

OTTAWA TIMES FEEL THE CIVIC GOVERNMENT

The Federal District Scheme Carries

Mayor Hopewell Re-elected by a Very Narrow Majority

Nine Men Ran for Controllers and a Close Contest Ensued—Warmest Election Ever Held in the Capital, With Every Seat Contested.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—All circumstances combined to make today's municipal vote the heaviest ever polled in this city. With the keenest fight for the majority that has occurred for many years, the biggest struggle for the board of control, a fight in every ward for aldermen, and several important questions to be decided on plebiscites and by-laws, the people had great incentive to turn out in throngs to the polling booths.

The figures of the vote for mayorality were:

Mayor Hopewell, 4,156; E. J. Laverdure, 3,937; Ross, 3,349; re-electing the old mayor by a majority of 219.

The vote for controllers was a close fight, as regards the three last of the four elected out of nine candidates:

McCluskey, 2,083; Parent, 4,243; Hinchey, 3,226; Hasty, 3,548; Wilson, 3,348; Pepper, 3,388; Draper, 3,268; Champagne, 2,861; Stanley, 2,253.

The federal district plebiscite is answered in the affirmative by a vote of three to one.

ARREST THREE LABOR CHIEFS AT LOS ANGELES

Indicted in Connection With Alleged Nation Wide Dynamite Conspiracy.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 30.—Olaf A. Tevlin, secretary-treasurer of the State Building Trades Council, J. E. Munnery, leader of the Salt Lake Union of Structural Ironworkers, and Anton Johannsen, organizer of the State Building Trades Council, were indicted yesterday by the federal grand jury in connection with the alleged nation-wide dynamite conspiracy. Their arrest followed.

Indictments were also returned by the grand jury against K. A. Clancy, the McManis brothers, Orlie E. McLanigan and Schmidt and Kaplan.

"And the grand jury has not finished its investigation by any means," said United States District Attorney McCormick.

The three labor leaders, who have been here for some time as witnesses in the government dynamite inquiry, were arrested in the witness room by the federal grand jury a few minutes after the indictments were filed in Judge Wellborn's court.

None of them expressed any surprise when told by Deputy United States Marshal Albert Sittler that they were under arrest for alleged complicity with the McManis brothers, and were wanted by one in the federal court they proceeded there without a word.

The charge against the labor leaders is the general one of conspiracy to transport dynamite in violation of the federal interstate commerce laws. The true bills under which the men were taken prisoners were but a part of a packet containing an unknown number of indictments. Deputy marshals were sent out immediately, and it was said other arrests were imminent, both here and in San Francisco.

Shortly after returning the indictments the grand jury adjourned until next Tuesday.

COAST STEAMSHIP MERGER COMPLETE

Eastern Company Takes Over Metropolitan and Maine Lines in Face of Protest.

Boston, Jan. 1.—The consolidation of the Boston Metropolitan and Maine steamship companies into one corporation became effective tonight, notwithstanding protests filed by Mayor Fitzgerald and others.

The properties are now owned by the Boston Steamship Corporation. President Arthur W. Taylor, and George W. Sterling, freight manager, and George W. Sterling, freight manager.

YUAN'S ORGAN CALLS ON REBELS TO SAVE THE EMPIRE

Proposes Coalition Government to Prevent Partitioning of the Country

Premier Wants Time to See if Country Favors Republic—Fighting Resumes Near Hankow.

Hankow, Jan. 1.—Fighting between the revolutionists and the imperialists which was begun Sunday evening, was renewed this morning, twenty miles up the river, by the revolutionists, who had not yet received notice of the promulgation of an armistice. The republican commander ordered the fighting to cease, but a desultory gun fire was heard throughout the day.

Coalition Proposed.

Peking, Jan. 1.—Much depends upon whether the fighting near Hankow was authorized by the republicans, and whether it will be followed up by the republicans or imperialists. The Associated Press is informed that the news of the attack was welcomed by Yuan Shi Kai, who will now await the issue of the battle. If the imperialists are victorious, it will give them a brief lease of life, while a reverse to the imperial army, it is believed, would precipitate the abdication of the emperor.

The Daily News, in an article, pointed out today that the republicans and imperialists prevent the partitioning of the country, and that the emperor's government, which shall control affairs until an assembly can be elected to determine whether the country shall be turned into a republic, remain a monarchy. This indicates even Yuan Shi Kai's dread of a partitioning of the empire. There is little doubt that he prefers the abdication of the emperor to this.

Tank Shao Yi, Yuan Shi Kai's representative at Shanghai, has tendered his resignation as a peace delegate, but Yuan has refused to accept it. It is said that the reason why the imperial princes have refrained from donating large sums of money to aid the government, is that they feel the government's cause is a hopeless one, and because some of them seriously distrust Yuan Shi Kai.

FAILURE OF "SUCCESS" IS ANNOUNCED

Magazine Publication Suspended for Lack of Funds.

New York, Jan. 1.—J. L. Gilbert, vice-president and treasurer of the National Post Company, publisher of Success, a magazine, announces that, because of lack of funds, it has been decided to suspend publication with the current issue and turn the property over to creditors. Reorganization proceedings, Mr. Gilbert explains, will be entirely friendly, with a view to conserving the interests of all. The vice-president attributes the failure of Success to no one thing. "General conditions in the magazine field are responsible," he says.

Success was founded a dozen years ago by Dr. Orison Sweet Marden, and it has been well known ever since the 1907 panic the magazine has not had all the financial support needed. Two years ago the National Post Company took the publication over, with E. E. Garrison as president, J. L. Gilbert as vice-president and treasurer, and Samuel Mervin as secretary and editor. Dr. Marden continued on the staff. Two weeks ago the officers of the company saw that the end was approaching and decided to make the December number the last.

Albert B. Kerr was appointed today receiver for the National Post Company, publishers of the magazine Success, and the National Post. The assets are estimated at \$10,000.

ONE KILLED AND SEVERAL HURT IN C.P.R. COLLISION

Moosawa, Sask., Jan. 1.—At 3:45 Sunday morning an eastbound freight ran into another freight at Nord water tank, between Northey and Tarrick. The casualties are as follows:

John Bradshaw, section man, Parkburg, in caboose of stationary train, killed. George Reynolds, brakeman, Moosawa, leg severed, condition dangerous; Glenn Ashlock, brakeman, bruised and head injured; Joe Macdougall, conductor, both legs fractured, will recover; Wm. Rusk, blacksmith, Coron, not in Canadian Pacific Railroad service, traveling on freight, both legs severed above the ankles.

GOVERNMENT LOOKING FOR A NAVAL POLICY

Will Send Scout to England

George H. Perley to Feel the Pulse of the Admiralty and War Office to Pave the Way for Borden, Hazen, Hughes Invasion in the Summer—Premier Congratulated on New Honors.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—Hon. George H. Perley, minister without portfolio, who is at present on a holiday trip in the south of France, will before his return home in February, consult the admiralty and the war office in London on behalf of the government, in regard to Canada's co-operation in imperial naval and military defence.

Mr. Perley's conference with the admiralty and war office will, of course, be preliminary to more formal and more extensive conferences in London next year which Premier Borden, Hon. J. D. Hazen and Hon. Col. Hughes expect to arrange.

Meanwhile Mr. Perley's report to his colleagues here will probably form the basis for the cabinet's consideration of some more definite programme of naval defence than is now possible, owing to the divergent views held by the members of the government.

Right Hon. R. L. Borden was today the recipient of a flood of congratulations from his friends in Ottawa, irrespective of party affiliations, and from all parts of the dominion, on his new and high honor of imperial privy councillor.

Mr. Borden will now have to order a special uniform, there being a distinctive dress for imperial privy councillors.

One interesting feature about the honor is that it will be the first occasion in the history of the Canadian house of commons when each leader will be able to refer to the other as "my right hon. friend," and not as "my right hon. colleague."

And it may be worth adding that Canada now has five imperial privy councillors—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Richard Cartwright, Sir Charles Stupart, Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Borden.

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RAIE LILLIAN IS TO WED AGAIN



Lillian Russell, the famous singer and actress, is engaged to Alexander P. Moore, editor of the Pittsburgh Leader. This will be her fourth venture in the matrimonial field. Her former husbands were Harry Abraham, whom she married in 1879; Edward Solomon, in 1885; and John Chatterton, or "Signor Perugini," in 1894. Miss Russell, it is said, will not retire from the stage.

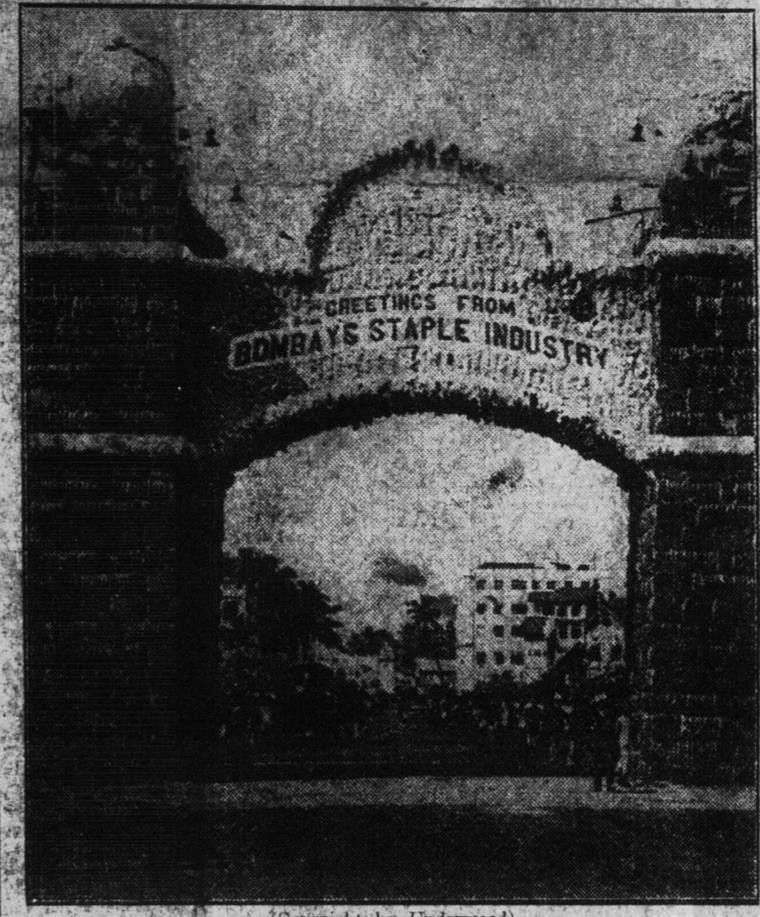
GAVE HER LIFE TO SAVE MOTHER'S

Young New York Girl Stepped in Front of Revolver in Hands of Stepfather and Was Shot Dead.

New York, Jan. 1.—Bertha Reiman, a fourteen-year-old girl, stepped in front of a revolver in the hands of her stepfather, George Benz, and received in the temple two bullets which had been intended for her mother. The girl died in an ambulance half an hour later. The mother was unhurt. Benz fled down the street, but was captured and held without bail on a charge of murder.

Mrs. Benz and her husband had separated for several months. She was returning home from a New Year's celebration early today to her home at Evesing, Long Island, when the man, recognizing her and her daughter on the street, coasted her and her daughter on the street.

ROYAL ARCH AT BOMBAY



This striking arch was constructed entirely of bales of cotton, which is the staple industry of Bombay. India produces nearly 1,000,000 bales of cotton annually.

FALLIERES IN HOPEFUL MOOD

French President Says Arbitration Could Settle International Disputes

British Ambassador, at New Year's Reception at Paris, Talks Optimistically of Peace Movement Started by President Taft.

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WATCHMAN MISSING IN \$100,000 NEW YORK FIRE

New York, Jan. 1.—One man is believed to have lost his life in a fire which destroyed a big milk depot on East Twenty-second street today. Two men, who were thought to have been killed in the fire, were already found by the police. The missing man is John McCormack, a watchman. The property damage is estimated at \$100,000.

LONDON, ONT. VOTES FOR COMMISSION FORM OF GOVERNMENT

London, Ont., Jan. 1.—Chas. M. P. Graham was today elected mayor, defeating A. H. Roberts and A. H. Stewart, both by large majorities. The business men's slate of eight candidates by the board of trade was elected. A plebiscite regarding a commission form of government was overwhelmingly carried.

DETECTIVE, WHO AIDED HATTIE LEBLANC'S DEFENCE, ARRESTED

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 1.—Detective Lawrence P. Smith, one of those who assisted in the defence of Miss Hattie LeBlanc, of West-Archie (N. S.), acquitted of the murder of Clarence P. Glover, of Waldham (Mass.), was arrested today on an indictment charging him with subornation of perjury in the case.

Smith was immediately arraigned before Judge McLaughlin and after pleading not guilty was held in \$1,000 bail for trial.

WINTER NAVIGATION OF THE RIVER

Montreal Harbor Commissioners and Guests Made Trip Down Stream and Back Yesterday.

Montreal, Jan. 1.—The navigation of the St. Lawrence river for 1912 was opened in ideal winter weather, considering the time of year, when the harbor commissioners, harbor officials and guests aboard, made a trip down stream and back. It was the first cruise of the year, and will not be repeated for several months to come.

Not since 1875, thirty-four years ago, has a New Year's day cruise of the St. Lawrence been possible; but the long-continued mild weather in December has left the river practically clear and though loose cakes of ice were met with and the river was frozen over close to a depth of some five inches, the trip was made without any difficulty being experienced.

Usually at this time of the year the St. Lawrence is covered with a thick sheet of ice from bank to bank, even the swiftest currents having surrendered to the frost.

At midnight some of the searchers found him dead. He is believed to have been shot accidentally. Newcombe had been a traveler for Smith Brothers, Halifax.

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LESS WORKING HOURS MEANS LESS PAY

Fifty-four hour week in Massachusetts Cotton Mills Will Be Felt in Pay Envelope.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 1.—Every textile mill in Massachusetts running on full-time today, went on a schedule of 54 hours a week in compliance with a new state law, which compels all textile plants employing women and children to run the machinery no longer than that number of hours weekly.

The loss to the operatives will be \$11.00 weekly, figured on a total capacity basis. On the same basis, the reduction of the Fall River output figures 3.57 per cent.

ITALIAN, SAWING DYNAMITE, WAS BLOWN TO ATOMS

Lindsay, Ont., Jan. 1.—Valentino Luciani, aged 23, was instantly killed at the construction camp of the Canadian Pacific seaboard branch, near Glenora. He was sawing dynamite when a spark got into one of the cuts, causing a terrific explosion. Luciani's body was blown to atoms and a companion, some distance away, was seriously injured and is now at the Ross Memorial Hospital here. Six cases of dynamite exploded. Luciani was unmarried.

SCOTTISH CURLERS FEARED AT HALIFAX

OTTAWA OPENS NEW YEAR WITH A SERIOUS FIRE

Five Boarding Houses Burned, Entailing a Loss of \$60,000

Blaze Broke Out in Early Morning and Scores of Boarders Had Hair-breadth Escapes—Four Firemen Were Injured.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—A spectacular fire, replete with hair-breadth escapes of scores of boarders and householders and in which four firemen were hurt, was the literally hot New Year greeting to the occupants of Bishop Terrace, comprising five houses, numbers 137 to 145 Albert street inclusive, at 5:30 o'clock this morning.

An hour after the flames broke out the entire row was nothing but a jumble of bricks and debris. The buildings, contents and personal effects of the hundred or more persons living at the terrace were totally destroyed. Few of the householders had any insurance.

The property loss is estimated at \$60,000, with \$15,000 insurance on the buildings. The fire started in number 143 occupied by Mrs. Valente, and is supposed to have had its origin in a fire grate.

The fire made rapid strides and was blazing furiously when Chief Graham, Deputy Chiefs Latture and Stanford and more than half the brigade arrived.

Of the four men injured, three will be laid up several days. The fourth will return to the station shortly.

SHOT DEAD ON EVE OF DEPARTURE FOR ST. JOHN

Webber Newcombe, of Halifax, Accidentally Killed on Hunting Trip Yesterday.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 1.—(Special)—Three young men went out back of the Dartmouth lakes to spend New Year's day shooting. They were to meet at a rendezvous at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. At that hour two of them returned, but Webber Newcombe, the third, did not appear.

A shot was heard, but whether it was a signal from him or an accident was not known. He had not been heard from at nightfall, and then the town's fire bells were rung and citizens set out to search, as the weather was becoming cold.

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AMERICAN SOCIETY SPENT MILLIONS IN WHITE PLAGUE WAR

New York, Jan. 1.—The sum of \$14,500,000 was spent during the year 1911 throughout the country in the war against tuberculosis, according to a statement issued tonight by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis.

This large sum is practically the same as last year's total, but the percentage of public money, such as is received from federal, state, city or county funds, which is 66 per cent for 1911, shows a marked increase over the percentage of public money appropriated in 1910.

Of the total sum spent in the war last year, \$11,800,000 went directly towards the treatment of consumptives in sanitariums and hospitals, and the remainder to anti-tuberculosis associations, dispensaries, open-air schools, boards of health and other agencies.

GERMAN EXPERT TO REPORT ON BOSTON HARBOR CONDITIONS

Boston, Jan. 1.—The directors of the port of Boston, it was announced tonight, have secured the services of Dariusz Wenczura, of Hamburg, an eminent German engineer, now in charge of the development of the Hamburg harbor, to come to Boston early in February to act as an advisory engineer to the directors in a preliminary investigation of port conditions here.

Tendered Reception by Local Scots

Captain of Visiting Team Says Their Money is No Good

Attend New Year's Levee at Government House—Match for Strathcona Cup, Won by Canadians in Scotland, Begins Today.

Halifax, Jan. 1.—The Scottish curlers spent New Year's day in Halifax enjoying an atmosphere like that of a spring day, rain in the forenoon with clear sunshine in the afternoon, and not a vestige of snow.

The formal welcome to the curlers took place at the Halifax hotel, where there was a big gathering of Nova Scotia curlers, with all the Scotsmen. Displayed on the tables were the handsome Strathcona cup given by his lordship to commemorate his presidency of the Royal Canadian Curling Club, and the first visit of a Canadian team to Scotland, which had engraved on a panel on its base: "Won by Canadian Curlers, Captain The Hon. Duncan Cameron Fraser, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, at Glasgow, February, 1910."

Premier Murray welcomed the visitors and felt sure they would be warmly welcomed in every city, town and hamlet in the dominion. The visitors would find in Canada the latch string ever open to them. He was glad that in coming from the season's greetings and a safe voyage back.

Mayor Chisholm welcomed the team to Canada. He was not a curler himself, but he knew what a curler welcome would be like. Scotchmen had done much to build up Nova Scotia and the race is held in high regard in Halifax. He wished the visitors the season's greetings and a safe voyage back.

H. G. Willis, the representative of the dominion government, who was the secretary of the Canadian team which visited Scotland three years ago, said that he had been detailed by the government to look after the comfort of the visitors. He read a letter from Hon. R. L. Borden, premier of Canada, conveying to the visitors the welcome of himself and his colleagues, and expressing the hope that the welcome would be agreeable in every way and that it would be attended with the happiest results.

They were then presented with souvenirs of Nova Scotia.

SCOTS CAPTAIN'S HAPPY SNEECH

Col. T. S. G. H. Robertson-Aikman, captain of the visiting team, spoke on behalf of the visitors, expressing thanks for the souvenirs and welcome. The words of welcome had touched a responsive chord in the hearts of the visitors. Just as the Ionian was leaving a cablegram of greeting had reached them and marconigrams had been received on the voyage. He returned thanks for these messages. Yesterday he had exchanged some English money into Canadian money. It looked, however, he said, as if he would have to take the money home for his coin collection, as every want of the curlers was being met by the entertainers. The colonel acknowledged the greetings of welcome from the premier and others.

He was much impressed with the pressiveness of Halifax to welcome an enemy and even more so with the preparedness to welcome brothers. The speaker said the visitors were here to win if they could. He wished as they were a year as the curlers had had at their start. The speaker then presented Premier Murray and Mayor Chisholm with souvenir badges in enamel and gold.

Andrew Blair, secretary of the visiting team, also expressed the appreciation of the team for kindnesses.

At 7 o'clock the curlers attended the levee at Government House, and in the afternoon they visited the two curling rinks, where the officers and members were at home to them.

Play begins tomorrow. Three distinct series of games will be played, as follows:

First—Match games between rinks representing the curling clubs of Nova Scotia, and rinks of Scottish curlers.

Second—Test match between six rinks of Nova Scotia curlers and six official rinks of the Scottish curlers.

Third—Match games between rinks representing the curling clubs of Nova Scotia—Club v. Club—for the Halifax Hotel Challenge Cup.