

ELEVENTH-HOUR ELECTION DECISIONS BEING MADE

By Prospective Candidates As To Whether They Will Accept Nomination.

Much Interest Aroused By the O.T.A. Debate to Take Place At Fergus Between Raney And Ferguson.

Toronto, June 13. — Lukewarm prospective candidates for the Ontario general elections are today making their eleventh hour decisions as to whether or not to let their names stand at the official nominations tomorrow for the legislature.

A closing up in Liberal ranks in Toronto was indicated last night when Col. H. S. Cooper was given the official nomination for northwest Toronto.

According to the Globe's correspondent with Hon. E. C. Drury, the premier is setting the pace for all other leaders in the vigor of his speaking tours.

Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the provincial hydro electric commission, and Conservative candidate in London, attacked the newspapers which, he said, were opposed to hydro and public ownership.

Much interest has been aroused by announcement that Hon. Howard Ferguson, Conservative leader, and Hon. W. E. Raney will meet on the same platform at Fergus on June 21st to debate the government's enforcement of the Ontario Temperance Act.

"NO BILL" IS RETURNED

In Charges Against Dr. A. W. Richardson And Mrs. Louise Dunnatt.

The grand jury at the June Sessions of the Peace on Wednesday morning, returned a verdict of "no bill" in the case of Dr. A. W. Richardson, who was charged with having performed an illegal operation and as a result the charge against Dr. Richardson was dismissed by the court.

The grand jury also brought in a verdict of "no bill" in the case of Mrs. Louise Dunnatt, charged with having used an instrument, with the intent of causing a miscarriage.

THE COST OF LIVING

What were you paying Madam for RENT OF 6 ROOMED HOUSE? Ottawa says these were the average prices early in April:

Table with 2 columns: Per Month \$20., \$40. and various city names like Halifax, Charlottetown, St. John, etc.

How do prices in your locality compare with other cities? Are you paying more or less than average? These prices are for average good quality "delivered" goods.

Tomorrow: Laundry Struck.

FEAR BULGARIAN COUNTER REVOLUTION

London, June 13.—Great anxiety is entertained in Allied quarters over the course of events in Bulgaria. Fear is expressed that the peasantry will rally to the call of their deposed leaders and attempt a counter revolution.

Five In a Family Pass Century Mark

Souris, P.E.I., June 13.—The death at the age of 109 years, reveals a remarkable record for longevity among members of his family. His mother, Mrs. Angus Macdonald, died in Souris in 1885 aged 104; his sister, Mrs. Hugh Macdonald, in Souris, in 1916, aged 104; his sister, Mrs. MacKedick, in Beverly, Mass., in 1918, aged 102; his brother, Stephen A. Macdonald, in Souris, in 1921, aged 87; his sister, Mrs. Deagle, in Souris, in 1922, aged 103. The total ages of the six 4 600 years, or an average of 100 years each.

Methodists and O. T. A.

Toronto, June 13.—Toronto Methodist conference yesterday afternoon, without one word of discussion and without a dissenting voice, reaffirmed its confidence in the righteousness and efficiency of the O.T.A. and expressed deep appreciation "in the splendid leadership given to this great cause in Ontario by such men as Hon. Mr. Rowell, Sir William Hearst, Hon. E. C. Drury and Hon. W. E. Raney."

Gives \$200,000 To University.

Clayton, N.Y., June 13.—Announcement was made of the gift of \$200,000 to the St. Lawrence University from the A. Barton Hepburn estate. This brings the total in the million dollar drive to \$950,000, just \$50,000 under the objective. With the drive continued until fall it seems assured that another half million dollars will be obtained.

Discussion Ended

London, June 13.—The British reply to the latest Russian note states that "The Soviet government, having complied with the essential conditions of the demands put forward by his majesty's government, this correspondence may now be brought to a conclusion."

Paid Death Penalty

Kenora, June 13.—Mely Wykysch, sentenced to death for the murder of Wasyly Podbiokny on Tunnel Island near here in 1917, was hanged at the local jail this morning. Wykysch walked firmly and composedly to the scaffold.

UNIVERSITIES' CONFERENCE

Opens in Convocation Hall Thursday Morning—Delegates Who Will Attend.

On Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock the Canadian Universities' conference at Queen's begins. After registration in the senate room of the theological hall, the delegates will proceed to Convocation Hall where all sessions will be held.

Farmer Killed in Head-All Clothing Torn From Body.

Pictou, June 13.—Thomas Strain, a farmer living on the Millford road, seven miles from here was killed by a horse Monday morning. Strain was hitching up the horse, preparing for work, when it kicked him on the head, and then ran away, dragging his body after it.

DRAGGED TO DEATH BY RUNAWAY HORSE

Representative citizens declare time is ripe for Toronto to demand action from the government over the wretched waterfront situation obtaining through inaction of the railways.

NORTH NEEDS A RAINFALL

In Order to Extinguish Number of Bush Fires.

SITUATION IS DANGEROUS

In the Porcupine District—The Wind At Present Is Favorable.

Timmins, June 13.—The bush fire situation in the Porcupine district is liable to become very serious if rain does not soon come.

LATEST RUSSIAN NOTE CONCEDES MAIN POINTS

But the Reds Still Refuse to Recall The Eastern Envoys.

London, June 13.—The latest Russian note in the five-and-a-half day exchange between London and Moscow is in the form of a conciliatory reply which the Russians here consider precludes all possibility of a break in the trade relations between the two countries.

WEST NOW PLAGUED WITH CATERPILLARS

Regina, June 13.—A plague of caterpillars is reported from the McLean and Qu'Appelle districts. Millions of the insects are eating the leaves of the trees and crawling into the houses, according to reports reaching the Provincial Agriculture Department.

Trenton Rotarians to Run Newspaper for One Week

Trenton, June 13.—At the last luncheon Trenton Rotary Club heartily accepted a proposal that the club undertake the publication of a special Rotary edition of the Courier-Advocate next week, during the absence of the publisher, A. R. Allourey, at the annual meeting of the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association at Halifax.

2,500,000 MEMBERS IN THREE CHURCHES

Should the Presbyterians, Congregationalists and Methodists unite as the vote taken at Port Arthur seems to indicate, the total membership of the new church would be in the neighborhood of two and a half millions.

MEIGHEN FAVORS WELAND

Mr. Meighen defended the Weland canal project, and contended that it would be justified if it saved only 1.1-2 cents per bushel. He felt western opposition to it was mistaken, and while he believed in the completion of the Hudson's Bay road, he felt that the new Weland canal would do more good.

News off the Wires In Condensed Form

The British Commons firmly supports empire preference.

Farmers in Halton county commence cutting alfalfa.

The trial of Rev. Father Delorme is set for June 20th at Montreal.

Princess Maud and Lord Carnegie will marry towards the end of July.

Over a hundred thousand automobiles were purchased in Canada last year.

At New York on Tuesday Babe Ruth hit his thirteenth home run of the season.

Frank Taback, Lowellville, N.Y., was likely fatally injured by a falling tree. His skull was fractured.

The Cannonball Michigan Central flyer sidwiped a freight train at Grayling, Mich., three were dead and three injured.

Blacket Robinson, Ottawa, prominent as an editor and publisher for more than fifty years, died on Monday in his eighty-sixth year.

T. B. Baird and W. H. Boill, officials of the York, Pa. city bank, were sent to prison for twenty years each for embezzling over \$1,000,000.

Northern areas in prairie provinces have advantages of being well supplied with trees and waters according to letter from W. L. Smith.

At a well attended meeting in Chatham a Board of Trade was formed with a membership of 340. George Wands was elected president.

The late Capt. W. J. Daly, Ogdensburg, N.Y., left his entire estate, valued at about \$25,000 and \$40,000, to his only daughter, Miss Irene Daly.

Accidentally struck by a baseball bat at a ball game at Riverview, Herman Dukernie, of Windsor, is in the hospital with a fractured skull.

Vandals in Toronto destroyed forty thousand dollars' worth of coats, suits, furs and society ladies' wear. It was said acid and knives were used.

Railway shompen of the Canadian lines notify the Railway association that they desire to open negotiations regarding wages and working conditions.

Canadian Pacific Railway earnings for the week ended June 7th were \$3,189,000, as compared with \$3,061,000 a year ago, an increase of \$128,000.

The tax rate of Kent county has been struck by the council at one and a quarter mills on the dollar, a reduction of a quarter of a mill from last year.

The street railway company of London has granted its employees wage increases from two to five cents an hour, restoring the former maximum scale.

Mrs. Herbert Taylor, head of the establishment of Louis & Company, New York, leaped to death from the steamship Adriatic off Nantucket Island Saturday night.

Braaford merchants have installed 100 large signs within a radius of twenty-five miles of the city on the township roads, bearing the inscription "Buy in Braaford."

At Miami, Fla., the 40,000-pound sea monster caught by Claude Nolan off Long Key after an all-day struggle was now classified as being of the species ryonodon tpyous.

At Paris, Sarah Bernhardt's stage jewels went under the hammer at public auction and they will remain in France. Sentimental considerations made the sale a complete success.

While Roy Lockenbour and Joseph Meyer, of Kitchener, were hunting squirrels, the latter was shot in the arm by the former. Lockenbour will be charged with criminal negligence.

IT WILL BE 1927 BEFORE NEW WELAND IS READY

House of Commons Discusses Canal And the Canadian Grain Traffic.

Elevator System Is Improved And There Should Not Be the Grain Glut That Occurred Last Year.

Ottawa, June 13.—There was a slight diversion yesterday afternoon in the House of Commons in the shape of a fair but partisan Tory postmistress. But the rest of the day was spent over two large items of the estimates, the votes for the new Welland Canal and for the national mercantile marine.

There were very few formal preliminaries; Capt. Shaw was the only inquisitive person on the orders of the day, and the premier had to refer him to the minister of the Interior for information about the designs of the Calgary power company upon the water rights in the National Park at Banff.

Then the house was moved into supply for the special purpose of allowing Mr. Baxter to raise the question of the fate of Miss Adrienne Roulay, lately postmistress at Sayer, in the county of Matane, charged with political partisanship.

The house then proceeded to consider a vote of \$11,800,000 for construction work on the new Welland canal this year, and Mr. Church suggested an expedition in the work.

Mr. Meighen explained that although \$11 million dollars out of an estimated cost of eighty million had been expended, no single section of the canal had been completed and that it would not be finished till 1927.

W. M. German said the value of the canal would be limited unless it was extended to reach tide water, and suggested that the time had now come for Canada to make a move about the St. Lawrence waterway scheme and to request discussions about it with the United States Government.

John Millar, Qu'Appelle, thought the completion of the canal would permit large lake freighters to go down to the eastern end of Lake Ontario, but a lack of depth in the harbors on the upper lakes would probably prevent their loading to the full twenty-five feet depth.

The reason for the cheaper freight rates, \$5 per cent of our grain being shipped via American ports lay in the fact that rates from New York to Liverpool were 2.55 cents per bushel less last year than from Quebec although the St. Lawrence route was shorter. He would prefer to see the latter used more extensively as there was undoubtedly some adulteration of Canadian grain in New York, but one of the obstacles was the congestion at Montreal which had been very serious last fall. The department of trade and commerce must bear some blame for this, along with the Montreal harbor commission because they had failed to divert grain to Quebec and had dammed back the outflow from the west, with the result that rates had risen and the farmers incurred a serious loss.

Such a catastrophe must be averted at all costs this year, and the government's duty was to prevent such abuses. He was not satisfied that there was any desperate demand in the west for the completion of the Welland canal, and noted with disapproval that the final cost had been estimated at three-fold the original estimate. He was dubious of the value of the St. Lawrence waterway scheme which should not be lightly undertaken and thought that it might even be better to postpone further work on the Welland canal, and use the money for more useful purposes. His last advice was to the effect that if there was a bumper crop in the west, the elevator capacity at Montreal should be increased by floating elevators, and the Quebec elevators should be utilized extensively.

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The vote, however, was passed and the item of \$1,500,000 to make up the deficit on the Canadian National marine was taken up.

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Elevator System Improved

Mr. Robb admitted the congestion last year but thought it was not responsible for the increasing freight rates on the upper lakes. In the past the elevator system at Quebec had worked very badly, but it had now been improved and arrangements had been made at Quebec and Montreal to avert any possibility of congestion. He also pointed out that the facilities at Vancouver had been greatly increased, and next season that port would be able to handle twice as much grain as ever before.

Mr. Manion Put in a Plea for the St. Lawrence Waterway Scheme

Mr. Manion put in a plea for the St. Lawrence waterway scheme and cited the authority of Julius Barnes for the claim that it would save from five to ten cents per bushel on western wheat.

Mr. Graham Defending the Increased Cost of the Canals

Mr. Graham defending the increased cost of the canals said it was due to the general advance in wages and prices of materials. When the canal was completed to give a 25-foot channel through to Kingston or

Brookville, the Erie canal would be unable to compete with it for business. The object of the new canal was to bring western traffic as far east as possible without transshipment, and even the saving of a cent per bushel on grain would mean a very big sum for the farmers.

St. Lawrence Scheme. Mr. Graham after dinner discussed the St. Lawrence waterway scheme and outlined the negotiations which had already taken place. He pointed out that provincial governments had an interest in the scheme and there was some disagreement between them and Ottawa about their respective rights. The scheme would undoubtedly ensure the development of important electric power and the completion of the Welland canal might form the beginning of the large enterprise and be a large part of Canada's contribution to the cost.

Mr. Church, however, was convinced that our canals had never been given a fair chance, and approved Mr. Millar for giving inaccurate figures and expressing doubts about the value of the Welland enterprise which is one of the foremost economic necessities of the day. He supported the demand for extra elevators.

A. J. Lewis, Progressive, Swift Current, thought the objections to the Welland canal work should have been made years ago and could discern no possible advantage either from it or from the St. Lawrence waterway scheme. In the way of cheaper freight rates, the co-operation of the United States was not in any way assured, and till we had lessened our debt burdens we could not afford any more extravagant projects. Mr. Graham again reiterated his belief that the new canal would help to lower freight rates.

Andrew Knox thought expenditure on the Hudson's Bay route would be more advantageous to the western farmer, but Mr. Hocken was strong for the Welland canal and foretold a reduction of seven to twelve cents per bushel on grain rates.

J. F. White, Conservative, London, and J. L. Brown, Progressive, were both well disposed to the St. Lawrence scheme, and the former was informed by Mr. Graham that there has been no discussion between himself and Sir Adam Beck about a plan whereby Ontario should take over the whole scheme as a provincial enterprise.

W. M. German was a much stronger advocate of the scheme and after outlining its various merits, urged an immediate conference with the Americans.

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