

NEW VOTE BEING POLLED IN U. S. ELECTIONS TODAY

LARGEST VOTE EVER CAST IN AMERICAN HISTORY IS EXPECTED TO BE POLLED IN U. S. TODAY

Millions of Women Will Exercise Franchise for First Time—Campaign Managers of Republicans and Democrats Confident—Other Political Parties Not Admitted to Have a Chance—Female Vote Will Be a Big Factor.

New York, Nov. 2.—Men and women voters of the United States went to the polls today to select a new president for the four years beginning March 4 next.

Before the dawn of another day has broken, in all likelihood it will be known whether Warren G. Harding, Republican, or James Cox, Democrat, has been elected to succeed Woodrow Wilson, for it is generally agreed that having a miracle, none of the other five candidates has a chance. This choice, it is estimated, will be registered by a record vote of twenty or thirty million persons, many of whom are women who have been enfranchised since the last presidential election, and are voting today for the first time.

Second only in interest to the contest for the presidency is the fight between the two major parties for the control of the next congress. Thirty-four United States senators—32 to fill seats now held by 17 Democrats and 15 Republicans, and two to fill the unexpired terms caused by the deaths of Senators Bankhead, Alabama, and Martin, Virginia, both Democrats—are being chosen, as well as an entire new House of Representatives, composed of 435 members.

Both sides confident.

The present Senate is composed of 47 Democrats, 43 Republicans and 1 Independent and 1 Prohibitionist. There are also nine vacancies.

Will H. Hays and George White, Republican and Democratic national chairmen respectively, each continued content of victory when the polls opened. Mr. Hays reiterated his prediction that the Republican ticket was certain to obtain 335 elector votes, and that there was a strong possibility that the total might reach the 400 mark. A total of 268 is necessary to elect. Mr. White gave out no last-minute prediction on the electoral vote, but displayed his expression of confidence in the election of Governor Cox. Each chairman also predicts control of the next Congress by his party. The campaign itself, waged principally on the League of Nations issue, did not come to an end until early this morning. Senator Harding spent election eve quietly at his home in Marion, Ohio, while Governor Cox wound up his campaign at a big meeting in Toledo last night, but those of the local candidates throughout the country kept up their quest for votes into the dark hours of the night.

Harding to remain at home.

Unsettled weather, with the possibility of rain, faced the early voters of the Eastern States as they trudged to the polls to cast their ballots, while those of the Upper Mississippi Valley and Northern New England and New York prepared for the weather man's prediction of snow. The rest of the country generally is expected to vote under clear skies.

Senator Harding will await the verdict at his home in Marion, where he will receive news bulletins compiled from figures collected by the Associated Press. Governor Cox plans to receive the returns in the office of his newspaper, and will obtain full election returns in the morning.

Governor C. Coolidge of Massachusetts, Republican vice-presidential nominee, will watch the returns at Boston, while his Democratic opponent, Franklin D. Roosevelt, will await the result at his very nature, tended to obscure for the Canadian onlooker whatever clear-cut issue there may be.

If the league of nations was a clear-cut issue, it, in a word, the election of a candidate and the defeat of another could be regarded as the final expression of the attitude of the United States toward the league. The result of today's vote would have a high significance for Canada as for all the civilized world. But well-informed political opinion here seems to be that, granting the election of Harding, it may be found that the United States will take her proper place in the councils, if not of the league as at present constituted, at least in some equally determined form.

There are other issues, of course, and a victory for the grand old party may mean a general overhaul of the tariff, and in general Canada is apt to have a particular interest. At the present time the tariff reciprocity treaty is still being discussed by the United States, and it has been openly stated in this campaign that this will be one of the issues. The tariff machinery, and it has been openly stated in this campaign that this will be one of the issues. The tariff machinery, and it has been openly stated in this campaign that this will be one of the issues.

CANADIANS SHOWING SLIGHT INTEREST IN AMERICAN ELECTIONS

Lack of Outstanding Personality Among Presidential Candidates One Reason.

DOMINION UNAFFECTED

Issues in Past Years Touched Directly On Canadian Affairs.

Toronto, Nov. 2.—(Canadian Press).—From gossip round change, clubs, street corners and wherever men and women congregate, it would appear that the Canadian public is a trifle apathetic about the great quadrennial contest fought out across the international boundary line today. Lack of an outstanding personality, lack, perhaps, too, of a very definite issue readily comprehensible to the Canadian viewpoint, has resulted in notably less interest in Canada than that displayed four years ago—when the great issue seemed to be whether or not the United States was to enter the war on behalf of the Allies. There is also lacking the pungent, universal appeal of such a rugged, courageous personality as that of Theodore Roosevelt, who did so much to enlist for the Canadian imagination the immediate preceding presidential campaign. The two candidates who hold the centre of the stage today, honest and well-meaning as they are, lack the personal magnetism or authority of a Wilson, a Roosevelt or a McKinley, and the campaign they have waged has in itself, by its very nature, tended to obscure for the Canadian onlooker whatever clear-cut issue there may be.

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U. S. Voters Deciding Today Which Of These Two Will Be President

Refugees in Northern Crimea Seeking Safety.

BOLSHEVIKI COMPLAIN

Constantinople, Nov. 2.—Fifty thousand refugees fleeing before the advance of the Russian Bolsheviks in Northern Crimea are attempting to find ships to bring them to this city. Allied representatives here, have advised Sebastopol that there is no room in Constantinople for them.

WHOLESALE GROCERS' ASSOCIATION DENIES THE FIXING OF PRICES, BUT IN ENFORCES PRINCIPLE OF PLAN

Statement of Organization's Defence Is Delivered to Representative of Ontario Attorney-General—Members Claim Right to Protect Themselves Against Certain Manufacturers.

Toronto, Nov. 2.—The Wholesale Grocers' Association of Ontario has delivered its statement of defence to the attorney-general. The statement pleads that the board of commerce has already decided in their favor and deny all allegations of conspiracy, illegal combination or other wrongful acts as alleged by the attorney-general's statement of claim. They do not admit the existence of price fixing. They deny having acted upon any policy of restricting the wholesale grocer's trade of the province to those who are in membership of the association, or of fixing any non-competitive prices.

They say that a manufacturer who avails himself of the benefits of their organization of warehouse and selling staff should not operate unfairly by selling in individual lots to retail trade or to brokers selling to the trade. They claim this right to protect themselves against manufacturers who would use their organization in unfair and at the same time in competition with it to sell direct to preferred members of the retail trade or brokers. They endorse price fixing by saying that the principle of having the manufacturer fix the price at which such goods shall be sold and adhere to it is the proper and most economical and desirable method and in the interests of the community.

PRINCE'S TRIP TO CANADA AND U. S. INSPIRES PLAY

"Just Suppose" Is Shown At New York Theatre.

New York, Nov. 2.—(Canadian Press).—The tour of the Prince of Wales through Canada and the United States last year furnished inspiration to A. E. Thomas for a comedy entitled "Just Suppose," which opened at the Henry Miller Theatre here last night. Though the prince of the play is called George, and not Albert Edward, there can be no doubt that an attempt has been made by the playwright to portray in his leading character the very agreeable and ingratiating character of the royal visitor to this continent. The story of the play deals with a romance between the prince and a Virginia girl, Linda Lee Stafford, whom he meets on a motor car lark on the southern shore of the Potomac. The prince, who is incognito, is obliged to make a brief stay in the girl's home because of a slight illness, with the inevitable result that he falls in love with the prince, but decides that she would honor him more should he go back to fulfill the duty he owes his country rather than renounce his royal title for her sake. The part of the prince is played by a young English actor who last night made his debut in the United States. While the prince's physical likeness for the Prince of Wales, according to one of the critics, he succeeded in giving "an exceedingly fine impersonation of a paragon of honor, honesty and sweetness and a fun-loving companion withal."

NAME'S POPULATION DWINDLES TO 200

Seattle, Wn., Nov. 2.—Nome, Alaska, which during the gold rush of 1900 had a population of over 10,000, now has only 200 inhabitants when the steamer Victoria, the last boat of the season, sailed on its way to the north, leaving behind it a population of 200.

The steamer brought 533 passengers from Alaska, 350 of whom were from Nome. Many of these declared they would not return.

Eight Millions of Increase in Inland Revenue Returns

Ottawa, Nov. 2.—(By the Canadian Press).—An increase of \$8,066,775.74 in the inland revenue returns for the month of October, as compared with the returns for October, 1919, is shown in the monthly statement of the department of inland revenue. The total for the month just closed was \$12,841,242.43, as compared with \$4,774,466.69 for October, 1919.

Chief figures in the summary issued by the department were: Excise, October, 1919, \$3,606,264.13, against \$3,230,734.77 for October, 1920. Excise seizures, October, 1919, \$19,978.35, against \$14,174.47 last month; war tax, October, 1919, \$1,100,027.07, against \$9,575,298.56 in the month just closed. The revenue from methylated spirits in October, 1919, was \$41,885.65, as against \$20,374.40 last month. The increase in war tax revenue over the corresponding month of last year was \$8,475,271.49, and the net increase for the month of October, \$8,066,775.74.

GUARD ELOPES WITH PRETTY PRISONER.

Milledale, Ga., Nov. 2.—Officer of the state penitentiary here have announced that J. W. Gans, a guard at the women's prison, and a woman prisoner, "quietly eloped" last Saturday night.

Joanna was serving a sentence of one year for shoplifting, having been convicted in Atlanta last May. She was described as being about 21 years of age, and a blonde.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES IN CUBA IN CLOSE RACE

Havana, Nov. 2.—Returns from approximately 100 of the 3,000 precincts in Cuba, tabulated up to midnight, showed that Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez, who is running for a second term, was leading in the national elections. He was followed by Gen. Alfredo Zayas, coalition candidate, who was running a close race for the presidency of the republic.

THURSDAY NEXT HALF HOLIDAY

City Council Will Stand by Decision Regarding Armistice Day.

Although conflicting views on the desirability of a holiday November 11 have developed, the council will stand by its decision and Thursday of next week will be a half-holiday. The council's action was taken in response to a letter from the Central Veterans' Council, asking that a celebration be arranged, and that a grant of \$300 for bands be made.

It appears now that the letter was sent by P. B. Lavender, secretary of the Central Veterans' Council, without the direct authorization of that body. He said today that he wrote it because it was necessary to bring it to the attention of the council in spite of the fact that their representatives on the Veterans' Council do not.

SOLDIER CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR'S CHAIR A STRONG POSSIBILITY

Ald. Cameron Wilson Prominently Mentioned by Those in Touch With Situation—Mass Meeting of Soldiers Friday Night.

With the announcement today that a soldier candidate probably will be in the mayoralty race this year, London's coming municipal contest gives indications of being a most unusual one. The Grand Army of United Veterans' will hold a mass meeting Friday night at which they will discuss the advisability of entering the local political field. Present indications are that they will seek the co-operation of all other soldier bodies in putting a mayor for London, and it is a strong possibility that they will have a number of conflicting elements which one shall carry the standard. As they must have the decision of the gathering possible candidates are naturally difficult regarding their intention. President Frank McKay is considered a possibility. His record as the head of that organization has been an excellent one. He has had to assimilate a number of conflicting elements which have developed in London labor circles, as well as elsewhere, and has succeeded in keeping labor ranks united, his supporters say. They believe he would have the confidence of all labor men. Ex-Mayor Sheppard is mentioned as another labor body for alderman this year, is prominently mentioned as their possible candidate. He has taken an active part in the city business this year, and has been chairman of several important committees, although it was his first term as an alderman.

Labor has already decided to contest every municipal office. Whether the soldiers would bring out candidates in direct opposition to these remains to be seen.

No definite prediction as to the labor candidate can be made. It is understood that a meeting of the London Representation Committee, which has been called for Friday, November 13, will discuss the advisability of entering the local political field. There are several men in the ranks who would make a strong run, it is thought, and it may take a meeting considerable time to decide on which one shall carry the standard. As they must have the decision of the gathering possible candidates are naturally difficult regarding their intention. President Frank McKay is considered a possibility. His record as the head of that organization has been an excellent one. He has had to assimilate a number of conflicting elements which have developed in London labor circles, as well as elsewhere, and has succeeded in keeping labor ranks united, his supporters say. They believe he would have the confidence of all labor men. Ex-Mayor Sheppard is mentioned as another labor body for alderman this year, is prominently mentioned as their possible candidate. He has taken an active part in the city business this year, and has been chairman of several important committees, although it was his first term as an alderman.

RAILWAYS TAKE A DECREASED TOLL OF LIVES IN 1919

Washington, Nov. 2.—Fewer persons were killed on railroads in the United States during 1919 than in any year since 1898, and fewer were injured than in any year since 1910, said a statement issued today by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

During 1919, a total of 6,378 persons were killed and 149,053 injured, compared with 6,859 killed in 1918 and 119,507 injured in 1918. Of those killed during the year, 275 were passengers and 6,103 were employees. Of those injured, 1,458 were passengers and 148,045 were employees. Employees killed during 1919 numbered 2,188, and 131,915 were injured.

NEW PAVING PLANT STARTED IN FEBRUARY

Will Be Finished in Time to Start Spring Work.

Erection of a new paving plant will be commenced in February, City Engineer Brazier stated today. The tender of the F. B. Cummer & Son Company of Cleveland was accepted last night, and they will commence assembling material immediately.

The new plant will be erected on the same site as the former one, Bathurst street, east of Adelaide street. The present plant will be dismantled, and some parts of it will be used in the new one. The work will be completed in time to commence preparation of paving material early in the spring.

MYSTERY MAN IS GIVEN 6 MONTHS' TERM IN PRISON

Erki Welltheim Will Be Deported at Expiration of Sentence.

London, Nov. 2.—Six months at hard labor and deportation thereafter was the sentence imposed in Bow street police court today upon Erki Welltheim, a "mystery man" who was assigned in this court a week ago today charged by the Government with acting as an intermediary between members of revolutionary circles in Great Britain and Russian revolutionists. Neither the name nor the nationality of the prisoner was made known at the time of his arraignment.

It was upon Welltheim that the Government's attorney announced that a letter from Sylvia Pankhurst to Nikolai Lenin, premier of Soviet Russia, had been found in his possession. The letter was alleged to have written: "The situation is most acute; not ready for a revolution yet."

Miss Pankhurst has since been sentenced to six months' imprisonment on charges of having published editorial literature designed to affect the navy, in the newspaper, "The Workers' Dreadnought," one of the articles in which was entitled "Discontent on the Lower Deck."

When "mystery man" was first arraigned, he declined to answer questions, and was remanded for a week.

C. P. R. FOREMAN IS PROMOTED

B. Pendleton Goes to Ottawa in Important Position.

B. Pendleton, 585 Central avenue, for the past 16 years, has been a locomotive man at the local C. P. R. roundhouse, has been appointed locomotive foreman of the company's Ottawa division, and will succeed Mr. Jones.

As the shops in Ottawa are among the largest on the C. P. R., Mr. Pendleton has been given a distinct promotion. His departure from the local shops is deeply regretted by his fellow employees, for during the many years spent as foreman here he not only established a reputation as a capable official, but he built up lasting friendships among the men who worked for him.

Mr. Pendleton and his family will take up their residence in Ottawa.

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM FOR WEST LONDON IN SPRING

Necessary Bylaw Already Passed by Council—To Cost \$520,936.

Building of a sanitary sewer system in West London may be commenced this fall, but it is more probable that the work will not be undertaken until next spring. City Engineer Brazier said today. The necessary bylaw for the work has been passed by the city council, but further authorization will be necessary before the plans are put in effect.

The probable cost is \$520,936. Of this \$326,325 will be assessed against the property benefited. The estimated cost of the sections opposite flankages and wings at street intersections is \$675, and will be paid by the city. The remainder of the cost is made up by private drain connections. The frontage cessable is 108,178 lineal feet, and that exempt from taxation is made up of wings at street intersections and flankages, 20,711 lineal feet. The approximate annual cost for ten years is \$119,000, exclusive of the cost of private drain connections.

No outlet for such a system exists at the present time. It is possible that a disposal plant for West London may be built, or that it may be connected with a large new central plant for the whole city. The sewer construction will be proceeded with whether the outlet is ready or not and will be connected later.

THREE KILLED WHEN COAL TRAIN RUNS INTO FREIGHT CARS

Rear-End Collision Occurs in Auburn, N. Y., Yards.

Auburn, N. Y., Nov. 2.—Engineers James W. Toole and William M. Tuell and Trainman Wm. W. Schultz, all of Auburn, were killed in a freight wreck in the Lehigh Valley yards, Auburn, this morning, when a double-headed coal train ran into the rear end of a train of box cars just pulling out of the yard. All three men were buried under the wreckage and were taken out by the yardmen and Auburn firemen. The wreckage took fire and the Auburn department extinguished the flames.

ZAYAS IS LEADING IN CUBAN ELECTION

Coalition Candidate Has Small Majority Over Gomez.

Havana, Nov. 2.—Work of canvassing the vote of yesterday's presidential election moved very slowly last night, and it seems probable that if the rate of counting the ballots maintained last night is continued, it will be several days before Cubans learn the results. Returns from only 111 of the 3,002 precincts in Cuba had been received by the central electoral board up till the time it closed shortly before midnight. At that time Dr. Alfredo Zayas, coalition candidate, was leading Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez, standard-bearer of the Liberal party, by 632 votes. The tabulation as announced by the electoral board gave Zayas 11,034, and Gomez 10,252.

CENTRAL MILK DEPOT WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN KINGSTON CITY

Special To The Advertiser.—Kingston, Nov. 2.—The Kingston and district Milk Producers' Association and local retailers have decided to establish a central milk depot in Kingston and pasteurizing plant. On sanitary grounds this has been advocated for some time by the city council, but the producers and dealers now find that they must take action for commercial reasons. It is claimed that thousands of dollars are being lost under the present unsatisfactory system of independent delivery. The price of milk for the winter season has been fixed at fourteen cents.

FRENCH DELEGATES TO LEAGUE COUNCIL ARE NAMED BY CABINET

Paris, Nov. 2.—The cabinet today nominated Leon Bourgeois, president of the council of the League of Nations, and will be paid by the city. The remainder of the cost is made up by private drain connections. The frontage cessable is 108,178 lineal feet, and that exempt from taxation is made up of wings at street intersections and flankages, 20,711 lineal feet. The approximate annual cost for ten years is \$119,000, exclusive of the cost of private drain connections.

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THE WEATHER

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest 50, lowest 42.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest 55, lowest 42.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COLDER. Forecast.

Today—Rain, moderate westerly gales tonight.

Wednesday—Strong westerly winds, fair and colder.

Temperatures.

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

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Vancouver	52	44	Cloudy
Calgary	50	30	Cloudy
Winnipeg	42	24	Cloudy
Port Arthur	52	34	Cloudy
Parry Sound	40	38	Cloudy
Thunder Bay	42	32	Cloudy
Toronto	44	42	Rain
Kingston	40	38	Cloudy
Ottawa	40	38	Rain
Montreal	50	30	Rain
Quebec	40	24	Cloudy

Other Notes.

A cold wave which was approaching from the southwest was now centered in Northern Ontario, and was general in Ontario and along the coast.

Weather is fair and comparatively calm in the Western Provinces. Heavy rain is expected in the St. Lawrence and Maritime Provinces.

ALBERTA PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Construction of the new Alberta Parliament buildings is well advanced. The foundation work has been completed, and the main structure is being erected. The buildings will be completed in time for the opening of the new session of the Alberta Legislature.

GUARDS QUELL MUTINY AMONG CREW MEMBERS OF BRITISH STEAMER

New Orleans, La., Nov. 2.—Eleven British crew members of the British steamship Elm Leaf were wounded early today when guards repelled a mutiny aboard the vessel.

EGG-LAYING CONTESTS

Competitions Will Be Between Provinces and Dominion Hens.

Ottawa, Nov. 2.—Ten egg-laying contests were started yesterday throughout the Dominion under the jurisdiction of the experimental farm system. The contests are being held at the central experimental farm here and in one in each of the other provinces. The two contests of the Ontario egg-laying contest, the former being conducted by the Dominion and the latter to the province only. The Canadian contest opened with 25 hens competing for the honors and there are 24 entries in the Ontario.

HEAVY GALE RAGING.

One of the worst gales of the season is raging on Lake Ontario today and all vessels were forced to keep in port. The Steamer City of Ottawa cleared for the west at 6 o'clock, but after an hour out had to put back into port. The steamer Arabian cleared for Montreal and was the only vessel to get away.

FRANCE PLANS FOR BURIAL OF UNKNOWN

Paris, Nov. 2.—It is proposed by the French Government to lay before parliament a bill providing for the transfer of the body of an unknown soldier from the battle zone to the Pantheon in this city, and it is probable an immediate vote will be requested. This move is similar to one originated some time ago in England, it being the intention to bury an unknown soldier in Westminster Abbey on November 11, Armistice Day.

FAVOR RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

Paris, Nov. 2.—A series of conferences in favor of the Russian revolution are planned by a commission formed by the General Confederation of Labor, the Socialist party, and the League of the Rights of Man. The commission will select a number of cities where these meetings will be held.