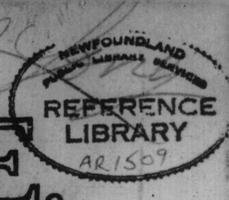


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# THE EVENING ADVOCATE.

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TORONTO (noon) - Moderate to fresh westerly winds, showers on East Coast to-day. Saturday, westerly winds, fair, higher temperature.

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### ELECTING A U. S. PRESIDENT

Not a Single Citizen Casts a Direct Vote For a Presidential Candidate. Citizens Choose Group of Presidential Electors Who Meet and Elect the President.

Considering what emphasis the people of the United States lay upon democracy and how fundamental

in proportion to its population. For instance, take our two nearest neighbors. The great State of New York has 45 presidential electors, or members of the Electoral College as the body is called, and the little State of Vermont has 4. The College consists of 531 electors.

#### Power of Each State

Each state has the power of determining the manner in which its presidential electors, or members of the Electoral College are chosen. Different ways have been tried, and once the general practice was to have them chosen by the State Legislature. South Carolina was the first to adhere to this practice; but it was finally abandoned there in 1832, and now throughout the Union the presidential electors of each state are chosen by the voters of the state; and it is the choosing of these presidential electors on Tuesday following the first Monday in November every fourth year that is called a presidential election. However, as a matter of fact, not a single citizen casts a direct vote for a presidential candidate. What he does is to cast a vote for a certain group of presidential electors, who, at a later date, meet and vote for the presidential candidate.

#### Nomination of Candidates

The party organizations nominate their candidates for the office of presidential electors in each state, and their names form the party ticket; and with few exceptions the voters of a State vote for a whole ticket. For instance, a Republican voter in New York State vote for the 45 Republican candidates for positions as presidential electors. An exception, for instance, is Michigan where the State is divided into districts, each district choosing one presidential elector.

No doubt what the framers of this system had in mind was this—The Electoral College to select a president was expected to secure a choice by the best citizens of each state in a tranquil and deliberate manner of the man whom they, in their unfettered discretion, should deem fittest to be the chief magistrate. In fact, however, the members of the Electoral College exercise no discretion, and they are chosen under a pledge to vote for a particular candidate.

#### Selecting the President

The representatives of each party assembled in national convention, select the presidential candidates, and the party organizations also select the candidates for the Electoral College. If in November next the 45 Republican candidates for the College in New York State have a majority of votes, it means that these 45 members of the Electoral College will vote for the Republican candidate for president.

It is obvious that under such a system the successful presidential ticket may have a minority of the popular vote, and this actually happened in 1876, when the Democrats polled 4,284,855 votes, and the Republicans, 2,932,954; and yet the latter had a majority in the Electoral College, and their candidate, R. B. Hayes, was chosen President.

On November 2 the voters of each state will choose the state's members of the Electoral College. At a later date in November these Electors will meet at the capitals of their respective States and cast their votes for the presidential candidates they were pledged in advance to support. These sealed votes will be transmitted to Washington and there opened by the President of the Federal Senate in the presence of both Houses of Congress. The presidential candidate having a majority of the votes of the Electoral College is declared elected.

#### Russians Repelled

PARIS, July 1.—Attempts by Russian Bolshevik forces to cross the Beresina river between Bobruski and Borosso have been repelled with heavy losses, according to an official Polish statement here by wireless.

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### PRINCE ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT GOES AS GOV-GEN'L S. AFRICA

#### DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION IN U. S. A. SWINGS INTO BUSINESS.

#### Prince Arthur Goes To Africa as Gov-Genl.

LONDON, June 30.—Referring to a dinner yesterday, to Prince Arthur's appointment to Governor General of South Africa, the Duke of Connaught said, "I may say that it was General Smuts himself who asked for his appointment. (Cheers.) I hope and indeed I feel convinced from that I know of South Africa and I have had the advantage of travelling over the length and breadth of the country that my son's appointment will result in the two races, British and Boers, working together to a common end. (Cheers.)"

of selecting a Presidential nominee. At the eleventh hour friends of Wm. G. McAdoo abandoned the efforts to prevent his being placed in formal nomination. Both the Cox and Palmer forces viewed with evident satisfaction the scrimmage within the McAdoo forces which was threatening to bring McAdoo to the front at once and make the nomination a three cornered contest from the beginning. Despite the promise that the convention would have a big three at the outset, dark horse talk was never more persistent than it is at the moment the candidates are about to be placed in nomination.

#### Democrat Forces

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—Stripped for action the Democratic National Convention to-day swung into business

#### Killed In Accident

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—Three persons, one of them believed to be a Democratic Convention Delegate, were killed in an aeroplane accident at Marina flying field here to-day.

## NOTICE!

The Annual Meeting of the Newfoundland Motor Association will be held at the Board of Trade Rooms at 8.30 p.m. Monday, July 5th, for election of officers, and other important business. Every member is requested to attend.

E. COLLISHAW  
Secretary.

## Red Cross Line

The S. S. ROSALIND will sail from New York on July 3rd and from St. John's on July 10th. This steamer has excellent accommodation and carries both first and second class passengers.

Passengers will please have all baggage checked before embarking.

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## G. W. V. A.

A General Meeting of the Great War Veterans' Association will be held in the C. C. C. Hall at 8.45 p.m. on Friday, July 2nd, to discuss the questions which the Special Committee placed before the Government.

N.B.—All returned men, whether members of the Association or otherwise, are requested to attend.

P. A. BRIEN,  
Secretary.

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### MEMORIAL SERVICES, 1920

Invitations have been posted to all the next-of-kin of men who paid the Supreme Sacrifice for their King and Country, and a great many have been returned because the addressees had left their former residences.

It is sincerely hoped that no person will be overlooked, and it is requested that any immediate relatives of our Gallant Dead who have not received white tickets will kindly make application to Capt. C. Leo Murphy, Dept. of Militia, when their requirements will receive immediate attention. July 2, 11

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#### Railways In Dublin Are Held Up By Men

DUBLIN, July 1.—Railroad terminus here was tied up this morning as a result of the refusal of the railway men to move trains boarded by police or soldiers, causing a complete stoppage of all trains for the South. The people of Dublin foreseeing such a situation had begun hoarding food.

#### Ten In The Running In Democratic Convention

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—After hearing ten candidates placed in nomination for the Presidency, the Democratic National Convention, after an eight hour session to-day, recessed until eleven o'clock to-morrow. John Davis, Ambassador to Great Britain, was the only man on the list of those for whom nomination speeches were to be made who has not reached on the day's program. The candidates placed in nomination were Senator Owen, Oklahoma, Attorney Genl. Palmer, Senator Hitchcock, Nebraska, Homer Cummings, Chairman of the National Committee, Wm. G. McAdoo, Governor Smith, New York, Governor Edwards, New Jersey, Secty. Merredith, Governor Cox, Ohio, and James W. Gerard, former Ambassador at Germany.

#### Norris Government

WINNIPEG, June 30.—The Free to-day carries the following:—At Norris Government Headquarters it was confidently estimated that the Government would have twenty-nine straight supporters in the new legislature as a result of polling on Tuesday. This estimate included the prediction that the Government would have four members for Winnipeg and would carry the two deferred elections in the North.

#### Petrol Was Destroyed

DUBLIN, June 30.—A freight train was held up near Mullingar and five carloads of Petrol destined for the military were destroyed.

#### Anti-Bolshevik Troops Control Stores of Grain

WASHINGTON, June 30.—General Wrangel's anti-Bolshevik troops in Southern Russia now control approximately 22,000 square miles of rich agricultural land with heavy stores of grain, according to reports to the State Department. Fighting between General Wrangel's forces and the Bolsheviks is reported as severe at times with the former showing considerable spirit and confidence.

#### Rank In Both Navies

LONDON, June 30.—An order in Council just issued provides that naval officers commissions, whether granted for service in the Royal Navy or in the Royal Canadian Navy, shall be effective in both and shall rank in one or in the other. This arrangement is in accord with an agreement between the Admiralty and the Government of Canada.

#### Poles Shorten Front

WARSAW, July 1.—Polish forces on the Bolshevik front have evacuated Mozir and Kalonkowitz, in Polesia, according to an official statement issued at Army Staff Headquarters here. This step was taken, it is said for the purpose of shortening the front. Soviet troops in Bobruski section are concentrating the statement says, but in Kizsin region the Poles have defeated a strong detachment of the enemy capturing forty cannons and a number of machine guns.

#### The Press Conference

MONTREAL, June 30.—The Canadian Pacific Ocean Services have arranged for the Victorian to carry the Empire Press Conference Delegates from England to Halifax next month. The date so far scheduled for the party to arrive in Halifax is July twenty-six.