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Premier Oliver to Run in Both Delta and Victoria

PREMIER FIRST NOMINATED AT ENTHUSIASTIC CONVENTION AT VICTORIA ON MONDAY NIGHT—HON. JOHN HART, DR. HALL AND MR. CLEARHUE OTHER VICTORIA NOMINEES.

(Special to Citizen.)

VICTORIA, Nov. 8.—Premier Oliver will run in two constituencies, Delta and Victoria. At an enthusiastic Liberal convention here on Monday night the Premier's nomination was first and unanimous.

Hon. John Hart, minister of finance; Dr. Hall and Mr. Clearhue were also nominated.

W. W. B. McInnis is an independent candidate in Comox.

The entire Liberal cabinet will hold a great Liberal rally in Vancouver on Tuesday night.

Mr. Frank Cooper is another citizen of Prince George in bygone days who has returned here to settle down, convinced that this city is commencing to "arrive." Mr. Cooper has been in Alaska for the past five years. He returned here this week and intends to stay.

DISTRICT'S FINAL COUNT IN LIQUOR PLEBISCITE

Returning Officer Peters and Staff Completed Long Task Today.

The final count in the Fort George constituency's plebiscite returns was completed Friday by Returning Officer Peters and his assistants, after three days' hard work with the ballots.

The final figures are as follows: For Prohibition, 379. For Moderation, 988. Rejected ballots, 47. The absentee vote showed a total of 202, of which 40 were for Prohibition, 144 for Moderation, and 18 rejected, but this vote was compiled in the preceding total.

A man named Nick Mrdall was convicted recently on a charge of selling liquor. He was fined \$300 and paid the fine.

SENATOR SHATFORD DIED AT VANCOUVER YESTERDAY

Seized With Paralytic Stroke on Sunday and Died in Hospital Yesterday.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 8.—Seized with a paralytic stroke on Sunday morning, Senator L. W. Shatford died at the Vancouver General hospital at noon on Monday. He was taken ill while dressing at his residence on Davie street, and when medical help arrived he was partially conscious but unable to speak.

Senator Shatford was a resident of British Columbia for thirty years. For fourteen years he sat as a member of the Legislature, representing Similkameen. On his retirement from the Legislature he was appointed Senator in 1917. Since that date he has been a business partner of H. H. Stevens, M.P. He leaves four children, Miss Vera, who is now taking an art course in New York, Reginald, who is at McGill University, Fred, a student at University School, Victoria, and Gerald, a pupil at the Vancouver public schools.

PREMIER AND HIS WIFE TAKE AEROPLANE TRIPS

Prime Minister Meighen and Mrs. Meighen Both Take Flights in B. C. Seaplane.

BLACKIE, Nov. 8.—The Prime Minister, who remained for the week end at Kamloops, with Mrs. Meighen, spent half an hour on Saturday up in the air, being piloted by Major McLaurin in the Government seaplane 4000 feet above the lake, and he thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Both the Premier and Mrs. Meighen have now taken flights in the seaplane and have had a practical demonstration of the utility of these machines in surveying the vast timber limits of British Columbia. It is likely that an observation station will be established at Kamloops, while the one which has been operated at Morley during the past summer, where land machines have been used, will be moved to Calgary next year.

Other members of the party travelling with the Premier spent the week-end at Banff and Calgary.

"BOTH ROTTEN EGGS," BUT CHOOSES BOWSER

"Fighting Joe" Martin Is Independent Candidate—Terse Critic of Situation.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 8.—W. R. Ross, former minister of lands, is back from Fernie. He announces he will not be a candidate there, and it is unlikely if he will run in any other constituency.

Joe Martin, independent candidate in Vancouver, in an address criticising both parties, said, "Both are rotten eggs, but if I must choose, I favor Bowser."

MIWORTH SETTLER IS DROWNED IN NECHACO

E. Thompson Drowns at Miworth on Friday Last—On Way to Prince George.

The provincial police have received the report of the drowning of a settler named E. Thompson, at Miworth on Friday last. Thompson was last seen early in the morning by Mr. Bracy, of Miworth. He was going in the direction of the river and stated that he was going to Prince George in his boat. While walking in the direction of the station Bracy heard cries for help, and on rushing to the river he saw the boat upside down but no signs of Thompson. The provincial police are investigating with the hope of finding the body.

Mr. Thompson was a returned man, very well thought of in the city and throughout the district, in which he had been an early settler.

COMMISSION HAS NOT YET DECIDED STATION SITE

Citizen Receives Wire Stating Matter Has Not Yet Been Gone Into by Board.

In reply to a Citizen telegram requesting information on the matter of the station site from the Railway Commission at Ottawa, the following reply was received this morning:

"Have not had time to go into Prince George station question since returning from western trip a week ago. F. B. Carvell, Chairman, Railway Commission.

John S. Ross Comes Out As Independent Candidate

FARMER OF FORT FRASER FOR NINE YEARS, ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDACY—FORMERLY A PRESBYTERIAN MINISTER—HAS GOOD SPORTING CHANCE IN ELECTION.

CANADA'S GREAT FUTURE IN COMMERCIAL AVIATION

Sir A. Whitten Brown, of Trans-Atlantic Flight, Gives His Views in Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 8.—"There is a great future for commercial aviation in Canada in the near future," said Sir Arthur Whitten Brown, a hero of the trans-Atlantic airplane flight, who crossed with the late Sir John Alcock, in summarizing his opinions of the possibilities in aviation on this side. Sir Arthur is here on his way to China, accompanied by L. H. Duff, who has business interests there.

Sir Arthur will address the Canadian Club on Thursday. "Possibilities of trans-Canada air service strikes me as being extremely feasible, though I favor a dirigible for this. Also, an aeroplane has to keep moving all the time, but an airship can hover. A forced landing in the Rockies in winter would be attended for an aeroplane with almost certain disaster."

Asked if he was interested in the possibilities of a flight across the Pacific, he answered: "Very much indeed." He added that he thought it could be done, but not with an aeroplane, which suggestion has been made, and which he rejected as impossible. With an airship it could be done, and he stated that he expected to see the feat accomplished in the near future.

At the eleventh hour an independent candidate has come out in this riding in the person of Mr. John S. Ross, a farmer candidate from Fort Fraser, and an ex-minister of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Ross has been a farmer in the Fort Fraser district for the past nine years. His name has been suggested in certain quarters as a possible independent candidate. He points out that of the 2940 names on the voters' list in the riding, 1443 are those registered as farmers or farmers' wives. On this fact Mr. Ross largely bases his hopes of a successful campaign.

A manifesto which Mr. Ross is submitting to the electorate deals with his views on the political problems of this district. A synopsis of this will appear in the next issue.

Owing to the uncertainty of party politics in the present time of restless opinion, Mr. Ross stands a fair chance of success in the campaign unless either of the old parties produce unexpected inducements in soliciting support, in the nature of definite proposals of development undertakings which promise employment and "good times."

BIG MASQUERADE DANCE ON THURSDAY NIGHT

A masquerade dance under the auspices of the I. O. D. E. will be held in the Ritts-Kifer Hall on Thursday evening next.

Thiel Detectives Clean Up Prince George Bootleggers

NUMBER OF CASES PENDING AGAINST BOOTLEGGERS OF THE CITY—TWO HAVE ALREADY PLEADED GUILTY—OPERATIVES IN TOWN FOR PAST TWO WEEKS—TRIALS TOMORROW.

Brought in to clean up the bootleggers of the city, two Thiel Detective Agency operatives landed in the city some two weeks ago to secure evidence for the municipality against these places, which it is not easy for the local police to secure.

Two cases have already been brought before the magistrate's court. One, against a woman of Chinatown, who was fined \$300 and costs for selling, and another case against Michael Serbinoff, who paid over \$325 and costs. Both pleaded guilty.

Six cases are remanded until tomorrow at 10.30. The Thiel operatives will then give their testimony against the accused, which will be interesting in so far as it will show how transactions between the bootleggers and their customers are conducted.

The conduct of these cases is expected to reveal some surprising conditions. So far as can be learned, in all cases the offenders appear for the first time. In cases where second offenders appear for selling liquor, jail sentences are imposed without the option of a fine.

130 Candidates for 46 Seats ---And Still They Come

PROVINCE HAS MANY POLITICAL ASPIRANTS TO DATE AND NOMINATIONS NOT YET COMPLETED—NOMINEES INCLUDE SOLDIERS, FARMERS, LABOR, INDEPENDENTS AND A RENT-PAYER.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 8.—Fully 130 candidates are in the field for the 46 seats in the Legislature, and nominations are not yet completed. Wednesday will decide the actual number. Soldiers, Farmers, Labor and Independents are crowding the list, and in Vancouver one of its 30 candidates is the nominee of rent-payers, who are seeking Government control of rentals, houses and apartments.

Premier Oliver and Hon. Dr. J. H. King reached Vancouver from Nelson after their tour of the Kootenay. They proceeded to Victoria to attend a meeting of the cabinet on Tuesday. At Victoria tonight (Monday) the Liberal ticket will be selected. A Nelson dispatch intimates that Premier Oliver will be a candidate in Victoria. This may be true, but it is a change from the programme talked of during last week. Hon. John Hart, Dr. Hall and Mr. George Bell, three members of the last Legislature, wish to run again, and it was intended to suggest a returned soldier for the fourth member of the ticket. There has been, however, a demand that the Premier run there as well as in Delta, and it is possible that he will be tendered the unanimous nomination. For the Premier to run in two places is not unusual, the late Sir Richard McBride some years ago was a candidate in both Dewdney and Victoria, and was victorious in both constituencies. There are, already, 19 in the field in Victoria, besides the Liberal ticket. Alderman Todd is the latest independent to appear.

H. C. Helgeson, of Metchosin, is

the Liberal candidate in Esquimalt against R. H. Pooley, Conservative. Mr. Helgeson is a returned veteran and son of the former member for that riding.

The week-end cleared up a number of uncertainties in suburban centres. Major Martyn received an official nomination in Dewdney, and as the chairman of the convention turned out to be Mr. Maxwell Smith, it would seem unlikely that the former chairman of the Land Settlement Board will make good his threat to be an independent candidate. Major Martyn returned to Victoria today to resign as head of the Board of Industries. It will be a three-cornered fight in Dewdney. J. A. Catherwood, for years Reeve of Mission, is the Conservative candidate, and Dr. W. J. Curry, of Vancouver, is announced by the Federated Labor Party.

The biggest riding in the province, Fort George, promises to be the scene of one of the hottest fights in the campaign. It is considered a Conservative stronghold. There was keen competition for the Tory nomination. Mr. Samuel Cocker, who finally won out, is a farmer residing near Vanderhoof. He held the western end of the riding for his party in 1916 and is strongly supported by farmers. Mayor Perry, the Liberal candidate, is now serving his third term as chief magistrate of Prince George, and has been prominent in politics since coming to the district nine years ago. The review adds that McInnis is supporting Perry.

Mr. Bowser is now on a tour of Kootenay and Okanagan districts.

President Wilson Prepares Last Message to Congress

TO BE DELIVERED AT FINAL SESSION OF 66th CONGRESS, BEGINNING DECEMBER 6—NO INTIMATION AS TO REFERENCE TO TREATY—HE IS CONSIDERED A TRAGIC FIGURE.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—President Wilson is preparing his final message to Congress. The message is to be delivered to the final session of the 66th Congress, which begins

on December 6. The President has not told anyone whether he will mention the treaty and the treaty covenant in the message.



WOODROW WILSON

London opinion says that although Harding's stand on the League of Nations is just as well understood here as in America, there are some important officials of the British government who look for the re-entry of the United States into European affairs. They say that the Republicans were originally the expansionists of the United States and

believe that a policy of isolation, which was preached on behalf of the Republicans by some leaders during the campaign, was preached merely for political effect.

President Wilson is generally conceded one of the most tragic figures of contemporary history, his downfall being compared in some respects to that of the kaiser.