

CANADIAN PRESS OPINIONS VARY

Discuss Situation As Result of Thursday's Election

SHOULD PREMIER RESIGN?

Political Menagerie Supports Mr. King, Says Ottawa Journal

TORONTO, Nov. 1.—(Canadian Press Dispatch)—The indefinite result of the elections has brought to the front as a news feature of the first importance, hitherto debated on either side, the question whether the prime minister, Mackenzie King, will suggest to the governor-general that Mr. Meighen, as leader of the largest electoral group, be called upon to form a new administration or whether the present government shall carry on until Parliament meets, with the then expectation the leader of the Opposition will move a vote of no confidence. Although it is not the policy of the Canadian Press to carry editorial comment on its news service, the present seems an occasion when an exception should be made and Canadian Press correspondents from coast to coast therefore have been asked to put on the wires a brief and impartial synopsis of what editors of Canadian daily newspapers are saying in the premises. These follow:

Ottawa Journal: "The Ontario following of Mr. King in case he declines to resign would consist: (1) of Liberal men; (2) of Liberal protectionists (Mr. Euler, of Kitchener, for instance); (3) of Progressives like Miss Macphail.

"The Quebecers, on the other hand, consist: (1) of Liberal protectionists; (2) of Liberal low-tariff men; (3) of Independents who sneered at Mr. King (like Mr. Bourassa).

"The Western following would consist: (1) of moderate-tariff Liberals (like Hon. Mr. King and Hon. Mr. Stewart); (2) of free-trade Liberals; (3) of Progressives—lots of them—and, finally, of Labor men, like the two elected in Winnipeg.

"What a menagerie! The country would get magnificent government out of that, wouldn't it?"

Ottawa Citizen: "In any case, Mr. King is in control of the situation until Parliament meets, or can be quite constitutionally, if he considers it most advisable to consult Parliament before allowing another general election to be brought on. Mr. Meighen can do no better without a clear majority."

Kingston (Ontario) Daily Standard: "There may be nothing unconstitutional in an endeavor by Premier King to carry on, if he be so minded, but from a political standpoint he should regard such an attempt on his part as a party suicide. For that reason and for the good of the country, The Standard, being a Conservative newspaper, hopes he will make the effort since he has invited almost immediate defeat in the House when the new Parliament assembles."

Kingston (Ontario) Whig: "Although the Conservatives have won 116 of the 245 seats and are the largest group, they have not the right to assume power. Mr. Meighen has all along declared that the tariff was the dominant issue in the election. When the final result is in it is possible that the combined strength of the low protectionists—Liberals, Progressives and Independents—will number 123 against Mr. Meighen's 116. Why, then, should Premier King resign? A vote of no confidence in the Government would be defeated and any high protection move would meet similar fate. Winnipeg Tribune: "There are three essentials of the political situation: "No. 1: Mr. King should resign forthwith.

"No. 2: Mr. Meighen should form a government and get his by-elections over by Christmas if possible.

"No. 3: Parliament should be in session by the middle of January and should be dissolved before the end of February.

"The election gives Mr. King a sentence of dismissal and Mr. Meighen instructions not to carry on without a working majority."

Quebec Mercury: Throughout the whole of the last Parliament the Government was taunted because of its dependence on the Progressive party, most wholly composed of former Liberals—to carry legislation. There is now no good reason why it should not continue this co-operation until Parliament is again assembled, these two parties still constituting a majority in the House. The Conservative party, with 118 seats and unable by any arrangement with Progressives or Labor or Independents to secure the necessary 123 to give a majority over all, has no claim or right to demand the resignation of the Government, nor to presume, because it has the largest group, that it possesses a mandate to form a government. It could not carry the House on a division. Another appeal, finally, the country will have to be made at an early date.

Montreal La Patrie: "There is no immediate hurry for any such decision (that Mr. King should resign and Mr. Meighen be invited to form a government). The election writes are not unturnable until December 7, and the complexity of the House might be different in the great deal of water will flow in the river between now and then, and there will be ample time to consolidate his position should such be necessary. A clamor will possibly be raised in Ontario—which can no longer reproach Quebec in the matter of creating

Chas. M. Brush

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Churches and Clubs

TRAFALGAR HOME COOKING SALE.

The members of the Trafalgar Mothers' Club were hostesses of a very successful sale of home cooking and a Halloween tea in the kindergarten of the Trafalgar School on Saturday.

Fred Barning, the president, was the general convener and her assistants included Mrs. A. Mote, Mrs. G. A. Slade, Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. R. Sussen, home cooking; Mrs. W. Groatorex and Mrs. Smithers, tea room, and Mrs. W. Askew and Mrs. F. Hartop, ice cream and candy. The rooms were gaily decorated with Halloween colors and a general jack o' lanterns, and made an attractive setting for the large number of guests who attended. During the afternoon vocal solos were contributed by Mrs. J. B. Geddes, accompanied by Miss Alice Williamson; piano solos were given by Mrs. Arthur Chavener and much enjoyment was added to the occasion by the interesting readings of destiny given by the mysterious fortune teller, Mrs. Scase.

REDEEMER CHOIR. A delightful Halloween social was held recently in the schoolroom of the Church of the Redeemer. The guests were ushered into the room by a committee of ghosts and found themselves in a pleasant reception hall, attractively decorated with Halloween colors, and autumn leaves. The guests were all in costume, and one of the features of the evening was the grand march, when the costumes were changed. At the close of the evening, the choir, consisting of Miss Joyce Tomlinson, representing a cunning rabbit, won the prize. Ghost stories were told by Harold Mason, assisted by Miss Granger, in true Halloween style, and a series of interesting games were enjoyed. The prize winners for the event included Miss Alice Williamson, Miss Jean McGuire, in the apple-eating contest, and Rev. A. S. H. in the so-called "ghost" contest. At the conclusion of the evening delectable Halloween refreshments were served by the members of the refreshment committee.

COLBORNE ANNIVERSARY. An anniversary church supper and concert has been arranged by the members of Colborne United Church, to be held at the church to-morrow. A supper is to be served under the direction of the church choir, and the church, and an excellent program will be given. The items include piano numbers by Harry J. D. Moss; vocal solos by Geo. Baker, soprano, and Mrs. P. F. Baker, soprano. Readings will be given by the Misses Leona Kirkwood and Olive Holm, and the grand march, conducted by George Andrews. There will also be orchestra selections during the evening, and a collection for the under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid.

PRIMROSE EUCHE CLUB. Mrs. Thomas Owen was hostess at one of the jolliest Halloween parties of the season recently, when she entertained the members of the Primrose Euche Club at her home. The guests came in costume and the grand march was one of the features of the evening. The hostess donated a special prize to Miss Dolly Griffin for her impersonation of Betty Hutton, and the grand march was awarded to Mrs. W. Lake. The rooms were attractively decorated with Halloween colors. After the games an hour of dancing was enjoyed, and at the conclusion of the evening delicious Halloween refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. James Hodgson. Mrs. V. E. Kincaid was the fortune teller for the event.

OCTOBER FIRE LOSS IS LOWEST OF YEAR, \$6,000. Fire during the month of October caused a loss in London of approximately \$6,000, according to the estimate of Fire Chief Aitken, based on losses in 16 fires occurring in the month just ended. There was a total of 16 fires, five of which were false and two chimneys.

The telephone was used as a means of summoning the department in 20 instances. The best alarm system was used only once, and the remaining two alarms were verbal.

The aggregate loss for the month is considerably lower than for many others so far this year.

Wonderful values all week at the Big Fur sale at the Royal Fur and Leather Co. One of the bargains: A genuine Hudson seal, sable trimmed, \$219.—Adv.

YOUTHS BREAK FROM JAIL AT AUBURN, N. Y. AUBURN, N. Y., Nov. 2.—John Gibson, a youth under sentence for violation of the Volstead Act, and Joseph Lepean, 21, of Eau Claire, Wis., sentenced to one year in the Ontario Reformatory, broke out of the Cayuga County Jail here yesterday afternoon.

The pair hid themselves under benches in the jail and waited until the night guard had left. They then made their way to the jail door and escaped. The jailer, who was on duty at the time, started to clean up the cage yesterday morning.

Lepean was captured within half an hour by the Auburn police, but Gibson is still at large.

The jail-break was the second by federal prisoners within a week. Three prisoners broke out of the Auburn jail, of whom, under sentence of one year at Atlanta for dope peddling, is still at large.

FINDS SHEIKS ARRAYED EVEN AS IN LONDON, ONT. LONDON, Nov. 2.—Sheiks are now wearing American horn-rimmed spectacles. Some of them ride in thierant motor and some are arrayed in Oxford "bags" and many-toned English socks. This is the sad story of Western influence in Tunis, which Cecil Roberts, the novelist, brings back from a trip to Africa, in search of romance. It was a bitter disappointment to Mr. Roberts, who went to Tunis in search of material for a new novel and found that the only sheik who was dressed as a sheik should be, had been equipped by a moving picture outfit.

DEATH OF MRS. KLUE.—Mrs. Josephine Klue, widow of Frederick Klue, died at a family residence, 768 Hamilton street, in London, yesterday afternoon. She was in her 77th year. The funeral will be held from the residence of her son, William Klue, 38 Dundas street, on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Services will be in charge of the Salvation Army and interment will be made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

STORE BALLOT BOXES. Under the new Election Act it is now compulsory to store ballot boxes used at federal elections in a Government building, according to G. H. Tennent, returning officer at last Thursday's voting. The ballot boxes used in London were taken from the courthouse today and removed to the custom's building.

COL. T. H. TRACEY DIES AT VANCOUVER

Former City Engineer Here Succumbs In 77th Year

WAS BORN IN THIS CITY

Left London For B. C. Metropolis Thirty Years Ago

News of the death in Vancouver on Saturday morning of Col. Thomas H. Tracey, native of London and former city engineer of this city, came as a distinct shock to his relatives and many close friends here, most, at least, of whom were unaware of his illness. Col. Tracey was 77 years of age.

While it is about 30 years since he left his native city to become city engineer of Canada's Pacific coast metropolis, Col. Tracey retained an unusually large number of intimate friends among the older generation here and was known by favorable reputation to many of the younger citizens. In the Western city he added materially to his record of meritorious civic service, serving as city engineer for a number of years, while at the time of his death he was a member of the Municipal Council as alderman.

Col. Tracey succeeded the late William Robinson, C. E., who was London's first city engineer. Previously he had been associated with the late George Durand, architect, in the building of the capital or state buildings in Albany, N. Y. During the Northwest Rebellion in 1885 he was in command of one of the companies of the 7th Battalion and some two years after he succeeded Col. De Ray Williams as commanding officer of the 7th Regiment.

As commander he was dearly beloved by his men and was the means of raising the regiment to first rank in Canada.

ENTHUSIASTIC MASON. He was an enthusiastic Mason. Fifty-one years ago he was worshipful master of St. John's Lodge, 209a, then under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Ireland and at the time of his death was the oldest master of St. John's. A year ago he was presented by the Council with a jewel in honor of his half century as past master. He was a member of St. John's Chapter, No. 3, Royal Arch Masons, and past Em. prior of Richard Coeur de Lion Preceptory, Knights Templar, and was also a member of the 18th degree Scottish Rite, and about the last surviving member of the old Enoch Chapter of Royal and Select Masters Cryptic Rite. He was past grand junior warden of the Grand Lodge of Canada in 1886.

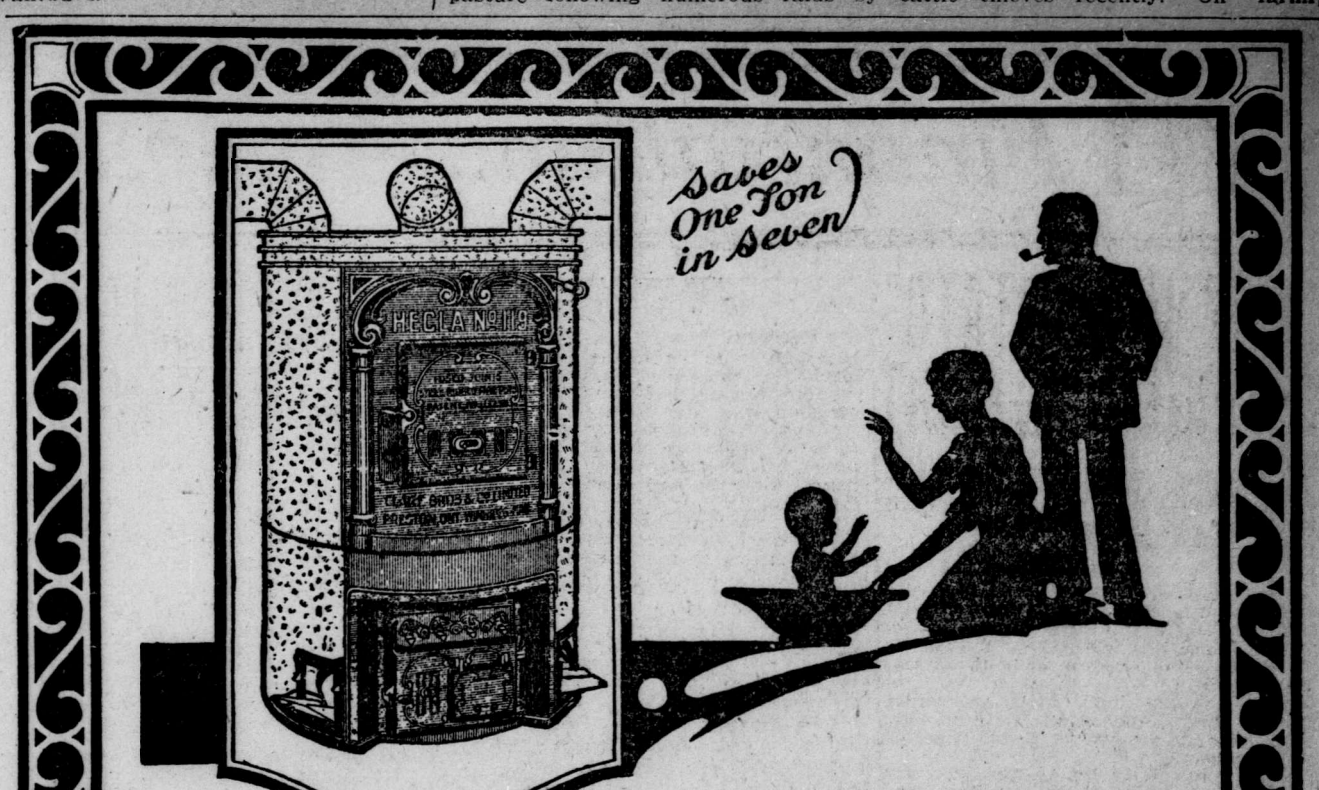
By nature Col. Tracey was a leader among men and withal, of such gentle disposition and courtesy of manner that he drew men to him in the bonds of close friendship. This was true not only of his Masonic but also of his civic life, for he was foremost in all things for the betterment of his community. His adopted City of Vancouver honored him and was benefited by his acts as a city official. Ever ready from his wide experience, no one sought his counsel in vain and no needy one was turned away with chilly words.

In the beginning of the war he lost his only son, who had just graduated from McGill. His widow and one daughter survive. The late William

O'Brien, of London, was a brother-in-law. The expected burial will be made in Vancouver.

GUARDING AGAINST THIEVES.—Westminster Township farmers are guarding all horses and stock now on pasture following numerous raids by cattle thieves recently. On farm,

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