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## EXPECTED STATES WILL CO-OPERATE WITH THIS DOMINION; EXPERIENCED OFFICERS MAY BE LOANED REPUBLIC

Ottawa Heard of Developments at Washington With Great Satisfaction; American Aviators May Be Trained in Canada; Assistance With Financial Burden of Allies Will Be Most Valuable

Ottawa, April 3.—While official expressions of opinion naturally will be withheld until the actual entry of the United States into the war on the side of the Allies, the practical decision of that country to do so has been received with genuine pleasure here. The big news from Washington, added to the good news from the front, has created the hope that the duration of the war may be appreciably shortened. Hope is expressed here that once war is declared by the United States, there will be considerable co-operation between the Canadians and that country. Many of the restrictions hitherto imposed by the United States as a neutral nation will be removed. It is considered likely that a considerable number of Canadian officers with overseas experience will be loaned to the United States for training purposes.

That the probability of raids against Canada being engineered by pro-Germans in the States will be lessened rather than increased by the entry of the United States into the war is a view held in some quarters, while in others there is a tendency to think the danger of raids will be greater than it has been in the past.

Was Expected.  
Ottawa, April 3.—The entrance of the United States into the war on the side of the Entente Powers has already been discounted in Government circles here and will not affect Canada's military programs to any degree.

It will be at least six months before an effective United States military force could be sent forward, and many here hope that by that time such a force will not be needed. Not having an experienced army in the field, American soldiers will have to await the mobilization and training of an army before they can reach the scene of hostilities, unless they enter Canadian or British regiments.

Here it is believed that for some months the only effective assistance the United States can render the Allies' cause is to share the financial burden with Great Britain. Loans to such allies as Belgium and Serbia would aid and also would be a good investment for the United States. It is hoped that the financial assistance will be subsidies, not loans.

The Naval Department expects that the American fleet will take over considerable of the patrol duty on this side of the North Atlantic.

War-Hardened Officers.  
It is understood that the services of experienced Canadian officers will be offered to the United States to assist in training the American army in modern warfare. There are many such officers who cannot return to the rigors of trench warfare but who are physically strong enough to assist and advise in training.

It is very probable that American aviators may be trained at the big aviation plant at Camp Borden until the United States can establish one of its own. This aviation school will be ready within a few weeks and can accommodate 3,000 men.

Since the outbreak of war there has been a constant fear that the pro-German element in the United States might engineer raids into Canada. The entrance of the United States into the war, it is thought, will not increase this danger. In any event the Government is, and has been, prepared to meet such, if they should materialize, but none are expected.

## COURSE IS CLEAR, DECLARES MR. TAFT

Americans Would Be Recrueant to Duty Should They Fail Their President

New Haven, Conn., April 3.—Former President W. H. Taft, in a statement to-day commenting on the President's message to Congress last night, said: "The President's message is an admirable setting out of the causes that must lead the United States into a declaration of war. It is a great historical state paper.

"Its approval of universal compulsory service and of a close practical alliance with Britain, France and Russia in overcoming Prussian militarism shows the President's determination that the country, when in war, shall wage it effectively. The Entente Powers now are fighting our battles as well as the battles of our progress, and we should be recreant to every principle of honor and decency were we to fail to subscribe to the President's policy in a firm union in this war with France, Britain, Russia, Italy and their allies."

## BRITISH PAPERS WELCOME STATES

Matter of Great Satisfaction to Allies to Be Joined by Republic

London, April 3.—Under the heading "Brothers in Arms," the Pall Mall Gazette says to-day of President Wilson's speech in the American Congress last night:

"The President frames the issue in a setting calculated to stir the deepest emotions of the American people. The Russian revolution enables him to commend it to them as a conflict between the virtues of democracy and the crimes of autocracy.

"The United States enters the war without reservations. Her action will be welcomed both for the substantial aid which she will bring and for the community of spirit which she will further among the free nations of the world. It is a great satisfaction to be joined thus with the nation carrying so much of our blood in a crusade worthy of its best traditions and ours."

Will Find Out.  
The Globe says: "German statesmen have scornfully affected to regard the entrance of the United States as negligible. We can safely leave them to find out their mistake. In the meantime we are content to stand shoulder to shoulder with the land of the free in the greatest battle for freedom the world has ever seen."

A Mad Act.  
In a long editorial, the Evening Standard says: "The German Government has done a very mad thing in forcing the United States into the ranks of its enemies."

The paper argues that until yesterday Germany could have secured a continuation of peace with the United States by abandoning her unrestricted submarine warfare, in as much as "the strong pacifist element in the United States would have overruled the wiser party which recognizes Prussia as the enemy of mankind who must be disabled if the world is to enjoy peace." The Standard then says that Germany, in bringing the crushing material and moral forces of the great republic against her, was acting on only two possible theories: "First, that Germany contemplates a surrender, and that her pride demands that she surrender only to the whole world, or secondly, that it means a desperate attack of all on the chance of starving Britain by her submarine campaign."

## MORE FOR GERMANY THAN UNITED STATES

Albany, N. Y., April 3.—Mayor John Purroy Mitchell, of New York City, declared in the Senate to-day that while he did not use the exact language that formed the basis for the Senate's summoning him before it to answer a charge of publishing "a false and malicious report" concerning the legislative conduct of Senator Robert F. Wagner, of New York, he did say that "it would appear that Mr. Wagner was working more in the interests of Germany than in the interests of the United States."

EARLY GRADUATION AT WEST POINT ACADEMY FOR ARMY OF STATES  
Washington, April 3.—The first class of the United States military academy at West Point will be graduated last night instead of in June, according to an announcement made to-day by Secretary Baker.

## PRECAUTIONS TAKEN BY THE AUTHORITIES IN NEW YORK TO-DAY

New York, April 3.—Every policeman in New York not on active patrol reported this morning for reserve duty. The force of customs guards at the piers where the German merchantmen have been tied up since the beginning of the war, was increased to-day from 400 to 700.

LIVED IN VERNON.  
London, April 3.—Captain Arthur Haldans-Steedman, of the Cameronians, who has died of wounds, was in Vernon, B. C., from 1910 to 1915.

## AN AMERICAN ARMY OF 1,200,000 AT ONCE; CALLING UP OF 500,000 TO BE FOLLOWED BY OTHER CALLS SHORTLY

Washington, April 3.—The definite plans of the War Department are waiting to go forward to Congress when it is ready to receive them.

The first element of the plan, President Wilson already has disclosed. It is the assembling of 500,000 men under a universal service system as an addition to the regular army and National Guards. This would provide a total war strength force of 1,200,000. It is assumed that coincident with the calling out of the new army, orders to recruit the regulars and Guardsmen to full strength will go out.

Army officers believe that the 500,000 is the maximum they can undertake to train at once. When the work has proceeded for a few months, however, an additional 500,000 could be called out to be followed at intervals of a few months by other similar increments until a total army of the desired size had been mustered.

The training of the first half million will tax the personnel and machinery of the regular army to the limit. Even with provisional lists of officers and the reserve corps to call upon there will be a shortage of training personnel. The units of the regular army, it is said, will be vitally necessary to carry the work forward. For that reason the suggestion that an expeditionary force be sent to carry the flag into France as a symbol "that the United States is definitely and finally aligned against Germany in the world war met a cold reception to-day among officers of the General Staff.

National Guards.  
There is much uncertainty as to the use to which the National Guards are to be put under the new plan. The Guards form the greatest reserve from which officers for the new federal forces could be drawn. With more than 60,000 Guardsmen now on police duty, however, and the number assigned to this work under federal direction being increased every day, it was suggested that the full strength of the state forces might be required for protection of property within the United States.

Council of Defence.  
The Council of National Defence and its civilian advisory committee were in special session at the War Department to-day, at work on plans for immediate mobilization of the national resources and energies for war with Germany.

Reports have been current for some time that additional Cabinet members might be appointed to direct such work in co-operation with the Council. It has been said that a secretary of munitions and a secretary of transportation might be created.

Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, chairman of the advisory committee, and Howard E. Coffin, of Detroit, commissioner in charge of munitions preparations, have been suggested as Cabinet possibilities.

To Camps.  
San Antonio, April 3.—Brig-General Pershing to-day authorized the announcement that orders will be issued this afternoon directing the National Guard troops called out in the southern department to proceed to state mobilization camps immediately.

## PEACE HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON WERE PAINTED WITH YELLOW

Washington, April 3.—A soldier of the National Guard of the Third District of Columbia Infantry, backed by a party of citizens, covered the front of the headquarters of the Emergency Peace Federation here with a coat of yellow paint to-day while another party of citizens destroyed pacifist banners and literature inside.

## NORMAL CONDITIONS IN SPAIN ONCE MORE

Washington, April 3.—Conditions in Spain have become normal again. A dispatch from the Spanish Foreign Office to Ambassador Riano here to-day said: "Normal conditions have been re-established at Valladolid and two shops have been re-opened for the railway workmen there. Absolute tranquility prevails throughout Spain."

## GERMANY AND ALLIES WANT PEACE MEETING WHILE FIGHT GOES ON

Berlin, April 3.—The proposal of Count von Czernin, the Austrian Foreign Minister, that a peace conference be held by the belligerents without requiring the cessation of hostilities apparently represents the attitude of all the Central Governments. Count Czernin's proposal not only was sanctioned by Austria and her allies, but will be formally approved shortly at a conference of high personages at Berlin representing the several countries.

## ARTILLERY ACTIONS IN THE CHAMPAGNE

Violent Engagements Reported by Paris; Patrol Encounters Near Ailette

## SIX MACHINE GUNS CAPTURED YESTERDAY

Paris, April 3.—Violent artillery engagements are in progress in the Champagne. The War Office issued the following report this afternoon: "From the Somme to the Aisne there were intermittent artillery actions. Patrol encounters took place north and south of the Ailette River. We captured six machine guns during the fighting yesterday in the region of Vauxaillon.

## ALLOTMENTS WILL BE MADE TO-MORROW

Ottawa Busy on War Loan; Interest on Soldiers' Withheld Pay  
Ottawa, April 3.—Sir Thomas White, the Minister of Finance, expects to be in a position to make the war loan allotments to-morrow. The tabulating of the large number of subscriptions received has been keeping the staff of the Department of Finance busy even at night. Some of the chief officials worked throughout the whole of last night.

As compared with the previous loans, a much larger share of the subscriptions was received after the closing of the issue. For several days the Department was almost submerged with subscriptions received throughout the Dominion during the last couple of days the lists were open.

The total amount of the subscriptions received will be known to-morrow.

Interest for Soldiers.  
Official announcement was made to-day that interest at the rate of 5 per cent. will be credited every six months upon the withheld pay of the soldiers of the Canadian Expeditionary Forces. On the recommendation of the Minister of Finance, an order-in-council has been passed providing for this in the future. Under an existing order-in-council 50 per cent. of the pay of each private and non-commissioned officer is withheld from those who have not made an assignment of their pay, the amount so withheld to be paid to the men on the termination of their engagement on their return to Canada, or if discharged in England, to be paid on their discharge there. The money remains with the Government, and as Sir Thomas White feels that it is worth five per cent. to the Government, the soldiers will be allowed this rate of interest.

## PROBLEMS CABINET OF STATES FACES

Raising of Money, Raising of Army and Destruction of Submarines  
Washington, April 3.—As the cabinet assembled this afternoon members said that the three most pressing problems facing the Government were: The raising of sufficient money to finance war operations and extend credits to the Entente Powers; the raising of a large army, and the provision of adequate means of fighting the German submarines.

In addition to these matters the Cabinet took up questions of industrial preparedness already considered thoroughly by the Council of National Defence.

The position of this Government, as authoritatively outlined to-day, is that the best move toward peace which can be made by the German Government is the establishment of universal suffrage in the German Empire and the creation of a ministry responsible to the people rather than to the Kaiser. Government officials here consider it inconceivable that the United States could enter into a peace conference such as previously outlined by Germany unless there was some assurance first that any agreements made would be adhered to.

## WASHINGTON EXPECTS VOTE ON RESOLUTION BEFORE END OF WEEK

House and Senate Will Take it Up To-morrow; Continuous Sessions of Senate Until it is Passed; Espionage and Universal Training Bills

Washington, April 3.—The adjournment of the Senate to-day was marked by a stormy scene in which Senator LaFollette, by objection, forced consideration of the war resolution over until to-morrow and Democratic Leader Martin then forced an adjournment to cut off LaFollette.

Senators of the Democratic steering committee decided later to hold continuous sessions beginning to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock to put the war resolution through. Senators of the committee at once began to round up supporters for the plan of their own party and also the Republican side, and were hopeful that by holding continuous sessions they could reach a vote on the war resolution on Friday.

Consideration of the Administration's resolution by the House Foreign Affairs Committee was postponed until to-morrow.

## ROOSEVELT PLEASSED WITH WILSON'S ACT

Called to Congratulate President; Pacifists Continue Activities in Washington  
Washington, April 3.—Colonel Roosevelt stopped off here to-day on his way home from Florida to call on President Wilson at the White House and congratulate him on his address to Congress.

Col. Roosevelt went to the main door of the executive mansion, where he learned that the President had gone over to his office. He told the chief usher he was in town only between trains and wished to congratulate the President on "his great state paper."

The pacifists.  
Pacifist delegations here to-day turned their energies toward trying to persuade Senators and Representatives from voting for the state of war resolution asked for by the President. They also began a campaign apparently designed to prevent enlistments in the army and navy. Petitions were circulated by persons calling themselves representatives of a No-Enlistment League.

The disorders of yesterday, including several fist fights and small riots at the headquarters of the Emergency Peace Federation on Pennsylvania Avenue, resulted to-day in the disappearance of many of the arm bands and body banners worn by the pacifists. Some freely admitted that they had dispensed with their insignias through fear of being attacked. The few "keep-out-of-war" arm bands that appeared on the streets drew from passing pedestrians and the drivers of vehicles jeers, hoots and hisses.

Their Influence.  
The pacifists began their day by calling at the headquarters of the Emergency Peace Federation and asking for instructions. They were told to go to the Capitol and see their respective Senators and Representatives. "Try to persuade them not to vote for war," was the word that was passed.

The pacifists held a meeting this afternoon and later will send a delegation to see President Wilson.

## FLOUR INTERESTS HEARD BY HON. ROBERT ROGERS

London, April 3.—Hon. Robert Rogers received to-day a deputation representing the Ogilvie, Western Canada, Maple Leaf, Lake of the Woods and St. Lawrence flour interests, which urged the securing of additional means of ocean transport of flour and also made representations on the color test of flour imposed by the British Board of Agriculture, which they consider presses unduly on the Canadian mills.

Mr. Rogers also talked with representatives of the French Government who are considering the purchase of a large quantity of Canadian lumber for delivery after the war.

## WILHELM'S CONSORT SELLS HER JEWELS

Amsterdam, April 3.—A Berlin dispatch to the Cologne Gazette says that the German Empress has sent her private jewels to a neutral country to be sold. The jewels are valued at a large sum.

## RHODE ISLAND IS FOLLOWING WILSON

Providence, R. I., April 3.—The Assembly to-day adopted a resolution pledging to President Wilson the "resources of the state in men and money for the service of the nation and for most effective action for our common defence."

## VILLISTAS EXECUTED

Juarez, Mex., April 3.—Sixty-five Villa followers were executed in the Chihuahua City cemetery yesterday by order of General Francisco Margla, refugees arriving from the state capital said to-day. These refugees said the number of Villa sympathizers and followers who were hanged following the battle of last Friday numbered more than 200, including two Villa generals.

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### SIX PLOTTERS FOUND GUILTY AT NEW YORK

New York, April 3.—Six Germans were convicted by a jury in the Federal District Court here yesterday afternoon of conspiracy to destroy steamships carrying food and munitions from this port for the Entente Powers by means of incendiary bombs.

The men found guilty are Captain van Kleis, of Hoboken, a chemist; Karl Schmidt, chief engineer of the German steamer Friedrich der Grosse; Ernest Becker, Frederick Karhade, Wilhelm Parades and George Pradel, all assistant engineers of the same vessel. The jury was out fifty minutes.

The men will be sentenced on Friday.

### PEOPLE OF FINLAND WILL HAVE LIBERTY

Washington, April 3.—The Finland Senate, now in session, is reported by American Minister Morris, at Stockholm, to have offered liberty to the Finnish people.

Ambassador Francis, at Petrograd, reports that the new Russian Ministry is optimistic over the general situation, which is declared very good.

### BRITISH HURL ENEMY FROM MORE POSITIONS

Take Number of Villages; Move Forward Southeast of Arras

London, April 3.—The following official report was issued last night:

"We made substantial progress to-day against a number of points along the front of our advance. Northeast of Arras our troops this morning carried the villages of Francilly-Seneilly, Senency and Holme, capturing 22 prisoners and 4 field guns. We are now within two miles of St. Quentin.

"St. Quentin wood, Villehelles and Bihcourt also have been taken by us, and posts have been established at Templeux-le-Querard, northeast of Roisel, and the Auxilette farm, two miles east of Hesbecourt.

"We also attacked and captured early this morning on a front of about ten miles a series of strongly held trenches forming part of the enemy's advanced line of defence between the Bapaume-Cambrai road and Arras. By this operation, in which the enemy offered determined resistance and suffered heavy casualties, we captured the villages of Doignies, Louverval, Noreuil, Longatte, Ecoust-St. Mein and Croisilles, and took 120 prisoners.

"An attempted counter-attack was broken up by our artillery fire.

"We carried out a successful raid during the night east of Ypres and secured a few prisoners.

"One hostile aeroplane was brought down yesterday in the air fighting. One of our machines is missing."

### French Report

Paris, April 3.—The War Office gave out the following report last night:

"Between the Somme and the Oise the artillery fighting was particularly violent in the sector of Caestre-Coutercourt. North of the Afflette River we advanced in the course of the day in the region of Landriencourt. The day was quiet everywhere else.

"A German aeroplane was brought down in the region of Rembersville."

A Belgian communication said:

"During the night there was bomb fighting in the region of Steenstraete. The day was marked by intermittent bombardments at various points along the line."

### SAYS EVERY OUNCE OF EFFORT MUST BE USED

Borden Speaks at Luncheon Tendered Overseas Delegates in London

London, April 3.—Sir Robert Borden, Hon. J. D. Hazen, Hon. Robert Rogers, Lieut.-General Smuts and the other overseas delegates to the Imperial Conference were tendered a luncheon yesterday in the House of Commons by the Empire Parliamentary Association, the Colonial Secretary presiding.

"A little more than 20 months has elapsed since I last addressed you," said Sir Robert Borden. "We had some realization, but hardly an adequate conception even then of the tremendous task still before us. In these islands you have risen splendidly to the need, while the Dominions also have striven to do their part. I then reminded you that 350,000 men had joined the colors from the overseas nations of the Empire. I can tell you to-day that no less than 1,000,000 men in the Dominions have taken up arms for the Empire.

"The Canadian forces in Europe then numbered 74,000. I am proud to tell you to-day that Canada has sent more than 225,000 men, and our total enlistments exceeds 400,000. In the Canadian force alone more than 300,000 men have left the shores of the Dominion. Their achievements under the sternest tests have been splendidly worthy of the traditions which have been their heritage.

"This is not the time nor is it the occasion to dwell upon the phase of the war since my last visit. The most recent had its inception the first of last February in the enemy's attempt to starve into submission the people of these islands by the ruthless sinking of all ships entering the wide ocean area around the British Isles. I am wholly confident that this attempt will fail, but I am equally confident that to insure such failure the people of the Empire, and especially of these islands, must realize that the peril is a substantial one. It must be met with a spirit which will not shrink from time-by-time self-sacrifice.

"I speak in no despondent mood, but as one disposed to face the realities. The enemy is staking everything upon this last throw of the dice. All his energies are being concentrated upon this year's campaign. Whether on land or sea, any flagging of our spirit or lack of effort, disastrous at any time, would be fatal now. Consider any sacrifice or self-denial, however stern which may be imposed on those at home. How do these compare with the privations and danger, the sufferings, and too often the supreme sacrifice of those who hold the lines, in France and elsewhere? If any of us should chance to be despondent, let him go for confidence to the men in the trenches. If for a moment he lacks heart, let him go to the wounded in the hospitals for courage. If we seek a standard for the nation's spirit, let us remember the discipline and heroism of the men who lined up on the deck of the Tyndarus when she was sinking.

"The German people are fighting with desperation under the belief engendered by a military autocracy that we seek to crush Germany and terminate her national existence. No such purpose was or could be in the minds of the British people. It is impossible to crush in that sense a nation of 70,000,000 people. Germany at the beginning of the war was the most powerful military state in the world. That is what we have been battling against, and that is what we will defeat."

### GAIN IN MESOPOTAMIA

London, April 3.—British troops in Mesopotamia on March 31 occupied the town of Dely Abbas, according to a report issued last night. Dely Abbas is 15 miles southwest of Kist Robat.

### CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, April 3.—The following casualties have been announced:

**Infantry.**

Killed in action—Sergt. Edward Whittick, Quebec; Pte. L. Hillington, Ottawa. Previously reported wounded and missing; now killed in action—Pte. H. Rainey, Cookstown, Ont.; Pte. J. Hatherly, River Street, N. S.; Pte. D. McCready, Scotland.

Previously reported missing; now reported killed in action—Pte. A. C. Blake, Dryden, Ont.; Cpl. D. Miller, Scotland; Pte. G. M. Mickle, St. Catharines, Ont.; Lieut. H. R. Gordon, Toronto; Pte. A. Young, Regina; Pte. L. Nicholson, Milltown, Ont.; Pte. R. Douglas, Nassau, N. Y.

Previously reported dangerously wounded; now died of wounds—Pte. M. Gerrard, Spry Harbor, N. S.; Pte. N. M. Prang, Auburn, Ont.; Pte. D. Scott, Scotland.

Died of wounds—Capt. R. G. Vincent, England; Pte. J. Kurak, Russia.

Dangerously ill—Pte. A. G. Roche, Craik, Sask.; Pte. A. Macgregor, Scotland; Pte. H. Jamieson, Toronto; Pte. H. S. Ryan, Truro, N. S.; Pte. E. J. Clay, Montreal; Pte. H. O. Smith, Ottawa; Pte. H. Garlay, Espanville, Ont.

Reported wounded—Capt. B. Simpson, Montreal; Pte. A. Hammisson, Sherwood, Ont.; Pte. D. Mitchell, Perth, Ont.; Pte. G. H. Cooke, St. Thomas, Ont.; Pte. H. Brown, Toronto; Pte. K. G. Hutchison, Pincher Creek, Alta.; Cpl. H. J. Bennett, Winnipeg; Pte. G. A. Blake, Toronto; Pte. K. H. Fraser, Merrill, Mass.; Pte. F. Whitechurch, Ingersoll, Ont.; Pte. W. Oliver, Scotland; Pte. J. F. Wilson, Ireland; Pte. I. G. Felton, England; Pte. F. J. Wyers, Campbellton, N. B.; Pte. B. Gale, Cambridge, Mass.; Pte. J. F. Jones, Canada; Pte. R. Lockhart, Victoria, N. B.; Sergt. J. Barclay, Winnipeg; Pte. T. H. Hache, St. John, N. B.; Pte. H. Himmer, England; Pte. T. H. Rock, Vancouver; Pte. H. G. Ransom, England; Pte. A. Dohy, Vancouver; Cpl. D. Thomson, St. Catharines, Ont.; Pte. K. Thomas, Balkan States; Pte. Angus Stevenson, Bracebridge, Ont.; Pte. J. R. Short, St. John, N. B.; Pte. O. O'Brien, Winnipeg; Pte. W. S. Johnston, Chilliwack, B. C.; Pte. L. Walker, Vancouver; Pte. A. McAulay, Chapeau, Ont.; Pte. R. Gladstone, New Westminster, B. C.; Pte. M. C. Cordy, Glace Bay, N. S.

Previously reported missing; now officially reported prisoner of war—Pte. Wm. Fairlie, Scotland.

**Artillery.**

Seriously ill—Gnr. J. Brookes, Barric, Ont.; Gnr. F. H. Horne, London, Ont.

Wounded—Gnr. A. W. Twiner, Toronto; Gnr. A. M. Luke, Catham, N. B.; Gnr. J. A. Davey, Cleveland, Ohio; Lieut. E. G. Brown, Ottawa; Lieut. L. D. McCintock, Quebec.

**Mounted Rifles.**

Previously reported missing; now for official purposes presumed to have died—Cpl. H. Stoshan, England; Pte. H. D. Selmon, Edmonton; Pte. H. A. Memhourque, Halifax; Pte. A. D. Ashdown, Toronto; Lieut. H. H. Bourne, Vancouver.

Seriously ill—Pte. M. Dafeo, Clinton, Ont.; Cpl. Theo. Roberts, New Zealand.

Reported wounded—Pte. J. J. Critchley, Winnipeg; Lieut. P. E. Arnold, Toronto.

**Services.**

Reported wounded—Pte. D. Pack, Carn-duff, Sask.

### BATTLE IN PALESTINE WAS GREAT SUCCESS

Official Description of Manner in Which British Routed Turks

London, April 3.—The following account of the recent battle in Palestine in which British forces routed a Turkish force of 20,000 was given out here officially last evening:

"A further report from the commander-in-chief in Egypt describing the action south of Gaza, dated April 1, follows:

"The primary object was to seize Wady Ghuzeh to cover the advance of our infantry. Wady was occupied without a fight, and advanced troops pushed forward toward Gaza. It appeared to Lieut.-Gen. Sir Chas. Dobell, in command, that the enemy might retire without fighting, and to force them to stand he decided to attempt to capture Gaza by a coup-de-main.

"On the morning of the 26th a dense fog delayed operations, and it was not possible to attack the Gaza position until late in the afternoon, when the enemy first line trenches were captured and more than 700 prisoners were taken. The German commander, von Kress, meanwhile moved up three columns toward Gaza to support his troops. These columns were admirably delayed by our mounted troops and armored cars and heavy losses were inflicted upon the enemy at slight cost to ourselves. The commander and staff of the 53rd Division were captured during this fighting.

Repulsed Everywhere.

"The time during which the operation could be carried out was limited by the supply of water available for the troops, the infantry being dependent upon what they could carry with them. Owing to delay by the morning fog the supply of water with the troops proved insufficient to allow the attack to be continued, and our troops took up a defensive position from a point just south of Gaza toward Wady Ghuzeh. This position was attacked on the 27th by the Turks, who were repulsed everywhere with heavy losses, our camel corps completely defeating the Turkish cavalry divisions.

"On the next day our infantry was withdrawn to Wady Ghuzeh, our cavalry remaining in contact with the enemy's main position. The enemy showing no desire to resume the offensive, our troops remained in occupation of Wady Ghuzeh.

"The enemy's total casualties are estimated by the commander-in-chief to be 8,000. We captured 950 prisoners and two Austrian howitzers. Our total killed amounted to fewer than 400. Some small parties of our men, totalling fewer than 200, who are believed to have fought their way into Gaza and been cut off, are missing."

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### J. MARTIN REBUKED BY BONAR LAW IN HOUSE

For Asking About Attendance of Overseas Representatives in London

London, April 3.—Joseph Martin, member of the House of Commons for East St. Paneras, was rebuked in the House last night by Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law for asking critical questions concerning the attendance of overseas representatives at the Imperial Conference.

Mr. Martin is a Canadian who but lately has returned from Vancouver, and in politics is a Radical. Mr. Martin asked the Prime Minister last night if he could state how much longer the representatives of Canada at the Imperial Conference would be kept away from home, where "they are much needed at the present time in connection with the prosecution of the war and other important business."

Bonar Law answered for the Prime Minister. The Chancellor of the Exchequer said that this did not seem a proper question to put to the Government, at whose invitation the representatives of the Dominions are now in London attending the Imperial War Council.

A member then asked Mr. Martin: "Why don't you go back to British Columbia?"

Mr. Martin, again rising, asked: "Is the right honorable gentleman aware that the Canadian Prime Minister and other representatives are here not because the Canadian people want it but because the Imperial Government invited them?"

Bonar Law: "No, I am not aware of that fact. I think there is plenty of scope for the members of this House to criticize their own Government and leave the Dominions' Governments alone."

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### AMERICAN WORKERS IN BELGIUM GO TO PARIS

Berne, April 3.—Seven members of the Belgian Relief Commission who have arrived ahead of Minister Whitlock and other Americans will leave to-day for Paris. The party consists of Tracey S. Keetredge, Alfred C. D. Fletcher, Charles M. Leeks, Thomas Smith, Arthur Maurice, Philip P. Potte and Robert Mareville.

Mr. Whitlock, who is expected to-morrow, will be accompanied by about 50 Americans, including his staff and consular officials.

### SAID TO HAVE MADE THREAT AGAINST WILSON

Camden, N. J., April 3.—Adolph E. W. Simmons, of Woodbine, N. J., said to be a German, was held yesterday afternoon under \$20,000 bail for a further hearing on Wednesday on a charge of threatening the life of President Wilson.

BY GERMAN AGENTS.

El Paso, April 3.—A total of 12,742 more Mexicans crossed the international bridge here during the past fourteen days than returned to Mexico, according to official reports received by government agents. The unusual number of Mexicans, a majority of whom were men, has caused an investigation of reports that Mexicans were being sent to El Paso and the border from the interior of Mexico by German agents.

### FEMALE POLICE JUDGE.

Kansas City, Mo., April 3.—Mrs. Roxana Hlaylock was elected police judge of De Soto, Kas., near here, at yesterday's election. She had her opponent, a man, by 10 votes, but was the only member of the women's ticket to be elected, men being named as mayor and councilmen.

### TOWN RUN BY WOMEN.

Valley Centre, Kas., April 3.—This city will be governed by women for the next two years. The men's ticket for mayor and councilmen at yesterday's election, according to a count made to-day, was defeated by the women by a large majority. The new mayor is Miss Avis Francis.

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R. C. Treherne Gives Illuminating Address on Effect of Environment

At the regular meeting of the Natural History Society held last night at the Girls' Central School, the president, A. F. Sherwood, in the chair, the principal matter of interest was a paper by R. C. Treherne, secretary of the B. C. Entomological Society, on "The Coloration of Insects."

## CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA POUND NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 3rd day of April, 1917, at the City Pound, Chambers Street, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, I shall sell at public auction the following animal, viz., one bay gelding, with white star on forehead and little white on both hind feet, unless the said animal is redeemed and the pound charges paid at, or before, the time of sale.

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Notice is hereby given that the Sewer Assessment Roll for the year 1917 has been filed at the Treasurer's Office, Esquimalt, and may be inspected. Any person dissatisfied with his assessment as shown on the Roll may file a petition against such assessment with the undersigned not later than May 1, 1917. Petitions will be considered and determined by the Council at the Municipal Hall on Wednesday, May 2, 1917, at 10 a. m. Esquimalt, B. C., March 29, 1917. G. H. PULLEN, C. M. C.

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# GERMAN GOVERNMENT'S LAWLESSNESS LEFT MR. WILSON NO COURSE BUT TO ASK CONGRESS FOR A DECLARATION

President of United States Requested Both Houses Last Night to Declare a State of War Existing, and to Make Every Provision for Bringing Berlin Government to Terms and Ending the War

Washington, April 3.—President Wilson last night asked Congress to declare a state of war existing between the United States and Germany.

He said war with Germany would involve practical co-operation with the governments at war with Germany, including liberal financial credits. He urged the raising of 500,000 men and universal military service. He made it clear that no action was being taken against the Austrian Government and the other nations allied with Germany.

President Wilson said in part: "The present German submarine warfare against commerce is a warfare against mankind. It is a war against all nations. American ships have been sunk, American lives taken, in ways which it has striven up very deeply to learn of, but the ships and people of other neutral and friendly nations have been sunk and overwhelmed in the waters in the same way. There has been no discrimination. The challenge is to all mankind. Each nation must decide for itself how it will meet it. The choice we make for ourselves must be made with a moderation of counsel and temperateness of judgment befitting our character and our motives as a nation. We must not be excited by the victorious assertion of the physical might of the nation, but only the vindication of right, of human right, of which we are only a single champion.

Submarines Outlaws. "When I addressed Congress on February 26 last, I thought it would suffice to assert our neutral rights with arms—our right to use the seas against unlawful interference, our right to keep our people safe against unlawful violence. But armed neutrality, it now appears, is impracticable. Because submarines are in effect outlaws when used as the German submarines have been used against merchant shipping it is impossible to defend ships against their attacks as the law of nations has assumed that merchantmen would defend themselves against privateers or cruisers, visible craft giving chase upon the open sea. It is common practice in such circumstances—grim necessity indeed—to endeavor to destroy them before they have shown their own intention. They must be dealt with upon sight if dealt with at all.

"The German Government denies the right of neutrals to arm at all within the areas of the sea which it has prescribed, even in the defence of their rights, which no modern publicist has ever before questioned their right to defend. The intimation is conveyed that the armed guards which we have placed on our merchant ships will be treated as beyond the pale of the law and subject to be dealt with as pirates would be. Armed neutrality is ineffectual enough at best; in such circumstances and in the face of such pretensions it is worse than ineffectual; it is likely at once to produce what it was meant to prevent; it is practically certain to draw us into the war without either the rights or the effectiveness of belligerents.

No Submission. "There is one choice we cannot make, we are incapable of making. We will not choose the path of submission and suffer the most sacred rights of our nation and our people to be ignored or violated. The wrongs against which we now array ourselves are not common wrongs; they cut to the very roots of human life.

"With a profound sense of the solemn and even tragical character of the step I am taking, and of the grave responsibilities which it involves, but in unhesitating obedience to what I deem my duty, I advise that Congress declare the recent course of the Imperial German Government to be in fact nothing less than war against the Government and people of the United States; that it formally accept the status of belligerency which has thus been thrust upon us, and that it take immediate steps not only to put the country in a more thorough state of defence, but also to exert all its power and employ all its resources to bring the Government of the German Empire to terms and end the war.

Necessary Steps. "What this will involve is clear. It will involve the utmost practicable co-operation in council and action with the Governments at war with Germany, and, as incidental to that, the extension to those Government of the most liberal financial credits in order that our resources may so far as possible be added to theirs. It will involve organization and mobilization of all the material resources of the country to supply the materials of war and serve the incidental needs of the nation in the most abundant and yet the most economical and efficient way possible. It will involve the immediate full equipment of the navy in all respects, but particularly in supplying it with the best means of dealing with the enemy's submarines. It will involve the immediate addition to the armed forces of the United States already provided for in case of war of at least 500,000 men, who should, in my opinion, be chosen upon the principle of universal liability to service, and also the authorization of subsequent additional increments of equal force so soon as they may be needed and can be handled in training.

Adequate Credits. "It will involve, also, of course, the granting of adequate credits to the Government, sustained, I hope so far

that have happened within the last few weeks in Russia? Russia was known by those who knew best to have been always in fact democratic at heart, in all the vital habits of her thought, in all the intimate relationships of her people that spoke their natural instinct, their habitual attitude towards life.

"The autocracy that crowned the summit of her political structure, being as it had stood and as she has stood the reality of its power, was not in fact Russian in origin, character or purpose; and now it has been shaken off and the great, generous Russian people have been added in their native majesty and might to the forces that are fighting for freedom in the world, for justice and for peace. Here is a fit partner for a league of honor.

"One of the things that has served to convince me that the Prussian autocracy was not, and could never be a friend is that from the very outset of the present war it has filled our unsuspecting communities, and even our offices of government, with spies and set criminal intrigues everywhere afoot against our national unity of council, our peace within and without, our industries and our commerce.

Before the War. "Indeed it is now evident that its spies were here even before the war began; and it unhappily is not a matter of conjecture, but a fact proved in our courts of justice, that the intrigues which have more than once come perilously near to disturbing the peace and dislocating the industries of the country have been carried on by the instigation, with the support and even under the personal direction of official agents of the Imperial Government accredited to the Government of the United States.

"In carrying out the measures by which these things are to be accomplished, we should keep constantly in mind the wisdom of interfering as little as possible in our own preparation and in the equipment of our own military forces, with the duty—for it will be a very practical duty—of supplying the nations already at war with Germany with the materials which they can obtain only from us or by our assistance. They are in the field, and we should help them in every way to be effective there.

"I shall take the liberty of suggesting, through the several executive departments of the Government, for the consideration of your committee measures for the accomplishment of such objects as I have mentioned.

Motives. "While we do these things, these deeply momentous things, let us be very clear and make very clear to all the world what our motives and our objects are. My own thought has not been driven from its habitual and normal course by the unhappy events of the last two months, and I do not believe that the thought of the nation has been altered or clouded by them. I have exactly the same things in mind now that I had in mind when I addressed the Senate on the 22nd of January last; the same that I had in mind when I addressed Congress on the 3rd of February and on the 26th of February. Our object now, as then, is to vindicate the principle of peace and justice in the life of the world as against selfish and autocratic power and to set up amongst the really free and self-governed peoples of the world such a concert of purpose and of action as will henceforth insure the observance of those principles.

Last of Neutrality. "Neutrality is no longer feasible or desirable where the peace of the world is involved and the freedom of its peoples, and the menace to that freedom lies in the existence of autocratic governments backed by organized force, which is controlled wholly by their will, not by the will of their people. We have seen the last of neutrality in such circumstances.

"We have no quarrel with the German people. We have no feeling towards them but one of sympathy and friendship. It was not upon their impulse that their Government acted in entering the war. It was not with their previous knowledge or approval. It was a war determined upon as war used to be determined upon in the old, unhappy days when peoples were nowhere consulted by their rulers and wars were provoked and waged in the interest of dynasties or of little groups of ambitious men who were accustomed to use their fellowmen as pawns and tools.

Jinkers' Schemes. "Self-governed nations do not fill their neighbor states with spies or set the course of intrigue to bring about some critical posture of affairs, which will give them an opportunity to strike and make conquest. Such designs can be successfully worked only under cover and where no one has the right to ask questions.

"Cunningly contrived plans of deception or aggression, carried, it may be, from generation to generation, can be worked out and kept from the light only within the privacy of courts or behind the carefully guarded confidence of a narrow and privileged class. They are happily impossible where public opinion commands and insists upon full information concerning the nation's affairs.

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patience and forbearance which would otherwise have been impossible. We shall, happily, still have an opportunity to prove that friendship in our daily attitude and actions towards the millions of men and women of German birth and native sympathy who live amongst us and share our life, and we shall be proud to prove it towards all who are in fact loyal to their neighbors and to the Government in the hour of test. They are, most of them, as true and loyal Americans as if they had never known any other fealty or allegiance. They will be prompt to stand with us in rebuking and reprimanding the few who may be of a different mind and purpose. If there should be disloyalty, it will be dealt with with a firm hand of stern repression; but if it lifts its head at all it will lift it only here and there and without countenance except from a lawless and malignant few.

Nearest Their Hearts. "It is a distressing and oppressive duty, gentlemen in Congress, I have performed in thus addressing you. There are, it may be, many moments of fiery trial and sacrifice ahead of us. It is a fearful thing to lead this great peaceful country into war, into the most terrible and disastrous of all wars, civilization itself seeming to be in the balance. But the right is more precious than peace, and we shall fight for the things which we have always nearest our hearts—democracy, for the right of those who submit to authority to have a voice in their own Government, for the rights and liberties of small nations, for a universal dominion of right by such a concert of free peoples as shall bring peace and safety to all nations, and make the world itself at last free. To such a task we can dedicate our lives and our fortunes, everything that we are and everything that we have, with the pride of those who know that the day has come when the United States of America has prepared to shed her blood and her might for the principles that gave her birth and happiness and the peace which she has treasured. God helping her, she can do no other."

A Resolution. "Immediately after the President had left the Capitol, the Senate and House reconvened and an identical joint resolution was introduced in both Houses. The resolution follows: "Joint resolution declaring that a state of war exists between the Im-

perial German Government and the Government and people of the United States, and making provision to prosecute the same.

"Whereas the recent acts of the Imperial German Government are acts of war against the Government and people of the United States;

"Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, that the state of war between the United States and the Imperial German Government which has thus been thrust upon the United States is hereby formally declared; and,

"That the President be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to take immediate steps not only to put the country in a thorough state of defence, but also to exert all of its power and employ all of its resources to carry on war against the Imperial German Government and to bring the conflict to a successful termination."

The resolution was referred to the Foreign Affairs committee by both Houses, and they adjourned until today.

BOMBARDED HOSPITAL. Paris, April 3.—An official report is issued last night said: "Macedonian front—On April 1 there was an event of importance on the Macedonian front. Enemy aviators bombarded the hospital at Ekizion, behind our front. This is the fifth time in one month that the enemy has attacked our sanitary formations, which have been very clearly indicated to those aviators by the Red Cross. Among the victims were 29 Bulgarian prisoners."





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THE U. S. AT WAR

The State of War which President Wilson last night asked Congress to declare and for which a joint resolution was promptly introduced in both Houses calls for positive action against Germany

The United States thus intervenes in the great conflict between civilization and barbarism. It will do all that lies within its means to assist the Entente Powers to bring Prussian militarism to its knees

German leaders have professed open contempt for the United States as a prospective belligerent, but if they actually feel that way they exhibit another clear symptom of paralysis

The economic factors, particularly in respect of cost, have become more and more vital to the warring powers as the conflict has gone on

tain would agree to a compromise peace rather than risk financial ruin. The intervention of the United States, however, will relieve the situation for Great Britain and France at once

Apart, however, from the inestimable assistance their new ally will bring, the Entente Powers will welcome American intervention with the utmost enthusiasm, for it is an assurance that the last great neutral shares their ideals and aspirations, and knowing Prussianism for what it is, is ready to share the burden to the end that this blight upon civilization shall be wiped out

TO THE BITTER END

There is an element in Germany which cherishes the idea that the intervention of the United States against the Teutonic alliance would be a desirable thing because it would import into a peace conference a moderating influence upon the Entente attitude

It has taken the United States nearly three years to realize the real character and aims of the powers with which the Entente states are at war. In that period the republic has suffered the most outrageous violation of its rights with unexampled patience

Let there be no mistake about that. We have only to read President Wilson's arraignment of those responsible for Germany's policy to understand what the United States will fight for and demand

Fifty years ago the Union fought five long years the most terrible kind of war for the vindication of an ideal. It was a long time after the guns of Fort Sumter reverberated around the world before the country was thoroughly roused to the danger which threatened it

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AUSTRIA-HUNGARY SEETHING

One of the American newspaper correspondents who accompanied former Ambassador Gerard from Germany says that while danger of revolution does not yet menace the Hohenzollerns, it is a very definite possibility, if not a probability, in Austria

Ever since the death of Emperor Franz Josef the Dual Monarchy has been split. The young Emperor, fearing Germany, and having his army and navy completely under the orders of the German General Staff, is pulled from the pillar of discontent within his own country to the post of Germany

A correspondent objects to our calling the late Czar of all the Russias Nicholas Romanoff and maintains that it is not true he was kicked off the throne. "To say the least," the critic continues, the late ruler "is and was always a gentleman, a soldier and an exemplary father"

Contributors to the New York Tribune criticize a recent editorial comparing Germany to a rattlesnake. They say The Tribune owes an apology to the snake, because the rattler always warns its assailant before striking

Prussianism is primitive savagery which always overdoes what it sets its hand to do. Thus in Northern France the Hun, in order to be "thorough" and "efficient" in destroying things, cut down all the trees in the districts he was about to abandon and left them lying there

A GREATER GERMAN WITHDRAWAL NEAR

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here a crisis is close at hand and little more progress on the part of the French is to be expected if the German position, which we have come to call the Hindenburg line, is to be held

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President Wilson practically said the same thing of the Hohenzollerns as Henry Watterson did, but he said it in a different way and occupied more time and space in doing it

While congratulating the Attorney-General on his able speech we would point out that the diatribe of the leader of the Opposition is not deserving of serious attention

Indignant citizens of Washington painted the headquarters of the Pacific's a lurid yellow. "Gumshoe Bill" Stone may be similarly decorated if he continues his obstructive tactics in obedience to the behests of his Hun masters

Some one calls Hindenburg the nail-pierced hero of Germany. If his line is pierced, as the chances are it will be, Hindenburg probably will be known as the nail-punctured hero of an exploded autocracy that dreamt it could dominate the world

The "efficient" German at last has succeeded in aligning every first-class power on earth against him. The suggestion that the momentum of such a mass could be interrupted by a peace conference is a Hun joke

Bro. Bryan will be deeply pained because of the manner in which President Wilson nailed the Prussian beast to a cross which is not a "cross of gold"

The Kaiser has gained his "place in the sun." But it is not precisely the kind of place he anticipated

President Wilson has taken the plunge, and the splash thereof could be heard even in Germany

CARRANZA THINKS THE EUROPEAN WAR SHOULD BE ENDED

Mexico City, April 2.—The Mexican Government to-day sent an announcement to Ecuador and Columbia that it accepted the proposal of Ecuador for a meeting in Montevideo of American nations to decide on a common policy with the object of bringing the European war to an end

Ecuador suggested last February that delegates from the republics of North, South and Central America assemble to consider a policy to guarantee the rights of neutrality, and if possible to alleviate the rigors of the war or to shorten it

It is too early yet to conclude that a general German retreat is likely, but every indication in the last three days points toward an extension of the German retirement on a vast scale and to the consequent shortening of the line in the west by at least 50 miles between Lille and Verdun

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FUMIGATION BEGAN IN SCHOOLS TO-DAY

Epidemic of Measles Has Had Remarkable Run; Attempt to Terminate Its Course

The chilliness of March, the coldest except one in 33 years in this district, proved a great handicap in controlling the epidemic of measles. Starting in a small way, carelessness by parents in allowing children to attend school when in the period of incubation, has resulted in one of the most widespread outbreaks of recent years

Case Dismissed.—The case of the sixteen Chinese who were arraigned yesterday in the police court on a charge of being the inmates of a gambling house was dismissed upon further hearing by Magistrate Jay this morning



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Prints—Spots, Stripes and Novelty Designs. Per yard, 15c, 15c and .....12½¢  
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Best English Hedge Trimmers, \$1.25, \$1.40, \$1.50, \$1.65. R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.

**SUNDAY AT THE Y. M. C. A.**

The Young Men's Building, corner Blanshard and View Streets, is open all day, for the convenience of young men away from home. It affords opportunity to write the home letters, to meet and converse with friends, or to spend a couple of hours in useful reading. From 4 to 5 o'clock  
A Conversational Class for Bible Study meets to consider selected lessons from the Gospels, under the guidance of Mr. J. M. Graham, an experienced leader. The discussions are informal, instructive and inspiring. Men seeking fellowship and help for everyday living are heartily invited to attend the sessions of this class.

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Local Council of Women.—Monday being a holiday, the regular meeting of the council will be held Tuesday, April 10, Y. W. C. A., at 2.30 p. m.

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Citizens' Educational League.—You will enjoy the lecture to-night by the Rev. Wm. Stephenson at the Victoria Club at 8.15 p. m. Subject: "Women's New Charter of Freedom and Some Needed Reforms."

Blue Cross Fund.—An application was granted in City Council last evening for a tag day on behalf of the Blue Cross Fund on May 4.

Sunday Band Concert.—Pending a settlement on the general principle of band concerts in the parks this summer, the City Council last evening agreed to the Easter Day performance at Beacon Hill Park by the Fifth Regiment Band.

W. A. Hurley Appointed.—Owing to the death of H. N. Short, late assistant city collector, City Council last evening appointed W. A. Hurley to that office. R. Beggs, of the engineering department is transferred to fill the vacancy. On Alderman Cameron's motion, a vote of condolence was passed with Mrs. Short.

Furnish Work to Many.—During March there were 174 requisitions for work made to the Municipal Free Labor Bureau, according to the report of Superintendent Glover to City Council last evening. Of these 194 were from men and 280 from women. Skilled workmen were sent out to 12 jobs and unskilled to 167. Twenty-two women were placed in permanent positions and 244 placed as day workers. About 500 certificates were issued on March 27 and 28 for farm hands to go to the prairies for seeding work.

Banquet for Minister.—Rev. E. A. Macconnell, president of the Victoria Ministerial Association, was the guest of honor at a banquet at the Y. W. C. A. at noon yesterday. Mr. Macconnell has resigned his pastorate at St. Columba Church, Oak Bay, which he has held for the last seven years, and is leaving the city in the near future. The association assembled for the purpose of collectively expressing its regret at Mr. Macconnell's departure. This was done in an address which was read at the conclusion of an excellent luncheon. The address memorialized the appreciation of the association of the untiring zeal which the retiring minister had shown in his work as a teacher of the Gospel, and testified in glowing terms to his high character as a Christian gentleman. The signatories to the address on behalf of the association were Rev. Dr. Maclean, pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Victoria; West, president of the organization; Rev. M. Theodore Habershon, secretary; Rev. S. J. Thompson, on behalf of the committee. The following members of the association were present, beside the signatories to the memorial and principal guest of the banquet: Revs. S. Cook, J. Gibson, Inkster, C. M. Tate, W. L. Macrae, A. deR. Owen, W. Stevenson, Dr. W. L. Clay, S. J. Thompson, H. G. Osborne, John Robson, A. S. Colwell, A. B. Osterhout, Dr. H. Maclean and Joseph McCoy. A second guest of the association was Rev. R. Y. Bingham, a missionary from the Sudan who is visiting here.

**LAW MUST FOLLOW COURSE.**

The Attorney-General has ruled that the Lieut.-Governor-in-Council has not the power to exempt stores from the provisions of the Weekly Half-Holiday Act for one day. Therefore, it will be impossible to relax the act on Saturday afternoon on account of its juxtaposition to Good Friday, and the following day.

**MAYOR CONSIDERING COUNTRY HOTEL CASE**

Georgian Circuit Affected by Taking Over of Qualicum Inn; The Proposed Soldiers' Home

The taking over of the Qualicum Inn by the Dominion Hospitals Commission has complicated the situation with regard to the Georgian Circuit. While Qualicum has not been strictly within the circuit, it has been a halfway house to those making the extended run to Campbell River, and to the West Coast, nor is there any other hotel alternative to the one taken over which will be recommended by the managers of the circuit. Mayor Todd, who has worked very actively in connection with the circuit, is now recasting the route of Vancouver Island, in order to meet the changed situation. Further modification of the motor routes on the Island will be necessary if the Military Hospitals Commission takes over country hotels, such as is stated to be contemplated.

In this connection Mayor Todd moved in City Council in June, 1915, conveying an offer by the City of from 15 to 20 acres of land at Elk Lake, part of the watched property, for a Soldiers' Home. The subject was taken up at that time by the member for this city with the various departments, at the request of the Council, but they would not consider the scheme of a home during the duration of the war. Had the plan been accepted at that time buildings would have been on the ground long before this date, which would have been available. The Mayor points out, for convalescent cases, pending the erection of a permanent home in the Victoria district.

The situation with regard to the country hotels, in their relation to the approaching tourist season, particularly for motor travel on the Island, is receiving careful attention at this time, since it is essential to the study of the beauties of the Island that the tourist should be able to stay en route in reasonably good accommodation, particularly since the American traveller who comes from the South has been possessed of all these facilities. The hotels have had a struggle in many cases to keep their doors open, and the situation to-day is full of difficulties owing to various circumstances.

**MUST HURRY ORDERS**

City Ploughing Work is to Terminate Shortly, So Notice Should Be Given at Once.

The secretary of the Vacant Lot Cultivation Committee invites all citizens who have not hitherto notified the department of land which it is desired to cultivate, to let him know at once, since the amount of land in hand will be finished shortly, and it is necessary to make arrangements with regard to reducing the staff.

Mr. Tighe stated this morning that the people who insist on special classes of potatoes would have to be patient, since the supply is limited. In fact one consignment has been rejected this week as inadequate for regular seed purposes. Alderman Dilworth, after an inspection to-day, decided to see others in place of the last delivery.

**"SUPERFLUITIES" BRANCH**

Excellent Receipts Recorded for March; Expenses Small.

The following is the March statement of "Superfluties" Branch, Red Cross: Daily sales ..... \$88.50 Expenses: Cleaning ..... \$4.50 Postage ..... 2.00 Telephone ..... 2.50 Laundry ..... 1.50 Sundries ..... .75 Registration fee on Cowichan lot ..... 4.50 Total ..... \$103.25

Cheque to Red Cross Society ..... \$89.25

The cost of lighting the shop during these months was very kindly donated by the B. C. Electric Co.

The Easter raffle will be drawn on April 7. Tickets on sale still at Messrs. Fletcher and Superfluties.

Superfluties Shop cash statement for months of February and March, 1917: February: Daily sales ..... \$24.00 Expenses—Trams, etc. .... .65 Cleaning ..... 1.00 Laundry ..... 1.50 Sign, etc. .... .130 Telephone ..... 2.50 Total ..... \$31.70

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**LOU TELLEGEN IN "THE BLACK WOLF" LAST NIGHT AT THE COLUMBIA TO-DAY.**

Call of Fire.—Shortly after midnight the fire department was called to the Brunswick Hotel to extinguish a chimney fire.

Fairfield Red Cross.—The regular monthly meeting of the Fairfield branch of the Red Cross Society will be held to-morrow night at the rooms, May and Linden.

Liberal Ward Meetings.—This evening at 8 o'clock Ward II. Liberal Association will meet, and on Thursday Ward V. will hold its regular gathering, both to be held in the Liberal rooms, Arcade Building.

Was a Woodman.—The late Mr. Short, whose death was recorded yesterday, was a member of the fraternal Modern Woodmen of America with whom he carried a policy of insurance for a considerable sum.

Reel News.—The Variety Theatre management is issuing a weekly bulletin for the benefit of its patrons entitled "Reel News." It deals with the past, present and future offerings of that picture house.

Fire Loss in March.—The loss in March was only \$1,158 on buildings, and \$4,902 on contents in the city, protecting an insurance of \$27,500 on buildings, and \$18,000 on contents. The property at risk is valued at \$275,000. The department laid 3,350 feet of 2½-inch hose, and 550 feet of one inch hose, used 261 gallons of chemicals, and a tube of pyrene. Ninety-nine feet of ladders were raised. Four hundred and ninety-two rubbish permits were issued, and 130 buildings were inspected by the fire prevention squad. Thirty-seven notices were served. The department responded to 19 telephone alarms, one box and one messenger alarm.

**NORMAL SCHOOL TO HELP THE RED CROSS**

Concert Programme Arranged for To-morrow Night Promises Unusual Excellence

The Literary Society of the Provincial Normal School will give a concert to-morrow evening in aid of the Red Cross. The programme, which is to be given in the auditorium of the Normal School, will open with an orchestral selection. With the exception of Miss Eva Hart, the well-known lyric soprano; and Miss Ida Morris, pianiste and musical instructor at the Normal, all those taking part in the programme are either present or past students of the school. Miss Mona Misenor, one of the most accomplished young singers to make her debut in Victoria during the last twelve months, is to be the other solo vocalist.

The programme will commence at 8 o'clock sharp. The Normal School will be open to the public at 7.30, however, so that those who wish may take the opportunity to see the interior of the school.

The following is the programme in full:

The Angel ..... Rubenstein  
Viking Song ..... Cederberg-Taylor  
The School Choir.  
Vocal Solo—Where My Caravan Has Rested ..... Herman Lohr  
Miss Edith Edwards.  
Hawaiian Song—Aloha Oe ..... Miss Ida Morris, Lillioalani  
Misses Ashton, Bell, Cameron, Fletcher and Shaw.  
Vocal Solo—A Birthday ..... Woodman  
Miss Mona Misenor.  
Club Drill ..... Edward German  
Members of Gynnasium Class.  
Vocal Solo—A Song of Gladness ..... Wilfred Sanderson  
Miss Eva Hart.  
Part Song—Beauteous Morn ..... Edward German  
The School Choir.  
Part II.  
Pianoforte Solos—  
Romance ..... Sibelius  
Fantasie ..... Scott-Baker  
Miss Ida Morris.  
Vocal Solo—Birthday Song A. MacFayden  
Miss Winifred Bell.  
Quartettes—  
Over the Summer Sea ..... Verdi  
A Catastrophe ..... Sprague  
Messrs. Brant, Eason, Graham and Woodworth.  
Part Song—Fly, Singing Bird ..... Edward Elgar  
Normal Graduates of Class 1915.  
Swedish Dance—Mountain Polka ..... Members of Gynnasium Class.  
Vocal Solo—When Myra Sang ..... A. L. Miss Eva Hart.  
Part Song—Good-night ..... Henry Leslie  
The School Choir.  
God Save the King.

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Put Up Bird-boxes.—R. C. Trohorne speaking to some members of the Natural History Society last night expressed surprise that so few of the young people erected bird-boxes in order to encourage the birds to nest in the gardens and suburbs of the city. In the East this is being done with great success, all sorts of boxes being put up in all sorts of places and most of them being occupied. He thought the Natural History Society might busy themselves in encouraging this.

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El Rio White Asparagus 25¢ per tin.....	Old Dutch or Lux, 3 for.....	25¢

**HUMOR**—Mrs. Nurox (to friend)—Yes, the clerk at the store suggested my gettin' a pair of spy glasses for Jake, but I said I didn't want my man always gawp' out between the acts to fill 'em—Buffalo Express.

Rex Sweeping Compound, large tins.....	29¢
Robin Hood Oatmeal, 10-lb. sack for.....	55¢
Shredded Wheat, per pkg.....	12¢
Kellogg's Corn Flakes, pkg.....	9¢
Puffed Rice or Wheat, pkg.....	14¢
Roman Meal, per pkg.....	29¢

SPECIAL TO-DAY	
Lipton's Old Country Cocoa Large 25c cans. Special.....	19c

Health Bread, per loaf, 16 oz., 7¢	Geo. Washington Coffee, per tin, 33¢, 64¢ and.....	98¢
Symington Pea Flour, tin, 25¢		

ORANGE SPECIAL FOR WEDNESDAY	
Sweet Navel Oranges Reg. 20c dozen, 29 for.....	25c

DRUG SPECIALS	
Allenbury's Food, large size. Special.....	96¢
Cereso Health Saline, reg. 60c for.....	50¢
Colgate's Shaving Sticks, reg. 25c, for.....	21¢

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### AT THE THEATRES

#### DOMINION THEATRE.

One of the most important things about a photoplay is the scenario. Recognizing this fact, the officials of the Arrow Film Corporation and Pathe took care to get the best man possible to write the scenario for "Crime and Punishment," showing to-day and to-morrow at the Dominion. This picture is adapted from Dostolevsky's famous book which has been translated into every language and has created a sensation everywhere.

Charles A. Taylor was chosen to make the adaptation. He used four different translations in doing so and he is reported to have accomplished a model piece of work.

Mr. Taylor is famous as the author of a number of the most successful melodramas ever produced in America, among them "Yosemite." He was also the manager of the old Third Avenue Theatre in Seattle and there he was able to adopt George M. Cohan's tactics of watching the public and learning what it wanted before he wrote his plays.

#### THE ROYAL VICTORIA.

Gus Hill's sixth season's offering of the irrepressible cartoon character play Mutt and Jeff's Wedding, which is at the Royal Victoria to-day and to-morrow, has been framed up on a more elaborate and costly scale than any of the former productions, undoubtedly due to the confidence naturally inspired by the extraordinary success which has been his since the premier offering of the Bud Fisher conceit of the title. Mutt and Jeff's Wedding represents a new school of musical comedy production. Therefore Mutt and Jeff's Wedding contains the pure essence of real comedy entertainment, properly compounded right from the doctor's prescription and is given in large and pleasant doses for a small price of admission. The famous cartoon characters are better surrounded than in either of the previous offerings. The scenic production is all that could be desired, together with catchy music and pretty girls and a selected cast of clever vaudeville artists, makes it one of the season's biggest and brightest hits. It reminds one of farce comedy, refined travesty, extravagant and the accepted musical comedy vein, all rolled into one happy thought conglomeration of nonsense and hilarious frivolity which makes laughter incessant for two and one-half hours at each performance.

#### THE COLUMBIA.

In the Spanish Mountains, the Black Wolf, a bandit, reigns as the head of his band, known as "The Charcoal Burners." Although a robber, the Black Wolf is a benefactor at heart, as is shown in his many charitable acts towards the poor and helpless. The Duke rides with the Chancellor to meet the Countess Dona Isabel, the Chancellor's daughter, and on their return trip they come upon the Black Wolf assisting a friend to escape the police. Outnumbered, the Duke's men withdraw, but a price is then placed upon the bandit's capture, "dead or alive."

Declaring his love to the Countess, the Duke takes her, she starts to run through the forest, the Duke in pursuit. He stumbles and is found by a member of the Black Wolf's band, who takes a ring from him. Isabel meets the Black Wolf, who takes her to the castle, promising to return her the following night. He does call, but is discovered by the Duke, who lays his

plans to capture him on his next visit. The Black Wolf takes a locket and chain from the neck of the Countess, preferring, for her sake, to be taken as a thief instead of a lover. He is sentenced to die, but Dona Isabel's promise to marry the Duke secures his pardon. According to the laws he whom the Duke pardons becomes his slave for life. Only the desire to keep secret Isabel's love for him influences the Black Wolf to accept the pardon.

The sequel is unusual and exciting. The picture is seen to-day and to-morrow at the Columbia Theatre.

#### PRIZES BEING GIVEN

Columbia Theatre Holding "Country Stars" on Wednesday Night.

In addition to the wonderful Lou Tellegen in "The Black Wolf," Columbia Theatre patrons are to be offered an additional excitement to-morrow night. Each person who buys a ticket will stand the chance of becoming heir to one of the twenty prizes which are to be given away from "The Country Stars" during the evening. Twenty prizes are offered to patrons of the 8 o'clock performance, and twenty prizes for the 9:15 o'clock performance. Last week the management staged a similar attraction, and the popularity of the innovation has had wide advertisement since then. Orders for the prizes will be written on twenty programmes which will be handed out during the evening, and holders of these should present them to the manager on the stage where the articles are to be shown in connection with each performance. The competition for the prizes is sure to be keen, and no doubt the theatre will be packed for both entertainments.

#### EXCEPTIONAL VARIETY

Bright Musical Comedy Tops Bill at Pantages.

"Variety" indeed describes the excellent bill which is being presented by Pantages at the popular vaudeville house during the present week. It is rare that one finds such an apt combination of humor and pathos on a single bill, and in the manner in which these two elements are mingled together rounds out one of the most pleasing shows which has been given at the theatre for some weeks.

The headline feature of the week is "The Smart Shop," a musical comedy creation offered by Ed. W. Rowland and Lorin J. Howard. The act presents the audience to one of New York's "Smart Shops" where a bevy of exceptionally pretty girls are employed as models. They offer several very catchy musical numbers between their various dancing items. Not by any means the least important feature of the act is the role played by "Dance Fashion." All the latest creations which the ingenious and fertile imagination of that popular lady has produced are shown to excellent advantage by the dainty models. The comedy element is also well sustained by Kirt Vance, the general handy man of the establishment.

As indicated by the applause with which it met, the act entitled "Follies of 1917," in which Ned Norworth stars, assisted by Miss Billie Wells and Mr. Chick Moore, will prove a great drawing card for the remainder of the week. From the time that the curtain rose until it dropped at the conclusion, the three clever actors kept their audience in one continual spasm of laughter. The "exploits" of Norworth on his piano were received with special favor by the crowded house.

It is some considerable time since

Victoria vaudeville patrons have had the opportunity of witnessing a dramatic sketch of such worth as that which is presented by the distinguished character comedian John P. Wade and his selected company of players in the "Coral Cameo." The piece is a southern classic by John B. Hymer. The scene is laid in an old negro's barber shop in Tennessee, where the aged owner meets unexpectedly the "dandy" and the "stunt" of the vaudeville virtu. The situation is extremely tense and holds to the conclusion of an increasingly dramatic scene the undivided attention of the audience. The playlet is of deep human interest and gives the actor a vehicle of marked merit for the displaying of his powers.

Rhoda Royal's Military Elephants, presented by Miss Dorothy Castle, play no small part in making this week's programme a very popular one. The intelligence shown by these animals in responding to the commands of the little lady who leads them on the stage is indicative of the long hours of training which have been spent in perfecting the African beasts in the execution of their various "stunts."

"The Parisian fashion plate in songs and gowns" is well depicted by Frances Bennett in an act in which this performer appears in some creations of a very striking quality.

The fifth episode of "Pearl of the Army" completes a very attractive and at the same time lengthy programme.

**SOCIAL AND PERSONAL**

A personal item sent by mail for publication must be stamped with the name and address of the sender.

W. L. Capel, of Saskatoon, is at the Dominion.

Miss Burgess, of Vancouver, is at the Dominion Hotel.

P. J. Shepherd, of Montreal, is at the Dominion Hotel.

H. C. Hoodon is at the Metropolis Hotel from Vancouver.

Mrs. Brewis, of Regina, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.

Thomas Pitt, of Duncan is stopping at the Dominion Hotel.

T. E. Leigh, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Metropolis Hotel.

J. G. McDiarmid, of Toronto, is staying at the Empress Hotel.

E. A. Baker is a guest at the Metropolis Hotel from Vancouver.

R. W. Wetmore, of Minneapolis, is a guest at the Empress Hotel.

William Cowan, of New York, is a guest at the Empress Hotel.

J. M. Stewart, of San Diego, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.

Miss Britton, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Metropolis Hotel.

H. A. Lawrence, of Seattle, Wash., is a guest at the Empress Hotel.

E. A. Bailey is a guest at the Metropolis Hotel from Seattle, Wash.

Mabel H. Napper, of Saskatoon, is a guest at the Strathcona Hotel.

T. Walker is down from Jordan River and is a guest at the Metropolis.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. King, of Chicago, have arrived at the Empress Hotel.

Lillian Donnelly, of Los Angeles, is registered at the Strathcona Hotel.

M. L. Douglas and M. Johnson are at the Metropolis from Cowichan Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Anatic, of Revelstoke, are registered at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. M. Day is down from Cobble Hill and is a guest at the Strathcona Hotel.

J. P. W. Greenhill, of Santa Monica, Cal., is a new arrival at the Dominion Hotel.

S. M. Tracksell and John Donachie are at the Metropolis Hotel from James Island.

M. A. Nolan, of Skagway, Alaska, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Dr. H. A. Wright, of Oak Lake, Manitoba, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Burrell, from Thetis Island, are guests at the Strathcona Hotel.

B. McEwen and M. McEwen are Los Angeles visitors staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Quinn, from New York City, are staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mrs. T. F. Rixon is over from Port Angeles and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Vannorman are guests at the Metropolis Hotel from James Island.

Mrs. C. K. Pomeroy and Mrs. J. E. Freeman, of Chicago, are guests at the Empress Hotel.

J. H. Todd and family are in from Patricia Bay and are staying at the Dominion Hotel.

Mrs. McLoughrey, of Kelowna, is

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Mrs. E. T. Bradshaw and family, from Port Angeles, are staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mrs. A. B. Urtherby and Mrs. S. D. Brooks, of Vancouver, are registered at the Empress Hotel.

Xavier Tumoneau and wife, of Santa Monica, Cal., are stopping at the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. M. A. Wyde, of Shawinigan Lake, is in the city and is a guest at the Strathcona Hotel.

J. H. Harrison and Ray Laughlin, of Great Falls, Mont., arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Miss B. Pruyais, of Seattle, is visiting in the city and is making her home at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mrs. R. Walte and son have arrived from San Francisco and are guests at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mrs. L. Young and family, of Calgary, are amongst yesterday's registrations at the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Johnson, from Cayley, Alta., are visitors in the city and are staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Col. and Mrs. H. H. Dobbie, of Maple Bay, have returned from California and are staying at the Dominion Hotel.

John L. Zurbick, Ab. Joffe, W. M. Shearer, Stephen Berges, R. McKibben, T. Niven, E. G. Nader, R. B. Archibald, H. W. Gwyther, J. Mackay

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and J. A. Husler are some Vancouver arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.

Miss Ina Castle has arrived from Los Angeles and will be with her mother at the Strathcona Hotel for a few weeks.

J. R. Burnes, Wm. Rae, F. Lefaux, W. O. Godden and S. MacDonald are Vancouver visitors registered at the Strathcona.

M. W. Bailey, from Druid, Sask., who is on his way home from Southern California, is a guest at the Strathcona Hotel.

Rotary Lunch in Church—Departing from the usual custom this week the Rotarians will hold their weekly luncheon in the schoolroom of St. John's Church, when the good things will be provided by the Ladies' Guild of the Church. The price will be the same and the Bishop of Columbia will deliver a short address during an interval for smokes. G. J. Burnett will give an organ recital in the church. In the notices to the members this week is included an invitation issued from the Rotary Club of Salt Lake City asking all delegates, on their way to the International Convention at Atlanta on June 17-21, to stop off at Salt Lake City, where a two-day programme has been arranged for the visitors.

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# Keyhole Reporter Is Name That Will Stick to Opposition Leader

## Makes Pretended Revelations of Proceedings of Liberal Gatherings—Adds to His Parliamentary Accomplishments the Throwing of Suspicion on the Lieutenant-Governor

Legislative Press Gallery, April 2.

The keyhole reporter is the latest designation of the Leader of the Opposition, and it is one which is destined to stick to him. Bowser, the keyhole politician, will go down in the history of this province. The keyhole reporter, and the asserted confidant of the Lieutenant-Governor, is the position in which Mr. Bowser stands this morning.

Either the Leader of the Opposition is lying or the representative of the Crown in this province is placed under suspicion of having forgotten his position and having given to the leader of the party which is opposed to the Government of the day information as to the advice which his advisers have given him. Mr. Bowser can take whichever horn of the dilemma he wishes.

There is the open course for the Leader of the Opposition in the matter. Either he is the recipient of confidences which he ought not to have or he is pretending to a knowledge of His Honor's mind which he has no right to, and he is placing the Crown in a position which he, as a former adviser, ought to know is entirely derogatory.

In the course of the debate on the Civil Service Bill this afternoon the late Premier intimated that the representative of the Sovereign in this province had held up an appointment for two days until he had heard from the Premier, then out of the province, that it was all right. Whether this is the fact or not no one can tell since those who can speak of the facts are bound by their oaths of office not to disclose the King's counsel.

If it is not the fact then the Leader of the Opposition did not state facts; if it is the fact, then some person has violated confidence. That is the clear position.

Another feature of the debate was that R. H. Pooley now retracts the expressions against Liberals uttered in the theatre at Esquimalt on the evening of nomination day. He says he did not utter them.

Civil Service Debate.

In resuming the debate on the Civil Service Bill the Attorney-General remarked that there was common ground for all parties on this measure, but although the Premier had gone more than half-way the Leader of the Opposition had not come the other half to meet him. Instead the House had listened to a speech which was full of sound and fury, and after condemning the bill the courage of the hon. gentleman had rather coaxed out at the close and he had ignominiously announced the Opposition support to the measure on the second reading.

Press reports of the Premier's speech commented on the innovation and the manner and tone of his speech, but on

the other hand the Opposition party press had evidently thought it was the part of wisdom not to refer to it but to eliminate a great deal of it that they had heard in that House. The hon. gentleman had made a veiled attack upon Dr. Shortt, yelled in that it was not quite open. The hon. gentleman has said that he was an idealist, an impractical man; that he had given his services gratuitously because the Dominion Civil Service Act would not permit him to take any fees outside his office; rather an ungracious thing to say.

Political Economist.

It was to the credit of Dr. Shortt, an able political economist, a man who had the confidence of the Federal Government and who had made good in the matter of civil service reform, that he had come here on the permission of Sir Robert Borden to draft an act which would commend itself to the consideration of everyone (hear, hear).

A Recommendation.

"It is true he did fall foul of Hon. Robert Rogers," continued the Attorney-General, amid derisive cheers at the name of the nemesis of the Borden Government. "I think I am within the judgment of the House when I say that to meet with the disapproval of Mr. Rogers is rather a recommendation for Dr. Shortt (cheers). It is a fact that in this Dominion Rogers stands as low as, let us say, Bowserism does in this Province" (applause and laughter).

So far as the outside service was concerned, the Attorney-General went on to say, it was well known that adherence to the party of the honorable gentleman opposite was absolutely necessary to secure employment or an order for goods. That principle, which ran through the entire civil service, displayed its finished product when the member for Esquimalt announced that certain parties must retire from the Liberal Association if they desired to remain in the Government service.

Mr. Pooley asked whether the hon. gentleman heard him say this or read it in the Times.

"It was so reported and I have heard no denial," said Mr. Macdonald.

"I denied it twice," returned Mr. Pooley.

Taking up the matter of promotion Hon. Mr. Macdonald asked why there had not been a promotion in the Audit Office when J. A. Anderson retired, and why Mr. Allison, a relative of the late Premier, was brought in from the outside.

No One to Promote.

Mr. Bowser contended that there was no one in the office who could be promoted and that Mr. Allison was already in the service.

The Attorney-General maintained that political considerations were paramount so far as the civil service was concerned. As to the intimation that there was an educational test to be enforced on those in the service, the bill provided that they should pass a test of efficiency in regard to the duties which they would be called upon to perform. It was absurd to allege that the Government was not sincere and that in appointments it was ruled by political considerations.

First, take Mr. Burnett, of Vancouver, as assessor. Not knowing what the Minister of Finance of the day thought about Mr. Burnett he supposed that the late Minister had good reasons for the appointment. "What reason is there for objecting?" continued the Attorney-General, "except that the late occupant of the position I

now occupy does not object to the appointment of Mr. Burnett but rather is hurried to the soul to see his political opponents occasionally given an opportunity."

Political Equality.

Liberals would receive just as much consideration as and no more than Conservatives in appointment to political office, but if the Leader of the Opposition thought it was any bar to the public service to belong to the Liberal party there, presumably, was no more to be said. There was no more competent man, for instance, than the new Deputy Attorney-General, and the hon. member for Nelson would agree with him that no better man for the office than Archie M. Johnson, of Nelson. (Hear, hear).

Returned Soldiers (Get 50 per Cent.

As a result of the appointment of Mr. Johnson the Department hoped to be able to cover most of the legal work of the province and the criminal prosecutions at assizes. As a matter of fact there had been eighty per cent of the appointments in his department given to returned soldiers. (Hear, hear.) In giving these appointments fitness and competency had to enter into consideration.

Superior Position.

Dealing with the allegations against his department that it had refused leave of absence to employees who wished to enlist, Mr. Macdonald asked why, even if this was the case, a civil servant should be placed in a preferred position to the man outside the service who showed his patriotism by enlisting. But as a matter of fact the records gave proof that civil servants were being paid the difference between their military pay and their salaries.

There was D. Nell McIntyre, Deputy Commissioner of Fisheries, a position which it did not appear necessary to keep, drawing \$230 a month; Dr. C. E. Doherty, superintendent of the mental hospital, drawing \$130 a month; A. Sutherland, inspector in the Education Department, who was getting \$165 a month; and J. Spouse, assistant master at the Normal School, receiving \$173 a month. The amount being paid was \$10,143.25 a month, or close on \$125,000 a year. Was it right that civil servants, however, much their patriotism and courage were to be commended, were to be placed in a position superior to those of their fellow-citizens from other ranks fighting with them for the Empire?

Appointment of Sheriff.

As to the appointment to the shrievalty of South Kootenay, while the Government had done everything it could for Sgt. Quinn, it would be the height of folly to place him in the position of sheriff. Mr. Doyle, who had been appointed, had been a student-at-law in Toronto, was well educated and was a graduate of Upper Canada College, of a good family, and was not appointed on political considerations but because he had the qualifications which were called for in the position. He was, too, a Fenian raid veteran.

# MANY BILLS ARE UNDER DISCUSSION IN HOUSE

## Mining and Irrigation Measures Are Still Being Talked About

Legislative Press Gallery, April 2.

Although the debate on the civil service bill was the chief item on the paper to-day there were some small debates on other measures.

Progress was made in committee on the Loan Act amendments and on the Dolly Varden Railway bill.

The debate on the second reading of the Mineral Survey bill was carried on by Alex. I. Fisher (Fernie) and Dr. J. W. McIntosh (Vancouver) and adjourned by L. W. Shatford (Stimilka-meen).

Another second reading debate which was taken up was on the Water Act amendments, on which Dr. G. Macdonald (Okanagan North) was heard, and F. W. Anderson (Kamloops) moved the adjournment.

Leading up to the introduction of a Bill respecting dentists the following questions were asked by G. G. McGeer (Richmond), who will have the bill in charge:

1. What were the dates of the examination held by the College of Dental Surgeons pursuant to the Dentistry Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1911, and amendments thereto, in the year 1914?

2. What was the date of the forwarding of the examination papers as required by the Dentistry Amendment Act, being chapter 20, section 3, 1914, to the Provincial Secretary in the year 1914?

3. What were the dates of all examinations held subsequent to the year 1914 by the said College of Dental Surgeons to date?

4. After each examination what was the date of the forwarding to the Provincial Secretary of the examination papers as required by the said chapter 20, section 3, 1914, Statutes of British Columbia?

5. What were the names of the candidates presenting themselves at each examination?

6. What were the names of those who were successful at each examination?

7. What were the names of those who failed at each examination?

8. Has the Provincial Secretary any knowledge as to whether or not the reports are complete?

Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:

1. and 2. May 11 (special, practical); results forwarded July 7, 1914. Third Monday in November; results forwarded 29th November, 1914.

3. Third Monday in June, 1915 (regular); third Monday in November, 1915 (regular); March 31, 1916 (special); August 21, 1916 (special); third Monday in June, 1916 (regular); third Monday in November, 1916 (regular).

4. 18th October, 1915 (June examination); 19th December, 1915 (November examination); 12th July, 1915 (special examination); March 31, and June examination; 25th September, 1916 (special examination, August 21st); 25th December, 1916 (November examination).

5. May, 1914: B. C. Richards. June, 1914: W. H. Price, A. E. Clarke, T. H. Taylor, H. R. Draney, C. J. McCullough, J. G. Campbell, H. S. Oliver, H. Clarke, S. N. A. Campbell, R. S. Goodwin, L. L. Hartman, H. C. Gill, V. D. Westcott, F. G. Keene, A. McCarter, T. P. Grady, S. P. H. Marlatt, J. L. Matthews.

November, 1914: J. R. Brown, S. P. H. Marlatt, T. P. Grady, C. J. McCullough, A. S. Oliver, A. E. Clarke, V. D. Westcott, J. G. Campbell, H. C. Gill.

June, 1915: A. S. Oliver, T. H. Taylor, S. P. H. Marlatt, G. V. S. Ford, W. S. Watson, J. G. Campbell, F. A. Whitaker, M. V. Tidball, F. G. Rogers, H. R. Draney, R. E. McKeon.

November, 1915: D. H. Sharpless, R. E. McKeon, M. V. Tidball, H. R. Draney, J. C. Macdonald, S. M. Cohen, J. E. Newman.

March, 1916: J. C. Macdonald.

June, 1916: C. H. Inkster, J. J. Frits, C. N. Westwood, R. L. Pallen.

August, 1916: T. P. Grady.

November, 1916: F. G. J. Beseau, R. L. Pallen, R. P. Christie, C. H. Inkster.

May 6 and 7, 1914: R. C. Richards passed his special examination.

June, 1914: Pass—R. S. Goodwin, L. L. Hartman, F. G. Keene, A. McCarter. Pass in theory only—V. D. Westcott. Pass in practical only—A. E. Clarke, H. C. Gill, J. L. Matthews, A. S. Oliver, T. H. Taylor. Rewrite two subjects—C. J. McCullough, H. C. Gill, Fall—W. H. Price, H. Clarke, H. R. Draney, T. P. Grady, S. H. P. Marlatt, J. G. Campbell. Did not complete—S. N. A. Campbell.

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# COMMITTEE AWAITS AUDITORS' REPORT

## Then It Will Consider Case of Pacific Great Eastern and Patrick Welch

Legislative Press Gallery, April 2.

The P. G. E. committee now awaits the report of the auditors on the comparative statement which will show what payments were made to the contractor, Patrick Welch, to the sub-contractors and to the station-men respectively. By that time the evidence will be printed and they will then be in a position to consider it and decide upon their report to the House.

The committee moved that 202 pages of evidence be reported to the House for printing. Up to Friday noon there had been taken 1,006 typewritten pages of evidence, approximately 300,000 words in 15 sittings.

Farrell Contract.

Mr. Taylor put in further correspondence regarding John Farrell, brother-in-law of George A. Fraser, druggist, of this city. On February 15, 1913, Sir Richard McBride wrote to D'Arcy Tate, K. C., saying, "John Farrell, brother-in-law of my good friend George A. Fraser, has applied for an interest in a contract and I believe Mr. Welch has promised to give him one. I hope the matter will be kept in mind. I make this a personal matter."

Mr. Taylor commended Mr. Farrell to Mr. Welch's special attention, with Sir Richard's letter of recommendation. On March 15 Sir Richard wrote to Mr. Tate: "Be good enough to write to head office and see if something can be done for this young man." Again Mr. Tate passed on this recommendation.

Mr. Fraser's Evidence.

George A. Fraser said his brother-in-law, Farrell was up on the road for years. He was a contractor, starting in Grand Forks he had been with the company for many years, and he was entitled to something more. He was not a contractor, but starting in as a teamster he had worked up through everything else. He came to witness, thinking he could do something for him, Sir Richard and his father being particular friends.

Mr. Taylor—"Had he any money to invest?"

"No, a dollar."

"How much did he make?"

"He went home without one dollar."

"A kind of lemon, was it?"

"Yes."

"What part of the work had he?"

"Around Pemberton Meadows; it was

only about a mile and a half or two miles."

"How do you know he did not make any money?"

"He told me the reason he did not make any money was because no money was made on the job."

Chairman Farris—"How did he expect to get something by going to Sir Richard? What stand-in was there? What had Sir Richard got to do with farming out contracts to friends of yours?"

"I can't answer. You are driving further than I can see. I never asked anything from Sir Richard but what was fair."

Mr. Taylor told the witness, on some questions being asked, that there was nothing to get excited about. He asked the witness how he came to ask Sir Richard to meddle in contracts, but H. A. Maclean, K. C., counsel for the P. G. E. Railway Company, supplied an answer.

"When the question was repeated the witness said: 'What do you want me to say? I went to Sir Richard because...'"

Mr. Taylor—"I don't tell witnesses what to say. Why did you go to Sir Richard McBride?"

"Farrell was a long time with Foley, Welch & Stewart and was entitled to promotion."

"Why didn't you or he go to Pat Welch then?"

"Because I didn't know him."

"Why go to McBride?"

"Because he was a friend of mine."

"Any other reason?"

"None."

"What did you do when you found your brother-in-law didn't make any money?"

"Gave him money to go home. (Laughter)."

"Did you think he was badly treated?"

"I did."

"Did you go to McBride in reference to the matter?"

"I didn't."

"Did you go to Welch?"

"No."

Mr. Hall—"Was Farrell a partner of yours in this matter?"

"No."

Mr. Taylor—"How was it that Sir Richard came to address you in Seattle?"

"I don't know. There is no Empress drug store in Seattle."

Secretary Thomas, of the railway company, was called as to certain documents which were put in. He stated that the accounts of the Pacific Great Eastern Development Company were kept in the books of Patrick Welch.

In regard to a statement put in on behalf of the company S. S. Taylor, K. C., counsel for the Department of Railways, declared that it was not to be relied upon, inasmuch as it contained allegations of moneys put into the road which were never put in.

The committee made arrangements for an audit of the contractor's books and adjourned to the call of the chair.

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City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 16th March, 1917.

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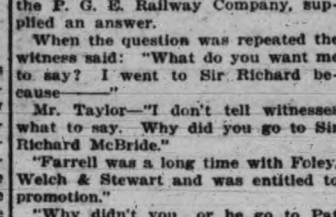
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# SPORTING NEWS

## TY COBB WILL STAY WITH DETROIT TIGERS

American League Star is to Finish Exhibition Series

Ty Cobb has decided to remain and assist the Giants and Tigers in their exhibition series at Dallas, Texas. He had threatened to leave the team following his battle with Charley Herzog, but said that he would stay when it was pointed out his absence would necessitate calling off the series.

It was a snowdrift for scores when the Chicago Cubs walloped the Oklahoma City team, 22 to 2, at Oklahoma City, but the fans were cheered by the activities of "Big Ote" Stucker, who celebrated his entrance into the Oklahoma payroll by gathering a home run, two bagger and single in four trips up.

Eight hundred of the faithful shivered in an ice-encrusted grandstand at Denver, Colo., while the Cub rookies trounced the Denver Bears, 10 to 9, in the opener.

The San Francisco Seals donned their mid-season battle clothes Sunday and trimmed Nick Williams's Spokane team 14 to 2, at Sacramento. Home runs by Calvo and Schaller and four two-baggers contributed heavily to the result.

## NORTHWEST LEAGUE TRAINING STEADILY

Vancouver Gets Into Practice Work To-day; Prospects Good

Six of the players who will compete for positions on the Vancouver baseball team this season arrived in Vancouver yesterday, reported to President Brown and then proceeded to Athletic Park, where they took advantage of Old Sol's brilliance and loosened up for a couple of hours. The party included O'Dell and Blair, Portland; Patterson, Tacoma; Cadman and Gipe, Seattle; and Stokke, Butte. "Lefty" Russell reported about a week ago.

All told 22 or 23 players are on the job to-day, and the team has settled down to strenuous training in preparation for the Northwestern pennant chase. Manager Justin Bennett, with Benning, Hood, Hamilton and McElroy, came up from San Francisco on the steamer yesterday and arrived at Victoria yesterday. President Brown does not know just when Acosta and Agazon, the two Cubans, will arrive, but he has been notified by the former that they are on their way, and predicts that they will be here in time for the opening game of the series with the University of Washington next Wednesday.

Blair, the Portland youth who is in Vancouver for a tryout in the outfield, played semi-pro baseball at the Rose City last season and hit the ball hard. He is reported to be fast on his feet, and as the club is at present shy an outer gardener he has a good chance to catch a place if he shows any speed.

### TURNED EVANGELIST.

Just as he feared no adversary in his championship days, Bob Fitzsimmons, famous old heavyweight brawler, is not timid about broaching to his former friends the subject of his religion. Through the influence of his wife Fitzsimmons recently decided to become an evangelist. In California a few days ago Bob met Jim Jeffries, who defeated him for the world's title seventeen years ago. The meeting took place at Jeffries' farm near Los Angeles, and as the two famous old gladiators sat on a fence and chatted Bob pulled out his Bible and began expounding the scriptures to Farmer Jeff.

## FULTON WILL FACE MORRIA THIS WEEK

Veteran "White Hope" Will Oppose Title Aspirant in New York Ring

Fred Fulton doubtless will find out this week if he is good enough for a shot at Jess Willard's title. He will take on the veteran white hope, Carl Morris, in New York, in a scheduled ten-round bout.

Fulton and Morris have met before and the record shows a victory for Morris on a foul. Morris himself claims credit for a knockout, while Fulton says he was counted out so fast he did not have time to rise after being floored. He conceded victory in the first meeting to Morris.

Morris is one of the toughest spots in Fulton's climb to the top. If he can dispose of the Oklahoma giant he will be acclaimed as ready to try the issue with Willard. If he finishes off Morris he probably will be sent right out again to whip Jim Coffey and Frank Moran.

There is no shirking in the Fulton camp. His willingness to start against all tough boys and brush them out of the way in order to try his hand at knocking crowns off entitles him to quite a bit of consideration.

Jack Curley has given a half-way sort of promise—or a threat—that Jess Willard will depart from his pacifist principles and be at the ringside when the two giants clash. It is almost a foregone conclusion that Willard will have to meet one or the other some day and defend his title in the hardest scrap of his career, so it is proper that he should be around when they begin to belabor each other.

## SEATTLE HOCKEYISTS WIN GAME AT 'FRISCO

San Francisco, April 3.—The Seattle Metropolitans defeated the Montreal Canadiens in the second post-championship game of hockey here last night by the score of 5 to 2. This victory puts the Seattle team on an equal footing for the third and last match to be played here Wednesday.

Line-Up.  
Canadiens. Goal ..... Seattle.  
Vestna ..... Point ..... Holmes  
Lavolette ..... Cover Point ..... Ricker  
Corbeau ..... Rover ..... Carpenter  
Piter ..... Centre ..... Walker  
Smith (1) ..... Right Wing ..... Morris (3)  
Lalonde (4) ..... Left Wing ..... Wilson (2)  
Noble ..... Left Wing ..... Foyston  
Officials—J. Rylands, referee; Ran Macdonald, judge of play; Mintone, timekeeper; Dufford and Carroll, goal judges.

### BOWLING NEWS.

In the Commercial League, at the Arcade Bowling Alleys last night, the Garrison lost to the Outlaws. The scores were:

Leach	177	132	141	450
Toney	177	128	166	471
Patterson	159	198	140	497
Fugal	163	155	183	501
Brooks	141	151	187	479
Totals	808	764	817	2389

Garrison	164	190	181	535
Barton	143	138	145	426
Bayley	116	139	145	400
Misgraves	114	138	208	460
Pirie	141	128	146	415
Stalen	141	128	146	415
Totals	728	733	820	2281

To-night the Camerons meet the Falcons.

In the Junior League the Picadillys vs. Tongery Shop resulted as follows:

Spence	129	143	115	387
Anderson	178	163	184	525
Webster	166	173	141	480
Fitzsimmons	160	159	125	444
Kendall	123	117	134	374
Totals	556	656	702	2002

Picadilly Watts	141	142	124	407
Davies	112	115	106	333
McArthur	125	146	110	381
Dunblaton	104	122	129	355
McRoberts	129	126	106	361
Fitzpatrick	129	126	106	361
Totals	612	661	629	1899

## FINAL BASKETBALL GAMES ARE POSTPONED

Star Teams Will Play for Red Cross Fund of the City

The final games of the intermediate section of the Sunday School Basketball League, which were to have been played to-night, have been postponed until to-morrow. Two games are to be played and they will take place in the gymnasium of the First Presbyterian Church. The first match will be between the James Bays and the Metropolitans and the second between the Presbyterian "A" and "B" teams. Both are expected to prove fast and interesting contests.

When these games have been decided the all-star teams will be picked in the Ladies' and Intermediate Divisions to play a picked team of the rest of each division respectively. The play will take place on a Saturday evening in April in the gymnasium of the Y. M. C. A. Another league game will also be played on the same evening. The admission fees will be donated to the Red Cross Fund. The exact date has not as yet been set, but this will be decided upon in the near future.

## COAST HOCKEY CLUBS MAKE BEST RECORD

Western Teams Have Edge in Four World's Series

In this inter-sectional hockey controversy known as the world's series, figures are produced which show that if there is any crowing to be done, the hockeyists in the West are the only ones entitled to make such an imperious claim. Four world's series have been played, two on the Pacific Coast and two in the East. In every instance the home team has been the series winner. The series of 1914 in Toronto and 1915 in Vancouver were star straight heat affairs. Last year Portland went east and made Canadiens go the full route to win. This year four games were necessary in Seattle to decide the winner. Fifteen games have been played in the four series, and the coast teams have won eight and lost seven. In scoring, the western teams outshine the N. H. A. squads tremendously, having counted 69 goals against 47 by the East.

Victoria vs. Toronto.  
The first year the series was staged, 1914, the Victoria team went East and gave Toronto a hard battle in the second and third games, when they lost by only a single counter, as follows:  
Toronto ..... 5 6 2-13  
Ottawa ..... 2 3 3-8  
Vancouver vs. Ottawa.  
The next year, 1915, Ottawa's "scoreless wonders" went to Vancouver and suffered from ennui during the three games played. The Vans had a four-goal margin in the first game, five the second and nine the third. The record of that series was:  
Vancouver ..... 4 8 1-26  
Ottawa ..... 2 3 3-8

Portland vs. Canadiens.  
Last winter the Portland Rosebuds visited Montreal and hooked up in a series with Canadiens that went five games. This was the closest argument ever staged for the title. The buds tied it up in the fourth game and lost out in the fifth. The figures were:  
Canadiens ..... 0 2 6 5 2-15  
Portland ..... 2 1 2 6 1-12

Canadiens vs. Seattle.  
By a strange coincidence George Kennedy's team is again found in the money game of the 1917 series. This makes three games in which George has cut in on the cash in two years, while no such luck came to either of the contesting teams in the 1914 and 1915 games. Canadiens were shown up quite as badly by Seattle as Ottawa was by Vancouver, the only difference being the Mets pulled the opening game and made it exciting the next three. Here's the 1917 dope:  
Seattle ..... 4 6 4 9-23  
Canadiens ..... 8 1 1 1-11

Total for Four Years	Goals
Won	8 7 69 47
Lost	7 8 47 69

## BILLIARD MATCH WILL BE RESUMED TO-NIGHT

This evening in the Metropolis Billiard Parlors the 2,000 point English billiard match between Jack MacMillan the B. C. champion and Bert Irish will be continued. The match as previously stated is being played in four stages the first two of which were contested last week. The present score stands as follows: Irish (received 400) 1,000, MacMillan, 1,001. The latter player is in play with an unfinished break of seven.

## RUSS LEIGHTON WILL MEET PTE. COOK SOON

Accepts Challenge; Ill Health Prevents Early Contest

Any time after the 17th of this month Russ Leighton, of H. M. C. S. Rainbow is willing to meet Pie Cook, of the 50th Gordon-Highlanders, in a six-round bout in the heavyweight class. This announcement comes as a reply to the challenge of the soldier which was issued in these columns over a week ago. The answer from Leighton would have been forthcoming much before this had it not been that he has been incapacitated for some time as a result of a severe attack of influenza. In consequence of this sickness it will be some considerable time before he will be in fit condition to enter the ring. Now that the challenge has been accepted Victoria fans will be able to

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**THREE NEW MARKS.**  
Frances Cowells, San Francisco, holder of many water records, set three new American marks recently at Oakland, Cal., in a 440-yard swimming race in a 25-yard tank. For the full distance Miss Cowells broke her own record of 6 minutes and 59 seconds, cutting the time to 6:55 4-5. She made 300 yards in 4:34, the best previous record being 4:43 4-5, made in New York by Miss Claire Gallagher, and was timed at 200 yards at 2:55, also a new record. The races were sanctioned by the A.A.U.

**AGE LIMIT IS SET.**  
The City Council of St. Andrews, Scotland, the shrine of all golfers, has recently passed an ordinance that all caddies on the famous St. Andrews links must be 56 years or more of age. This is in the nature of a war measure, as the council believes that men less than this age can render better service to their country than by toting a golf bag over the course. But, we have always thought that the average age of St. Andrews' caddies were about three score and ten. They must have been developing a new crop of late years to provoke such a councilmanic intervention.

**CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS.**  
The New Westminster Gun Club elected the following officers at the annual meeting: Hon. president, His Honor Judge Bole, Joseph Henley, C. A. Welsh, Thomas Freeman and T. Coughlan; president, Alex. Turnbull; vice-president, Thomas Haslam; secretary-treasurer, Jack Eagles; executive committee, Donald Digby, Irving Wintermute and Clarence McLean (club captain). The annual Good Friday merchandise shoot will be held as usual at the Queen's Park traps.

**AUSTRALIAN CUEIST BACK IN VANCOUVER**  
Vancouver, April 2.—En route home to Australia after a successful tour of the East, George Gray, an Antipodean billiard star, is a Vancouver visitor. Accompanied by Mrs. Gray, the cue star arrived in the Terminal City yesterday morning and will depart for Australia on Wednesday of next week. George will probably appear in one or two exhibition games before going back to the Antipodes. "Father" Bob Cliburn was at the station to greet the clever cueist and agreed to try and arrange two exhibition matches for the southerner within the next ten days. Gray played three games against Jack McMillan, B. C. champion, recently at the Hotel Vancouver.

**BIG FISH CAUGHT.**  
While fishing for Spring salmon a day or two ago, one of the Canoe Pass fishermen caught in his net a sturgeon weighing 350 pounds. Several years ago this was not an infrequent occurrence, but lately these fish have become scarce. Though so very large, the meat of the fish is not coarse, but tender and sweet, and the fortunate fisherman found a ready market for his catch.

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**WANTED**—An English baby buggy; must be in good condition. Box 209, Times.

**FOR SALE**—Cheap, 180 acres land, Cedar District, near Nanaimo. Good frontage, small lake on place. Box 419, Times.

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**FOR RENT**—Three-room, furnished flat, private house; reasonable. Phone 4721.

**BROWN LEATHER** POCKET BOOK, containing tickets for Elks' dance. Finder phone 77.

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**TWO CARPENTERS** wanted. Apply after 8, 1867 Ash Street, or Phone 2361.

**TO LET**—Well furnished apartment, light and heat; adults only; \$15 per month. 1174 Yates Street.

**THE ROCKLAND PARK W. C. T. U.** will hold the monthly meeting on April 4 at 2:30 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Taylor, 288 Cedar Hill Road.

**FOR RENT**—Garage. Apply 224 Moss St.

**WILL EXCHANGE** five acres near Saanichton, clear title, rich soil, for bungalow. Box 916, Times.

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**GARDEN TOOLS**—Sale now on. Eastern Store Co., 546 Fort Street.

**TO TENNIS PLAYERS**—Young lady wishes to join party. Box 52, Times.

## ROCK BAY BRIDGE BEFORE COMMITTEE

### Deputation Asks That City Be Empowered to Enter Into an Agreement

Legislative Press Gallery, April 3.

A deputation of Store Street owners appeared before the Municipal Committee this forenoon to ask that the city of Victoria be given authority to enter into an agreement with owners of waterfront rights which would bind the councils of the next five years.

The committee advised the parties and the city council, to get together and come back with a definite proposition. In the deputation were H. M. Fullerton, F. W. Jones, Andrew Gray, H. E. Newton, J. E. Wilson and John F. Dickson.

Mr. Fullerton told the committee in brief the history of the bridge and the efforts that have been made to get the structure repaired in the last three years. The continued lack of means of getting from Store Street and Johnson Street to Victoria West and the Rock Bay section had had a disastrous effect on the value of property and the business of merchants on the streets mentioned.

Ratepayers Opposed.

There was about \$10,000 available which would build a solid bridge, but to erect a bridge with a swing would cost some \$10,000, and the ratepayers had voted down the expenditure of such a sum. The waterfront owners were now willing to waive their demand for a swing bridge on condition that their rights were held to be preserved, and that at the end of five years the city would take down the solid bridge and replace it with a swing span, and a further time limit would be given if it was not feasible to put in a swing then.

Mr. Jones, for the Producers' Rock and Gravel Company, said that the lack of facilities to get to Rock Bay other than by a long haul by way of Government and Bay Streets was costing that company extra on every ton of materials, to the total of over \$5,000 in the course of the year, and this would be a continuing charge so long as the bridge remained out of use.

Draw Not Used.

Mr. Gray said he had known of a bridge there for forty-six years. The draw in it was one in name only and it was never opened.

R. H. Pooley said he had seen it opened once, when it held traffic up for a day and a half. It took a day to open it and half a day to close it again.

City Solicitor Hannington stated the legal position but took no attitude for or against the proposition, although the deputation intimated that he was opposed to their request. He pointed out that the Council could not bind the hands of succeeding councils, and it was for the committee to consider whether it was good policy or expedient to give Victoria this power in this case. But if it did there must be a concrete arrangement before the committee first.

Not Cost More.

Mr. Fullerton stated that it was necessary to the millmen to have a seventy-foot opening to get beams of logs into Rock Bay, but he did not think the cost of a solid bridge would be any more with that span than with one ten feet narrower.

Dr. J. W. McIntosh, on being told by the solicitor that it would be a good thing to have the bridge rebuilt, suggested that all the parties should get together and come back to the committee with a clear proposition.

Vital Importance.

Mr. Pooley said it was a matter of vital importance to Victoria West to get this bridge built, and it was a pity it had not been put back into commission long ago. If there was any technicality in the Municipal Act which stood in the way the committee would be acting in the public interest if it removed this. It was time the matter was settled and the City Council and the owners interested should get together and return with an arrangement.

Municipal Amendments.

City Solicitor Hannington went on with the proposals which Victoria has to offer for the amendments of the municipal legislation, concluding what he had to offer and thanking the committee for the time and courtesy it had extended to him. A few sections were left over on which F. A. McDermid is to be heard for the Union of B. C. Municipalities. Those accepted by the committee included the undermentioned.

A proposed amendment that a municipality can be plaintiff in an action to restrain such a proposed nuisance as a building which would be contrary to building by-laws, without having to appeal to the Attorney-General. In a recent Oak Bay case the courts held that the municipality was powerless to prevent the erection of undesirable buildings by getting out an injunction; that in such cases the Attorney-General was the only possible plaintiff.

Victoria has a possible case facing it for a livery stable it is proposed to be erected in a residential district.

Grounds of Appeal.

Under the Local Improvement Act amendments were accepted which will provide that owners appealing from local improvement assessments must give the grounds of appeal on the Justice in the case of general assessment appeals; that the municipalities must be given notice of the grounds of appeal when one is taken from the Court of Revision to the courts; that assessment notices on local improvements shall be advertised and sent out one month before the Court sits, instead of ten days and fifteen days respectively, as at present; and that an application to quash a local improvement assessment

## CANADIAN HISTORY IN THIS JUBILEE YEAR

### Special Attention Recommended to Study of Confederation Period

Legislative Press Gallery, April 3.

As this is the jubilee year of the Canadian Confederation, and the commemoration of the event is engaging general attention, the Department of Education is taking steps to have attention paid to the period in the schools.

Hon. Dr. Maclean is having the common and high schools of the province encouraged to commemorate the union of the provinces by paying special attention in the history lessons to the causes leading up to Confederation and to the men who brought it about.

It is felt by the Minister that in no better way could the young people who are attending school to-day honor the fiftieth year of the successful uniting of the provinces than in close study of the times and in gaining a more intimate knowledge of the events of the period than they would ordinarily pick up in the ordinary routine of the school year.

The Minister believes that he only needs to call the attention of principals and teachers to the matter to have them direct the minds of their pupils to the Confederation years.

Mr. Hannington submitted alternative proposals to get over an interpretation by Judge Lammpan last year of what the act means when it says that the value of lands shall be determined by comparison with lands of the same class. Mr. Hannington's amendment would make the comparison regard only the relative location or situation of the land, and no comparison as to whether the lands were business, residential or semi-residential.

The committee decided to leave an awkward question alone.

The city of Port Couillard presented a proposed amendment dealing with the validation of revised assessment rolls irrespective of trifling irregularities in their preparation. The act says that all taxable property must be entered on the roll, but that city omitted to include taxable property on which exemptions had been given, and the validity of \$140,000 arrears being called in question. Municipal Inspector Baird is to redraft the clause.

## MAXWELL SMITH IS COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

### New Head of Agricultural Credits Commission is Authority on Farm Matters

Legislative Press Gallery, April 3.

Maxwell Smith, Vancouver, a well-known writer and authority on agricultural subjects, has been appointed as chairman of the Agricultural Credits Commission, in which position William Manson, late Minister of Agriculture, has been acting since the establishment of the commission last year and from which he resigned on Saturday.

The new chairman has been associated with agriculture all his life in one way and another, both in his native province of Ontario and in British Columbia, of which he has been a resident now for many years. He came to the province first as a fruit inspector under the Federal Department of Agriculture, and retired from that to which he was editor and proprietor for seven or eight years. He has what is often described as a model farm at Deroche, near Harrison Lake.

Mr. Smith has travelled over every part of the province, either as a fruit inspector or in the interests of his magazine, and he is intimately acquainted with its agricultural needs and possibilities. He has frequently been called upon for advice as to the location of demonstration farms and in other ways his advice has been sought by the Government and by farmers' organizations. He has always been keenly interested in the working out of farm problems in B. C., and with the adoption of the system of which he will now be the head. He is a most interesting speaker, and has always been generous with his time and abilities in behalf of all branches of agriculture.

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## FROM DIVERS PLACES FOR VICTORIA'S GOLF

### Two Thousand Visitors to Oak Bay Links in the Last Year

Legislative Press Gallery, April 3.

Joshua Kingham could have no better support for his belief expressed at the executive meeting of the Victoria and Island Development Association on Friday evening last, that the establishment of municipal golf links would alike act as a magnet for the tourist and at the same time be an investment to the city, than a statement of fact in regard to actual visitors' returns from the Victoria Golf Club for the past twelve months. And by the visitors' return it is obvious that commensurate financial revenue went into, not only the treasury of the club, but also a fair quota into the city's treasury.

During the month of January the Oak Bay Links was the only course open for play in the whole of Canada, while from visits that month by the professionals of Seattle and Everett, it may be assumed that Washington courses were not free from winter's mantle. The equable climate of Victoria, however, while producing this factor in its particular relation to the Oak Bay Links, is the drawing card for the general touring public. Additional weight is given to this theory by the contrastable comparison available from the briefest reference to the number of visiting golfers as affecting this one club alone.

Two Thousand Visitors.

Last year's statement, that in the twelve months terminating on March 31 last, disclosed the fact that in the neighborhood of two thousand visitors to the Oak Bay Links, as Harry Vardon describes it, were "elated to the topmost heights of joy or dashed to the deepest depths of despair." The numbers are quite convincing, made especially so when Shanghai, Hongkong and the large cities of Canada and the United States are demarcated points of no small number of those who sign the visitors' book.

Better Than 1912.

The promotion of tourist travel by the soon-to-be Pacific Northwest Tourist Association would appear to be assured of the most healthy of results, for this reason if for no other. The Victoria Golf Club, by virtue of its provision of a magnificent and picturesque—not to say "sporty" course—at Oak Bay, last year doubled its reputation by doubling the number of visiting golfers. Within a few dollars the revenue, too, was exactly twice as much as for the year ending March 31st, 1916. Reference to the annual report of 1912, and that was during the "good times" period with no war on, the list of visitors was sixty per cent. less than during the year just closed. One of the most important aspects of this encouraging state of affairs is the fact that it has been achieved without a cent spent in advertising and without funds other than those raised by the club membership.

The Moral.

If during twelve months, with approximately one hundred of its members away on military service, it is possible for the virtues of the Golf Links at Oak Bay to become known almost in the four corners of the earth, as testified by the visitors' book, the moral to be drawn is that with the Pacific Northwest Tourist Association, participating in a scheme of publicity embracing an outlay in clear advertising of over fifty thousand dollars per annum, Victoria should not only double the number of her golfing visitors during the first year, but also add one hundred per cent. to all other classes of tourist travel, with the same increase on the man who comes with his money to invest.

Outlook Surprising.

In the annual statement referred to it is remarkable to note that during the month of March, generally conceded to have been an extremely backward month when compared with previous years, the number of visitors was as high as in the best month of the height of the season, and higher than any other month during the whole year. This is naturally regarded by the officials of the club as an indication that the financial year just entered upon

## WINS CASE

### Maritime Insurance Suit Decided by the Jury in Favor of Plaintiffs.

In his charge to the special jury yesterday afternoon after the addresses of L. G. McPhillips, K. C. for the defendants, and of E. C. Mayers for the plaintiffs, in the case of Vancouver Portland Cement Company against the Maritime Insurance Company, Mr. Justice Morrison observed that he did not wish to fling the case at them, but that he desired them to grasp the matter from the broad common sense point of view. On the subject of the overloading of the ship, which was the main contention of the defence, His Lordship explained that the ship might continue her various journeys in an overloaded state and yet be perfectly safe, unless she encountered "a peril of the sea."

After deliberating for half an hour the jury returned a verdict on behalf of the plaintiff, Vancouver Portland Cement Company; firstly, that the ship was lost by the "perils of the sea;" secondly, that she was in a seaworthy condition when she left Britannia Beach on her last voyage. They found accordingly in the sum of \$60,000, with interest to be added. E. C. Mayers, on behalf of the plaintiffs, formally moved for judgment, which was granted by His Lordship.

Ernest E. Billinghurst was foreman of the jury, and it is understood that the defendants will take the matter to the Court of Appeal. E. C. Mayers and Douglas Armour conducted the case for the plaintiffs and L. G. McPhillips, K. C. and Messrs. Heistermann and Hogg, of Vancouver, for the Insurance Company.

## TREAT TUBERCULAR CASES AT BALFOUR

### J. S. H. Matson of Hospitals Commission Returned This Morning

J. S. H. Matson, of the British Columbia Hospitals Commission, returned to the city this morning from the mainland, where he has been paying an official visit in connection with the work of the Commission, with particular regard to the treatment of tuberculosis. He was accompanied by Major J. S. Harvey, the officer in command of military hospitals and sanatoria in the province, and A. A. Cox, a well-known Vancouver architect who is giving his time and talents to the Military Hospitals Commission without cost, in the designing and construction of additional buildings, pavilions and workshops for vocational training as well as to the many alterations to the present buildings operated by the commission.

At Balfour.

The officials spent a whole day at Balfour and as the result of their investigations there it has been determined to concentrate the energies of the commission on that point for the handling of all cases of tuberculosis. The Dominion Government is to be petitioned forthwith to establish a gravity water system to replace the present method of pumping, while permission is also sought of the Federal authorities for the erection of a Nurses' bungalow, medical officers' residence and a vocational training building. In addition to these improvements it is hoped that the Government will sanction the erection of two or four new pavilions for additional patients.

At the present time Balfour is able to take care of about 125 patients, when four new pavilions will enable double that number of men to be provided for at this point.

Mr. Matson was enthusiastic concerning Balfour as a point at which patients would make speedy progress against tuberculosis.

FORMERLY CANADIAN SOLDIER.

London, April 2.—Capt. Gordon Cecil Darwall, who has died of disease, related from the Canadian permanent forces shortly before the war and joined the Imperial army in 1914.

## VANCOUVER'S BILL OPPOSED BY COMPANY

### Application for Rights to Sell Light and Power Before the Committee

Legislative Press Gallery, April 3.

The B. C. Electric Ry. Co. made its reply this morning in the Private Bills committee to the city of Vancouver's application for unlimited power to generate and sell light and power in competition with the company.

General Manager Kidd and F. J. Stacpoole, K. C., were heard on behalf of the company.

Manager Kidd told the committee that the clauses in the city charter restricting its right to compete with the B. C. E. in light and power, unless it first brought out the company's plant, had formed a material part of the security pledged to the debenture holders. A good deal of the value which the company placed in its assets came from the protection afforded by these clauses in the charter. He produced a statement showing that, according to his argument, there was no truth in the assertion that the company had made 8 per cent. for 22 years.

Mr. Kidd denied that there had been waste during the construction period and said that the company had secured the best engineering advice possible. In any event, if the city could show that there had been waste it would naturally benefit in any arbitration on the purchase price of the plant, should the city desire to buy. Mr. Kidd directed the attention of the committee to the fact that the city desired this year further powers of taxation, which would naturally interfere with new industries. It appeared to be the desire of the city to provide money with which to duplicate the power plant of the B. C. E.

He admitted that the company's light rates were higher than in other places, but pointed out that Winnipeg, for example, with its 3 cents minimum, had a minimum charge of 30 cents a month, whereas the B. C. E. had no minimum charge, and in the summer many of its customers paid as low as 55 cents a month. He declared that by September 30 next the company would enforce a minimum charge and would then give material rate reductions.

The B. C. E. manager recommended that the proper way to deal with the situation was not to abrogate the rights of the company, but to have the Government appoint a Public Service Commission which could investigate the company's records, value its plant and, if necessary, adjust its rates. Personally, he said, he would welcome such a commission.

Mr. Stacpoole dealt with legal aspects of the case.

## EIGHT MEN BACK

### Vancouver Boat Brought Returned Soldiers in This Afternoon

The following eight returned soldiers were on the afternoon boat from Vancouver to-day, 22 others who came through on the train which arrived early this morning at Vancouver, remaining behind on special leave to visit relatives and friends before reporting at the Military Convalescent Hospital here:

Sergt. Major Smith, Sergt. Thompson, Lieut. Oliver and Ptes. Gerard, Heck, Rowland, Worthy and Day.

Major Harvey, O. C. of J. Company, met the men on their arrival in Vancouver and accompanied the party to Victoria this afternoon.

Demand Phoenix Stout. Home product.

Raffle for Doll and Carriage given by Millicent Umbach in aid of Patriotic Society, will be drawn on Thursday, April 5, at 2 o'clock. Rooms Patriotic Rooms.

Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product.

Have You Seen the seven-jeweled wrist-watches with unbreakable fronts sold for \$5.00 each, by F. L. Haynes, 1124 Government street? They're unequalled.

Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product.

"Olivet to Calvary."—Maunders' beautiful "Olivet to Calvary," one of the most lovely of sacred cantatas, was given by the choir of St. John's Church on Sunday evening before a large congregation. The cantata depicts the scenes of the Saviour's life from Olivet to the last scene of the crucifixion, the choir, trained and rehearsed under the direction of G. Jennings Burnett, winning both for themselves and the choirmaster very general praise from the big congregation which crowded the building. The choruses as well as the various solos were sung with very fine devotional feeling. Mr. Edmund-Petch, the tenor, contributing some of the loveliest of the solos with very fine expression and delivery. Other solos were sung by Mr. Butterworth, Mr. Pattison and Mr. White. The choir distinguished itself particularly in "Drop, Sacred Head," and "March to Calvary," in which the big climatic effects were splendidly brought out. St. John's choir is singing Stainer's "Crucifixion" on Good/Friday evening.

Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, quarts, 3 for 50c.

### EXPROPRIATION JUDGMENT

The judgment in the Block W case was handed down by the Court of Appeal in Vancouver to-day. This was an appeal corollary to the arbitration to fix damages for expropriation of a lane through Block W, bounded by Pandora, Blanshard, Johnson, and Quadra Streets, initiated some years ago, but not completed. The City wished to back out of the scheme, but the Courts ordered an arbitrator to be named.

Other difficulties have arisen since, and to straighten one of them out this appeal was taken, preliminary to the arbitration proceeding. The whole situation is very complicated, raising important points of law. There are other claims against the City for compensation, pending the decision in this case, arising from the same scheme, which was a sequel of the ambitious projects of 1912.

Mr. Justice Morrison held that if the City was to claim the advantage which the opening of the lane would give to the adjacent property, credit must be given for the local improvement assessment. This judgment is reversed, and in consequence the City will be able to argue in favor of offsetting the amount of compensation by this advantage, without jeopardizing the other assessment.

Other judgments were: Brown vs. Menzies, appeal dismissed; Anderson vs. German-American Insurance Co., appeal allowed; Johnson vs. Salmon, appeal dismissed; Morris vs. Structural Steel Co., appeal dismissed; McCreiff vs. Barrett, court equally divided; Parsons vs. Norris, appeal dismissed; Dominion Bank vs. Fitzherbert, appeal allowed; Scottish Temperance Co. vs. Gold, appeal allowed.

"There are other cases," said Chief Justice Macdonald, "in which decisions have yet to be rendered."

### TAG DAY.

An approximate estimate of the "Tag Day" returns in aid of the Military Convalescent Hospitals indicates that the committee of the Women's Auxiliary are highly satisfied with the support which the public has given their undertaking to-day. The energy of the collectors was splendidly exemplified by some of the taggers this morning, several being at their stations at the downtown street corners by a quarter to seven o'clock. There were, consequently, very few workmen or others who were missed, and before the last of the collectors turns in to-night it is hoped that everyone will have been directly appealed to help the good work.

### BORN

DRAKIN—On the 2nd inst. to Mr. and Mrs. T. Drakin, 161 Southgate Street, a son.

### DIED.

REID—On the 31st inst. at Nanaimo, Gideon D. Reid, aged 61 years, a resident of Nanaimo for the past year, born in Caledonia, New Brunswick. He is survived by his widow and 6 sons.

The funeral has been arranged to take place to-morrow, April 4, from Thomson's Funeral Chapel, at 2 o'clock. Rev. Wm. Stevenson, of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, will officiate. Interment in Ross Bay Cemetery.



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### THE AMERICAN NAVY DEPARTMENT AT WORK

How the Sum of \$133,000,000 It Has Will Be Laid Out

Washington, April 3.—Plans for spending the \$133,000,000 now available for preparation for war against Germany practically have been completed by the Navy Department, it was officially announced to-day. The fund is composed of the \$115,000,000 emergency appropriation for shipbuilding and speeding up construction, with the \$18,000,000 appropriation for equipment of navy yards with addition building facilities.

The larger sum is being devoted to construction of destroyers, patrol boats, purchase of auxiliary merchant vessels, erection of storage houses, leasing of private buildings and construction of air craft, and the smaller sum for equipment of various navy yards. At Portsmouth, N. H., facilities will be provided for continuous construction of ten submarines at a time; at New York \$3,000,000 will be devoted to construction of facilities for capital shipbuilding, including additional ways, shops and storage plants; at Philadelphia approximately \$6,000,000 will be spent for ways and ships for construction work; at Norfolk new ways and shops will be authorized at a cost of

about \$5,000,000. A smaller amount will be given to the Puget Sound yards for additional equipment there, and a sufficient amount will be allowed the Mare Island yard in California for the construction of ways and shops; the Charleston, S. C., yard will be fitted at considerable expense for destroyer and other auxiliary construction.

Navy Department officials are surveying the shipbuilding facilities along the Great Lakes for the purpose of utilizing them wherever it is found possible for construction work.

The forces. It is assumed that the President will authorize an increase of both the National Guards and the regular army to war strength. That in itself would give an army of more than 700,000 men, in addition to the proposed new force of 500,000. The navy already is recruiting to war strength under an order of the President issued last week, and 60,000 National Guardsmen are doing police duty in their respective states.

### FURTHER PROGRESS MADE BY BRITISH DESPITE WEATHER

London, April 3.—Despite a heavy blizzard which raged during the night, further progress was made by the British forces, says Reuters correspondent in a dispatch from British Headquarters in France. Henin-sur-Cojeul, five miles southeast of Arras, has been cleared of the enemy, giving the British possession of the line running almost straight from Reunains to the Amiens-Cambrai road near Beaumont. British troops occupied the village of Malmesey, northwest of St. Quentin, while a German counter-attack against Temple-le-Queerard was repulsed with heavy casualties.

### FURTHER TALES OF PIRACY OF GERMANS

Survivors of Trevoze and Alinwick Castle Endured Terrible Sufferings

New York, April 3.—The British freighter Trevoze, reported by Germany as having been sunk, was torpedoed without warning on March 18 and 24 members of her crew are unaccounted for, according to officers of the Fabre Line steamship Venezia, which arrived here to-day with five of the Trevoze's crew.

The Venezia brought also 13 men from the British steamship Alinwick Castle, already reported by Germany as having been sunk on March 19. She was sunk without warning.

The five from the Trevoze were rescued by the Alinwick Castle from an open boat.

The 24 men brought in by the Venezia had floated for four days and four nights in open boats before being picked up. They said that five of their number died from exposure during this time. Many of those rescued still are suffering from frostbite and frozen limbs.

The Alinwick Castle, they said, carried a crew of 100 men and 24 passengers. The British Admiralty already has announced that 19 of the persons died and that others were missing.

In the boat met by the Venezia were six of the passengers, Captain Charles, the ship's surgeon, the engineers and 15 of the crew. Seven boats were launched from the Alinwick Castle, but owing to the strong gale blowing they were soon separated. Thus far 100 of the 124 souls aboard are unaccounted for.

Survivors of the Trevoze said that the vessel was sunk early on the morning of the 18th, the U boat not being sighted by anyone on board, and giving no warning.

The crew took to the boats, which soon drifted apart. The survivors picked up by the Alinwick Castle had been on that ship only a few hours when she was in turn torpedoed.

The launching of the Alinwick Castle's boats was attended with extreme danger and difficulties, as there was only little time to get them loaded before the ship went down. A high wind drove the craft in various directions. The suffering of the passengers and crew was described by the survivors as terrible, and when the Venezia hove in sight four days later all were benumbed with cold and so weakened by exposure that they were unable to assist their rescuers in saving themselves.

The Trevoze was on her way from Newcastle, Eng., to Alexandria, Egypt. She was of 3,112 tons gross and was built at South Shields, Eng., in 1896. The Alinwick Castle, British, was on a voyage from London to Capetown, Africa. She was owned by the Union Castle Mail Steamship Company. She was of 5,900 tons gross and was built in Glasgow in 1901. The Trevoze was owned by the Hain Steamship Company, Ltd., of St. Ives, Eng.

New York, April 3.—The British steamship Stanley, from Newport News, March 7, with a cargo of grain for Cherbourg, was sunk by a German submarine without warning on March 21 and five members of her crew killed. Fifteen survivors of the ship reached here to-day on the steamship Port Albany. Two other members of the crew, one an American, died of exposure in open boats.

New York, April 3.—The British steamship Cannizaro, of 6,122 tons gross, which left New York on March 14 with general cargo of grain and freight, has been sunk, according to word received here to-day by the New York agents of the owners, the Wilson Steamship Line. The crew, about 40 in number, was safely landed at Falmouth.

It is understood the crew includes no Americans.

Washington, April 3.—A dispatch from Ambassador Sharp, dated at Paris at 5 p.m. yesterday, said 19 survivors from the American S. S. Astec had been landed yesterday at Brest and 28 persons still were missing and their rescue was doubtful because of the heavy sea and storm.

Ambassador Sharp cabled: "The Foreign Office has just informed me that the American steamship Astec was torpedoed at 9 p.m. last night (April 1), far out at sea off the Island of Ushant. One boat from the steamship was found with 19 survivors, who were landed this afternoon (yesterday) at Brest. Twenty-eight persons are still missing and although two patrol vessels are searching for them the stormy condition of the sea and weather renders their rescue doubtful.

"The Foreign Office has not informed me as to the names of the survivors. Will cable further details as soon as possible."

Dispatches to the French Embassy last night put the missing at eleven.

### BALLIN SEEMS TO THINK PEACE NEAR

London, April 3.—Albert Ballin, the leading figure in the German shipping industry, is quoted by the Boerzen Zeitung, of Berlin, says a Central News message from Copenhagen, as declaring at a meeting of the Komoss Steamship Company at Hamburg that he hoped to present a balance sheet on July 1, under "peace conditions."

A Reuter dispatch from Copenhagen says it is reported that Ballin, who is chief director of the Hamburg-American Line, has ordered all captains of the line to be at Hamburg on July 1,

### FRESH FUEL FOR UNREST IN GERMANY

Washington Watches How Berlin Will Treat Publication of Wilson's Words

Washington, April 3.—Whether the German Government will permit publication in Germany of President Wilson's address to Congress last night was a question of great interest to-day at the State Department. The sharp line drawn by the President in his address between the German people and the autocracy which rules them is regarded as providing additional fuel for the unrest in Germany which has been recognized even by Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg. The extent of the unrest and the attitude of the authorities toward it is expected to be shown in the way they treat the publication of the President's address.

Reports from Berlin that Count Czernin, the Austrian Foreign Minister, had proposed a peace conference of the belligerents without a cessation of hostilities caused surprise at the State Department, where it was said that no such definite information had been received. Count Czernin is known only to have said that the Central Powers still considered their peace offer of December 12, but that he had added to that offer the suggestion of a conference during hostilities provided a new angle. Officials felt at one, however, that the time for such a conference absolutely has passed. The view is being adopted here that no negotiations can be started until Germany has laid down a general statement of terms as a guarantee of good faith. The United States apparently would be as loath as the Entente Powers to enter a blind conference.

The sharp focussing of attention throughout the world by the President's address on the present autocracy of Germany is expected to make some curtailment of that autocracy essential as a peace preliminary.

Will Increase Bitterness. The British and French, even before the terrible devastation of Northern France, have many times, even in high quarters, demanded actual capital punishment for a few leading statesmen in Germany to whom the war is attributed. The attitude of the United States toward those officials, while not so bitter, will nevertheless tend to increase that feeling. It is very probable therefore that a general condition of peace will be some very decided action towards the German autocracy.

While the Austrian, Bulgarian and Turkish situation remains just as it was for the present so far as this country is concerned, it is probable that Germany will force those nations to her side. Austria-Hungary, deeply affected by the new freedom in Russia and fearful of a break with this country; Bulgaria, already satisfied with her war results and anxious for peace without disaster; Turkey, overrun from four sides through her richest territory by Russian and British troops, all are known to be ready for peace negotiations on very reasonable terms. Germany, however, has built up during the war a domination in those countries which may not be broken easily.

Count Tarnowski, who as President Wilson said could not be received here as Austrian Ambassador, now is expected to ask for a safe conduct home. Officials had hoped to avoid a break with Austria and have postponed it as long as possible. Just after the receipt of the Austrian note affirming Germany's submarine decree, Count Tarnowski was told that he could not present his credentials, and it is thought to be as a result of this that Ambassador Penfield has been summoned home from the American Embassy in Vienna. Full diplomatic relations could not under such conditions exist and little doubt is felt that this step will follow within a few days.

### CARING FOR 5,000 INVALIDED SOLDIERS

Reports Indicate Work of Military Hospitals Commission to March 22

Ottawa, April 3.—The number of invalided soldiers now being taken care of by the Military Hospitals Commission is nearly 5,000. Returns from the various units under the Military Hospitals Commission's command dated March 22 show a total of 4,705, and there has been an appreciable increase since then.

The convalescents number 3,886, of whom 2,677, are in the convalescent hospitals and 1,809 are out patients. The unit with the highest total is "C," with headquarters at Toronto. It has 1,118 convalescents, of whom all but 61 have been overseas.

The consumptive number 620, including 198 "camp" men. There are 67 members of the forces in hospitals for the insane, besides 6 out patients, while there are 128 men in ordinary hospitals and other institutions.

The Canadian soldiers in hospitals in the United Kingdom on March 9 numbered 14,976, including 467 officers. The total on November 17 given in the Commission's bulletin was 14,818. The total on March 9 consisted of 9,209 sick and 5,667 wounded. They were distributed as follows: Canadian primary hospitals, 3,100; Canadian special hospitals, 1,864; Canadian convalescent hospitals, 17; British hospitals, 5,625.

### AMERICAN FLEET WILL CO-OPERATE

Plans Only Await Action by Congress; Wilson Cheered in London

Washington, April 3.—Co-operation between the American navy and the navy of the Entente Powers will be effected at once on the invitation of the Government with necessary authority by Congress. An official announcement at the Navy Department late to-day said steps had been taken to effect a working agreement and would be put into effect as soon as possible.

London, April 3.—A storm of applause was aroused in the House of Commons to-day by mention of President Wilson's address to the American Congress.

### AFTER HIGH OPENING NEW YORK REACTED

Uncertainty Regarding Government's Plans Caused Liquidation in Rails and Motors

(By Wise & Co.)

New York, April 3.—The market opened with fractional increase of prices, with the exception of U. S. Steel, which opened up over a point and advanced rapidly to 118. The strength in that issue advanced other issues along with it, and during the first hour the volume of sales was equal to half the day's sales recorded. Later profit taking and the adjournment of the Senate until to-morrow caused liquidation, forcing steel down to 115. The rest of the market reacted. Also there was a good deal of liquidation in motor shares on the idea that the Government will restrict the output of pleasure cars in order that the material may be used for other purposes. The falls also came into their share of liquidation. The impression is that the Government may take control of many lines, particularly in the east. The copper reacted in sympathy with the rest of the market. Call money to-day was at 2 1/2 per cent.

High Low Close

Alaska Gold	9 5/8	9 5/8	9 5/8
Cuba Cane Sugar	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Allis-Chalmers	281 1/2	281 1/2	281 1/2
Amn. Beet Sugar	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
Amn. Can. Foundry	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2
Amn. Car & Foundry	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2
Amn. Ice Securities	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Amn. Locomotive	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
Amn. Smelting	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2
Amn. Steel Foundry	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Amn. Sugar	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
Amn. Woolen	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Amn. Tel. & Tel.	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
Amn. Zinc	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Anacosta	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
Atchafalca	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2
Atlantic Gulf	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
B. & O.	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
Bath Iron Works	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Butte Sup.	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2
C. P. R.	164 1/2	164 1/2	164 1/2
Cal. Petroleum	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Central Leather	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
Imperial	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Colo. Fuel & Iron	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Cruicible Steel	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
Diatlers S. Co.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Erie	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Gen. Motors	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
Gen. S. pref.	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
Goodrich	148 1/2	148 1/2	148 1/2
G. N. pref.	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
G. N. Ore cts.	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
Illinois Cent.	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
Int. Alcohol	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
Imperial	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
Inter. Nickel	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Lackawanna	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
Kennecott	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Chino	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
Lehigh Valley	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
Maxwell Motor	56 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2
Mex. Petroleum	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Mer. Mercantile	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Do. pref.	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2
Miami	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
Mildvale Steel	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Nevada Cons.	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
New Haven	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
N. Y. C.	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
N. & W.	125 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
N. P.	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Pacific Mail	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
Pennsylvania	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
People's Gas	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
Pressed Steel Car	148 1/2	148 1/2	148 1/2
Railway Steel Spk.	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2
Ray Cons.	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Reading	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
Rep. Iron & Steel	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2
Sioux Sifted	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
S. P.	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Sou. Railway	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Do. pref.	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2
Studebaker Corp.	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
U. E.	141 1/2	141 1/2	141 1/2
United Fruit	142 1/2	142 1/2	142 1/2
U. S. Rubber	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
U. S. Steel	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
Do. pref.	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
U. S. Smelting	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Utah Copper	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
Western Union	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2
Westinghouse	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Wabash pref.	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Willy's Overland	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Money on call	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
Total sales, 94,900 shares.			

### VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE

Blackhead Syndicate	19.00	23.00
Canada Copper Co.	1.57 1/2	2.00
Can. Cons. S. & R.	41.00	44.00
Coronation Gold	89.00	92.00
Granby	39.00	42.00
Int. Coal & Coke Co.	38 1/2	41 1/2
Lucky Jim Zinc	38 1/2	41 1/2
McPhillips Coal	11 1/2	14 1/2
Portland Cement	11 1/2	14 1/2
Spelter	11 1/2	14 1/2
Standard Cariboo	11 1/2	14 1/2
Standard Lead	11 1/2	14 1/2
Snowdrift	11 1/2	14 1/2
Stewart M. & D.	11 1/2	14 1/2
Slocan Star	11 1/2	14 1/2
Stewart Land	11 1/2	14 1/2

### NEW YORK CURB PRICES

Aris. Copperfields	1 1/2	1 1/2
Can. Copper	1 1/2	1 1/2
Crown Reserve	1 1/2	1 1/2
Em. Phone	10 1/2	11 1/2
Goldfield	6 1/2	7 1/2
Hedley Gold	17 1/2	18 1/2
Hollinger	6 1/2	7 1/2
Howe Sound	6 1/2	7 1/2
Kerr Lake	4 1/2	5 1/2
Emma Copper	1 1/2	1 1/2
Green Mountain	1 1/2	1 1/2
Jerome Verde	1 1/2	1 1/2
Leg. Ledger	4 1/2	5 1/2
Imp. Legation	4 1/2	5 1/2
La Rosa	20 1/2	21 1/2
Magma	24 1/2	25 1/2
Mines of Am.	1 1/2	1 1/2
Nippon	1 1/2	1 1/2
Stewart	1 1/2	1 1/2
Submarine	23 1/2	24 1/2
Success	6 1/2	7 1/2
Tonapah	6 1/2	7 1/2
Union Belm.	4 1/2	5 1/2
Yukon	2 1/2	3 1/2
United Verde	24 1/2	25 1/2
Tonapah Extn.	2 1/2	3 1/2
Mason Valley	6 1/2	7 1/2

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## FINANCIAL NEWS

### MONTREAL STOCKS

(By Burdick Brothers, Limited.)  
Montreal, April 3.—The opening of the local market was a little more active to-day, but prices were not materially changed from the previous closing level. President Wilson's speech was about what was expected and was favorably received here. It is generally felt that the entrance of the United States into the struggle will lighten many of the Allies' problems and bring the end of the war appreciably nearer. Canada Steamships common and Canada Locomotive were strong features, the latter gaining four points. The steel shares closed off a fraction, but the balance of the market held yesterday's gains.

Ames Holden, pref.	62 1/2	63 1/2
Bell Telephone	105 1/2	106 1/2
Brascan Traction	43 1/2	44 1/2
C. P. R.	165 1/2	166 1/2
Can. Cement, com.	64 1/2	65 1/2
Do. pref.	94 1/2	95 1/2
Can. Car. Pdy., com.	21 1/2	22 1/2
Do. pref.	74 1/2	75 1/2
Can. S. S. com.	30 1/2	31 1/2
Do. pref.	85 1/2	86 1/2
Can. Locomotive	61 1/2	62 1/2
Can. Cottons	51 1/2	52 1/2
Can. Gen. Elec.	112 1/2	113 1/2
Civ. Inv. & Ind.	51 1/2	52 1/2
Cons. M. & S.	21 1/2	22 1/2
Detroit United	115 1/2	116 1/2
Dow, L. & S.	65 1/2	66 1/2
Dow, Textile	85 1/2	86 1/2
Laurentide Co.	18 1/2	19 1/2
Laurentide Power	55 1/2	56 1/2
Lyon Const. Co.	79 1/2	80 1/2
Maple Leaf Mfg. & d.	111 1/2	112 1/2
Montreal Tram	37 1/2	38 1/2
Montreal Cotton	23 1/2	24 1/2
MacDonald Co.	113 1/2	114 1/2
Mackay Co.	86 1/2	87 1/2
N. S. Steel, com.		



FOUR MEN WENT INTO HOSPITAL YESTERDAY

Three Returned From England and One From the Front

Of the four men who returned to the city yesterday afternoon, after a short period of leave on the completion of their journey from England, three were returned with disabilities which prevented them from reaching the fighting front...

Private Alfred Jackson enlisted with the 54th Battalion at Grand Forks on May 25, 1916, and was knocked out by a gunshot wound in the right shoulder and chest on the Somme front on September 3 last year...

With a family of five boys, three of whom are in the trenches in France at the present time, Private A. E. Cross enlisted in the 62nd Battalion in Vancouver exactly one year after the outbreak of war...

Rigid feet is the official disability return which debarred Bandman C. Henry Gault from going to France with his battalion, the 158th, with whom he enlisted at Vancouver in January last...

The war was four days old as far as Great Britain was concerned when Walter Hill, enlisting at Fernie, B. C., on the 5th day of August, 1914, became a private in the 1st British Columbia or 7th Battalion...

Contracting rheumatism while undergoing training in England, Private W. M. Gilroy, of the 131st Battalion, was prevented from taking his turn in the firing line...

As a result of this terrifying experience, he was deaf, dumb and blind for fifty days, while a stay of ten months in hospital was necessary...

Eight Brothers Serving. He is a Yorkshireman and one of a family of fourteen children...

Well Treated. The returned warrior is loud in his praise of the splendid treatment meted out to him in London...

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OAK BAY BROTHERS DOING THEIR BIT



PTE. G. A. GRAVLIN who left nearly three years ago, and who yesterday celebrated his 23rd birthday in the trenches...



PTE. WALTER H. GRAVLIN Son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Gravlin and elder brother of Pte. G. A. Gravlin...

RECORD SERVICE OF FAMILY'S WAR WORK

Nine Sons Fighting; 5 Daughters Nurses; Father at 80 Making Munitions

The war was four days old as far as Great Britain was concerned when Walter Hill, enlisting at Fernie, B. C., on the 5th day of August, 1914...

Private Hill went to Valcartier with the famous thirty thousand and ultimately reached France in February, 1915. He took part in all the early battles in which the Canadians won untold glory...

Terrifying Experience. As a result of this terrifying experience, he was deaf, dumb and blind for fifty days, while a stay of ten months in hospital was necessary...

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PROPOSED TRANSFER OF HEADQUARTERS

Attempt to Head Off Movement to Move Militia Control to Vancouver

"That the council of the Municipality of Esquimalt should do all in its power to prevent the transferring of the staff offices of military district No. 11 from Victoria to Vancouver" was the text of a resolution...

This movement comes as a result of action which has been taken by Colonel Duff Stuart, D. O. C. of Military District No. 11, recommending to the Ottawa authorities...

The opinion seems to prevail that the present has been selected by the authorities as the opportune moment to make the change...

The Esquimalt council will undoubtedly take decisive action as far as it lies within its power. After considerable discussion at last evening's meeting...

The opinion naturally prevails that there is no legitimate reason for the contemplated change in the military headquarters. Residents of both Victoria and the surrounding districts...

The matter will be officially discussed by the Esquimalt council at their regular meeting which will be held next Monday evening.

OBITUARY RECORD

The death occurred at Nanaimo on Saturday, March 31, of Gibson D. Reid, a native of Colwood, New Brunswick...

The funeral of Gwendolyn Elizabeth Mills, three years and ten months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mills...

The funeral of the late John Dunlop Reid, whose death took place last Friday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital...

William B. Munn, a resident of British Columbia for the past twenty-four years, died Sunday at St. Paul's Hospital...

News has been received from Montreal of the death of Mother McKenna...

Leaving Service.—H. W. Dyson on the eve of his departure from the employ of the B. C. Electric Railway Company...

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TEACHERS' INSTITUTE MEETING NEXT WEEK

Several Principals and Teachers From Island Attending Convention

Several of the Victoria and Vancouver Island principals and teachers will go to the twenty-third convention of the British Columbia Coast Teachers' Institute...

The principals' section, which is to convene on the first day from 12 noon to 12:45 p.m. in connection with a luncheon in the Y.M.C.A. cafe...

In the general session on the afternoon of the first day there will be an address by J. G. Lister, of the King Edward High School, Vancouver...

Section meetings will be held on Wednesday morning from 9 to 10:30. The High School section will discuss matters of High School curriculum...

The Senior Grade section is meeting at the P. W. Howay School early the same morning. J. M. Campbell being down to lead the discussion on "Entrance Requirements"...

At the general session to be held from 10:30 to 12 the reports of the chairman of the different departments and the election of officers will take place.

The meeting place of the 1917 convention is to be selected at this convention. Every two years the Institute meets alternating with the B. C.

RELATIVES HERE

Former University School Student Posted as Wounded in Casualty Lists.

Reported in the casualty lists this morning is Private James Schubert, of Vernon, B. C., as wounded. Private Schubert is a cousin of Mrs. W. F. Fraser...

News has been received from Montreal of the death of Mother McKenna, who passed to her rest on March 4...

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Double value for this week only.	
Cream of Wheat Per package	20c
Nice Large Prunes 2 lbs. for	25c
"DIXIE" CEYLON TEA. Per lb. 35¢, 2 lbs. for	\$1.00
Pacific or B. C. Milk Large can	10c
No. 1 Jap Rice 4 lbs. for	25c
SMALL BROWN BEANS. Extra value. 4 lbs. for	25c
B & K Wheat Flakes Large cartons	30c
Cox's Gelatine Per packet	10c
RICH, RED, RELIABLE SALMON. (Sockeye). Large can	25c
Golden Loaf Flour 49-lb. sack	\$2.40
B & K Rolled Oats Gold Seal, 7-lb. sacks	35c

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Messrs. Stewart Williams & Co.

Duly instructed by Mrs. C. D. Miller, will sell by Public Auction at her residence, 1044 Collinson Street, just off Cook Street

### To-morrow, April 4

at 2 o'clock, the whole of her Household Furniture and Effects

including: Oak sofa, upholstered in American cloth; cane chairs, rockers, occasional tables, card tables, jardiniere stands and plants, curtains, carpets, music stand, oak extension dining table, 6 Mission oak diners, buffet, 2 Morris chairs, couch, cushions, Quex rug, bamboo bookcase, books, ornaments, clock, "Reo" range, cooking utensils, kitchen tables and chairs, coal scuttles, crockery, glassware, par dinner service, single and double iron bedsteads, springs and top mattresses, oak bureau and washstands, toilet ware, mirrors, settee, mahogany rockers, a small quantity of household linen, meat safe, 2 tents and poles, 2 cots, hose and spray, garden tools, and other goods too numerous to mention.

On view to-morrow morning. Take the Fowl Bay car to Collinson Street.

The Auctioneer, Stewart Williams

### Auction Sale

Instructed by Mr. McKearns, will sell at 1284 BEACH DRIVE, Oak Bay, Opposite boat house.

### TO-MORROW

at 2 p.m.

### Furniture, Carpets Etc.

Also English Setter Pedigreed Pup, 6 months old. Particulars in yesterday's papers.

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Save the starving and distressed old women, old men, children and babies in Russian Poland by sending a contribution to the Victoria Branch, Russian Relief Society? Their need is very urgent. Headquarters, Fred Landsberg, 61 Fort St., and 1, Wazstock, 121 Broad St.

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At 2111 Douglas, will be pleased to send to your home for any cast-off clothing. Phone 2673

### NOTICE

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By order of the Board,  
ALBERT F. GRIFFITHS, Secretary.

We Deliver Immediately - Anywhere  
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### Business Wanted

I have \$2,000 to invest in any paying business, manufacturing or wholesale preferred. Give full particulars. Box 694, Times.

### TAKES NO ACTION

Council Decides It is Useless to Press for Amendment This Session.

Council decided last evening not to take action on the question of applying to the Municipal Committee of the Legislature for powers to have the Board of Equalization sit after the civil courts have passed on appeals from the Court of Revision on the Assessment Roll. The City Solicitor pointed out that the Municipal Committee had not been favorable, and he had received no support in pressing the application from other municipal bodies, except Dr. McIntosh, M.P.P. He also stated that an unfavorable reply had been received from the committee with regard to taxation on theatre tickets on behalf of Red Cross funds, on the ground that members stated that the Government had some plan along this line of its own to carry out later.

Alderman Fullerton thought the best policy would be to wait till the new Municipal Act was passed, since they would never get justice till the control of the Union of B. C. Municipalities was broken, as his personnel was not representative of the larger municipalities.

The Council abandoned any idea of proceeding with the matter this year.

Demand Phoenix Stout. Home product.

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AUCTIONEERS  
Friday of this coming week being Good Friday, we will sell at our Salesroom, 726 View Street, on

### Thursday

2 p.m.

### Exceptionally High-Class Furniture and Effects

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"Our Best" Bread Flour, best value in the city. \$2.40 Per sack.

- Nice Fresh Cranberries, 2 lbs. for 25¢
- Fresh Rhubarb, 2 lbs. 25¢
- B. C. Sugar, 20-lb. sack, \$1.85
- Very Good Creamery Butter, per lb. 45¢
- Strictly Fresh Local Eggs, per doz. 35¢
- Quaker Tomatoes, large cans, only 20¢
- B & K Rolled Oats, Gold Seal Brand 35¢
- Noel's Pure Jam, 4-lb. tins. 65¢
- Lang's Marmalade, 4-lb. tins, only 65¢
- Lang's Marmalade, 2-lb. tins, only 35¢
- Fine Fresh Kippers, 2 lbs. 25¢
- Smoked Cod, per lb. 22¢
- Smoked Haddies, per lb. 15¢

We have a good selection of Easter Chocolate Novelties—Buy Early

### E. B. JONES

Corner Cook and North Park Sts. Phone 712

### MARKET MANAGEMENT IS UNDER CRITICISM

### Retail Merchants' Association Again Asks Investigation of Allegations

Inextricably tangled up, the questions of alleged sale of cold storage meat in the city produce market, and that of stallholders keeping open to sell meat after 1 o'clock on Saturday, were debated in City Council last evening.

Eventually the aldermen decided to continue the attitude adopted last week, to refuse to hold an inquiry into the allegation of cold storage meat. Not Satisfied.

"We assure you that this is no small matter to the butchers and to the public in general," Secretary Dibble, of the Retail Merchants' Association, wrote. "And we feel that in view of the fact that practically every butcher in the city signed our petition, each having considerable capital invested in his respective business and who pays a considerable amount of taxes for the upkeep of the city, the request should have been granted."

The above letter was sent to lodge a protest against the action of Council on the previous occasion.

Investigation Not Much Good.

Alderman Johns again contended that the investigation would do very little good, and while all by-laws were occasionally violated, as for instance the speed by-laws, he did not think the amount of cold storage meat disposed of had ever been large. He criticized the hasty action of H. A. Dibble, Secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association, in attempting interference with one stallholder recently, and so preventing a conviction. He very much regretted the situation on Saturday afternoon, which was beyond the Market Committee's power, owing to the ruling of the magistrates last fall.

Saturday Trading.

Alderman Dilworth sympathized particularly with the protest against Saturday afternoon trading in the market, which proved a hardship on the butchers.

Alderman Feden believed that some attempt should be made to examine the allegation of cold storage meat sales.

Alderman Johns said frequent cautions had been given to stallholders in the butchers' section, warning them not to violate the by-law.

Age of Poultry.

Alderman Dinsdale regretted that complaints frequently arose as to the age of meat and poultry, which was alleged to be not fresh often, when sold.

Alderman Fullerton saw some justification for the investigation, while Alderman Walker considered there was good reason for the complaint that the Council had shown scant courtesy in taking the line it had in this matter.

More Law Than Justice.

Alderman Cameron said the ruling with regard to Saturday closing had more law than justice in it. Expecting there would be a change in the law the Council would be wise to wait developments.

Alderman Sargent remarked that some of their troubles at the market arose from changing the by-law from a producers' to a traders' market last year.

### PIONEER PASSES

James A. Halliday, Who Formerly Lived Here, Dies in Vancouver.

James Augustus Halliday, who passed away on Sunday at the Vancouver General Hospital, was regarded throughout the province as the dean of the teaching profession in British Columbia. The deceased, who was 78 years of age, was a native of Scotland. He came to Canada when he was but nine years of age. Very early he took up the profession of teaching and book-keeper, and will be remembered as such both in Victoria and New Westminster in the early days. He retired about twenty-five years ago to take up farming at Sandwich, near Comox, where some of his relatives live. A daughter, Mrs. Ployart, lives at 846 Hornby Street, Vancouver. Among some of the now notable men who were

### AMONG THE PUPILS OF THE LATE MR. HALLIDAY WERE SIR RICHARD McBRIDE, JUDGE W. W. B. McLENEAG, AND MANY OTHERS.

### ASSESSMENT ISSUE IS AGAIN RAISED

### Civic Retrenchment Association to Be Asked for More Information

Various suggestions with regard to the assessment of the City were mentioned in City Council last evening, after a letter had been read from the Civic Retrenchment Association, conveying the resolution passed at the last meeting. This motion asked for assessment to be based on population, after a police census had been taken.

Alderman Cameron, while welcoming the ideas offered by the association, thought the Somers's system was better than assessment on population basis.

The Mayor believed it would be better to ask for further light than had been shed on the subject, and to request for the scheme to be outlined further.

The Council decided to obtain further written information on the subject, from the association, and to inquire what cities are using the population basis.

The Council filed without comment the resolution from the same meeting with regard to formal supervision over charitable institutions to which the city contributes.

### DO ETHICS AFFECT HORSE-DEALING ART?

### Curious Discussion in City Council; Party of Probity Wins Fight

Clever men have written some very caustic comment on the art of horse dealing, with special emphasis on the looser moral code which is supposed to attend the tribe of dealers.

Neither aldermen nor civic officials are chosen for capacity to sell horses, although the city possesses a real expert in this line, and thereby hangs a tale.

The Fire Department had some horses to sell recently, and got a bid from a dealer at \$350, but the team was not to be taken away till some arrangements had been completed in the department which would release them.

Meanwhile the foreman in charge of the stables and yards had bid \$375, although it was not then understood the Engineering Department was wanting horses.

The subject came up in City Council last evening, when two parties arose, the one to declare that the horses ought to go to the dealer, the other to contend that the better price should not be overlooked.

Thereupon a most remarkable argument on the ethics of horse dealing, in which each alderman had a few observations to make drawn from long experience, saddened sometimes by the pleasant memories of the ways of the dealers. It was argued that the precedents of laws required that a deposit should be paid which did not appear to have been done in this case, and therefore the deal was "off."

"No," answered the strickers for municipal probity, "a deal is a deal; whether we lose money or not, the horses must be sold at the original figure to the horse vendor."

In spite of Alderman Andros's declaration that there was no honor and glory in horse dealing (perhaps he had read the records of the Remount Commission) the alderman bravely rallied to the cause of "probity and honor," and determined not to have the fair fame of the City bespattered for a paltry few dollars.

So the horses will go to the dealer in due course. Meanwhile Alderman Andros wanted future troubles staved off by having sales of horses in future by auction.

Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer. Price 3 for 25c.

### SEEKS DIRECTION ON TAX SALE THIS YEAR

### Finance Committee to Decide Whether Sale Will Be Held This Fall

The question of a tax sale for delinquencies was raised in City Council last evening, in a letter from City Treasurer Smith, on the subject of a sale for the year 1917, with subsequent taxes on those properties.

The subject was referred to the Finance Committee for report. The amount of taxes now due on these properties is \$67,257 for general taxes and \$38,842 for local improvements. Thus the sale would be for more than \$106,099, under the above plan.

Law Wants Changing.

Before the City can conduct a successful tax sale, Mr. Smith says changes must be made in the law covering the following points:

"1. Mortgage buying in land upon which he holds a mortgage. Section 270 of the Municipal Act provides that a tax sale deed purges such land from all payments, charges, liens, mortgages and encumbrances of whatsoever nature and kind, yet the court has held that if a mortgagee buys in a lot upon which he holds a mortgage, in order to get a title he does not improve his position; that is to say, the owner can still redeem the land under the mortgage given by him. I think the mortgage should be put in the same position as the ordinary tax sale buyer and get a tax deed without any strings attached.

Tax Sale Deeds.

"2. Notice of intention to execute a tax deed: In giving notice of intention to execute a tax sale deed, there always was and always will be a great difficulty in finding the persons who should be notified, and in order to relieve this pressure, Mr. Smith succeeded in getting the following amendment in 1915 to section 289 of the Municipal Act: 'If such person, that is the owner, mortgagee or other person, is absent from the municipality, application may be made by the collector to a Judge of the Supreme Court for an order directing substituted service of such notice, and if such order be granted, compliance therewith shall be deemed to be a proper giving of such notice.'

"At the instigation of some unknown person, this amendment was promptly repealed in 1916, and an amendment, which reads very nicely, but does not work out in practice, made, and I would very much like if the order for substituted service could be revived."

"3. Tax sale declared void: Provision should be made in case a tax sale is declared void by the courts that the taxes for which the sale was made, and those subsequent thereto, should be chargeable back upon the lot or lots affected, as it is understood that this now would not be the case.

War Relief Act.

"4. War Relief Act: This Act, as now standing, puts an almost impassable barrier to the issuance of a tax deed, and in the opinion of the city solicitor, amendment thereto is imperative before a sale of any size could be properly handled."

The City Solicitor stated that full protection under the last named clause was being secured in the amendment now before a committee of the Legislature.

### ROMANCE OF GOLD COMES FROM NORTH

### Remarkable Career of a Montenegrin Mining Operator Who Was Here Yesterday

"A Romance of Gold" might rightly be the title of the life history of Sam W. Peckovich, a Montenegrin, who was in the city yesterday, a visitor at the Empress Hotel, enroute from Alaska to negotiate a deal involving, it is stated, at least a million dollars.

The visitor did not always think in millions, nor frequent hotels of that class, and his story is the triumph of one of those hardy mountaineers of the Balkans among the uninviting conditions of an alien land and the con-

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### Showing of Women's Smart Easter Suits

We are showing a wonderful assortment of new Suits for Easter. They are made in the season's most favored styles. The materials include serge, gabardine, poplin, Burella and Jersey cloth in all the new shades. A visit to our Mantle Section will convince you of the splendid values offered. Prices range from \$13.50 to \$55.00.

We would like to draw your attention to our \$16.50 and \$17.50 range. They are exceptionally good.

—Mantle Section, First Floor

### Smart Easter Gloves

Dent's Washable Dooskin Gloves, made of specially prepared neuvet washable leather. They come in white with black stitching. Prix seam sewn and one pearl dome fastener; sizes 6 to 7. Price \$1.75

Queen Quality Silk Gloves, in plain black and white, also black with white points, and white with black points, two-dome fasteners; sizes 6 to 7. Various qualities of silk. Price \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75c

—Glove Section, Main Floor

### Display of Easter Millinery

A grand display of Pattern Hats developed from ribbon, crepe de chine, and fancy braids. The styles are beautiful, all the new shades are represented, such as mustard, sand, apple green, rose and Belgium blue. Prices from \$7.00 to \$15.00

—Millinery Section, First Floor

### Dainty Easter Neckwear

A range of pretty novelty Collars in pink, blue, tan, and green muslin with white pleated edges, also white sailor collars in voile with wide borders of pink, green or grey. Price 35¢

Another range include the large cape collars and sailor collars made of white muslin and voile; hemstitched and trimmed with lace. Price 35¢

Dainty Collars of Georgette Crepe, Crepe de Chine, Voile and Net, in pink, yellow and white, trimmed with Paisley silk and lace. Price 55¢

—Glove Section, Main Floor

### Women's Summer Underwear

Women's White Cotton Vests, in plain, ribbed or porous knit. They come with low neck, low neck, finished plain or crocheted top, short or no sleeves. Prices, 35¢, or 3 \$1.00

Women's Cotton Union Suits, in plain or porous knit, with plain or lace yoke, short sleeves or narrow shoulder strap, tight or loose knee; all sizes. 85¢

Women's Fine Mercerized Union Suits, in low neck with beaded edge or band top, short or no sleeves, tight, loose or new trunk knee; sizes to 44. Price, \$1.00 and \$1.25

Women's Fine Cotton Union Suits, with low neck, short or no sleeves, tight or loose knee. Price, 50¢

### Beautiful Easter Waists

Showing an exquisite array of the new Waists, expressing all the dainty spring styles in tucked, hemstitched and embroidered effects. Developed from Georgette crepe and crepe de chine, in plain and combination colors. Prices range from \$5.99 to \$15.00

—Waist Section, First Floor

### New Ribbons

Dainty Ribbons, suitable for hat bandings and trimming. A large range of stripes, plain cords, brocades, embroidered and picot edges. Per length, 15c to 75¢

Hair Ribbons, in all the popular shades, different widths to choose from. Yard, 12c to 35¢

### New Belts

Smart Patent Leather Belts, in white, red and black and white, also red and white with blue edgings. Prices, 50c to \$1.00

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quest of difficulties which would deter many a less fearless character. Like others of New York drew him the appeal of America, and after gaining some education he secured a position with a Montenegrin paper circulating in the East and South sides among his compatriots. The pay was small, but it gave him an opportunity to study, and increase his knowledge of the language.

Various adventures culminated in Peckovich striking out to Alaska where he first worked as a rock miner, and from that beginning commenced to take contracts for others, in tunnelling and similar work. Then he located claims on Admiralty Island, gold quartz properties, doing the necessary assessment work, until he controlled 52 in all.

The properties are so valuable that he has been able to refuse \$570,000 offered for them, and is now on the Coast to negotiate with other operators on a basis of retaining a 50 per cent. interest in the properties.

No story of this character would be complete without a heroine, and Mrs. Peckovich supplies the role. She acted as his guide while he was engaged in financial negotiations in New York some time ago, in showing him the sights of the city. When the bridal party started for Alaska it was no ordinary luxurious steamer but something different they chose, being in a forty-foot gasoline boat, in which she was engineer, and he the navigator.

Truly a remarkable record for a man in a single lifetime.

Monthly Meeting.—At the clubrooms in the Belmont Building this evening the monthly meeting of the Returned Soldiers' Association will take place, commencing at 8 o'clock. All returned officers and men are requested to be in attendance.



MUTT AND JEFF AT ROYAL VICTORIA THEATRE TO-NIGHT AND TO-MORROW