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UNIONIST CANDIDATE

John F. Reid, of Orendia, Sask., a director of the United Grain-Growers Limited and formerly director and ember of the executive of the Sas katchewan Grain Growers' Association, has been nominated as Unionist candi-date for the constituency of MacKen-zie in the forthcoming federal election. Mr. Reid is a successful grain grower and stock raiser and is one of the best and most favorably known farmers in Northern Saskatchewan.

The British Commons has adopted a bill extending the life of the parliament for another eight months, carry-

ing it to July 30. This is the fourth time the life of the parliament has been prolonged.

PACKERS MADE 80 PER CENT

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The report of the commission appointed to investigate the charges of excessive profits in the O'Connor report has been published. It states that the profits made during the war period yielded an extraordinary return upon the capital invested. In the year 1916 the trading profits of the Dawies Company were equal to 80 per cent. on its investment. War taxes, however, are repayable out of these profits. Profits were due partly to the expansion in the volume of the business done, as well as to an increase in the percentage of profits earned upon sales. Export sales yielded a high percentage of profit. Por a cona high percentage of profit. For a con-siderable time the Davies Company secured the advantage of a fixed minimum selling price, a concession granted Out of other packer. dollar paid by the public in the pur-chase of hog products in the Davies Company's retail stores 19 to 21 cents represents the cost of operating such stores and the expense of delivery to the customer. During the war period the main object of the Davies and Matthews-Blackwell Companies appears

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to have been to do as large an amount of business as possible, and to obtain the profit upon it. There was no evidence, however, that the companies got together with a view to keeping down the price of live hogs in Canada. For the four years ending March 31, 1917, the percentages of profits obtained by the Davies Company on turnover were as follows: 1913-14, 14 per cent; 1914-15, 2.87 per cent; 1915-16, 5.32 per cent; 1916-17, 3.99 per cent. The percentage of total profits during the four years on these products sold to the Canadian public was 12.7 per cent, on specialties and cooked meat, 13.2 per cent, on produce purchased in the United States and sold outside of Canada 1.6 per cent, and on English exports 72.5 per cent, and on English exports 72.5 per

THREE IMPORTANT NOMINATIONS

At a convention attended by about 350 delegates, held on November 15, at Shoal Lake, Manitoba, Hon. T. A. Crerar, federal minister of agriculture, was unanimously chosen as the Unionist-candidate. R. H. Dennison, who was nominated for the constituency on the Parmets' Platform last June, told the meeting why he was withdrawn from the field to leave it clear for Mr. Crerar. the field to leave it clear for Mr. Crerar. Since the previous nomination things had taken a change and a Union government had been formed to bring the war to a successful issue. Everybody hoped that the Union government would be supported. Mr. Dennison alluded to the newsreper report as to Mr. Crerar's be supported. Mr. Dennison alluded to the newspaper report as to Mr. Crerar's eandidature in Marquette. Mr. Crerar has got in touch with him. He, Mr. Dennison, and his friends, had eventu-ally decided that there was nothing to do but to leave the field clear, so that the Union government could carry on its work. He had taken the ground that he would not oppose Mr. Crerar, at least until after the war and with-drew his name as an assirant for the drew his name as an aspirant for the present candidature.

Whidden Runs in Brandon

At a representative convention held in Brandon on November 16, Dr. Whid-den, president of the Brandon College, was nominated as Unionist candidate. Roderick McKenzie's name was also before the convention. He secured 72 votes as against Dr. Whidden's 115 votes in the first count. After the results were declared, Mr. McKenzie, in suits were declared, Mr. McKenzie, in a few well-chosen words, expressed himself as glad to submit to the de-cision of the convention, and that he was more pleased because of the high character of the convention's choice. He paid a high tribute to Dr. Whidden's ability

Meighan Nominated

Hen. Arthur Meighan, minister of the interior in the new Union govern-ment, was accorded the unanimous nomination of the supporters of the Union government in his constituency of Portage In Prairie for the coming election on November 15.

The total vote east in the last Saskatchewan provincial election was 188,-424 of which the Liberals polled 105,-800, Conservatives 69,854 and Independents 12,671. Twenty-six candidates in all lost their deposits, 17 being Con-servatives, one Labor, two Non-Partis-ans and six Independents.

It has ever been true that in matters of great social and political import our legal decisions and theories have conformed themselves to the current political and social thought, and not our social and political thought to our legal theories.—Bruce.

Humor

She: "The man I marry must be bold, but not audacious; handsome as Apollo, yet industrious as Vulcan; wise as Solomon, but meek as Moses—a man all women would court, yet devoted to only the one woman." He: "How lucky we met."

Mr. Brown: "I had a queer dream last night, my dear. I thought I saw another man running off with you."

Mrs. Brown: "And what did you say to him?"

Mr. Brown: "I asked him what he was running for."

"Yes," said the cynical old sea cap-tain, "when I was shipwrecked in South America I came across a tribe of wild women. Absolutely wild. They had no tongues."
"Good gracious!" exclaimed the lis-tener; "how could they talk?"
"They couldn't," was the reply.
"That was what made them wild."

"You're double-faced " shouted the interrupter at the political meeting; "you're double-faced, that's what you are!"

"It's quite evident," remarked the candidate, "that my friend is not double-faced, or he would not have come out tonight with the face he has on him."

A Scottish doctor who was attending a laird had instructed the butler of the house in the art of taking and recording his master's temperature with a thermometer. On paying his usual morning call he was met by the butler, to whom he said: "Well, John, I hope the laird's temperature is not any higher today."

The man looked puzzled for a minute, and then replied: "Weel, I was just wonderin' that mysel'. Ye see, he deed at twal' o'clock."

Old Farmer (to soldier son just returned from the front): "Well, Dick, what be these tanks like that there's so much talk about?"
Son: "Why, they're just wobbling thingamabobs, full o' what-you-may-call-'ems, and they blaze away like billyo!"
Old Farmer: "Ave I heard they was

Old Farmer: "Aye I heard they was wonderful things, but I never could get any details afore."

"You've made a mistake in your paper," said an indignant man, entering the editorial sanctum of a daily paper. "I was one of the competitors at that athletic match yesterday, and you have called me 'the well-known light-weight champion."
"Well aren't you?" inquiged the editor.

"No, I'm nothing of the kind, and it's confoundedly awkward, because I'm a coal merchant."

Senator Simmons was discussing the proposed war-tax on automobile-owners. 'Making war-taxes,' he said, 'isn't pleasant work. It puts one in the position of the facetious minister at Ocean Grove who took a little girl on his knee

and said:
"'I don't love you, Nellie."
"'All the ladies on the breeze swept veranda laughed, but little Nellie frowned and said:

" 'You've got to love me. You've got to.' "Got to? How so?' laughed the di-

vine.
""Because," said Nellie stoutly,
'you've got to love them that hate you
and I hate you, goodness knows.""

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