

# Ellerslie Audience Tenders Ovation To Conservative Chief.

## Messrs. Sharp And Ramsay Triumphant Acclaimed At Final Meeting In Second Prince.

Electors from every poll in the district were at the final joint meeting of the 2nd district Ellerslie on Wednesday evening.

Mr. Stewart, leader of the Conservative party, Mr. G. Shelton Sharp and his colleague, Mr. A. A. Ramsay, the first speaker, were received with tremendous enthusiasm. In a short introductory speech he thanked the people of the district for his nomination. He pointed to the fact that the victory had fallen to the Conservatives as an overwhelming demonstration of the Conservative tide which is sweeping through the district. He had yet to meet an elector who has not the most complete confidence in Mr. Sharp to represent the district in the Legislature. (Applause.) Mr. Ramsay gave Hon. Mr. Stewart the balance of his time.

### THE LEADER SPEAKS

Hon. Mr. Stewart expressed his pleasure at again being asked to address an audience in 2nd Prince, saying he had a distinct recollection of the splendid audience here last fall and the result of that campaign when the electors returned Mr. Sharp as their representative in a district that for over half a century has returned a Liberal candidate.

"I assure you that you made no mistake and will make no mistake if you return him again at this election. Mr. Sharp has proved himself very efficient from the outset and readily found his place in the Legislature and dealt with every matter as it came up in the House in a manner which would do credit to many older politicians. (Applause.)"

Mr. Stewart denounced very strongly the Liberal party for not having a platform in this campaign in that the electorate would have some idea what sort of legislature to expect from them.

He stated, without fear of contradiction, that the Conservative Government had fulfilled their platform of 1923 and that their defeat in 1927 was solely due to the Government control measure introduced at that time.

### DISCUSSES SUBSIDY CLAIMS

The speaker ably discussed the subsidy claims and said that the many excuses of the Liberal party for their failure in obtaining anything from Mr. Mackenzie King and the Government would not hold water.

He stressed the importance of obtaining additional revenue from Ottawa, as we cannot possibly go on year after year falling behind in our revenues.

He showed up the differences of opinion between Mr. Saunders and Premier Lea as to what amount was due entitled to Mr. Lea asking for \$3,000,000 and Mr. Saunders \$500,000. Later, Mr. Lea and others presented to the Audit Board a budget for less than \$500,000. All this jangling with the matter was very damaging to our case. (Applause.)

The speaker scored the Government for not fulfilling their 1927 promise of Old Age Pensions and announced their last minute efforts to obtain a census and pass an Act in connection with the matter.

The failure to give the towns their share of the railway taxation was another instance of broken promises.

Prohibition was ably dealt with by the leader of the Conservative party who renewed his promise to enforce the Act without political interference.

It is not our intention to remove the Act but to carry out our promise in regard to it." (Prolonged applause.)

The speaker referred to the mention of the Town of the liquor

### CENTRAL GUARDIAN

CHANGE OF HOUR of Service at Macshfield, Aug. 2nd, from 3 p. m. to 7.30 p. m. Dr. M. E. Genge, Pastor.

**C. W. L. MEETING**—A joint meeting of the Catholic Women's League and Juniors tonight at Rosary Hall at eight o'clock. His Excellency Rt. Rev. J. A. O'Sullivan will be present. Special musical program. 7797

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**—The Communion will be held in the Kirk Kinross, on the first Sabbath of September and not as previously announced.

**PASSED EXAMS**—Among those that passed the recent public School Examination was Andrew Boswell McRae, the eleven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. McRae, Central Royalty. Much credit is due Miss Flossie Younker who taught in this school for the past two years.

**MR. SHELTON SHARP**  
That Mr. Sharp still has the popular vote was evinced by the prolonged applause when he rose to speak. He thanked the people of the 2nd District for returning him last October and hoped they would do the same now, more applause.

Mr. Sharp successfully answered Mr. McLean's statements on Old Age Pensions stating that when Mr. Lea supported Mr. King on the 50-50 scheme for pensions, he knew perfectly well that this Province could not bear the burden. (Hear, hear.)

For Mr. McLean to say that Bennett proposal was a contributory scheme was misleading. Hon. R. B. Bennett will fulfill his promise of 100 per cent as soon as conditions improve.

He showed up Mr. McLean's absurd statements that Bennett is to blame for the Cuba situation and pointed out that it was the action taken by Mackenzie King Government in the West Indies agreement in which Cuba was discriminated against that caused the retaliation from Cuba.

He denounced the Lea Government statute labor gesture as a scheme to do honest men out of a day's work. (Hear, hear.)

Some controversy arose as to the debt of the Province which was settled without contradiction by Mr. Sharp and Mr. Stewart.

Mr. Dennis' time was taken up with a declaration of all the promises fulfilled by the Liberal Government. He had a somewhat noisy reception.

Hon. Mr. Stewart in a brilliant rebuttal speech successfully answered the Liberal statements as to the difference of the public debt. He proved conclusively that the Liberal party have no faith in their own cause re prohibition, subsidies or anything else. There is no guarantee that taxes will not be increased if Mr. Lea should be elected as he is the Father of Taxation.

Mr. Stewart emphasized the fact that his Government reduced taxation. Referring to Mr. McLean's presence at the meeting Mr. Stewart remarked that it was his duty to remain at Ottawa as important legislation might be put through in connection with Prince County. He did not know why he was here unless it was because he had received an S. O. S. signal from this one time Liberal stronghold. (Applause.)

After a vote of thanks had been extended to the chairman the meeting closed with the National Anthem.—S.

**BIRTHS**  
MUTTART—At Albany, on July 23, 1931, to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Muttart, a daughter, Elsie Elizabeth.

**MARRIAGES**  
MACLENNAN-TAYLOR—At the Baptist Parsonage, Charlottetown, July 22, 1931, by Dr. A. C. Vincent, William Henry MacLennan, of Montague, to Mary Emma Taylor, of Upton, P.E.I.

**DEATHS**  
ROSS—At Montague, July 30, 1931, Richard Sheldon Ross, infant son of Sheldon and Mrs. Ross, age 2 months and 8 days. Funeral August 1st to Montague Cemetery.

**LAWSON**—At Charlottetown, July 30th, Miss Genet R. Lawson. Funeral service at McLean Funeral Home today at 2 p. m. Interment York Cemetery.

**BASEBALL PRACTICE**  
Baseball practice for the Stars this evening at 6.30, C. A. A. Grounds.

**WESTERN GUARDIAN**  
—COME TO THE Big Dance at Sunnyside Inn, Reid's Corner, Saturday, August 1st. Square dances and waltzes. 7795

**NOTICE TO HORSEMEN**  
Horsemen occupying stalls at the Exhibition Race track, who are not entered in Exhibition Races and starting therein, are asked to please vacate stalls immediately as race horses from abroad are coming earlier to the province this year, and several stables are expected at any time now.

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# Splendid Hearing To Conservatives

## Messrs. MacDonald And McLeod Going Strong In Fourth Kings, Are Enthusiastically Received At St. Mary's Road.

Further evidence of the increasingly strong Conservative sentiment throughout the Province was given at the political meeting at St. Mary's Road on Tuesday night. Messrs. Maynard MacDonald, J. D. MacDonald and Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan being given an enthusiastic hearing.

Mr. MacDonald, the first speaker, made a clear cut statement concerning the financial records of the two past administrations showing that the Lea Government had \$360,000 a year more revenue than their predecessors, and that they borrowed \$90,000 for road machinery the first year, together with \$300,000 which they afterwards raised to half a million; and yet they increased the debt in their four years by a million dollars.

He referred to the present farce of prohibition enforcement, to the Government's extravagant road policy and its political gesture in the matter of statute labour. He dwelt on the question of education, showing the encouragement given to teachers' training under the Stewart Government and the manner in which this important department had since been neglected.

Mr. MacDonald gave a comprehensive review of the different departments of Government, giving as an instance of the extravagance of the present administration the increased expenditure at Falconwood Hospital, where, with an average of 29 patients less, in their three years, they had spent \$11,000 a year more in operating expenses.

Mr. Mont Anear, Liberal candidate, read a few extracts on roads and other things which had evidently been prepared for him. He claimed there was a 4 per cent sales tax on school books, referred to an increase of subsidy under the late Premier Farquharson and Premier Peters aggregating \$100,000 a year, and admitted that Chief Justice Mathieson, while premier, had secured a similar amount, that Hon. J. D. Stewart had added \$165,000 of new revenue, and the Saunders-Lea Government nothing.

Mr. Anear stood for several minutes silent, telling the audience that he was dazed, as he had been at a previous meeting and could not say more; but if they wanted to vote for him, he would try to do better.

### EFFECTIVE SPEECH

He was followed by Mr. MacLeod, who made a splendid speech, dealing with the finances, the increase in debt, the neglect of the Lea Government regarding education, its broken promises regarding prohibition enforcement, and then submitted a detailed comparison of the expenditures under the Stewart and Lea Governments, showing in every department of government a great increase in the expenditure of public moneys.

Mr. MacLeod also dealt in detail with every plank in the Conservative policy, explaining the purpose and importance of every clause.

Mr. John A. Campbell, who claimed to be no speaker, endeavored to imitate his leader's in sonorous denunciation of the Stewart Government. Most of his time was given to the roads. He contended that there were "only cowpaths" in the Murray Harbour district before the present Government came into power. He tried to defend the purchase of \$90,000 of road machinery over the telephone, and spent a lot of time explaining that the re-introduction of Statute Labour was absolutely necessary "at this particular time." In fact, Mr. Campbell admitted that much of the Government's legislation had been passed because it was thought to be necessary at "this particular time."

A most prejudiced appeal to the electors was made by Mr. Campbell in his contention that the farmers should "stand together" against lawyers, doctors and professional men generally. He was brought to task at once by members of the audience who said they did not get a chance to do statute labor on the roads. Mr. Campbell was also told that the small prohibition offenders went to jail while the barons of the bootleg business were allowed to go free.

Mr. Campbell endeavored to show that Dr. MacMillan was attempting to fasten a slur upon the farmers of the Province by criticising the Premier. He said the Stewart Government refused to build ferry boats in the Georgetown Dis-

trict because they had not been condemned in their time. He cited the large number of iron and steel culverts constructed by the Conservatives in their four years of power, and the long continued applause which greeted this point showed plainly the attitude of the audience and indicated a record vote for the Conservative candidates on election day.

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Dr. Grant complained that Mr. Bennett came down here "telling lies" and had not done anything since to implement his promises. His pointless remarks were continually jeered at by the audience, and he discreetly ignored the record of the Saunders Government of which he was a member.

Dr. MacMillan closed the meeting, taking Mr. MacDonald's time for rebuttal. He literally tore the remarks of Dr. Grant to pieces—and made the Doctor admit that he did not know anything about the grants to public health services under either the Stewart or the Saunders Governments. He dealt with Dr. Grant's reference to "Bennett's millionaires" by quoting the disclosures in the Beathornis scandal.

The meeting was enthusiastically in favor of the Conservative candidates, and closed in good order. Mr. Gormley, as chairman, capably presided.

### CLAIMS

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candidates, also to Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan, supporting speaker. The Liberal candidates, Messrs. Clark and McGulgan, made frantic efforts to switch the discussion to federal issues but were kept on the defensive continually with regard to the "record" of the Lea Government. Mr. Gordon Holmes spoke in their support.

In splendid form after weeks of strenuous campaigning, the Conservative speakers had facts and arguments at their finger tips and used effectively every minute of their time.

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### STRANGE EFFECT

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means had it all their own way. After Mr. Sinclair had delivered his speech, there arose Mr. H. Teber-Burgoyne, of Granville, who denounced the Lea Government road-work, lock, stock and barrel. Mr. Burgoyne cited a bridge contract for \$900 in which \$480 went for "extra work" which apparently consisted entirely of whitewashing the bridge railing. Mr. Burgoyne deftly exploded practically all Mr. Sinclair's laboured arguments, and left the mangled remnants strewn all over the platform.

Hon. Allan Stewart made his usual campaign speech, referring particularly to the legislation enacted by the Government during the past four years.

Another speaker arose in the person of Capt. E. Thomas Hiscot, of Stanley Bridge, who stated that in the sixty-five years in which he had been voting, he had never seen such corruption in highway work or such squandering of public moneys. He cited an instance where lumber which he could have supplied for \$2.75 a 100 had been supplied by a party heeler at \$3 a foot. The Captain's arguments were so convincing that the audience, though heretofore of strong Liberal leanings, showed marked indications of a determination to walk boldly into the Conservative camp.

It was generally conceded that the two doughty opponents of Messrs. Sinclair and Stewart at the Fredericton meeting had scored a tremendous success, and had proved themselves worthy of the Liberal candidates' steel.

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(Canadian Press)  
MONTREAL, Que., July 30.—Camillien Houde, leader of the Quebec Conservative Opposition, when informed that general elections in this province would be held August 24 said: "We are ready. We were under the impression that the elections would take place on August 31 but as they have been advanced a week it means we (the Conservative party) will be in power a week earlier."

He then referred to the Lea Government's bungling presentation before the Audit Board, and reviewed the public health records of the two governments. He dealt with the non-enforcement of the Prohibition Act, citing case after case. He reviewed also the Public Works Department, showing that the Stewart Government had not been asked to build boats in the Georgetown Dis-

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### MILTON SCENE

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other meetings. It would have been as well to have burned the \$3,000 spent on the Teacher's commission.

VOICE: "Better!"

"There is not a word of truth in the statement that Mr. J. D. Stewart is to accept a high salaried position," said Mr. Jenkins. "He will be Premier after August 6th and for as long a period as the people wish!" (Loud applause.)

The non-sensical argument that double the money was spent on one mile of road that the people might get some employment was shattered by Mr. Jenkins. "The workers on the roads would have got just as much money and as many men would have been employed if two miles of road had been built," he pointed out. (Applause.)

"But Mr. LePage doesn't care whether it cost \$25,000 or \$50,000 as long as he spends it."

"We judge Mr. Lea not as a Farmer, but as a Premier, and he has failed. There was not one bit of legislation put through which Mr. Stewart had not corrected first. (Applause.)"

### MR. LEPAGE HECKLED

Mr. LePage arose to a chorus of boos and groans.

He thanked the electors for their support.

VOICE: "It was a mistake."

"You have been well represented in the last four years," he shouted.

VOICE: "Oh yeah." (Laughter.)

"I want to tell Dr. MacMillan that he is not fit to take off Mr. Lea's old shoes," sneered the Government candidate.

In talking of the Stewart "Aggregation" Mr. LePage was interrupted by "There were no bogus cheques then."

The roads today, Mr. LePage said, are boulevards.

VOICE: "What about Crabbe's road?"

The laughter and gutteral remarks were so loud that Mr. LePage was forced to stop.

After a few minutes wait, he again resumed speaking.

Continuing, he declared that "Mr. Harvey MacEwen was sent down to the South at the cost of about \$1,000 to bask in the sun with the negro wenches."

The uproar which followed this insulting assertion was beyond control. Mr. LePage was called upon to take back his statement, which he refused to do. Nor would he take his seat despite the cries of "Sit Down" which lasted over five minutes.

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utes additional in which to slow down, ignoring the efforts of the chairman, His Worship, Mayor L. B. Mellish to bring him to time. His onward course was finally checked by cries from the audience of "Sit down, for heaven's sake!" "Sit down, sit down." "Time! Time!"

Mr. McIntyre, perceiving breakers ahead, hastily complied with the desires of the audience.

Chagrined, but not to be outdone, a number of the more ardent Liberal supporters arose to leave the hall, but many of the hot-headed, restrained by the magnificent oratory of Mr. McPhee, who arose for rebuttal, remained till the conclusion.

Through the meeting each candidate received a good hearing and each was warmly applauded. The masterly concluding address of Mr. McPhee was cheered to the echo time after time as he repeatedly nailed obviously incorrect contentions of his opponents. The spacious hall was filled to capacity and the best of order was maintained throughout by the impartial chairman.

### Disturbs Quiet

The meeting had proceeded quietly until Mr. McIntyre arose to speak. After telling the audience how glad he was to be present, he stated that he was amused at the speeches of the Conservatives. He endeavored to prove inconsistencies in figures given by the Conservative candidates, but had neglected to consider certain important factors. At great length he compared the record as regards Public Works of the Stewart Government with that of the Saunders-Lea administration, and to the amazement of the audience blamed the opposition in the Legislature for the extravagance of the Government. His explanation for the high cost of the pavement on Malpeque Road was a little puzzling. He stated that as the building of the road was an unemployment project it was necessary to take on more men than were needed. Often, he said, women had come into his office stating that their husbands were in the hospital, and their children were sick and "for heaven's sake give us work."

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