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BRITISH COLUMBIA VOTERS RETURN LIBERAL GOVERNMENT

LIBERAL GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA SUSTAINED; MAJORITY IN THE LEGISLATURE IS REDUCED

Premier Oliver's Government Is Returned to Power With 24 Members Out of 47 Seats in House—All the Cabinet Ministers Carry Their Ridings—Big Cities Go Strongly Reform.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 2.—Canadian Press.—The Oliver Government has been returned to office, but with a greatly reduced majority in the British Columbia elections held yesterday. Returns received up to an early hour this morning assure the election of 24 Liberals out of a House of 47 members. The Conservatives are conceded 15 seats while the remainder of the seats are distributed among Independent Liberals, Independents and Labor. There are two doubtful seats, which Liberals claim they will win.

It is regarded as certain that the government will have a safe working majority. The Liberals are claiming Fort George, where Major H. G. Perry is leading his opponents. Final returns are yet to be received from Atlin. Liberals are also expected to wrest the sixth seat from Hon. W. J. Bowser, Conservative leader, on the absentee vote. He is leading J. P. Dougherty, Liberal, by a few hundred.

Premier Re-Elected.
Premier Oliver himself led the van of victory by carrying both Delta riding, his home constituency and Victoria, where he was returned at the head of the list.

All the ministers carried their constituencies, although Hon. Dr. King, minister of works, experienced a close contest in Cranbrook, where Cavan, Conservative, is only a few votes behind the minister. In Vancouver the Liberals have captured five out of six seats. Mrs. Ralph Smith headed the poll, and Mr. Bowser leading for the sixth seat.

Joseph Martin, K. C., whom many predicted would secure one of the local seats, did not run as well as expected, and was 2,000 votes short. The Conservatives have won Richard, Yale, Omineca, Dewdney and Cloon from the Liberals, and seats in Victoria and Alberni. Labor captured South Vancouver and Fernie; Socialists, Comox, and the Independents, North Vancouver.

NO CHILDREN IN LONDON FOR ADOPTION NOW

Woman of Means Scours the Institutions of City

WITHOUT AVAIL

Drives to Western University Library in Vain Attempt to Secure Youngster.

Not a little boy or girl in the whole of London to be adopted. Is it really possible? A woman of means recently went to every institution in the city where children are sheltered, to adopt a child, without success. After scouring the city, someone suggested that she try at the Infant Home on St. James street, which by the way is out of existence now, and is used as an annex to the Western University. Driving up to the building in her motor car, the lady mounted the steps and rang the bell. "I want to adopt a child," she said. The person answering the door who had been busily engaged with books a minute before, looked bewildered until it dawned upon her that before the building was used as the university library. It was an infant's home. She informed the lady her motor car with a disappointed expression on her countenance.

SENATE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS PLACING OF WHEAT TARIFF

U. S. Body To Consider Extension of Rural Credits.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The placing of a tariff on wheat imports is one of the subjects to be discussed by the agricultural committee of the Senate and House when they meet in joint session this afternoon to consider possible relief measures for the agricultural situation. Further extension of credits to farmers and amendment of the federal farm loan act to permit short time loans on cattle and agriculture products will also be discussed as possible expedients of relief. Restoration of trade relations with Russia was said, also might be suggested.

YOUTH PLUNGES FROM LINER IN MID-ATLANTIC TO SAVE CHILD

Toronto, Dec. 3.—A special dispatch to the Star from Quebec says: "When the liner Minnedosa was in mid-Atlantic between Liverpool and Quebec, a nine-year-old girl, who, with other children, was climbing on the railings on the port side, fell overboard.

"A youth named Ronald Webb, formerly of Castleton Road, Walthamstow, England, immediately jumped, fully twelve feet and 50 feet below. He swam for the drowning child and held her up until, as they were almost sinking, they were rescued by one of the ship's boats.

"They were brought aboard terribly exhausted, but both recovered from the effects of the immersion, and the following day Webb was presented by the captain, on behalf of the passengers, with \$100. Webb was patrol leader of the 80th Walthamstow Scouts and a second lieutenant in the 7th Battalion County of London Cadets. He recently won the cadet officers' open boxing competition at the National Sporting Club, London."

POLICE THINK SMALL'S BODY BURIED UNDER OPERA HOUSE

Stage Hands At Toronto Theatre Dig Up Earth.

BELOW AUDITORIUM

Excavations Will Be Continued Until Entire Area Covered.

THINK DIFFERENTLY NOW.
Toronto, Dec. 2.—Police authorities are satisfied that the body of A. J. Small, missing since a year ago today, is not and never was buried under the Grand Opera House, which the theatrical magnate had ducted for many years previous to the day of his mysterious disappearance. Following a search for any trace of the missing man, it is understood that Ambrose Small's secretary, John Doughty, who is in jail on remand till Monday, has been charged with the \$105,000 recovered in his sister's house this week, has made no further statement regarding his former employer.

Toronto, Dec. 2.—The city edition of the Mail and Empire says today: An indication of the trend of police thought in connection with the inexplicable disappearance of Ambrose J. Small, the Toronto theatre magnate, is shown by the fact that stage hands employed at the Grand Opera House dug in the soft earth under the theatre yesterday under the direction of Detective Sergeant Austin Mitchell, in an effort to locate Small's body. Efforts, police officials have held to the theory that Small was alive and probably away for a prolonged holiday, or held in captivity for purposes of ransom. The operations yesterday, however, would seem to indicate that the police have relinquished this hypothesis and are fairly convinced that Small has been gone away with. The area covered by Detective Mitchell and his assistants is situated under the auditorium. Mitchell selected the spot where excavations were to be made and the diggers dug to a depth of two feet, or a little more, in several places. The whole of the afternoon was given up to the operation, but so far no trace of the body has been found. It is understood that the digging will be continued until the entire area under the theatre has been searched. The police have ascertained beyond doubt whether the body of the missing man is buried in the theatre, and within the precincts of his erstwhile property.

ARMENIANS DRIVEN BEYOND BOUNDARIES OF THEIR COUNTRY

Turkish Nationalists Assert They Will Not Crush Little Republic.

HOSTILITIES SUSPENDED

Fighting Ceases Through Intervention by Bolsheviks.

Tiflis, Dec. 2.—Armenian forces have been driven eastward by the Turkish Nationalists until the region they hold is entirely outside the traditional boundaries of Armenia. As a result, Armenia is reduced to a little Caucasus republic, such as was created by the Germans and Turks during the war, comprising the districts of Erivan, Novobayazet, 30 miles to the northeast of Tiflis, and the district of Yerevan, located about 25 miles north of Mount Ararat.

Turkish Nationalists have occupied districts just to the west of this region, holding Kars, Alexandropol and Surmalou.

Hostilities between the Armenians and Turkish Nationalists have been suspended through intervention by the Bolshevik Government at Moscow, and hopes are entertained that further bloodshed may be averted. Conditions, however, are frightful in the district of the Caucasus, where hundreds of thousands of refugees, in the last stage of destitution, are traveling through the snow in all directions, and the Armenian Government is unable to provide housing for the refugees.

The arrival of grain promised by the Russian Bolsheviks.

The Turkish Nationalists assert they will not crush Armenia, but will grant it independence. These terms, however, must be in conformity with Turkish aspirations, it is declared. Dr. Alexander Khatchikian, Armenian premier and foreign minister, has been appointed a special plenipotentiary to arrange peace terms with the Nationalists.

The mantle of Armenia's shattered army is very low, while the Turkish army, as well as the Armenian Nationalists, are accepted as true, and it is said Moscow views unfavorably the Turkish advance into Armenia.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 40; lowest, 35.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 42; lowest, 35.

MISSING THEATRE MAGNATE WHO DISAPPEARED ONE YEAR AGO TODAY



A rare picture of Mrs. Ambrose Small, Miss Madeline Small, the missing millionaire's step-sister, and Ambrose Small, taken alongside the Pyramids a few years ago while touring Egypt.

NO TRACE YET OF THE DARING BANK ROBBERS

Wrong Number of Automobile Wired All Over Country.

NOT FAULT OF POLICE

As Mistake Was Made by the Owner of Car—Bank at Lambeth Warned.

Although a complete description of the two men who robbed the South London branch of the Merchants Bank in broad daylight on Wednesday, along with a description of the car in which they were thought to have made their escape, has been wired to all parts of the country, no trace of the bandits has been found up to a late hour today. As soon as Roy Dale, 210 Wolfe street, had informed the police that he had lost his car, the police immediately issued a search for the vehicle. Mr. Dale gave them, to seven different places. An hour or so later it was discovered that the number should have been 5214. The correction was immediately filed at the telephone office. For some reason the police claim the correction was not forwarded by the telephone company until nearly two hours later. Two hours after it had been filed Sergeant of Detectives Robert Egglestun rushed to phone Windsor. The police there claimed that they had found the car.

AGED BRANTFORD WOMAN IS VICTIM OF BRUTAL ASSAULT

Outrage Is Culmination of the Crime Wave in Brant City.

Brantford, Dec. 2.—A feroocious assault was perpetrated in the early hours this morning at 25 Winnett street, Annie McAvoy, an aged lady, being the victim. Her condition being reported as critical.

A short, stocky, middle-aged man broke into her home, while she and the aged lady, inflicted injuries to her head, and committed the dastardly outrage. Sergeant Borthwick rushed to the scene, and medical attendance was at once summoned, the victim being taken to the hospital this morning.

The police this morning are searching the district for suspicious characters and have a clue to the crime wave in Brant City, reported by the department, the outrage in West Brantford being the worst yet reported.

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CANNOT UNDERSTAND ACTION OF NO. TWO COUNCIL COMMITTEE

In Refusing to Sanction Part of Board of Education Bylaw.

REGULAR MIX-UP

Change Was Made at Request of City Clerk and Is Now Turned Down, Says R. M. McElheran.

"Surely the finance committee, nor the city council, intend to repudiate the action they took early in the year, when they granted the request of the board of education for \$153,750 for the college and \$378,000 for public schools," said Secretary R. M. McElheran today. For the committee to refuse to sanction the board of education asked of the finance committee Wednesday was their formal sanction to a bylaw which would provide for the consolidation of the two amounts granted in March, instead of having them covered by two separate bylaws. This action was taken by the board at the request of City Clerk Baker, on the recommendation of the city solicitor and city treasurer. To either part of the proposed bylaw is to repudiate action already taken, and to undo the consolidation of the two sums of money in one bylaw, as asked by the board. It is as the newspapers say, they now consider the amount set aside for the college and the amount for the schools as two separate amounts, and the consolidation has been properly estimated. The refusal of the committee to sanction the bylaw delays the whole matter, while a separate bylaw for the public school expenditure is prepared.

The original resolution was sent to the committee by the board on March 1, approved and passed by the city council. Later it was found that the Ealing school was insufficient, and the board asked for a revised bylaw. The amount allotted to the Knollwood school, the revised bylaw was passed by the council in September. The schools have already expended, and the bylaws for the high school and public schools have been consolidated.

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SINGS HYMNS BEFORE GOING TO GALLOWS

George Jones Explodes His Crime At Brantford This Morning.

MURDERED WOMAN

Colored Man Who Paid Penalty Was a Model Prisoner.

Brantford, Dec. 2.—While attendant ministers recited the Lord's prayer and just as the words "forgive us our trespasses" came, George Jones, colored, at 7:30 this morning paid the extreme penalty for the murder here of Mrs. Elizabeth Giles over a year ago. Hangman Ellis was in charge, and only officials and the press were witnesses at the execution in the Brant County Jail. Jones had slept well overnight and ate a hearty breakfast, afterwards taking a hearty part in the singing of old hymns, including "I am going home." He was then escorted to the death corridor, where Hangman Ellis fixed the noose, and the clergy commenced the service. The execution went off without a hitch and within a few minutes the black flag was hoisted over the gallows. Under Coroner Dr. Fissette, a jury brought in a verdict that he came to his death under sentence of the law. The remains will be interred this afternoon. Jones has been in jail for over a year and was a model prisoner. The only complaint filed against the quality of the prison fare was that the food was not as good as it should be before the execution.

VATICAN EXPRESSES UTMOST APPROVAL OF LOGUE'S LETTER

Believes Pastoral May Lead Way to Peace in Ireland.

Rome, Dec. 2.—Comment on the recent pastoral letter issued by Cardinal Logue, primate of Ireland, to churches are printed by the Osservatore Romano organ of the Vatican, and it is understood they reflect the views entertained by the Holy See relative to the Irish question. The newspaper reports the cardinal's letter an act of incomparable moral grandeur, and expresses the hope that it will yield its maximum fruit in the measure of tolerance. It may result in the possible establishment of new bonds of alliance between Great Britain and Ireland, says the newspaper.

"Repressions and reprisals," the article continues, "by their mournful consequences, have created a regime of terror harmful to both sides, because they often mean the shedding of innocent blood before inquiries can be made as to the necessity for violence."

WANTED IN DETROIT.—William Logue, primate of Ireland, in that place charged of jail-breaking and grand larceny, the police say, was arrested in South London by the local detective department on Wednesday afternoon. He was taken back today by two Detroit officers who arrived to get him.

CUSTOMS OFFICER DIES.
Woodstock, Dec. 2.—J. D. Hoggart, customs officer at Norwich, died this morning. He was a prominent man throughout the province, and was well known to many of the officers of the customs at Norwich from Brantford, where he taught school. For a time he conducted a grocery store in Norwich.

ONTARIO AND MICHIGAN POLICE FORCES INCREASED ALONG BORDER IN EFFORT TO GET RUM-RUNNERS

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Methods are to be adopted which, it is believed will greatly curtail the rum trade across the border, Commissioner Inches said. The officers did not expect to stop the traffic entirely, he added, but hoped to make it so hazardous that rum-runners would ultimately give up the attempt.

The methods to be employed were not disclosed. It has been reported that officers of one country would be empowered to pursue rum smugglers into territory of the other. Many of the rum smugglers, it is said, have escaped when officers were forced to give up the chase in the middle of the Detroit River.

MANY SMALL CONGREGATIONS IN PRESBYTERIAN AND METHODIST CHURCHES FAVOR CO-OPERATION

Only Two Actually Turn Scheme Down—Fingal Church Refused To Give Committee a Hearing.

Out of a total of 31 congregations visited in the London Presbyteries and Methodist Conference, with a view to adopting the co-operation scheme, only two turned the scheme down. These were the Presbyterian and Methodist churches in North Canada and Mount Brydges. Fingal Presbyterian Church refused to give a Rev. J. D. Fynewick, the co-operation scheme, a hearing, a hearing, and a few others, though approving of the scheme, did not turn out to meet the visiting committee in large enough numbers to take a vote on the question, so these have been deferred until a later date, when a more representative meeting can be held.

On the whole, the committee placed a heavy emphasis on the fact that the majority of congregations visited accepted the scheme, and many of the congregations pronounced themselves willing to make any sacrifice that would make the small churches in the community stronger. The congregations were given a clear view of what it meant by having the small Methodist and Presbyterian churches united, and stress was laid upon the fact that the co-operation scheme is a Methodist or vice-versa.

The scheme will not be put into effect until next June, when a number of the Methodist congregations change pastors.

CONSERVATIVES ARE HAVING HARD TIME SELECTING LEADER

Convention Moves From the Masonic Temple to Massey Hall.

FERGUSON FAVORED

Heavy Vote Likely To Be Cast For Him.

Toronto, Dec. 2.—Brig.-Gen. Ross of Kingston, Hon. G. S. Henry of Toronto, and Hon. G. Howard Ferguson of Kemptville, Ont., these are the three names which will go before the provincial Liberal-Conservative convention here this afternoon to select a leader. Twenty-two others were nominated this morning, but withdrawn.

Toronto, Dec. 2.—When the provincial Liberal-Conservative party resumed here today it was pretty well assured that the race for the leadership had "narrowed down" to a contest between Brig.-Gen. Ross, Hon. George S. Henry, and Dr. Forbush Godfrey, with various dark horses in the running. It is definitely out of the running.

There was a clash this morning between the convention and the press. The convention was held in the Masonic Temple, and the press was not allowed to enter. The convention was held in the Masonic Temple, and the press was not allowed to enter.

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It was last night decided that owing to the unexpected number of delegates attending the convention a larger assembly hall than the Masonic Temple was required. Consequently Massey Hall will today house the delegates, over 500 of whom had registered last night.

As showing the uncertainty and difficulty of choosing a new leader, a very prominent Conservative last night said that, while he was closely in touch with the situation, he could not pretend to be able to name today's winner. "I never attended a convention at which opinions and votes were so diversified. In my opinion it will be a fight to a finish. I am positive, however, that there will be a strong sympathy vote for Hon. Howard Ferguson by those who feel he is being persecuted."

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