebel) Mendelssohn Glee Club; Violin solo, "Hungarian Dance," (Kela Bela), and Beethoven's Minuet, Miss Eggleston; tenor solo, "Like a Dream," (Flotow), and "Jene," Mr. Carrie; "The Night is Still," (Willis Clark), Mendelssohn Glee Club, Part II—Chorus, "John Peel," (arr. by M. Andrews), Mendelssohn Glee Club; violin solo, "Souvenir," (Drdlo) and "Schon Rosmarion," (Kreisler), Miss Eggleston; tenor solo, "Christ in Flanders," (Ward Stephen) and "Through the Night," Mr. Carrie; Chorus, "Hymn of Thanksgiving," (Kremsler.) Accompanist, Mrs. F. Bell.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt wish to sincerely thank their neighbors and friends for their kindness, help and sympathy during the illness of their little son who died on Saturday from the effects of burns received some weeks ago, and also for the many beautiful floral offerings.

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