



Raney Says Right to Import Liquor Follows Government Control

Beer By Glass Plan Now to Be Dropped By the Government

Premier Ferguson Declares That He Will Require That All Liquor Be Sold Through Government Stores—Charges Misrepresentation Over Proposals.

Toronto, Nov. 2.—Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Premier of Ontario, announced this afternoon that he had definitely abandoned the plan to sell beer by the glass or bottle in hotels should his policy of government control of liquor with local option be approved by the electors at the provincial election on December 1st. Mr. Ferguson stated that beer will be handled in the same manner as other liquors and will be purchasable only at government stores.

Orillia, Nov. 2.—There is a possibility of Hon. G. Howard Ferguson entirely abandoning the proposal for beer parlors, so far as his government control policy is concerned. That was part of a statement made at this point last night in the course of an interview.

Hon. Mr. Ferguson stated: "I have said, and the Government is determined that we are not going to allow the big issue between the O. T. A. and advanced temperance legislation to be clouded by unscrupulous misrepresentation about the suggestion of the sale of beer. I have said that it was a mere incident to the powers to be given to the commission, in hope that it might serve a good purpose, but if it is going to be magnified by those interested in the defeat of the Government of the province into a position of importance—that is not warranted, the Government will not hesitate to entirely abandon any suggestion that municipalities be allowed to vote or that beer be sold by

the glass through private agencies at all.

"If necessary to present clearly to the people the principles of government control and to see that it has due consideration, I will require that all liquor, beer as well as spirits, be sold through government stores, but will arrange to protect the poor man's rights by seeing that he is able to secure a bottle of beer at actual cost through government agencies.

"This question is infinitely bigger than the sale of beer. It is a matter of protecting the youth of the province, and I am more interested in the boys and girls of Ontario than in any method by which beer will be sold."

Bootlegging Cursed Canker.
Orillia, Nov. 2.—Addressing Conservative meetings at Elmvale yesterday afternoon and here last night, Premier Howard Ferguson of Ontario told the electors of Centre and East Simcos that the bootlegging under the Ontario Temperance Act had become "the most cursed canker that ever fastened itself on the life of any community."

The premier also took occasion to deny stories that Hon. W. F. Nickle, former Attorney-General, had been lax in the enforcement of the act and the Government unsympathetic.

"No attorney-general," he said, "put more zeal into the enforcement of the act than did Mr. Nickle, and no Government ever gave an Attorney-General more unswerving loyalty than I gave Mr. Nickle."

BOOTLEGGING CAUGHT THROUGH DAUGHTER

Who Leads Constables to Cabin in Woods Where Liquor Hidden.

Renfrew, Nov. 2.—The police state they believe they have in their custody a moonshiner who has been doing business in an extensive way, with the arrest over the week-end of Herman Below, who lived 14 miles west of Eganville on the Corns road. Provincial Inspector Haycock, in an interview, told of the arrest of Below after a log camp had been found in the centre of a wilderness in which was 25 gallons of mash and three gallons of liquor.

The constables were led to the cabin by Below's daughter, "Through a wilderness the like of which I had never experienced," the inspector said. There was no one in sight at the shanty, and when the officers returned to the Below home, they warned the family that it would be best for Herman to give himself up, which he eventually did and was placed under arrest.

"POLLY" NO LONGER WILL REPLY "SCOTCH"

Famous Parrot Talker, Known to Thousands, is Dead in London.

London, Nov. 1.—"Polly" the famous talking parrot of the equally famous Cheshire Cheese Tavern in Fleet street, London, no longer will reply "Scotch" to that oft-repeated question of visitors: "What will you have?"

After three months' illness Polly is dead, having served for 40 years as the source of amusement to thousands of guests at the tavern. All visitors were introduced to Polly as well as most of the world's ambassadors, all of England's Prime Ministers and thousands of noted people of all nations.

Now Polly will be stuffed and kept in the Cheshire Cheese dining room.

THREE JUDGES FOR CUSTOMS INQUIRY

Hon. N. W. Rowell Will Act With R. L. Calder, K.C., as Counsel.

Ottawa, Nov. 2.—Announcement of the itinerary of the Royal Commission which will continue investigation of the Department of Customs and Excise will probably be made this week. Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C., counsel for the commission, is now engaged in preparatory work here. It is understood that the western hearings will precede those in Ontario.

Three commissioners, instead of one, will conduct the probe in future. With Sir Francois Lemieux, chairman, will be Chief Justice J. T. Brown, of Saskatchewan, and Judge William H. Wright, of Ontario. Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C., replaces W. F. O'Connor, K.C., and will act with R. L. Calder, K.C., as commission counsel. For some time files of Customs Department have been under investigation with a view to ferretting out cases which should be investigated by the commission.

H. W. Ackerman, Belleville, has accepted the nomination of the West Hastings Prohibition party.

The World's Oldest Man Dies at 125

Belfast, Ireland, Nov. 2.—William Smith, born on January 8th, 1801, and reputed to be the oldest man in the world, died to-day in the mill town of Dromore, County Down.

FIFTY CENTS FOR HAIRCUT.

Ontario Barbers' Federation Also Wants Twenty-five for Shave.
Toronto, Nov. 2.—A resolution that fifty cents for a haircut and twenty-five cents for a shave be charged by all members of the journeymen barbers' unions and Master Barbers' Association throughout Ontario was passed at the convention of the Barbers' Federation of Ontario here yesterday.

It was also resolved that the time of apprenticeship be cut from two years to one, and "improvers" from one year to six months, so that such apprentices would be more able to compete with graduates of barbers' colleges who are graduated after a six weeks' course.

The federation reaffirmed its request to the provincial Government to license all barbers.

Snowed in Ottawa.

Ottawa, Nov. 2.—This city is experiencing the first real snowstorm of the season to-day. There have been small flurries earlier this fall, but this is the first occasion when the landscape has been whitened. Rain which started about midnight, turned to snow soon afterwards, and continued this morning.

IMPORTING OF LIQUOR WILL BE POSSIBLE Under Ontario Government Control, Says Hon. W. E. Raney.

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BETTING REACHES PEAK. Odds on Smith Forced Down—Closing Was Three to One.

New York, Nov. 2.—Betting on the election reached a peak in Wall Street yesterday after the close of the stock market when supporters of Representative Mills, carrying large amounts of cash, forced the odds on Governor Smith from 5 to 1 to as low as 3 to 1. Closing odds were 3 to 1 that Smith would win in to-day's balloting.

FOUR BY-LAWS TO GO BEFORE THE ELECTORS

At the Municipal Elections on the 6th December.

FACTORY ASSESSMENTS Of \$1,000 Each for Monarch Battery Company and McKelvey and Birch Ltd.

WHAT CITY COUNCIL DID.—Decided to have the electors vote on the following four by-laws at the coming municipal elections:

(1) To raise the sum of \$25,000 by the issue of debentures, to make certain alterations, improvements and repairs to the grounds and premises of the corporation, of the City of Kingston, known as the Fair Grounds.

(2) To raise the sum of \$25,000 by the sale of debentures to pay for repairs to the City Hall.

(3) To grant a fixed assessment of \$1,000 to the Monarch Battery Co. Ltd.

(4) To grant a fixed assessment of \$1,000 to the McKelvey-Birch Co. Ltd. for their new factory.

Made a grant of \$150 to the Travellers' Aid Society. Received additional applications for the position of milk inspector and referred the same to the Finance Committee.

Monday night was "by-law night," with the City Council, as no less than four by-laws were given their final reading and sent on for the vote of the electors at the coming municipal election. All the business on the agenda was completed, inside of an hour. During the session, Ald. Driscoll, chairman of the Health Committee, replied to an attack Ald. Anderson made on the system of garbage collection, in the local newspapers a few weeks ago. Ald. Anderson stated that in due time he would have further to say about the matter.

Presenting By-laws.

Ald. Boyd, chairman of the Industries Committee, presented the proposed by-law for the granting of a fixed assessment of \$1,000 to the Monarch Battery Company Ltd., and in doing so, made a strong appeal for the members of Council to do all in their power to have it passed.

Ald. Boyd also presented the following statement regarding the company to the council regarding gross sales, wages and freight rates for the years 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925 and ten months of 1926:

1922—Gross sales, \$8,000; wages, \$4,200; freight on raw material, \$100; freight on batteries, \$180.

1923—Gross sales, \$32,600; wages, \$5,100; freight on raw material, \$300; freight on batteries, \$540.

1924—Gross sales, \$29,250; wages, \$8,500; freight on raw material, \$400; freight on batteries, \$720.

1925—Gross sales, \$91,500; wages, \$15,900; freight on raw material, \$1,360; freight on batteries, \$2,550.

1926—10 months—Gross sales, \$110,400; wages, \$19,200; freight on raw material, \$1,680; freight on batteries, \$3,150.

Eaton Contract.—About 500 batteries in 1924, since that year contract for their eastern requirements.

The Monarch Battery Company commenced business in February, 1922, in the street railway building, moved in 1923 to 292 Ontario street; in 1925 occupied 292 Ontario street and one floor of 275 Ontario street. In December, 1926, moved to new factory, Montreal street. Company was re-organized in March, 1926, as the Monarch Battery Manufacturing Company Limited.

WHI Double Plant.

"I think the company is entitled to some consideration," added Ald. Boyd. "The company has been promised twenty-five per cent. of Henry Ford's business, and also twenty-five per cent. of the General Motors. The company has also promised to double the plant if the fixed assessment is granted. The city has nothing to lose in granting this fixed assessment. The company pays the school and garbage tax."

Ald. Martin pointed out that it had cost the company a good deal to put the battery on the market, and that the company was now at the stage to make money.

Ald. Anderson said he was in favor of granting the fixed assessment and had been from the very start. He thought that if the matter was presented to the citizens

THRESHING IS AGAIN STOPPED BY SNOW

However, Only Ten Per Cent. of Wheat Still Remains in Stock.

Windsor, Nov. 2.—Snow and rain on Friday last and again Sunday caused entire suspension of threshing operations in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and at least two or three days of good weather will be required before stocks are in shape for resumption of work, according to reports reaching C. P. R. headquarters here.

Expect for light snow flurries in scattered districts on Calgary and Edmonton divisions, which caused slight interruption, threshing made good progress in Alberta.

At present in Manitoba 80 to 85 per cent. of wheat and 80 per cent. of coarse grains have been threshed; in Saskatchewan 90 per cent. of wheat and 85 to 90 per cent. of other grains, and in Alberta 90 per cent. of wheat and about the same percentage of coarse grains.

One week of good weather should be sufficient to enable completion of threshing throughout the West, and if this materializes there is no doubt that most of the grain which still remains to be threshed will prove to be in much better shape than seemed possible earlier in the season.

C.P.R. Conductor C. N. Spooner Suffers Loss of Three Toes of His Right Foot

Conductor C. N. Spooner, of the Canadian Pacific Railway, met with a very painful accident while in the freight-yards at Renfrew during the week-end. Mr. Spooner is at present in the Renfrew Hospital, with the first three toes of his right foot severed.

It is stated that no person witnessed the accident, but it is thought that Mr. Spooner, who is conductor on the way-freight running through

Renfrew, while working on the cars, slipped under one of the moving wheels and his toes were caught. He limped to the doctor's office and it was found that the ends of his first three toes on the right foot were taken off, although neither his rubber nor his shoes were cut.

Mr. Spooner has been on the C.P.R. for about forty-five years, working on this branch all that time. He is well-known in Kingston, residing at 147 Division street.

Contributions to Queen's Endowment

Some of the contributions to Queen's University endowment fund reported by the Special Names Committee last night were:

Allen Lumber Company \$1,000
Dr. L. J. Austin 1,000
T. G. Bishop 1,000
Professor M. B. Baker 1,000
R. E. Burns 500
Robert Crawford 1,500
J. M. Campbell 1,000
Dr. W. T. Connell 2,500
I. Cohen 500
Captain John Donnelly 1,500
A. H. Fair 1,000
J. P. Hanley 500
Francis King 500
Charles Livingston 1,000
Dean John Matheson 400
Professor G. J. MacKay 500
Percy S. Mahood 500
Dr. and Mrs. W. E. McNeill 500
S. Roughton 500
Dr. B. Rose 500
Stacy's Limited 500
Principal R. Bruce Taylor 2,000
Professor W. P. Wilgar 200
H. W. Watts 500

All contributions are being acknowledged by the University as well as being announced to the press.

RAILWAY STEEL HAS NOW REACHED ROUYAN

Gold and Copper Field Has Assumed Prominent Place in Quebec Mining.

Montreal, Nov. 2.—Steel has reached Rouyn, completing the stretch of forty-four miles from Taschereau, formerly O'Brien, on the Cochrane-Quebec main line of the Canadian National Railway, and giving a new and speedy means of transportation for passengers and materials destined for this important gold and copper field which has assumed such a prominent place in recent mining developments in the province of Quebec.

No Opposition To Ministers

Members of the King Cabinet Are Elected by Acclamation.

Montreal, Nov. 2.—Five ministers of the Mackenzie King cabinet were elected by acclamation in the province of Quebec to-day. They are: Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance; Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice, Quebec East; Hon. P. J. A. Cadin, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, Richelieu; Hon. Lucien Caenon, Solicitor-General, Dorchester; Hon. Fernand Rinfret, Secretary of State, St. James, Montreal.

Ralston in Yarmouth.

Yarmouth, N.S., Nov. 2.—Hon. J. L. Ralston, Minister of National Defence in the Mackenzie King administration, will be elected by acclamation. He was not opposed when he was nominated here to-day for the constituency of Yarmouth-Sheffield in the bye-election made necessary by appointment of Paul Hatfield who had been elected for the riding, to the Senate, and by the appointment of Col. Ralston to the Cabinet.

Forke in Brandon.

Brandon, Man., Nov. 2.—Hon. Robert Forke, Minister of Immigration, was elected by acclamation in the ministerial bye-election here to-day.

Hon. W. D. Ealer.

Kitchener, Nov. 2.—Hon. W. D. Ealer, Minister of Customs, was elected by acclamation at the nominations here to-day in the riding of North Waterloo.

Hon. J. C. Elliott.

Strathroy, Nov. 2.—Hon. J. C. Elliott, federal Minister of Public Works, was elected by acclamation at nominations for West Middlesex when closed at 2 o'clock.

Hon. P. Veniot.

Bathurst, N.B., Nov. 2.—Hon. P. Veniot, Postmaster-General, was declared elected by acclamation when the period for receiving bye-election nominations closed here at two o'clock this afternoon.

Citizens Have Fox Hunt.

Toronto, Nov. 2.—Residents of the northern section of the city held a fox hunt yesterday. Two foxes, one black and the other red, escaped from a local fur-farm. The black fox was captured after a two-mile chase, but the other is still at large.

QUEEN'S WILL HONOR AIKINS AND SIFTON

As Well as Lord Willingdon at Its Convocation.

TO CONFER DEGREES

On Sir J. A. Aikins and Sir Clifford Sifton on the 12th of November.

It is known that Lord Willingdon, Governor-General of Canada, has consented to accept the degree of Doctor of Laws from Queen's University at the fall convocation on November 12th, and it was announced at the University this morning that Queen's will at the same time confer the same degree on Sir J. A. M. Aikins of Winnipeg and Sir Clifford Sifton of Toronto.

Sir J. A. M. Aikins is a former Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba and a barrister who has held some very important positions in his own province. In 1911 he was elected to represent Brandon in the House of Commons and in 1912, he represented Canada at the International Congress on Moral Education at The Hague. He resigned from the House in 1915 and in 1916 was appointed Lieutenant-Governor. He is the honorary bursar of the University of Manitoba.

Sir Clifford Sifton is another distinguished Manitoban, although he is now living in Ontario. He early took a part in provincial politics having served as Minister of Education and Attorney-General of Manitoba from 1891 till 1896 when he entered the Federal Cabinet as Minister of the Interior. By a peculiar coincidence he also represented Brandon in the House of Commons. He was, on the recommendation of the Canadian Government, appointed by the British Government British Agent to appear before the Alaska Boundary Tribunal.

CONSERVATIVES MAY CHOOSE ALD. KIDD

The Kingston Association Meets To-night to Select a Candidate.

The Kingston Conservatives hold their convention for the selection of a candidate for the Ontario Legislature to-night, and conversation was bustling all day on the street, in regard to the probable candidate.

The names of three prominent men in the ranks were mentioned—Ald. T. A. Kidd, A. B. Cunningham, K.C. and R. N. F. McFarlane. Gossip had it that Ald. Kidd was likely to be the choice.

It is understood that Mayor Thomas Angrove, who several days ago announced that he would not be a candidate for the majority, will still be present at the meeting, and it is no secret that the mayor will throw his hat in the ring, even though he does not get the Conservative nomination. He has declared that he will run as an independent candidate. He has been a follower of the Conservative party, but is very independent in his views.

Mayor Angrove is not seeking a fifth term as chief magistrate, and long before the election date was even hinted at, had signified his intention of being a candidate on a "wet policy." He is strongly opposed to the O.T.A.

SWEEPING SOCIALIST GAINS IN ENGLAND

In Borough Council Elections Especially in Northern and Midland Areas.

London, Nov. 2.—Sweeping Socialist gains were recorded this morning in incomplete returns from the country-wide election to borough councils. With numerous borough returns still missing, the Socialists had a gain of 139 seats, while the Conservatives had dropped 69, Liberals 49 and Independents 21. Socialists achieved majorities in many councils where heretofore they have been in the minority. Their gains were especially strong in the northern and midland areas.

Thirty-two foreigners, Spaniards and Italians were arrested in France to-day, charged with attempting to foment a revolution in Spain.

Murder Case at Walkerton.

Walkerton, Nov. 1.—In the event of the grand jury bringing in a true bill, the trial of Kate Hardman, charged with the murder of Edward B. McCoy, at Sky Lake near here, last only will proceed to-day before Mr. Justice Logie and a jury. Evidence as to the woman's sanity is expected to figure largely in the proceedings.