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MOTHER OF PARLIAMENTS THANKS THE DOMINIONS

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 18.—Lieut.-Col. Ernest J. Chambers, Chief Press Censor for Canada in his capacity of Secretary of the Canadian Branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association has received from Mr. Howard D'Emyville, at the annual meeting of the United Kingdom branch, on motion of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, seconded by the Right Hon. Herbert Samuel, Ex-Honorary Secretary, supported by Mr. Adamson, M. P., leader of the Labor Party, the following message:

"The Members of both Houses of Parliament, assembled at the annual meeting of the United Kingdom Branch, desire to convey to the members of the Association in the parliaments of the Dominions their deep admiration for the manner in which the parliaments of the Overseas Nations have provided money and material for the prosecution of the war. At the greatest crisis in the Empire's history, the legislatures of the democracies overseas have risen to a full appreciation of our common responsibilities, and the members of the association in the Mother of Parliaments desire to express to their Dominion colleagues their conviction that the sacrifices and sufferings endured for a common object will be the means of bringing about an even more complete understanding and cooperation between the parliaments of the Empire in the future."

BORDEN'S MESSAGE TO PREMIER HUGHES

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 18.—Sir Robert Borden has sent the following cablegram to Premier Hughes of Australia:

"Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 18, 1917. Hughes, Prime Minister, Melbourne, Australia:
In yesterday's election the enforcement of compulsory military service to sustain Canada's effort in the war and to provide adequate reinforcements for the Canadian army corps was directly in issue. The government has been sustained by a majority of at least 50 which will probably be increased to 60 by the soldiers' vote. The Democracy of Canada has magnificently sustained the highest test of its courage, vision and endurance. Canada has watched Australia's magnificent effort with deepest admiration and we send warmest wishes for every success in the splendid campaign now being carried on in your country to provide reinforcements for the heroic Australian forces whose wonderful achievements in the cause of liberty and civilization have brought world-wide honour and distinction to your great commonwealth."
(Signed) "BORDEN."

PRESS OPINIONS ON ELECTION

REGINA LEADER.
(Canadian Press Despatch.)
REGINA, Sask., Dec. 17.—The Regina Morning Leader, analysing the vote, draws the conclusion that, east of the Lakes, the Union Government had an adverse majority of four in the provinces; Canada, west of the Lakes, saved the day and pays a strong tribute to Hon. J. A. Calder, whom, the editorial says made Union possible and, having made it, was the prime factor in keeping it in power.

VICTORIA COLONIST.
(Canadian Press Despatch.)
VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 18.—The Colonist says: "Canada has been true to herself, to her soldiers and to civilians as well. The result of the election from whatever standpoint it is viewed, is a sweeping victory for the cause of the Union Government and the enforcement of the Military Service Act."
The Victoria Times says: "The result of the election proves that there is no wavering in this country to prosecute this war with all its might. It shows that the people who have borne the main part of the burden are determined that the sacrifices made by them shall not have been made in vain."

KINGSTON STANDARD.
(Canadian Press Despatch.)
KINGSTON, Ont., Dec. 18.—Under the heading "A Victory Election" the daily Standard today says:
"For ourselves we should like to see Premier Borden named in all English Cabinets, without a single French-Canadian in it. The French-Canadians have voted to isolate themselves."

WESTMINSTER B.C.
Returned 2 Unionist
(Canadian Press Despatch.)
VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 18.—Returns from the two Westminster constituencies revised this morning show that the two Unionist candidates were elected by large majorities. In New Westminster city, Stacey received 2,494 votes, and Ramsay, Liberal 1,318, a majority of 1,176. In Westminster district McQuarrie's majority is now placed at 9,064.

Minard's Liniment cures garglet in cows

One Laurierite For
British Columbia
(Canadian Press Despatch.)
VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 18.—It is taken as certain here today that Skeene elected a Liberal member, the only Liberal to be elected in British Columbia. The constituency of Skeene is large, and many districts are lacking, but the reports which give Skeene Liberal, a majority of at least 500 over Peck, Unionist, represent most of the larger voting centers. British Columbia's standing thus is as follows: Unionist 12, Liberals 1; defeated none; in doubt none.

Sask. Laurierite
Loses Deposit
(Canadian Press Despatch.)
REGINA, Sask., Dec. 18.—Regina seat, Cowan Unionist, final returns elected by 5,320 opposition MacBeth, loses deposit.

Woman Suffrage
In United States
(Canadian Press Despatch.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—On a test vote today, indicating sentiment in the House toward the Women Suffrage Constitutional Amendment, the suffragists polled seven more than a two-thirds vote. The question was on referring suffrage resolutions to the new Women's Suffrage Committee as the suffragists wished instead of the election committee as the anti-suffragists asked.

CONDENSED SPECIALS

THE WEATHER.
TEMPERATURE
TIDE, MOON, ETC.

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PREMIER SIR ROBERT BORDEN'S MESSAGE TO CANADIAN ELECTORS

Thanks His Native County of King's for Magnificent Support, Also the Women, the Conservatives and Liberals, the Journalists Who Closed the Door Upon the Past and United for the Honour and Safety of the Nation.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
OTTAWA, Dec. 18.—Referring to his election in King's county, Sir Robert Borden said tonight: "I deeply appreciate the magnificent support that I received in my native county from which I was absent during the whole campaign, with the exception of about twenty-four hours. To the Unionist Association, the splendid elements of the Liberal party, which stood for national unity, to the Conservative party, which rallied so strongly in the same cause and, last, but not least, to the women of the county who were most earnest in purpose and indefatigable in effort, I send my grateful thanks. I regard it

as a great honor to represent in Parliament the county to which I owe my birth and I shall give it my best service."
(Canadian Press Despatch.)
OTTAWA, Dec. 18.—In a further statement issued tonight Sir Robert Borden pays tribute to the work done in the campaign by the press. "In a statement which I gave out early this morning," the announcement reads, "I omitted to pay a well deserved tribute to the press, both Conservative and Liberal for its fine service to the Campaign just concluded. Journalists, like men in active political life, are very strongly influenced by the ties of party. In the campaign just concluded they closed the door upon the past and for the honor and safety of the nation gave their most earnest endeavor and their utmost effort in aid of former political opponents. This spirit is akin to that of Canadians who hold back the enemy beyond the seas. It signifies a clear comprehension of the higher national duty and a wide vision which looks beyond the ordinary consideration of person or party. It is well to know that among the leaders of Canadian thought there are men who can rise to the height of this great argument."

To Solve U.S. Railway Problem

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Investigation by the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee of the Interstate Commerce Commission's recommendations for solving the railroad transportation difficulties was ordered today by the Senate on motion of Senator Cummins of Iowa. The committee will meet during the recess of Congress and are instructed to report legislative recommendations.
A bill to relieve the shortage of Railroad equipment by formation of a huge corporation in which the United States would be sole stockholder, with an initial capital of \$100,000,000 that may be increased to \$500,000,000.
To immediately construct locomotives and cars and lease them to the Railroad at reasonable rates, was introduced by representatives from Wisconsin.

Railway Rebuilding Satisfactory At Halifax

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
OTTAWA, Dec. 18.—Dr. Reid, minister of Railways and Canals, received information today from Halifax that all work in connection with the railway buildings is progressing very satisfactorily, that material men are arriving quickly and that the elevator will be operating again this week. When he left on Saturday, the Hon. Dr. Reid says, trains were running regularly into the north street station.
The minister expects to have temporary houses ready for his railway men within 48 hours.

Resolution Adopted By Base Ball League

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Professional baseball is an antidote and corrective to spiritual despondency incident to the war, and should be continued, but at the same time ball players should offer themselves "unreservedly and enthusiastically to the service of the great league of allied nations." This is the view of the management of the National Baseball League. Resolutions to this effect, at the recent meeting of the National League held in this city were announced today.

Want All Of Enemy Nationality Interned

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—Requests from all parts of Nova Scotia for the internment of all persons of enemy nationality are, it is understood, being received by the government. Employees of the Eastern Car Company, New Glasgow, unofficially advised, have come out on strike until some fifty or sixty aliens employed by the company have been interned. Sir Percy Saxe-Weald has dispatched a competent officer of the Dominion police to Nova Scotia for the purpose of making investigations.

U.S. WILL NOT SEND AMBASSADOR TO PEACE CONFERENCE

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—It is assumed at the State Department that the reply of United States Ambassador Francis to the invitation of Leon Trotsky, Foreign Minister of the Bolshevik government to participate in the peace negotiations would be that he has no instructions from the American government. No instructions have been sent to Mr. Francis and it was indicated that none authorizing him to have anything to do with peace negotiations would be sent. The recurring suggestion in Europe for de facto recognition of the Bolsheviks has not been supported here and it is believed that the ambassador will be expected to do nothing in connection with the peace talks than to observe developments and report them.

GERMANS RESCUED TWO AMERICANS

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 18.—Two sailors were saved by the Germans from the American destroyer "Jacob Jones" according to an official German announcement received here today.
The "Jacob Jones" was torpedoed and sunk in the war zone on December 6th and 65 men on board were listed as missing. Survivors reported that one American who spoke German was taken away prisoner on the submarine.

Woman Suffrage In United States

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
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RAIDS REPULSED

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
LONDON, Dec. 18.—The war office reports that raiding parties attacked two of our posts in the neighborhood of Ypres. Combes Canal on Monday morning. In one case an attacking party was repulsed.

Big Fire At St. John's, Quebec

ST. JOHN'S, QUE., Dec. 15.—Fire, breaking out in the engine room of the Excelsior Straw Company on Thursday, entailed an estimated loss of \$125,000, only partially covered by insurance. The St. John's Straw Company, owned by the Canadian Bank of Commerce, was destroyed with a loss of \$40,000 in addition to the plant of the Excelsior Straw Company, the loss of which is placed at \$60,000, with \$25,000 insurance. A moving picture theatre and three or four houses at the corner of Richelieu and St. Charles streets, were also destroyed. A detachment of men from a local militia unit greatly assisted the firemen in subduing the flames.

ENTERED OUR LINES BUT WERE DRIVEN OUT

In the other the enemy succeeded in entering our post and capturing a few of our men. These men were recaptured by a counter-attack in which our troops regained the post and killed or took prisoners a number of the enemy.
Elsewhere the report is that there is the usual artillery activity by both sides.
Snow fell heavily on Sunday night and Monday.

PHILADELPHIA PITCHER ASSURED \$12,000

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 18.—Grover Alexander, the Philadelphia pitcher, who with Catcher Kilgus, was sold to the Chicago Nationals in a deal involving \$50,000, said today at a conference with President Weegham, of the Chicago Club, that he believed he is entitled to a part of the purchase price. There will be no hitch in the salary arrangements, as Alexander's contract, which does not expire for three years, calls for \$12,000 a year.

TO REDUCE INSURANCE AGENTS COMMISSIONS

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 18.—The Fire Insurance Commission sat at the parliament buildings today, Justice Macintosh presiding. Among the suggestions made by witnesses were that the commission for canvassing agents be limited to 15 per cent, instead of 20 per cent, and that restrictions be imposed in regard to issuing of licenses to agents and that there be an examination for agents. The C.F.U. proposed that a limit be fixed of 15 per cent for canvassers and brokers.
Justice Macintosh feared the C.F.U. regulations might be broadened, unless non-tariff companies fell into line.

PETERS ELECTED MAYOR OF BOSTON

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 18.—Andrew J. Peters, formerly Assistant Secretary, today was elected Mayor, defeating Mayor James H. Curley, his nearest opponent, by approximately 9,000 votes, based on unofficial poll figures. Peters, a Congressman, defeated Curley, a third and Congressman Peter F. Tague, fourth. The tickets were non-partisan.

To Hasten U.S. Shipbuilding

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Investigation of the delays in building the American merchant marine by the shipping board and emergency fleet corporation was ordered today by the Senate, which rushed through a resolution by Senator Harding of Ohio, after vigorous criticism by several Senators of the failure to produce ships.

DENIAL THAT WOMAN SPY EXECUTED IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Persistent repetition of a story that a woman spy had been executed in the United States has caused the State Department to send an official denial to American Consuls and Legation Chiefs in European neutral countries. The story originated in Germany, and its widespread use is regarded as another instance of propaganda. The name of the woman was given as Anna Huitema. Ordinarily no attention would have been paid to a story so palpably false, but in this case credence appeared to have been given to it in neutral countries.

AERONAUTIC RECORDS

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
ROME, Dec. 18.—Lieutenant Brachappa, of the Italian army, and a pilot, recently attained a height of 7,025 metres (23,048 ft.) in an Italian aeroplane mounting to this altitude in 65 minutes. This is said here to be a world's height record. On July 14, 1914, a German pilot named Oelrich attained a height of 25,756 feet the record, however, not being passed upon by the Federation Aeronautique Internationale in Paris, owing to the outbreak of the European war shortly afterwards. H. G. Hawker, an English flier, reached a height of 23,622 feet on April 22, 1915, at Hendon, England.

ROUMANIAN MINISTER IN TOKYO DIES IN TOKYO

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
TOKYO, Dec. 18.—M. Xenophon, Rumanian Minister to Japan is dead here following an operation of the kidneys. He was a distinguished lawyer who recently arrived in Tokyo to take up his post.

ANOTHER BATTLE IN THE NORTH SEA

British Destroyer, Six Merchantmen and Four Armed Trawlers Sunk by Germans, Another British Destroyer Damaged.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
LONDON, Dec. 18.—In addition to the sinking of a convoy of six merchantmen, a British destroyer and four armed trawlers, in the north sea by German naval forces, J. Macsainde, Financial Secretary of the Admiralty, announced that two neutral merchant vessels and a trawler were sunk off the Tyne on Dec. 12. He added that another trawler had been damaged and that eight men had been killed.

perched at the water line and her engines were disabled, but eventually she was brought safely to port.
The enemy then attacked the convoy sinking the six merchantmen and four armed trawlers. The entire crew of the "Lord Alveston" was saved in one of its own boats.
The casualties on the Pelew were one officer and three men killed, two wounded seriously.
A report from Kiel told of the taking there of three officers, and twenty-one men from the Partridge and of one officer and twenty-five men from the trawlers.

88 SCANDINAVIANS RESCUED.

Eighty-eight Scandinavians, two of whom are women, and ten British, were rescued by four British destroyers detached from a cruiser squadron which was hastened to the scene after attack on the convoy.
The other survivors reached Norway in boats.
The merchant vessels were being convoyed by the destroyers Partridge and Pelew. The Partridge was sunk and the Pelew was damaged.

ENQUIRY WILL BE INSTITUTED

The Partridge and the Pelew together with four armed trawlers, comprised the Anti-submarine escort of convoy. For a reason, as yet unexplained, the force which was sent to protect the convoy against surface attacks was not on the scene in time to prevent the destruction of the convoy. A court of inquiry had been appointed.

AN ENGAGEMENT

Sir Eric Geddes said that the Partridge started four enemy destroyers shortly before noon, and with the Pelew engaged them while the convoy scattered. The Partridge was hit heavily, an explosion occurred on her board, and she sank. The Pelew was

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 18.—Among the British prisoners taken in the raid on the convoy was Lieut. Grey, nephew of Viscount Grey. He was wounded.
CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 17.—The crew from the convoy's steamers saved 196 sailors.

ALLIES TOO WEAK TO WIN OFFENSIVE

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
LONDON, Dec. 16.—The military correspondent of the Times, in a detailed review of the military situation, estimates that there are now neutral German divisions on the western front and 79 on the eastern front, but that apparently all men between 19 and 35 years old are being withdrawn from the latter point for service in the west.
The writer concurs in the opinion that the Germans probably will try to settle matters in the west before Russia recovers and America is ready to deliver a decisive blow this winter or in the spring. "The Central Powers," he declares, are seriously beset by want and the exhaustion of their reserves, so that it may be necessary for them to strike very quickly. At any rate, in his view, a half million fresh fighting men must be exacted on the enemy side in the west, with a corresponding increase in guns and aircraft.
The correspondent does not think this will be sufficient to insure a victory for the Central Powers, but he argues that it must compel great efforts and speedy ones by the Allies. He points out that Great Britain can extend conscription to Ireland and raise the age limit for service to 55 years, comb the industries, and send youths of 18 to the front. By the vigorous application of all these means the Allies, in his view, can "carry on" until the Americans arrive in force. He recognizes, however, that "contentious legislation must be faced to enable such an application of effort."
The combined strength of the Allies on the western front, the writer contends, is inadequate to promise victory in an ambitious offensive, and he urges the reconsideration of ideas on distant operations, instancing Solonika, where he says there are enough men to turn the scales in France.
"It avails us nothing," adds the writer, "to occupy Jerusalem or Baghdad if we are unsuccessful in the main theatre."

LORD ROBERT CECIL BRANDS HUN UNTRUTH

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
LONDON, Dec. 16.—With reference to the German Government's statement that it had received through a neutral Government last September an enquiry in regard to its war aims an enquiry was made with the sanction of the British Government, the Daily Chronicle prints a statement from Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of Blockade, branding the whole thing as untrue.
No such enquiry was ever made with the knowledge and sanction of the Government, Lord Robert Cecil's statement declares, and adds that no secret approaches of any sort were ever made relating to German war aims.
In conclusion Lord Robert Cecil declared that the German Government's statement was untrue and a pure invention.

SIR ROBERT BORDEN GREATLY PLEASED WITH ELECTION

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
OTTAWA, Dec. 18.—Sir Robert Borden received the election news in the Senate Chamber, Quebec, Montreal. He expressed himself greatly gratified but declined to make any further announcement pending the completion of returns.

TROOPS ARRIVE SAFELY IN ENGLAND

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—It is officially announced through the chief press censor's office that the following troops have arrived safely in England:
Drafts forestry and railway construction from Windsor, London (Ontario), Brookville, Winnipeg, Forestry from Vancouver, Regina, Brookville, Quebec and Sussex, N. B.
Royal Canadian Garrison artillery from Victoria, Quebec and Halifax. Heavy and siege artillery from Charlottetown.
Infantry from British Columbia and Nova Scotia.
Army medical corps from Halifax recruits, Imperial and United States.

GREAT GERMAN DRIVE TO COME BEFORE CHRISTMAS

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
LONDON, Dec. 16.—Advices from Germany through Dutch and Swiss sources suggest that the German people rapidly are approaching a state of hysteria in expectation of a great drive on the west front which it seems is expected confidently to force France and Great Britain to make peace.
The German people apparently have been able to see enough of the immense movement of troops to the west to realize that an unprecedented effort is impending. The press has been allowed unusual freedom in dealing with the subject, some of the papers going so far as to state that France and England will be compelled soon to receive a blow from practically the entire consolidated force of Germany and Austria which is intended to crush their line and take Paris and the coast of the English channel.
Thus one blow will break France's power; the other will menace England with invasion. Knowing that the Kaiser's love of the spectacular naturally would dictate an effort to achieve a huge victory on the eve of Christmas there is a widespread belief here that he is making a great attempt to get quick results to justify holiday rejoicing in Germany.

COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

**John McQuillan & Co., will pay highest cash price for smelts. 1777-12-19M6.
**The annual meeting of the Milton Silver Patch Fox Co. will be held in the Smallwood hall on Great George Street, Charlottetown on Friday, Dec. 21st at 1.30 p. m. D. W. Howard, Sec. 1748-12-17M6.
**Reserve Wednesday evening, Dec. 19th for the bean supper at Fredericton Hall. Proceeds in aid of Red Cross. If stormy first night following. 1774.

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