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### BRIG.-GEN. STEWART HAS HIS OWN METHODS

He and Canadians Building Railways at Front in France

London, March 24.—(By F. A. McKenzie)—The Canadian authorities are strongly urging upon the Imperial authorities the ability and the need of a wider admission of leading Canadian officers to higher staff positions to enable Canadians entering the War Office to obtain experience of the methods of the central organization.

Colonel J. D. White, of Ottawa, has been appointed Deputy Director of the Forestry Service with control under Lord Lovatt, of the entire continental service.

Brigadier-General Jack Stewart has made a great success of railway construction in France, where he now has been given the widest responsibility. One job which the authorities wanted done in a hurry would have required six weeks, according to an official estimate. Brig.-Gen. Stewart said that if they would give him 2,000 Canadians he would do it in a week. He actually completed the job in four days.

**ROCHAMBEAU AT BORDEAUX.**

New York, March 24.—The French line steamer *Rochambeau* arrived at Bordeaux safely on Thursday, according to a cablegram received here from one of the passengers. The *Rochambeau* left New York March 12 with 331 passengers, of whom 107 were American citizens.

### MORE GROUND WAS WRESTED FROM ENEMY

French Pushed on Northeast of St. Quentin Canal; British Gained

Paris, March 24.—French forces operating northeast of the St. Quentin Canal pushed back the Germans between one and one-quarter and two and a half miles. Additional ground also was gained on the height northeast of Terzier, overlooking the Oise valley, according to an official communication issued last night. Two German attacks near Thil, northwest of Rheims, were repulsed.

The text of the report follows: "Between the Somme and the Oise our troops carried out a spirited offensive which was completely successful. The enemy, despite stubborn resistance, was pushed back on a large front for distances varying between two and four kilometres northeast of the canal of St. Quentin.

"Northeast of Terzier our detachments have pushed ahead on the heights overlooking the Oise valley. In this region the Germans have resorted to inundations. The city of La Fere is under water.

"South of the Oise we continued our crossing of the Alliette River. North of Soissons our troops realized considerable progress toward Margival.

"Northwest of Rheims German troops carried out against our trenches before Thil two attacks which failed.

"The losses of the enemy have been serious, judging from the bodies of men abandoned within the wire entanglements.

"Aviation—To-day our anti-aircraft guns brought down a German aeroplane, which fell within our lines near Dieu Lourd."

**British Report.**

London, March 24.—Encounters between British patrols and German detachments occurred along the general line from Beaurains to Etreillers, according to an official communication from British headquarters in France issued last night. South of Arras and near the centre of the line, German counter-attacks were driven off and the British positions were maintained. British troops made further progress in the region of Croisilles and Ecourt, southeast of Arras.

The text of the report follows: "In the area of our advance, encounters between our patrols and hostile detachments of some strength have occurred along the general line of Etreillers - Baumetz - les - Cambrail - Beaurains. Enemy counter-attacks near Aixecourt-le-Bais, Baumetz-les-Cambrail and Vraucourt were driven off. Our positions were maintained, and we took a few prisoners.

"Our troops made further progress near Ecourt and Croisilles.

"We carried out a successful raid east of Arras. The enemy blew up a large mine last night north of Neuville-St. Vaast, but no damage was reported. Our artillery bombarded the enemy's trenches southeast of Loos and east of Vermelles with good effect."

### FOOD, NOT LUXURIES, NEED OF BELGIANS

Member of Commission Points Out How People Should Give

Montreal, March 24.—George Barr Baker, a member of the Commission for the Relief of Belgium, states that a large amount of the energy of the Commission is being exhausted appealing for funds and explaining the terrible condition of the Belgian nation so that help may be forthcoming to save the people from wholesale death by starvation.

"We have worn out one good man after another," he states, "in explaining the appalling conditions and begging for help. One city sent us a ton of boot trees, for which the commission paid the freight, not knowing the contents of the cases and thinking that they might contain badly-needed necessities. When the cases were opened our people were broken-hearted. Another consignment consisted of five tons of chiffon dresses and party shoes for peasant children to go to school in and peasant women to use in their work in the fields.

"Incidents like these show how little the public realizes the appalling misery from sheer want of food with which the members of the Commission are so familiar. People here can get some idea of what conditions we are facing in Belgium when I tell them that the Commission has to serve 10,000,000 meals per day. Scanty meals they are, too, compared with what people on this continent understand as meals. There are as many as 3,000,000 people out of those to whom we serve food every day, who only get to keep them alive a piece of bread and a bowl of broth per day.

"A short time ago the need of money was so urgent that Mr. Hoover, the chairman of the Commission, had to appeal to the governments of Great Britain and France to add more to the generous aid already given, because the voluntary subscriptions were falling so much behind what was being hoped, and, hard pressed as they were, they borrowed money to give him to save these poor people from death by hunger and disease and cold. The people of Britain are themselves voluntarily contributing \$600,000 a month, but we are \$3,000,000 a month behind actual requirements."

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### FRENCH BATTLESHIP SUNK BY SUBMARINE IN MEDITERRANEAN

Paris, March 24.—The following report telling of the sinking of the French battleship *Danton* was issued by the Admiralty last night:

"The battleship *Danton* was torpedoed in the Mediterranean on the 19th, and sank a half hour later. The victims numbered 296. The escort, the *Masnie*, and patrol vessels succeeded in saving 806 men. The *Masnie* attacked the submarine with grenades, and it disappeared and was not seen again."

### CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, March 24.—The following casualties have been announced:

**Infantry.**  
Killed in action—Pte. A. Duacet, Quebec; Pte. R. McKenzie, Caledonia, N. S.; Pte. A. Carrier, Ottawa; Pte. E. Dempsey, Jacques River, N. B.; Sergt. E. Underwood, England; Cpl. D. Macdonald, Toronto; Lieut. G. B. Mulholland, Scarborough, Ont.  
Reported killed in action—Pte. E. C. Ball, Toronto; Pte. R. Laws, England; Pte. J. Mullineaux, England; Pte. G. Howell, Goodwater, Sask.; Pte. J. Goodchild, England; Pte. F. Norman, Vancouver; Pte. C. H. Kingham, England; Pte. G. Craig, Vancouver; Pte. D. B. Brown, Orangeville, Ont.  
Died—Pte. F. M. Ball, Simcoe, Ont.; Pte. E. A. Fraux, Toronto; Pte. M. Skiller, England; Pte. T. Luis, Greece; Pte. J. Hall, Wilkie, Sask.  
Wounded—Lieut. W. Brewer, Seattle, Wash.; Lieut. F. G. Mason, Roundhill, N. S.; Pte. J. Campbell, Swan Lake, Man.; Pte. A. Jordan, England; Pte. I. Moroka, Japan; Pte. T. Foran, Biesky, Alta.; Pte. M. Pies, Toronto, N. S.; Pte. G. Ritchie, Scotland; Pte. F. Taylor, Deepdale, Man.; Pte. G. Wootton, England; Pte. E. Ollenberg, Beausjour, Man.; Pte. F. Onslow, Niverville, Man.; Pte. H. Simmons, Fort George, B. C.; Pte. P. Northrup, St. John, N. B.; Pte. J. Bruce, Bramford, Ont.; Pte. G. Laddaw, Scotland; Pte. G. Shelton, England; Pte. A. Poirant, Quebec.  
Reported wounded—Pte. J. Toppam, London, Ont.; Pte. E. Kline, Killarney, Sask.; Pte. W. Granger, Angila, Sask.; Pte. W. Johnson, Horse Lake, Sask.; Pte. A. Struthers, Scotland; Pte. T. Ishihara, Japan; Pte. K. Harada, Japan; Pte. S. C. Head, Pictou, N. S.; Pte. P. Ward, England; Pte. A. Fraser, New Glasgow, N. S.; Pte. W. Ward, Wentworth, N. S.  
Reported wounded; remaining on duty—Capt. C. O. Jolly, England; Pte. C. W. Carter, Toronto; Pte. G. Arsenault, Moncton, N. B.  
Ill—Sergt. J. Trott, Oshawa, Ont.; Pte. E. Wilson, Quebec; Cpl. Pte. V. Adams, Quebec; Pte. H. Cronin, Humberstone, Ont.; Pte. M. May, Stonewall, Man.  
Reported missing—Pte. H. Foden, Toronto; Pte. C. Cameron, Welland, Ont.; Pte. H. Berton, Toronto.  
Previously reported missing; now not missing—Pte. J. McLaren, Victoria, B. C.; Pte. T. Cooper, Winnipeg.  
Previously reported prisoner of war at Dulmein—Pte. J. A. Taylor, Victoria, B. C., Engineers.  
Reported killed in action—Sapper W. Hemphill, Winnipeg.  
Reported wounded; remaining on duty—Cpl. E. Bain, Montreal.  
Sergt. Slightly wounded—Cpl. W. C. Bubb, England.  
Ill—Pte. P. James, Victoria, B. C.  
Artillery.  
Ill—Gnr. J. Nelson, North Sydney, N. S. Died of wounds—Cpl. C. J. Moore, England.  
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Wounded—Pte. F. R. Howard, Australia.  
Died—Pte. W. F. Wilson, New York. Unofficially reported died of wounds while prisoner—Pte. D. Moffatt, Winnipeg.  
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### FRENCH MADE GAIN NORTH OF MONASTIR

Paris, March 24.—An official report dealing with the Macedonian front issued last night said:

"Army of Orient—Violent engagements took place north of Monastir (Serbia) for the possession of Hill 1248, which ultimately remained in our hands despite repeated attacks by the German and Bulgarian forces.

"As a whole, including the figures given in the preceding communication, we had captured in this region up to March 21, 11 machine guns, 2 trench guns, 24 officers and 1,770 men. During the same period our aeroplanes bombed railroad stations and enemy artillery parks.

"Police operations, made necessary by the action of Greek insurgent bands in the neutral zones, have enabled us to scatter several bands near Klipurgos and to seize a number of rifles and cartridges which had been concealed."

### BRITAIN'S MERCHANT SHIPS.

London, March 24.—It is understood in shipping circles that the Government has extended its control of shipping and has now requisitioned at fixed rates all liner tonnage in the Australian, South American and South African trades.

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### HEMMING GERMAN MORE CLOSELY INTO THEIR NAVAL BASES

Washington, March 24.—An extension of the area of danger to shipping off the mouths of the Weser and Elbe Rivers, where the Allies are employing mines and other devices to block egress from the great German naval bases, is announced in a British Foreign Office note cabled to the State Department by Ambassador Page.

The line formerly running from a point four miles off the Danish coast to within seven miles of the Dutch coast, after April 1 will extend between points three miles off the Danish and Dutch coasts and include all waters to the eastward except the territorial waters of these countries.

### BALTIC AT LIVERPOOL.

New York, March 24.—The White Star liner *Baltic*, which left here March 18 for Liverpool with 77 passengers, has arrived safely, according to a cablegram received here.

### TRIED TO REACH GUNS IN FORT IN MAINE

Portland, Maine, March 24.—Private John Pool, of the Third Company, Coast Artillery Corps, at Fort Williams, was shot and probably fatally wounded yesterday while attempting to capture two men who had made their way into the reservation despite the presence of a heavy guard, and had reached a point near one of the batteries of 12-inch guns. The men escaped.

Because of the reported presence of suspicious characters near the forts the guard force has been greatly increased and every precaution taken to protect Government property.

On Wednesday night a shot was fired at a soldier on guard at Portland Headlight. More experienced men were detailed later for duty at the fort and early yesterday two men attempted to pass in the darkness. Private Pool grappled with them and was shot in the groin. At the post hospital it was said the chances were against his recovery. The bullet was from a pistol of large calibre.

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**BIG STORM VISITED CITY IN INDIANA**

New Albany, Ind., March 24.—With 43 known dead, nearly 200 injured and scores of buildings wrecked as the result of a storm which swept this section yesterday, the work of clearing away the wreckage in a search for more bodies was rushed to-day.

Every precaution has been taken to prevent looting, and Major Robert W. Morris, in command of state troops from Indianapolis, has ordered that vandals be shot on sight.

The injured soon overflowed the one public hospital of the city, and others were taken to the Young Men's Christian Association building and to private homes. Every available physician in New Albany was called into service, together with others from Louisville and Jeffersonville.

No accurate estimate of the property damage in and about the immediate vicinity of New Albany has been possible, but it is expected the loss will be upwards of \$1,600,000.

**WITNESSES AT TORONTO FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Toronto, March 24.—It was a western day at the session yesterday of the parliamentary committee dealing with the returned soldiers, witnesses from Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia putting forward points of view differing noticeably from the main complaints in the east. Inadequacy of pensions to meet the western scale of living was one, duplication of returned soldiers committees was another, and the democratic desire to put almost all pensions on an equal scale was a third. One heard more fully than all others was the underlying suspicion in soldiers' minds that someone profited by the believed differences in their pay sheets from what they anticipated. The retention of pay books, chiefly in Quebec and Canadian camps and in England, seemed to be the ground for the most dislike, though a British Columbia witness definitely criticized the prevalent notion so far as his own pay was concerned. It had been given down to the last cent, even to the exchange rates.

**NICHOLAS WARNED BY A GRAND DUKE**

Russian Emperor Sent Nicholas Michaelovitch to His Estate Afterwards

London, March 24.—"The Grand Duke Nicholas Michaelovitch," says a Times dispatch from Petrograd, "was banished to his estate in December for telling Emperor Nicholas the truth concerning the situation and for denouncing the Rasputin scandal."

"The Grand Duke relates how he was moved much more during the conversation than the Emperor and when, fearing he had gone too far, he said to the Emperor: 'Now call your Cosacks, have me killed and buried in your garden,' the Emperor merely smiled and thanked him."

"A few days later the Emperor wrote the Grand Duke a note ordering and imploring him to retire to his country seat. Before retiring to the country the Grand Duke wrote a letter to the Emperor."

The text of the letter is printed by the Times. Following are some extracts from it:

"You often told me you could put faith in nobody and that you were being deceived. If this is so, it applies particularly to your wife, who loves you, yet who led you into error. Being surrounded by evil-minded intimates, her words are the product of skillful machinations, not of truth. If you are powerless to liberate her from these influences, then at all events beware of the intriguers who are using your wife as their instrument."

"Your first impulses are always remarkably true, but as soon as other influences supervene, you begin to waver."

**AMERICAN AVIATOR WITH FRENCH MISSING**

Paris, March 24.—Sergeant J. R. McConnell, an American aviator with the aviation corps in France, has been missing four days since last seen engaged with two German machines over the German lines.

McConnell was scouting with Aviator Jenny, another American, when they encountered two German machines, which McConnell engaged, with Jenny protecting him from a higher level. Jenny was wounded in the head and drew away, regaining the French lines. When he last looked back he saw both German machines above McConnell and attacking him.

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**BELGIANS LOST AID OF AMERICAN WORKERS**

Whitlock and Others Formally Withdraw; Joint Neutral Body to Act

Washington, March 24.—The American relief workers in Belgium and American Ministers Brand Whitlock have been formally withdrawn from Belgium. Official announcement to this effect was made at the State Department this forenoon.

The American Relief Commission will be replaced as far as possible by members of the joint neutral commission largely under the supervision of Dutch military officials. Brand Whitlock will go to Havre, France, resuming his duties as Minister at the temporary Belgian capital.

Secretary Lansing, at the direction of President Wilson, sent a note to The Netherlands accepting the offer to take over the work of the Commission. The action of the President in ordering the Americans out was based on the belief that nothing was to be gained by keeping Americans longer in the territory occupied by German troops in Belgium and Northern France. It is desired for humanitarian reasons that the work of the Commission be continued and the Government of The Netherlands has been asked to communicate with the Commission's office and to take over the work and determine how many Dutch citizens will be needed for it.

Arrangements for the return to the United States of many of the Americans now are being made by the State Department. Although removed from the active field, Americans in Rotterdam, headed by Herbert C. Hoover, will continue to direct the work.

The United States henceforth will be able to continue participation in the work only by financial contributions. Chairman Hoover, on leaving New York for Europe recently, said that this country's work of supplying the means of relief only has just begun.

The withdrawal has been inevitable since the severance of relations with Germany. Soon after that the German military authorities ordered all Americans to withdraw, with the exception of Brand Whitlock and three others, who were restricted to Brussels. The Commission realized immediately that the British would not allow supplies to pass the blockade into Belgium without adequate guarantees, and it was felt that the Germans were simply making an effort to throw the onus of discontinuing the work upon the British.

The Commission at once replied by ordering all of its men to leave Belgium. Evidently Germany had not expected such drastic action, and the commission was asked to retract its order, with the explanation that the original German order had been given out by a subordinate without authority.

Had No Hope.—The men were ordered to remain, but none had the slightest hope that it would be more than temporary.

About 42 Americans in Belgium and Northern France are affected by the new order.

Official Announcement.—The following announcement was made to-day by the State Department: "By direction of the President, the Minister at Brussels has been instructed to withdraw from Belgium with foreign diplomatic and consular officers and take up his official residence at Havre."

After consulting with the Commission for Relief in Belgium, Mr. Whitlock also has been instructed to arrange for the departure of the Ameri-

can members of the Commission. This step, the seriousness of which is fully appreciated by the Government, was taken only after careful consideration and full consultation with all the interests involved.

"When diplomatic relations with Germany were broken off the normal procedure would have been to withdraw the Minister at Brussels and the American members of the Relief Commission. Both the Government and the Commission, however, felt a heavy moral responsibility for the millions of civilians behind the German lines, and it was decided that the work of the Commission must be kept going despite all difficulties until continued American participation became impossible."

Submitted to Restrictions.—"For over two years it has been the single-minded purpose of this Government and the Commission to see that these 10,000,000 civilians were fed, and with this end in view the Americans concerned have submitted to restrictions forced upon them by the German authorities which under ordinary circumstances never would have been tolerated."

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**BIG STORM VISITED CITY IN INDIANA**

New Albany, Ind., March 24.—With 43 known dead, nearly 200 injured and scores of buildings wrecked as the result of a storm which swept this section yesterday, the work of clearing away the wreckage in a search for more bodies was rushed to-day.

Every precaution has been taken to prevent looting, and Major Robert W. Morris, in command of state troops from Indianapolis, has ordered that vandals be shot on sight.

The injured soon overflowed the one public hospital of the city, and others were taken to the Young Men's Christian Association building and to private homes. Every available physician in New Albany was called into service, together with others from Louisville and Jeffersonville.

No accurate estimate of the property damage in and about the immediate vicinity of New Albany has been possible, but it is expected the loss will be upwards of \$1,000,000.

**WITNESSES AT TORONTO FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Toronto, March 24.—It was a western day at the session yesterday of the parliamentary committee dealing with the returned soldiers, witnesses from Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia putting forward points of view differing noticeably from the main complaints in the east. Inadequacy of pensions to meet the western scale of living was one, duplication of returned soldiers committees was another, and the democratic desire to put almost all pensions on an equal scale was a third. One sided more fully than all others was the underlying suspicion in soldiers' minds that someone profited by the believed differences in their pay sheets from what they anticipated. The retention of pay books, chiefly in Quebec and Canadian camps and in England, seemed to be the ground for the most dislike, though a British Columbia witness definitely criticised the prevalent notion so far as his own pay was concerned. It had been given down to the last cent, even to the exchange rate.

**NICHOLAS WARNED BY A GRAND DUKE**

Russian Emperor Sent Nicholas Michaelovitch to His Estate Afterwards

London, March 24.—"The Grand Duke Nicholas Michaelovitch," says a Times dispatch from Petrograd, "was banished to his estate in December for telling Emperor Nicholas the truth concerning the situation and for denouncing the Rasputin scandal."

"The Grand Duke relates how he was moved much more during the conversation than the Emperor and when, fearing he had gone too far, he said to the Emperor: 'Now call your Cossacks, have me killed and buried in your garden,' the Emperor merely smiled and thanked him."

"A few days later the Emperor wrote the Grand Duke a note ordering and imploring him to retire to his country seat. Before retiring to the country the Grand Duke wrote a letter to the Emperor."

The text of the letter is printed by the Times. Following are some extracts from it:

"You often told me you could put faith in nobody and that you were being deceived. If this is so, it applies particularly to your wife, who loves you, yet who led you into error. Being surrounded by evil-minded intimates, her words are the product of skillful machinations, not of truth. If you are powerless to liberate her from these influences, then at all events beware of the intriguers who are using your wife as their instrument. "Your first impulses are always remarkably true, but as soon as other influences supervene, you begin to waver."

**AMERICAN AVIATOR WITH FRENCH MISSING**

Paris, March 24.—Sergeant J. R. McConnell, an American aviator with the aviation corps in France, has been missing four days since last seen engaged with two German machines over the German lines.

McConnell was scouting with Aviator Jenny, another American, when they encountered two German machines, which McConnell engaged, with Jenny protecting him from a higher level. Jenny was wounded in the head and drew away, regaining the French lines. When he last looked back he saw both German machines above McConnell and attacking him.

**SOUTHERN CIVILIZATION**



South African Miners Give a Tenth of Their Wages to the Belgian Babies —New York Herald.

**BELGIANS LOST AID OF AMERICAN WORKERS**

Whitlock and Others Formally Withdrawn; Joint Neutral Body to Act

Washington, March 24.—The American relief workers in Belgium and American Ministers Brand Whitlock have been formally withdrawn from Belgium. Official announcement to this effect was made at the State Department this forenoon.

The American Relief Commission will be replaced as far as possible by members of the joint neutral commission largely under the supervision of Dutch military officials. Brand Whitlock will go to Havre, France, resuming his duties as Minister at the temporary Belgian capital.

Secretary Lansing, at the direction of President Wilson, sent a note to The Netherlands accepting the offer to take over the work of the Commission. The action of the President in ordering the Americans out was based on the belief that nothing was to be gained by keeping Americans longer in the territory occupied by German troops in Belgium and Northern France. It is desired for humanitarian reasons that the work of the Commission be continued and the Government of The Netherlands has been asked to communicate with the Commission's office and to take over the work and determine how many Dutch citizens will be needed for it.

Arrangements for the return to the United States of many of the Americans now are being made by the State Department. Although removed from the active field, Americans in Rotterdam, headed by Herbert C. Hoover, will continue to direct the work.

The United States heretofore will be able to continue participation in the work only by financial contributions. Chairman Hoover, on leaving New York for Europe recently, said that this country's work of applying the means of relief only has just begun.

Inevitable. The withdrawal has been inevitable since the severance of relations with Germany. Soon after that the German military authorities ordered all Americans to withdraw, with the exception of Brand Whitlock and three others, who were restricted to Brussels. The Commission realized immediately that the British would not allow supplies to pass the blockade into Belgium without adequate guarantees, and it was felt that the Germans were simply making an effort to throw the onus of discontinuing the work upon the British.

The Commission at once replied by ordering all of its men to leave Belgium. Evidently Germany had not expected such drastic action, and the commission was asked to retract its order, with the explanation that the original German order had been given out by a subordinate without authority.

Had No Hope. The men were ordered to remain, but none had the slightest hope that it would be more than temporarily.

About 45 Americans in Belgium and Northern France are affected by the new order.

Official Announcement. The following announcement was made to-day by the State Department: "By direction of the President, the Minister at Brussels has been instructed to withdraw from Belgium with foreign diplomatic and consular officers and take up his official residence at Havre. "After consulting with the Commission for Relief in Belgium, Mr. Whitlock also has been instructed to arrange for the departure of the Ameri-

can members of the Commission. This step, the seriousness of which is fully appreciated by the Government, was taken only after careful consideration and full consultation with all the interests involved.

"When diplomatic relations with Germany were broken off the normal procedure would have been to withdraw the Minister at Brussels and the American members of the Relief Commission. Both the Government and the Commission, however, felt a heavy moral responsibility for the millions of civilians behind the German lines, and it was decided that the work of the Commission must be kept going despite all difficulties until continued American participation became impossible.

Submitted to Restrictions. "For over two years it has been the single-minded purpose of this Government and the Commission to see that these 10,000,000 civilians were fed, and with this end in view the Americans concerned have submitted to restrictions forced upon them by the German authorities which under ordinary circumstances never would have been tolerated.

"Immediately upon the breaking off of relations the German authorities in Brussels withdrew from Mr. Whitlock the diplomatic privileges and immunities which he had enjoyed up to that time. His courier service to The Hague was stopped, and he was denied the privilege of communicating with the Department of State in cipher, and later even in plain language. The members of the Relief Commission were placed under great restrictions of movement and communication, which hampered the efficient performance of their task. In spite of all these difficulties the Government and the Commission were determined to keep the work going till the last possible moment.

Ships Sunk. "Now, however, a more serious difficulty has arisen. In the course of the past ten days several of the Commission's ships have been attacked without warning by German submarines in flagrant violation of the solemn engagements of the German Government.

Protests addressed by this Government to Berlin through the intermediary of the Spanish Government have not been answered. The German Government's disregard of its written undertaking causes grave concern as to the future relief work. In any event it is felt that the American staff of the Commission can no longer serve with advantage in Belgium. Although a verbal promise was made that the members of the Commission would be permitted to leave if they desired, the German Government's observance of its other undertakings has not been such that the

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Department of State would feel warranted in accepting responsibility for leaving these American citizens in German occupied territory. "This Government has approved the proposals of The Netherlands Government to send into Belgium a certain number of Netherlands subjects to carry on the work thus far performed by the Americans."

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HOW THEY PLOTTED.

How great a debt civilization owes to the Russian Duma and those who supported its victorious struggle with the "dark forces" that dominated the court, the record, illumined by recent events, vividly reveals. The outside world knows not what it little imagined before—that the issue of the war was really bound up in Russia's struggle for self-government, that upon the decision of that epochal internal conflict depended actually the life of the anti-German coalition.

Twice the Duma blocked negotiations between Petrograd and Berlin for a separate peace. The first was in the summer of 1915 during the premiership of M. Goremykin. On that occasion the men involved were M. Sukhomlinoff, the Minister of War, and two other prominent reactionaries. The Duma, however, got wind of the plot, and at its meeting revealed the details, forcing the dismissal of the treacherous ministers and the arrest of the Minister of War for the crime of high treason.

The difficulty in the way of the plot, however, was the army which with its leaders was wholeheartedly loyal. The Grand Duke Nicholas, Alexieff, Brusiloff, Baranoff and Ruzsky supported the Duma. How to overcome that obstacle was the problem Sturmer & Company set out to solve. Their solution was simple. It was to hamper the army, to disorganize its transport, cut off its supplies—in a nutshell to facilitate its speedy destruction by the outside enemy.

Russia's humiliating defeat at arms which was to be the excuse for making a separate peace.

But the Duma was alive to the conspiracy. In November Mr. Millukoff delivered a terrific arraignment of Sturmer and his group, exposing all the details of the conspiracy. The censor forbade the publication of the speech in the Russian press, but thousands of copies were surreptitiously printed and circulated all over the country.

It was a narrow escape for the Entente, the narrowest escape it has had in this whole war. From first to last these agents of pan-Germanism had been playing the Kaiser's game. The Roumanian debacle followed the meeting between Prottopoff and Warburg at Stockholm.

BULLYING HOLLAND.

Holland's action in refusing to permit armed merchantmen to enter her ports is believed to be due to Germany's bullying attitude towards her. There is very little doubt that the recent destruction of seven Dutch vessels by a German submarine was intended as an object lesson of Germany's ability and readiness to do damage to the Netherlands state if it did not see eye to eye with Berlin on certain matters.

The designs of Germany on Holland are by no means new, says Lieutenant Puaux. Even at the beginning of the war Germany had everything ready for such a step. He proceeds to reveal the facts concerning the issue by the official Wolff Bureau on August 2, 1914, of a report of an alleged French attempt to cross the Prussian frontier from a point in Holland near Walbeek to the west of Geldern.

The reason for this procedure, says Lieut. Puaux, is very simple. The fabricated report was destined to serve in the event of a British protestation against a violation of Dutch neutrality. It had for its object the justification in the eyes of the German people of the invasion of Holland, either after or at the same time as that of Belgium.

In August, 1914, Germany abandoned her plans for violating Dutch neutrality, for she had her hands full in Belgium, and had too few submarines.

All these manoeuvres having failed, and Holland having convinced herself that the Allies were not menacing her neutrality, there remained to the Kaiser and his accomplices nothing else to do but to offer a direct provocation in the hope that Holland, roused to anger,

would take up arms and appeal to the Allies for help, a thing which Germany ardently desires as an excuse for rushing on Dutch provisions and Dutch gold.

CONSTRUCTIVE LEGISLATION

Three important pieces of legislation, constructively affecting the vital interests of the country, were introduced in the House within the last week. One provides for civil service reform, another for aid to the mining industry and the third for the solution of the irrigation difficulties in the interior.

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CAUCUS RULE OVER.

Mr. Bowser seemed surprised to learn from Mr. Brewster that legislation by caucus in this province was at an end. It falls foul of all his pet theories of Government and of his understanding of the place the Legislature should fill in our political system.

All this, of course, was not parliamentary Government. It was Government by a body which had no more constitutional standing than the Beaver Club, which, in fact, was one of its auxiliaries. There will be no more of it. The Government followers will meet and discuss principles, but bills never will be determined at those gatherings.

LYING BUSYBODIES.

A cable dispatch from London says systematic efforts are being made by prohibitionists there to represent Canada as threatening secession. If the British liquor traffic is not stopped, the British Weekly prints messages from the Royal Templars and Social Service Council of Canada on the subject, the latter being reported as declaring that the patience of Canada is being exhausted.

If the dispatch is correct it is high time for the Canadian authorities to deal with the agencies in this country who are slandering it abroad. The Government has the power to stop this willful misrepresentation of Canadian sentiment, emanating from a small group of busybodies who would be better engaged in cleaning their own doorsteps and backyards.

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occupy their attention that Britain would be able to solve her own problems without their interference.

OF COURSE.

In the light of recent developments in Mesopotamia—the following paragraph from a special correspondent with the Turkish armies which appeared in all the evening Berlin newspapers on February 26 is of amusing interest:

"Since last week I have been at Kut. For several months past the British have been making extensive preparations for the capture of this place by employing against us all available forces from India and Great Britain. They have constructed a narrow-gauge railway right up to their headquarters, and have for a month past been sacrificing their best men in the effort to capture Kut. But they are as far from their main objective as ever.

If any Boche strafes the British, Punch is sure to find it out and translate the morsel for the enlightenment of the world. For instance, it quotes the following from the Berlin Tageblatt: "The British are snufflers, snivelling, snorting, shirkers, snuffing, vainglorious wallowers in misery!"

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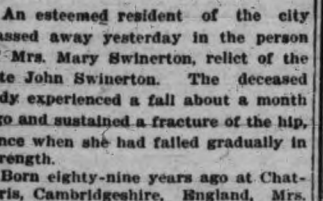
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ESQUIMALT LIBERALS. Annual Meeting Elects Officers for the Coming Year. The annual meeting of the Esquimalt Electoral District Liberal Association was held in Jones Hall on Tuesday, March 20, when the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, J. C. McIntosh; vice-president, C. Whitney Griffiths; secretary, J. W. Phillips; treasurer, J. W. Jones; executive, Dr. Calvert, of Sooke; A. E. Wale, of Landford; H. Parker, of Rocky Point; M. A. Wyde, of Shawnigan; W. B. Robertson, of Port Renfrew.

Guests of Rotary Club.—Wives of Victoria Rotary Club members were guests of the entertainment committee of the organization yesterday afternoon at the Empress Hotel. The ladies afterwards formed themselves into a meeting, with Mrs. James Hunter in the chair, and discussed the arrangements in connection with the ladies' night to be held by the Rotary Club on the evening of April 15. There will be a further meeting along the same lines on Wednesday next at 4 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. E. Dickson, when the various proposals will be consolidated into a definite plan.

Soldiers' Wives' Meeting.—A meeting of soldiers' mothers and wives has been called to meet at Vancouver on April 2, the object being to organize an association to promote the formation of similar associations throughout the province and the whole Dominion. The aim of the new association will be to get a "square deal" for the women at work.

Alpine Club Dinner.—The members of the Vancouver Island Section of the Alpine Club of Canada are holding their annual dinner at Brentwood on Wednesday evening, the 28th inst. As many of their number are now at the front serving their country, and others have fallen during the war, the usual programme of music and dancing following the dinner will be dispensed with and in its place a number of lantern views of the Canadian Rockies and the New Zealand Alps will be shown. To this latter entertainment the guests of the hotel and any others interested, will be made welcome, and a silver collection in aid of the Red Cross funds will be taken.

Market Building.—A further report will be presented to City Council on Monday with regard to the rearrangement of the health offices and labor bureau in order that the produce market may have more room. Since the discussion last Monday, it has been suggested that the accommodation of these two departments should be halved, and the rear portions of the offices thrown into the market, but it is doubtful if the council would sanction an expenditure which could only be temporary, and would have to be altered as the market expanded. Mr. Wilson, who has a store on Cormorant Street, has lodged a protest against being removed from his quarters, which he has rented for a long period.

Busy Needlewomen.—No. 3 Co. of the Voluntary Service Corps has been busy for the past few days at room No. 6, Winch Building, completing the gardening uniforms for No. 4 (the gardening company) of the corps in readiness for their out-door work which will be commenced as early as possible next week. The city, owing to the weather conditions of the last few days, have been unable to complete the necessary harrowing on the lots on Oswego Street given to the Voluntary Service Corps to cultivate. It has been suggested by one who is much interested in the vacant-lot cultivation scheme that some public-spirited citizens should come forward with an offer of prizes for the best bushel of potatoes or other produce grown during the year.

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Police Commissioners.—A meeting of the City Police Commissioners will be held on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Building Permit.—A building permit has been issued to Mrs. William Bryce, for a frame garage to be built at the corner of Fort Street and Eiford Street.

Special Saanich Council.—A special meeting of the Saanich Council will be held on Tuesday, in connection with the Works Committee, at which a resolution will be passed, to acquire \$25,000 of paving bonds, to be applied to sinking fund purposes. On Organization Business.—Industrial Commissioner Davidson, of Vancouver, who accompanied the delegates from the Mainland to the Parliament Buildings yesterday in connection with the Hope-Princeton Road, was busily engaged during the day on matters concerning the organization programme of publicity outlined by the Pacific Northwest Tourist Association. Commissioner Davidson is one of the nine British Columbians on the board of directors.

Amy and Navy Veterans.—The Army and Navy Veterans of Canada is an organization which is applying to the Federal Parliament for an act of incorporation.

"Why is the World Still Unconverted? and Who is to Blame?" This is a most timely and interesting subject, because recent missionary reports show that in the last hundred years the heathen population of the world has jumped from 600 million to 1,500 million, and thinking people are asking many questions.



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THE FIFTH REGIMENT C. C. A. BAND. Assisted by Mrs. Harry Briggs, in vocal solos, and Mr. Sprange, in violin solos, will render the following programme: Next Sunday Evening in the Royal Victoria Theatre, commencing at 8.45 P. M. Programme: 1. March—The Aeroplanes ..... Braham 2. Overture—Phedre ..... Massenet 3. Vocal Solo—Inter Nos ..... Mac Sayden 4. Duo—Flute and Clarinet, piano accompaniment—Charlie ..... Sabon 5. Selection—The Pearl Girl ..... 6. Violin Solo—Cavatina ..... Bohm 7. Potpourri of French-Canadian Airs ..... 8. Concert Waltz—Sphinx ..... Francis Popy 9. March—Carrotian ..... Victor God Save the King. Accompanist, Mrs. A. J. Gibson.

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### AT THE THEATRES

#### THE COLUMBIA.

Maudie Fealy, the celebrated young actress who is appearing as leading woman for Theodore Roberts, the Lasky star, in the Lasky production, "The American Consul," which is the Paramount attraction at the Columbia to-night, has the distinction of being the first American girl ever selected as leading woman for the late Sir Henry Irving, in London. She also appeared as leading woman for William Collier, E. S. Willard, Robert Hilliard, William Gillette and has been seen as a dramatic star in a number of celebrated plays. Miss Fealy has appeared in but a few photodramatic productions but has always scored a substantial success. In "The American Consul" as the daughter of a small town lawyer, Miss Fealy is said to have more than doubled her present popularity.

#### PANTAGES.

Vaudeville in all its glory, and well represented in all its departments, will be presented at the Pantages Theatre during the coming week when five big features of unequalled variety and the fourth episode of the "Pearl of the Army" serial will compel the attention of the discriminating Victoria public. The headline attraction will be "The Bachelor Dinner," a big and screamingly funny musical comedy offering. Jack Henry and Rose Gardner are featured in the act and are supported by a company of thirteen or more artists most of whom are pretty girls who sing and dance entertainingly. Patricia, the queen of song, will be a firm favorite with vaudeville fans; Patricia will give a repertoire of songs and instrumental numbers in her own inimitable manner; this young lady is gifted with a wonderful personality that compels attention and wins favor the moment she appears. Billy (Swede) Hall, assisted by Jennie Colburn and Georgia Milligan will present a protean character revue entitled "The Black Sheep," which will give Mr. Hall many opportunities to display his historic talent. Tabor and Green, two disciples of Nicodemus, will offer a programme composed of songs and comedy patter that is sure to make them favorites. Samayoa, the great Barcelonian, will present his sensational cloud-swing which is the latest word in sensational aerial acrobatics.

The fourth episode of the military-mystery serial, "Pearl of the Army," is entitled "War Clouds," and reaches a stirring climax in a dramatic scene, the background of which is formed by the blazing army concentration camp. The story is, of course, very well-known, the legitimate production having had one of the longest runs of the season when it was offered on Broadway. It is especially noteworthy, also that in this play Theda Bara, the world over for her remarkable artistic interpretation of the Vampire woman in "A Fool There Was" and "The Devil's Daughter," is seen in a part that exceeds in dramatic possibilities anything that Miss Bara has ever done before. George Talboys, a wealthy young man, has married Helen Devannant (Theda Bara), the daughter of a disreputable, half-pay, lieutenant, on the retired list of the British Army. His father disinherits him for marrying against his wishes, forcing the young couple to curtail their expensive honeymoon. In a short time George finds himself penniless, and living on the scant bounty of his father-in-law. Daily their situation grows worse. A child is born to Helen, and the family physician tells her that maternity has always caused insanity among the women of the Devannant family. Rendered desperate by their situation, George goes to the Australian gold fields to seek a fortune. Helen, left alone with her child to fight off the dread curse of insanity, finds her situation intolerable. She goes to London and obtains a position as secretary to a physician, under an assumed name. There Sir Michael Audley meets and falls in love with her. Not knowing whether George is alive or dead, she marries him, without telling him that she had been married before. She also causes a death notice of herself to be inserted in the papers. Complications ensue which are extremely dramatic.

#### THE DOMINION.

Very seldom is so powerful a story so ably produced and with such a remarkable cast as the recent William Fox photo-dramatic success, "Secrets of Society," adapted from "Lady Audley's Secret," to-night at the Dominion. The story is, of course, very well-known, the legitimate production having had one of the longest runs of the season when it was offered on Broadway. It is especially noteworthy, also that in this play Theda Bara, the world over for her remarkable artistic interpretation of the Vampire woman in "A Fool There Was" and "The Devil's Daughter," is seen in a part that exceeds in dramatic possibilities anything that Miss Bara has ever done before. George Talboys, a wealthy young man, has married Helen Devannant (Theda Bara), the daughter of a disreputable, half-pay, lieutenant, on the retired list of the British Army. His father disinherits him for marrying against his wishes, forcing the young couple to curtail their expensive honeymoon. In a short time George finds himself penniless, and living on the scant bounty of his father-in-law. Daily their situation grows worse. A child is born to Helen, and the family physician tells her that maternity has always caused insanity among the women of the Devannant family. Rendered desperate by their situation, George goes to the Australian gold fields to seek a fortune. Helen, left alone with her child to fight off the dread curse of insanity, finds her situation intolerable. She goes to London and obtains a position as secretary to a physician, under an assumed name. There Sir Michael Audley meets and falls in love with her. Not knowing whether George is alive or dead, she marries him, without telling him that she had been married before. She also causes a death notice of herself to be inserted in the papers. Complications ensue which are extremely dramatic.

#### HER LIFE AND HIS

Eminent English Actor in Photoplay Coming Monday: Prison Reform Story. Supporting Florence LaBadie in the photoplay entitled "Her Life and His" to be shown at the Dominion Theatre Monday are H. E. Herbert, the eminent English actor; Jeanne LeMotte, Joe Phillips, Harris Gordon, Ethyle Cooke, Sam Niblack, Justus D. Barnes and Arthur Bauer. Philip Loveman is responsible for the authorship and Frederic Sullivan for the direction of Miss LaBadie's drama. There is a man who wanted to die in the story—a rich man with a faithless wife, the same man whose prosecution sent the girl to prison. The girl and the man become interested in prison reform, and the combination is attacked by a great political conspiracy. In many respects the story recalls the experiences at Sing Sing of Thomas Mott Osborne.

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Comedy—"Haystacks and Steeples"

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## THEDA BARA

in  
"The Secrets of Society"  
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Mrs. L. Eakin, of Vancouver, is at the Dominion. ☆ ☆ ☆  
C. E. Powell, of Duncan, is staying at the Dominion. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Mrs. N. Malone, of Seattle, is stopping at the Dominion. ☆ ☆ ☆  
J. M. Gregor, of Tacoma, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Dr. L. P. Seavey, of Port Townsend, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Mrs. Spinks and Mrs. Bate, of Vernon, are guests at the Empress Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
F. R. Lanigan, of Montreal, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday. ☆ ☆ ☆  
F. Floyd and Mrs. Floyd, of Crofton, are registered at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
H. A. Nelson and W. O. Dume, of Montreal, are staying at the Empress Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Mr. and Mrs. William Warren, of Banff, are staying at the Empress Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
E. Gardner-Smith is down from Duncan and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
C. T. Madigan and Mrs. Madigan, of Seattle, are registered at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Victor J. Herald and family, of Winnipeg, are stopping at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Mrs. A. W. Slater, of Koksilah, is a guest at The Gloucester, 957 Mears Street. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Mr. and Mrs. A. Wells, of Portland, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday. ☆ ☆ ☆  
H. W. Davison and A. P. W. Williamson, of Vancouver, are at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
C. F. Mackenzie is over from Vancouver and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
D. G. Coullae, of Tzouhalem, B. C., is in town and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
A. F. Ward, of Pueblo, Colo., is amongst yesterday's arrivals at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
W. E. McTaggart has arrived from Calgary, Alta., and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Mrs. A. J. Brown and family, of Winnipeg, are guests at The Gloucester, Mears Street. ☆ ☆ ☆  
S. H. P. Venstad has arrived from Juneau, Alaska, and has registered at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Mrs. T. Cope and Miss Elsie Cope, of Victoria, are registered at the Hotel Portland, Portland, Ore. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Miss Lorna E. Gardner-Smith has arrived from Duncan and has registered at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
R. W. Bruker and Mrs. Bruker are down from Salmon Arm and are staying at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
W. E. Loveridge and Mrs. Loveridge, of Seattle, are visiting Victoria and staying at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
H. E. Goulbourne, E. G. Parnell, J. H. Leigh and F. Waters, of Vancouver, are stopping at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Irish, of Winnipeg, are spending some weeks in Victoria and staying at The Gloucester, Mears Street. ☆ ☆ ☆  
Mrs. James Travers, Miss Drummond, of New York City, and John C. Drummond, of Seattle, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday. ☆ ☆ ☆

The Hon. J. M. Holmes, C. S. I., has been appointed acting Lieutenant-Governor of the united provinces of Agra and Oudh, India, during the absence of Sir James Meeson, who is one of the representatives of India at the war conference. The acting Lieutenant-Governor is a brother of Mr. James Holmes, of 25 Marlborough Street and the Land Registry Office.

At a certain public school it was the custom for the teachers to write on the blackboard any instruction they desired the janitor to receive. One evening, while cleaning a room the janitor saw written: "Find the greatest common denominator." "Hullo!" he exclaimed. "Is that darned thing lost again."

For the benefit of the Fowl Bay and Hollywood Branch of the Red Cross, Captain Hayward will deliver a lecture in the Princess Theatre on Tuesday evening next, commencing at 8:15. Tickets are on sale and if presented before 8:30 will be good for a reserved seat.

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# SPORTING NEWS

## SEATTLE METROPOLITANS ARE AGAIN WINNERS IN WHIRLWIND HOCKEY GAME

### Brilliant Combination Together With Star Playing on Part of Custodians in the Third World Series Match the Best Ever Seen on the Coast; Score of 4-1 is Result of Match

Seattle, March 24.—If ever any hockey team had the number of their opponents, Seattle Mets, Pacific Coast hockey champions, surely had that of the Canadiens, Stanley Cup holders, last night in Seattle when they got another leg up on the world's title, running through four counters against one by the present champions. Seattle's chances of winning the championship look good after their second straight victory. The Canadiens were again lucky to avoid a shutout, Tommy Smith just managing to break into the score sheets a couple of minutes before the close. It was the same player who saved the visitors from a shutout in the Tuesday battle.

As the series now stands Seattle has won two matches and Canadiens one, scoring a total of 14 goals to 10 in the three contests. Monday night, the fourth game of the series will be played and on their showing last night the Pacific Coast champions look good for a clean-up.

**Sensational and Spectacular.**  
Last night's contest was the most sensational and spectacular of the series and the most exciting played in the American city. Featured by more brilliant combination than was in evidence in the two previous encounters, and some marvellous goal-keeping by both Vezina and Holmes, the teams battled for sixty minutes at a whirlwind pace. Setting a dazzling pace from the face-off, the coast champions kept up an incessant bombardment of the Canadiens' citadel only to be turned back by Vezina. Holmes at the other end frustrated more than one Canadiens' attack, playing one of the most brilliant games of his career. It was ten minutes after the start that Morris sagged Vezina's net for the first marker, and for the next 30 minutes the teams battled without a tally.

The final period saw Seattle step to the front with three more goals and another for good measure which, however, was disallowed because of an off-side.

**Vezina's Wonderful Work.**  
Mets won by out-gaming the visitors and being able to stand up under the strain of a gruelling struggle. They had more spots on the Canadiens' net than the visitors were able to plant in Holmes' direction, and it was only Vezina's wonderful work which baffled description that kept the teams fairly even for the major portion of the night. Vezina's performance has never been equalled in the history of hockey in the West. With anyone else in the Canadiens' net Seattle would have been running into double figures.

It was a great evening of hockey. From the start to finish the players had the crowd on its feet with their dazzling plays and accurate shooting. It was world's series hockey right off the tap witnessed by a regular world's series crowd, and the game was one that sent the fans away talking to themselves. The game got the greatest boost it is possible to receive as the result of last night's contest.

**Doubtful Penalties.**  
As on former occasions Les Canadiens suffered most at the hands of the referee. Some of the penalties were doubtful calls on the part of the officials, but Seattle won by playing superior hockey and setting and maintaining a pace that bewildered the visitors in the last 20 minutes. Canadiens are to be congratulated on their wonderful showing and Montreal owes Vezina a medal for keeping the count down.

**Two Fights.**  
Two fights were crowded into the game. Roy Rickey and Corbeau became entangled in loving embrace in the first period, but were pried apart before serious damage was done.

Again in the second period they clashed and this time the Frenchman drew a 20-minute penalty while Rickey got off with 10. As fighters they proved good hockey players, some of their swings just missing the cop on beat. These were the only pugilistic displays of the evening although the checking

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## FEW CHANGES IN BALL SCHEDULES

### The American and National Leagues Will Play 154 Contests

1917 Playing Dates.

League	Opens	Closes
Americans	Apr. 11	Oct. 4
National	Apr. 11	Oct. 4
International	Apr. 17	Aug. 4
South Atlantic	Apr. 19	Aug. 11
Western	Apr. 18	Sept. 3
Southern Assn.	Apr. 12	Sept. 15
Texas	Apr. 5	Sept. 3
Pacific Coast	Apr. 3	Oct. 25
American Assn.	Apr. 11	Aug. 5
Blue Ridge	May 1	Sept. 15
Southern	Apr. 12	Sept. 15
Northwestern	Apr. 24	Sept. 9

Judging from the various major and minor league baseball schedules made public to date, there is little change in the general playing scheme for the season of 1917. A majority of the leagues have selected opening and closing dates which correspond closely to those of the last few years.

The chief changes are to be found in the schedules of the International League and the American Association. In round figures these two organizations have cut six weeks off their regular seasons in order to provide dates for the inter-league series of forty-eight games to be played at the close of the pennant races in the two circuits.

The National and American Leagues will open on Wednesday, April 11, and close on Thursday, October 3, which will permit the initial game of the world's series being played on Saturday, October 5, if Eastern or Western teams are competitors, or Monday, October 8, in case the series proves to be an inter-sectional contest. Altogether 154 games are scheduled in each league. In other respects there are few novelties, the Pacific Coast League having the longest season, 208 games while one or more of the class D leagues will stage the shortest pennant races.

The Northwestern opens a little earlier and closes later than last season. Nearly four months of baseball are billed on Havelit's circuit, the season opening on April 24, and closing on September 2.

## SENIOR BASKETBALL OF SCHOOL LEAGUE

### James Bay (A) Team Wins From Congregational Crusaders

The senior division of the Sunday School Basketball League was opened last night in the gymnasium of the Y. M. C. A., when the James Bay (A) team defeated the Congregational Crusaders by a score of 44-19. The score at half time was 18-9 in favor of the eventual winners. R. Ledingham scored 18 points for the winners and Ray McDonald was high man for the losers with 74 to his credit. Archie McKinnon refereed the game.

**Senior Schedule.**  
Following is the complete revised schedule of the senior division:  
March 24—First Presbyterian vs. Congos; Crusaders vs. James Bay "A."  
March 25—Crusaders vs. First Presbyterian; James Bay "B" vs. Congos.  
March 31—First Presbyterian vs. James Bay "B"; James Bay "A" vs. Congos.  
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The first mentioned team is the home team. All games, with the exception of First Presbyterian home games, which will be played in First Presbyterian gymnasium, will be played at the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday games will commence at 8.30 p.m., and Saturday games at 8 p.m.

## HILLSIDE TENNIS CLUB ELECTS ITS OFFICERS

At the annual general meeting of the Hillside Tennis Club the following were elected to hold office for the coming year: President, Victor Clarke; vice-president, Miss V. Ridge; secretary, Miss W. Fox; treasurer, Miss L. Stevens; committee, Messrs. L. Mutric and Edwin Brown.  
The grounds of the club are being put into excellent condition and it is expected that play will commence about the end of April. Members who wish to rejoin should notify either the committee or the secretary, Miss W. Fox, of 559 Dallas Road.

## CANADIAN BOXERS MET WITH DEFEATS

### Frankie Russell No Match for Jimmy Wilde, Flyweight Champion

London, March 24.—A number of boxing bouts in which Canadian soldiers took part were staged at the Holborn Stadium Thursday. Some of the results in the programme of events were:

Jimmy Wilde, of England, beat Frankie Russell, of Canada. Russell was sent down four times in the third round. Then the referee stopped the bout. This contest was scheduled for 20 rounds.

Pte. Gus Platts, of England, won from Pte. Danny Johnstone, of Canada, on points, in a 10-round go.

In another 10-round bout Curly Walker, of England, beat Jimmy Clark, of Canada, on points.

Driver House, of England, won from Charles Christie, of Canada, by decision. The referee stopped the bout after Christie had been badly punished.

Pte. Ted Bull, of England, defeated Cpl. Tom McKay, of Canada, in a six-round bout.

The tournament was arranged by Capt. Tom Flanagan, of Toronto, for the benefit of the Sportsmen's Ambulance Fund.

## BOXING IN GOTHAM WILL NOT RECOVER

### Tex Rickard Says Sport Has Received Too Much Unfavorable Publicity

New York, March 24.—Tex Rickard, veteran promoter of boxing contests, yesterday told the United Press the end of boxing in New York State is so near he can almost feel it. Even if Governor Whitman, in the opinion of Rickard, should suddenly relent in his avowed intention of crushing the game in this state, the sport has been given such a black eye that it never would recover.

This, of course, indicates beyond a shadow of doubt that Rickard, stager of sensational matches, no longer is to be considered as a factor in moving for big bouts in this city or state.

Rickard pointed out the unfavorable publicity the game has received of late, and added that no one could expect the high class and large crowds of old to attend contests here.

"There is no attraction, no matter how great, in the boxing world," the promoter said, "that will be worth a man's while in New York. The attendance would be so small, money would be lost on any great venture in the sport. A Moran-Willard bout, such as staked a year ago, would not draw enough money to pay expenses, and the world knows I lost no money on that affair."

No-Decision Bouts Unpopular.  
Rickard hastened to add that it is not his impression that the antics of a few of the boxing crowd in this city have had any effect on the rest of the country. On the contrary, he believes boxing stands on a firmer footing in many localities right now than ever before.

The no-decision feature in many boxing laws, he believes, takes the punch out of the game.

## DARCY IS READY TO RETURN TO HOME

Jack Kearns wouldn't be surprised if Les Darcy would slip on a boat and go back to Australia. Jack said so to San Francisco newspapermen yesterday. And Jack thinks he knows something about Darcy.

"Darcy's head is completely turned now," said Kearns, "and he is apt to do almost anything in a spirit of fever. He is an entirely different boy from the lad who was so popular in Australia, and he is very hard to get along with."

He reads in a paper about some promoter who will offer Darcy \$50,000 for a bout. Probably the promoter is just out for some publicity and would drop dead if he ever saw \$50,000 at one time. But Les falls for it and wonders why his manager doesn't grab some of these big purses.

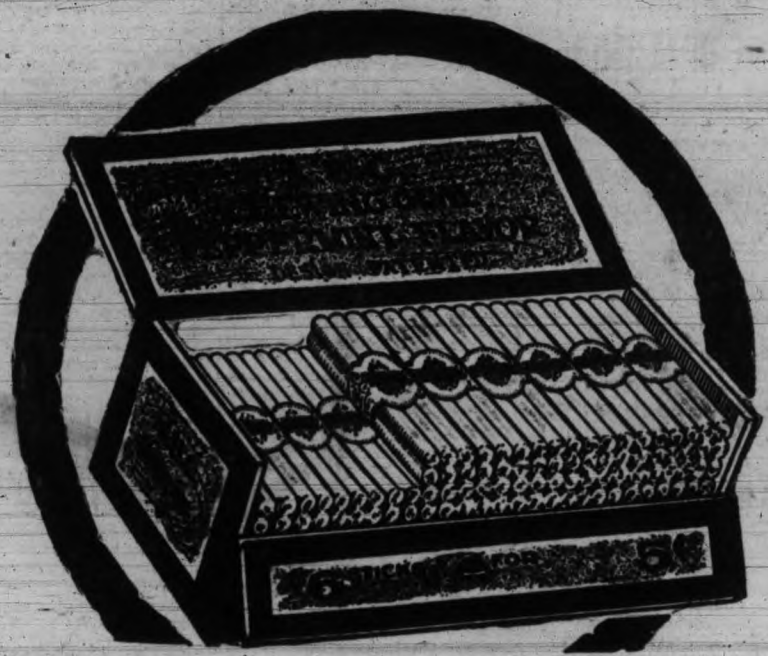
"Eventually Darcy will come to his senses and will be a fine young chap, but just now he's worse than a prima donna. I won't say I'm his manager because he changes his mind so often that I really don't know."

## BOWLING NEWS

Following are the scores in the bowling match at the Arcade Alley last night between the Quality Press and the Piccadilly Watts:

Quality Press	Piccadilly Watts
Proctor	129 194 164
Lock	129 135 177
Hood	129 122 129
Poehles	155 141 147
Dougall	116 127 133
Total pins—2,000	690 719 690
Mason	172 116 150
Davies	116 139 56
McArthur	86 108 86
Dumberton	144 119 107
McRoberts	111 126 194
Total pins—1,790	629 618 543

The next match in the Junior League will be played on Monday night between the Tuggerly Shop and the Metros, and in the Commercial League between the Camerons and the E. C. Elmerites.

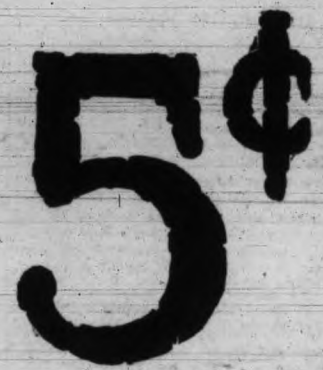


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### ST. PAUL BOXER FINED BY STATE COMMISSION

St. Paul—Unless Mike O'Dowd, St. Paul boxer, pays the State Athletic Commission \$42 within thirty days he will be barred from appearing in the state for a year, a member of the commission stated yesterday. O'Dowd was fined by the commission recently when he failed to report for physical examination preceding a bout with Jack Britton here.

### BASKETBALL

The following matches in the Sunday School League will take place this evening: Congregational Ladies vs. Belmont Ladies, in the Congregational Church gymnasium, commencing at 7.30; Presbyterian "A" and "B" ladies' teams, in the First Presbyterian Church gymnasium, commencing at 7.30, to be followed immediately after by a Senior League game between Presbyterian and Congos.

### RIVERS IS DEFEATED.

New York, March 24.—Jimmy Duffy, of this city, defeated Joe Rivers, of California, in a 10-round bout here last night. Duffy weighed 135 pounds and Rivers 139.

### BASEBALL RESULTS.

At Fort Worth, Tex.—Detroit Americans 8, Fort Worth (Texas League) 6.  
At San Antonio, Tex.—St. Louis Americans 1, San Antonio 1 (nine innings tie, darkness).  
At Dallas, Tex.—St. Louis Nationals 3, Dallas (Texas League) 4.  
At Birmingham, Ala.—Washington Americans 4, Birmingham (Southern Association) 2.  
At Miami, Fla.—Boston Nationals 2, Philadelphia Americans 1.  
At San Francisco—Chicago 2, San Francisco 1.

### GIBBONS AND LEVINSKY.

St. Paul, Minn., March 24.—Aggressiveness of Tommy Gibbons, of St. Paul, won him a newspaper decision over Battling Levinsky, of New York, in a 10-round bout here last night. Levinsky outweighed the local man, 176½ to 161½.

### WRESTLER DISABLED.

Duluth, Minn., March 24.—Jas. Westbergard, heavyweight wrestler, of Iowa, who was to meet John Olin here April 2, was injured in training recently and his manager has been forced to cancel the Duluth date. Mort Henderson will meet Olin instead.

### BASEBALL NOTES

Los Angeles—Manager Stovall, of Vernon, thinks the four-basher rule in the Coast League is a hindrance and he predicted that the league managers would ignore it.

Los Angeles—Jacobson, of the Cubs, will cavort for the Angels in the outfield when the season opens, if Manager Chance doesn't get Red Killifer. Chance has asked the Cubs to turn him over.

Waxahachie, Texas—A tour to Mexico City by the Tigers and Giants in the spring of 1918 is under consideration by Jennings and McGraw. The managers are said to believe they can instill a love for the United States into the Mexicans by a fancy assortment of base hits.

### BOATING SEASON.

Although the weather for the past few weeks has not been at all favorable for canoeing or swimming, it is anticipated that April will usher in some real spring sunshine. Already preparations are under way at the Gorge for the boating season, and announcement has been made that the Gorge boathouse is now open for business.

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HOPE-PRINCETON ROAD AS REVENUE PRODUCER

Mainland Delegates Entertained by Victorians; Told About P. N. W. T. Assn.

Taking advantage of the visit to this city of a representative delegation from the mainland sponsoring the trans-provincial highway, the Island Automobile Association and the Victoria and Island Development Association entertained the visitors at the Pacific Club last night, the proceedings taking the form of musical items, an illustrated lecture, refreshments and an explanation of what the Pacific Northwest Tourist Association meant to the Province of British Columbia.

Mayor Todd's Support. Mayor Todd, in welcoming the visitors, believed that with road connection the auto-tourist would not stop at the coast, but would continue his journey to Victoria.

Private Company Will Co-operate. Esquimalt Waterworks Company Will Give Same Rebate in Victoria West. Welcome news has been received at the City Hall to-day that the Esquimalt Waterworks Company will give the same rates in Victoria West for persons cultivating vacant lots, or back gardens this summer as will prevail in the city.

Too Late to Classify. TO LET-First-class rooms, 615 Belleville. BAPTIST-First Church. There will be no preaching service to-morrow.

GIDEON CORY GEROW



Early pioneer of city whose death occurred on Thursday; came here in 1852. ... community or state. He, too, urged the completion of the road from a practical business standpoint.

Business Undertaking. In the opinion of His Worship the Mayor, it would be emphasized as a purely business proposition. It would mean the development of many tracts of valuable agricultural land.

Billiard Matches. Some Good Play by Members of Camosun Club and Garrison Sergeants. Some very fine, friendly billiard matches were played at the Camosun Club last evening between six members of the club and six members from the staff sergeants' mess at Work Point.

Discover Country By Auto. That had changed materially since the farmer had become highly interested in motor roads, since he was on an ever increasing scale, using motor transport. President White, who had traveled over the prairies since 1879 many times, did not "discover" his town and Hope had been forged. He described the many towns possible when the seventy-one miles were completed.

Princeton Speaks. Representing the Princeton district E. Waterman told the gathering that the Pacific coast could be reached by auto in six hours when that link between his town and Hope had been forged.

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COMPROMISE UPON PARK EXEMPTION

City and Saanich Authorities Reach a Basis of Agreement on Controversial Subject

MUST BE RATIFIED BY BOTH COUNCILS

Joint Committee Would in Future Control Beaches, With Fund for Development

The conference between the City and Saanich Councils this morning occupied an hour and a half. A settlement, subject to the approval of the respective councils, was reached on the future of park taxation in the district, also the improvement of the beaches of the Saanich peninsula contiguous to the City, and also the adjustment of the lawsuit now in progress.

Outline of Settlement. 1. The City will withdraw its application for compulsory exemption, and the two Councils will accept the plan for administration of the beaches in Saanich.

Some of the Arguments. Finding that Saanich would not waive the right of taxation, though being quite prepared to undertake to spend on the beaches all sums which would be paid were the taxes collected, and that the City insisted on joint control where City money was concerned, the above compromise was felt to be the best possible.

Automobiles on Roads. Alderman Dilworth considered that Saanich had a weak case in taxing the Gorge park, when it was remembered how large a proportion of the Ward VII. residents used it.

First Baptist Sunday School meet to-morrow at 2.30 in their own building.

Patriotic Aid. The following are among some of the recent subscriptions received by the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society: Residents of Sidney, \$98.50; employees P. M. Linklater, \$4; operators and clerks C. F. R. Telegraphs, \$6.90; Lineman C. P. R. Telegraphs, 25 cents; riggers the navy yard, \$1.75; machinists the navy yard, \$1.75; staff of bank of Montreal, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Dominion Bank, Merchants Bank, Royal Bank and Union Bank; (per Mr. Laundry) \$104; Musicians' Union, \$7.50; crew of Victoria Whaling Co. steamer Gray, \$17.

RECORDS



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TO RESIDENTS OF FAIRFIELD

The Fairfield Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society has received permission from Headquarters (owing to the extraordinary demands that are expected to be made on same) to make a canvass of the district for monthly subscriptions, and to this end a committee of business men has been organized which has undertaken to see that a complete canvass is made.

WIRELESS LECTURE

By W. B. Nevin, Institute of Radio Engineers. TO-NIGHT, 7.30 P.M. SUPERIOR SCHOOLS. Entrance 1122 GOVERNMENT ST., next to Hibben's.

CIVIL SERVICE BILL

Second Reading Will Be Moved by the Premier on Monday Afternoon. Legislative Press Gallery, March 24. On Monday afternoon the Premier will move the second reading of his civil service bill, upon which there is expected to be considerable debate.

North Ward Red Cross

Despite the fact that Friday is usually a very busy day with the ladies of the North Ward District there were many workers at the Red Cross rooms in the Scott Building yesterday. Mrs. Hammond presided. A great deal of work was done, and many of the ladies took home packages of needlework to do at home.

CIVIC COURT OF REVISION

The Court of Revision resumed on Monday morning. Assessments of Rock Bay will be taken up, the members having an appointment with millowners and others interested in riparian rights on the Bay. The court will not sit in the afternoon, but continues Tuesday morning, when other appellants will be heard.

AUCTION SALE

Under and by virtue of a Landlord's Distress Warrant, I have distrained the goods and chattels in and upon the premises of Lung Joo Wah, 57 Flagstaff Street, Victoria, B. C., consisting of Cash Register, Mirror, Tables, Chairs, Clock, etc., and will offer the same for sale at public auction on the premises on Wednesday next, March 28, at 10.30 a. m.

Prisoners of War.—The local Red Cross Society announces that special arrangements are in force for the rapid transmission of the correspondence of prisoners of war between the United Kingdom and Germany. Anyone desiring to take advantage of these arrangements should put letters to the prisoner in an envelope, addressed as usual with full name and camp, but not fastened (it need not be stamped), and enclosed that in an outer envelope addressed to the chief postal censor, (prisoners of war branch) Strand House, Portual Street, London, W. C.





BIG CAMPAIGN FOR RED CROSS FUNDS

Active Steps Being Taken by Fairfield Branch to Secure Needed Money

WHAT SOCIETY IS DOING FOR SOLDIERS IN FRANCE

The Fairfield Red Cross is commencing a canvass of that district for funds to carry on the great work to which that branch so recently pledged itself...

In view of the work which is being undertaken to raise funds it is worth noting something of what is being done not only by the Red Cross in Victoria but by the Red Cross as an organization throughout the Dominion.

"We do not know whether the Victoria, B. C. Branch is peculiarly prolific in ideas for raising money or whether its secretary is peculiarly active in communicating with headquarters...

This is a tribute from Toronto to the Victoria Red Cross of which the city should be proud, and it is to be hoped that individually the citizens will make an even stronger effort in the future to maintain "our place in the sun" as far as the good work is concerned.

Many Branches Formed. If Victoria prior to the above acknowledgment had won some fame as a Red Cross contributor she should take in future an even higher stand.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes items like Pajamas, Shirts, Assorted bandages, Convalescent suits, Socks, Scarves, Mitts, Filled comfort bags, etc.

Further evidence of the growth of the work of the Victoria District Branch (which is the headquarters for the Red Cross work for practically the whole of Vancouver Island and the adjacent Islands) is to be found in the official statement of the collections since the organization of the society on April 1, 1915:

Table with 2 columns: Date, Amount. Shows collections from April 1, 1915 to August 23, 1917.

Looking at the above figures it will be seen that for the six months ending February 28 this year the amount subscribed from the district is nearly as much as for the whole twelve months previously.

Canada has subscribed to the Red Cross, independent supplies, approximately \$2,000,000. This amount has reached the central council of the Red Cross in cash; in addition to this, sums amounting to three times this amount have been expended by the Red Cross branches throughout the Dominion in the purchase of supplies.

Notwithstanding the fact that the collections in this district have increased nearly 100 per cent. in the last six months the headquarters branch is seriously in need of more money to carry on the work.

Major Blaylock's report of the work in France during September, 1916, is sufficient to convince any doubter as to the effectiveness of the distribution. He shows the work of the Canadian Red Cross ambulance convoy in the Etaples district; the work of the motor-trucks which carry supplies from the stores to the hospitals; the touring cars used by the commissioner in visiting the hospitals and ascertaining the Red Cross needs; and a summary of the supplies received and issued at the Boulogne and Amiens depots and at the Paris depot during September alone.

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The Canadian Red Cross is helping Canadian, Imperial and French hospitals in France. Ninety-one French hospitals received 122,332 articles in September. Twenty-three Canadian medical units in France, together with two or three private homes and hospitals, during the same period received 132,000 articles.

Not Doing Enough. "And yet the Canadian Red Cross Society is not in a position to do what it intended for the French Red Cross," said one of the officials yesterday.

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There are at present only five patients in the new auxiliary hospital, although the building has several rooms suitable for small wards, and will accommodate between thirty-five and forty patients.

Owing to the fact that the place has so recently been furnished there has been no time to accumulate anything in the way of a library, and a letter from two of the patients makes a request for magazines and reading matter, games, etc.

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GET BACK YOUR VIM. Every man who is falling and "going back" knows that there ought to be something that will restore the old "steam" to his physical body. He has tried the usual drug method and found that a fizzle and yet he knows that there must be something.

HORSES FOR SALE. Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on Monday, March 26, 1917, for the purchase of three horses and equipment, now in use by the Police Department.

Motor Cycle Wanted. Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on Monday, April 2, 1917, for one motor cycle, new or second-hand, in good condition.

WON'T YOU HELP US. Save the starving and distressed old women, old men, children and babies in Russian Poland by sending a contribution to the Victoria Branch, Russian Polish Jewish Relief Society.

The Salvation Army Industrial Store. At 2111 Douglas, will be pleased to send to your home for any cast-off clothing.

ROSES. Berry-bearing HOLLIES, Azaleas, Rhododendrons, large stock of Evergreens and Herbaceous Plants at greatly reduced prices.

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

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP. Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as "Cookson Plumbing Company," in the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

Victoria Taxpayers NEW ORDER RE TAXPAYMENTS. 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.

Second Hand Auto For Sale. Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on Monday, March 26, 1917, for one second-hand 1912 Overland Runabout, which can be seen at the Garbally Road yard.

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UNIVERSITY PLATOON. Pte. Mack Eastman, of University of B. C. Will Enroll Recruits. It is expected that the reinforcing platoons for the 196 Western Universities Battalion, which are now being raised in the provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba will be ready to proceed overseas by the latter part of April.

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