

BY-ELECTIONS IN ONTARIO TO BE HELD MIDDLE OF FEBRUARY

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ONTARIO LEGISLATURE NOT TO MEET UNTIL LATE IN MARCH; BY-ELECTIONS IN FEBRUARY

Selection of Constituencies in Which Ministers Will Run Not To Be Made Until After Secretary's Return From Agricultural Council Convention.

Toronto, Jan. 2.—The United Farmers of Ontario Legislature will not likely meet until late in March, according to rumors. Premier E. C. Drury, Hon. Manning Macdonald and Hon. W. E. Rennie are without seats in prospect. J. J. Morrison, secretary of the United Farmers of Ontario and convenor of the committee of the party, which is to select seats for the ministers, stated today that there was nothing decided on yet. He goes to Winnipeg to attend the Canadian Council of Agriculture, and will not be back until the middle of the month. Until his return the committee will not likely announce when or where the by-election may be. The writs have to be issued three weeks before nomination, so the elections cannot be held until the middle of February. The Legislature, therefore, could not be called till about the end of February at the earliest.

FIVE MEN KILLED IN EXPLOSION IN POWDER FACTORY

Grinding Mill Blows Up Near Wilmington, Del.

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 2.—One of the grinding mills of the Dupont Powder Company blew up this morning. Five workmen were killed and one was injured. The building was of flimsy construction. The plant is on Brandy Wine Creek, three miles from here.

STEAMER CANADIAN SPINNER LIKELY TO BE RELEASED TODAY

Car Ferry Expected To Break Passage to Imprisoned Vessel.

Quebec, Jan. 2.—When the tide is at its lowest it turns, and this applies to the Canadian Spinner of the Canadian merchant marine fleet, which has been drifting for two weeks. Yesterday it was pushed a mile or four miles off the shore of Cape Magdalen, and today a shift of wind, changing the whole situation, has shoved her two miles farther out, while the ice has broken in the open gulf. Of course the Spinner is not yet out of her predicament, as she is still caught in thickly packed ice fields, but there is clear water to the north of her, and with the car ferry coming up from Prince Edward Island to break a channel through the ice for her, she is now nearing her deliverance. Last night she was so tightly stuck in the ice that she could not move, and many people at Cape Magdalen believed she was aground. This morning she was found to have moved further east and northward.

SIR ROBERT BORDEN LEAVING OTTAWA THIS AFTERNOON

Canadian Premier's Destination Is Not Announced.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Sir Robert Borden leaves Ottawa this afternoon for a prolonged rest. He expects to be absent three or four days. His destination is not announced.

SCIENTISTS' CONVENTION NEXT YEAR WILL BE HELD IN CHICAGO

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 2.—The convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science will close here today. Chicago has been chosen for the 1920 convention city. Dr. L. O. Howard of Washington, D. C., was elected president, and E. L. Nichols was elected general secretary. Among secretaries elected for the coming year are J. C. McLennan of Toronto.

GREAT BRITAIN FACING YEAR OF UNPRECEDENTED TRADE

London, Jan. 2.—Great Britain faces a year of unprecedented trade, if the nation can escape further labor trouble and clear away transport congestion, says a statement issued here today by the American Chamber of Commerce, which sums up conditions at the end of the year 1919. American businessmen are urged to invest in foreign securities and enterprises in order to aid in the balancing of exchange which is now forcing Europeans out of American markets. The Chamber of Commerce says it expects an early settlement of the strike of the molders, which for fourteen weeks has been "slowly strangling the productivity of shipyards, railway workshops, motor factories and engineering establishments." This labor tie-up, which is said to be the only important one at present, is represented as causing thousands of cars cannot be repaired without castings and because new cars are not being built, private enterprises are unwilling to invest their money until the Government settles the issue of nationalization of the railroads.

LIMERICK POSTOFFICE RAIDED, LARGE SUM OF MONEY SEIZED

Twenty Masked and Armed Men Hold Up Entire Staff.

RAIDERS MADE ESCAPE

Military Forces Are Occupying the Postoffice Today.

Limerick, Ireland, Jan. 2.—The Limerick postoffice was raided about midnight last night by twenty masked and armed men, who seized several thousand pounds in cash money orders. The postoffice staff, numbering twelve persons, was held up until the pillage was completed.

The employees were then warned not to follow the raiders who escaped unharmed. Military forces are occupying the postoffice today.

W. J. BRYAN MAY BE A CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT

Will Be Entered in Michigan Primaries in April.

Detroit, Jan. 2.—William Jennings Bryan will be entered in Michigan's primary for indorsement as Democratic nominee for president according to local friends of the former secretary of state. Petitions in his favor, which will require only 100 names will be in circulation shortly, it was said. The primaries will be held April 5.

FORMER AMBASSADOR FROM GERMANY IS DEAD

Sir Frank Lascelles Expires Today in London.

London, Jan. 2.—Sir Frank Lascelles, British ambassador from 1925 to 1929 for Germany died here today. He held many posts during his diplomatic career, serving as minister to Rumania in 1886 and to Persia in 1891. He was born March 23, 1851.

45,000 CLOTHING WORKERS MAY GO OUT ON STRIKE

Employees of Cloak and Suit Company Demand Higher Wages.

New York, Jan. 2.—The Cloak and Suit Company of New York, employing 45,000 persons, faces strikes for higher wages, which are certain to mean exorbitant prices for the public unless checked. The Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers' Association announced today. Workers in 42 individual shops already are out on a strike. A three-year agreement made with the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union six months ago by which the workers were granted liberal increases in pay. At the present time operators in the industry, the association says, earn upwards of \$75 a week, the finishers \$60 and women workers from \$35 to \$50 a week.

FUNDS RECEIVED TO AID IN TREATMENT OF SICK CHILDREN OF GERMANY

Berlin, Thursday, Jan. 1.—The American section of the German Red Cross is the recipient of a check for \$2,000,000 marks donated by relief committees in the United States for the benefit of children. More than 2,000 of these children will thus be able to go to sections where climatic and food conditions promise help. The present rate of exchange places Switzerland beyond reach of all but the most urgent cases.

MEXICO PLACES EXPORT DUTY ON CRUDE OIL

Mexico City, Jan. 1.—An export duty of 10 per cent on crude oil was fixed by presidential decree today. The same decree fixed an ad valorem duty of 2 per cent on refined gasoline and duty on the unrefined product. The treasury department will fix the value per ton of crude oil every two months, and the duty on refined gasoline will be taken into consideration by the department. The decree, which became effective today, reforms the law of April 13, 1917.

LADY JELICOE LEAVES TO JOIN HER HUSBAND

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Lady Jelicoe who was ill and unable to accompany Admiral Lord Jelicoe when he left for New York on Wednesday is now sufficiently recovered to travel. She will leave to join her husband this afternoon.

THE PRESENT AND THE PAST



E. S. LITTLE, London's mayor-elect, and Ex-mayor C. H. Somerville, who retired after two years of service.

DON'T WORRY

Election day has come and gone, we know the best and worst. Some reached their goal on fame's white crest, while others were immersed. We have picked out twelve men good and true, we've indorsed four bylaws. Our future mayor is chosen, so let's shake each other's paws. For what's the use of worrying? Rome was not built in a day. And the man wins out who plays the game and hustles, come what may. These are days of reconstruction, and there's work for all to do. If we make the year that lies ahead the best we ever knew.

PRISONERS IN CHICAGO JAIL FORCED TO WITNESS HANGING; INTENDED AS "MORAL LESSON"

Experiment in Psychology Tried At Early Hour This Morning When Murderer Goes To His Death As Fellow Prisoners Shout "When Do We Eat?"

Chicago, Jan. 2.—An experiment in psychology was tried at the county jail, in the dim hours of this morning's dawn, when two hundred prisoners were forced to witness the hanging of Raffaelo Durrage, convicted murderer. Hardened criminals—selected from among other murderers and felons—whose exaltation is not yet the gallows—were placed in cells, tier on tier, of which surrounded the square in which the scaffold had been erected. As the noose was slipped over the murderer's head from one of the higher tiers came a strident shout: "When do we eat?" Tier by tier, cell by cell, the cry was taken up. It became a roar above which the warden's voice could not be heard. The trap was sprung. Durrage dropped into the space beneath the scaffold—dead. "When do we eat?" was his requiem.

FIFTY THOUSAND EMIGRANTS REACH N.Y. IN LAST MONTH

New York, Jan. 2.—Fifty thousand immigrants from Europe have entered the United States through the port of New York within the last month, and January is expected to produce twice that number, it is learned from competent authorities here. Men predominate in numbers among the new arrivals, and practically none of the women, it is said, are prepared to enter domestic service. Most of the new arrivals are fairly well equipped with money to start their new life.

FRENCH FLOODS ARE REACHING HIGH MARK

Water is Nearing High Water Level of 1910.

Paris, Jan. 2.—Directors of railroads and of plants endangered by the rising waters of the Seine River have been summoned by the ministry of transportation to discuss measures to protect menaced property. The flood is now higher than that of 1910 and the crest is not expected until Sunday. It is expected that the Oise will today reach the 1910 stage and the prefect of Compiègne has taken steps to remove inhabitants whose homes are in danger. Reports received here indicate the Rhine has been falling since Wednesday.

Turks Trembled With Fear in Expectation of End of the World

Constantinople, Tuesday, Dec. 23.—There was widespread terror throughout Turkey on December 23 because of reports reaching this country that the end of the world was predicted for that day. Children were not sent to school, large numbers of people were afraid to leave their homes, and many Armenian and Turkish women went insane. John McClary, who founded the McClary Manufacturing Company, the largest stove business in the British Empire, celebrates his 51st birthday today, and though at such an advanced age, he keeps in touch with his business daily, his memory is unimpaired, his eyesight good, and he is interested in every-day affairs. "I don't think that the citizens could have elected a better man than Mayor Little," I was very pleased indeed to hear of his election," he said, when asked by a reporter what he thought about the elections. John McClary is a captain of industry. The McClary products are exported all over the world. Little did he think when, with his brother Oliver, he worked away in a little tinshop 72 years ago, that it would develop into the largest business of its kind on two continents. Tonight his relatives are giving him a birthday party.

STREET RAILWAY CO. LIKELY TO CONTINUE WAGES AT PRESENT

Is Expected To Await Arrival of President.

MEN WON'T STAND CUT

Say They Cannot Live On Less Than Standard in Effect.

Although Manager C. B. King refused absolutely to discuss the defeat of the higher fares bylaw today, it was learned that the U. S. S. had been sent out for President Charles Curcio of Akron, Ohio, and it is expected that he will arrive in London early next week to go over the local situation. Until that time it is not believed that the company will notify the men of a cut in their pay, and that, therefore, the city will continue to give the same old service it has been getting for the last few months.

At the time of the street railway strike last July the company promised the men the higher wages they demanded until the new year, when the whole question would be put before the people. It was, and with disastrous results, as far as the company was concerned. Speculation was rife on the street today as to what the street railway company would do in the matter. Ex-Ald. John Colbert, president of the men's union, stated at noon today that the men certainly would not accept a cut in their bi-monthly pay envelope. "The men will not accept a cut in wages," said Mr. Colbert, "and if they are getting the street railway company has not served any notice on us yet as regards a cut in pay, and until this is done the cars will be manned as usual."

EXPECTS RUSSIA TO EMERGE FROM CHAOS TO GREATER NATION

James O'Grady Looks For Better Things From Bolsheviki.

London, Jan. 1.—On the eve of his return to Copenhagen to resume the prisoner exchange negotiations with Maxim Litvinoff, the Bolshevik representative, James O'Grady, told the Mirror correspondent that he believed the pourparlers would be successful and that the repatriation of British British civilian residents in Soviet Russia would be effected by the end of January. Mr. O'Grady said his consultations since his return from Copenhagen would be mainly in bringing about a settlement. He expressed it as his opinion that Russia would save herself if left alone. "Russia will regenerate herself by her own resources. I believe she will become the America of another new world. The Soviet Government today is far more humanitarian, far saner and far more statesmanlike than the Soviet Government of a year ago. The Bolsheviki, of course, are being committed by their own armies, but I know that when the perpetrators are punished guilty they are exterminated." Mr. O'Grady strongly opposed armed intervention in Russia. "It would be a delusion to build hopes that it would succeed," he said. "The Bolsheviki are not a new world, they are the old world, and they are not to be beaten, and broken."

PRESIDENT EBERT'S NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE TO GERMAN PEOPLE

Appeals To All To Help Restore Fatherland.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—President Ebert requested the chancellor to publish the following New Year message today: "In the year just ended chaos was averted and the unity of the empire was maintained and consolidated. Under pressure of ruthless force we were compelled to conclude a peace threatening the honor and the welfare of our nation and placing the fruits of our work of foreigners. "The year which begins must decide whether Germany, despite all difficulties, will maintain herself as a nation and state and develop her economic and social life, or whether she will collapse and bury the hopes of her future generation. "With these prospects our fate before my eyes I urge all those calling themselves Germans, in view of the common danger, to close their ranks, in order that each one according to his capacity may help to the utmost in the restoration of the fatherland."

What's Doing Tonight?

THEATRES.
Grand—Mary Pickford in "Heart of the Hills," and vaudeville.
Majestic—Constance Talmadge in "The Veiled Adventure," and vaudeville.
Patricia—Zasu Pitts in "Better Times," and vaudeville.
OTHER EVENTS.
St. John's Lodge, 209 A. F. and A. M.—Meets at 7:30 p.m. in Masonic Hall.

ALFRED FRANK ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF SHOOTING JOSEPH YEO ON G. T. R. IN SEPTEMBER

Long Chase Ends in Taking of Pipe Line Road Man and the Issue of Warrant For His Cousin — Frank Is Remanded For Trial.

Following an investigation which lasted more than three months, Alfred Frank of the Pipe Line road, has been arrested on a charge of shooting Joseph Yeo, a Grand Trunk track inspector, who was shot on a Sunday afternoon, after he is alleged to have ordered Frank and his cousin, Thomas McGonaghy, to get off the trucks, near the Cove bridge. A warrant is also out for McGonaghy, whom the county police expect to take into custody during the next few days. Yeo, who is nearly 70 years old, was shot twice through the head, and for some weeks his life was endangered. Frank was taken to Yeo's home, West-Cove bridge, and when he ordered them to get off the trucks, they immediately complied. He claims, however, that they shot him later. Frank has been remanded by Squire W. H. Chisholm until next Wednesday, when he will come before the court for preliminary hearing.

IS WELL PLEASED WITH VOTE GIVEN HIM

H. B. ASHLANT, who was defeated for majority.

REDS READY FOR PEACE WITH ALL BUT DENEKINE

Bolsheviki Willing To Make Some Concessions To Big Powers.

Desires Of Peace Soviet Government Declared Fight To Finish Against Denekine.

CANADIAN PREMIER THANKS ROCKEFELLER FOR \$5,000,000 GIFT

Sir Robert Borden Sends Letter of Appreciation to Multi-Millionaire.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Sir Robert Borden has written to John D. Rockefeller, expressing his deep appreciation for Mr. Rockefeller's gift of \$5,000,000 to promote medical education in Canada. Sir Robert's letter reads: "My Dear Mr. Rockefeller—I should like to express to you my deep appreciation for your munificent gift of \$5,000,000 to the promotion of medical education in Canada. The friendly motto which you have inscribed on the plaque, 'I trust the relations between these two neighboring countries will always be marked by the spirit that has animated your action.'"

GERMANS ARE BUYING LARGE QUANTITIES OF SILK HATS FROM BRITISH MAKERS

London, Jan. 2.—The silk hat industry has revived considerably during the past two weeks and the trade is receiving more orders than can be comfortably handled. The demand here has been supplemented by orders from Holland and Sweden, but the chief destination of hats ordered for these two places, says the Mail, is believed to be Germany.

THOUSANDS NEED HOMES IN PARIS, BUT LITTLE BUILDING IN PROGRESS

Paris, Jan. 2.—Although approximately 300,000 persons desire to rent apartments and are living in hotels and lodgings in this city, little building is going on, according to M. E. de Noailles, a recently established newspaper. Virtually all the construction work in Paris, it is said, is confined to moving picture houses, stores and sheds.

ICE-BREAKER MONTCALM MAKING NEW ATTEMPT TO REACH BELLE ISLE

Steamer Will Try to Make Trip Around East Part of Coast.

North Sydney, N. S., Jan. 2.—The Canadian Government steamer Montcalm sailed at 6 o'clock this morning on another attempt to reach Belle Isle with supplies for the light keeper. The Montcalm will try to go to Belle Isle by going around the east coast of Newfoundland.

Weather Notes.
A pressure is now over the Gulf of St. Lawrence and high over the western portion of the continent. The weather is decidedly cold in Manitoba and Ontario, and comparatively mild in Alberta.