

LLOYD GEORGE BIG ISSUE IN ELECTION

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PARTY LINES SHATTERED

Personal Popularity Greatest Asset of Premier—Favors League of Nations

By the Associated Press

London, Nov. 15.—The issue in the coming election is whether the country will endorse Lloyd George's proposal that the present coalition government, with him as Premier, shall be continued after the war for the work of making peace and carrying on the labor of reconstruction.

Never before were British political conditions as chaotic as they are today. The war has shattered old party lines.

The electoral reform bill adopted by Parliament during the summer of 1917 virtually doubled the number of voters. It gave the ballot to all women over thirty, men over twenty-one, and all those who served in the armed forces, 4,000,000 females and 2,000,000 males in the voting lists. How the women will vote and what parties the soldiers will support now can be predicted.

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The prospect of planning the country by the excited and untried voters of an election at such a time as the present has brought strong opposition. On the other hand the lead life of the present House of Commons is almost at its end, and it has extended its own term of office from term to term by resolutions. This has been an informal arrangement which would have been broken up except that it has the support of public opinion, because no one wanted an election during the great war.



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ENGLAND TO KEEP PRESENT WAGE LEVEL

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Herbert H. Asquith, leader of the Liberal party, while Lloyd George is a free trader, he is not a free trader in the sense that he is not in favor of any party, or party funds behind him. He wishes to continue the political peace which all parties declared at the beginning of the war and trust the electorate to elect the leader who won the war to attract votes.

Liberal Party May Split

The program of his followers is apparently to nominate Lloyd George as Liberal in all districts where the regular Liberal candidates will not follow the Premier's platform. If this is carried out it means a split in the Liberal party, which will have to decide whether the Lloyd Georgeans or the Asquithians control it. How many candidates the Liberal party will nominate and how many votes it will muster is an uncertain element.

So far as Ireland is concerned the election probably means the almost certain disappearance of the old Nationalist party of Redmond and Dillon from Westminster. The Sinn Feiners are expected to sweep southern Ireland, but the majority elected by the Sinn Feiners always refused to take their seats.

In addition to trying to hold together his Conservative and Liberal supporters, Mr. Lloyd George is trying to keep the Asquith faction. Mr. Asquith would have had a high seat in the present cabinet if he would have accepted it. There were two obstacles, however, home rule and protection of the Conservatives will not have and the other is objected to by the Liberals.

Law Has Coalition Program. Mr. Lloyd George addressed a large group of Liberal members from both houses of Parliament on Tuesday. Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, also presented the coalition program at a meeting of Conservatives. This program is said to include "safeguarding" agriculture and essential manufactures, industrial preference and home rule with reservation of the six counties of Ulster.

Mr. Lloyd George's speech before the Liberals advocated a league of nations and emphasized the need of national unity. He begged the Liberals not to split. Limited protection and half-way home rule do not satisfy the aspirations of either party. The greatest asset of Mr. Lloyd George is his personal popularity.

A proclamation will be issued on November 25 summoning the new Parliament. Nominations will be made on December 4 and the voting will take place on December 14.

On the eve of the new elections the alignment of the parties is about as follows: Liberals, 261; Unionists, 285; Nationalists, 76; Laborists, 29; Independents, 1.

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Anglo-Saxons Must Unite to Rebuild World Born of Strife

WAR'S DANGER GROWS

League Should Police and Ration Continent, American Editors Hear

By the Associated Press

London, Nov. 15.—Premier Lloyd George last night entertained a party of American editors on behalf of the Government. Addressing the guests, he said that the greatest and most fearful fact of the great war had been the coming together of Europe and America.

Some Principles, Same Ideas. "America has become a more responsible world with Europe for the new order of things. America and Great Britain are joined in the same great principles and ideals. Their close cooperation has been the greatest guarantee for the future peaceful development of the world."

When the great American Republic joined in the struggle it was not only with material resources, but with all that moral re-education which came from the splendid spirit and moral enthusiasm of President Wilson, speaking on behalf of the people of the United States. He saw the great vision of a league of nations, and one man's vision may mean the saving of Europe for the future of the world.

Position in France. "The position is tragic in the extreme. A whole world order is passing away. There is danger of France going too far and giving Europe a rebuff from which she will not recover for generations. The evil has been done by the League of Nations, but it is not too late to prevent it during the immediate transition period the present level of wages, due to the high cost of living, should be maintained for at least a period of six months."

PARIS FOR PEACE MEETINGS

Premier to Act Soon on Session and Food Problem

Paris, Nov. 15.—It is probable that the first meeting of the Peace Congress will be held after the English Parliamentary elections, and at a time which will give ample opportunity for the American and other delegates to arrive. A meeting to be held shortly of the interallied conference will finally determine the details of these questions.

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The Shoe for You

Advertisement for shoes featuring a picture of a shoe and text: "You fellows who are a bit cranky about the appearance of your feet, just drop in and see this 'peppery' model; it's just the neatest, trimmest-looking shoe of the season, built of ultra-quality Cordovan leather and exclusive with us. You'd pay at least \$12 elsewhere. Here only \$8."

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