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NORTH RIVER POLL HEARS THE CANDIDATES

Mr. George E. Hughes Gave an Exhibition of Juggling with Finances which Amused but Did Not Instruct. Messrs. Jenkins and McLure Received a Splendid Hearing.

One of the largest and best meetings of the campaign was that held at the North River Hall on Monday night. The hall was filled to capacity and quite a number of ladies greeted the occasion with their presence. The proceedings opened with a motion by one of the gentlemen in the body of the hall that Mr. William Cass be appointed chairman. Mr. John McKinnon immediately moved an amendment to this, which was immediately seconded, put to the meeting and carried, that Mr. Robert McKinley be made chairman. Mr. McKinley, in opening the meeting, asked for an attentive hearing for the candidates, who were to address the meeting, and called upon Mr. L. L. Jenkins. Mr. Jenkins was received with applause which clearly indicated that he had lots of friends in the hall. At the outset he thanked the electors for the support they had given him at the last election, expressed his pleasure at seeing so many ladies present, extended a warm welcome to the soldiers, whose sacrifices on the battlefield, he said, made such a meeting as this possible. In this connection he remarked that he regretted the soldier question had been made a political football of during the present campaign; Opposition candidates who knew they had no influence were making all kinds of promises to soldiers. For his part he was quite content to leave the settlement of this matter with the Government at Ottawa, which had all to do with it, and which had done and is doing everything possible to help the returned soldiers, and with the Conservative Government of this province, whose efforts on behalf of the soldiers were well known to them all. He was not only willing but anxious to use every influence he possessed to secure all possible rights for the soldiers and he fully realized that when our governments, federal and provincial, had done all in their power, they would not have paid the debt they owed the soldiers. Promises by irresponsible office-seekers were cheap, he said, and he felt sure the soldiers fully understood what lay behind the lavish promises made by Messrs.

ANOTHER PATRIOT GHOST LAID

The Patriot is trying to scare farmers with its stuffed bogey on the Highways Grant. At the Bradborne meeting, Mr. L. P. Tanton replied in substance thus: "The Patriot is trying to frighten you with a claim that \$200,000 will have to be raised by taxation amounting to \$42,000 on every \$5,000.00 farm. I do not know what the Government policy is, but I do know that it will not be the one dictated by Liberals. The matters is so simple that a school boy could answer it effectively. We can borrow \$120,000. The Dominion Government adds a present of \$80,000. With this we build \$200,000 worth of permanent roads. These highways being permanent, will save at least \$10,000 a year now being spent on repairs. With that \$10,000 we could pay \$6,000 interest at 5 per cent. on the borrowed money and with the remaining \$4,000 provide a sinking fund, fully sufficient to pay off the original loan within about twenty years, so that the whole work would not cost the province a single dollar, either in taxes or increased debt." Thus another Liberal ghost is laid, and another of Mr. Bell's wind bubbles burst into nothingness.

A STRONG PULL; and a pull all together for Paton and Brown on Election Day. Get your vote in early.

BEWARE OF LIBERAL ELECTION TRICKS

Look out for Election Tricks. With failure staring them in the face at every point they are in the throes of desperation. They will kick hard in their death struggle, and resort to every and any underhand means of getting a vote. Don't forget that infamous sheet "Duty of the Hour," which they circulated on the eve of the 1908 election. Watch out for similar pamphlets, and other canards, put out at the last hour.

A FEW REASONS WHY PRESENT GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE RETURNED TO POWER

Because it has a good, clean record and no charge of misfeasance has been proved against it by the Opposition either in the House or before the Country. Because financially it has come out of the war period better than any province of Canada. Because it has pursued a progressive policy especially in the building of permanent steel bridges, having constructed over 2500 to the Liberal 900 besides a large number of wooden bridges built on creosote piles with steel rails on hard pine caps. Because it has assisted education to the extent of about \$45,000 per year more than the previous Government; has restored the supplement which the former Government had cut off; has encouraged School Fairs, and by the School Supply Department, has greatly reduced the cost of school books and school supplies. Because it has assisted Agriculture by establishing Egg Circles and in this respect this province leads all the other provinces; it has spread over 60,000 tons of mussel mud over the farms of this province, and by the building of a branch railway to Richmond Bay it proposes to greatly increase the output; it has inaugurated a program of under-draining the low lands of the province; it has encouraged co-operative lamb and wool selling and the progressive agricultural measures. Because it has assisted in the establishing and subsidizing of more miles of rural telephones than has been built in all the years previous to 1912 and it has provided for a commission to regulate telephone matters and make the system more efficient. Because it has made an earnest and successful attempt to preserve and restore our provincial rights and to press our provincial claims against the Federal Government and has been the means of obtaining the following among many other benefits: (a) An increase of \$100,000 in our yearly subsidy; (b) The building of the Docks at Tormentine and Borden, and the solution of our winter communications; (c) The standardization of the P.

Earldoms for Haig and Beatty

(Special to the Guardian.) LONDON, July 22.—The Times reports yesterday that earldom would be given to Haig and Beatty. Parliament according to the newspapers would be asked to grant \$5,000,000 to each of them. Sir Douglas Haig's condition was improved last night although he has cancelled his engagements for several days. He collapsed after Saturday's peace parade.

Murderer's Sweetheart Gives Herself Up

(Special to the Guardian.) TORONTO, July 22.—Vera Lavelle, sweetheart of Frank McCullough who was hanged for the murder of acting Detective Williams, is to surrender herself to the police this afternoon. According to her counsel Mr. Horkins, it is stated that Vera never left town since she escaped from the jail while awaiting sentence for acting as an accessory after the fact in the McCullough case. The plans for the surrender were explained by Mr. Horkins in the offices of the Robnett legal firm at 1.45 o'clock this afternoon. The lawyer was to have an automobile ready in which she and the detective were to drive to a place where the girl would be waiting to give herself up. Arrangements are under way to have the girl tried tomorrow by Judge Coatsworth.

RETURNED SOLDIERS.

Don't forget the men, who stood by you first, last and always. Vote for Paton and Brown.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE,

TORONTO, July 23.—Showery. The tide will be high this evening at 7.56 and tomorrow at 9; it will be high tomorrow morning at 7.11 and Friday at 8.18. Sun sets this evening at 7.52 and tomorrow at 7.51; it rises tomorrow morning at 4.57 and Friday at 4.58. Last quarter moon Sunday, July 20, at 6.03. New moon, Sunday, July 27, 12.21. CONSERVATIVES have engaged the Market Hall for election night. Everybody come and hear the returns of the Government's triumphant victory all over the province.

G.W.V.A. ENDORSES PREMIER'S PROGRAM

The following correspondence between Premier Arsenault and Colonel W. B. Prowse, President of the G.W.V.A., speaks for itself: Col. W. B. Prowse, President G.W.V.A., Charlottetown. Dear Sir.—Enclosed copy of letter which I have written to the Press, especially draw your attention to the paragraph immediately after No. 11 and would like to know whether this meets with the approval of your Executive as well as your own. You will remember that some time ago we discussed this matter and you then approved. Yours very truly, A. E. ARSENAULT, Charlottetown 7-20-19. Dear Sir.—Answering your inquiry re the second paragraph of No. 11 in your letter to The Guardian of the 18th say that your letter to the Association was put before the meeting held on Friday evening, and I was instructed to answer that the paragraph was quite satisfactory. And to also state that if the agreement outlined therein is thoroughly carried out no doubt the present satisfactory feelings will continue to exist in the future. Yours sincerely, W. B. PROWSE, President, The Great War Veterans Assn. The paragraph referred to follows: "As to anything further to be done let me say this: Soldiers' organizations are being perfected in the province and these branches of the G.W.V.A. will then appoint a provincial executive. I have already given assurances to Colonel W. B. Prowse, President of the G.W.V.A., Charlottetown, and Lieut. Strong, President of the G.W.V.A., Summerside, that whatever resolutions are adopted by the provincial executive of the G.W.V.A. concerning the welfare of the returned men will have the support and backing of the Government. This has been accepted as entirely satisfactory."

Austrian Objects To Peace Treaty

(Special to the Guardian.) PARIS, July 22.—Dr. Karl Renner, head of the Austrian peace delegation, declared he would "not sign engagements which he knew could not be executed." In commenting on the peace terms prior to his departure from St. Germaine for Feldkirch, according to morning papers, Dr. Renner, according to these reports, protested against "the unheard of harshness of the contention made against Austria and Germany."

Senator Refuses President's Request

(Special to the Guardian.) WASHINGTON, July 22.—The Senate Foreign Relation Committee today refused President Wilson's request for approval of his appointment of a provisional American member of the Allied reparations committee. The committee stood eight to seven. LABOUR MEN.—Vote for Paton and Brown, now and always the best friend of the wage earners.

THE PATRIOT AND THE SOLDIERS

True to its nature, the Patriot has made a bid on the lowest possible plane for the soldiers' vote. In this it underestimates the intelligence of the men who gallantly fought for us "over there." All the returned soldier wants is a square deal; he does not want to be patronized or exploited for political purposes. He is quite able to distinguish real friends from flatterers, and knows just as well as the Patriot does, that the appeal to his passions is not made with any sincerity or desire to benefit him. The Patriot treats the returned soldier with contempt. It does not reason with him, as a statesman reasons with his audience; it merely attempts to pull the wool over his eyes, and expects him to swallow any gammon it chooses to offer. The returned soldier expects a square deal, and a square deal he shall have from the Arsenault Government. The returned soldier knows this, and knowing this will vote for the Government candidates on both their record and their promises.

MT. HERBERT STRONG FOR CONSERVATIVES

The Brand of Liberalism as Preached and Practised by Mr. Bell and His Associates Condemned in no Uncertain Tone.

If ever Liberalism, as preached and practised by Mr. Bell and his associates, received the unanimous condemnation of a meeting, it did so Monday night at Mt. Herbert, where an overflowing audience greeted the candidates of the third district. There was not the shadow of a doubt as to which way the majority of the meeting lay, and long before the conclusion of the program the Liberal candidates, Messrs. David McDonald and Peter Brodie, realized that their chances in this part of the district were hopelessly slim. The Conservative candidates, Hon. Mr. Wood and Mr. J. J. McNally, were received with hearty applause, and the effect of their speeches was eminently satisfactory, even the Liberal supporters, of whom there was a meagre sprinkling in the hall, being favorably impressed with the forceful and above all, the clean manner in which the Government's administration was reviewed and compared with the Opposition's past record of deficit and retrogression. Messrs. Wood and J. J. McDonald had no need to insult the intelligence of their audience with offensive personalities. In the unparalleled achievements of the present Government they had ample material with which to arouse enthusiasm; and, confining their attention exclusively to matters of absolute fact, they created an interest and good humor seldom equalled in a political meeting. Unfortunately the same thing cannot be said of the Opposition candidates, who repeated the same old exploded charges. Mr. Peter Brodie made an attempt to discredit the Commissioner of Agriculture and the Government, but he was so severely handled before he was half through that he forgot to give some of his funny stories. Of course, he was not taken seriously, and when he said that, in connection with institute meetings, Mr. Wood was as rare as a snowflake on a June morning, someone varied the comparison, suggesting that after the 24th Mr. Brodie

Horrible Fatality In Chicago

Dirigible Falls 500 Feet Crashing Through Roof of Bank, 10 Killed, 27 Injured. (Special to the Guardian.) CHICAGO, July 22.—Ten persons were killed outright and approximately 27 injured late this afternoon when a dirigible used in making exhibition flights in the neighborhood of an amusement park on the south side caught fire while flying over the "loop," Chicago business district, and plunged down 500 feet or more like a blazing skyrocket clean through the glass roof of the Illinois Trust and Savings bank at the corner of LaSalle St. and Jackson Avenue. Most of the dead were employees of the bank, trapped and burned to death in a withering rain of fire caused by the explosion of the balloons gasoline tanks as they hit the floor of the rotunda of the bank where over 200 book keepers and clerks, nearly all girls, were working.

INTELLIGENT MEN.—Who want economical and careful government, vote for the popular candidates, Paton and Brown.

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Could be as phenomenal politically. Mr. David McDonald and Mr. Brodie, in their wild extravagance, both made a charge which constituted an infamous slander on the electors of Prince Edward Island. They said that the Government had bought the people with their own money. This gross insult to the honesty and sturdy independence of the electors, whose sons had fought in France and Flanders, was promptly repudiated, and a gentleman in the audience rose and stoutly protested. He said that the people of Prince Edward Island were not the craven sort to be purchased, whether with their own or other men's money, and it was a matter for regret that public men should so far lose their sense of honor and responsibility as to make mischievous statements that would tend to injure the fair name of the province abroad. Mr. David McDonald, seeing the blunder he had made, endeavored to modify his statement, but he had been too emphatic and precise in the first instance, and he could not convince the audience that he had been misunderstood. This had "break" effectively wrecked his efforts, and any interest that might have been taken in his remarks immediately subsided. Mr. F. W. Hughes of Charlottetown instead of profiting by the mistake of his Liberal friends, repeated a slander in connection with the soldiers' vote at the last Dominion election. He said that the soldiers had been bribed to vote according to the dictates of the Government, on the promise of a furlough, and that his son was among those who had been bribed. This slanderous statement fairly disgusted the audience, and the only impression Mr. Hughes made was one very unfavorable to his friends' cause. Other speakers were Mr. Donald McKinnon, Mr. James Hughes, Mr. Harold Palmer and Cpl. Peter Hughes. Lack of space unfortunately prevents a more detailed report of the meeting, which was overwhelmingly in support of the Government. The proceedings closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman, Mr. Hammond Kelly.

KNOCKING DOWN A STRAW MAN

One of the latest Liberal tricks is to set up a "straw man" and then valiantly knock him down for the benefit of the onlookers. Yesterday's Patriot tells how one of these straw men was knocked down. The wicked Conservatives of the Province, had promised to secure a grant of \$2,000 cash for the returned soldiers in lieu of land. "To set the matter right," says the Patriot, "Mr. John J. McNally of Summerside (a Liberal candidate) sent the following telegram to the Minister of Militia: "Have arrangements been completed by the Federal Government whereby returned soldiers be given a grant of \$2,000 in cash in lieu of a land grant?" To which the Minister of Militia promptly replied that "no such arrangements had been made." Everybody knows, including John J. McNally and the Patriot, that no Conservative candidate ever made such a promise, but John J. McNally and the Patriot had the decency of a straw man to exhibit to the returned soldiers who, they evidently think, are ready to swallow any canard thrown at them. Mr. J. J. McNally canvassed several returned soldiers in Summerside to get them to sign the telegram to the minister but none of them would do so. Falling in with a returned soldier, Mr. McNally sent the telegram with his own signature. LET THE MAJORITY FOR PATON AND BROWN be a rousing big one. Get every vote polled.

TWO LIBERAL SLANDERS

There are two special slanders that the Liberal candidates are seeking to circulate. One is that the road tax is being used to bribe the farmers; the other that the soldiers when in France were bribed to vote for the Union Government by promises of a furlough. Nothing more insulting has ever been uttered either against the farmers or the soldiers. The farmers of this province are too independent and too honest to be bribed and on Thursday at the polls they will hurl the slander back in the teeth of those who are circulating it. This was done at the meeting at Mount Herbert on Monday night when a gentleman in the audience strongly and forcibly brought Messrs. David McDonald and Peter Brodie to task for making such a charge. Mr. A. McNevin, one of the Conservative candidates for First Queens, nailed the other slander at the Crapaud meeting when he said with an emphasis that brought down the house that "Canadian soldiers were never compelled at the point of the bayonet or otherwise either by German or politicians to do anything they didn't want to do." THE PATRIOT'S BLUSTER AND BRAGGADOCIO will not be counted by returning officers on Election day. Only ballots will count. Get your votes in for Paton and Brown.

TEACHERS BE WARNED

The Patriot is doing everything in its power to defeat the teachers' agitation for increased salaries. It has delayed publishing a letter on the subject from the President of the Teachers' Union until too late to reach its country subscribers, and by slanderously alleging that the Government has imposed an educational tax at the outside limit of 3 mills on the dollar has attempted to intimidate the electors at the polls.