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LIBERALS OF EASTERN ONTARIO TO FORM ASSOCIATION ON JANUARY 14

BRITISH COALITION GOVT. EXPECTS TO BE RETURNED BY 400 MAJORITY

BRITISH WOMEN HAD MINDS OF THEIR OWN WHEN IT CAME TO CASTING THEIR BALLOTS

Husbands in Many Cases Had Votes Nullified by Wives—British Election Marked by Large Number of Women Who Exercised Franchise For the First Time.

London, Dec. 15.—By the Associated Press.—Saturday's elections were featured by the astonishing number of women voting. The novelty of possessing the franchise seemed to appeal to them in all parts of the country, the women flocking to the booths in crowds, and outnumbering the male voters in some districts. Many were accompanied by their husbands, but the majority went alone.

DEMAND REMOVAL OF GOVT.'S WARTIME ORDERS-IN-COUNCIL

Socialists at Montreal Meeting Insist On Sweeping Changes.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—Fraternal sympathy with the socialist government of Russia, with the condemnation of the Canadian Government for banning the right of free speech, free press and assembly, and the demand for the removal of Canada, a threat of stopping every wheel of industry if the order-in-council under which the war was not withdrawn—all these found expression last night in a meeting held in the Auditorium Hall, when between six and seven hundred people cheered to the echo a series of speeches which embodied all of these points.

CLEMENCEAU AND WILSON DISCUSS PEACE CONFERENCE

U. S. President Favorably Impressed With the French Executive.

Paris, Dec. 15.—President Wilson and Premier Clemenceau touched off in the slightest manner on the problems of the peace conference in the course of a conversation they had at the Muret residence last evening. Mr. Wilson, who was accompanied by Mr. H. H. Woodrow, of the French Ministry of War, was most impressed with the French executive's personality, and is reported to have expressed himself in the most flattering terms, remarking: "He is a most impressive man."

8,000 AMERICANS REACH NEW YORK ON "LEVIATHAN"

New York, Dec. 15.—The giant transport Leviathan, with 8,000 American soldiers aboard, is in port today after a long delay due to a heavy fog that hung over New York harbor for two days. The transport reached Sandy Hook Saturday night, but was forced to anchor on account of the weather conditions. The steamship Stockholm of the Swedish Line, which was forced to anchor off the Statue of Liberty last night on account of the fog, brought home a number of American refugees who were being treated by the Bolsheviks in Petrograd.

WOULD LEASE COAL MINE. Sydney, N. S., Dec. 15.—It is stated here that the Dominion Coal Company has made a formal offer to the Federal Government to lease or purchase the Florence mine of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company. Under the offer, it is understood the value of the property would be fixed by arbitrators, and that it would be fixed by the Government.

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COALITION TO BE RETURNED BY MAJORITY OF OVER 400

Result of British Election Is Considered Beyond Speculation.

London, Sunday, Dec. 15.—By the Associated Press.—Considering the condition of being the first to record the votes resulted in long lines forming up before the booths opened. A remarkable number of aged, infirm, women voted, in spite of the persistent rain which prevailed over virtually the whole country. Men often remarked that their votes were nullified by their wives supporting opposition candidates. Reports go so far as to contend that the new House of Commons has been mainly chosen by women.

EX-KAISER HAD 589 UNIFORMS

William Hohenzollern Possessed "Some" Wardrobe.

London, Dec. 15.—An inventory of the late Kaiser's belongings in Berlin and Potsdam has led to the discovery of the famous imperial wardrobe, including 589 German and foreign military and naval uniforms, according to the Boerzen Zeitung of Berlin. Several thousand horses in stables formerly belonging to Herr Hohenzollern have been confiscated.

Pope May Abandon Custom and Move Outside Vatican

Pontiff Is Considering Decided Change in Present Plans.

Rome, Saturday, Dec. 14.—That Pope Benedict is prepared to abandon a custom of nearly half a century and no longer consider himself bound to remain within the grounds of the Vatican is the firm belief in several circles here. Many incidents recently have led public opinion toward this belief. No pontiff has left the Vatican since 1871 as a protest against the annexation of Rome by the Italian Government.

Reports that the pope would leave the Vatican grounds have appeared many times since the pope lost his temporal power. During the reign of Pope Benedict the question was brought up first, in June, when the Vatican issued a denial to a report in Spanish newspapers that the pope would leave Rome for Spain.

DEMAND CONTROL OF MERCHANT MARINE

Hamburg Sailors' Council Makes Threat If Such Is Not Granted.

Copenhagen, Dec. 15.—Control of the merchant marine is demanded by a sailors' council formed at Hamburg, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Berliner Volkszeitung of this city. The council threatens to sink all the ships if the demand is not complied with. The council insists that the financing be borne by the shipowners.

33RD COMRADES PREPARE FOR DRIVE

The members of the 33rd Comrades' Club are making a big winter drive on Monday, December 23, and the officers of the club are anxious to have the members get in touch with them at the earliest possible moment, in order that adequate preparations may be made to handle the crowd.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 39; lowest, 29. The official temperature for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 32; lowest, 25.

Forecast: Moderate winds; fair today and on Tuesday; stationary or a little lower temperature.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today: Stations. High. Low. Weather. Victoria 48 36 Cloudy. Calgary 32 22 Fair. Winnipeg 14 2 Cloudy. Port Arthur 24 Cloudy. Port Stanley 21 Clear. Buffalo 40 36 Cloudy. Toronto 40 34 Fair. Kingston 42 36 Fair. Ottawa 44 21 Fair. Montreal 44 21 Fair. Quebec 38 23 Cloudy. Father Point 30 22 Cloudy.

Weather Notes: Pressure is high over the greater portion of the continent, and the weather is fine in nearly all parts of the Dominion.

HOW JACK CANUCK HAS GROWN



Advertiser Illustration. "Great Scot! Some Growth."—A compliment paid to Canada's military effort by the London Bystander.

GERMAN PEOPLE FAIL WHEN THEY TRY TO MAKE FRIENDS WITH THE CANADIAN BOYS

Troops From the Dominion Established Headquarters in the City of Bonn On December 7.

With the Canadian army in Germany, Dec. 15.—By J. F. B. Livesey, Canadian Press Correspondent.—Canadian forces headquarters were established at Bonn on December 7, one month after the signing of the armistice. The Canadian first and second divisions are now taking up their positions as a part of the second army on the right bank of the Rhine, and the men welcome the end of their long pilgrimage entirely by foot, which has continued almost without interruption since the crossing of the Canal du Nord in September. They were assigned the most difficult task of all in the march through the Ardennes and Rhineland, and the fact that it was completed on schedule time is highly creditable to their spirit, endurance and organization.

Germany Must Pay Any Price that the Allies May Name

Count Von Reventlow Sees No Outlet For His People.

Berlin, Sunday, Dec. 15.—By the Associated Press.—Discussing President Wilson's trip to Europe, Count von Reventlow, chief editorial writer of the Tageszeitung, says: "The German people must pay any price, no matter how high, the United States names, as a condition for the resumption of their position and relations with the world."

SIR PERCY SHERWOOD RETIRES AFTER 35 YEARS

Commissioner of Dominion Police Suffering From Ill-Health.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Sir Percy Sherwood, for 35 years commissioner of the Dominion police, retired at the week-end from the position, which he has long and acceptably filled.

Sir Percy is in poor health and is leaving to spend several months in the south. A successor will be appointed before long.

Rufus Chamberlin, formerly of the force, but for some years head of the Canadian Pacific Railway's secret service, has been spoken of in connection with the position.

"FLU" IN WINNIPEG. Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—In the 48 hours from 7 p.m. Friday to 7 a.m. Saturday, 153 new cases and 10 deaths as a result of influenza epidemic were reported to the local health authorities.

POLAND CUTS OFF HER RELATIONS WITH GERMANY

Severance of Diplomatic Ties, According to Amsterdam Dispatch.

Amsterdam, Dec. 16.—Poland has severed relations with Germany, according to a telegram received in Berlin from Warsaw.

Poland, as a reason for the rupture, accuses the German authorities in occupied provinces of acting contrary to Polish interests and working with the Bolsheviks. At the request of the Polish Government, Governor-General von Beseler and the entire staff of the German mission will leave the territory of the Polish republic.

ALLIED POWERS SHOULD RECOGNIZE THE GOVT. SET UP BY POLAND

Warsaw, via Vienna, Sunday, Dec. 15.—(By the Associated Press).—The Government of Poland should be recognized by all the allied powers in a dispatch properly with the situation in Poland. Gen. Joseph Pilsudski, the military head of the present Government, told the correspondent today.

RAILWAYS MOVED NEARLY 6,000 MEN IN A FEW HOURS

New Record in Transportation of Returned Soldiers Is Achieved.

Montreal, N. B., Dec. 15.—In the forwarding of between 5,000 and 6,000 troops landed at Halifax from the Olympic on Saturday, the Canadian Government railways achieved a record and incidentally demolished some of the erroneous beliefs that existed concerning the lack of facilities at the port of Halifax. As soon as the giant liner docked, the men were moved to waiting trains and the first war disembarked in fifteen minutes after the first soldiers left the dock.

Italy Lost 15,600 Officers in War

Conflict Cost That Country 54,000,000,000 Lire.

Rome, Saturday, Dec. 14.—During the war the Italian army lost 15,600 officers killed, the minister of war declared in the Senate today. More than 30,000 officers were wounded seriously. Italy, the minister (Gen. Zupelli) continued, lost more men under arms, proportionate to population, than any other nation.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

Bradford, Dec. 15.—John Wesley Brown, 15 years old, son of Mr. George Brown, 244 St. Paul's avenue, was accidentally shot about 7:30 o'clock last night by a bullet from a 22 rifle in the hands of his older brother. The two brothers and another lad were practicing aiming at a high board fence at the home of Mr. Brown, 12 Percival Hill street, and about 15 shots were fired before the accident occurred. The exact cause of the tragedy the boys cannot state. The young lad was taken to the General Hospital, where it was found that the bullet had entered his right lung, and after suffering intensely he was removed about 4:30 this morning.

REMISSION OF SENTENCES. London, Dec. 15.—Canadian Press Dispatch from Reuters, Limited.—The home secretary, after consultation with the presiding judge of the court of criminal appeal, has advised the remission of the sentences of corporal punishment recently passed on two Canadian soldiers named Swenson and Caba.

EASTERN ONTARIO LIBERALS MEETING ON JANUARY 14 TO FORM AN ASSOCIATION

Central Organization Is Expected To Follow Launching of Association at Ottawa Gathering.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—It is announced that the Liberals of Eastern Ontario will assemble in Ottawa on Tuesday, January 14, for the purpose of forming a central organization. The objects of the new association will be to assist in the work of Liberal principles and to aid in the promotion of the Liberal cause in the province.

HIGH WAGES IN SMUTS RESIGNS AS CABINET MEMBER

Amount Virtually to a Confiscation of Capital.

Odess, Wednesday, Dec. 16.—Wages are very high in Odessa and amount to virtually a confiscation of capital. Industry is generally at a standstill and a statement of the allied Russian policy is eagerly awaited by all classes. It is announced that two French divisions will arrive here to defend allied property next week from Salonika.

MUNITIONS BOARD SPENT MORE THAN BILLION IN CANADA

Factories Will Be Converted Into Peace Industries.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The total expenditure of the munitions nations during the war was \$1,100,000,000,000, or one hundred billion dollars. From this enormous expenditure the Dominion was probably a 75 per cent benefactor. The board, while it has to all interests and purposes, wound up its business, has yet to sell the plants which it has erected in Canada and which it has erected in the United States.

U. S. General Demands End of the Volunteer System in Wartime

Advocates the Selective Draft Plan For Permanent Scheme.

New York, Dec. 15.—The end of the volunteer system of raising armies in war time by the United States was demanded today by General John H. Crowder, in an address to the American Society of Civil Engineers. He said that the selective service system should be the permanent method of raising armies in the future.

SECRETARY SUING FOR \$50,000 DAMAGES FOR ALLEGED LIBEL

Case Is Being Heard in Montreal Court Today.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—The case in which John H. Roberts, secretary of the Dominion Alliance, is suing Eugene W. Villeneuve for \$50,000 damages for alleged libel, will come up this morning before Mr. Justice Lacombe and a jury for trial in the superior court.

RUSS MINISTER TO GERMANY IS ON HIS WAY BACK TO BERLIN

Adolf Joffe Is Reported To Have Grieved Way Into Country Again.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—Adolf Joffe, Russian ambassador to Germany, who was expelled from Berlin in November because of his activities in advancing the interests of the Bolsheviks, is reported to be on his way back to Berlin for the purpose of attending today's meeting of the soldiers' and workers' congress in spite of the request of the Ebert cabinet that he keep away from this city.

WOULD LIMIT COMPENSATION. Brussels, Dec. 15.—The Belgian Government has submitted to parliament a bill limiting compensation for war damages to material losses, excluding those based on moral grounds. The Senate in its address replying to the speech from the throne, has expressed strong disapproval of the measure.