

DIFFICULT TO FORECAST RESULTS OF ELECTION IN GREAT BRITAIN TODAY

Political Managers Flatly Decline to Venture a Prediction and Canvassers Confess Their Inability to Even Hint at Final Figures—Campaign, Most Uneventful in Modern Times, and Most Unique in That There Was No Clear-Cut Question Before Electors, Closed Last Night—Fate of Party System Hangs in Balance.

London, Nov. 14—(By The Associated Press) — The most uneventful election campaign in modern times, and also the most orderly—for there has been but little of the usual accompaniment of disorderly or interrupted meetings—came to an end tonight with the leading figures in the struggle engaged in speech making up to the last moment.

The campaign has been unique in that there is no clear cut question before the House. Therefore, the electors who will record their votes tomorrow must be in a puzzled mood, for not only is there no outstanding issue, but, in the present perplexing divided condition of the political parties, they cannot have their decision on mere party predictions.

Unable to Make Forecasts

The election canvassers confess themselves hopelessly unable to make forecasts on account of the unprecedented reticence of the electors concerning their preferences. This is usually attributed to the desire to hide their sentiments, but it more nearly is due to the fact that the electors themselves are unable to express an opinion where there are no plain issues.

If the elections themselves have not greatly excited the country, there is almost unprecedented curiosity to know the results of the polling, which begins at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning, closing, in most cases, at 8 o'clock in the evening, but in many of the urban districts at 9 o'clock in order to give the workers ample time to vote.

Never before have such elaborate arrangements been made to give the public an early tally of the pollings. For instance, in London suburban train services, buses, trams and tubes will be kept running to an unusually late hour for the convenience of citizens waiting up to learn the outcome, which will be flashed from the newspaper offices, big scores and other buildings by all kinds of ingenious devices, while some of the papers are arranging to telegraph the results at intervals to their readers at small cost.

Delay Expected in Count

In more than half the constituencies the ballots will not be completely counted or announced until Thursday, but the figures from over two hundred constituencies will be declared Wednesday night between 9 o'clock and midnight. These should be ample sufficient to give a good indication of how the country is going, more especially as these announcements will include some rural districts as well as urban constituencies. The complexion of the new Parliament, however, will not be definitely known until Thursday.

London will be a busy and exciting city until long after midnight tomorrow. Excitement promises to be high at political clubs, while hotels and restaurants are preparing special election dinners and suppers.

Perhaps what is being decided, above all, in the polling booths tomorrow is whether Great Britain shall return to the party system in politics or follow most of the European countries in the adoption of a group system.

The Conservatives have made a great bid for a return to straight party politics, but it seems extremely likely that their efforts will be frustrated and that the new Parliament will consist of a number of groups with confused political boundaries.

Premier Bonar Law and his adherents profess great confidence in the return of their party with a working majority, but this confidence, it is shared in other quarters. It is based to a large extent on the belief that the rural voters will, as in the past, remain true to Conservative traditions. This, however, is one of the uncertainties of the election.

The exigencies of the war gave agricultural laborers high wages such as they never enjoyed in the past, and thereby gave them new standards of life and a new outlook; they were placed in an almost similar position as the town industrial workers, with wages boards to regulate the scale of wages. In the past year, in conformity with the universal fall in wages and a great reduction in the price of wheat and other agricultural produce, agricultural laborers lost these advantages; the wages boards disappeared and conditions reverted to something approximating pre-war conditions. It remains to be seen whether these conditions will draw the rural voter from his time-honored allegiance to the Conservative party. If so, it will be the Asquithian Liberals who will benefit as the Labor party concentrates its attention on urban constituencies because the appeal of Labor is mostly to the industrial worker in the towns.

There is general agreement that the Asquithian Liberals will come much better out of the elections than was expected a few weeks ago.

To sum up—the two unknown factors in the most open election for many years is how the women will vote and to what extent advocacy of a capital levy has injured the prospects of the Labor Party. Another moot point is how far Lloyd George retains his old ascendancy with his countrymen.

Unofficial Estimates

London, Nov. 14—While the political managers decline flatly to make any predictions as to the result of tomorrow's elections, the Star suggests two today in getting unofficial estimates.

CAN'T FORECAST WINTER WEATHER

D. L. Hutchinson, Meteorological Director Here, Places No Reliance in "Signs" Seen in Nature, But Science May Be Successful in Near Future.

Reports have been current in the press of late regarding the so-called forecasts for the coming winter made by Indian prophets, antics of birds and animals and the like. Residents of the northern woods, long famed for their prophecies, are unanimous this fall in saying that all signs point to an unusually mild winter. The Indian weather prophets, taking their cues from the appearance of the leaves, say that there will be less cold weather this winter than has been experienced in years. Trappers say definitely that the beavers are dilly dallying uncharacteristically with the destruction of their winter homes and also that the chipmunk and squirrels are collecting extremely small stores of food for the coming winter months.

When asked yesterday by one of The Journal reporters concerning these predictions and how much reliance could be placed in them, D. L. Hutchinson, meteorological director for St. John, threw a monkey-wrench in by saying that there was never an autumn within the memory of man in which we were not assured that the Indians were predicting that winter would be the hardest experienced for many years or the contrary. Other predictions are made from the wisdom of birds, squirrels, beavers and muskrats in providing against the day to come, that a long cold winter might be anticipated. The feathers upon the breasts of birds and the inevitable goose bone taught animal lessons. While the Indians also love fairy tales and this is one of them. Neither Indian or white man has any more discernment than to determine by conditions today the weather for tomorrow or the next day. The antics of birds and animals are due to the prevailing weather and not because they have any instinctive foresight of seasonal conditions.

In Canada the most severe and cold winters are attended by stormy weather of marked intensity, caused by the energetic movement of high barometric pressure emanating from the polar regions and first coming under observation in the extreme northwest. On the other hand the mildest winters are those when the general movement of the high pressure areas cross the continent from the United States Pacific coasts, this movement being accompanied by a path of low pressure to the northward. If these movements could be forecast in the autumn the general condition of the coming winter could be foreseen. At the present time the science of meteorology is not sufficiently developed to make seasonal forecasts, although from research being made, it is hoped that in the near future general but not detailed forecasts will be made for the seasons in advance.

Little Lewis Tender has been another big money-maker probably exceeding Shade, but Lew was the ranking battler in the lightweight division, a much more lively class at the time than the welters.

CAR OF PRISON PARSON STOLEN

That all bad men are not in the penitentiary has been suspected by many people for a long time, and it is probable that if Rev. Mr. Hudson, the chaplain of the Maritime penitentiary at Dorchester, has not had first hand evidence to substantiate that belief before, he has now. The police and constables of several districts have been notified that a motor car was stolen from Rev. Mr. Hudson on Sunday. The police of Moncton and other places are keeping their keen eyes open for the missing automobile.

CITY AND VICINITY

A comprehensive sewerage plan devised when R. E. Armstrong, secretary of the St. John Board of Trade, was mayor of St. Andrews, has been adopted by the residents of that town.

Harry Cannon, steward of the G. W. V. A. Club, and Mrs. Cannon have returned after a successful hunting trip to Clarendon. Mr. Cannon shot a moose and two deer. He speaks well of his guide, Charles Perrin of Clarendon.

Alex Machum, secretary of the local branch of the G. W. V. A., said yesterday that it would be several days before it was known just what would be the proceeds from the sale of poppies on Armistice Day. Returns had not been received from all outside points but it was known that the total receipts would be considerably in excess of \$2,000. He said the association was very grateful to all who had assisted in making the day such a success.

Five juveniles between the ages of ten and fourteen pleaded guilty before Magistrate Ritchie yesterday of breaking and entering the warehouse of the Corona Candy Co., Union Street, and stealing a quantity of candy between Nov. 3 and Nov. 10. The boys were arrested by Detective Saunders, who testified to finding part of the stolen sweets at their homes. The other boys pleaded guilty to charges of breaking into the wagon shed of Emery Brothers on King Street East, and taking candy. All of the boys were admonished by Magistrate Ritchie, who allowed them their liberty on four years' suspended sentence in the Industrial Home. Detective Saunders is being congratulated for his good work in the cases.

MONTREAL TEAM TO MEET HALIFAX

A Fifteen from Montreal Will be on Hand at Halifax Next Saturday to Play Against the Wanderers.

Montreal, Nov. 14—Excursion to field a fifteen against the Wanderers at Halifax on Saturday was reached at an early hour on the Montreal Express. The local rugby team will leave here Thursday evening for the coast city and will be represented by the best players, it not being considered likely that more than one or two changes over the regular squad will be necessary. The game will be an exhibition one.

FORMER ST. JOHN WOMAN MEETS ADVENTRESS

Mrs. J. J. McCaskill Not Deceived by War-Bride, Now in Jail at Cornwall—"Patricia" Operated in Campbellton.

The activities of Rosa Nolan Rouatt, who called herself Patricia O'Connell while in New Brunswick last summer, have been connected for the most part with charitable organizations and representatives of the clergy. To them she is alleged to have told numerous touching stories. Mrs. McCaskill, wife of Rev. J. J. McCaskill, formerly pastor of St. Matthew's Presbyterian church, St. John, relates the latest regarding Miss Rouatt. It is as follows:

"I was standing on the steps of Notre Dame Cathedral, Montreal, waiting for a friend when a young woman, whom I recognized as 'Patricia O'Connell' walked up to me. She seemed very much agitated, was all but wringing her hands in her distress.

"Could you tell me," she asked in a hesitating, frightened sort of way, "where the convent of the Sisters of the Sacred Blood is located?"

"I answered that I did not know the location but would be willing to help her if I could in any way. "I must find them," she was on the verge of crying from the tone of her voice and the look in her eyes, "because I am in a terrible predicament. Yesterday morning I arrived from England. I married a Canadian soldier whom I had known during the war and he took me to a room on Drummond Street. He paid the rent for one week and took my money, \$50, to be changed into Canadian money. I have not seen him since and I have nothing to eat and I am nearly famished with hunger."

"I asked her if she had reported the matter to the police and she replied that she had and that they were looking for the husband, who had so heartlessly deserted his trusting wife. Then I suggested that she also turn the matter over to the military authorities. Here Patricia nearly broke down. She had reported it to them and most horrible to relate, they had informed her that her husband was already married and as she was not his legal wife she could do nothing. "I have had so much experience with deserted wives though," continued Mrs. McCaskill, "that I did not offer to cable to England nor to pay her board bill. I walked with her to a city directory found the location of the convent and put her on the street car paying the conductor myself. I hope Patricia enjoyed her trolley ride."

Experience in Campbellton
Last summer "Patricia O'Connell" appeared in Campbellton. She is about thirty years of age, of average stature, has dark hair and wears large rimless glasses. The young woman called on George G. McKenzie, a Campbellton business man, and is alleged to have introduced herself as a niece of Percy Baker, manager of the Restigouche Salmon Club, a person friend of Mr. McKenzie. The visitor explained that her brother had died the previous day and expressed a desire to obtain mourning apparel. She spoke in a quiet, sincere voice and assumed a mien suitable to a lady called upon to bear a burden of sorrow and Mr. McKenzie saw no reason to doubt her statement. Although being asked to charge the bill to Mr. Baker he felt that he was his friend's favor and promptly complied to the lady's wishes. He then conveyed her to a local millinery where Miss O'Connell chose a hat to her liking. When this business had been consummated, Mr. McKenzie invited his friend's niece to dinner and upon her prompt acceptance of her invitation took her to his residence.

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LADIES' NIGHT AT GYRO CLUB

Hearty good-fellowship and joyous festivity marked the dinner and dance held last night in Bond's when the Gyro Club for the first time since its organization several months ago observed ladies' night. Between 80 and 90 were present and judging from the merry laughter and rounds of applause which greeted every number of the program, all present enjoyed themselves to the limit.

After the guests had done justice to the bounteous repast the tables were cleared away and the floor prepared for dancing. The music for the dance was supplied by this enterprising young club's own orchestra, and

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The Gyro Club has already gained the reputation of being one of the most wide awake clubs in the city. It purposes to take up civic questions, and is organized for the good of the community as a whole.

Quebec, Nov. 14—John A. Sullivan and Eusebe Beliveau, have been chosen as solicitors for the general public to appear at the Royal Commission meeting which is to be held on Tuesday, November 21, to investigate into all the circumstances surrounding the murder of Blanche Gagneau, here two years ago and the action taken by the coroner's general's department in the case.

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IF KIDNEYS AND BLADDER BOTHER

Take Salts to flush Kidneys and neutralize irritating acids.

Kidney and bladder irritations often result from uric acid, says a noted authority. The kidneys filter this acid from the blood and pass it on to the bladder, where it may remain to irritate and inflame, causing a burning, scalding sensation, or setting up an irritation at the neck of the bladder, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night. The sufferer is in constant dread; the water passes sometimes with a scalding sensation and is very profuse; again, there is difficulty in voiding it. Bladder weakness must be avoided. Because they can't control urination. While it is extremely annoying and sometimes very painful, this is often one of the most simple ailments to overcome. Get about four ounces of Jad Salts from your pharmacist and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast; continue this for two or three days. This will help neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation to the bladder and urinary organs, which then act normal again. Jad Salts is inexpensive, harmless, and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is used by thousands of folks who are subject to urinary disorders caused by uric acid irritation. Jad Salts is splendid for kidneys and causes no bad effects whatever. Here you have a pleasant, effervescent lithia water drink, which often quickly relieves bladder irritation.

GAS IN THE STOMACH IS DANGEROUS

Recommends Daily Use of Magnesia To Overcome Troubles Caused by Fermenting Food and Acid Indigestion.

Gas and wind in the stomach, accompanied by that full, bloated feeling, are almost certain evidence of the presence of excessive hydrochloric acid in the stomach, creating so-called "acid indigestion." Acid stomachs are dangerous because too much acid irritates the delicate lining of the stomach, often leading to gastritis accompanied by serious stomach ulcers. Food ferments and sours, creating the distressing gas which distends the stomach and hampers the normal functions of the vital internal organs, often affecting the heart.

It is the worst of folly to neglect such a serious condition and to treat it with ordinary digestive aids which have no neutralizing effect on the stomach acids. Instead get from any druggist a few ounces of Bisulphated Magnesia and take a teaspoonful in a quarter glass of water right after eating. This will drive the gas, wind and blast right out of the body, sweeten the stomach, neutralize the excess acid and prevent its formation and there is no sourness or pain. Bisulphated Magnesia (in powder or tablet form—never liquid or milk) is harmless to the stomach, inexpensive to take and the best form of magnesia for stomach purposes. It is used by thousands of people who enjoy their meals with no more fear of indigestion.

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