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Bye-Elections

The Provincial Opposition have thought proper to bring out candidates to oppose the return of Premier Arsenault and Mr. James D. Stewart to the vacant seats in the Legislature, thus necessitating elections in the third district of Prince and the fifth district of King, on the 25th inst. Only two sessions of the present Legislature remain, and one would suppose our Opposition friends would not now put the Province to the trouble and expense of these elections. Why should the return of Premier Arsenault and Mr. Stewart be opposed? Hon. Mr. Arsenault's Government is a brand new, and has not done anything to be criticised, because it has only just come into power. What, therefore, do the Opposition hope for from these elections? Let our friends be on their guard and not allow themselves to be persuaded that it will not be necessary to go to the polls. Let every supporter of the Government poll his vote and show our Opposition friends how futile are their efforts.

The Conscription Vote

That the Government's measure for compulsory military service would pass its second reading in the House of Commons was expected, and the majority of sixty-three is just about what was predicted as the probable figure. After the first half dozen outstanding Liberals had announced their intention of voting for aid to the boys in the trenches in preference to supporting the senseless referendum proposal of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his Quebec friends, any doubt as to the fate of the bill disappeared.

In Friday's voting Quebec alone furnished a majority for the anti-conscriptionists. In the other provinces they secured but ten votes, which, with Quebec's forty-five, gave them their total. New Brunswick came next in opposition to the measure, three Liberal members from that province casting their votes for Laurier. Ontario and Nova Scotia each gave two votes, while the western provinces, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia gave but two in all. In other words, west of the Great Lakes the Laurier referendum found but two supporters.

The Government measure found its greatest support in Ontario, where sixty-eight votes were cast for it. The West went very strongly conscription, Saskatchewan, British Columbia and the Yukon lining up solidly. Of thirteen votes cast by representatives from Manitoba and Alberta, eleven were for conscription. The Maritime Provinces also did well, supplying fifteen conscriptionists out of twenty-one votes cast.

An analysis of the vote in connection with the results gained by voluntary enlistment is decidedly interesting, as it shows that the representatives of those provinces which, in proportion to their allotment, have sent the greatest number of men to the front as voluntary recruits, were most decided in favor of conscription. This is not surprising, as it has been felt from the first that even in the event of a referendum every man in Canada whose blood is represented on the Empire's flag, lines would vote for the plan which will come nearest to giving an absolute equality of service.

After the bill had passed its

second reading the House lost no time in taking it up in the committee stage. This actually commenced Friday afternoon, and continues from day to day.

Food Control

Hon. J. W. Hanna, ex-provincial Secretary of Ontario, who was appointed food controller for the Dominion of Canada, has made a good start. In an appeal to the Canadian people he comes down to business and points out that the duty of every man, woman and child in this Dominion is to eliminate waste and luxury and regulate their consumption of food by the necessities of the nation.

This statement will come as a surprise to many who have been demanding, more or less unceremoniously, that "someone" should do "something." Mr. Hanna points his finger directly at every Canadian householder and puts the responsibility squarely up to the individual. He says food shall not be wasted, storable food shall not be eaten when perishable food is available, extravagance must be curtailed and the practice of economy must become general. This appeal or, rather, command, is made voluntarily. If it is not heeded by the people the controller may decide to make it obligatory.

His commission of appointment gives him wider powers, and even if it did not it is not likely that the Government would hesitate to enact the necessary legislation to give effect to his wishes. Mr. Hanna says:

(1) It is the imperative duty of Canada to create an exportable surplus of food in order that the people of Britain and the armies fighting for us at the front may be fed;

(2) One of the surest ways of reducing food prices in Canada is to reduce the demand for food supplies—a demand largely created by wanton waste and a luxurious scale of living.

The new food controller is a strong, forceful man. His career in Ontario's public service affords ample evidence that he will not shirk a duty the performance of which he believes to be in the interests of the people or the Empire. He has been assigned a big task, and if he is to be successful he must receive the hearty cooperation of the people whose interests he guards. Washington already has an active food controller in the person of Mr. Hoover, who, before accepting that position, did most valuable service in the way of organization for Belgian relief. It is quite probable that the Canadian and American officials will find many cases where they can work together successfully. Canada is fortunate in that, at this time, such an important undertaking as food control has been entrusted to a man possessing in outstanding measures the qualifications essential to the attainment of the goal sought.

Conscription Debate

The debate on the motion for the second reading of the Conscription Bill, which had been going on in the Canadian House of Commons, for three weeks, came to a close, after an all night session, after 5 o'clock last Friday morning. The following account of the closing scenes is taken from the Montreal Star of Friday:

Ottawa, July 7.—The Military Service Act, the much discussed Conscription Bill, passed its second reading in the House of Commons this morning. Three weeks of debate, and a final all night session, were required to this end, for it was exactly 5.05 o'clock this morning when the last of four divisions was ended, and the Bill was safely steered through its second reading stage. In the last analysis the Bill had a greater margin than was expected. The majority in favor was 63

votes against being 55. At the last 26 Liberal members expressed themselves as in favor of conscription. The final scenes were dramatic. For more than an hour while the last stages of the debate were raging, and division after division was being recorded, sunlight has been pouring into the Commons Chamber. Not a member, although some of them had left sickbeds to attend the sitting, and some were at the point of death through illness, dared leave his post. When at last the Clerk of the House arose to announce the verdict that the Conscription Bill had passed with a generous majority, there was a tremendous outburst of applause, and the members rose in a body. Government and Opposition alike, and joined in singing "God save the King." It must be recorded that there was one exception. Hon. Frank Oliver (Edmonton) remained in his seat as the National Anthem was sung. He sat unobtrusively down in his chair, gazing apathetically at the animated scene before him. Not without much travail did the House finally succeed in getting the Bill past the stage of second reading. The Garrette sub-amendment, calling for the six months hoist, was disposed of, only nine members voting in favor of it. Then the Laurier amendment asking for a referendum, was put to the vote and defeated by 111 votes to 62.

At this point a new sensation was sprung in the controversy for A. E. Copp (Westmoreland) rose at an early hour of the morning to propose a new amendment. The new amendment was as follows: "That further consideration of the Bill be deferred until such adequate provision had been made for the dependents of the men sent overseas as will remove the necessity of raising money by public subscription for their support." This was seconded by Mr. Chisholm (Inverness). There was an animated debate on this motion, in which Hon. Frank Oliver took a prominent part. Charges were hurled at the Government to the effect that the dependents of soldiers were being neglected and treated in an unfair way, and also charges were made that the Government did not intend to enforce the Military Service Act once it was passed.

In his reply Sir Robert Borden put the quietus on the latter charge. He declared distinctly that the Bill would be enforced as soon as possible. The Copp amendment was disposed of by a vote of 115 to 56, a majority of 49. Then came the main division on the motion for second reading, the result of which has already been noted. It was a big night in Parliament, one of the biggest in the memory of the old Parliamentarian. It is a noteworthy fact that several hundred people sat patiently in the galleries from 8 o'clock in the evening to 5 in the morning waiting for the division. It was a gathering of members of Parliament such as has not been seen for years. It is a well known fact many members have been wont to absent themselves from the sittings of Parliament, but those who were absent last night had good cause. Men who had not been in the buildings since the fire turned up. It is rumored that some of them turned by instinct to Parliament Hill, forgetting that the House now sits in the Victoria Museum, on MacLeod Street. The absentees were few. The final day of the debate was unduly prolonged. It had been promised by the party whips that a division would be reached by 10 o'clock last night. But these prophecies were defeated early in the game when D. A. Laforaine (Montreal) talked for two hours and a quarter. Then a seemingly interminable array of speeches followed, a baker's dozen of members desiring to get their views on Hansard before the final vote and be recorded.

The interesting phrase of the debate was that three more Liberals came out in opposition to the policy of their leader, Sir Wilfrid Laurier. These members were Duncan Ross (West Middlesex), Thomas McNutt (Salt Coats, Sask.) and James Douglas (Strathcona). As is usual when there is a momentous night on in Parliament, there were premonitions of trouble. The Sergeant-at-Arms had been warned that something direful was likely to happen, and that he must take precautions accordingly. The precautions were taken, as was proved by the presence of a double number of blue.

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