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POLITICS IN THE WEST.

The proposal to form a permanent Unionist party has not been received with any degree of enthusiasm in the provinces of the great West. The Unionist supporters of the government lately issued a joint address in which they tried to explain their attitude on the budget proposals. They said that when they reached Ottawa at the opening of the session they found that the government had no intention of changing the tariff this year. "It was because of the persistent and strenuous representations of the Western members, who organized a special caucus for the purpose, that the tariff burdens carried by the settlers should be lightened at the earliest possible time that the government finally yielded and conceded the reductions which appear in this year's budget."

The Calgary Albertan, one of the most influential papers of the West in pre-war days, says that Hon. N. W. Rowell does no great service to the Unionist party and no great injury to the Liberal party when he scolds the Liberals for holding a convention. The Albertan asks Mr. Rowell to remember:

- (1) That the war is over.
- (2) That the Union Government has no war policy which the Liberal Party or any section of the Liberal party is either supporting or opposing.
- (3) That Liberal-Unionist members of Parliament were elected to co-operate with Conservative-Unionists during the war, and not to unite with Conservative-Unionists after the war.
- (4) That there are Conservative principles at the foundation of the permanent Unionist party organization which might be tolerated or overlooked because of the emergency of the war, but which cannot be supported now that the war is over.
- (5) That there are Liberal principles very dear to the true Liberal, whether Unionist or not, which can find no place in the permanent Unionist party or Conservative party.

The Albertan declares that whatever may be the relations among members of the Commons, the alliance between Liberal-Unionists and Conservative-Unionists throughout the country is no more. That view appears to be fairly general in the West as well as in the East. The movement for reunion, however, can be retarded seriously by light-in-the-window speeches or suggestions that Liberal-Unionists are returning political prodigals. Reunion, to be worth while, must be "without capitulation."

AUTO ACCIDENTS.

A current advertisement is illustrated with a picture of an automobile accident, with a cop in the foreground taking notes. Here is what he is represented as saying: "Glaring headlights caused the accident—the same old story. Most night accidents are caused by improper lighting—either blinding glare or diffusion which scatters and reduces the light. . . . You'd think every car owner would realize the vital importance of safe, efficient headlights. Driving by night will be safer than by day when glare is eliminated. But see how the cars increase in number every month, and think what havoc a single pair of glaring lights may cause!"

There is a law on the statute book in New Brunswick requiring auto drivers to make use of the "dimmer" when passing another car at night, but it does not appear to be very generally observed, especially about the city. On almost any Saturday night autos dart up and down Queen street like swallows around a barnyard and if they are fitted with dimmers the drivers seldom deem it worth while to make use of them. The only cause for surprise is that accidents are not of more frequent occurrence. The members of the police force should be more alert and report auto drivers who fail to observe the law.

Argonaut: Attorney General Gregory at a dinner recently remarked: "Boreds are always talkative. There is no such thing as a silent bore. One of the ilk

once said to me at a party: 'Jones isn't very polite. He pawned three times while I was talking to him yesterday.' 'But maybe he wasn't yawning,' I protested. 'Perhaps he was trying to say something.'"

Provincial elections have been held this year in Quebec and Prince Edward Island and in each province the Liberals achieved an overwhelming victory. In Quebec they carried 72 seats out of a total of 81, and in P. E. Island 25 out of 30. The Liberals are now in power in every province of Canada with the exception of Ontario.

Hon. H. A. I. Fisher, president of the British Board of Education, has been named as British Ambassador to the United States. Sir Robert Borden's name had been prominently mentioned in connection with the position and his failure to get it probably accounts for Sir Thomas White's resignation from the cabinet.

An Ottawa despatch says that Sir Henry Drayton, chairman of the Board of Railway Commissioners, is slated for the post of Finance Minister soon to be vacated by Sir Thomas White.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

All things come to those who wait on themselves. . . . It is mighty seldom that a man falls from grace without fracturing some of his morals. . . . In our ambition to rise some of us get to the top, while others merely go up in the air. . . . People who live in glass houses shouldn't try to kill two birds with one stone. . . . From a woman's point of view, an ideal husband is one who thinks he has an ideal wife. . . . Distance lends enchantment to the view. The closer we get to some people the smaller they are. . . . Another thing that makes the simple, unadorned Hottentot smile is the white man's talk about the coming of \$30 shoes. . . . A New Jersey school-marm has been reprimanded for telling one pupil "I'll jump down your throat," and another "I'll hit you in the slats." Where do they get that stuff? . . . It costs a man considerably more to cover his feet than to cover his head, but unless he uses his head for thinking purposes (some men do) his feet are the more valuable and far less likely to get him into trouble.

ACCIDENT ON THE C. N. R.

Montreal, July 28.—Colliding with the rear end of a freight train between Drummondville and Ste. Rosa. He last night, delayed the arrival of the passengers on the Canadian National Halifax train until 2.40 o'clock this morning. The smash occurred at 10.10 p.m., the engine, baggage and mail car of the passenger train being damaged. The passengers were transferred. No one was injured.

RACE MEETING AT COLUMBUS

Columbus, Ohio, July 28.—Grand Circuit races for the year will be started at the driving park here this afternoon. The opening event will be a free-for-all for pacers, in which there will be four starters, Miss Harris, Director J. J. Eva Abbe and Single G. Other races of the day will be a 2.05 pace, the Elks News purse of \$3,000, the 2.18 class trot and the 2.09 class trot.

PANTS AFTER PANTS

Toledo, July 26.—Feeling as secure as if he were in a bank vault Fred Croscopelli draped his trousers which held \$8 over a chair beside his bed last night, tucked his trusty shooting iron under the pillow and slumbered, all set for a visit from burglars. When he awoke this morning the trousers were missing and the revolver as well. In the dull gray dawn he saw his pants hanging from a fence half a block away. Clad in his nightgown Fred sprinted for the spot and recovered his pants, but not the \$8.

Motorists Here Over Week-end. A large number of motorists were in the city over the week-end, the fine weather of Saturday tempting them. Among those at the Queen were J. F. Palmer, S. B. French and M. Buzzell; Major and Mrs. B. P. Richardson, of Fredericton Junction; G. Burton, F. McGivran, W. E. Chittick and J. Hoyt, of St. John; Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Poole, of Boston; Mrs. Jean Poole, of Boston, and Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Poole of St. John; Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Lively and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Puddington, of St. John; J. W. Davidson and J. McAvitt.

SACKVILLE HAD MORE GOOD HORSE RACING

Fern Hal, Now Owned by Dr. McAllister, Won Free-for-All—Bevious and Lacopia Won.

(Moncton, July 27)—About 1,200 people were in attendance at the second days racing at the Sackville speedway on Saturday afternoon and witnessed good racing.

Halifax and Prince Edward Island horses carried off the money of the 2.19 trot and pace while in the free-for-all the former Montreal mare, Fern Hal, now owned by Dr. McAllister of Sussex, won in straight heats.

John A. Hal of Bathurst copped second money and the St. John horse Peter Farren third. P. A. Belliveau's Budlight was acting badly, finished behind the field in the first heat and was distanced in the second.

2.25 Trot
Bevious, Frank Boutillier,
Halifax 2 1 2 1 1
Addie B., Peter Carroll,
Halifax 1 2 1 2 2
Alice The Great, Wm.
Ingram, Moncton 3 3 3 3 3
Lady Marshall, F. Boutillier, Halifax also started.

Time—2.24½, 2.24½, 2.27, 2.25, 2.26.

2.19 Trot and Pace

Lacopia, J. P. Smith,
Kinkora (P. E. I.) 2 3 1 1 1
Singer, R. Potvin, Moncton 1 2 2 2 3
Corwin Hal, J. P. Smith,
Kinkora (P. E. I.) 3 1 3 2 3
Time—2.20½, 2.20½, 2.24½, 2.22.

Free-For-All

Fern Hal, Dr. McAllister, Sussex 1 1 1

John A. Hall, Wm. Fenwick, Bathurst 2 3 2

Prince Rupert, D. W. Wilbur, Moncton 3 4 3

Peter Farren, Pat O'Keefe, St. John 4 2 4

Budlight, P. A. Belliveau, Moncton, also started.

Time—2.15, 2.15½, 2.16½.

CLASSIFICATION OF SOIL OF LANDS FOR SOLDIERS

Soil Expert Inspected Some Areas Last Week—Information for Soldier Settlement Board.

Precautions are being taken that the portions of the Crown Lands upon which returned soldiers desirous of farming will be placed, are suited to agriculture. In order that the necessary information might be secured an inspection of some of the Crown Lands was made last week by Chief Forester G. H. Prince and Mr. F. C. Nunnick of Ottawa, soil expert for the Commission on Conservation. The lands inspected and classified with regard to the soil were chiefly in Northumberland and Kent Counties with a small area in Westmorland.

The report of Mr. Nunnick will be made to the Department of Lands and Mines which will place the information at the disposal of the Soldier Settlement Board in order that soldiers who wish to take up land may not be put on that unsuited for farming. Mr. Nunnick returned to Ottawa Saturday.

LOCAL NEWS

Band Concert Postponed
The band concert which was to be played at Parliament Square last evening was postponed on account of rain and will in all probability be played the coming Wednesday with a few changes in program.

Want News of Exhibition.
Mr. R. H. Simonds, secretary of the Board of Trade, is in receipt of a communication from the Four Wheel Drive Auto Co., the Canadian representatives of the Four Wheel Drive Truck, asking for particulars concerning the coming exhibition. They wish to show at all important exhibitions and demonstrate the ability of their truck.

Returned from New York.
John Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson, of this city, returned home last week from New York, where he has been taking a six months' course in electrical engineering. He went overseas in 1917 with a draft of the 9th Siege Battery from Partridge Island and was later transferred. He was badly gassed in action, but was not wounded.

PERSONAL

Mr. S. M. Jones of St. John is at the Queen.

Hon. P. J. Veniot Minister of Public Works arrived here this morning. He is at the Queen.

Capt. T. S. Tupper, who has been visiting his former home here, expects to leave for his home in Alberta tomorrow.

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