

WEATHER FORECASTS

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday: Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong westerly winds, partly cloudy, with occasional showers.

Victoria Daily Times

WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Royal Victoria—Marguerite Clark, Fantasia—“Romeo and Juliet,” Dominion—“The Honor System,” Variety—“Eternal Temptress,” Columbia—“The Secret Kingdom.”

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ACTIVITY INCREASES ON WEST LINE; RAIDS MADE; GUNS BOOMING

Approach of Gigantic Campaign Is Influencing Troops' Operations; Successful Raid by British; French Took Over 200 Prisoners in Raids

London, Feb. 12.—On the Western front, where the Allies are completing their vast preparations for the coming campaign and the Germans are massing forces, there are signs of growing alertness.

Raids are increasing in intensity and the artillery fire is becoming more violent along important sectors.

A report from Field-Marshal Haig issued here to-day says:

"A hostile raiding party attacked one of our positions last night northeast of Epehy, but was driven off by our fire. Yesterday evening Manchester troops successfully raided German trenches west of La Bassee. Many casualties were inflicted on the enemy at slight cost to us, seven prisoners and a machine gun being captured by us."

French Report.

Paris, Feb. 12.—Active local operations were carried out last night by French troops and German raiding parties were beaten back. The following official account of these operations was given out here to-day:

"The night was marked by great activity on the part of French detachments. North of the Allette a bold raid carried out in the vicinity of Bouconville enabled a French party to bring back twenty prisoners and two machine guns. In the Woeyre French troops made several successful incursions into the German lines. West of Rensauville 200 Germans were captured."

"After a lively bombardment German troops attempted to approach the French lines between Besonvaux and Fosses Wood. The attack, delivered by three detachments, was checked by our fire, which inflicted losses on the enemy. Other German efforts in the Champagne, the Woeyre and the Vosges obtained no results."

MAIL BY AEROPLANE IN UNITED STATES

Service Between Washington, Philadelphia and New York to Be Established

Washington, Feb. 12.—Establishment of an aeroplane mail service between Washington and New York during the coming summer was indicated to-day when the Post Office Department called for bids on five aeroplanes for that service.

The service will begin with one round trip a day, and later may be expanded. First-class mail only will be carried at the outset of the service.

The specifications of the Post Office Department call for machines which have stood satisfactory tests in the War and Navy Departments' services. The bids will be opened February 21 and the aeroplanes are to be delivered not later than April 25 this year. Arrangements have been made with the War Department to release a sufficient number of motors to equip the machines.

Permanent.

"It is not the purpose of the Post Office Department to make this an experimental service," Postmaster-General Burleson announced. "Its practicability is to be assured before the establishment of the route. Once established, it is to remain a permanent service."

Congress has appropriated \$100,000 for use in establishing aerial mail service, and the National Advisory Committee on aeronautics and aeronautical experts have pronounced the service feasible and beyond the experimental stage. Each aeroplane will be required to carry 200 pounds of mail a distance of not less than 200 miles without stop, at a maximum speed with a full load of 100 miles an hour and a climbing speed of 4,000 feet in ten minutes. A special postage rate will be charged for letters carried by aeroplane if Congress will sanction it with the necessary law. The rate contemplated is twenty-five cents per ounce or fraction thereof. It is planned to maintain a permanent service on regular schedule.

TORONTO CHURCH IS CLOSED TO SAVE COAL

Toronto, Feb. 12.—St. James Church here is to be closed for two weeks. This announcement was made yesterday by Canon Plumtree. The shortage of coal is responsible for the action taken.

Red Guard Desires to Make Peace With Loyal Finnish Army

Stockholm, Feb. 12.—The Red Guard in Finland, which attempted to overthrow the Government, is reported to have asked General Mannerheim, leader of the White Guard, which is supporting the Government, to consider peace negotiations.

OPENED SESSION OF BRITISH PARLIAMENT TO-DAY; KING GEORGE



BRITISH WILL FIGHT WITH FULL FORCE UNTIL A JUST PEACE CAN BE MADE, DECLARES KING GEORGE

Two Leaders of Red Guard Are Shot by Finns' White Guard

Stockholm, Feb. 12.—Refugees from Helsinki report that two of the Red Guard leaders—M. Hapala, Minister of the Interior in the revolutionary cabinet, and M. Sirola, Foreign Minister—have been shot by the White Guard.

Full Use of Britain's Energies and Resources Demanded at Present Stage of War, Says Sovereign at Re-opening of Parliament To-day

London, Feb. 12.—In his speech at the opening of Parliament to-day King George said the war struggle had reached a critical stage which demanded more than ever the full use of the country's energies and resources. He declared that until recognition should be offered of the principles upon which an honorable peace could be concluded, it was the duty of the British to prosecute the war with all the vigor they possess.

Members of both Houses of Parliament assembled early for the opening of the eighth session of the longest Parliament in modern times in Great Britain, a session which is virtually certain to be the last of this Parliament, and which will be followed by a general election upon a largely extended franchise, with women voting for the first time in the country's history.

King George was accompanied by the Queen and the Prince of Wales, who is on leave from the Italian front. In view of the war the peers and peeresses did not wear their gorgeous titular robes and coronets, while the naval and military members of both Houses wore service dress instead of their flashy gold-laced full dress uniforms.

In his speech the King said: "My Lords and Gentlemen:—The necessities of war render it imperative for me, after but a brief interval, to summon you again to your deliberations. The aims for which I and my Allies are contending were set forth recently by my Government in a statement which received the emphatic approval of my peoples throughout the Empire and provided a fair basis for settlement of the struggle and re-establishment of national rights and international peace in the future."

"The German Government, however, has ignored our just demands that it should make restitution for the wrongs it has committed and furnish guarantees against their unprovoked repetition. Its spokesmen refuse any obligations for themselves, while denying rights for others. Until a recognition is offered of the only principles upon which an honorable peace can be concluded it is our duty to prosecute the war with all the vigor we possess."

Heroic Courage. "I have full confidence that my forces in the field, in close co-operation with those of my Allies, will continue to display the same heroic courage and my people at home the same unselfish devotion that already have frustrated so many of the enemy's designs and will ensure the ultimate triumph of the righteous cause."

"I have summoned representatives of my Dominions and my Indian Empire to a further session of the Imperial War Cabinet in order that I may again receive their advice on questions of moment affecting the common interests of the Empire."

Financial Provision. "Gentlemen of the House of Commons, you will be asked to make suitable provision for the requirements of the combatant services and for the stability of our national finance."

"My Lords and Gentlemen, the struggle in which we are engaged has reached a critical stage, which demands more than ever our united energies and resources. I confidently commend to your patriotism the measures which will be submitted to you and I pray that the Almighty may bestow His blessings upon your labors."

Interesting Session. The proceedings during the session opened to-day will be full of interest and importance and will cover the whole field of war effort. Political circles have been buzzing the last few days with various rumors showing that severe criticism of the Government is to be expected in the opening debate. One rumor is to the effect that a hostile amendment condemning the Government may be moved from the front Opposition bench.

Complaints that Ministers have interfered with the military chiefs have been revived recently and voiced outspokenly in a section of the press. This subject will be brought to debate in association with the demand for legislation for an enlargement of the powers of the Supreme War Council at the recent meeting at Versailles. In this connection it will be recalled that Mr. Asquith last week proposed a question concerning the Supreme War Council, and it is understood that he will bring up this topic again. It is assumed Mr. Lloyd George will reply with an important statement.

Views of Labor. Before the conclusion of the debate on the King's Speech, which may continue for two or three days, the radical and labor members again will urge their views regarding war aims and peace by negotiation. They also may move an amendment criticizing the policy of the Versailles Council, whose official statement referred to vigorous prosecution of the war as the all-im-

portant task of the Allies, and regretting that the door thus was closed to peace conversations. A joint Allied statement of war aims also may be demanded. The submarine menace, food rationing and the dispute with the engineers regarding the extension of compulsory service are among the other topics which various members hope to raise, but as the Government aims to have the vote on the motion regarding the King's Speech taken on Thursday at the latest it is probable the debate will be restricted.

Book Bearing Name "Finished Mystery" Banned in Canada. Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The Secretary of State, under the press censorship regulations, has issued a warrant forbidding the possession in Canada of a number of publications, among which is the book published by the International Bible Students' Association entitled "Studies in the Scriptures—The Finished Mystery," and purporting to be the posthumous publication of Pastor Russell. "The Bible Students' Monthly," also published by this association at its office in Brooklyn, N.Y., also is prohibited circulation in Canada.

The possession of any prohibited publication lays the possessor open to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 and six months' imprisonment. The publication, "The Finished Mystery," has been before the public in Victoria now for some weeks, and has been on sale at a special stand on Yates Street and at numerous local book stores. Few people in the city can be unappraised of the fact of the existence of the publication, a circumstance due in some degree to the personal canvass that has been made in the interests of its sale. Just what action will be taken locally by the authorities with respect to the ban on "The Finished Mystery" is not definitely known, and up to a late hour this afternoon the police department had received no official communication with respect to the order.

HEATLESS MONDAYS IN STATES WILL BE DONE AWAY WITH

Washington, Feb. 12.—Fuel Administrator Garfield is expected to rescind to-night the heatless Monday order. At a conference to-day with Railroad Director-General McAdoo he went over the fuel and transportation situation and was convinced that railroad embargoes would serve better.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS AND FARRIS MOVE AGAIN ON SABBATH CHESS BOARD

The enforcement of the Lord's Day Act in the City of Victoria is making progress by degrees. As a result of the careful notation by the officers of the law on Sunday, February 3, of all those purveyors of sundry commodities, necessary or superfluous, the Hon. J. W. deB. Farris, Attorney-General, has now been provided by the Chief of Police with a complete list of the offenders. Formal consent to prosecute in accordance with the Act is asked by Chief Langley in his covering letter. That, however, is not all. While the Chief follows this course, apparently in accordance with a pre-arranged plan between the Commissioners and the Attorney-General himself, there is an accompanying communication from the former body over the signature of the secretary. Reference therein is made to Chief Langley's list and formal communication and an expression from the Commissioners as to how they interpret their position. The letter points out to the Attorney-General that they deem their position to be under the statutes such as to see that all Acts are enforced according to their intent and their true legal construction and that anything short of that would be contrary to the path taken by every Commissioner by virtue of the requirements of the amendment of the Municipal Act of 1917.

Individual Citizens' Suggestions. The Commissioners' letter also suggests to the Attorney-General that their own legal advice indicates that the proper course for the police is to enforce the Act, whether they want to or not, or whether the Board thinks it desirable or not, since the Lord's Day Act is an Act of Canada. The Board having no discretion given to them by any Act brings them to the conclusion that the matter should be dealt with in a formal and legal manner. But the letter goes on further to point out to the Attorney-General that the Board realizes that section 17 of the Act gives him (the Attorney-General) the legal authority to refuse to give consent to prosecute any case—a power which they do not possess themselves. However, as individual citizens, they believe that it is not desirable to prosecute everyone who may be technically guilty under the Act, in view of public convenience and old established local custom. Therefore the Commissioners, not in their official capacities as Commissioners, but in their private capacities, or as individual citizens, recommend to the Attorney-General that he withhold consent to the prosecution of certain classes included in the list of culprits supplied to him by the Chief of Police.

"Try Again" Perhaps. While the Attorney-General stated this morning that the whole matter was closed under advisement, he was in one mind as to his attitude concerning suggestions, recommendations, or advice relative to whether he should or should not withhold permission to prosecute in such cases so pointed out by any private individual, whether or not he or she may, in the ordinary round of public duty, fill the post of Police Commissioner. In other words the Attorney-General appeared to regard any request from "individual citizens" in the matter of law enforcement as if it did not exist. Although he would not commit himself that far, there was the unmentioned suggestion that the Police Commissioners would have to "try again."

"Guilty" and "Exempt." Among those offenders whom the Commissioners, as "individual citizens," consider should not be proceeded against are the Colonist, dairies, undertaking parlors, autos and garages, libraries and bookkeepers, Thomas Kipling, Wm. Spillmeyer, Joe Whi-shouse, Wm. Skinner, James Francis, Jake Aronson, Lee Tuck and the British Columbia Electric Railway Company. On the other hand the Attorney-General should, in the opinion of the Commissioners, consent to prosecute in the case of all tobacconists and newsagents, fruit and confectionary stands, laundries and among miscellaneous, Lim Fung, James Hering, Low Cow, Low and Wallis' Drug Store.

PEACE OF JUSTICE IS NOT IN TEUTONS' MINDS AS YET, STATES MR. LLOYD GEORGE

London, Feb. 12.—Addressing the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Lloyd George said he had read with profound disappointment the replies given to the declarations of the British Government and President Wilson by Count von Hertling, the German Chancellor, and Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister. He added that it was perfectly true that as regards the tone there was a great deal of difference between the two speeches, and he wished he could believe there was a difference in substance.

When it came to the real substance of the demands of the Allies, Count Czernin was as adamant.

Commenting upon President Wilson's speech to Congress yesterday, Mr. Asquith, former Prime Minister, said the President had discriminated justly in regard to both the tone and substance between the declarations of the German Chancellor and the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister in their utterances regarding war aims.

Junkies Are Bar. Mr. Asquith said it would seem, as Mr. Wilson remarked, as if the military party of Germany alone rejected and would have nothing to do with peace based upon the lines which, in principle at any rate, all the rest of the world was ready to accept.

The former Prime Minister asserted that nothing which had been done or left undone had in the least shaken the confidence of the nation in Field-Marshal Haig, the British Commander-in-Chief in France and Belgium, and in General Robertson, Chief of Staff at army headquarters.

ADVISER ON PENSIONS SUCCUMBS IN OTTAWA

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Major C. H. Ratz, for many years a year past assistant medical adviser to the Pensions Board, aged 48, died at his home here yesterday.

BOLSHEVIKI WOULD NOT SIGN A TREATY, BUT RUSSIA QUILTS

London, Feb. 12.—Confirmation of the German report that Russia has withdrawn from the war is contained in an official Russian statement received here to-day.

The statement says that Russia declares the war with Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria to have ended, the Russian troops simultaneously receiving an order for complete demobilization on all fronts. For the defence of the frontier some detachments of younger soldiers will be left.

The peace negotiations with the Central Powers have been ended, the statement says. The Russian delegation refused to sign a treaty providing for annexations by Germany. Nevertheless, Russia will not continue the war with the German and Austro-Hun-

Syndicalists Broke Out in Copenhagen, Wounding Several

Copenhagen, Feb. 12.—Serious syndicalist outbreaks took place in Copenhagen yesterday. A great crowd of syndicalists stormed the Copenhagen Exchange, doing great damage and injuring several of the employees. A strong force of police intervened and eventually dispersed the crowd, but not before several other persons had been injured by paving stones.

A METHODIST FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY IS CANADIAN PLAN

Toronto, Feb. 12.—The Methodist Church of Canada soon will establish a thirty-million dollar church fire insurance company. Such progress already has been made in this connection that the financial statistics have been compiled and placed in the hands of the General Superintendent, in support of the establishment of a company to carry the risks on all property held in Canada, Newfoundland, Japan and China, under the Canadian General Conference. Dr. Chown has prepared a strong statement in support of the case.

DOUKHOBORS MAY RETURN TO RUSSIA

From Canada After War; Changed State of Russia Responsible

Grand Forks, Feb. 12.—That the Doukhobors of Canada, officially known as the Christian Community of Universal Brotherhood Doukhobors, are considering the removal of all members of their several communities in Canada back to their native country in Russia, is the statement of Peter Veregin, leader of the Doukhobors in Canada.

Mr. Veregin pointed out that there was still a large number of Doukhobors in Russia, and it was desired to bring them and the Doukhobors in Canada together either in this country or over there. He said the Socialist Government now in power in Russia was in line with the ideals of the Doukhobors and has had a considerable bearing in bringing about the probability of those here returning to their native land. No decision had been arrived at, however, and in any event the plan would not be put into effect until after the war.

FOR U. S. TARIFF BOARD.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Thomas W. Hagg, of Virginia, was nominated to-day by President Wilson to be a member of the United States Tariff Board.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.

Killed in action—Pte. B. Bonnell, Westholme, B. C.
Reported dead through German sources—Pte. D. Andros, Esquimalt.
Wounded—Lieut. J. C. Ramsden, Toronto.
Seriously ill—Lieut. H. Berry, England.
Mounted Rifles.
Presumed to have died—Capt. H. S. Lewis, Selkirk, Man.

TO MANAGE STORES.

Winnipeg, Feb. 12.—R. S. Ward, secretary-treasurer since 1911 of District No. 2, United Association of Machinists, which includes the entire railroad systems of Canada, has resigned his post to take up the management of the local co-operative stores. R. J. Tallon, of Calgary, president of the organization for Canada, has arrived here to take temporary charge of the office vacated by Mr. Ward pending the appointment of a successor.

OPTION ON C. N. R. HELD BY MANITOBA

Sensation Sprung at Arbitration in Toronto; Date Mentioned is 1929

Toronto, Feb. 12.—W. N. Tilley, K.C., chief government counsel in the Canadian Northern Railway arbitration, sprang a sensation yesterday afternoon when he produced an agreement, a lease of the Northern Pacific, under which the Manitoba Government could take over the entire Canadian Northern Railway undertaking in 1929.

"If it is a going-ahead concern," he said, "they can take it, and if it is a going-behind concern they can leave it."

Sir William Meredith questioned whether a province could take over a line outside its borders.

"What would the effect be? It would make the stock less desirable."

This would be the result, he continued, where large sums had to be put into the railway with a prospect of the railway being taken away in a few years. If the Manitoba line alone were taken the system would be broken up.

Mr. Hanna, third vice-president of the C. N. R., declared that this option had never been taken seriously.

"I don't know what the English language means if it does not mean that," declared Mr. Tilley.

"I've heard that argument before," retorted Mr. Phippen.

Mr. Tilley—"It is an option for the purchase of the entire undertakings of the C. N. R."

B. C. Also.

Mr. Nesbitt—"Of the British Columbia line?"

Mr. Tilley—"If the Canadian Northern Railway undertaking has a stock interest in the British Columbia road, then it can take over that stock interest."

"Does not the impossibility of it ever happening make it a negligible quantity?" queried Sir William.

Mr. Tilley—"It was sufficiently important for Manitoba to put it in and validate it."

Mr. Hanna—"Long before 1929, if the Dominion Government permits it, and keeps its hands off politically, there will be a very satisfactory return on any money that is put in."

Mr. Tilley—"And it will be a property that the Manitoba Government will want."

Value of Shares.

Earlier in the day Mr. Hanna stated that in his opinion the 600,000 shares of stock being arbitrated are worth \$30,000,000. The limit of the award which the arbitration board may make under its instructions is \$10,000,000. Mr. Hanna said he had devoted the whole of Sunday to calculation, and this figure was as of the date November 30, 1917.

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LICENSE SYSTEM FOR CANADIAN BAKERIES

Food Controller Also Standardizes Products of Bakeries in Dominion

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Licensing of bakery establishments using five barrels of flour a month and standardization of bakery products is provided for in an order of the Food Controller, Hotels, restaurants and public eating houses baking only for the use of their patrons are not required to obtain a baker's license.

The order makes it illegal on and after March 1 for any baker to make bread, rolls, pastries or other bakery products without written permission from the Food Controller, from wheat flour other than the standard flour already prescribed. Licenses may be manufactured and sold only in the following weights, or multiples thereof, which shall be net weights, unwrapped, twelve hours after baking: Quebec and Maritime Provinces, 24 ounces, but not to exceed 25 ounces. Ontario, 12 ounces and 24 ounces, but not to exceed 13 ounces and 25 ounces. Alberta and Saskatchewan, 20 ounces, but not to exceed 21 ounces. Manitoba, 14 ounces and 20 ounces, but not to exceed 17 and 21 ounces. Ontario, 12 ounces and 24 ounces, but not to exceed 13 ounces and 25 ounces.

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General rules to govern all licenses for manufacturing baking products also are set forth in the order. These require that only a reasonable profit should be taken on the manufacture or the handling of any bakery products. Annual license fees are prescribed varying from \$5 to \$50.

The order is the outcome of a careful survey made by Prof. Harcourt, head of the department of chemistry in the Ontario Agricultural College, and the conference in Ottawa recently with representative bakers from all parts of Canada.

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With the American Army in France, Feb. 11.—(Via London, Feb. 12.)—It was bright and clear to-day and a considerable number of aircraft was over the American sector. The enemy machines were busy taking photographs and making observations, and a number of air fights resulted. One group of three enemy aeroplanes flew so low that they became targets for anti-aircraft guns and machine guns, and were driven off.

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ROUNDING UP SLACKERS IN MONTREAL CITY

Montreal, Feb. 12.—Under instructions from Ottawa that the time had come when a strict enforcement of the Military Service Act must be started without delay, Dominion Police officers from Mr. Belanger's department were operating in Montreal Saturday and yesterday. Any man whom the police came across on the streets who appeared to be of military age was stopped. If he could not produce proof that he was exempted he was apprehended and taken to the Dominion Police offices. It is said that between forty and fifty men were gathered in on Saturday. The deserters were drafted at once and so quickly were they transferred into soldiers that they appeared on church parade Sunday in uniform.

NEW CIVIL SERVICE ACT BEING PREPARED FOR THE DOMINION

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Announcement that a new civil service act, carrying into effect the Government's proposals for civil service reform, will be passed by Parliament at the approaching session, is made in a report of the sub-committee of the Privy Council given out by Sir Robert Borden last night. This means the extension of the principle of the present Civil Service Act to the outside service, the adoption of the merit system and the abolition of patronage in connection with the making of appointments.

The report, which is presented in the form of an Order-in-Council based upon the recommendations of the Prime Minister, with whom was associated Hon. A. K. Maclean in consultation with the Civil Service Commission and department heads, sets forth a number of rules and regulations that are to be observed pending the enactment of a new civil service act.

SIR EVARISTE LEBLANC UNDERGOES OPERATION

Philadelphia, Feb. 12.—Sir Evariste Leblanc, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, was operated on at the University Hospital here for a disease of the eye. The operation was very successful, according to Major Pelletier, aide-de-camp to the Lieutenant-Governor, who said that the patient's speedy recovery is expected. Major Pelletier said the report that Lieutenant-Governor Leblanc had undergone an operation several days ago was wrong, and that it had not been decided to operate until to-day.

Lady Leblanc and her daughter, who were summoned here Saturday, are at Sir Evariste's bedside.

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Montreal, Feb. 12.—Under instructions from Ottawa that the time had come when a strict enforcement of the Military Service Act must be started without delay, Dominion Police officers from Mr. Belanger's department were operating in Montreal Saturday and yesterday. Any man whom the police came across on the streets who appeared to be of military age was stopped. If he could not produce proof that he was exempted he was apprehended and taken to the Dominion Police offices. It is said that between forty and fifty men were gathered in on Saturday. The deserters were drafted at once and so quickly were they transferred into soldiers that they appeared on church parade Sunday in uniform.

NEW CIVIL SERVICE ACT BEING PREPARED FOR THE DOMINION

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Announcement that a new civil service act, carrying into effect the Government's proposals for civil service reform, will be passed by Parliament at the approaching session, is made in a report of the sub-committee of the Privy Council given out by Sir Robert Borden last night. This means the extension of the principle of the present Civil Service Act to the outside service, the adoption of the merit system and the abolition of patronage in connection with the making of appointments.

The report, which is presented in the form of an Order-in-Council based upon the recommendations of the Prime Minister, with whom was associated Hon. A. K. Maclean in consultation with the Civil Service Commission and department heads, sets forth a number of rules and regulations that are to be observed pending the enactment of a new civil service act.

SIR EVARISTE LEBLANC UNDERGOES OPERATION

Philadelphia, Feb. 12.—Sir Evariste Leblanc, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, was operated on at the University Hospital here for a disease of the eye. The operation was very successful, according to Major Pelletier, aide-de-camp to the Lieutenant-Governor, who said that the patient's speedy recovery is expected. Major Pelletier said the report that Lieutenant-Governor Leblanc had undergone an operation several days ago was wrong, and that it had not been decided to operate until to-day.

Lady Leblanc and her daughter, who were summoned here Saturday, are at Sir Evariste's bedside.

EGZEMA WASH

A touch of D. D. D. to any eczema sore or itching eruption and you'll be able to rest and sleep once more. Think—just a touch! Is it worth trying? Get a trial bottle to-day. Your money back if the first bottle does not relieve you.

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Refreshments of tea and toast, made electrically, will be served 2.30 to 5.30.

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LEGAL AND OFFICIAL NOTICES

VICTORIA TAXPAYERS

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVAL SERVICE

ORDER RE TAX PAYMENTS

I am authorized by the City Council to accept payments by instalments or by payments from time to time on account, of the rates and taxes due by any person, or due in respect of any parcel of land.

This authority is extended to include unpaid special assessments and special rates imposed in respect of works of local improvement as provided by Section 43 of the Local Improvement Act.

EDWIN C. SMITH
Treasurer and Collector of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C.
City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 4th February, 1918.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

Notice Under Section 36.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Elsie Munro, as the owner in Fee-simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Collector of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt to Elsie Munro, bearing date the 26th day of November, A.D. 1917, in pursuance of a Tax Sale held by said Collector on or about the 1st day of September, 1916, of all and singular certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the District of Esquimalt, in the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as: Lot 9, of part of Suburban Lot 61, Map 61A.

You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act" are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within 30 days of the service of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be forever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall register the said Elsie Munro as owner in Fee-simple.

I direct that service of this notice may be made by publication in The Victoria Daily Times twelve consecutive times, ending on the 26th day of February, 1918, at the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 26th day of November, A.D. 1917.

J. C. GWYNN,
Registrar-General.

To G. H. Stewart Esq.,
Assessed Owner.

LAND REGISTRY ACT

Section 34.

In the Matter of Part of Sub Lot One, Fernwood Estate, Victoria City, Map 85.

Proof having been filed of the loss of Certificate of Title No. 1863A, issued to Thomas Sinclair Gore on the 11th day of July, 1914, I hereby give notice of my intention, at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof, to issue to the said Thomas Sinclair Gore a fresh Certificate of Title in lieu thereof.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 27th day of December, 1917.

J. C. GWYNN,
Registrar-General of Titles.

RUSSIANS IN STATES SURPRISED AT REPORT RUSSIA DEMOBILIZING

New York, Feb. 12.—The report that the demobilization of the Russian forces had been ordered on all fronts caused a sensation yesterday at the All-Russian Convention in progress here. Officers of the convention expressed the opinion that Germany had sent out the news as a ruse.

"It would be a prostitution of intelligence to believe that the Bolsheviks, even with all their stupidity, would be so foolish," Voldegar T. Kruglik, the secretary, said. "The army has been their main help. Should it be entirely dismissed there would be no reason why the forces once under Kerensky should not retake Russia."

The convention received a letter of greetings and sympathy from Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor.

PAY OF ALDERMEN IN VANCOUVER CITY.

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—Having overlooked the question of their own remuneration so far this year amid all the requests for wage increases and larger appropriations, the aldermen of Vancouver last night took advantage of a rather light night's business to fix this little matter up for the year. The mayor's salary was fixed at the same figure as last year, \$4,000 per annum, payable monthly, and the aldermanic remuneration also shows no change from last year, being \$1,200 per annum, or \$100 in each monthly pay envelope.

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Look Over Our Ads. See the Windows of C. & Y. at the Corner of Fort and Broad

SELECTED SMALL PICNIC HAM, per lb.	29c	NICE FRESH BROKEN BISCUITS	15c
COTTAGE ROLLED HAM, per lb.	30c	ANTI-COMBINE ESSENCES—Per bottle, 50¢, 35¢ and	20c
FINEST ONTARIO CHEESE, per lb.	30c	ANTI-COMBINE BAKING POWDER, 5-lb. can 90¢	20c
KELLOGG'S or DOMINION CORN FLAKES	10c	12-oz. can	20c
C. & Y. BREAD FLOUR, sack	\$2.85	NICE CEYLON TEA, Per lb.	35c
EM PRESS SODA BISCUITS Large carton for	30c	RED LABEL COFFEE	25c
HARTLEY'S OLD COUNTRY PURE JAM, Strawberry or Raspberry, 7-lb. tin	\$1.30	ANTI-COMBINE COFFEE, fresh ground as ordered.	35c
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WILHELM GOING TO SPA TO TAKE CURE

London, Feb. 12.—Kaiser Wilhelm's personal headquarters are to be transferred to Spa, the Belgian watering place near the Prussian frontier, according to statements in the German press, says the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Amsterdam. The Kaiser expects to take the cure there for a short time, it is said.

RUSSIANS AND GERMANS TO RETURN PRISONERS

Amsterdam, Feb. 12.—The German and Bolshevik delegates at Petrograd, according to a dispatch from Berlin, have signed an agreement calling for the earliest possible repatriation of prisoners of war unfit for military service. Owing to transportation difficulties in Russia it is declared delays are expected.

MORE FOOD MUST BE RAISED IN VICTORIA

Mayor Urged by Food Controller to Press Increased Production More Zealously

From all quarters Mayor Todd is receiving information with regard to the food shortage. The successful campaign for vacant lot cultivation conducted last year will have to be more aggressively prosecuted if Victoria is to take care of the necessary commodities which are still imported to feed her people.

It is known that the public market will be better stocked with food stuffs in the approaching spring than the case twelve months ago, for the present condition of the stalls is no criterion of the general situation, the supply being at its lowest ebb of the year. Still the citizens ought to help themselves, as well as aid others to live by buying locally raised produce. A larger acreage will be in crop around the City in the year 1918 than was the case last spring.

There are hundreds of people in the city to-day who have not yet learnt that the primary duty after business hours is to raise food, and to save purchasing necessary supplies outside. The Food Controller, knowing the local situation, has written to the Mayor on the subject, hoping that the public will be raised to a pitch of enthusiasm. While other ways of serving the war may be more picturesque than grubbing in the soil, food is the first essential of life. On an area of as much fertile land as there is within the City of Victoria a Chinese community would sustain 150,000 to 200,000 people.

The first meeting, called for Saturday morning, should give some indication of what is proposed towards increasing production. Apparently the city can give a lead with vegetables and poultry, but the by-laws hitherto put pigs out of the running. There is, however, no reason why the breeding of rabbits should not be undertaken within the city limits.

One of the drawbacks to poultry has been the high price of scratch feed. Why should not the townsmen raise some grain himself? Experiments made last year proved that low grade wheats, quite sufficient for chicken feed, can be successfully grown on town lots.

From a financial point of view last year, the scheme was practically self-supporting, and the charges for service are based on that idea.

200,000 EXPECTED FROM STATES FOR THE BRITISH FORCES

New York, Feb. 12.—The convention between the British recruiting mission and the United States draft authorities under which it is expected 200,000 British subjects in this country will be subjected to service in the British army, has been agreed upon. It was announced to-day by Major Mitchell-Innes, legal adviser to the British recruiting mission, and only awaits ratification by the Senate and the signatures of President Wilson and King George to become effective. All subjects between the ages of twenty and forty-one are liable to call.

MENNEN'S COLD CREAM advertisement with image of a woman's face and product packaging.

SMELTER NEEDED FOR ORES FROM MEXICO

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—With a tonnage of gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc and antimony in the form of ore and concentrates, E. S. Burrows, manager of the Oliver American Trading Company, Inc., is in this city on the look out for a smelter to which the products, which are from Mexican mines, can be shipped by water, and the total of the tonnage will depend on the rates he can secure.

Already he had tried at Ladysmith, which smelter does not handle all the metals he can supply, and he is in communication now with Trail, though he thinks the long railway transportation from the coast inland will be a serious handicap.

There is a long road haul from the mines in Mexico to the nearest point in the United States, and on top of this comes another long railway haul to the nearest tide water.

Mr. Burrows has lived twenty-four years in Mexico, and, curiously enough, has not come in contact with any of the revolutions there except the most recent one.

BELGIAN KING ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Feb. 11.—Via Rome and London, Feb. 12.—King Albert of Belgium, and Queen Elizabeth left Italian headquarters to-day to visit Venice after a tour of the Pasubio and Asiago fronts and the lower Piave. King Victor Emmanuel accompanied King Albert along the Piave, the two Kings going through the first line trenches. Queen Elizabeth did not go to the front lines.

King Albert reviewed a large force of Italian troops and he conferred decorations on General Diaz, the Commander-in-Chief, and many other officers and soldiers for conspicuous gallantry in the recent operations. The King and Queen of Belgium and the King of Italy were in Venetian cities when they were raided by enemy aircraft.

AUSTRIANS FOILED BY ITALIAN TROOPS

Rome, Feb. 12.—The War Office here reported last evening:

"Yesterday very violent concentrations of fire and violent thrusts of infantry were made by the enemy east and west of Frenzela Valley. At our new positions on Monte Valbella and Col del Rosso hostile attempts were promptly frustrated by the very effective fire of our batteries.

"Farther east, on the southern slopes of Massaso Rosso, an Austrian detachment made various attempts, under the protection of artillery fire, to reach some advanced trenches in front of our lines which we had evacuated, but did not succeed owing to our deadly barrage.

"One of our airmen shot down two enemy aeroplanes."

GENERAL MURDERED IN MEXICO CITY

Mexico City, Feb. 12.—General Juan Bandera was shot and killed yesterday in a downtown cafe by Col. Miguel Peraltas. General Bandera took a prominent part in the revolutions led by Madero and Carranza. Colonel Peraltas formerly was Chief of Staff for Gen. Benjamin G. Hill, the Constitutional leader, and is now a member of the House of Deputies.

Under the constitutional immunity from arrest, which is the privilege of Congressmen, Congressman Peraltas is still at liberty, as Congress, the only body which can consider the case, will not convene until September.

THOMAS A. EDISON NOW SEVENTY-ONE

New York, Feb. 12.—Thomas A. Edison was seventy-one years old yesterday. There was no celebration of the event at Menlo Park, N. Y., the Edison home, it was said, because the great inventor was too busy on his work for the Government to spend the day in idleness.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Feb. 12.—Talk has been resumed in banking circles here of the possibility of an early cessation of Treasury bills and the issuance of a new loan to consolidate the floating debt. This probably accounts for the present dullness of gilt-edged securities and, with the possibility of fresh taxation, helps to restrain any expansion of business of the stock exchange, which yesterday was confined to a few speculative shares and iron, steel and rubber stocks.

"The Fashion Centre" Angus Campbell & Co. Ltd. 1008-10 Government Street

Many Interesting Values for Wednesday Morning's Selling



STORE CLOSES TO-MORROW AT 1 O'CLOCK

300 Pair of Women's Fine Cashmerette Hose Wednesday morning at Pair 25c Pair

A special inducement for Wednesday morning shoppers in the Hosiery Section. We offer three hundred pair of these splendid wearing Black Cashmerette Hose for women. Formerly sold at 35c, to go on sale at 25c per pair. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Regular 35c per pair

Regular \$2.50 "American Lady" Corsets

Wednesday Morning } At \$1.95 Pair

A very special line of American Lady Corsets, fashioned in low and medium bust, from a splendid quality of fine white Batiste; lightly boned. A splendid model for slight and medium figures; six strong hose supporters. Sizes 20 to 28. Regular \$2.50. Wednesday morning, \$1.95

Large Overall Print Aprons Very Special at 70c

25 Doz. Brand New Muslin Blouses

Wednesday Morning at \$1.50

Here is a splendid opportunity to secure a dainty new Muslin or White Voile Blouse at a low figure. It's a long while since we have offered such striking looking and well made Blouses at this price. All sizes from 36 to 44 are included, and there is a splendid range of styles from which to choose. Special for Wednesday morning, \$1.50



Odd Lines of FINE KID GLOVES

Regular to \$2.25. Wednesday Morning, \$1.25 Pr.

All dependable makes of fine Kid Gloves are included in this morning special. Not every size in each line, but all sizes in the lot. Shades include black, white, tan, brown and grey. Odd lines selected from our regular stock, and including values up to \$2.25 per pair. Wednesday morning special \$1.25

Fifty Only New White Outing Skirts

Wednesday Morning at \$1.00 (with two pockets)

Smartly Tailored White Drill Outing Skirts, made with reinforced back and two shirred pockets, will go on sale to-morrow morning at the attractive price of One Dollar. Just fifty of them will be on sale, so early morning shopping if you want one. Wednesday morning at \$1.00 Good Range of Sizes.

These Special Lines Are on Sale Wednesday Morning Only

One Hundred Children's Dainty White Muslin Dresses

Slightly Soiled—For Ages 4 to 14 Years. On Sale Wednesday Morning At \$1.25

A special purchase of Children's Dainty White Muslin Dresses, bought at a mere fraction of their real worth, allows us to make this exceptional offering. Some of the dresses are slightly soiled, and with a little soap and water can be made to look like new. There are many styles to choose from, and every dress in the lot is worth double the price we offer them at to-morrow morning. View window display and make your selections early to-morrow.

LOSSES INFLICTED ON THE ENEMY ON THE WESTERN FRONT

London, Feb. 12.—Field-Marshal Haig reported last night:

"Thirty-seven prisoners were captured in the raid carried out by Australian troops last night south of Messines, which was reported this afternoon. Three German machine guns and trench mortars also were captured. Heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy.

"In addition to the losses caused by our preliminary fire, it is estimated that 100 Germans were killed by our raiding parties. An enemy counter-attack was successfully repulsed. We had some twenty casualties.

"The hostile artillery showed intermittent activity to-day southwest and west of Cambrai. In this area a number of German working parties were engaged with effect by our batteries."

French Report.

Paris, Feb. 12.—The following official report was issued here last night:

"An enemy attempt at a raid in the region of Justincourt was stopped by our fire.

"On the right bank of the Meuse, after a violent bombardment, German troops launched on the front of Cauries Wood an attack which resulted in a spirited combat. The enemy was repulsed and left his killed in our hands.

"There was marked artillery activity in Alsace, in the neighborhood of Voilou and Honhomme.

"Eastern Theatre, Feb. 10.—The artillery activity on both sides was quite lively on the west bank of the Vardar, and at the Cerna Bend, where the enemy violently bombarded our first line north of Makovo."

British Casualties.

London, Feb. 12.—The British casualties reported in the last week totalled 7,077, divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds—Officers, seventy-three; men, 1,360. Wounded or missing—Officers, 165, men, 5,439.

This total is only slightly in excess of last week's figure, which was 6,354, the low mark for several months.

HONORS AWARDED MORE CANADIANS

London, Feb. 12.—The following have been invested as Companions of the Order of St. Michael and St. George: Col. G. Rennie, D.S.O., and Col. S. S. Shire.

Military Cross and Bar—Capt. B. Nicholas.

The following Canadians have received the D. C. M.: Sergt. G. W. Conny, P. Coombe, D. Forbes, C. Keach, H. McArthur, D. N. Maxwell, D. R. Robertson, P. Way, J. Wenneveld and W. Witherington, Sergt.-Major E. B.

Underwood, Corpl. T. E. Emma, Ptes. V. A. Green Smith (394753), A. G. Wilson and E. W. Wren.

MAGRATH PLEASSED WITH RESULTS OF FUEL SAVING PLAN

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—"From the information which has reached me," said C. A. Magrath, Dominion Fuel Controller, last night, "I consider that Canada's heatless days have been a tremendous success. The people, so far as I can learn, loyally carried out the closing order, and what is particularly gratifying is that they did it so cheerfully and were so fair about it. Our three years of war are gradually moulding us as a people, and that means much for Canada's future."

At a meeting yesterday the Public Schools' Board of Ottawa decided to have the city schools open this week. In the event of there being no relief in the situation the public schools may close next week.

SEATTLE CALL IS BARRED

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—One of a new list of publications in the United States forbidden circulation in Canada is The Seattle Daily Call.

HOW MUCH DOES YOUR FOOD COST?

Food values are measured in units of calories.

To-day, when food costs are soaring, the careful housekeeper will find out how much per 1,000 calories her food costs.

Table listing food items and their costs per 1,000 calories: Butter at 50c. per lb., 1,000 calories will cost 13 cents; Bacon at 55c. per lb., 19c.; Milk at 13c. per qt., 18.5c.; Roast Beef at 26c. per lb., 23.4c.; Lamb Chops at 38c. per lb., 32.7c.; Chicken at 32c. per lb., 41.3c.; Eggs at 45c. per doz., 44.7c.; Beefsteak at 34c. per lb., 45.6c.; Kellogg's Toasted Corn Flakes (ready to serve), 11.7c.

So Kellogg's Toasted Corn Flakes is the most economical food to buy. You get more food value for your money than in any of the above foods.

Kellogg's Toasted Corn Flakes is a three-times-a-day food — just as bread or potatoes are.

Get the Kellogg's Toasted Corn Flake habit. It pays. It saves meat and wheat.

Nourishing for growing children. Sustaining and satisfying for working adults.

Sold only in the original red, white and green package.

Kellogg's TOASTED CORN FLAKES advertisement with logo and contact information: The Battle Creek Toasted Corn Flake Co., Licensed by the Food Controller under number 2-305, Only made in Canada by The Battle Creek Toasted Corn Flake Co., Head Office and Factory: London, Ont. Est'd 1906.

WANTED—TO EXCHANGE—AT LEAST \$800.00 IN GOLD for the spare time of a few energetic men and women in Victoria. The proposition is an attractive one. Enroll your name in The Times Want Ad Contest, and you will have already made a start toward success and the winning of a portion of the \$800.00 in gold. The plan in detail has already been published in last Saturday's edition of The Times, as well as in yesterday's edition.

PRIZES OF \$500, \$200 AND \$100 await the three most successful candidates, with a liberal commission to the ones who take an active part and reach a certain standard, but fail to win one of the three prizes. The work required is easy—two or three hours a day (maybe less) should suffice to win the \$500 prize. Counting seven weeks of active work, two hours a day, to win the \$500 prize would be equivalent to a fraction less than \$6.00 an hour. Can YOU afford to turn down such an offer?

There is still plenty of room for more candidates. You know the old saying, "Plenty of room at the top of the ladder," and it is very true as applied to The Times Want Ad Contest.

Call at the contest office, Room 306, Times Building, and get further particulars. You may come as early as 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. The ones who have already entered are not privileged to begin active work for a few days, so there is no handicap against you. Don't phone. A personal call is necessary. There's room for YOU. Office hours, 9 to 12.30, 1.30 to 6. Other hours by appointment.

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That those characters have been sifted into the several departments doing war work, and the daughters from clean homes rub elbows with these characters, and contamination is not unlikely in the natural course of events.

A few days ago W. S. Weldon, an alderman of Montreal and for years manager of one of the city's leading hotels, was appointed Collector of Customs of that port over the heads of members of the regular Customs staff.

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sword, each of which she thinks will give birth to another, until finally the whole opposition to her will collapse and leave her mistress of the situation. Hence, she would discuss the cases of Belgium, Serbia and Roumania with those nations only; she would deal only with France in regard to her differences with that country, and so on.

This is how Germany is catalogued by implication in President Wilson's address yesterday, though Austria, however, he puts in a different class. To Czernin, he says, in effect, he can speak a language that can be understood, but which to von Hertling, sunk in the folly, stupidity and ignorance of feudalism, is an unknown tongue.

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The Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada 48th Annual Report. The following is a summary of the forty-eighth Annual Report submitted to the policyholders at the annual meeting, held at the Head Office, Waterloo, Thursday, February 7th, 1918.

DAVID SPENCER, LIMITED

A Delivery of New Skirts— In Navy and Black Serges

Featuring smart styles with gathered backs, side pockets and high waist bands finished with belts. Sizes 24 to 28. All well tailored models from splendid quality serges. Women will be interested in these values. Priced most reasonably at **\$5.75**

New Black and White Check Skirts

Tailored with full backs and stitched straps at hips, with patch pockets. Sizes 24 to 29 waist. Very smart and stylish models. Special value at **\$4.75**
—Mantles, First Floor

Twelve Months' Subscription to the Designer

One Standard Quarterly and One 15c Standard Pattern

On Sale for a Few Days Only, at **75c**

This is a special introductory offer holding good up to and including the 20th of this month. The regular subscription to The Designer is \$1.25. The Standard Quarterly is 25c a copy, and a 15c pattern is included. So

YOU SAVE ONE-HALF BY STARTING OR RENEWING YOUR SUBSCRIPTION NOW

A full range of Standard Patterns in stock.

Come and meet Miss Kieley, an expert from The Standard Pattern Company, of New York. Come and get help on your pattern difficulties. Her advice and assistance is free to you. —Patterns, Main Floor.

Surplus Garments in the Whitewear Section Going at Special Prices Wednesday

A few lines in which we have but one or two garments of a kind, so we have priced them low for a quick clearance.

Women's Combinations of good quality white cotton, corset cover and drawers smartly trimmed with embroidery. Very special at **\$1.00**

Women's Nightgowns of fine nainsook, made in Empire style and trimmed with linen lace. Very special at **\$1.25**

Women's Nightgowns of good quality cotton, neatly trimmed with embroidery; all sizes. Special at **90c**

Women's Underskirts of white cotton, deep flounce of embroidery. Special at **\$1.00**
—Whitewear, First Floor

Ready-to-Wear Hats

In newest spring styles. Very smart shapes and a wonderful range of shades. Also stylish Satin-Hats, with the new Trench crowns.

The Trench Tweed Hat is the popular model of the moment. Come in and have a look at them. —Millinery, Second Floor

Flannelette Underwear Values for Girls

The following garments represent exceedingly good values, and well worth your while securing for your girls:

Children's Flannelette Nightgowns, for 2 years only. Extra special value at **75c**

Children's Flannelette Nightgowns, of good quality; neck and yoke neatly trimmed; also high neck style; sizes 2 to 14 years. Special value at **\$1.00** and **\$1.25**

Flannelette Drawers, with elastic and frill at knee; sizes 2 to 10 years. Each **35c**

Flannelette Drawers, with elastic at knee, in bloomer style. Splendid quality; sizes 6 to 12 years. Special, a pair **50c**
Sizes 14 and 16 years. Special, a pair **65c**

Canton Flannel Drawers, finished with frill at knee; sizes 2 to 8 years. Very special at, a pair **25c**
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\$3.50

We have removed our Men's and Boys' Clothing to our Annex, corner of View and Broad streets while the rebuilding operations are going on.

The space is somewhat limited for such a big and important department, and we are not able to display the merchandise as we would like to. Hence, we shall continue to reduce the stocks by selling at Rebuilding Sale Prices.

For Wednesday we offer a big stock of the **GENUINE J. B. STETSON HATS AT A GREAT PRICE REDUCTION**

These Hats are of the very best quality felts in the prevailing styles. These are models that were formerly selling at prices to \$6.50. We offer them at a price less than imported cost. Wednesday, each, **\$3.50**.

On sale in our Annex, corner of View and Broad Streets.



February Copy of Blue "J"

Have you bought your copy yet?

This very unofficial journal of "J" Unit, printed and published by the returned boys for their friends everywhere. A book full of humor from beginning to end. Much of it on local topics. On sale at Book Dept. A copy **10c**
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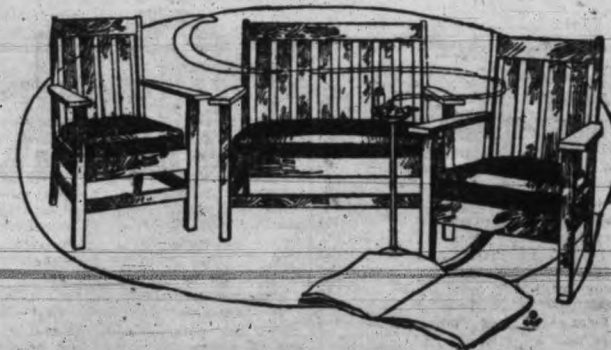
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Home Furnishing Sale Offerings for Wednesday



Reduced Prices on Den Chairs and Rockers

This is your opportunity to buy that New Rocker or Easy Chair you have been going to get for your den for some time past. To buy to-morrow is to buy at a great saving, as instance:

Fumed Oak Rocker, seat and back covered in leather. Was \$14.75. Wednesday **\$12.95**

Fumed Oak Rocker, covered in sheepskin leather, slightly soiled. Clearing at **\$15.50**

Fumed Oak Rocker, substantially built, shaped seat back; spring seat, upholstered in fine quality Spanish leather. Was \$18.75. Wednesday **\$16.75**

Dark Fumed Oak Rocker, upholstered in fine quality art craft leather, seat and back. To clear at **\$9.95**

Massive Golden Oak Rocker, with spring seat, covered in green leather and brass studs finish. A most comfortable chair. Was \$12.95. Wednesday **\$11.95**

Fumed Oak Arm Rocker—Soundly constructed, leather seat and arms. A little soiled. Was \$16.50. Wednesday **\$14.95**

Full-size Rockers, in golden oak frames, covered with imitation leather; 2 only. Wednesday, each, **\$9.95** and **\$9.50**
—Furniture, Fourth Floor

Flat Silver Tableware at Special Feb. Sale Prices

No time like Wednesday for buying new Flat Silver Tableware, for the special prices arranged for this day's selling makes it a unique opportunity to save. Rogers' popular 1847 grade included in this big offer, as follows:

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Tea Spoons, reg. \$5.50, Wednesday **\$4.75**

Dessert Spoons, reg. \$10.00, Wednesday **\$8.50**

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Table Spoons, doz. **\$7.50** **\$5.25** **\$4.25**

Dessert Forks, doz. **\$6.50** **\$4.50** **\$3.50**

Table Forks, doz. **\$7.50** **\$5.25** **\$4.25**
—Silverware, Second Floor

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Eight of these interesting Carpet Squares selected for selling Wednesday at a pre-war price. Each Rug is a different design and very rich in colorings. Beautifully woven and finished with a deep, soft pile. A grade that will give lasting satisfaction in wear. Size 9x12 ft. Suitable for a large room. Wednesday, each **\$45.00**
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A good range of designs and colorings, suitable for any place where an inexpensive floor covering is needed. About 500 square yards in this offering for a quick morning sale. —Floor Cloths, Third Floor

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\$1.90 Bon Bons, for **\$1.50**
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\$3.90 Bon Bons, with handle **\$2.25**
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\$3.90 Spoon Trays **\$3.95**
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A BEDTIME STORY

UNCLE WIGGILY AND SUSIE'S MUFF

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(By Howard R. Garis.)

It was very cold in Woodlund, near the Orange Ice Mountains, where Uncle Wiggily Longears, the rabbit gentleman, lived with his muskrat lady housekeeper, Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy, in a hollow stump bungalow. It was so cold that Jack Frost could draw funny pictures on the window panes, made of sheets of ice, and the pictures would not melt as they did in the summer.

"Surely you are not going out today, Uncle Wiggily," said Miss Fuzzy Wuzzy, as she saw the bunny putting on his fur coat one morning.

"Oh, yes, I must go out," said he. "I must have adventures in cold weather as well as warm, and I can't have adventures staying in the bungalow."

"I'll let you take a cake of soap and blow bubbles," said the muskrat lady. "Now will that do for an adventure?"

"No, I thank you!" laughed Uncle Wiggily.

"And you can slide down the stair banister if you like," went on the muskrat lady. "Maybe that would be an adventure."

"If I fell off it would!" said the bunny with a laugh, as he twinkled his pink nose like a rubber in the end of a lead pencil. "But I think I'll go out, cold as it is, and look for something to happen to me in the woods or fields."

So Uncle Wiggily started out and he had not gone very far before, all of a sudden, he heard a sort of howling, yowling, rowling sort of noise down by the frozen duck pond ocean, and the bunny, as he started to run away said: "This is no place for me! That surely must be the bad old skilley-sealery alligator with the bumps on his tail. He is howling to scare me. I'll run."

"Oh, please don't run!" Uncle Wiggily cried a sad voice. "Indeed I'm not the alligator chap. But I'm in trouble and perhaps you can help me!"

"What trouble are you in and who are you?" asked the bunny.

"I am Mr. Cooney-ooney, the raccoon, with rings on my tail," was the answer, "and I am frozen fast to the ice—at least my tail is. Please help me to get loose!"

"Indeed, I will!" said kind Uncle Wiggily and, running down to the frozen duck pond ocean, there he saw the raccoon gentleman fast on the ice.

"How did it happen?" asked Uncle Wiggily.

"Oh, I sat down on the ice a minute to tie my shoe lace," said Mr. Cooney-ooney, "and all of a sudden I couldn't get up. I was frozen fast. But if you help pull me perhaps I can get loose."

"I will," said Uncle Wiggily, and he did, and the raccoon pulled and up he came. Only part of his tail came off

VIVID STORY OF HUMAN INTEREST

Graphic and Elaborate Film, "The Honor System," Abounds With Thrills

The creative genius of filmdom would appear to have gone one better than the generally accepted standard of the highest class motion plays in the elaborate production of "The Honor System," which is showing to big houses this week at the Dominion Theatre.

There is a distinctiveness about the latest Fox production that puts it on an altogether different plane to the big spectacles that have gone before. Certainly nothing has been filmed that could compare with this gripping drama unfolding its stirring visualization of the human emotions.

As a screen production it is in a class by itself and embraces all the inventive skill of the cinema expert, but it could hardly be said to come within the category of the super-spectacular. All the artistry and science of the film world has been brought to bear on this really wonderful creation, the unfolding of which gives a fleeting glimpse into the inner chambers of the human soul. Probably a no more gripping story has ever been told through the agency of the movies.

Ruthless and Barbaric System. Action is maintained throughout the vivid picturization of a series of adventures in which the hero is pitted against the machinations of scheming grafters and finally becomes a victim of a ruthless and barbaric system.

The story is a transcript of life as it is lived beyond the pale and far removed from the populous communities. Some remarkable types are portrayed in this wonderful and intensely dramatic film drama. Human nature in its most indefinable phases, from the high-minded idealist to the very lowest dregs of society is depicted in this masterpiece. Underlying the whole is a strong and insistent plea that the ever-present pity and sympathy that is extended to the "under dog" be galvanized into action for the uplifting of the downtrodden.

Sensational Thrills. The Honor System is all that it is claimed to be by the producers, and more. It provides sensational thrills galore. The raid of the Mexican bandits across the southern American border and the dramatic arrival of reinforcements to assist the dwindling defenders of the exposed border town sends a thrill down the spinal column.

The mad dash across country by a rapidly-organized party of punchers and their arrival in the nick of time is so thrillingly depicted that the first night audience was completely carried away with enthusiasm.

Among other very realistic features must be mentioned the daring escape of harassed convicts from the state prison, and an underground free-for-all fight, to say nothing of the hair-raising tussle on the top of a rapidly-moving box car attached to a freight train.

A pretty but somewhat unusual love story is unfolded and everybody goes away satisfied with the denouement. The Honor System is a human story, graphically pictured.

An additional attraction at the Dominion this week is a fourteen-piece orchestra, playing a specially arranged score under the direction of Percy Burston. The music is bright and interesting throughout and adds much to the entertainment.

ELEPHANT ACT IS PANTAGES HEADLINER

"Yo-ho Skinnay c'mon over Minnie's come to town!"

Just as, years ago, the youngsters of the country welcomed the circus with the fervor of youth, as Victoria children will be delighted to hear that Max Gruber's famous animal act will headline the coming bill at the Pantages Theatre.

Minnie, according to Mr. Gruber, is the largest lady elephant in the world. She has to be removed from the railway yards to the theatre in a three-ton truck, especially chartered for the occasion.

Lew Herman offers the 1918 edition of the Song and Dance Revue, featuring a whirl of girls who display a wealth of costumes, and LeRoy and Cahill, the well-known yandeville team of clever singers. The Song and Dance Revue is in six scenes, each surpassing the other in splendor and beautiful effects. Miss Marion Osburn is the featured dancer in the offering, and an ensemble of eight clever, beautiful girls are sure to make a hit that will acclaim them the popular item of the programme.

Herman and Shriver, late jesters of the Brazilian Empire, will amuse with their nonsensical and whimsical comedy offering that is said to be a gem of the laugh-producing art.

Ward, Bell and Ward will present a dancing comedy and acrobatic novelty entitled "Under the White Top," which is full of action and dare-devil tricks. They perform their turn with dash and precision as well as speed.

Garry Owen and Betty Moore billed as "That Smart Little Couple From Broadway," a remarkably clever, boyish young man and a fascinating, sprightly young woman, offering a specialty consisting of singing, dancing and chatter that sparkles with comedy.

And we're not forgetting pretty Nancy Fair, the demure young lady who will give singing specialties and character impersonations of great artists.

The second chapter of "The Hidden Hand" will be a feature to top, and at the matinee the wonder film, "Romero and Juliet," will be given, commencing at 1 o'clock. A special showing of it alone will be given for the school children at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.



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GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Stewart, of Victoria, Celebrate Fiftieth Anniversary of Their Marriage.

A span of fifty years has crossed the gulf of time since Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Stewart, of Victoria, were united in marriage, and last week the golden anniversary was celebrated at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stewart, 153 Belcher Avenue. About twenty guests attended the celebrations, the members of the family including Edward Stewart, a son, and Mrs. E. W. Love and Miss Minnie Stewart, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Stewart. A delicious repast was served at six o'clock, when the members of the company extended their felicitations to the guests of honor. At the conclusion of the dinner an enjoyable musical programme was given.

One of the most pleasing incidents of the evening was the presentation made to the venerable couple of purses of gold from the members of the family, while the assembled friends gave them a number of beautiful bouquets and boxes of confections. The presentation was made by the Misses Eda Stewart and Phyllis Love, the two small grandchildren, following an address of congratulation by Mrs. W. W. Stevenson, of the Emanuel Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Stewart, who were originally of Owen Sound, came to Victoria about a year ago from Saskatoon. They have a few homely maxims who were unable to attend the gathering include three daughters, Mrs. J. A. McKenzie, of Fort William, Ont.; Mrs. H. F. Hunter, of Regina, Sask.; Miss Mary Richard, Norman and David, all of Calgary.

HARRY LAUDER'S PET RULES AND MAXIMS

Harry Lauder, the famous Scotch comedian, who is coming to the Royal Victoria on Thursday, the man who has made thousands laugh, believes in saving. He has a few homely maxims on that point that have been widely circulated, especially in these times of stress abroad.

"Mither wadna waste," says Harry, "and I would be disgracing her memory if I wasted."

Here are some of his rules:

1. Behave toward your purse as you would to your best friend.
2. View the reckless spending of money as criminal and shun the company of the reckless spender.
3. Dress neatly, but not lavishly. A bank pays a higher rate of interest than your bank.
4. Take your amusements judiciously. You will enjoy them better.
5. Don't throw away the crusts—eat them. They are as nourishing as beef.
6. It is more exhilarating to feel money in your pocket than beer in your stomach.

MARGUERITE CLARK IN BAB'S MATINEE IDOL

As a stage struck girl in "Bab's Matinee Idol," the Paramount picture from Mary Roberts Rinehart's well-known Saturday Evening Post story, Marguerite Clark is her best and most adoring self from the first foot of film that alides across the screen to the last.

Many of the incidents in the story occurred in a theatre, and in order to secure the best effects, Director J. Searchley rented one of the largest New York City playhouses where every morning for several days Miss Clark and her company rehearsed and filmed the scenes. A unique experience was that of the "stage" actors who were being "screened" at the same time.

Manager Durham, of the Royal Victoria Theatre, has secured "Bab's Matinee Idol" for his theatre to-night.

DANCE AND BRIDGE TOURNAMENT

EMPEROR HOTEL
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH
Under Auspices of Great War Next-of-Kin Association
Military Five Hundred: Tickets 50c
Dancing and Bridge: Tickets \$1.00
Tickets may be obtained from Emperor Hotel or Members of Committee.

Social Personal

Mrs. D. S. Wallbridge returned home yesterday afternoon after spending the week-end in Vancouver.

The engagement has been announced of Elmer Tepperton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tepperton, of Vancouver, and Miss Mabel Pauline Sherman, of New York. The marriage will take place soon.

D. L. McPhee, who has been employed in the land registry office in this city for nearly five years, has resigned and is about to leave the city for Alberta, where he is to resume his practice as barrister in that province. When leaving the land registry office Mr. McPhee was presented by the staff with a beautifully illuminated address, expressing regret for his departure and wishing him the best of health and prosperity in the future. The address was accompanied by a case of tobacco, pipes and pouch.

Flight-Lieut. Donald McE. Kierstead, only son of Professor E. M. Kierstead, of Toronto University, and brother of Mrs. J. W. deB. Farris, has been awarded the D. S. O. for distinguished service. He enlisted in October, 1915, with the Royal Naval Air Service. He trained in the United States and at the Curtiss School, Toronto, and went overseas in August, 1916, and has been on service in a fighting squadron. He is twenty-two years of age and was studying in the Guelph Agricultural College before joining the navy.

In chronicling the luncheon given by the United Suffrage Societies of Vancouver to Mrs. Ralph Smith on Saturday, The Vancouver Daily Province says in part: "Reviewing the history of the 'Ship of State,' presented to her in Victoria by the Local Council of Women, Mrs. Smith referred to the work of Mrs. Gordon Grant and other devoted suffragists of the Capital City who had worked for years in the cause. The 'Ship of State' was carried to the table of honor by Miss Alice Morrow and Miss Phyllis Edgell, and Mrs. Smith related how it was prepared twenty years ago at the time her late husband's Suffrage Bill was introduced to be presented to the premier, and on the defeat of that bill had been kept until it was presented to her at Victoria on the day when she took her seat."

Lady Lougheed and Miss Dorothy Lougheed have returned to Victoria from Vancouver and expect to stay here for about a month before going East. During their brief stay in the mainland city they were the guests of honor at several entertainments arranged by Vancouver hostesses. On Saturday Miss C. W. Merritt gave a luncheon at the Hotel Vancouver, when the other guests included Lady Tupper, Miss Tupper, Mrs. F. W. Peters, Mrs. de Peincer, Mrs. Lay, Mrs. J. W. Stewart, Mrs. Funkett, Mrs. Langford, Mrs. Miles Cotton, Mrs. Longden, Mrs. Embrey, Mrs. Trevor Gwynn, Mrs. D. E. Charlson, Mrs. Willoughby Brown, Mrs. Sydney Gibb, Miss Cambie, Mrs. Cleaver-Cox, Mrs. Rouke, Mrs. Lemon. On Saturday night Mrs. Miles Cotton entertained at dinner in honor of Lady Lougheed.

VARIETY

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ALL THIS WEEK

Columbia Theatre TO-DAY

E. H. SOTHERN
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The Drama of a Man Who Returned From the Valley of the Shadow.
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VICTORIA NORTHWEST AND THE WORLD

RUGBY ATTRACTS CAMP LEWIS MEN; LOCAL MATERIAL

Local Promoters Will Doubtless Tackle Subject in Near Future

All kinds of "Probabilities" now loom up as "Possibilities" as a result of the recent football games played between the "Fragments from France" and the 91st Division, of Camp Lewis.

When the attention of local sportsmen was first called to the fact that games might be played between this city and American aggregations there was a considerable degree of uncertainty.

It may thus be easily imagined that when the first communication was addressed by local sportsmen to Capt. Cook, of the American commandment, that there was little prospect of a successful outcome.

Then came the announcement that H. H. Brown of this city had donated a silver cup for annual competition between two such teams and, with the draw registered in the game at American Lake, interest increased for the match played in Victoria last Saturday.

That there is the material in Victoria capable of maintaining the athletic honors of the City does not seem to be doubted for a moment.

No Lack of Material. On the other hand it is evident that there is no lack of material on the American side.

The situation is one that will be at least deserving of attention on the part of local promoters of sport.

DETROIT MAY BE SCENE OF BATTLE FOR WORLD TITLE

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Jess Willard may stage his world's title Red Cross battle in Detroit, according to a statement made by the champion.

Willard stated that he had already received many offers for the contest. He expressed the belief that the match would be staged in the east, and deplored Fulton's action in signing a set of articles with a Denver promoter.

Both Dundee and Cline finished fighting apparently as fresh as during the opening rounds. There were no knockdowns. Cline was a seven to five favorite in the betting.

NOW IN TRAINING. Omaha, Feb. 12.—Earl Caddock, champion wrestler, will not take part in any more wrestling matches for a while.

While arranging for a match between Caddock and Stecher, Omaha promoters have been informed from Camp Dodge that Caddock has been ordered to cancel all his wrestling dates and to get down to the business of soldiering.

VIMY TEAM WINS. Winnipeg, Feb. 12.—Before about the smallest crowd of the season at the amphitheatre last evening the Vimy team spilled the dope on the Sorames and made the Tave undisciplined champions of the military hockey league by winning a surprisingly fast, clean game twelve to six.

FRED FULTON HAD AN EASY OPPONENT

Bout Stopped in Fourth Round; McMahon Hanging on the Ropes

Denver, Feb. 12.—Fred Fulton, contender for the heavyweight boxing championship, won from Tom McMahon, of Newcastle, Pa., here last night when Referee Abe Pollock, of Denver, stopped a scheduled 15-round bout in the fourth round when McMahon was hanging on to the ropes, beaten. Pollock awarded the decision to Fulton.

Fulton gave McMahon a severe beating. The Pennsylvania battler was unable to get under Fulton's long reach and Fulton drove lefts and rights to McMahon's face at will. McMahon landed only four clean blows during the fighting.

At the end of the third round McMahon was groggy. When he came up for the fourth, Fulton drove a left to his stomach and seat lefts and rights to McMahon's face. Fulton sent in a left that rocked McMahon's head and sent him to the ropes, where the Pennsylvania man hung on. McMahon did not seem to be able to continue, and Referee Pollock awarded the fight to Fulton.

MILLIONAIRES NOW PRESS METS HARD

Vancouver Gave Portland the Short End in Last Night's Game

SEATTLE LEAD IN ICE RACE SMALL

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 12.—The verdict of the fans who saw last night's game at the Arena, in which the Millionaires came back at the Buds, doubled the score and won by six goals to three, is that Fred Taylor is a good hockey team.

From the Vancouver standpoint it was a Taylor game. Frederick had his elbow working like a pair of uncles, his shooting eye was all peaked for the occasion and he ankleed his way through the Buds all night, picking out the corners until calm Tommy Murray began to lose his nerve and heads of perspiration began to stand out upon the brow of Tommy Dunderdale.

Funny Game. It was a funny game, a strenuous back-checking game without the usual number of thrills, with both teams unable to get together in such effective combination, with long periods of scrambling in centre ice and with few Buds carrying around a peevish all evening.

Stayed With Puck. The locals won because they paid attention to their knitting, for while the team as a whole was off color and could not get really going they stayed right with the puck and never stopped trying.

Edward G. Barrow is now manager of Red Sox team

New York, Feb. 12.—President H. H. Frazer, of the Boston American League Club, announced here last night that he had just appointed Edward G. Barrow as manager of the Red Sox.

LADIES' BASKETBALL GAMES TO BE PLAYED TO-MORROW EVENING

Two games in the Ladies' Division of the Sunday School Athletic Association basketball leagues will be played to-morrow evening in the gymnasium of the First Presbyterian Church.

SAILORS ARE SCARCE Schooner Edward R. West in Need of Men for Offshore Voyage.

The American schooner, Edward R. West is now lying in the Royal Road awaiting the signing of a full crew.

FREE FOR ALL. My apartment house is very noisy, I suffer in silence.

CASUALTIES FROM LONDON MENTION MORE SPORTSMEN

Irish Star is Killed; Jockey Dies of Wounds; Welsh Player Killed

London, Feb. 12.—Many well-known names are included in the latest casualty list issued of British sportsmen who have fallen in action on the western front. Lieut. W. W. Odell, the famous Leicestershire County cricketer, is reported killed.

Irish Star is Killed. Lieut. George Hare, who has fallen, was very popular in Dublin football circles.

Jockey Dies of Wounds. Frederick Reed, the famous steeple-chase jockey, who was formerly attached to Wilson's stable, has died from wounds in Italy.

Phil W. Waller, the famous Rugby Union international player, has also made the big sacrifice.

Harry Watts, the famous lightweight jockey and son of the late Jack Watts, the late King Edward's jockey, has been killed by a shell whilst engaged in taking up ammunition on the western front.

Bob Brown will now watch play from grandstand

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—After fifteen years of experience as a manager in the Northwestern League, Bob Brown, president of the Vancouver baseball club, has announced his retirement from the active work of directing the Vancouver team.

Edward G. Barrow is now manager of Red Sox team

New York, Feb. 12.—President H. H. Frazer, of the Boston American League Club, announced here last night that he had just appointed Edward G. Barrow as manager of the Red Sox.

LADIES' BASKETBALL GAMES TO BE PLAYED TO-MORROW EVENING

Two games in the Ladies' Division of the Sunday School Athletic Association basketball leagues will be played to-morrow evening in the gymnasium of the First Presbyterian Church.

SAILORS ARE SCARCE Schooner Edward R. West in Need of Men for Offshore Voyage.

The American schooner, Edward R. West is now lying in the Royal Road awaiting the signing of a full crew.

FREE FOR ALL. My apartment house is very noisy, I suffer in silence.

Along the Waterfront Shipping News from Day to Day

GREAT ACTIVITY AT OGDEN POINT

Development of I. M. B. Assembly Plant Has Seen Remarkable Transformation

MACHINERY STACKED IN GIGANTIC SHED Several Vessels of Government Fleet Will Shortly Be in Hands of Engineers

The past few weeks has witnessed a wonderful transformation on the site of the new Government piers at Ogden Point.

With the exception of the finishing touches, the huge shed, 700 feet long by 300 feet in width, has been completed by the pier contractors, Messrs. Grant Smith & Co. and McDonell, Ltd., and the spacious structure, ideally adapted for the purpose for which it is being temporarily utilized, is now wholly in the hands of the Imperial Munitions Board.

Rushing Work on Ship. Although but a comparatively few days have elapsed since the first of the I. M. B. ships, the War Yukon, was towed around to the assembling plant on the Cameron-Genoa yards at Point Ellice, practically half of the main engine has been installed and the prediction is made that this vessel will be ready to undergo her trials, preparatory to putting to sea, by the end of March.

In another part of the great shed, duly labelled and ready for immediate handling, lies the main engine and auxiliary machinery, destined for the second ship to be delivered over by the contractors. This equipment is destined for the War Nootka, launched last month from the Vancouver yard of the Western Canada Shipyards, Ltd., and which is due at Ogden Point to-day from the mainland.

The next vessel to be taken in hand will be the War Songhee, product of the Foundation Company, which, by the way, was the first of the fleet of twenty-seven ships to be launched. All that is holding the War Songhee in the Upper Harbor is the delivery of her engines.

Machinery Arriving. Shipments of the main engines are arriving from time to time from the Eastern manufacturers, and as the material is put ashore the various parts are checked off and systematically stowed away in an appointed section of the shed ready for instant handling when required.

Not Standardized. It is understood that the engines are not of a standardized type as originally decided upon, and consequently some difficulty is being experienced in assembling, as some parts built for one ship do not harmonize with the equipment for another. This drawback will be greatly simplified with the delivery of additional consignments of machinery.

Men in Charge. The Ogden Point assembly plant is in charge of H. A. Bayfield, formerly superintendent of dredges for the Dominion Government. The man in charge of the marine engineering end of the work is John Alexander, formerly chief engineer of the B. C. Coast Steamship Service, a man of considerable engineering experience and ability, whose jurisdiction at the plant is far-reaching.

Plant Well Laid Out. The floor space, contained within the huge assembling shed has been systematically laid out. Offices, machine shops, blacksmith shops, storage shops, stock rooms, and supply stores, have been built or are in course of construction, in various parts of the shed structure.

A large section of the main floor space is devoted to the storage of auxiliary machinery in the shape of devotes to the storage of steam-winch, condensers, anchors, chain and nautical instruments. Several complete sets of the latter have already been delivered from England.

Powerful lifting cranes are in operation on the wharf, and the overhead travelling crane will shortly be ready for operation.

It is estimated that about 200 men are employed at the assembly plant at the present time, and this number will be greatly increased as more vessels are delivered.

Parents of Children Claiming Exemption from Vaccination Must furnish statutory declarations to School Teachers immediately.

DEPRECATE REMOVAL OF HARBOR DREDGES

The City Council last evening ordered a wire to be sent to Dr. S. F. Tolmie, M.P., asking him to take up with the Department of Public Works the question of harbor dredging.

It was stated that the Department has already removed one dredge, and it was resolved to ask that there should not be any further interference with harbor work.

BRITISH OFFICERS ARRIVE TO TAKE OVER STEAMSHIPS

First Six Vessels of I. M. B. Fleet Assigned to Fernie & Co., of Liverpool

Two nautical officers who have been sent out by the British authorities to superintend the completion of the first six of the twenty-seven wooden steamships now being turned out by British Columbia shipyards have arrived from the United Kingdom, and are now standing by pending the completion of the vessels which have been assigned to their care.

The officers are Capt. John Snoddon and Chief Engineer W. Adair, representing the British shipping firm of H. Fernie & Co., of Liverpool, which concern will take over and operate the first half-dozen steamers to be completed.

Capt. Snoddon is now making his headquarters at the Ogden Point Assembly plant supervising the fitting out of the steamship War Yukon, while Chief Engineer Adair is watching the machinery installation.

It is probable that Chief Engineer Adair will go to sea with the War Yukon, in charge of the engine-room, when that vessel is released by the Imperial Munitions Board for service.

FALSE CREEK YARD FACES TROUBLE IN GETTING SHIPS OUT

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 12.—Although there will be no delay in the removal of the span of the Kitlamon bridge over False Creek to the steamer Alaska, recently launched at the Coughlan shipyards to sea, there may be some litigation to see who pays, owing to the fact that if the Coughlan yards turn out ships as fast as the company hopes there will be at least nine removals of spans in the next few months.

The harbor commissioners have instructed the B. C. Electric to have the span open by the time the Alaska is ready for sea and the B. C. Electric in turn as lessee of the bridge has notified the C. P. R. the owners.

The men removed from the unaccounted for list to-day include Sergeant Oliver Cole, Woodson Station, Cobourg, Ont.

LONGSHOREMEN NOT IN CAPITALIST CLASS

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—The longshoremen won't be able to buy any motor cars out of his earnings for February, for this month promises to be very quiet as regards waterfront business.

The cessation of Russian exports is one reason and another is the fact that the C. P. R. liners are making long stops in the Orient for their annual overhaul.

STEAMSHIP GOVERNOR RESUMES ON MARCH 9

Definite announcement is made to-day by the Pacific Steamship Company that the liner Governor will resume operation in the coastwise service between San Francisco and Victoria on March 9, to be followed by the liner President on March 16.

TEN OUT OF FORTY STEEL SHIPS WILL BE BUILT ON COAST

Government Places Contracts and Fabrication of Materials Already Begun

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Fabrication of assembling of materials for the first of the fleet of steel merchantmen to be built by the Dominion Government has been commenced and a similar work for two other vessels shortly will be undertaken.

The Government's shipbuilding programme contemplates the laying down of the keels of about forty ships by June, 1919.

OTTAWA IS FACTOR IN COAST TROUBLE

Labor Delegates Await Reply to Query of Shipbuilding Director

The onus of the threatened shipyard strike has now been transferred to Ottawa. The case as it now stands was yesterday forwarded by wire to the Dominion headquarters of the Imperial Munitions Board by R. P. Butcher, director of wooden shipbuilding on this coast, after a conference with the joint deputation representing the metal trades councils of Victoria and Vancouver.

Pending the receipt of a reply to Mr. Butcher's query relative to the demand for a ten per cent. increase over the existing wage scale, any action on the part of the men will remain in abeyance.

The mainland delegates are remaining in the city pending the reply from Ottawa, which in all likelihood will be available to-morrow.

Although the company's agents here have yet to be advised regarding the return of the Pacific Steamship Company's liners President and Governor to the Victoria and Seattle run, it is understood from Frank J. O'Connor, Vancouver agent, that these steamships will be available for the service by the beginning of next month.

The President and Governor are to be re-delivered to the company at San Francisco on March 1. It is likely that they will be in need of overhaul before again entering the coastal service.

The Pacific Steamship Company's steamship Harvard, which has been laid up at San Francisco for several months undergoing extensive repairs, will resume the run between San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego on March 5.

REPORTS. Victoria—Barometer, 29.85; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 26; wind, 20 miles S. W.; rain, .14; weather, clear.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, maximum yesterday, 39; minimum, 26; wind, 10 miles W.; rain, .32; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.68; temperature, maximum yesterday, 35; minimum, 23; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.67; temperature, maximum yesterday, 33; minimum, 28; wind, 8 miles S. E.; rain, .13; weather, raining.

Winning Ticket. The winning ticket of the christening set raffled in the Blue Cross room, was won by No. 15, Mrs. Walse, 66 Dallas Road.

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WIRELESS REPORTS

February 12, 8 a. m. Point Grey—Cloudy; N. W. fresh; 29.75; 34; sea rough.

Cape Lazo—Clear; N. W. light; 29.75; 32; sea smooth.

Pachena—Cloudy; N. W. light; 29.73; 32; sea moderate.

Estevan—Cloudy; N. W. light; 29.55; 34; sea moderate.

Alert Bay—Overcast; calm; 29.47; 33; sea smooth.

Triangle—Snow; N. W. light; 29.97; 34; sea moderate.

Dead Tree Point—Snow; calm; 29.64; 25; sea smooth.

Ikedda Bay—Snow; calm; 29.28; 27; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Snow showers; W. 29.51; 31; sea smooth. Spoke str. Prince John, 6.15 a. m. off Mary Island, southbound.

Noon. Point Grey—Clear; N. W. fresh; 29.55; 46; sea rough.

Cape Lazo—Clear; calm; 29.71; 44; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; 29.45; 34; sea smooth. Spoke steamer Spokane, 10.35 a. m. off Pine Island, 9 a. m. southbound.

Triangle—Passing showers; snow; calm; 29.83; 41; light swell.

Dead Tree Point—Snow; S. E. light; 29.64; 34; sea smooth.

Ikedda Bay—Cloudy; S. W. light; 29.25; 35; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Clear; W.; 29.50; 40; sea smooth. Passed out, steamer Prince Albert, 9.10 a. m. southbound.

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WILSON'S SPEECH IS ENDORSED IN U. S.

President Praised by Papers for Clear-Cut Statement Made Yesterday

New York, Feb. 12.—Newspaper editorials from various centres of the United States praise President Wilson's address to Congress yesterday on the international situation and see in it an approach to public discussion and statements of terms that may lead to a just peace without compromising the determination of the United States to continue the war until such a peace is obtained.

The New York World says: "The President's address will compel a further statement from the German Chancellor to the Reichstag and a definite renunciation of the Imperial German Government's reasons for rejecting the enlightened principles that Mr. Wilson has laid down. It will strengthen the hands of all the liberal elements in Germany and Austria-Hungary and it must inevitably widen the growing breach between the German autocracy and the peoples of Austria-Hungary."

The New York Times says: "If President Wilson's address has any discoverable immediate purpose it is to drive into the heads of the German people the incontrovertible fact that the unyielding attitude of the Prussian military masters is the sole obstacle to peace."

The New York Herald says: "Unlike the speeches of the Imperial German Chancellor and the lesser lights of German officialdom, the address of Mr. Wilson is not meant principally for home consumption. The President has gone over the heads of the official spokesmen of the enemy in the hope of reaching the people whom they assume to represent. In the light of this clear statement of the position of the United States Teutonic officialdom will find it increasingly difficult to misrepresent the attitude of the United States towards this great conflict and its problems."

The New York Sun says: "This is a very remarkable intellectual achievement on the part of the President, viewed merely as such, but what ought to impress the country and the world far more than any brilliancy of wit or play with von Hertling and tactical use of the opportunity presented by the war-weariness of Austria-Hungary is his unqualified reaffirmation of the nation's purpose to fight on forever if necessary, rather than yield an essential of that for which we are fighting."

The Chicago Tribune says: "President Wilson is putting classical diplomacy in its grave. In place of the keen fencing of chancelleries, he gives the world a public debate between picked representatives of the contestants, with the opinion of mankind as judge or jury. It is an imaginative and masterful device, expressive of that further democratization of the world which is to be perhaps the chief result of the war."

The Chicago Herald says: "It is a great peace council of the people that Mr. Wilson calls when he formulates the four great principles upon which a permanent peace may be based."

The Washington Post says: "Without presuming to set himself up as a spokesman for the world, and carefully showing that the famous 'fourteen conditions' outlined by him were open to amendment if proved to be untenable, the President has, in fact, uttered the civilized world's opinion, and this opinion is, in fact, summarized in his four conditions upon which peace may be made."

The Washington Herald says: "The President has, if anything, taken all his former utterances, weeded out non-essentials and added a compelling message that we will not turn back or deviate one iota from those principles for which we entered the war."

BURNING FOR 600 YEARS.

The world's largest candle was manufactured for an Italian cathedral in accordance with an innocent prisoner's vow that when his innocence was proven he would show his gratitude in some extraordinary way. This candle was ten feet high, made entirely of beeswax and cost £200. It measured eight inches in diameter and weighed 415 lbs., and it burned without once being extinguished for two and a half years.

A strange fact came out in a neighboring revision court. It was shown that the cottage where the voter lived has been in the occupation of one family for 600 years, and it was said that the kitchen fire, in which peat is burned, had never been allowed to go out for 200 years.

But these examples are put into the shade by a fire at Brule, near St. Etienne. There a coal mine has been on fire for ages and has given the district quite a volcanic aspect. All attempts to extinguish it have been futile. It still blazes and smolders.

At Zwickau, in Saxony, a fire is still burning, or was burning when war was declared, which began in the fifteenth century and as long ago as 1837 that German thoroughness which the world is learning so sadly to understand put even a burning mine to use by conveying the hot air through pipes to conservatories of vast extent and productivity.—Tit-Bits.

NO RECOGNITION OF TEUTON-UKRAINIAN TREATY BY BRITAIN

London, Feb. 12.—The Associated Press is informed that the British Government declines to recognize the treaty of peace signed between the Central Powers and the delegates acting on behalf of the Ukraine.

RENEWED ATTACK ON EDUCATION OFFICIALS

Principal Mackay Says Dr. Robinson Has Too Much to Do

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—After considering for more than four hours last night the report of Principals Vance and Mackay on the school system of Vancouver the School Board decided to have the report printed and distributed. The only omission to the report as originally drawn up will be the references to Messrs. Stewart and Douglas, former members of the Board, who through their counsel at the last meeting of the Board threatened the Board with legal proceedings if the clauses in reference to them were published. The Board took the view that as neither of the ex-trustees mentioned was now a member of the Board, no purpose would be served by bringing their names into the matter.

Trustee Matthews was the only member of the Board at last night's meeting who opposed the printing of the report, while Municipal School Inspector Gordon, who was present and spoke at various times, made a strong plea not to print the report on the grounds that the reference to the Department of Education would be taken by that body as an unfriendly act in view of the very cordial relations which, he said, had existed between the Board and the Department for several years and the excellent treatment the City had always received from the department.

Commissioner's View.
Principal Vance, who acted as spokesman for the commissioners, said that the report was not an expression of opinion by the Board but the work of himself and Principal Mackay.

"We take full responsibility for everything in the report," he said. "There is not a single word in it that can be considered offensive to the Department. One wonders why, after reading the report, Mr. Gordon objected to the investigation and why he objects to printing it. There is a suggestion that he is a favored one over at Victoria, and I would like to see him put this at rest by withdrawing his opposition."

Trustee Matthews also suggested that the reference to King Edward High School rankings in the general tone and discipline should be eliminated. This did not meet with the support of the Board.

During the discussion Principal Vance said: "With no reference to any minister—the school system of British Columbia is largely the work of one man."

Principal Mackay—"We have tried all through not to make attacks on anyone. Dr. Robinson has too much to do." He does the work that three men should be doing. The board of examiners should be changed in part each year or there should be an associate board. Teachers feel that they have no rights in the matter of honor or perquisites by serving as members of the board and there is a general feeling among teachers that unless they stand in with Dr. Robinson they have no show on the board."

Inspector Gordon defended the Department at some length. The Department, he said, was given no chance to answer the criticism and all the testimony of the commissioners had been taken in camera. From his experience with the Department he thought that the Board should go very slowly before endorsing and printing the report.

Inspector Gordon maintained that the Department had always been a friend of the Board anxious to cooperate with the board in every way. The evidence was too much one-sided, and it was not a square deal to the Department. It would be an unfriendly act to publish the report. The Department had hundreds of loyal friends among the teachers of the city, he said. If the matter were threshed out in a court of law and rebuttal evidence was put in, it could be proved that an examiner did not set papers for examination of his own pupils, as suggested in the report, and other things could be placed in their proper light.

Chance for Others.

Principal Vance said that Mr. Gordon had been a member of the Board of Examiners for several years. He thought that other teachers should be given a chance on the Board the same as was done in Ontario.

"You cannot let in too much fresh air on the Department. The situation with a teacher now was: How am I going to get on the Board unless I get the ear of someone in Victoria? The thing is rotten."

COLONEL ROOSEVELT IS RESTING EASILY

New York, Feb. 12.—Theodore Roosevelt passed a fairly comfortable night, and was resting easily to-day, it was said at the Roosevelt Hospital, where he underwent operations last week because of abscesses in his ears.

ENEMY FOILED BY ITALIAN ARTILLERY

Guns Broke Up Austrian At- tempts West of the Brenta River

Rome, Feb. 12.—Austrian forces yesterday renewed their attacks on the northern front west of the Brenta River, but were held in check by the Italian forces. The Austrian columns were torn to pieces by the Italian artillery and the attacks were stopped. The War Office here reported to-day in the following communication:

"The increased fighting activity continued yesterday morning on the southern slope of Monte Sasso Rosso and east of the Frenzella Valley. The enemy pushed forward important infantry forces, which were located in good time and decimated by our artillery, so that they could not develop any important action."

"In the afternoon the situation was normal again."

German Statement.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—After a day of lively artillery fire on the Sette Comuni Plateau on the Italian front, Austrian troops attacked south of Sasso Rosso, clearing supporting positions and capturing nearly 100 prisoners, army headquarters here announced to-day in the following statement:

"There was lively firing all day on the Sette Comuni Plateau. Austro-Hungarian troops attacked and cleared enemy support positions on the southern slopes of Sasso Rosso, capturing six officers and 170 men."

VICTORY BONDS ARE SUBJECT OF ADVICE

Ottawa Warns Holders Against Selling Securities Through Unknown Agents

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—It has been reported to the Department of Finance that in some cases investors have been induced to dispose of their Victory Bonds at extremely low prices. Taking advantage of the fact that many of the \$50,000 persons who bought these bonds are not accustomed to buying securities, unscrupulous agents have persuaded some who are ignorant of the true situation or are misinformed to sell their bonds at heavy discounts. These agents immediately resell the securities at fair prices through the proper channels and pocket the profit.

Backed by Dominion.

Victory Bonds have as their security the Dominion of Canada and holders, the officials say, should see that they obtain a fair price. Those who find it necessary to sell should make inquiries from their bankers or a recognized broker and should not deal with unknown agents. It is inevitable that from time to time there will be people who desire to turn some or all of their bonds into cash, just as others find themselves in a position where they can add to their purchases of Victory Bonds. These buyers and sellers are brought together through the medium of the recognized dealers in securities and there is no reason why at the present time those finding it necessary to sell should not receive a price approximating the cost of their bonds.

It is to be pointed out, however, that while it was a patriotic duty to subscribe to the Victory Loan, it is a part of that duty to hold the bonds unless it is necessary to sell. It is not merely the subscribing, but the actual lending of the money for the period of the loan that helps the war finances of the Dominion.

MAN TO ADMINISTER THE LIVESTOCK ACT

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Dan Johnston, who for the last two years has represented the Dominion livestock branch, is to have, under the Minister of Agriculture, full control of the administration of the Livestock and Livestock Products Act which was passed at the last session of Parliament. This announcement was made by H. S. Arkell, Livestock Commissioner, yesterday, when welcoming the delegates from all the stockyards and livestock exchanges of Canada, meeting with the representatives of the Eastern and Western livestock unions and the Deputy Ministers of Agriculture of Canada who had been invited to discuss the rules and regulations for the control of stockyards and livestock exchanges.

DRUMHELLER MINE DISPUTE IN ALBERTA

Calgary, Jan. 12.—Alberta labor bodies are sending a delegation to Edmonton asking that the Provincial Government protest to Ottawa against the presence of the machine gun and the mounted police at Drumheller. They contended that this is a provincial issue and that the mounted police have no business on the scene until the provincial police have exhausted their means of dealing with the situation. Conferences are being held by the interested parties but there has been no definite outcome to these.

The Moodie trial at Drumheller will take place Wednesday afternoon.

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FORCES OF ALLIES AS ONE BIG ARMY

To Be Disposed as Changed Conditions Demand, Says Lloyd George

London, Feb. 12.—Upon the decisions of the Supreme War Council of the Allies, Mr. Lloyd George told the House of Commons to-day, depend millions of gallant lives, the honor and safety of the country and the war aims upon which the future of the world is depending. If information in this particular were to be given to the enemy, he would prefer that the responsibility be placed upon other shoulders.

He requested the House not to press the Government regarding the arrangements for countering the coming blow of the Germans.

Field-Marshal Haig and General Robertson had attended the recent session of the Supreme War Council at Versailles and approved its decisions. The Prime Minister added that if the House was not satisfied with the conduct of the war, the only way was to change the Government.

As One Army.

The change in the military situation brought about by the sending of German troops from the East to the West was a factor which must be considered, the Prime Minister said, and it was essential that the whole strength of the Allied armies of France, Britain, the United States and Italy should be made available for the point where the blow would come. Arrangements should be made under which the Allies would treat their armies as one to meet the danger and menace wherever it might come.

A scene occurred during the Prime Minister's remarks in which he declined to divulge the decisions of the Supreme War Council—information which the enemy would pay any money to secure. Amidst the cheering, Mr. Asquith rose to protest in the strongest terms against the insinuation that he had asked for such information. He had only desired to know in what respect the functions of the Council had been permanently enlarged.

Mr. Lloyd George said that he refused to republish any personal information, and that he desired to withdraw anything which seemed to support such a suggestion.

Situation Changed.

He declared that Germany's violation of her engagement not to remove troops from the Russian front had to be borne in mind when there was any discussion of terms of peace, because it had a real bearing upon guarantees. The situation had been changed completely by those reinforcements, he asserted.

Mr. Lloyd George said the Government stood by the considered declaration made at the meetings with the trades union representatives early this year.

The Government, he added, did not recede in the least in its war aims as they had been stated. It was of no use crying peace when there was no peace.

The Prime Minister said he would like any member to point out anything in the speeches of Count Czernin and Count von Hertling which could possibly be regarded as proof that the Central Powers were prepared to make peace on terms which could be regarded as just and reasonable.

No Answer.

Germany's action regarding Russia proved that the declaration regarding no annexations had no real meaning. No answer had been given regarding Belgium that could be regarded as satisfactory. No answer had been given regarding Poland or France, with her legitimate claims for the restoration of her lost provinces; not a word had been said about the men of the Italian race and tongue who were now under the Austro-Hungarian yoke.

Must Fight On.

Until there was some better proof than had been provided in any of the speeches to which he referred that the Central Powers were prepared to consider the aims and ideals for which the Allies were fighting, said Mr. Lloyd George, it would be the nation's regrettable duty to go on and make preparations necessary in order to establish international rights. It was true that he had stated in November that it was not intended that the Supreme War Council should have executive functions, but since then Russia had gone out of the war and a number of German divisions had been brought to the Western front from the East. The situation had become much more menacing, and the Allies representatives had met at Versailles to consider the best methods of meeting that menace.

AIDING FOOD CAMPAIGN.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—H. J. Sterling, president of the Port William and Port Arthur Grain Exchange, which includes in its membership 160 businessmen, visited the Food Controller's office to-day, and pledged the assistance and co-operation of the Exchange in every possible way.

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GRAIN GROWERS' BODY OF SASKATCHEWAN MEETS

Regina, Feb. 12.—What is expected to prove the greatest gathering in the history of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association opened this morning at 10 o'clock in the Metropolitan Methodist Church here. The main floor and galleries of the church were packed. President Maharg, M. P. received a tremendous ovation when he took the platform and loud applause signalled the entry of most of the leaders of the farmers' movement in this province.

Leading speakers of the West scheduled to address the convention include Prof. W. S. Swanson, University of Saskatchewan; E. G. Hingley, W. A. Wilson, Hon. George Langley, Dr. J. G. Shearer, Dr. J. W. Robertson, F. H. Auld, G. G. Chipman, Rev. W. J. Stewart, Mrs. J. S. Woods, Mrs. Walter Parby, Dr. M. M. Seymour, Mrs. Frith, Mrs. McAllen, Miss E. McLaughlin and H. H. McKinney.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE IN U. S.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Endorsement of the federal amendment for woman suffrage was voted by the executive committee of the National Democratic Committee here yesterday after a referendum to the committee.

PLOUGHING MATCH.

Toronto, Feb. 12.—The Ontario provincial ploughing match, tractor demonstration and farm machinery exhibition will be held at Ottawa on October 16, 17 and 18 this year. This was decided at the annual meeting of the Ontario Ploughman's Association held here yesterday.

TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, Feb. 12.—There was a cool demand for cash oats, with spreads unchanged from Monday, except on No. 3 C. W., which was let better to-day than at Monday's close. The demand for cash barley was again fair. Cash flax was quiet.

Oats closed unchanged for May and 1 lower for July. Barley closed 1 higher for May. Flax closed unchanged for May.

Oats—	Contract	Open.	Close.
May	87	87
July	84	84
Barley—	82	82
May	162	161
Flax—	234	234
Cash prices: Oats—3 C. W., 89; 3 C. W., 85; extra 1 feed, 91; 1 feed, 81; 2 feed, 78; Barley—No. 3 C. W., 124; 4 C. W., 124; rejected and feed, 124.			
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Joins Recruiting Mission.—Sergeant Harry Richards, late of the 10th Battalion, C. E. F., who recently returned from France, and was for a short time attached to Headquarters Staff, M. D. No. 11, Belmont House, is leaving for Portland, Oregon, to-night, to take up duties with the British Canadian Recruiting Mission.

Irrigation Delegates.—The Council last evening, as a sequel to the meeting at the Board of Trade rooms on Friday, appointed the Mayor, Alderman Porter and Alderman Sangster as the city representatives to the committee of nine. Three others will be appointed by the Saanich Councils and three by the Provincial Government.

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R. F. C. Cadets.—The following cadets of the Royal Flying Corps are leaving the city to-night for Toronto: E. Rutley, 1030 Princess Avenue; L. C. Johnson, T. D. Jack, D. McRae Calder, J. M. Roche, R. R. Deveau, and R. Brock, of Victoria, and W. H. Hales, of San Francisco.

Applications for Grant.—An application from the Army and Navy Veterans' Association for a grant was sent by the City Council last evening to the Finance Committee. An application from the Canadian Aviation Fund for a contribution went to the Estimates Committee.

Fined for Speeding.—Virgil Lalonde was fined \$5 in the City Police Court to-day on a charge of speeding on his motor cycle. The City Prosecutor said defendant was also cutting corners, and the Magistrate cautioned him of the danger. Information was laid by Constable Allen, who was also on a motor cycle at the time.

Soldier Wedded.—At the Metropolitan Church, on February 9, at 7 p. m., with the pastor, Rev. H. F. Osborne, officiating, Miss Elizabeth Cockin, of 619 Dunedin Street, was married to Pte. William Thomas Bradley, of the C. E. F., a native of Ireland. The bride was given away by her brother, John Cockin, of the same address, the bridesmaid being Miss Eva Whitley. The wedding breakfast took place at 619 Dunedin Street.

Police Commissioners.—There will be a meeting of the City Police Commissioners to-morrow afternoon, to hear a complaint lodged against Constable Gates arising out of a prosecution for alleged breach of the traffic regulations. If the inquiry is over promptly, the Commissioners will consider other business, including the completion of the estimates, if not the Mayor says another meeting will be necessary.

Cheminists Fishing Returns.—From October 1, 1917 to January 31, 1918, the customs returns for Cheminists show that during the four months the following fish was sent to foreign ports from Cheminists alone: To the United States—Salmon, 290 tons, value \$2,200; fresh herring, ten tons, value \$115; rock cod, 12 tons, value \$845. To the Orient—Salt herring, 690 tons, valued at \$4,575, the whole totalling 1,002 tons, valued at \$42,935.

Spring Flowers.—In spite of the fact that there is a smattering of snow at the top of the Sogke Hills flowers are blooming in the sheltered gardens throughout the city. Snowdrops have been in bloom for several weeks, violets also have been picked for market from outdoor beds. Primroses and crocuses are showing color, and the daffodils are growing fast. In the woods the willows have in some cases got past the silvery stage, and the yellow pollen-covered catkins are being visited by the bees.

Young People's Society Meeting.—On Monday evening last St. Andrew's Presbyterian Lecture Room had a festive appearance, when a Valentine social was held by the Young People's Society of that Church. Men in uniform formed the greater part of the guests and a good time was enjoyed by all present. The following artists were among those who contributed to the program: Songs, Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Stringer; recitations, Miss Eyles and Private Jones. Games were played and refreshments served, after which the National Anthem was sung, bringing the gathering to a close.

Victorian Order of Nurses.—The regular monthly meeting of the local board of the Victorian Order of Nurses was held last week. Mrs. Phipps presiding. Mrs. Christie was appointed as the Victorian Order representative to the Local Council of Women for the year, and Mrs. Phipps, Miss Crigge and Miss Oldfield as delegates to the annual meeting. Miss MacNair reported on the nurses work for the month. Two hundred and fifty-eight visits had been paid of these 123 were nursing visits, seventeen child welfare, fifty-four cases for the month. The board acknowledged with thanks cash donations from the City of Victoria, Messdames Sterling, O. M. Jones, Carne, Gregory, Coles, Gillespie, Todd, Powell, C. F. Todd, Miss Agnew.

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Return Shows That Domiciles Are in Demand, With Improving Conditions

The gradual filling up of the vacant houses round Victoria is shown in a return made by the Light Department of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, which shows a total of 694 vacant houses within the three miles limit from the Victoria City Hall, excluding houses unfit for habitation. As this circle would include the whole of the Oak Bay and Esquimalt municipalities, and that part of Saanich out to Cedar Hill, across to Kenneth Street, and round to Portage Inlet, it furnishes a valuable commentary on conditions.

The only official comparison available is a return to the City Waterworks department, fourteen months ago, which indicated that there were 892 houses of all kinds within the City limits, exclusive of Victoria West, which is outside the water district, at that time empty. With regard to the remainder of the houses within the three-mile circle there was no definite information.

This is a clear proof of a steady increase in population in the past few months, in fact it has been common knowledge that house accommodation has become increasingly difficult to secure. Many of the empty houses are those which would not be attractive for occupation, having been built many years ago, and they lack the conveniences demanded by the critical resident. In some parts of the city, particularly in the newer areas, there is not a single house vacant, and when such vacancy does occur, the premises are immediately occupied.

SAANICH SCHOOL BOARD

Various Matters Dealt With by Trustees at Meeting Last Evening.

The Saanich Teachers' Association has forwarded an invitation to the Trustees, it was reported at the School Board meeting last evening, to meet them at Tomlin School on March 9, and discuss questions affecting the welfare of the schools and the profession. No decision was reached on salary revision, some trustees favoring payment for length of service, others that there should be equal payment for equal work. Special attention will be given to seed production in the schools, the Agricultural Supervisor pointing out how extensively the Board could aid the general question of seed production in the present shortage by raising food seeds. Every effort will be made to demonstrate the value of the peninsula as a centre for seed growing.

THREE-DAY CELEBRATION

First Presbyterian Church to Mark Fifth Anniversary of Pastor's Induction.

At a meeting held in the Presbyterian Church schoolroom last night arrangements were completed for the holding of the three-day celebration of the fifth anniversary of the pastor's induction. The celebrations will be held on Friday, Sunday and Tuesday, February 15, 17 and 19. On Friday a public meeting will be held in the Church hall, when Dr. M. A. Matthews, of Seattle, will be the principal speaker. On Sunday, the Rev. Dr. E. A. Henry, of Vancouver, is to preach at both services. The Tuesday programme will include a buffet supper and conversation in the basement of the Church hall, from 5.30 to 7.30, following which a public meeting will be held in the hall. At this meeting addresses will be delivered by Hon. Dr. King, Minister of Public Works; Mayor Todd, and Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, while the chair will be taken by Alex. Stewart. At last night's meeting committees were appointed to undertake the arrangements for the supper, conversation and public meeting on Tuesday as follows: General convener, Mrs. Adams; tables, Mrs. Jackson Hanby; refreshments, Mrs. McKinnon; reception committee, Mrs. J. G. Inkster; music and orchestra, H. Charlesworth; decorations, W. E. Lossie.

Appointed C. O.—Major C. B. Schreiber

late of the 6th Battalion, and now of the 2nd Depot Battalion, the Willows, has been appointed permanent commanding officer on transport duty, and will report at an early date at an eastern port to take over the duties.

City School Board.—At the meeting of the City School Board to-morrow evening a deputation will be received to ascertain what the future permanent policy of the Board will be with regard to making the Sir James Douglas School a girls' school in the higher grades, and the Margaret Jenkins School a boys' school similarly, a policy which was adopted temporarily last September owing to conditions. The change is not welcomed in the districts affected.

THE ROAD TO SUCCESS

It is a very old saying that "opportunity knocks" at everybody's door at least once, but it is well understood that not all people hear the "knock" and take advantage of it. Attention is called to a plain statement to be found on another page of to-day's Times—outlining the giving away of \$800 in gold in The Times Want Ad Contest. Read it carefully, and if it means anything to you, act according to the directions given.

ACTION FOR \$400,000 IS DISCONTINUED

Pacific Coast Coal Co's. Case Against Wellington Collieries Withdrawn

W. J. Taylor, K.C., of Eberts & Taylor, yesterday in the Supreme Court registry, filed plaintiff's notice of discontinuance in the action of the Pacific Coast Coal Mines Co., Ltd., against the Wellington Collieries Co., Ltd., and Canadian Colliers (Dunsmuir) Ltd., which was a claim against the defendants for \$400,000, damages for flooding the mine of the plaintiff company. The litigation, in this case, commenced in April, 1917, and originated through the flooding of the Alexandra mine into the Pacific Coast Coal mine, which has been going on for years. At the trial, which was commenced last week, and which was stood over pending evidence from a material witness, the Wellington Collieries claimed for coal alleged to have been improperly taken from their mine, and the Pacific Co. counter-claimed for the flooding. The Pacific Company was defeated on the question of the counter-claim, and therefore have withdrawn the action for flooding. The trial of the action as regards the matter of the coal alleged to have been taken will continue.

SOCIAL SERVICE

Rev. Hugh Dobson, B. A., B. D., Speaks of War's Effects on Home and Life.

Before an interested audience of the members of the Social Service Commission yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A., Rev. Hugh Dobson, B. A., B. D., gave an address on the subject, "Marriage and the Family." He deprecated the fact that conditions to-day are such as to preclude that fuller home life so essential to the making of character and the presentation of high ideals. The demand made upon the people by the present war and economic conditions were slowly breaking up the life of the home. Even our present system of education, which accentuated the separation of children from their parents for the greater part of the day had the same tendency, although the speaker recognized that this was a condition of affairs which could scarcely be avoided. Education.

Mr. Dobson, referring to the education of the younger generation, emphasized the fact that the personality and moral integrity of the teacher was a more potent factor in the education of the young than the academic standing of the teacher. He also advocated the presence of a competent supervisor for the playgrounds of the children. He was of the opinion that the aim of educational institutions should be to inculcate the fundamental principles of good citizenship and to develop character. The people should realize that life was more important than trade, and that in choosing a calling its nature rather than its emolument should be the primary consideration. In the evening Rev. Mr. Dobson spoke before a large audience in the Metropolitan Sunday School on the subject, "Is the day of evangelism passing or just dawning?" For the explanation of the word evangelism, he took his hearers back to the phrase as originally used by Christ, when the term "evangel" meant the gospel of the Kingdom of God. The relation of Christ's evangel was not identified with any particular type or method of bearing God's message to the world, or with this or that interpretation of the various books of the Bible. Its great message was that the Kingdom of God was within reach of all who would stretch out their hands to grasp it. Grasping After Something. Never was there a better time for

Man Charged With Vagrancy is Anxious to Go South; His Credentials.

It must be an unhappy destiny for a man to be compelled to beg his way from place to place when suffering from tuberculosis. James C. Raymond, a middle aged man, appeared in the police court to-day on a charge of vagrancy and the story of his plight then became public property. He has been collecting small sums at various houses to enable him to proceed to the south. He carried with him a list, showing the entries and also an authentication from a priest of the Catholic parish of Coleman, Alberta, with the official seal, and viced by a local Catholic priest. Raymond admitted begging, and stated that he was consumptive. He invited examination from any doctor. Magistrate Jay remanded him for the City Health Officer to have an opportunity to examine him.

RECEIVES DECORATION

Maj. F. B. Edwards Handed Order of St. Stanislaus He Won at the Front.

On his recent return from speaking in Oregon Major F. B. Edwards, who has since been appointed commanding officer at Resthaven, was the recipient of an interesting presentation. Nearly two years ago Major Edwards was gassed in Russia as having received the Russian Order of St. Stanislaus. While he was away in Oregon this Order arrived here, and yesterday it was handed over to Major Edwards by Col. J. Duff Stuart, officer commanding the district during the absence of Major-General Leckie. The Order, which consists of crossed swords and bow, is of pure gold set in enamel. Passports Correctly Prepared. See W. H. Price, Notary, next Bank of Montreal.

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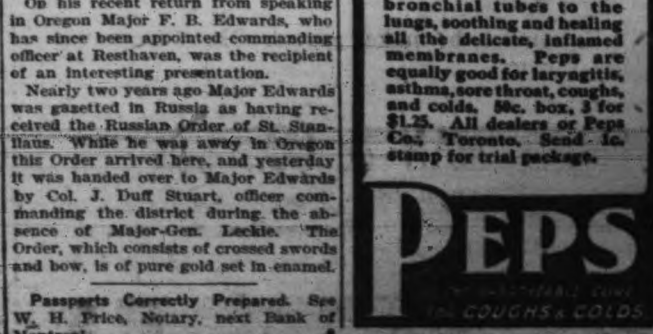
Council is Asked to Issue Final Orders With Regard to Contaminated Buildings. From the monthly report of Sanitary Inspector Lancaster, it appears that formal orders will have to be issued against some of the owners whose premises have been condemned as long ago as last June. He states that little progress was made in January in demolishing the buildings upon which work was started, and he expresses the hope that the Council will take the final step in this matter, as he has prepared another list of decayed and insanitary vacant buildings which should be removed. That the Council will shortly be placed in full possession of the sanitary condition of Chinatown is evidenced by the report of the City Health Officer, Dr. A. G. Price, in which he states that a house to house inspection is being made, which when completed will be fully reported upon. There were registered in January births of forty-three males and fifty-six females, born previous to the first of the month, and of the fifteen born last month and registered at once, six were males and nine females. Thirty-seven deaths were registered in January, and forty-six marriages.

A CONSUMPTIVE CASE

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DEVELOPMENT OF IRON RESOURCES OF ISLAND

Central Committee Meets To-night to Consider Delegation to Ottawa

Following their conference with Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines, at the Legislative Buildings yesterday afternoon, the deputation, and the full Central Iron Committee, of which the former were representative in the visit to the Minister, will hold a meeting to-night at room 218 in the Belmont Building.

The original intention had been to hold the meeting Monday night, but it was felt yesterday that this would not give equal opportunity for the attendance of members of the committee from all parts of the island, and in view of the importance of the subject, it was considered very desirable that the meeting would be of the most representative character.

The resolution unanimously carried at last Friday's meeting to the effect that subscriptions to cover the necessary expense be secured and a lobby sent to Ottawa to bring pressure upon the Government so that assistance may be given towards developing the iron and steel resources of Vancouver Island, were explained in detail yesterday to the Minister of Mines, who expressed his entire sympathy with the suggestion.

Government Assistance.

While he assured the deputation that the Provincial Government was giving the subject most careful and complete consideration, Hon. William Sloan did not see that he could, at the present moment, take the delegation into his confidence as to the precise intentions of the Government.

Everything, however, that could be done towards developing the great, and practically, yet untouched iron resources here, would, assuredly, be undertaken. He was, however, personally of opinion that British Columbia natural resources must be manufactured in the province and he would favor an export charge on iron ore shipped to points outside it.

The deputation consisted of J. F. Bledsoe (Alberni), Mayor Todd, Ald. Sangster, A. C. Flummerfelt, Frank Higgins, C. T. Cross, R. E. Nield, T. G. McKay, Thomas Walker, T. J. Goodlake, J. F. Scott, T. Price, C. L. Armstrong and L. W. Toms (Oak Bay).

NOTHING IN IT

Hon. J. D. MacLean Says Rumor of Education Dept. Change is Without Foundation.

A report in Vancouver has it that a suggestion was made at a meeting of the School Board last night to the effect that Dr. Robertson, Superintendent of Education, was to be replaced by Principal Mackay, of Vancouver.

The Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Education and Provincial Secretary, assured The Times representative that so far as he knew there was absolutely no foundation for the story and the matter was entirely new to him.

The Minister also stated that in connection with the changes in the Public and High School curricula, fore-shadowed in these columns as the result of the recent conference of High School and University officials, the whole of the recommendations were being regularly drafted and that he would be in a position to make an announcement regarding them at no very distant date.

MORE DRASTIC ACTION

Sir Douglas Cameron Says Western People Will Support More Positive Policy by New Food Board.

Sir Douglas Cameron, of Winnipeg, who is in Victoria with J. M. Wiley, of Winnipeg, went out to Sooke to-day, to visit some timber limits in which he is interested.

Sir Douglas, who has been on the Coast for some time looking into various interests with which he is associated, stated to The Times that this is a periodical visit on private business.

He hopes to see a more drastic policy adopted by the new Food Board. Canadians have not yet begun to save food for the Allies, and he says the people of the West will stand behind the Board if it adopts a real policy of conservation of food for export purposes. There are many things allowed on the table, he states, which could easily be dispensed with, and which would be of service overseas. He hopes to see an end of the temporizing policy and undirected effort.

Sir Douglas has considerable interests in Island lumber, which will keep him here for several days.

LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN MEET TO-DAY IN ANNUAL SESSION

Morning Taken Up With Hearing of Reports From Executive and Societies

Nearly two hundred and fifty women, representative of the various women's organizations of the city and district, assembled in the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian Church this morning for the opening session of the Local Council of Women's annual meeting. Fifty-five affiliated societies were represented, and during the morning the Victorian Nursing Order of Nurses and the newly organized Tillamook Women's Institute were received in affiliation.

Miss Crease in her presidential address reviewed the work of the past year and referred to the great advancement made by women. She pointed with pride to the improved status of women as exemplified by the appointment of Mrs. McGill as juvenile judge in Vancouver, and the recent election of a woman to the legislature. The achievements of the women who undertook the arduous task of fruit-picking, the work done in the interests of food conservation, and the efforts made on behalf of the returned soldier patients were all touched upon. In conclusion, Miss Crease reminded the members that the Council's great aim "must be to help, not patch, except, as a more temporary measure." She expressed regret that no definite steps had been taken at the last annual meeting to place the Bible in a more honored place in the lives of school children.

Secretary's and Financial Reports.

In the report of the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Gavin Burns, the extension of the franchise to women and the advent of prohibition in British Columbia were considered among the happenings of greatest moment. Attention was drawn to the fact that the Women's Christian Temperance Union was the first society to become affiliated with the Local Council of Victoria on its formation more than twenty years ago. Other matters dealt with were the provincial conference of the Local Councils, held in this city last year, and the campaign instigated by the Council for greater thrift in the household. The treasurer's report showed that affiliation fees amounting to \$101.50 had been collected. The tag day organized by the Council had resulted in \$2,750.10 being sent to Halifax for relief work.

During the morning a letter was read from the Ladies' Aid of the Emmanuel Baptist Church protesting against the motion in favor of the importation of indentured Chinese labor. Reports were handed in by the Social Service Committee, voicing its aims, and recapitulating its work in connection with the Children's Aid Society. A vote of thanks was extended to Miss Wark for her valuable services on this committee. The Victoria Women's Liberal Association also reported on their work during the past year.

Household Economics Committee.

Mrs. Schofield gave a concise report showing the work accomplished by the Household Economics Committee since June last, on which date she took over the work from Mrs. G. I. Foulkes. She reminded her hearers that the Council had "been the pioneers ploughing and harrowing the ground of public opinion" and preparing the way for the later steps taken by the Federal Government. Among other matters in which the Council had taken the initiative were the food pledge system inaugurated locally before the Government scheme came into force, the agitation for the removal of the embargo on oleomargarine, and the continued advocacy for organizers and food demonstrators, all of which aims have now materialized. The fish question was one which had been attacked time and time again, and the hope was expressed that Ottawa was at last going to take action.

More Production.

In urging the members to concentrate their future efforts on the matter of increased production, Mrs. Schofield commended to the Council the municipal piggeries and municipal fish market, scheme advocated by Mrs. A. Thomson. Definite proof of the value of the latter undertaking was to be seen in Seattle, where such a market sold salmon at eight cents per pound, Central canning depots, and further consideration of the rationing scheme by the Dominion Government were also asked for. The report concluded with an eloquent appeal to the women to go without such luxuries as bacon and those little social teas, etc. in view of the sufferings of the people of Armenia and Poland, who were starving.

A pleasing incident of the session was the presentation to Miss Crease by Mrs. Whyte-Birch of a basket of violets, bearing a card inscribed "To our much-loved President, with genuine admiration from one of the flock at Patricia Bay."

OBITUARY RECORD

The death occurred on February 11, at the Jubilee Hospital, of Thomas Pearson Reed, aged seventy-nine years, a former resident of Lillooet, B.C. He is survived by his widow, now residing in Victoria. The funeral, which will be private, will be held from the Thomson Chapel, Wednesday, February 12, at 11 a. m., Rev. S. Cook officiating.

The man who is planning to tell his grandchildren all about the passing events of this war will have to possess some memory.

MILITARY CROSS FOR CAPT. T. R. GRIFFITH

Son of Deputy Minister of Public Works Has Done Excellently

The many friends of Capt. Thomas Rees Griffith, son of J. E. Griffith, Deputy Minister of Public Works, will be very glad to hear that the young officer has been decorated with the Military Cross for conspicuous work while serving with the Canadian forces on the Western front.

In the letter which has just reached his father, Capt. Griffith is very appreciative about the affair and gives the most meagre particulars of the incident which won for him the coveted distinction. He similarly makes light of the fact that he was advanced from the rank of Lieutenant to that of captain.



CAPT. T. R. GRIFFITHS

As far back as September last, while for some time recently he was attached to the staff of Brigadier-General Victor W. Odlum, the pictorial group of whom in the possession of Mr. Griffith shows also Capt. Carew Martin, M. C., son of Mr. Justice and Mrs. Archer Martin, of this city.

It will be recalled that Capt. Griffith joined the 72nd Highlanders in 1915, and for a time, underwent training with that battalion in Vancouver. With the prospect of early departure overseas, however, he threw in his lot with Col. Warder, who at that time was raising that famous battalion known as "Warder's Warriors." With the rank of lieutenant, Capt. Griffith left for England, with the 102nd, and since then has seen much of the fierce fighting in which the Warriors have taken a goodly share. Happily he has so far escaped hurt, and he likewise possesses the distinction of having been recommended for the Military Cross a second time, the first not quite maturing in the decoration.

Capt. Griffith is twenty-six years of age, and first saw the light of day at Donald, B. C. He was educated at Dr. Lang's school in this city, and was afterwards articled to Garden & Taylor, surveyors, of Vancouver, and for some time he was engaged in the drafting office of the Surveyor-General at the Parliament Buildings. He will also be remembered by those with sporting proclivities for his prowess as a three-quarter back.

WITH R. F. C. TORONTO



CADET STUART SMITH, R. F. C.

Son of W. A. and Mrs. Smith, 405 Vancouver Street, who left the city January 29, 1918, and is now training at Toronto. Previous to joining the R. F. C. Cadet Stuart Smith managed his father's branch grocery store in Menzies Street.

STRUCK BY CAR

Street Car in Collision With Dr. Garceshe's Automobile, and Doctor is Stunned.

In a collision shortly after noon to-day Dr. A. J. Garceshe was stunned and required medical attention. He was travelling south on Vancouver Street in his automobile. At the intersection of Port Street, while crossing the street railway tracks, the automobile was struck by a street car in charge of Conductor E. W. Gallop, and driven by Motorman W. O. Flight.

The doctor was thrown out and rendered unconscious. Dr. Laidler was immediately called to the house wherein Dr. Garceshe had been carried, and meanwhile the police ambulance had been summoned. On the arrival of Constable Moss it was ascertained that the ambulance would not be required, as the injured man had recovered consciousness.

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HON. JOHN OLIVER STILL IN VICTORIA

May Yet Appear Before Arbitration Board in Respect of C. N. R.

The Hon. John Oliver, Minister of Agriculture and Railways, as well as acting Premier in the absence of Hon. H. C. Brewster, smiled blandly at a representative of The Times this morning when persistently quizzed as to whether or not he intended to betake himself east in the wake of the Premier.

The Minister did not dispute the fact that there were a number of railway matters which could very well be dealt with once on the eastern side of the Rockies, but he would not be drawn as to whether or not he intended to appear personally before the Board of Arbitration at Toronto to discuss the position of British Columbia in relation to the uncompleted contracts of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway.

He was likewise spinelike in the matter of the suggestion that he would go to Ottawa with a request for some sort of co-operative action with respect to the completion of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

It is generally conceded that there will be no finer chance offered again for this province to get its position viewed in the correct perspective than that of placing it squarely before the arbitrators.

The Minister himself says that he would be glad to go and if there returned a little more time before the Legislature resumes its duties there is but little doubt that he would pack his traps and depart. As it is he is not at all sure as to his ability to complete his plans to permit a sufficiently speedy return. Nevertheless he had not yet said definitely that he will not go.

WOMEN'S RIGHT TO FIGHT

Gordon Highlander's Wife Appeals for Death Battalion; 'We'd Stern Hell Itself'

Should Great Britain and Ireland raise women's battalions of death, as Russians have done? asks a writer in the London Daily Sketch.

The wife of a Gordon Highlander, writes to The Daily Sketch an impassioned appeal for the right to fight. Why should the supreme sacrifice be demanded, fall on man alone? Here is what she says:

"I am a middle class woman; every female relative I possess in the world—except those engaged in essential professional work, such as medicine, nursing, or teaching—has been away for two years working for an ungrateful country. It is the same with the families of all my friends—typical Northern Scots.

Wives Who Stay at Home.

"The only slackers are the young married wives like myself, who gave up their university careers to get married, and stayed at home, not because they wanted to, but because their husbands pleaded with them not to make desolate the few days of leave to which they looked forward with inconceivable wishfulness for six, sometimes ten-months of a year.

"My God! It has been hard to stay at home—it was 'my country' or 'my husband'—to feel that you would cheerfully hand your man over to German mercy if he became a pacifist, and yet, by acceding to his pleading, stand condemned for ever by the standard by which you tested his courage and his manhood.

"So I'm glad Sir Archibald spoke out—he has released me; but at the same time I detach his reference to my class as a set of slackers.

Only Way to Stop Bolshevism.

"I know many Scots University girls have thought the matter out seriously, and have come to the conclusion that the only way we can stop the Fascist women's digital agitation is to go out and fight ourselves, and leave these population-maintenance sweethearts and husbands in a bequest—if our men survive the war, and if they will have these girls for wives.

"Don't imagine we've these kind of women in the North—you strike them in pseudo-intellectual circles in Glasgow and London, the life in big towns tending to engender freaks.

"I'm sure you will on the Government. Get for the girls of Britain the right to die for their island home. You might begin with a nucleus of four battalions, say, Cavell Guards for England, 'Banishers' for Ireland, Bonifacians for Wales, MacGregor Highlanders for Scotland.

"Give Scots girls Helen MacGregor's tartan (she cut down a regiment of English regulars with a handful of auld men and young lads), give them bayonets and the 'pipes' and an old Scots Guards sergeant to train them, and they'd storm hell itself.

NATURAL ELEMENT.

"I see where a Philadelphia fire chief predicts that we shall have firewomen instead of men on the engines and trucks soon."

"Oh, well, that's natural; women were always crazy about hose."—Florida Times-Tribune.

HIGH WATER CAUSES WORK SUSPENDED

Repairs at Sooke Lake Held Up by Weather; Mineral Rights

On account of the high water at Sooke Lake, repairs that had been in hand have been suspended. A visit was to have been made to the lake to-day by Alderman Porter and Water Commissioner Rust to see how work was progressing but under the circumstances it will be necessary to abandon it until work is resumed.

Owing to the impossibility of using the road from Goldstream to the lake via the Summit, the visitors proposed to go in by way of Fitzgibbon's, walking to the head of the lake, and going down by boat. This route demonstrates the difficulties of reaching the lake, with supplies at this time of year, and in fact the workmen were almost starved out before repairs on the pipe line were suspended. In making the repairs the gullied pipes left by the contracting firm have proved a godsend, saving the great extra labor required in getting material in.

At the City Hall considerable interest is being given to the proposed legislation with regard to mineral rights in the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway belt. When the City purchased the watershed those rights were expressly exempted and the City was

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ORIENTAL LABOR TO BE DISCUSSED
 United Farmers' Convention Here Has Controversial Subject on Agenda

The annual convention of the United Farmers of British Columbia will be held in the Empress Hotel here beginning at 10.30 a. m., on Wednesday of next week, being the day following the B. C. Stock Breeders' convention. The convention is open to all persons interested in the movement.

The Agenda Paper.

The business will be as follows:
 Appointment of a Resolutions Committee to deal with all resolutions on subjects other than those mentioned below.

Reports by Central Board.

To elect by ballot directors of Central Board, consisting of a President, three Vice-Presidents, and such other Directors as the meeting may determine.

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RULE SUSPENSION WAS MATTER OF ARGUMENT

Legislative Press Gallery, February 11.

Arising out of the Hon. John Oliver's explanation of the reason the House would be asked to adjourn this afternoon, was a query from J. H. Hawthornthwaite, member for Newcastle, as to whether any reference had been made in the telegraphic communications between the Premier of this province and Sir Robert Borden at the national capital, to the discussion of an "alleged labor situation."

Mr. Oliver, acting Premier, who had related the correspondence more or less from memory, inadvertently failed to make specific reference to labor as a tabled topic for the conference. He promptly read the list of subjects from Sir Robert's telegram with apparent satisfaction to the member for Newcastle.

Rule Suspension.

Following the passage of the two bills and attendant explanation of their urgency by the Hon. J. W. deB. Farris and Hon. John Hart respectively, Mr. Hawthornthwaite became suddenly oblivious of Rule 48 and desired to offer as a motion, in an attempt to secure the feeling of the House, labor's reflected opinion of indentured coolies and the conscription of labor for industrial purposes.

He took the stand that since the House proposed adjournment for the purpose of allowing the Premier to go to Ottawa to discuss with provincial Premiers, among other subjects, the question of an "alleged labor situation" in Canada, it was necessary that a record of his feelings should be secured. He therefore suggested in his motion that "this House is emphatically of the opinion that it would not be in the best interests of the country to bring here a number of Oriental or other coolies, indentured or otherwise, nor is it advisable to take any steps to conscript labor for industrial purposes."

It's Urgent!

Mr. Speaker reminded the member for Newcastle that the customary two days' notice of motion was necessary. Mr. Hawthornthwaite, however, persisted that the matter was one of urgency, voicing the opinion that since Premier Brewster went to Ottawa representing the Assembly and the people of the province it was only natural to see exactly where the House stood in relation to the two matters to which he had alluded. There should be no objection to the suspension of Rule 48 and since he saw the acting Premier looking quite good natured he felt sure he would agree with him.

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Special forms are included in the Bill on which all applications for seed grain to be distributed through sales under the Act, where such is not paid for in cash, are to be made. Promissory notes will hold good as security where a cash transaction is not possible. Such notes will be required to be made in favor of the Minister and shall be redeemable on a date to be set by him, but not later than December 31 next, following the date of sale.

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