

UNIONS CANNOT MAKE LEVIES RULING MAY HAMPER LABOR CANDIDATES

Mr. Balfour's Illness Keeps Him Out of Election Fight.

London, Dec. 22.—The whole aspect of the electoral fight may be changed by the judgment delivered yesterday by the law lords, Lord Shaw, a Radical ex-minister being at their head. This judgment declares that trades unions cannot legally make compulsory levies on their members for parliamentary representation purposes.

Nearly two million members of trades unions have hitherto been compelled by their unions to contribute to the salaries of forty-seven members in parliament, and out of similar compulsory levies some eighty labor candidates are now standing for parliament.

Will Prepare Bill. The executive of the labor party meets immediately to prepare a bill legalizing what the law declares to be illegal. The executive will press Premier Asquith to accept this bill as a government measure and fight the election on that issue.

Unionist electioneers say that thousands of trade unionists in all industrial centres will welcome the freedom from compulsion which the Lords have given them.

At the 1906 election the overwhelming Liberal and labor victory was largely attributed to the Taft Vale decision, by which the Lords declared that the courts could impose the funds of a trade union by reason of the action of an official. The law was then made to say: "We can seize your trade unions funds as we seize those of private citizens."

Balfour Confined to House. The whole Unionist cause rests in such a special way upon Mr. Balfour that something like consternation spread through the Unionist clubs when the news came through that Mr. Balfour had been forbidden by his doctors to go on even an hour's journey from his house at Whittingham to make a short speech at Edinburgh.

Resents Tactics. One who is in position to know states that the King greatly resents the use which is being made of his name in the present conflict. Particularly offensive is the reported incident at a Newcastle meeting, when Arthur Henderson, chairman of the Labor party, with a strange disregard of the elementary facts of the British constitution, said: "This is a grave speech. Let me read the King's speech proposing parliament. I regret," said his Majesty, "that your proposition of the necessary supplies should have proved unavailing."

Over Score of Persons Sustain Injuries in Fires at St. Louis. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 21.—Two men were probably fatally burned and twenty persons overcome by smoke in two early morning fires to-day. At one of the fires two women and eight small children were carried unconscious down long ladders to the street.

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When any reference is made to the constitutional position of the Crown, it is made without reference to the personality of King Edward himself.

Some one has been raising trouble in the publishing trade over a story that wood pulp, of which a considerable quantity comes from Canada, would be taxed. Mr. Chamberlain in a letter just made public, says that he has no authority to speak for the party in the question, but he would suppose that wood pulp would come under the head of raw material.

At this distance from the date of polling it would appear that in the final phase of the contest all may depend on the effectiveness of the aid given by the liquor trade and the big name of the Conservatives.

The speakers Monday night included Mr. Birrell and Sir Edward Grey. The former said the present House of Lords was a jerry built house, and the future second chamber must be differently composed.

Vancouver to Welcome the Manufacturers' Gathering. Vancouver, Dec. 20.—Over 500 delegates from all parts of Canada will attend the 35th convention of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, which will be held in Vancouver next September.

Two May Dies. Sir Edward Grey and the Duke of Northumberland also got into a conflict over the use of the King's name. The Duke accused the minister of wanting in respect to the Crown and not having a proper sense of decency in saying something which none of his (Grey's) forerunners would have said.

A novelty for rifle galleries closes a circuit and sends an electric arc around a track every time a bull's eye is hit.

MISSING MEN TURN UP AT BRIDGE CREEK

Young Howe and His Companion Arrive in Safety.

Kamloops, Dec. 20.—Vernon Howe, ex-Yale athlete of Minneapolis, and his companion, Jack Cunningham, who left Kamloops three months ago to inspect some timber limits in the Clearwater district and regarding whose fate a good deal of anxiety was felt by their friends, have turned up safe and sound at the 100-Mile House, Cariboo road, none the worse for their arduous trip through to them, a terra incognita.

Some days ago Mr. Howe, father of Vernon Howe, received word that the two men had spent a winter with a trapper on Hemlock creek, a stream running into Cedar creek, which is the most northerly of the Clearwater chain of lakes, and while that news was reassuring, there was still room for anxiety, as the return trip was still to be accounted for.

Although never on a trip of this nature before, young Howe's athletic career well fitted him to undertake it. He is well known in athletic circles in the United States as a former captain of the Yale track team.

KAMLGOPS SHOWING GREAT ENTERPRISE. The city authorities realizing that the growth of Kamloops will be very rapid during the coming year are preparing for this increase in population and building an extension of the city limits, and have spared neither money nor time in making the equipment of the plant the best obtainable, and one that the citizens of Kamloops may well be proud of.

Woman Dies Few Days Before Date Set for Wedding. Boulter, Colo., Dec. 22.—Thomas Staunton, a wealthy and prominent business man of Great Falls, Mont., came here a few days ago to be married. On Monday morning he left with the body of the young girl who was to have been his wife.

SHROUD REPLACES TROUSSEAU. She whose wedding gown was so suddenly turned into a shroud was Henrietta Emily Drain, the daughter of a Great Falls family. For a number of years she had been engaged to Staunton, when five months ago she was stricken with pneumonia, which rapidly developed into tuberculosis.

Two May Dies. The executive officers of the association declare they are looking for one of the largest gatherings in the history of the organization in Vancouver next year. The west has the call for attendance when it comes to conventions, every delegate being desirous of making the trip for the purpose of witnessing the marvelous development of the country.

A feature of the closing exercises at St. George's school was an address by Bishop Perrin, Miss Penwill, the principal of the kindergarten division, was warmly complimented on the splendid showing made by the children.

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His Lordship, in presenting the certificates, expressed his pleasure at the excellence of the work done and offered a prize to be given at the close of next term for the pupil who showed the best knowledge of the Scripture.

Mr. Tulliver, Gertrude Scott Mrs. Tulliver, Beatrice Lees Maggie Tulliver, Winnie Lees Tom Tulliver, Nora MacEachern Kezia, Elizabeth Scott Uncle Glegg, Mildred MacEachern Aunt Chrysie, Maudie Christie Mr. Deane, Maud Williams Mrs. Deane, Bessie Pennell Lucy Deane, Kathleen Muir Uncle Fullet, Gladys Percy Xmas Carol—Good King Wenceslas. Rev. Dr. Neale Solo, Kathleen Powell "She Stoops to Conquer", Goldsmith Sir Chas. Marlow, Beatrice Cook Young Marlow (his son), Annie Grogan Hardcastle, Theresa Mesher Hastings, Frances Cook Tony Lumpkin, Ruby Rudolph Mrs. Hardestie, Dorothy McGillivray Miss Hardestie, Ermeline Bass Miss Neville, Grace Bye Landlady, Maudie Christie Xmas Carol—"See, Amid the Winter Snow", Rev. E. Caswell Solo, Violet Mesher God Save the King.

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