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Roosevelt Wins

The re-election of Franklin D. Roosevelt as President of the United States will give satisfaction to the large majority of Canadians on account of the Canadian-American trade treaty. Mr. Roosevelt carried the United States in a landslide far surpassing that of 1932.

New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Illinois, embracing 138 votes in the presidential electorate college, were in the far-flung area to the South, East, West and North that gave Roosevelt an early lead. In the face of the steadily mounting sweep, only the most definite sort of a reverse tidal wave could spell the end of the New Deal and a number of pro-Landon papers conceded a Democratic triumph long before midnight.

The Roosevelt party surprised many people by sweeping up many New England States, although Maine, our next door neighbor, gave Landon its five electoral votes whilst the nation piled up votes for Roosevelt. There used to be a saying "How Maine goes the nation goes." This was knocked to pieces in yesterday's election. Virtually complete returns from 614 of the state's 633 precincts gave Landon (R) 166,551, Roosevelt (D) 124,374, Lemke (U) 7,307. All the missing precincts were small and their total vote negligible.

Bideford, Lewiston, Old Town and Waterville recorded their approval of the New Deal in sizeable majorities, while Roosevelt added Bath, Calais, Eastport and Westbrook to his column as well. The latter four municipalities went Republican four years ago. Elsewhere the city vote retained its normally Republican aspect.

The South was solid again for the New Deal. There, the trend was decisive on first returns.

Up through the industrial East, where the Republicans warned "the New Deal means regimentation of labor", the president rolled up a mounting lead. Into the agricultural West, scene of Republican argument against reciprocal trading in general and the Canadian-American trade treaty in particular, the Democratic lead piled up.

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The Pennsylvania trend was the big surprise. No Democrat has received its 36 electoral votes in 80 years, yet 2,054 of the state's 4,010 precincts showed Roosevelt leading 607,737 votes to Landon's 447,900. Returns from the West trickled in slowly but barring Montana and Idaho, the swing appeared to be toward the president.

The indicated New Deal popularity in that section of the West called the "cattle country" was a surprise in view of the fact Republicans scored heavily the Canadian-American reciprocal trade, dwelling on its cattle articles. Illinois, home of the Republican nominee for the vice-presidency, Frank Knox, swung behind the president by a two to one margin with more than a quarter of the vote tallied. In Republican New England, Landon was conceded to have won Maine's five electoral votes and he ran in front in New Hampshire, Vermont and Rhode Island.

The Union party candidacy of William Lemke and the bids of the other minor parties were making small inroads into the vote pile, believe to be near the predicted record-breaking total of 45,000,000.

The minor party candidates were: Union party, William Lamke and Thomas C. O'Brien; Socialist, Norman Thomas and George A. Nelson; Socialist-Labor, John W. Aiken and Emil F. Teichert; Communist, Earl W. Browder and James W. Ford, negro; and Prohibition, D. Leigh Colvin and Claude A. Watson.

Prisons a World-Wide Problem

When, a year or two ago, it was suggested that an official investigation into conditions obtaining in Canadian penitentiaries be held, there were immediate protests from those who, with no particular knowledge of the subject, mistook the proposal for intention to "pamper" convicts.

Even Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett expressed himself publicly as perfectly satisfied with the Dominion's penitentiary system.

That such satisfaction on the part of individuals is of little importance is proved by the fact that penitentiary reform now is a matter of international study, and that even Britain, whose system, admittedly, is less obsolete than Canada's, is devoting considerable attention to the subject.

Under the sponsorship of the League of Nations many countries are exchanging suggestions and plans for prison reforms; not from the standpoint of "pampering," but from the practical and logical one of reducing the number of persons committed to jails and penitentiaries.

At a conference held last month in Geneva, Britain presented types of recent legislation which had tended to effect such reduction. France announced she had decided to abolish convict settlements such as the infamous Devil's Island. Chile, Denmark, France, and even Russia, told of measures taken to make their prisons curative of crime instead of mere instruments of public vengeance.

And the desirable aim of reducing the number of convicts in any country is to be achieved, according to League plans, by the equally desirable means of reducing crime. Any system which fails to achieve the latter object, therefore, is to be considered unintelligent and contrary to public welfare.

It is this view which must be kept in mind in any discussion of possible amendment to the penal system. Individual opinions as to the efficacy of flogging, solitary confinement, starvation diet, and what not, are of little weight. The system must prove its value by its effect in reducing crime and eliminating the criminal.

Hitherto attempts to deal with the problem have been half-hearted, unscientific, and not in keeping with the modern spirit. They have amounted, at the best, only to a patching and tinkering of a system which had its origin in a far different age.

Similar methods in industry, in science, in government would not be tolerated. In most branches of human endeavor what proves to have outlived its usefulness is scrapped ruthlessly, and an efficient, modern substitute is found. In the matter of crime and punishment the same disregard of outworn customs must be shown, and methods of modern efficiency applied to the sole purpose of banishing crime by effecting the reform of the criminal.

SNAPSHOTS

The amateur radio operator was not aware when he was talking over the wire about his smuggling activities, that a Mountie was listening in on the wire.

The best way for the city to avoid people from piling old cars up on lots near the former dump is to purchase the lot near the "dump" and make the whole thing into a nice water front park. It would not cost much and might be a good idea to have the lot anyway.

Judge Byron is tickled to death that his old friend Franklin D. is again at the head of the United States nation.

Father Coughlin's candidate "also ran." But one would hardly know it by reading the election returns.

Our friends over in Maine went "ag'in the government."

Over in Maine they have the name of being for protection in the day-time and for free trade at night.

We can't cross the bridge until it comes to us.

Mr. Hicks of the Agricultural Department has evidently not yet learned that there are a couple of daily newspapers published in Fredericton within a few blocks of the Departmental buildings and that if it were not for the local papers the local department might get a short shift many times in the way of boosting.

Faith of others in you is in direct proportion to the faith you have in yourself.

Chiropractor asserts pigs use more wisdom than do humans. That isn't saying much these days.

Jugoslav factory workers strike for 300 per cent. increase in pay. No use just tapping if one intends to strike.

Economic freedom is a grand idea but alas! so many people think it means freedom from economy.

So live that your wife will say to you the nice things she says about you to other women.

King Solomon, with a thousand heart-interests, did not really appreciate "woman's infinite variety." It takes a man who is tied down to just one woman to do that.

Unlike Mark Twain's whimsical contradiction of a rumor of his death Dictator Stalin of Russia will not question the accuracy of the press in saying he has passed from the earthly scene. All he asks is: "Don't disturb me in the calm of the other world. Can it be that the grim-visaged ruler of the Soviets also is turning humorist?"

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Still Optimistic

The optimism of Republican Chairman John Hamilton was hard to define. From Chicago he broadcast a message to party workers to "go to bed assured that in the morning there will be a totally different outlook."

Democratic Chairman James Farley commented "it is an overwhelming vote of confidence" for the president.

Early returns indicated another overwhelming Democratic majority in the Senate, but the count was still too slim to disclose anything conclusive about the fight for the House of Representatives.

The Democrats had 47 carryovers in the Senate and quickly elected eight more from the South and two else, where. Forty-nine is a majority.

Concede Defeat

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The preacher of "the more abundant life" even humiliated the Republican nominee by taking a slim lead in his own state of Kansas and surprised by repeating that perform-

Col. Harrington

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post after the Liberal landslide in Canada last October.

Right Hon. Richard B. Bennett is almost certain to retire from the leadership of the Conservative Party before the next election, according to gossip in well-informed circles here, and, while there is no immediate hurry to choose his successor, the matter is being discussed by those interested in the future of the party. It is considered most unlikely that Mr. Bennett will lead the Opposition forces in the next campaign, and, that being so, his successor must be selected in time for him to get in the saddle and make himself nationally known before the next tussle at the polls.

There is only an outside chance that Mr. Bennett will continue at the head of the Conservative Party even if the fortunes of the Opposition, which are at a very low ebb just now, show substantial improvement within the next two years. Mr. Bennett was chosen Leader at a national convention held in Winnipeg ten years ago and the intervening period has been the most strenuous of a very strenuous life.

Moreover, the Conservative Leader will be threescore years and ten by the time the next election takes place, and, while Gladstone was returned as Prime Minister of Britain when he was in his eighties, there is not much likelihood of Mr. Bennett again attempting to unhorse the Liberal Party of Canada, which now boasts the largest majority ever held by any party in the Canadian House of Commons.

It is understood that the Leader of the Opposition might have retired soon after the last general election but for the fact that there was not among the survivors of that debacle any one of leadership calibre who was still young enough to carry forward the flag.

So the new Leader, whoever he may be, must come from the ranks of the Conservative Party outside the Commons Chamber. The question is, "Upon whom will the mantle of Mr. Bennett fall?" There can be little doubt that the first choice, when ability, brilliance and experience are concerned, is Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, who now leads the Conservatives in the Senate.

Mr. Meighen already has been Prime Minister of Canada twice, once when Sir Robert Borden retired after the war and again when he formed the famous shadow Government in 1926. But it is considered doubtful that Senator Meighen would return to the hurly-burly of the Commons Chamber.

He has made a secure place for himself in the Upper House and is said to have succeeded in putting the Toronto companies which he directs on a very sound basis. Having tasted the fruits of big business, he will not lightly forsake the financial district of Toronto for the arena of party politics, at least that is what intimate friends say.

Herridge Mentioned

It is gossiped in the leading club of Ottawa that Hon. William D. Herridge, the brilliant brother-in-law of the former Premier, is a possible contender for the Conservative leadership. Mr. Herridge is the man who, as Minister to Washington, became intrigued with President Roosevelt's "New Deal" during his sojourn in the United States Capital, and it was he who "sold" the idea of a "Canadian New Deal" to Mr. Bennett.

He even came to Ottawa as the ghost writer of the "New Deal" platform which the then Premier outlined to the people over the radio. Many members of the Cabinet who were among the slain on the field of battle last October heard the details for the first time over the air.

Whatever aspirations Mr. Herridge may cherish, it is a safe bet that he would not be acceptable to the Old Guard of the Conservative Party, and particularly to the St. James Street crowd.

Mr. Herridge can be ruled out as being altogether too radical.

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HENPECKED HUSBAND ASKS ALIMONY

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 4.—A house-keeping husband who minded the three children and cooked while the wife worked, asked separate maintenance in a divorce cross-complaint on file here today.

Mrs. Helen E. Hoyt Wheat, a school teacher, filed suit for divorce some time ago, charging cruelty. Harry E. Wheat, the housekeeper, filed a cross-complaint asking \$60 monthly for the children, \$40 for himself, and attorney fees.

For about seven years, it was set forth in the action, Wheat was employed only periodically, and for the last year and a half poor health kept him home, where he undertook domestic duties.

Lately, however, Wheat's complaint said, Mrs. Wheat criticized his cooking and his housework, and refused to take him to places of amusement. Often, he charged, she became angry because he had not darned nor sewed her clothes and the children's.

The children are his by a former marriage, but Mrs. Wheat has adopted them, the husband's complaint said.

City Council

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swiftly by unanimously adopting the motion.

Action on C.N.R. Bridge

Ald. Dr. Ross brought up the matter of the rebuilding of the C.N.R. bridge and demanded action. "I feel that the loss of the bridge is detrimental to business," he said. "I think we should be enthusiastic in getting it." He asked for an expression of opinion from the council.

After some discussion a motion proposed by Ald. Ross and seconded by Ald. Mundle, that the special committee that awaited upon Hon. C. D. Howe, minister of transport, last spring at Ottawa, get in touch at once with the three federal ministers to urge more action, and that the council hold a special meeting within ten days to further discuss the subject.

Ald. Raymond Crowdsen, equally enthusiastic, said: "I feel this committee should see Mr. Clark, see Mr. Michaud and the others and push the matter to the end."

Mayor G. Willard Kitchen once again explained his contact with Hon. Mr. Howe about the bridge. When the Fredericton aldermanic delegation had visited him last spring, Mr. Howe had absolutely promised that the bridge would be built and he gave assurance that the funds had been passed. He also told Ald. Forbes that the bridge would be started this year.

Police Commission

Quite a number of citizens were on hand at last night's meeting, chiefly to hear the discussion on the Police Commission and to see what action would be taken. The presence of the citizens indicated the interest that the public has shown in this matter.

After Ald. Ross had put the motion for steps to be taken to abolish the Police Commission, Ald. David McCaughy got to his feet and said that he was not agreeable to the idea until more "pros and cons" were heard on the matter. "I don't think that it's a very popular move after all," he said. "The citizens," he said, "are not very anxious about it at all."

He was doubtful, he declared, if very much gain was made by doing it. He thought that the Police Commission might exercise a restraining hand. He was for hearing more opinion from the aldermen at the meeting. Somebody had mentioned something about the Commission being a success in other places and Ald. McCaughy had swallowed it all. He said, "I think we had better go slow in the matter, to find what we would gain in the matter and find out the pros and cons in the matter and all about the matter. I would like to have more time to consider the matter."

Ald. Ross reminded him that a month's notice had been given elsewhere, which was plenty of time to reach a mature decision about the matter by each alderman. "I'd like to see the motion put to a vote, and I think we're justified in putting it to a vote," he concluded. The only two dissenters when the vote was carried were Aldermen McCaughy and Mundle.

Thumbs Down on Travelogue

The proposal that the city lend assistance to the putting out of a travelogue of New Brunswick in the nature of movie "shorts" to be distributed through Canada and the United States was temporarily drowned upon by the council. Ald. Forbes reporting for the Industrial committee which had the matter under advisement said the "city doesn't consider it advantageous to consider it at the present time." The report was filed.

Ald. Murray Hagerman reported that a Mr. Napier of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa had discus-

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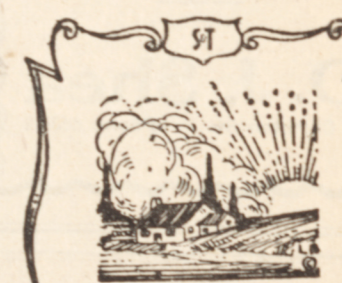
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