

BIENHEIM, TILBURY, RIDGETOWN AND DRESDEN WITHOUT GAS

WOMEN VOTERS HAVE CANDIDATES GUESSING AS NEVER BEFORE AS U.S. ELECTION DAY DRAWS NEAR

All Parties Confident of Success—Final Hours of Campaign Being Devoted to "Doubtful" States—Socialists Claim That 6,000,000 Votes Will Be Cast For Eugene Debs, the Imprisoned Nominee.

New York, Nov. 1.—With the opening of the polls less than 24 hours away, both Republican and Democratic headquarters early today took up the stride which will carry them into the final stages of the presidential contest tomorrow, whether to victory or defeat. Both major parties began their last day of campaigning by asserting confidence in the election of their candidates.

"Cox and Roosevelt will win," declared George White, Democratic National chairman. Will H. Hays, leader of the Republican forces, translated his expectations into figures, expressing the conviction that Harding will have no less than 568—probably 585—electoral votes out of the possible 531. The number required to elect is 266.

Interest in the last day of the campaign centres in the final desperate attempt to bring over the "doubtful" states with large electoral votes to deliver, or to save United States senators in other doubtful states where the electoral vote is not large enough to be indispensable. The salient example of states in the first category is Ohio, home state of the two principal candidates, with 24 votes, while the outstanding case of the second class is Nevada; with only three.

What Will Women Do? Other states where the eleventh hour contest is intense with both parties sanguine of success, are Kentucky, Maryland, New Mexico, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Oklahoma. All these, as well as Ohio, are claimed by

BLAMES WILSON FOR FAILURE OF PEACE TREATY

Former German Minister of Justice Attacks U. S. President.

SAYS PACT A MOCKERY

Claims Germans Have Perfect Right to Demand a Revision.

Berlin, Nov. 1.—Dr. Eugene Schiffer, former minister of justice, speaking in the Reichstag Saturday against the Versailles treaty, said the German people had been deceived into laying down their arms by President Wilson, whose failure to stand by the written points he declared, made the treaty a laughing stock and mockery of the world. Under the covering note, the Germans said Dr. Schiffer, had not only the moral but documentary right to demand revisions of the treaty.

"The treaty itself," said the former minister, "is a crime against the German nation and the world."

The attack met with apparent approval from all sections, but Herr Dammig, leader of the new communist movement, declared that the overthrow of capitalism, declared that his party desired revision of the treaty, and that the cooperation of international proletarians and with the expropriation of all machinery of production as quickly and thoroughly as possible.

LABOR CONDITIONS SATISFACTORY HERE

Stream of Applicants Are All Finding Situations.

WAGES NEVER WENT WILD

Problem to Satisfy Canadians Returning From Detroit.

London, Nov. 1.—By the Canadian Press.—The Shelvin-Clarke Company, Limited, of Fort Frances, Ont., has defrauded the province of Ontario out of large sums of money in connection with the timber limits, and that the attorney-general of Ontario should take action to recover this money, and to prosecute all who have committed perjury and forgery in connection with the recent investigation.

Text of Report. The interim report reads as follows: From the facts proved before us, in the measures from the books and records of the company, and from their servants, we think the Shelvin-Clarke Company has defrauded the province of Ontario out of large sums of money.

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They will all find employment in local automobile factories, but of the three who have started manufacturing yet, The Ruggles Company is operating an assembling plant in temporary premises within five minutes.

Within five minutes of town is plentiful, except in the lumbering and mining camps. The local employment office has been asked to place the returning workers in the local district for work in the Georgian Bay district for a Gravenhurst lumber company, and 2,400 men are needed for the same.

Other occupations in the Cobalt district at once.

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CHARGES THAT FIRM HEADED BY CONSERVATIVE M. P. P. DEFRAUDED PROVINCIAL GOVT. OF VAST SUMS

Royal Commission That Investigated Timber Limits Deals in Interim Report Urges That Legal Proceedings Be Taken Against Shelvin-Clarke Company, Limited, of Fort Francis.



Living quarters on the ranch purchased by the Prince of Wales while on his trip out in Western Canada. It is very typical of the rest, and is situated about twenty miles outside of Calgary.

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GAS IS SHUT OFF IN FOUR TOWNS TODAY

Union Natural Gas Company Carries Out Its Threat.

ESTLIN AWAITS ORDER

Belle River, Comber and Essex Agree to Higher Rates.

Chatham, Ont., Nov. 1.—The Union Natural Gas Company this morning turned the gas supply off towns of Tilbury, Blenheim, Ridgetown and Dresden despite the orders of the Government Gas Commissioner Estlin, issued Friday, forbidding any of the companies in the province from carrying out the threat to do so to municipalities refusing to pay increased rates.

Commissioner Estlin stated this morning: "The company have defied my order, but the supply will be turned on again as soon as I receive word from the attorney-general's office, which I am expecting any moment. As soon as it is received the supply will be turned on, if I have to take half the countryside to do it."

Manager James of the Union Gas Company stated this morning that an appeal was being made against the order of the commissioner issued Friday. He added that Belle River, Comber and Essex had agreed to increased rates.

WILL TAKE ACTION. TORONTO, Oct. 31.—Thomas W. Gilbey, minister of mines, was interviewed tonight regarding threat of the Union Gas Company to stop work for five minutes.

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TYPHUS MENACE GRIPPING POLES

Disease Barriers Destroyed, Greatest Danger in History Arises.

Warsaw, Nov. 1.—Poland is in far worse condition from typhus fever than it has been in many years, says a report by Col. Harry L. Glichrst, commander of the American Polish relief expedition which has been working with the Polish Government more than a year in an effort to wipe out the disease.

"Unless outside aid is forthcoming at once," says the report, "suffering will be intense during the winter, and all Europe will be threatened with a terrible typhus fever epidemic."

Increased dangers from the spread of typhus fever has been brought about by the Polish-Russian war, which has destroyed all eastern defenses against the infected regions of Russia as the armies have pushed and pulled, and the infected regions of Russia as the armies have pushed and pulled, and the infected regions of Russia as the armies have pushed and pulled.

Regarding the Bolshevik activities in August, which threatened Warsaw, days, and their effect upon the typhus fever situation, Col. Glichrst, summarizing his report, attributed the renewed dangers to the following causes:

"Complete abandonment of all typhus fever work in the worst typhus districts of Poland; capture by the Bolsheviks of all eastern quarantine stations and removal of the barriers established under great difficulties against the typhus districts, introduced throughout the typhus districts, introduced by the Bolshevik troops of a new epidemic of typhus fever, which has been spreading from disease, infecting the armies of Poland; and infecting of the population returning to homes recently occupied by Bolshevik soldiers."

Facilities Are Limited. Poland realizes the seriousness of the present situation and is doing all in her power to cope with it, says the report, but with a war on hand, the Government officials can do but little.

In closing, Col. Glichrst says: "While there are no figures available to enumerate the actual amount of damage wrought by the typhus fever, the number of new typhus carriers in their recent advances toward Poland, it is predicted by the most conservative estimates that the number of carriers scattered over all Poland will reach many thousands, and the financial loss due to the destruction of sanitary materials, crops and other property will run into millions of dollars."

DRUGS ARE SEIZED. Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 1.—Alleged drugs to the value of \$50,000 to \$60,000 were seized, and Tom Sing, a well-known Chinese merchant, arrested by the police Sunday afternoon at his store in Pender street. Watch had been kept on his store, and he had been arrested.

Some of the find was discovered in a cleverly-constructed pocket in the seat of a chair, and several cans of opium and some other narcotics were found behind a false baseboard in the counter.

FALLS TO HIS DEATH. Winnipeg, Nov. 1.—Steadman Puxley, aged 26, was accidentally killed Saturday by falling through an elevator shaft at the T. Eaton Company store, where he was employed. He fell thirty feet down the pit.

HECKING OF CALDER, MEIGHE, WORRIES UNION GOVT. SUPPORTERS KING RECEIVED WITH COURTESY

Interruptions At Meetings Indicate That People of West Are Not in Accord With Government's Policy—Meighen Believed To Have Made a Mistake in Taking Calder Along.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Nov. 1.—Reports of the meetings of Premier Meighen and Hon. J. A. Calder are creating very real interest at the capital, especially that part of the reports which deal with heckling and interruptions. It may be taken as a good indication of the trend of public thought on political federal issues and questions of the day. They at least make it apparent that the public is doing a good deal of thinking on any issue which he may expound.

The prime minister has had to be on the alert throughout and has discovered that interruptions are not confined to the keen minds of parliamentary men. The reception which Mr. Calder is receiving has caused considerable uneasiness in Government circles here. At Winnipeg, he has been the subject of repeated heckling, and on one occasion such heckling rendered it very difficult for him to proceed in the defensive throughout, and at the coast, it is stated, he was constrained to threaten to request the chairman to close the meeting.

Company for old party affiliates appears to have aroused nothing but sardonic laughter.

KING TREATED COURTEOUSLY. In the meantime, colleagues of Mr. Calder in the persons of Alphonse Turgeon, attorney-general for Saskatchewan, and others have been taking a prominent part on the platform of Hon. W. Mackenzie King, leader of the Opposition, whose meetings throughout the west have been singularly free so far from interruptions. It is also stated that Premier Martin was present at the round table conference held at Regina.

Mr. Calder has it is felt here, irrevocably tied himself up to the Meighen party by his speeches at Winnipeg and Regina. There now remain the Liberal Unionists in the cabinet, namely: Hon. Messrs. Calder, Sifton, Ballantyne and Guthrie. There is a feeling in the quarters that the premier made a mistake in taking Mr. Calder along.

GERMANS PLANNING TO FLOOD MARKET WITH CHEAP GOODS

Ottawa, Nov. 1.—(Canadian Press).—It is not improbable that there will shortly be an endeavor to flood the world's markets with cheap enchaned wares of German make, says the weekly bulletin of the trade and commerce department, quoting from the British Export Goods Register.

Leading manufacturers of Germany have formed a union and are endeavoring to lower prices for export trade.

CHINESE LAUNDRIES BEING INSPECTED BY BOARD OF HEALTH

Vigorous Clean-Up Campaign To Be Waged.

Laundrymen Have Not Proper Sleeping Accommodations, Says Inspector.

Examination of Chinese laundries to be revealed that they are in worse condition than the restaurants. The board of health is cleaning up. Inspector Richard Saunders said a vigorous campaign would be conducted to improve the state of affairs.

Every laundry in the city will be thoroughly inspected. Where conditions are not satisfactory the laundryman will be notified to clean up. If the order is not complied with promptly, the place will be closed, as was done with one restaurant which was in an insanitary condition.

While the laundries are not as vital to the city as the cafes, the board of health thinks that it is more important they should be sanitary. Inspection today showed that the actual conditions in most of the places were satisfactory, but that the living conditions of the workers in a laundry were not provided and toilets are lacking in many places.

Now that regulations for the restaurants are being considered, it is possible that another set will be drawn up for the laundries.

They have begun our clean-up campaign," Mr. Saunders said. "There are a lot of other things we are going to investigate."

SOLDIERS ON GUARD DURING ELECTION OF CUBAN PRESIDENT

Head of Government Orders Severe Measures For Outlaw Bands.

Havana, Cuba, Nov. 1.—Cuba voted today for a new president and the outcome was awaited with considerable apprehension. The Ministry of the Interior regarded as the most bitter since the island gained the right to govern its own affairs, found old party lines broken, with a right-about shift in leadership. Platform issues apparently were forgotten in the fight for control of the Government by Jose Miguel Gomez, Liberal nominee, and Dr. Alfredo Zayas, candidate of the old conservative, or coalition party. Gomez is a former president of Cuba and Zayas served under him as vice-president.

Zayas, founder of the Liberal faction, broke away from it this year and participated in a formal statement today of the Moncal administration.

Soldiers were on duty in all the provinces when the first votes reached the polls. Under orders from President Menocal, they were to deal fearlessly with outlaws, and candidates were urged to be active in some districts. Fear of trouble was somewhat allayed by appeals from the candidates to their followers to keep the peace and not provoke a clash with the opposition.

Many leaders doubted whether the result would be known tonight.

JAPANESE REASSURED. War and peace assurances have been given to the Japanese ambassador by the state department. It was stated in a formal statement today that no anti-Japanese legislation in the state of California "will be acceptable to the country at large that does not accord with existing and applicable provisions of law and with the national instinct of justice."

REGINA WINS CHAMPIONSHIP. Regina, Sask., Nov. 1.—Regina won the rugby championship of Saskatchewan Saturday from the Saskatoon fourteen, 35 to 0.

TERROR REIGNS IN IRISH TOWN OF DUNGANNON

Reprisals Taken by the Police Following Attack On Constables.

YOUTH IS EXECUTED

Young Medical Student Pays Penalty For Part in Murder.

SIX POLICEMEN KILLED. DUBLIN, Nov. 1.—There were at least fourteen separate attacks on the police and military in the west and south of Ireland Sunday evening. In these attacks six of the police were killed and others were wounded. One member of the military and one naval man were wounded. One civilian was killed.

Dungannon, Ireland, Nov. 1.—This town, located in Central Ulster, spent a terrifying night as a result of reprisals following the shooting of a constable during an attack on a police patrol by civilians yesterday. Policemen and armed and disguised men visited the town and discharged bombs and shot at many business houses owned by members of the Sinn Fein. A number of places were looted and the families fled to the country for safety.

STUDENT IS EXECUTED. Dublin, Nov. 1.—Kevin Barry, a medical student, was executed at Mountjoy prison this morning for taking part in an attack on the military during the past summer. Barry was charged with murder, as two British soldiers were killed during the fight.

When the hour of execution approached, nearly 1,000 people pressed outside the prison, continuing until after the young man had been pronounced dead. Barry's mother declared last week she was proud her son was "dying for Ireland."

SUGAR PRICES LOWER IN WEST THAN EAST

Winnipeg, Nov. 1.—Despite reductions announced from New Brunswick by the Atlantic sugar refiners, the wholesale price of sugar in Winnipeg is still lower than in Montreal. Sugar here is wholesaling at \$16.00 a hundredweight.

Winnipeg prices ranging from ten pounds for \$17.4 to 15 cents a pound.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 55; lowest, 40.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 51; lowest, 47.

TOMORROW—COOL AND SHOWERY. Toronto, Nov. 1.—8 a.m. Forecast. Today—Increasing easterly winds, with rain.

Tuesday—Strong winds; cool and showery.

Weather Notes. The following are the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations: High. Low. Weather. Victoria 52 49 Cloudy. Winnipeg 52 46 Clear. Port Arthur 52 46 Fair. Parry Sound 54 30 Fair. Buffalo 56 44 Rain. Toronto 56 43 Rain. Kingston 52 32 Snow. Ottawa 52 32 Fair. Montreal 52 34 Fair. Quebec 48 32 Fair. Father Point 40 32 Cloudy.

Weather Notes. The barometer is high over Northern Ontario and in the West, where a disturbance of considerable energy is approaching the Great Lakes from the southwest.

The weather is fine and cold in the Western Provinces, and rain is falling in Ontario.

Cautionary signals are displayed at sea ports.