



LIBERALS SCOFF AT REFERENDUM

Oregon Idea Disliked by British Radicals.

TORIES BECOME UNIT FOR IT

Representative Institutions in Peril, Says Asquith.

CHAMBERLAIN URGED MOVE

Example of Canada Cited in Favor of Irish Home Rule—First Elections Today Will Show How Public Opinion Trends.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—The few days of discussion in the general election campaign leave it clear that Liberals, as a party, will have none of a referendum on tariff reform.

The Liberal leaders, from Premier Asquith down, in their public speeches since the announcement of Mr. Balfour's resignation, have frankly deprecated the referendum as being unsuited to Great Britain and as tending to destroy the responsibility of representative institutions.

Meantime, however, further familiarity with the idea has had the effect of uniting the Unionist party and press in its favor, and Mr. Balfour's courage in adopting it is hailed as having secured for his party an excellent prospect of victory.

Chamberlain for Referendum. It is a curious fact that at the time of the rupture of the recent veto conference, an inspired statement in the Times asserted that both sides to the conference had rejected the referendum.

If that be the case, Mr. Balfour's decision must have been an afterthought, and it is asserted in well-informed quarters that he first consulted Joseph Chamberlain and obtained his acquiescence in the proceeding to shelve temporarily tariff reform by urging recourse to the referendum.

Campaigning was again in full blast tonight. Mr. Balfour said in a speech at Grimsby that he first consulted Joseph Chamberlain and obtained his acquiescence in the proceeding to shelve temporarily tariff reform by urging recourse to the referendum.

Give Ireland What Canada Has. Sir Edward Grey, the foreign minister, said in a speech at Berridge: "The greater measure of devolution is necessary to save the House of Commons from perishing by the congestion of business and to save its reputation as an imperial authority. There is nothing in John Redmond's home rule proposals which is not in full force in the Canadian province."

Mr. Birrell, Chief Secretary for Ireland, criticizing the referendum proposal in a speech at Bristol, said it would have to be accompanied by universal suffrage. There were other questions. Mr. Birrell said, besides the tariff and home rule. Were the Tories, he asked, prepared to submit to a referendum questions of the navy and army expenditure, conscription, capital punishment, the nationalization of railways and the budget?

15 Elected Unopposed. The nucleus of the New House of Commons was formed today by the unopposed nomination and consequent return of 11 Unionists and four Radicals. All were members of the last House, so there has been no transfer of seats from one party to the other.

The Unionists elected include Joseph Chamberlain, Birmingham; A. J. Balfour, City of London; George Wyndham-Doer, and J. S. Harcourt-Barnes, Liverpool, while Thomas Burt Long, the representative of the miners in Morpeth, comes back on the Liberal side.

A. A. Haworth had an unexpected walkover in South Manchester, the Unionist candidate, P. K. Glasbrook, appearing six minutes after the time for filing nominations had expired. Glasbrook explained that he thought the hours for filing nominations were from 12 to 2 o'clock, but his protest was disallowed and Haworth was declared elected.

Today's Polls Will Show Trend. Tomorrow will see 70 polls. The constituencies are so scattered throughout the United Kingdom that the results should furnish a fair index of the feeling of the country. Thirty-six of these seats formerly were held by Liberals, 16 by Unionists and eight by Laborites. In many cases the majorities were so small the verdict of last January may easily be reversed.

Political prophets are at sea, as the elections are being held on the old register, and there have been so many removals since Spring that the canvassers have been unable to trace many thousands of the voters on record. Consequently the vote probably will be smaller than heretofore.

One Unionist forecast is a net gain of 30 seats and Unionist optimists see the possibility of an anti-government landslide. However, the confidence of the Liberals in a return to power with an undiminished coalition majority is unshaken.

ORIENTAL KNOWS MADAME 'POSSUM'

SENATOR DEPEW TELLS YARN AT LOTUS CLUB FEAST.

Statesman Illustrates New Idea in Diplomacy as Best Suited to Taft Administration.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Julius F. Jusserand, Ambassador from France, was the guest of the Lotus Club tonight. In the banquet hall were 35 members of the club and a few invited guests. Among others at the speakers' table were Charmagne Tower, formerly Ambassador to Germany, and Senator Chauncey M. Depew.

The new school of diplomacy, as he conceived it, was expounded by Senator Depew, who said that the best results were obtained by frank interchange of opinion. He said Ambassador Jusserand did more by becoming a member of President Roosevelt's "tennis cabinet" than by observing the ancient formalities of a diplomat's position.

The Senator continued: "The representative of one of the Oriental countries, talking with me after President Taft was elected and before he was inaugurated, and during the time he was having that series of 'possum dinners in Georgia, made many inquiries about him. The Oriental's English was limited, but excellent as far as it went."

"I said to him, 'You have been eminently successful with President Roosevelt. Now then, as a preliminary acquaintance with his successor, I should advise you to learn to love 'possum.'"

"Oh," said the Oriental, "I have had the pleasure of meeting 'possum's wife, but I never knew him."

"Our friend, the French Ambassador, neither has to eat 'possum nor play 'possum. With Taft's alert mind, judicial judgment, and wide experience in many fields of Government activity, and especially in diplomacy, he appreciated the value of having a friendly country represented by such an ambassador as Mr. Jusserand."

COOKING SCHOOL NO JOKE

Suffragette Urges Society Women to Give Lessons to Husbands.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—It am amuses Mrs. F. P. Emery considers the matter of establishing a cooking school for men in the light of a joke. "I think it would be a splendid idea. I hope the plan will include the husbands of all classes of women as well as the suffragettes."

The society women—the women who work for church fairs, bazaars and the tagging of people for charity, even to running a streetcar for charity—their husbands should also be included.

"I have tried a few of the 'stunts' myself and know that it does not require half the 'strenuousness' and neglect of home duty to cook a ballot that it does for many of the activities in which the women of the present day indulge."

"I would like to suggest the names of some of our well known suffragettes for instructors in such a school, as among them are some of the best cooks in Spokane."

OREGON COW BRINGS \$700

W. O. Minor Gets Top Price for Shorthorn at Chicago Show.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—(Special.)—"Bright Star," a Shorthorn cow brought to the International Livestock Exposition by W. O. Minor, of Heppner, Or., was sold today for \$700. The animal is 3 years old. Mr. Minor has secured top prices for all the breed animals he brought to the show, besides winning several prizes with them.

Governor Spry, of Utah, who was expected to visit the exposition again today, did not arrive. The reception committee was informed that he had gone directly back to Utah from Kentucky.

W. A. Forbes, of Sacramento, Cal., is attending the show, with the intention of buying 300 dairy cattle to take back to his California farm. He is the proprietor of one of the largest dairies on the Coast.

AID COMES JUST TOO LATE

Man Too Weak to Grasp Line Sinks to Death—Companion Saved.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 2.—Gilbert Hagen, 49 years old, a carpenter residing in Bellingham, was drowned and his four companions narrowly escaped a similar fate in Chuckanut Bay late today when a small fishing dory in which they were riding, capsized.

The five men managed to cling to oars and the overturned boat for an hour and a half until the little cannery tender Spokane arrived. A line was thrown to Hagen but he was too weak to grasp it and sank before the tender could come alongside. Olaf Poulsen and Ernie Lind, two of those pulled out of the water, were so benumbed that they were nearly lifeless. Hagen is survived by three small children.

PEACE OVERTURES ARE MADE BY DIAZ

Agents Go to Rebels With White Flag.

PRESSURE BROUGHT TO BEAR

Outside Interests Anxious to See Mexican Revolt End.

AMMUNITION SMUGGLED IN

Loyal Guards Find Smugglers, but Latter Escape With Booty—Government's Move Is First of Kind in Thirty Years.

CHIHUAHUA, Mex., Dec. 2.—The peace commission appointed by President Diaz left here tonight to confer with the revolutionists at San Isidro. The revolutionists promised to facilitate the passage of the commission's special train, which floated a white flag. This is the first time in 30 years that the Mexican government has made such overtures.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 2.—The insurrectionary troubles in Mexico took on an entirely new and unexpected aspect here tonight when it became known that the government had made overtures of peace. The peace commission has been appointed by Diaz, according to a special dispatch from Chihuahua, and is composed of Chihuahua men, but the personnel is not given.

The explanation of this move is that foreign interests have brought strong pressure to bear on the government to end the turmoil by placating the insurgents.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 2.—It is reliably reported today that the rebels have successfully smuggled 5000 rounds of ammunition over the international line into the state of Sonora.

Mexican guards discovered the camp of the smugglers in the Sierra Madre Mountains on the East San Bernardino ranch, in San Simon Valley, two nights ago. The campers gassed fire and a brush with the line guards ensued.

Smugglers Get Away. The smugglers succeeded in getting away with the ammunition. The source of the purchase of this ammunition was traced to a Mexican named Manuel Inez, who was arrested and placed in jail at Agua Prieta, across the line from Douglas. He was later removed and taken toward Cananea or Hermosillo. Friends believe that Inez was shot on his way to prison.

Rebel sympathizers in this city charge that American line riders supply the Mexican authorities with the names of all Mexicans buying arms and ammunition on this side of the line. This list is distributed on the Mexican side, and when any of them cross over (Continued on Page 4.)

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Picture of Thieving Quadruped Arouses Gus Hager's Blush.

YANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Bluch, the bulldog belonging to Gus Hager, last night attacked a dog shown in a moving picture screen. The dog was pictured stealing provisions for his master and Bluch, who did not like this, dashed up the steps to the front of the stage and threw his body against the dog in the moving picture, barking and baying so.

The picture dog soon disappeared and Bluch walked down the aisle and lay down.

JOCKEY CLUB FUND SPENT BY BELMONT

No Record Is Kept of Thousands Gone.

WADSWORTH'S NAME INVOLVED

Money Paid to Lawyer "Recommended" by Speaker.

\$320,000 USED AT ALBANY

Metropolitan Turf Association Has No Books, Though It Still Has \$120,000 Invested—Legislators Probe Scandal.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The books of the Jockey Club, the organization that controls and sanctions horse racing throughout the United States, were produced before the joint legislative investigating committee today and showed that in 1906, 1907 and 1908 the club expended \$320,000 for legal expenses, advertising and a press bureau.

According to the books, the heaviest expenditures were in 1907, the year preceding the passage of the anti-betting bills. In that year by the anti-betting bills, the legal expenses were \$175,620. The year previous they were \$32,442, and in 1908, the year in which the Hughes legislation finally prevailed by one vote, they were \$52,500, paid out of a special fund.

Belmont Controls Fund. Frank K. Sturges, treasurer of the Jockey Club, testified that all these disbursements were at the personal direction of August Belmont, chairman of the Jockey Club, and that \$42,290 of the special fund was paid to E. P. Coyne, a lawyer recommended to the club by James W. Wadsworth, Jr., speaker of the Assembly.

The books of the Metropolitan Turf Association, composed of makers of books on the races, were not produced, as had been directed, because John J. Evans, treasurer of the association, said that none were kept. He admitted, however, that the association still has invested a fund of \$120,000.

Sturges was asked to explain the nature of the three accounts, numbers 1, 2 and 3. He replied that number 1 represented moneys spent by the Jockey Club in its own interests, that number 2 contained expenditures made in favor of other racing associations contributing to the Jockey Club, and that number 3 was for joint expenditures.

Money Paid to Lawyer. Other payments to Coyne were read from the books and the witness testified that he made them "at August Belmont's instance," and knew only that they were for legal expenses.

Received bills were produced showing that Coyne received \$42,290 in 1907 (Continued on Page 6.)

PORTLAND-EUGENE FLYER INSTALLED

NEW TRAIN TO MAKE 4-HOUR RUN TO VALLEY CITY.

Southern Pacific Puts on Evening Fast Service in Time to Aid Christmas Shoppers.

A four-hour passenger service will be established over the Southern Pacific between Portland and Eugene, beginning tomorrow evening.

A new, fast train, leaving here at 6:30 P. M., and arriving at Eugene at 10:30 P. M., will be placed in service. This will be operated in conjunction with a new train, replacing No. 14, that will leave Eugene at 6 A. M. and arrive here at 11 A. M.

The effect will be that of giving the people of Eugene and intermediate points an opportunity of leaving their homes at a convenient hour in the morning, arriving in Portland in time to do a day's business and return to their homes at no unreasonable hour of the night.

But six stops are provided in the new southbound schedule. They are at East Morrison street, Oregon City, Woodburn, Salem, Albany and Junction City. With the inauguration of this service the equipment will consist of three day coaches and a baggage car, provided with all the modern conveniences of the standard Southern Pacific trains.

This is the first four-hour service ever attempted between Portland and Eugene on a local train. Being placed on the schedule at this time, the new train will be a great convenience to Valley people who desire to do their Christmas shopping in Portland.

Heretofore, travelers were required to wait here until 8 o'clock in the evening, and did not arrive in Eugene until 2 o'clock the following morning. In time it is expected that the northbound train corresponding to the four-hour "flyer" will have its time similarly reduced.

GREATER BERLIN PROPOSED

City With Suburbs Annexed Would Have 3,500,000 Persons.

BERLIN, Dec. 2.—The Prussian government has drawn up a bill compelling Berlin and the suburban municipalities to combine on a great Berlin. The population of the metropolitan area is nearly 3,500,000.

The measure provides for an administration of the greater city, similar to that of the London County Council, the authority of which would be confined to matters of transportation, a supervisory control over building plans and the acquisition of suburban lands for a permanent forest and meadow girdle about the whole.

The Council would have 100 members, about one-third of whom would be elected from the City of Berlin proper, with three-fifths of the total population. This apportionment is designed, probably, to limit the Socialist influence.

The capital has long been vainly negotiating for a greater municipal organization.

PIOUS STUDENT IS DUCKED

California Sophomores Resent Prevention of Annual "Beer Bust."

BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Willard W. Beatty, of 2302 Clay street, a San Francisco member of the sophomore class of the State University, was ducked in the famous "Chem pond" on the campus, as a result of his active work in prohibiting the annual "beer bust" which was recently scheduled to take place and was prevented by city authorities.

The "wets," who are thought to have administered the ducking, seized Beatty while he was on his way to a sorority dance in evening dress. He was hustled into the baptismal pool and as he rose to the surface was poked back three times. Friends of the moistened student are said to be much incensed over the matter and threaten to bring it to the attention of the students' affairs committee.

RUSSIAN DIES, AGED 106

Man Who Saw Napoleon Was Not Harmed by Drink or Tobacco.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Joseph Zeitlin, a Russian, who died in Brooklyn today, was 106 years old. He spent most of his time in Moscow and said he saw Napoleon when he invaded Russia in 1812. He smoked and drank and said it did not hurt him.

WOULD-BE RESCUER DIES

Traction Superintendent Electrocuted Vainly Trying to Save Youth.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Dec. 2.—In a heroic but unsuccessful attempt today to save the life of Frank Hahn, aged 18 years, Lewis Rowan, assistant superintendent of the Schuylkill Valley Traction Company, was electrocuted in the company's powerhouse here, together with the youth.

MUFFLER PUT ON GOTHAM

Flat Wheels, New Auto Horns and Other Noises Barred.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Police Commissioner Crosey has decreed that New York must be a noiseless town and today issued an order for the police to put a hush on "flatwheeled" trolley cars, new fangled automobile horns and other disturbers of the city's quiet.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TO SPEND MILLION

Huge Work Announced by J. P. O'Brien.

PLANS ARE FULLY PREPARED

Both East and West Side to Have Many Improvements.

SHOPS WILL BE REBUILT

New Bridge Over Willamette Makes New West Side Roundhouse at Once Imperative—Work to Be Done in 13 Months.

Improvements including the erection of a new roundhouse on the West Side of the river, the erection of a new roundhouse, repair shops and other modern buildings on the East Side and involving an aggregate expenditure of \$1,000,000 are planned by the Southern Pacific for this city for the next 13 months.

The building of the West Side roundhouse is the most urgent need of the company and this work probably will be started early in the new year. The west approach of the new O. R. & N. bridge will interfere with the present roundhouse to such an extent that much of it will have to be torn away. While contemplating a way out of this difficulty Southern Pacific officials decided to build a new structure entirely.

The present roundhouse is old and not up to the modern standard of similar buildings in use by the company in other cities. It has been in use virtually since the road was built into Portland. It is no longer large enough to accommodate all of the engines in the local yards and those running out of Portland. The need of a new structure has been apparent for some time. The building of the bridge has brought the situation to a point that necessitates immediate action.

Location Not Selected. "We have not yet selected the location for our new building," said J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman lines here yesterday, "but it will be somewhere near the old one. As the work on the new bridge proceeds it brings us nearer the time when the structure will have to be built. We have not yet completed plans or decided definitely what will be done, but it is certain that another roundhouse has been apparent for some time within the next year."

Plans for the East Side improvements have not progressed so far as have those for the West Side. However, it is believed that definite announcement regarding this work soon will be made.

The present East Side shops are inadequate to accommodate the ever increasing amount of work that has to be done there. Some of the men are required to do their work out of doors. More than 250 men now are employed there but with increased facilities sufficient work would be brought here to allow an additional number to find employment.

Several years ago plans for complete new shops, involving a cost of more than \$1,000,000 were drawn, but only one building was erected when the work was ordered to stop. Since then nothing has been done.

Mr. O'Brien again has recommended the improvement, but it has not been officially authorized.

NEW PLANS ARE EXTENSIVE

Yesterday new plans, including many of the improvements provided for in the former scheme, were submitted to him. A number of additional facilities are covered in the new arrangement, the whole calling for an expenditure that may approximate the amount originally appropriated. Mr. O'Brien has the new plans under consideration and if they meet with his approval, will ask that they be adopted.

"We need a new plant on the East Side as well as the new roundhouse on the West Side," said Mr. O'Brien, after looking over the drawings. "The company contemplates making this improvement, but it has not yet authorized the expenditure. I hope to receive a favorable report on these recommendations so that we can arrange to start work at once."

The Southern Pacific Company owns a 40-acre tract on the East Side, only a small portion of which is covered by the present plant. This is large enough to accommodate all the new work contemplated.

CONVOY ASKED FOR CHART

Owner Will Lend Revered Relic, if Battleships Will Guard.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—If the United States will send a convoy of battleships to escort the chart from Germany to this country, the first map on which the word "America" appears may be brought across the Atlantic.

The offer to permit the document to be brought here has been made to President Taft by representatives of the owners of the historic document, which rests in Castle Wolfegg, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany. Great honor should be paid to the venerable document, the owner thinks, including the convoy of a squadron of battleships. The map was made in 1492 and was discovered recently.

Advertisement for 'THE RAINBOW'S END' featuring a 'BANK BOOK' and 'WILL N. WORKER' with the text 'OPPORTUNITY FOR SETTLERS' and 'OREGON'.