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## HEAVY FIGHTING IN VERDUN REGION

French Recaptured Large Part of Causes Forest, North of Beaumont

## SOME GERMAN UNITS WERE ANNIHILATED

Germans Claim They Penetrated Line for Distance of Two Miles

Paris, Feb. 23.—Fighting of great violence is in progress from the right bank of the Meuse to a point southeast of the Herber forest. The war office announced to-day. North of Verdun there were infantry actions on a front of 15 kilometres (10 miles) east of Seppois. The French retook by a counter-attack a good portion of the forest of Causes, north of Beaumont. The text of the statement follows: "North of Verdun, the enemy's bombardment was energetically answered and continued throughout the night. Infantry engagements have developed on the front for a distance of 9.3 miles. The conflict continues to-day from the right bank of the Meuse to a point southeast of the Herber forest. "We evacuated the village of Beaumont, of which we still hold the outskirts, after a sharp conflict in which we inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. A counter-attack permitted us to recapture a large part of the Causes forest, north of Beaumont. "A strong German attack against the Herber forest was sharply checked by curtains of fire. According to prisoners captured, certain German units were annihilated in these sections. "A violent artillery duel also is developing about Haute, Charvres and Fromey. Our artillery also is active in the region of Nomeny."

**German Claims.**  
Berlin, Feb. 23.—Announcement of another important gain in the offensive on the western front was made by the war office to-day. The statement says that in Upper Alsace the Germans captured a position 700 yards wide and 400 yards deep. "The war office also announced that German forces had penetrated the opposing lines for a distance of three kilometres (two miles) in the northern sector of the Woerze. It is said the enemy lost more than 3,000 prisoners and great quantities of material."

## HAMILTON THINKS RECRUITING TOO SLOW

Recruiting League of Ontario City Asks Government to Take Action

Hamilton, Feb. 23.—After lengthy discussion, the Hamilton Recruiting league adopted a resolution asking the government to put into force the clauses of the Militia act providing for the enrolment of eligible men by ballot for military service. The resolution was opposed by the Trades and Labor council representatives on the ground that the exemptions under the Militia act are so numerous that the results would not be so satisfactory as under the voluntary system of recruiting. The meeting was practically unanimous that some effective means should be found to reach the young men who have been shirking.

Another resolution adopted calls on the government to mobilize industrial works the same as men for military service. Complaint was made that some business houses were being crippled by their men enlisting while other manufacturers who did not encourage employees to enlist were flourishing. The charge also was made that some manufacturers of munitions were issuing workers' buttons to all who asked for them irrespective of whether they were munitions workers or not.

## DUTCH TANKER STRUCK MINE; ONLY TWO SAVED

Rotterdam, Feb. 23.—The Dutch tank steamship La Flandre, of 3,013 tons gross, struck a mine and sank, only two members of the crew escaping with their lives, according to advices received here to-day.

## PROHIBITION RESOLUTION.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Monday next has been agreed upon as the day on which H. H. Stevens's resolution calling for prohibition of the liquor traffic throughout Canada during the period of the war will be debated in the Commons. The resolution will be seconded by Hon. Charles Mulren, former speaker of the House of Commons.

## JAPAN HAS MEANS OF RETALIATION

Will Not Tolerate Sinking of More Japanese Ships Without Warning

## GERMAN PRISONERS CAN BE MADE TO SUFFER

Warning Sent to Germany and Austria Through United States Government

Tokio, Feb. 23.—The fact that Japan, through the United States government, has made a strong protest to Germany and Austria over the sinking of the Japanese steamship Yasaka Maru was disclosed yesterday by Baron Ishii, the foreign minister, speaking before a committee of the house of peers. At the same time the foreign minister declared that if nations hostile to Japan should see fit to continue the "unlawful and inhuman" destruction of Japanese ships, the Japanese government could not pledge the maintenance of what it believed was the generous treatment given to the German prisoners, whether combatants or non-combatants, held by it. The Yasaka Maru, of the Japanese Steamship company, was sunk in the Mediterranean on Dec. 21 by a submarine, the nationality of which has not been established. The crew testified that no warning was given. The passengers and crew were saved. Baron Ishii told the committee that the imperial government had started investigations and having ascertained the facts, had sent a strong protest to the governments of Germany and Austria through the American government.

A Copenhagen dispatch yesterday said a Japanese fleet had arrived in the Mediterranean. A week after the Yasaka Maru had been torpedoed the Japanese steamship Kenko Maru was sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine.

## SUCCESSFUL RAID BY CANADIAN TROOPS

News of It Has Reached London; Canadian Artillery Very Busy

London, Feb. 23.—If the Germans ever thought they could retain supremacy in the hinterland of the front Canadian trenches, they must have been badly disappointed. After the incident at the Comines canal they sent out large patrols nightly, always inside their own barbed wire, evidently fearing that the Canadians, for reprisal, might carry out another cutting-out expedition.

The Canadians, on their part, kept two small patrols of picked men who knew every inch of the German wire and who had cut paths through it. Directly these men, armed with revolvers, got in touch with the Germans they opened fire and then waited. The Germans, hearing firing, often turned their machine guns on their own men. It has been a common sight at dawn to see a dozen German bodies almost on the German parapet, the remnants of their own patrol, killed by their own fire. Now it is a rare event to see a counter-attack and the Germans seem to have abandoned night working parties to repair their wire.

The Canadian artillery has been working overtime destroying parapets which the enemy erected on a small section of the front trench near the Comines railway, which they still manage to hold. The German losses continue to be heavy in this area.

News has reached here of a very successful raid near where the Canadian trenches cross the river Duve. When the official report is published it probably will give the details. The weather has been wet but returning officers declare the men are cheerful and ready either for attack or defence.

## RECONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—A tentative plan of the main block of the parliament buildings as it probably will be reconstructed has been made the subject of a conference attended by Sir Robert Borden, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. Robert Rogers and Messrs. Pearson and Marchand, the architects who have the matter in hand. The plan provides for two modern chambers for the senate and the commons, one at either end of the building. Further conferences will be held and the new plans will be discussed in the house.

## LORD ROBERT CECIL DIRECTING BLOCKADE; SITS WITH CABINET

London, Feb. 23.—Lord Robert Cecil, parliamentary under-secretary for foreign affairs, attended the meeting of the cabinet to-day for the first time in his capacity as minister of blockade.

## RIOT OCCURRED IN SUBURB OF HAMBURG

Women Protested Against Food Regulations; Police Drove Them From Streets

## RIOTING INCREASING THROUGHOUT GERMANY

London, Feb. 23.—The Rotterdam correspondent of the Daily Mail says he has reliable information to the effect that rioting is increasing in Germany. He states: "Protest meetings, especially gatherings of women, continue to be held notwithstanding the severe police measures. The most serious riot that has taken place so far in Germany occurred on the evening of February 19 in Bergedorf, a suburb of Hamburg, where a women's meeting was held in front of the burgo-master's house in protest against the butter and fat regulations. It developed into a big street demonstration, people shouting, 'Down with the government.' "Police, summoned from Hamburg, drove the screaming and struggling women into their homes after a street battle."

## EXPORTS \$595,000,000; IMPORTS \$425,000,000

Canada's Total Trade in Ten Months Reached Sum of \$1,020,000,000

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Canada's total trade for the first ten months of the current fiscal year reached the enormous sum of \$1,020,000,000, as against \$88,778,427 for the corresponding period of the last fiscal year. The increase was due to the heavy growth in exports, which totalled \$585,000,000, as against \$225,000,000 for the corresponding period of the preceding fiscal year. Imports showed a falling off, the total being \$425,000,000, as against \$510,000,000 during the corresponding period of the preceding fiscal year. The balance of trade in favor of exports for the ten months therefore was in the neighborhood of \$170,000,000.

## ACCOUNTS OF SASK. LICENSED VICTUALLERS

Regina, Feb. 23.—The bank ledgers containing the accounts of the Licensed Victuallers' association were produced this morning before the select committee investigating the Bradshaw charges. They showed that \$12,500 had been checked out between November 29, 1915, and December 22 of the same year. There were two cheques, one for \$1,000 and one for \$5,000 among the withdrawals.

Nothing on the books of the bank which were produced showed who had signed the cheques or who had received the money.

## OWNERS' ACTION IS BOTHERING GERMANS

Bernstorff Asks Washington Govt. to Stop Proceedings to Recover Appam

## DOES NOT WANT JUDGE TO DECIDE THE MATTER

Alleges No Legal Action Can Lie Under Terms of Treaty

Washington, Feb. 23.—Formal representations were made to-day to the state department by the German embassy against the proceedings brought in the federal court at Norfolk to return the captured British liner Appam to her owners.

In a note presented by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, it is contended that many precedents, as well as the terms of the Prussian-American treaty, provide that no legal action lies against the Appam, held by a German crew as a prize of war, nor against Lieut. Berg, her commander. It also is contended that in as much as Lieut. Berg has extra-territorial rights, no legal action can lie against him.

The note suggests that when the case comes up in court on March 4 the state department inform the court of the terms of the treaty.

## REMAINS OF B. B. LAW FOUND AT OTTAWA

Perished in Corridor Which Was First to Fill With Smoke

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—The remains of Bowman B. Law, who was Liberal member for Yarmouth, N. S., were discovered in the ruins of the main block of the parliament buildings by workmen this morning. Only a portion of one of the thigh bones and a few other smaller bones were left, and even these were badly charred.

The remains were found in the east-ermost corridor of the commons downstairs, between Hansard rooms and the chamber. It is thought that Mr. Law may have come out of the telephone booth and gone to his locker in an endeavor to get his coat and hat. The corridor in question was the first to fill with smoke, since it was near to the reading room, and Mr. Law must have suffocated before he could find egress to the fresh air.

Col. Smith, sergeant-at-arms, was informed at once of the discovery, and in the meantime the remains were placed in charge of Charles George, the steward. They probably will be sent to Yarmouth for interment.

## RAID ON RAILWAY BETWEEN VISE AND AIX-LA-CHAPELLE

Amsterdam, Feb. 23.—A great aeroplane raid against the new German railway between Aix-la-Chapelle and Vise was carried out by airmen of the allies yesterday.

Although no details of the raid are available as yet, an indication that the raid was participated in by a large number of machines was furnished by the fact that 14 distinct bomb explosions were heard from points along the Belgian frontier.

## PIECE OF THE WORK OF ROBERT ROGERS

Tried to Have Saskatchewan Minister Stop Investigation of Roblin Govt.

## HAVING FAILED, HE HAD BRADSHAW FILE CHARGES

Hon. J. A. Calder Makes Statement of Facts in Legislature at Regina

Regina, Feb. 23.—The most dramatic point in the drama which for the past twelve days has been staged in the Saskatchewan legislature was reached last night when Hon. J. A. Calder, minister of railways and highways, said that a few months ago he had been approached by Hon. Robert Rogers, whose purpose it had been to induce him to use his influence to have stopped the investigations which were being conducted in Manitoba into the administration of the Roblin government.

The statement created a great sensation. D. J. Wylie, Conservator, Maple Creek, frequently essayed to interrupt Mr. Calder, but the house each time called "order" and "sit down."

Mr. Wylie's eventual reply was that Mr. Calder could not produce proof of his statements, and that even if such were the case, thanks were due to that outside party for having revealed so far that the province had been robbed of \$50,000.

Mr. Calder warned the legislature on rising that he was going to indulge in plain speaking. He said in part: "I consider the time has now arrived when the motive of the opposition in bringing down those very indefinite charges and refusing to aid the committee to sift them, should be revealed. Mr. Bradshaw has drawn the political dagger, and murder must have been contemplated. The time has come when the Liberal party in this country must now fight in self-defence. To-day we are witnessing for the first time in the history of this legislature the strong arm of federal influence in the work of this house. The opposition is to use the strong arm. The political plot was hatched in Ottawa and conceived in iniquity. They have stood in complete contempt of the authority of this house and have played their part in the plot well."

Rogers Asked to See Him. "The facts I possess do not admit of a denial. I knew months ago of the possibility of this last week's performance, and warned my colleagues. Everybody knows the reason for the plot. It is within knowledge of all what occurred recently in Manitoba. We know what happened there, that there is a man in the federal arena standing on the verge of the precipice. That man knows the great danger in which he stands. I refer to the Hon. Robert Rogers. Within the course of the last few months I have had occasion to meet Mr. Rogers several times. He asked to see me; there are others who know that, and Mr. Rogers cannot deny it.

"He knew that I had some influence with the leading Liberals in Manitoba, and knew I was well acquainted with leading public men in politics there. His purpose in approaching me was to induce me to use my influence to have called off the investigations which were being conducted there. He also asked me to use my influence to pull off the law officers of the crown from following up those who had been caught. His request was to the effect that Manitoba, as far as his political life was concerned, should be stifled."

Rogers's Threat. "He intimated to me that if all those things were not done, then something would happen in Saskatchewan. He told me that his friends were insisting on having repeated in Saskatchewan something which had happened elsewhere. He told that means could be devised to embarrass other individuals and other governments. He intimated strongly that he had, or would have, at his disposal, the means to carry out the object. That was the manner in which I was threatened and this government threatened.

## H. C. BREWSTER AND RALPH SMITH AT BIG MEETING

Electors Throng Victoria Theatre to Hear Issues of the Campaign Discussed—Mr. Flumerfelt Cannot Escape Responsibility for Past Acts of Government.

No doubt could be left in any mind as to the outcome of the by-election after the splendid reception given the Liberal leader and candidate last night in the Victoria theatre, and the manner in which the audience responded by comment and applause to the speeches made. The theatre was full by 8 o'clock, the hour set for the commencement of the meeting, and in the audience were many ladies who followed the speakers with keen interest. On the platform were a number of the leading Liberals of the city, and it was noticeable, as a visitor remarked, how many new faces were to be seen among the supporters of the Liberal cause.

## STRONG POSITIONS TAKEN BY RUSSIANS

Gains Made in Region of Dubno, Near Border of Galicia

Petrograd, Feb. 23.—The capture of several important positions from the Austro-Germans near the border of Galicia was reported in an official statement given out to-day. The statement follows: "Near Olyka and Dubno, our troops have seized important positions. The Germans and Austrians counter-attacked stubbornly, but were repulsed. "The Germans are displaying more activity in the Riga district. Between Iloukist and Beldon two German aeroplanes were brought down on the shore of Lake Dreswaty and the occupants made prisoners."

Dubno, near which positions were captured by the Russians, is one of the three strong Russian fortresses near the border of Galicia. It lies almost due north of Tarnopol. In Galicia, northwest of which the Russians won some successes in the offensive, Gen. Ivanoff carried out some weeks ago.

Railway Damaged. Petrograd, Feb. 23.—Recently Russian detachments have destroyed a considerable stretch of the railway which runs westward from Poniowech to Libau, thus hampering the operations of the Germans on the Dvina sector.

It is stated that in the actions in which Russian troops captured strong positions from the Austro-Germans near Dubno, the losses in several of the enemy regiments reached 40 per cent.

## STRATHCLYDE NOW AT QUEENSTOWN; DAMAGED

Queenstown, Feb. 23.—The British steamship Strathclyde, of 4,417 tons gross, was towed into Queenstown to-day badly damaged. Those on board were not allowed to land and no one was permitted to board the vessel, but the port officials.

It is reported the ship was damaged by an explosion which was not an internal one.

## AUSTRIA TO REPLY ON ATTACK ON PETROLITE

Washington, Feb. 23.—Austria has asked the United States for additional information on the protest against the attack by an Austrian submarine on the American tanker Petro-lite several weeks ago. Such information as this government has will be furnished promptly.

## EXPLOSION IN MUNITIONS PLANT NEAR MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee, Feb. 23.—An explosion occurred to-day in the Allis-Chalmers plant at West Allis, 8 miles southwest of this city. No one was injured. The plant has been manufacturing shrapnel for the allies.

## CORRESPONDENCE WITH KOREA.

Washington, Feb. 23.—President Wilson sent to the senate to-day, in response to Senator Stone's resolution, such portions of the correspondence between the United States and Korea relating to the occupation of Korea by Japan during the Russo-Japanese war as the president thought compatible with the public interest to make public at this time.

The leader of the party, H. C. Brewster, was the chief speaker of the evening, and was supported by Ralph Smith, Vancouver, one of the candidates over there. Both made excellent addresses, and their points were quickly seized by their auditors, and frequently emphasized by the apt comments made upon them from the floor and galleries.

Mr. Brewster dealt very effectively with Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt's position as outlined in his speeches, both as regards a professed desire for clean politics, and in the matter of refusal to take responsibility for the acts of the government before he took office. On the first the leader pointed out that so long as W. H. Price was permitted to take any part in the election in any shape or form the minister could not pretend that he was in favor of clean elections. To refresh the memory of the audience Mr. Brewster read the correspondence which passed between Price and the secretary of the Vancouver association in 1911, proving that Price had paid voters ten dollars a head and their fare.

On the matter of responsibility Mr. Brewster drew attention to the fact that whether Mr. Flumerfelt like it or not he had to take responsibility, and that the only meaning to be taken out of his refusal was that the past acts of the government were bad and indefensible, in which case his appeal for a continuance of that government was an illogical one. The further inference was drawn from his consenting to enter a cabinet with such a record behind him by the big interests to protect them and not the people.

Mr. Smith made a racy speech, full of sound sense and unanswerable argument. He made several humorous hits but, as ever with him, there was a serious side to every jest, and it served its purpose in calling attention to the subject which it was used to illustrate.

The chairman advised the reading of the morning paper these election times as a tonic before breakfast, and instanced several editorial references since the campaign opened. It had been a matter of much comment of late years, he said, that an opposition was needed in the legislature very much, and businessmen had frequent occasion to see how necessary it was to break up the aristocratic rule across the bay. There was abundant need for what the Colonist said Mr. Brewster would be if now elected—a private member at this time.

The minister of finance had gone to the trouble the night before of giving a definition of "clean government," but had failed to mention the conception of that sort of government entertained by the men with whom he was now associated. Not only was there a government in this province which was anything but clean, as was universally admitted, but the campaign which had been opened was being started by the government side in anything but a clean fashion. It was being claimed that great numbers of names had been taken off the lists by the Liberals. As a matter of fact, it was impossible to have a name taken off the lists here except on irrefutable proof that they were away. The Liberals asked for no names to be taken off since the war began for fear of depriving some gallant soldier of his franchise by inadvertance, and any voter whose name had been removed had Harry Price to thank for this.

As a financier Mr. Flumerfelt had doubtless some knowledge, and his connection with the big interests was well-known. No one was ignorant of his association with the Bank of Commerce, the province's bankers, and the manner in which tied directorates brought him into close connection with the Canadian Northern Pacific. He would probably keep one eye on the finances of the province, one eye on the Bank of Commerce interests, and both eyes on the interests of Mackenzie and Mann. In the circumstances, apart from every other reason, it would be infinitely better for British Columbia to have Mr. Brewster elected than have Mr. Flumerfelt sent to the legislature.

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## LIBERAL MEETINGS To-Night

SEMPLE'S HALL, VICTORIA WEST

Speakers: H. C. Brewster, F. C. Stacpoole, and Ald. Geo. Bell. Chairman, J. S. Brandon.

THURSDAY, FEB. 24, HOLLYWOOD, MARGARET JENKINS SCHOOL.—Speakers: H. C. Brewster, F. A. Pauline and H. C. Hall.

FRIDAY, FEB. 25, DOUGLAS ST. BAPTIST CHURCH, at end of Douglas carline.—Speakers: H. C. Brewster, F. C. Stacpoole and Ald. Cameron.

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### A FULL BATTALION FROM THE KOOTENAYS

Col. Ogilvie Visits Fernie and Asks Ottawa to Authorize Unit

Fernie, Feb. 22.—Colonel Ogilvie, D. O. C., arrived in Fernie yesterday from Calgary. After a consultation with Lieut.-Colonel Mackay of the 107th Regiment, and meeting a delegation of citizens headed by Mayor Uphill, the colonel informed those present that he would wire Ottawa for authority to organize a battalion in this district for overseas service. Having viewed the conditions and interviewed many people of the district, he was convinced that the request of the people for the privilege of raising a full battalion in the Kootenays should be complied with, and he shared the opinion of the delegation that there would be no trouble in recruiting such a battalion to full strength.

Colonel Ogilvie, accompanied by Lieut.-Colonel Mackay and Captain Barnes, drove to Morrissey yesterday afternoon to inspect the guards of the 107th at the internment camp, returning last evening. Colonel Ogilvie left this morning for Nelson.

Nothing but routine business was transacted yesterday at the annual convention of district 18, of the U. M. W. A.

A smoker tendered by the Fernie entertainment committee was held in the convention hall last night.

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### WAR HAS INCREASED CROP AREA OF WORLD

Expansion of 7 3-10 Per Cent. International Institute of Agriculture Reports

Rome, Feb. 23.—The February report of the International Institute of Agriculture, compiled from official data supplied by each country, indicates that the war needs have increased the crop area of the world 7 3-10 per cent. Increases in corn, wheat, oats and rye in the United States, Canada and elsewhere are more than neutralized by a decrease in cultivation in Russia and Hungary. The forecasts that the wheat production of Argentina and Australia would show an increase, are confirmed.

Cattle in the United States increased 5 3-10 per cent., or 3,112,000 head, thus making a total of 61,443,000 head.

General crop conditions are backward in France and England and favorable in Italy, Switzerland, India, Algeria and Egypt. In Spain there is an increase of 6 per cent. in wheat, 21 per cent. in barley and 17 per cent. in oats over the corresponding period of last year.

### A CHAIN OF PLOTS BROUGHT TO LIGHT

Plans of German Plotters in New England States Came to Nothing

Boston, Feb. 23.—The chief of a group of private investigators employed by New England manufacturers engaged in turning out war material for the allies tells of an astonishing chain of disclosures which resulted from several months' investigation of the charges that secret agents, who had headquarters in Boston, were plotting for the destruction of munition plants.

The agents fled as a result of the close attention of the detectives, so their plans came to nothing.

According to this story, a veritable reign of terror extending over several months was prepared. Factories were to be burned or dynamited in the night of their activities. Workmen were to be frightened from shops where supplies for the allies were being made, and no expense or danger was to be spared to the end that shipments to be entire powers might be stopped or retarded.

Plants Marked.

Four plants, he says, were marked for early destruction. The New England Manufacturing company, at Woburn, which is working night and day, turning out chemical components for high explosives, was to be dynamited on February 16 by a well-dressed man, ostensibly calling on a matter of business.

The Union stock yards at Watertown, now used by the French-Canada company, one of the principal shippers of horses to the allies, was to be burned about February 21 through the explosion of high-power combustible bombs that were to be sent into the yards enclosed in baled hay.

Within the next few days, although no definite time was set, the plant of the United States Cartridge company at Lowell was to be dynamited, so that the manufacture of rifle shells might be stopped.

Experts Prepared Plot.

On March 10, according to the chief's story, a bomb was to be placed in the central power plant of the General Electric company's river works at Lynn. The conspirators hoped to destroy generators that could not be replaced within a year, and thereby hold up operations in the buildings that are now making shell cases, fuse caps, torpedo heads and similar metallic parts for ammunition.

The plot was conceived and prepared by the inventor, assisted by expert chemists and other trained men of ingenious minds. They were well supplied with money and spared no effort or expense to gain information and devise ways and means whereby the campaign could be carried on effectively and with minimum danger of capture.

As Advertising Concern.

The trail first led to Newport News, Virginia, where the France-Canada company had its principal station before opening the Watertown yards.

There the conspirators maintained an office under the guise of an advertising concern. A woman operative employed by the detectives obtained a place as scrubwoman in the building and found the office to be filled with maps and other data concerning the marked factories. Later a dictograph was installed, and through this instrument the first definite information of the plot was obtained.

In this the secret agents, always wary and suspicious, transferred their office to a New York hotel patronized by business men. There they continued their plotting.

### WAR PROFITS IN FRANCE.

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### OTTAWA SHOULD REMODEL SYSTEM OF PROMOTION

In Commons Col. Currie Spoke of Military Matters; the Tax Proposals

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Only two men stood between me and any decorations or mention in dispatches. They were General Alderson and the minister of militia. One was six miles behind the line and the other 1,800 miles away. I prefer to take the verdict of the man who was with me in the trenches.

In these words Colonel Jack Currie, Conservative, North Simcoe, Ont., took a sharp rap at the minister of militia in addressing the house of commons yesterday. He was dealing at the time with the question of promotions and mention in dispatches. In the battle of St. Julien Col. Currie commanded the 14th Battalion (4th Highlanders, Toronto).

Col. Currie described conditions as he had found them at the front. There was a mistaken idea in England that the Canadians were not paying their full share of the cost of the war. It should be emphasized that Canada was paying for its men throughout. In view of this fact, he thought Canada should have some representation on the board which looked after the supplies and handling of the Canadian troops.

System of Promotion.

I strongly urged reform in the system of promotion of officers and men. The imperial officers were firmly of the impression that they and the British government had the full say. Promotions often were held up for weeks, while officers at home who had never seen service and had been in junior commands, now were even promoted to the command of battalions.

Referring to the French-Canadians at the front, Col. Currie declared that no better men had ever stood in shoe leather than the French-Canadians of the First Division.

"It makes me very tired," he said, "to see men stirring up strife with the old weapons of the seventeenth century. Such men ought to go to the trenches for a few days. There they would see the despised Orangemen of Ontario dying with the French-Canadian of Quebec. There all ideas of race and religion have been thrown into the sea."

Col. Currie added that in the presence of this greatest of all tragedies there was no religious controversy at the front.

"The tragedy is at our doors in Canada just as surely as it is present at the front, and the men have other things to do than stir up strife," he declared.

His Own Conduct.

He proposed to speak of some gossip which had got abroad in regard to his own conduct at the front. When at the front he constantly had reviewed the fact that he should comport himself with dignity and honor. He had taken care not to presume on the fact that he was a member of the house. The officers and men in his battalion had known that when the battalion was in a fight he was with them. The man who knew best as to his conduct was his own brigadier-general, who was with him all through the battle of Ypres, and for several days after.

On May 10 Brigadier-General (now Major-General) Turner had addressed him a letter in which he had said that he would have much pleasure in forwarding his name for mention in dispatches. Brig-General Turner had added that Col. Currie had rendered splendid services at St. Julien and had done more than was called for from a regimental officer.

At the outset he remarked that it was some time since he had had the pleasure of addressing his colleagues on the floor of the house. He was glad to be with them again, and he congratulated the house on the splendid spirit of unity which it had shown since the war began. He congratulated Sir Wilfrid Laurier on his seconding the action of the government in connection with the war, and he also congratulated him on holding in check those of his followers who would like to have a fall-out of their opponents. Sir Wilfrid, he said, by doing this had made a name for himself that would never be forgotten.

Turning to the budget, Col. Currie said he approved of it generally, but he objected to the business tax being made retroactive.

E. W. Nestitt.

Dealing with Sir Thomas White's budget proposals, E. W. Nestitt, Liberal, North Oxford, objected to the retroactive feature of the business tax, which he described as reactionary. He also objected to the \$50,000 limitation in connection with the taxes on the profits of incorporated companies, and the increased duty on apples.

J. E. Armstrong.

J. E. Armstrong, Conservative, East Lambton, who spoke in the evening, was in favor of the increased duty on apples, but opposed to the larger duty on oils.

Duncan Campbell Ross, Liberal, West Middlesex, thought the new business tax would prove to be inequitable. It would be better to have a graduated income tax.

A. Bellemare.

A. Bellemare, Conservative, Maskinonge, Que., said that the government was going rather strong in raising \$250,000,000 for the war and undertaking to send 500,000 men. While not absolutely opposing the government, he thought that this country should first think about its own security before taking so active a part in a foreign war.

R. Lanctot.

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### CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—The following casualty list was issued last night:

Second Battalion—Wounded: Pte. W. T. Boland, Toronto.

Third Battalion—Reported wounded, Dec. 28, rejoined regiment same day: Pte. George D'Al, Montreal; Pte. E. Cottingham, Swansons, Ont.; Pte. Frank Torlot, Montreal; Pte. J. A. Ward, Toronto; Pte. A. McGuigan, Toronto; Pte. W. N. Goode, England; Pte. N. L. Allen, England; Pte. D. McDermid, Scotland.

Fourth Battalion—Previously reported wounded and missing; now reported killed in action: Pte. T. E. Kelly, Toronto.

Tenth Battalion—Killed in action: Cpl. Gordon West, Quebec; Pte. S. H. Rider, England.

Reported missing; believed killed: Pte. F. L. Wonnacott, Hunter River, P. E. I.; Pte. A. F. Kennedy, Scotland.

Eighteenth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. John Lee, Galt, Ont.

Twenty-second Battalion—Wounded: Pte. J. P. Gallant, Quebec.

Twenty-fourth Battalion—Killed in action: Sgt. James Dolphin, Montreal.

Twenty-fifth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. Edward Hills, England.

Accidentally wounded: Pte. John Fletcher, Halifax.

Twenty-sixth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. Walter Van Tassel, Digby, N. S.

First Canadian Mounted Rifles—Killed in action: Sgt. W. F. Murphy, Hamilton, Ont.; Lieut.-Col. G. K. Foster, Quebec.

Second Canadian Mounted Rifles—Wounded: Pte. Wm. Cartwright, England.

Royal Canadian Horse Artillery—Seriously ill: Driver J. Hardy, Montreal.

Reserve Artillery Brigade—Seriously ill: Pte. A. G. Buchanan, England.

Training Depot Engineers—Died: Pte. A. J. Bicknell, Dryden, Ont.

Depot Unit of Supply—Dead: Pte. R. J. Betty, Ireland.

### FIFTY-FIVE KILLED BY AVALANCHE IN BAVARIA

Berlin, Feb. 23.—Reports from Salzburg say that thirty persons are still missing as a result of the avalanche in one of the regions near the southern border of Bavaria which have suffered through the weather. No further deaths have been reported in addition to the fifty-five made known previously.

The slide occurred at a season when such movements are unusual. Workmen were clearing the roads for winter sport and had been joined by tourists when the avalanche descended the mountainside in two sections. One hundred Russian prisoners of war are assisting in the rescue work.

## Pneumonia Finds Its Victims Weakened By Colds and Grip

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Miss E. J. Buswell, Cent. Ill., Ont., writes: "Last winter my mother contracted a bad cold. She was bothered with shortness of breath, wheezing, fevered and too sore to cough. Our doctor prescribed treatment which brought relief from these symptoms, but when she got up she was tired, always tired and weak. I got her three boxes of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, and she soon improved. Her eyes became clear and bright, the aching hue left the face and she began once more to take up the reins and look after the household duties."

It is always wise to keep the vitality of the body at high water mark in order that the attack of disease may be resisted. Rich, red blood is the greatest of germicides, and because Dr. Chase's Nerve Food forms rich, red blood it is a most effective means of preventing germ diseases such as grip, pneumonia and consumption.

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### ENEMY ATTACKED

#### NORTH OF VERDUN

German Troops Paid Heavy Price for Small Area Occupied

London, Feb. 23.—The following official statement was issued last night:

"The enemy last night sprang a mine east of Givenchy. We suffered no casualties. Poperinghe was shelled by the enemy during the night."

"This morning we sprang a mine near the Hohenzollern redoubt, our troops occupying the near tip of the crater."

"Our artillery bombarded the enemy trenches near Marincourt, Ouliers and the Ypres-Comines canal. German artillery shelled our positions northwest of Ypres, using many lacrimatory shells. Our trenches north of Ypres, between the Pukem road and the Ypres canal, also were bombarded."

"One of our aeroplanes was hit by an anti-aircraft shell, which severed the pilot's leg. He managed, however, to land his machine safely in the aerodrome without injury to his observer."

French Report.

Paris, Feb. 23.—The following official communication was issued last night:

"In Belgium there was a bombardment of the enemy trenches to the east of Boesinghe."

"In Artois the fall of snow has hindered all activity."

"In Champagne we carried out a destructive fire against the enemy works to the west of Navarin."

"In the region to the north of Verdun after a violent bombardment on both banks of the Meuse, the Germans directed, in the course of the day, a series of extremely violent infantry actions against our front between Brabant-sur-Meuse and L'Herbe Bois. All the attacks against Brabant and L'Herbe Bois were repulsed. Between these two points, with large losses the enemy was able to occupy the Havemont woods and the salient which formed our line to the north of Beaumont."

"To the northwest of Fromesoy our barrier fire prevented an attack in course of preparation being launched."

"There was considerable activity on the part of both artilleries in the region of Ban-de-Sapt and to the west of Altkirch."

### T. BURTON WILL RUN FOR PRESIDENT OF STATES

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 23.—Former U. S. Senator Theodore Burton, of Cleveland, today filed with Secretary of State Hildebrand his formal announcement that he will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for president. He did so in connection with a declaration of the candidacy of William Cooper Procter, Cincinnati manufacturer, for delegate at large to the Republican national convention.

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### VICTORY FOR ALLIES

#### MUST BE ABSOLUTE

No Peace Until Prussian Militarism is Dead, Says M. Sazanoff

London, Feb. 23.—"If the Germans think we allies are fighting to destroy the German nation, then they are wrong. How can you destroy a nation of eighty millions of people?" said M. Sazanoff, Russian minister of foreign affairs, to the correspondent of the London Chronicle in Petrograd.

"Our purpose is to destroy once and for all Prussian militarism, the greatest danger that ever menaced the human race. We will never cease fighting until that menace has been destroyed. We could not rest with a victory which would permit that menace to lift its head again."

"Our victory must be absolute. We must be free to live without continual fear of war. Things must be settled by this war so that the nations will feel safe. And until German militarism has been destroyed to its roots no nation can feel itself safe."

"Let the German people know that if they themselves choose to destroy their militarism absolutely, then the war will come to an end. But as for us, we will never stop one moment until we are satisfied that the curse of Prussianism has been lifted from the human race."

### POST CARD SIGNED WITH SOUP-POISONER'S NAME

Chicago, Feb. 23.—A postal card signed "Jean Cronos" and mailed at Portland, Ore., was received today by Chief of Police Healy, who is conducting a search for Cronos, the chef charged with poisoning soup served at the banquet to Archbishop Mundelein here recently. The chief said the signature was similar to that on other missives purporting to come from Cronos, but he did not believe the card had been written by Cronos himself.

### MARTIAL LAW NOW IN CAPITAL OF HONAN

Shanghai, Feb. 23.—Martial law has been proclaimed in the capital of the province of Honan, where an unsuccessful attack was made by rebels on Monday on the governor's mansion. No further details of the uprising have been received here.

### TEN WERE KILLED.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 23.—The death list as a result of the rear-end collision of two passenger trains on the New Haven line in Milford yesterday stood at ten this morning. Of the more than three score injured passengers who have been or at present are under medical observation, only Frank McNamara, of Ansonia, is reported to be in a dangerous condition.

### BACK TO SPOKANE.

New York, Feb. 23.—Charles Sweeney, a former West Pointer, winner of the French military cross and the Legion of Honor for fighting for France, son of a former president of the Federal Smelting & Refining company, and now recovering from wounds, is off his way to his former home in Spokane.

### STRIKE IN IOWA.

Sioux City, Iowa, Feb. 23.—A general strike was declared today at the Cuddeby & Armour packing houses here. The men are demanding higher pay. Twenty-three hundred men quit, only about 500 remaining at work. The gates of each packing plant were picketed by the strikers.

### IMPORTANT GAINS MADE EAST OF TRENT

Mountainous District Captured by Italian Forces; Positions Solidly Reorganized

Rome, Feb. 23.—The Italian forces have conquered the mountainous district of Collo, between the Laganza and Coglio torrents, in the Sugana valley region. They also have occupied the towns of Ronchi and Roncogo. This section lies about 15 miles east of Trent.

The official statement issued last night was as follows: "In the Sugana valley, by their methodical offensive action, our troops have captured the mountainous zone of Collo, between the torrents of Laganza and Coglio."

"The attack began at dawn on February 9. In the midst of a thick fog, over deep snowfields, detachments of our Alpine infantry and volunteer scouts reached the summit of Collo and contiguous heights, from which they drove the enemy forces."

"From their positions on Pravel, Monte Coda and Conetta, the enemy opened a violent fire, but we effectively countered with our artillery. Successive counter-attacks by the enemy, supported by artillery fire, were all repulsed."

"During the night of February 15-19, by a fresh push, our troops extended the ground occupied westward toward the saddle of Monte Coda. The new positions since then have been solidly reinforced, and they protect the basin of the Borgo country. Ronchi and Roncogo have been occupied by us."

Austrian Report

Berlin, Feb. 23.—The following official Austrian report was received here last evening:

"There have been lively artillery combats on the Isongo front, especially near Plava."

"An Austro-Hungarian air squadron attacked factories in Lombardy. Two aeroplanes advanced as far as Milan for reconnoitering purposes. Another air squadron attacked the aerodrome and docks at Desenzano. In some instances hits scored on objects were observed in both enterprises. All the aeroplanes returned safely in spite of the heavy artillery fire."

### CONTINUE PURSUIT OF TURKISH FORCES

Russians Still Driving Forward; Actions on the Eastern Front

Petrograd, Feb. 23.—The following official statement was issued last night:

"On the Riga and Dwina sectors, between Oger and Probstinshof, numerous enemy aeroplanes dropped bombs. There also was violent artillery fighting over the latter sector."

"On the Jacobstadt sector, near Duckern, there was a vigorous artillery duel with heavy and light artillery."

"In the Dvinsk district, artillery fighting has continued for the possession of Oter, near Iloukott. One of our regiments made a successful reconnaissance in the district west of the northern portion of Lake Swenton, annihilating the occupants of a German trench, 150 men and two officers, demolishing the trench and repulsing by the rifle and artillery fire enemy reserves which had hurried up."

"They then captured several prisoners and capturing a large number of rifles. In the Smorgon district a Russian force broke through the enemy barbed wire entanglements and invaded the trenches. A part of the occupants of the trench were bayoneted. The remainder fled."

"In the Upper Strypa district, the enemy attempted to approach our trenches, but was received with artillery fire and a counter-attack, which drove him back with great losses to his own trenches. We took a number of prisoners."

"At the village of Kumiwka, in the Buczacz region in Galicia, the enemy dropped flaming rags from an aeroplane, North of the Boyana, we exploded a group of mines. The explosion caused the collapse of the enemy's position over a considerable front. We occupied the mine craters."

"Caucasus front.—We are continuing our pursuit of the remnants of the Turkish army."

### CHIEF JUSTICE MATHERS, MANITOBA, JOINS COLORS

Winnipeg, Feb. 23.—Chief Justice Mathers, of the court of king's bench, of Manitoba, has joined the military forces and will begin taking the officers' course at the barracks here on March 6.

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Included in this special Dollar Day Blouse offering are one hundred dozen of new White Waists. Materials are voiles, lawns, piques, reps, daintily trimmed styles, featuring the new collars and cuffs. Also many smart-tailored models, including some smart military effects. All sizes, 34 to 44. The values will speak for themselves. Special for Dollar Day, each ..... **\$1.00**



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Campbell's House Dresses are always a "looked-for" bargain on Dollar Day. For Saturday we offer a fine range of styles in dark and light patterns of strong print neatly trimmed; sizes 34 to 44. On sale Saturday at **\$1.00**

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Good, Strong Meire Underskirts in shades of black, grey, navy and brown, finished with pleated flounces and close-fitting bands. Owing to the exceptional value of these Skirts we cannot guarantee as to how long they will last. On sale Saturday... **\$1.00**

### Whitewear Bargains at \$1

- Women's White Cotton Nightgowns, daintily trimmed, reg. up to \$1.75, for **\$1.00**
- Fine White Cotton Princess Slips, embroidery trimmed, reg. up to \$2.50, for **\$1.00**
- White Cambric Skirts, some elaborately trimmed with lace and embroidery, Reg. to \$3.50, for **\$1.00**
- Women's Cotton Drawers, open and closed styles, reg. up to \$2.25, for **\$1.00**
- Other lines at 2 for **\$1.00**, 3 for **\$1.00** and 4 for **\$1.00**
- Children's Cotton Drawers, at 3 for **\$1.00** and 2 pairs for **\$1.00**
- Children's Cotton Nightgowns, reg. up to 90c, 2 for **\$1.00**
- Children's Cotton Princess Slips, reg. up to \$1.50, for **\$1.00**

### Dollar Day in the Children's Section

- Children's Headwear, values up to \$3.50, Saturday for **\$1.00**
- Children's Print and Gingham Dresses, sizes 6 to 14 yrs, Reg. to \$1.75, for **\$1.00**
- Children's White Lawn Dresses, reg. up to \$1.75, Saturday for **\$1.00**
- Children's Pinafores, special at 2 for **\$1.00** and 3 for **\$1.00**
- Infants' White Slips, up to \$1.90 for **\$1.00**
- Infants' Flannel Barracots at 2 for **\$1.00**
- Infants' Flannelette Slips, Saturday at 2 for **\$1.00**
- Infants' Silk Bonnets, many pretty shapes, reg. to \$1.75, for **\$1.00**
- "EXTRA"—Children's Raincoats, reg. to \$5.75, for **\$1.00**

**OVERALL APRONS \$1**

This Special Lot of Overall Aprons includes strong Aprons of butchers' linen, nurses' white linen aprons, and dark print aprons. All to go on sale for Dollar Day at 2 for **\$1.00**

Colored Print Overall Aprons with bib, special 3 for **\$1.00**

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Dollar Day Corset Buyers will do well to investigate this special Corset offering. Plain and fancy materials, medium high bust, well boned, strong hose supporters. Models included are adapted to present corset modes. Sizes 19 to 39. On sale Saturday, pair, **\$1.00**

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- Flannelette Kimonos, fancy floral designs. Special at **\$1.00**
- Linen and Stock Collars, per dozen **\$1.00**
- Crossbar and Mourning Handkerchiefs, fine quality, doz. **\$1.00**
- Face Veils, reg. to \$2.25, at 2 for **\$1.00**
- Jewelled Hair Bands, reg. \$1.95, for **\$1.00**
- Jewelled Back Combs, reg. \$1.75, for **\$1.00**
- Suede Collar Boxes, reg. \$1.25, for **\$1.00**
- Black Patent Belts, reg. \$1.75, at 2 for **\$1.00**
- Wool Caps, reg. 75c, at 2 for only **\$1.00**
- Hair Brushes, reg. 90c, at 3 for **\$1.00**
- Back Combs, reg. 65c and 75c, at 4 for **\$1.00**
- Velvet Covered Shoe Trees, reg. 50c, at 4 for **\$1.00**
- Jet Hat Pins at 10 for **\$1.00**
- An Odd Lot of Dainty Neckwear to clear at 10 pieces for **\$1.00**

**FEATHER BOAS \$1**

A Special Group of Ostrich Feather Boas in light and dark shades. Regular value up to \$5.00. Clearing Saturday at, each **\$1.00**

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### Odd Lines of Knitted Underwear at Clearing Prices for Dollar Day

- Women's Silk Lisle Vests and a Few Combinations, values to 65c. To clear at 2 for **\$1.00**
- Women's Cotton Knit Drawers, combination and vests, values to 50c. Special, 3 for **\$1.00**
- Women's Cotton and Silk Lisle Combinations and Vests, values to 75c. To clear, 4 for **\$1.00**

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PUBLIC INTEREST MENAGED.

Mr. Brewster and Mr. Smith last night strongly emphasized the significance of the impending by-elections. They pointed out that the return of the three ministerial candidates would be an expression of the electorate's approval of the manner in which the affairs of the province had been administered for years.

But that is not all. If the three ministerial candidates were returned the government would regard the result as a mandate for the introduction of legislation extending the term of the legislature. Two sessions ago the constitution was amended by a bill which provided that, commencing with the next legislative term, the life of the assembly would be five years instead of four as at present.

The next session of the legislature will be one of the most momentous gatherings in the history of this province. There is going to be a grand clean-up by the concession hunters. The Pacific Great Eastern promoters will seek \$6,000,000, and it is going to be given to them without any other investigation than the farcical inquiry conducted by one of the ministers, the details of which, of course, never will be divulged.

Then there is the Canadian Northern Pacific. In all human probability it will be an applicant for more aid. It has already been guaranteed to the extent of over \$10,000,000, and according to the agreement drawn under the supervision of Mr. Bowser, chief legal adviser of this province, we soon will have to pay for three years at least, the interest on the operated portion of the road, which probably will amount to \$1,500,000.

almost unanimous legislature? Six years ago we warned the public against the ruinous burden they were asked to bear on behalf of Mackenzie & Mann. Every prediction we made then and have made since has been fulfilled. Every pledge given by Sir Richard McBride, Hon. W. J. Bowser and the local organ of Mackenzie & Mann has been falsified. How can anybody in his senses question the urgency of the electorate at this crucial moment indicating its disapproval of these unconsidered, short-sighted capitulations to railway promoters?

We believe the public are aware of the gravity of the situation. They have it in their power to dangle a danger signal before Messrs. Bowser and his "big interest" cabinet that they will not dare ignore. One or two more opposition members in addition to the present pair could force a division in the House on every measure that came before it, could compel the government to call a meeting of the public accounts committee (notwithstanding Mr. Bowser's declaration some time ago that it wasn't necessary), and put a brake on the car that is driving this country to ruin. Does anybody imagine that Mr. Flumerfelt could reform Mr. Bowser, who sent Sir Richard himself packing out of the country, or that he could stand between the public welfare and the demands of those financial interests with which he has been associated for years? This is, indeed, a time for heart searching for the electorate of Victoria.

"HE IS AN ORPHAN BOY!"

Harry Price has not exactly been "disavowed" by the Bowser party; he has "disowned" himself. He does that in a statement published in the Colonist this morning. The erstwhile "honorary" secretary really is very outspoken in his great renunciation. He confesses that to have his name associated with that of the Finance Minister in the present campaign would injure the political prospects of that gentleman; therefore, after his usual self-sacrificing manner, he will step aside and let some other gentleman assume the responsibilities and discharge the duties of "campaign manager." H. B. Thomson, M. P., after he has made the election of Hon. Lorne Campbell in Rossland sure, will step into the gaping breach. The gap is a wide one, which only a man of more than ordinary corporeal and moral circumference can fill, as any one who has followed the proceedings of Mr. Price as "honorary" secretary and as revealed in certain investigations will understand and appreciate. A letter read by Mr. Brewster at the meeting held last night in the Victoria theatre will give the public a more or less illuminating conception of what the ordinary duties of manager of a campaign conducted according to Bowser machine methods are. Nevertheless, and in spite of Mr. Price's virtuous renunciation, notwithstanding his confession that he hardly has a speaking acquaintance with Mr. Flumerfelt, we still are sceptical respecting his retirement. Mr. Thomson may furnish the gas, or the hot air, or whatever the fuel may be that actuates the notorious "machine," but Mr. Price will direct its operations just the same; and if Conservatives who to their credit are jealous of the good name and reputation of their party care to investigate for themselves they easily can verify our statement.

HEAVY FIGHTING.

Heavy fighting is in progress at three points on the western front. The Germans are attacking the French positions northeast of Arras, north of Verdun and in Alsace east of Seppois. They claim gains in all these sectors and the French bulletin admits the loss of first-line trenches and the penetration of the second line both in Arras and in the Verdun region. The capture of first line trenches by either side has no particular significance. They are more difficult to hold than to take and neither the allies nor the Germans keep many men in them when they are under heavy artillery fire. Either side can destroy the enemy's first-line trenches by heavy guns in most places when it wishes.

Especially significant attaches to the fighting northeast of Arras. Last year, it will be recalled, the French in their spring and fall offensives forced the Germans out of the "Labyrinth," Souchez and other important points in the region of the Lens-Arras road. The greater part of this was taken in the big advance in September. At that time the Germans officially claimed that the French gain was of "little importance"—in fact that it was out of all proportion to the losses suffered by them. It is to be observed, however, that although throughout the entire winter the enemy made no attempt to regain these positions, for the last few weeks he has been persistently trying to do so. As a matter of fact, the ground captured by the French last September is of the utmost importance to both sides. Between Arras and La Bassée the country is ribbed by a range of

ridges and hills, beyond which is a great plain which extends to the Belgian frontier. In some places these ridges are held by the French while in others the Germans, who held strong covering positions in front of the heights before last September, are now forced to fight stubbornly to prevent themselves being forced off them to the plain beyond. The French artillery thus commands a number of important lines of communication, particularly the Arras-Lens road. More than that, our allies are placed in a most advantageous position for their next big offensive.

If in the next smash the Germans were forced off the heights between Arras and La Bassée they would be driven clean out of northern France. Hence their desperate efforts to recapture the salient covering the heights. Up to ten days ago they had sacrificed sixty thousand men in these attempts and since then they have lost many more. German war-watchers well might ask why these sanguinary offensives are being conducted in Arras if, as the German war office announced last September, the ground gained by the French was of no importance.

The object of the attack north of Verdun is evidently to prevent the French corps in that section from manning the position of the German army in the Argonne. In the event of a Hun retirement the security of this force would be seriously menaced by the French armies in Champagne and Verdun, which would be threatening both flanks. Of course it is quite possible that the present attacks are designed for other than precautionary purposes. They may be preliminary to a great general offensive, in which event something will happen before long to show their co-ordination. They seem to be conducted in great strength and at one point to have made quite a haul of prisoners.

Heavy fighting is also in progress on the Russian front, with the Russians attacking in the Riga district and in Volhynia, that is, south of the Pripet marshes. The Russians are trying to throw the Germans out of Hluksk, northwest of Dwinsk, and there are excellent prospects that they will do so. Petrograd reports the capture of important positions in Volhynia, near Dubno in Volhynia, one of the most vital points in the German eastern line. The capture of Dubno would give the Russians control of the railroad to Galicia and open the way for an advance upon Lemberg. The main object of these attacks, however, is to remind the Germans of the grave danger they would run if they weakened their eastern front in order to further their operations in the west.

The Russians continue to follow up their victories in the Caucasus, their present efforts being devoted to the isolation and capture of the various disconnected Turkish forces. The Ottoman army which is trying to reach Trebizond is in grave danger of being cut off and we ought to hear of important captures within the next few days.

There appears to be a real crisis at Washington at last in connection with Germany's submarine piracy. The people of the United States have been aroused tremendously by Elhu Rood's terrific arraignment of the administration's foreign policy, and the president is feeling that to longer withstand public sentiment might be dangerous. Consequently he has been compelled to talk plainly and directly to Bernstorff. But whether Mr. Wilson has the backbone to adhere to his declarations is another matter. Probably in a day or two we again shall be informed that another great diplomatic victory has been achieved on behalf of the rights of neutrals and for the benefit of the human race.

How can Mr. Flumerfelt escape responsibility for the record of his associates prior to December 15, when the mere fact of his joining them indicates his approval of them and their methods? If he did not approve of them he would have nothing to do with them. He cannot change the nature or methods of his colleagues. He is a subordinate of Mr. Bowser and must do precisely what that gentleman says or vacate his job. His refusal to discuss questions of policy in itself indicates his realization of that fact. He dare not say what he proposes to do until he has first consulted his chief.

The very fact that the Colonist is so desperately anxious to secure the return of the Bowser candidate is a cogent reason why the electors should vote the other way. The enormous fortune wrung by our contemporary from the treasury of this province, as the public accounts report shows, tells its own sordid story. It fears an opposition more than it does the Asiatic plague. It remembers those pertinent questions put by Mr. Brewster in the session of 1912 regarding the Songhees Reserve transaction. Mr. Lansing has addressed a note to the Porte protesting against the massacres of Armenians by the Turks. In view of the fact that Russia, instead of writing notes, has secured the safety of the Armenians by force of arms, the

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Washington protest is useful only for its literary qualities. President Wilson and Mr. Lansing are certainly strong on firing blank cartridges. The attention our morning contemporary receives at the hands of Liberal speakers is not due to the importance attached to its observations but to its notorious status as a glaring example of the hostility of the government to the public interest.

If Mr. Flumerfelt wants clean, honest government why does he not try to smash the machine and clean out the administration across James Bay? Instead he bestows his approval on both. He cannot be for them and against them.

Harry Price can call himself a goat with impunity, but it's dollars to doughnuts that neither Mr. Flumerfelt nor any other Conservative candidate will publicly repudiate him or his methods.

Are we to assume from the numerous explanations that are being circulated respecting the political status of Mr. Price that Mr. Flumerfelt is ashamed of him or merely that Mr. Price is ashamed of himself?

IS NO QUITTER. Los Angeles Times. The old bulldog had become soft and taken to ribbons and fat living. But he is no quitter. He has realized his condition and is in for some hard training. He is getting leaner, and has discarded cooked chicken for raw bones. His teeth are hardening up.

THE MISCHIEVOUS PACIFISTS. Buffalo Express. Britain's fighting for existence in a war forced on her and accepted as a lesser evil than national dishonor realizes that her pacifists came near to being her undoing. Hence the bitter parody ringing through the land to-day: "Hark the Norman Angels Sing Glory to Our Kaiser King."

WHERE SAM IS RIGHT. Ottawa Free Press. Gen. Sam is quite right when he gets after some of these "very young" officers. Canada cannot afford to have snobbery in her army. The fighting Canadian doesn't want to be led by a pink-tea Johnnie or a "young squirt," as Gen. Sam so picturesquely calls them.

A GREAT AWAKENING. London Daily Telegraph. There must be no more "peaceful penetration," no more monopolies of raw materials, such as metals and oils; no more cornering of essential trades, such as optical instruments, chemicals, dyes, and electrical apparatus; no more heavily-subsidized German shipping using our ports without leave or fee. This war has opened the eyes of the nation.

SPLENDID INDIAN TROOPS. Westminster Gazette. Sir Walter Lawrence, the commissioner for Indian hospitals, is to be congratulated upon being in a position to report to Lord Kitchener, now that the Indian army corps has been transferred from the western front that not a single Indian fighting man of the many thousands aured back to health here and in France has behaved ill. Not a single serious charge has been brought against any patient or convalescent. A LOST CAUSE. London Daily News. It is presumably impossible at this stage to make German opinion realize with what eyes the outside world looks upon

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### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, February 23, 1891.

W. Sloan, one of Nanaimo's principal dry goods merchants, was in town yesterday on a business trip.

Alex. McBean, whose firm have the contract for building the sewers, arrived from San Francisco yesterday morning, and is making preparations to commence work at the appointed time.

A large and commodious hall, the Lyceum, recently fitted up by the Hon. A. De Cosmos, at the corner of Broad and Pandora streets, is to be opened on Wednesday evening by an entertainment.

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Britannia Lodge—Britannia, No. 216, L.O.B.A., will meet in the Orange hall, Yates street, at 7.30 p.m. on Friday next. First and second degrees will be conferred. Visiting sisters will be welcomed.

Weekly Whist Drive.—The Ivy Leaf Social club will hold its weekly whist drive on Thursday night in the K. of P. hall, North Park street, commencing at 8.15. Visitors will be made welcome.

Farewell Social.—Victoria Lodge No. 54, Good Templars, will give a farewell social to its members in the 57th Western Scots, to-morrow evening, in the hall, No. 721, Carleton avenue, commencing at 8 o'clock. All old members are cordially invited to attend.

Veterans' Club Meets.—All returned soldiers in the city are invited to attend a meeting to be held by "The Veterans' Club of British Columbia" at Frontiersmen's headquarters, Camosun building, 1203-5 Langley street, to-night at 8 o'clock and assist their comrades in making a home for all veterans of the war. The club is badly in need of a pool table, and would be gratified if any patriotic citizen would lend or give one for the benefit of the returned soldiers. Phone 62.

Farmers' Institutes.—The annual convention of the Farmers' Institutes of British Columbia will be held in Victoria from Wednesday to Friday, March 3 to 5. A large number of resolutions have been submitted by various institutes throughout the province, and the details of each will be discussed in detail. This convention will confine itself to business matters principally. Prof. Wesbrook, of the B. C. University, and Dean Klinck, dean of agriculture of the same institution, will address the delegates, as well as a number of other men prominently identified with the agricultural interests of the province. Amongst the latter will be Prof. W. T. McDonald, provincial livestock commissioner, and H. O. English, soil and crop instructor. Premier Bowser and Hon. A. G. Flintheart will have a prominent place on the programme.

First Unitarian Church.—The regular mid-week meeting at the First Unitarian church will be held on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, and will take the form of a social evening.

Retail Clerks' Meet.—The retail clerks of the city will hold a general meeting in the Y.M.C.A. at 8 o'clock to-morrow evening. As the business of the meeting is of special importance all retail clerks are cordially invited.

Sunday School Association.—The Anglican Sunday School association will meet to-morrow in Christ Church cathedral Sunday school at 3 p.m., when an address will be given by the Very Rev. Dean Scholerfeld.

Party Politics.—Rev. Charles A. Sykes, B. D., will preach in the Congregational church, corner of Quadra and Mason streets, on Sunday next, his subject, in the morning, will be "Jesus Teaching About Money" and his evening subject "Party Politics."

Charge is Dismissed.—Eli Bean, second hand dealer, was arrested at 1.30 this morning by Constable Devereaux on a charge of having in his possession stolen property, a lawn-mower and lawn-grinder. He later was released on bail, and this morning the charge against him was dismissed.

Soldier Gets Six Months.—Private John Bentley was last night given in charge to Sgt. Walker at the police station by a sergeant of the battalion on a charge of stealing \$10 from Private Harwood, Monday. This morning he pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six months at hard labor.

Women's Institute.—The postponed meeting of the Gordon Head Women's Institute will be held in the Gordon Head hall on Thursday, February 24, at 2.30 p.m. The election of officers will take place and other important business will be transacted. All the women of the district are cordially invited to be present.

Anniversary Services.—The First Presbyterian church will celebrate the third anniversary of the induction of Rev. J. G. Inkster next Sunday and Tuesday. Rev. R. J. Wilson, M. A., D. D., of St. Andrew's church, Vancouver, will be the special preacher on Sunday. A reception tea and public meeting will be held on Tuesday night from 6 to 9 o'clock.

Held Smoker.—Local 247, Musicians' union, entertained at its guests at a smoker held in the Eagles hall on Monday evening the members of the various brass bands of the city. Those present also included President Taylor and members of the executive board of the Trades and Labor council. A very meritorious programme was carried out and refreshments were served.

Farewell Social.—The letter carriers will give a farewell social to-night to their members in the various military units in the city. An invitation has also been extended to all other members of the post office staff who are with the colors. Postmaster Bishop has promised to attend. Songs, recitations and tableaux will constitute the programme, and refreshments will be served. The entertainment will be held at 717 Courtney street.

Inland Revenue Case.—Magistrate Jay heard an inland revenue case this morning, in which the department prosecuted a local firm of druggists with selling tincture of opium which was 968 grammes in excess of the maximum requirements of the British Pharmacopoeia. J. A. Aikman appeared for the department and Frank Higgins for the defence. Chemical evidence was given which showed that opium had to be of the strength complained of to be serviceable, and in view of this the charge was withdrawn.

Stockbreeders' Convention.—The annual convention of the B. C. Stockbreeders' association will be held in Victoria on March 13 and 14. This association represents every feature of the industry, from the small intensive mixed farm to the extensive ranch. The livestock industry must of necessity become of greater and greater importance, and there is no body in British Columbia which is working harder to gain this end than the B. C. Stockbreeders' association. An interesting programme is being prepared, with a view to discussing questions of vital importance to those interested in any phase of the livestock industry.

Interesting Presentation.—Sgt. "Bob" Morrison, who has been connected with the First Presbyterian church choir for over ten years, was presented by that organization last night with a shaving set, a purse of money and an address. The presentation took place at the residence of J. G. Brown, where the members of the choir assembled to do honor to their departing friend and fellow member. After a short programme of music Jas. Petrie, president of the choir, in a few well-chosen words, related the manifold services Mr. Morrison had rendered the choir, and then read the address which had been prepared by D. A. Fraser, Miss Robertson handing the articles to Mr. Morrison. The latter replied briefly and told of his long and pleasant association with the First Presbyterian church choir. A very pleasant evening was spent by all present.

### MAY OBTAIN STEEL FOR BRIDGE SPAN

Suggestion is Made With Regard to Rock Bay Bridge; Fire Alarm Installation

The visit of C. E. Fowler, C. E., to Victoria on this occasion may be of direct benefit to the city. The city engineer stated this morning that Mr. Fowler, on his return, had promised to have a report made with regard to some spare steel girders available in Seattle which would probably be suitable for the Rock Bay bridge span, and had promised to enter into communication with the department after looking the material over with the contractors.

The next meeting of the city harbor committee, at which this matter will be mentioned, will be held to-morrow afternoon. The expense of material of a permanent nature for a 70-foot movable span has undoubtedly delayed the construction of the adjustable part of the bridge.

The fire chief yesterday showed the alterations the fire alarm equipment installed at the new building, Flagard street, and pointed out the necessity of procuring the material, costing about \$900, which he has recommended to complete the system. The operator will be installed at the end of the present week. It is the intention of the fire chief to have the office thrown open for inspection at an early date, so that the citizens may see how the money has been spent on this installation.

The police commissioners are meeting this afternoon further to consider the Dubois case, and hear evidence in support of the allegation which Joseph Dubois has brought against two members of the detective department.

Uncanny Timekeeper Attracting Great Attention at Wilkerson's Jewelry Store.

A workless wonder, in other words a clock that works without works (apparently), is attracting the attention of pedestrians who chance to pass Wilkerson's jewelry store at the present time. The strange instrument gives one on a modified scale something of the sort of uncanny feeling that would be experienced in seeing two human hands moving about with apparent purpose without any body attached thereto. Only one suspects that there is concealed within the clock hands a fine mechanism such as is found in any watch, only differently distributed. But no official information is forthcoming, and the clock asks the question for the gamb and wondering public in the east query, "What makes it go?"

Inscribed in gilt letters across the face of course the face is of glass, so that one imagines that the whole mechanism is revealed at a glance. The dial is just about 24 inches in diameter, and the little points are most irritatingly interesting are the curious small spheres which tip the two extremes of the minute hand, and the axis of the hour hand, while a compass and another blank-faced disc are offered for the confusion or enlightenment of the passer-by who stops to study the strange time-piece.

Is it a sun-clock? A wireless electric device? A final discovery of perpetual motion? The questions may not be answered, but they are sure to be propounded. In the meantime the hands move slowly onward with relentless Time—and just as accurately.

### CLOCK WITHOUT WORKS

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The following average prices prevailed at the public market to-day: Dairy produce—Eggs, 45 cents per dozen; butter, 40 to 42½ cents per lb.; Meats—Beef, 19 to 19½ cents per lb.; veal, 15 to 20 cents per lb.; mutton, 20 to 25 cents per lb.; pork, 14 to 18 cents per lb.; fowl, 22 to 25 cents per lb.; chicken, 23 to 30 cents per lb. Fish—Fresh herring, 2 lbs. for 15 cents; smelts, 3 lbs. for 25 cents; halibut, 12½ cents per lb.; cod, 10 cents per lb.; fillets of cod, 15 cents per lb.; smoked salmon, 15 cents per lb.; crabs, 15 cents each.

Many Have Inquired as to the probable cost of glasses, I would assure the public that my prices are uniformly low, owing to the fact that my establishment is upstairs where my expenses are very light. Frank Chouston, 654 Yates St., corner of Douglas, upstairs.

Dollar Day.—Saturday is Dollar Day and to make an exceptionally large special we are reducing the price of all our candles, 10¢ per pound; pocket goods to remain at the usual price, 14 gold and silver medals awarded at the largest British exhibitions for purity and excellence. Wiper & Co., 1210 Douglas St., opposite Sayward Block.

Social Dance.—The B. & V. club will hold its usual social dance at Connaught hall this evening.

Voluntary Aid Detachment.—The Voluntary Aid Detachment will not drill to-morrow, but will resume their work on Thursday, March 2, under the new instructor.

Erecting Barracks.—Members of the Bantam Battalion and the Engineers are laying the foundations of the barracks at Beacon Hill. The site has been blocked out, and a temporary building for storage purposes erected.

W.C.T.U.—The W.C.T.U. of the north end of the city will meet on Friday afternoon at 2.30 in the St. Mark's hall, Boleksing road. All members are urged to be present and an invitation is extended to all interested in the prohibition movement.

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Meanwhile Mark Embury has fallen very much in love with the adopted daughter, over whose education he is presiding with such solicitude and tender care.

The war over, Lovell returns a hero, and Mrs. Goodlake, still desperately in love with him, places him in a compromising position which leads Peggy to believe that he is false to her.

But the philosopher who finds it in his power to guard the innocence of his nephew—which he quickly establishes to kill the love of Peggy for his young rival.

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There is a tiny mining village in South Wales where, for the enlightenment of the inhabitants, the local authorities pursue the curious practice of epitomising the week's news every Saturday upon a blackboard in the chief and only street.

DOMINION THEATRE.

"Mice and Men," the Famous Play-ers-Paramount Picture in which Marguerite Clark is starring at the Dominion, is a charming romance of the sunny South, which was actually staged in Savannah, Ga. It tells the story of Peggy, a foundling who is adopted by a philosopher in the hope that she will one day develop into an ideal wife for him.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.

- H. DeRIES, of Northfield, is at the Dominion hotel.
M. Ordano, of Cowichan, is at the Dominion hotel.
J. C. Devlin, of Nelson, is staying at the Empress hotel.
P. N. Johnson, of Maple Bay, is at the Dominion hotel.
Henry A. Stone, of Vancouver, was in the city yesterday.
M. Logan, of Edmonton, is a guest at the Empress hotel.
A. Hancock is at the Strathcona hotel from Vancouver.
Miss H. Wharton, of Parksville, is at the James Bay hotel.
T. Moore, of Seattle, is a new arrival at the Metropolitan.
A. E. Cook is registered at the Hotel Metropolitan from Seattle.
P. L. Bull, of Seattle, Wash., is staying at the Empress hotel.
Dr. Sherin, of Souris, Man., is stopping at the Dominion hotel.
Mrs. T. E. Somers, of Alberni, is staying at the Dominion hotel.
James Newbury, of Vancouver, is staying at the Hotel Metropolitan.
Mr. and Mrs. Tryon, French Creek, are guests at the James Bay hotel.
H. O. Marshall, of Toronto, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.
E. H. Rider, of Rocky Point, is registered at the Hotel Strathcona.
James McGregor, of Winnipeg, registered at the Dominion hotel yesterday.
Frank Westaway, of Seattle, registered at the Dominion hotel yesterday.
C. A. Stevenson, of St. Louis, U. S. A., arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.
R. C. Treherne, of the experimental farm at Agassiz, is at the Dominion hotel.
D. H. Harris and Mrs. Harris, of Ganegs, are stopping at the Dominion hotel.
Mrs. H. Cann and children, of Colquhoun, are staying at the James Bay hotel.
Mrs. G. C. Mackay and children, of Vancouver, are at the James Bay hotel.
E. D. Sherringham is in the city from Mill Bay, and is staying at the Strathcona hotel.
Rev. W. F. O'N. Fisher is registered at the James Bay hotel from Green Court, Alta.
Parker Williams, M.P.P., is down from Ladysmith and is a guest of the Dominion hotel.
R. C. Crackerthorpe is among the new arrivals at the Hotel Metropolitan from Vancouver.
Chas. Webber is over from the mainland on a business trip, and is at the Strathcona hotel.
John C. Mallett is in the city from Salt Spring Island and is staying at the Strathcona hotel.
Rev. A. P. Hayes, Mrs. Hayes and Master Hayes, of Calgary, are registered at the Dominion hotel.
Mr. C. Chapman and Mrs. Chapman, of Moose Jaw, were among yesterday's arrivals at the Dominion hotel.
Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Porter, from Regina, Sask., are visiting in the city and are staying at the Strathcona hotel.

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Two other announcements were made, one being in connection with Mrs. Van Oop's lecture at Government House on March 15, in aid of the Patriotic fund.

The club convened yesterday for the special purpose of hearing a lecture by Miss Leona Pearce on the topic "Nature Students as Field Writers."

The street car was crowded, and a gentleman with kindly twinkles in his eye took five-year-old Tom upon his lap.

A little fire is quickly trodden out, which, being, suffered, rivers cannot quench.—Shakespeare.

before the nature student could become a great writer he must have the additional gift of expressing himself in words corresponding to the beauty and glory of his subject, and that indefinable gift called style.

Miss Pearce's earliest references hied back to early Biblical times, and very briefly she quoted passages from Solomon showing that the ancient king of Israel had in his heart a love of nature.

In closing, Miss Pearce read one of the very graphic nature stories which has come from the pen of this gifted Canadian student of the wild things in plant and animal life.

An interesting little ceremony was toward the close of the proceedings when Mrs. E. Beaven, an old and faithful member of the club, was presented, to her obvious astonishment and pleasure, with a life membership in the organization which has appreciated her services.

The meeting concluded with the singing of the National Anthem, and earlier in the proceedings members had the pleasure of hearing Master Willie Balagoo play his violin, while Mrs. Jesse Longfield sang a solo.

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H. C. BREWSTER AND RALPH SMITH AT BIG MEETING

(Continued from page 1)

Was Well Received.

Mr. Brewster was received with an outburst of applause from the gathering, and expressed his thanks for the heartiness of his audience.

Dealing with the argument that there ought to be no opposition to the election of ministers at these by-elections, the leader pointed out that it was the right of any opposition party to force a contest when it was necessary to root out maladministration.

Being without confidence in the result, however, he had not brought these all on upon the same day. Two were being held on Saturday next, and his hope was that a week later he would be able to bring all the force of the government machine to bear here.

Wants a Clean Fight.

"Mr. Flumerfelt says he wants clean politics," continued Mr. Brewster. An auditor interjected, "Price." Mr. Brewster continued: "It is my desire to have a clean fight. (Cheers.) I have not to make any promise in this city where I am known so well that I shall not use any means that are not honest, in the best interests of the people and in keeping with the high position I have been elected to occupy. (Cheers.) Now does Mr. Flumerfelt expect to accomplish his desire? Can he enter the cabinet as minister of finance behind such a leader as Mr. Bowser, the man who had such strength that he could outdo no less a person than Sir Richard McBride and drive him from the province, and expect to do so? Does he have such a high opinion of himself and magnify his ability to such an extent as to think he can outdo this man or the other who works the machine and clean up the government by getting rid of them? Bright men as he may be, he undertakes a task he cannot possibly accomplish. He dare not risk the lifting of the lids of those garbage cans and the reappearance of some of those books that are supposed to be lost. When he entered the cabinet he put the sanction of his approval upon the past acts of the administration. He was joining, and it matters not what his personal opinion may be, his entry into the cabinet implies his commendation of the past acts of that administration, and is coupled with his request that you continue it in power. (Prolonged cheering.)"

Change of Attitude.

"You remember the homely old adage about the devil being anxious to be a saint when he was ill, but of his change of attitude when he got well. Let Mr. Flumerfelt get over his illness and his saintliness and desire for clean government will disappear. There is another old adage to the effect that a man is known by the company he keeps. (Laughter.) The first time he made his bow to the chair in a political meeting he became the chief engineer of the machine in this city. (Laughter and applause.) If he wants to be clean, if he wants a clean government, why does he not turn around and join with those of us who want to clean out the whole lot of them and thus bring about a complete change in conditions, which we must do if we are ever to have prosperity in this province. If he wants clean government why does he not get rid of Harry Price? (Prolonged cheering.)"

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the Victoria Conservative association, and Victor H. Love, as secretary of the Vancouver association. Mr. Price asked for a cheque to refund him for the amounts he had given voters to take them to Vancouver to vote, and enumerated the numbers he had given \$3.50 or \$2.70 to, how many had been given birth money and the number whom he had paid ten dollars as agreed upon between us. He commended Mr. Love that these men had been both of them day and night, and that some of them used to ring him up at home. Mr. Love replied, regretting the delay in remitting and sending the amount, but pointing out that Mr. Price's addition made the account some hundred dollars more than it should be. (A voice: "Just like him.")

If Mr. Flumerfelt is sincere why does he not insist on that man being removed where he cannot do that sort of work? (A voice: "Because he could not be elected by clean methods.") "I ask the electors of the province, without regard to political affiliations, to appraise the personnel of the so-called 'New' cabinet, and decide for themselves whether or not they may expect, or do expect, any appreciable departure from those policies, which, owing to their unsatisfactory nature have brought about the resignation of the ministry. Four of the ministers of the 'New' government have been unwavering supporters of these past policies, and dare not even criticize the disastrous legislation of the past twelve years. Is it likely that, after taking oath of office, they, immediately, should experience a changed mental attitude toward past policies?"

"It, moreover, is important that you should ascertain and satisfy yourselves as to whether the appointment of the portfolio of finance minister, who, though not previously a member of the legislature, is known to have maintained such financial and corporate affiliations as leaves this appointment open to the suspicion that in the cabinet he would be no more than the representative of one of Canada's greatest monopolistic corporations."

"Only one member of the late government has gone out of the legislature, and only one new member enters the government. This is no good augury for a change from the policy of the past few years, a policy which has brought this province into its present strait. We have had some of the most disgraceful transactions here that have marked the history of any province in this country (A voice: "Or anywhere else"), commissions paid to members of Mr. Bowser's firm and to other party friends, the resources of the province alienated and some of them held by men not sympathetic to the cause being fought for on the battle-fields of Europe to-day. ("Shame.")

"We are told by Mr. Flumerfelt that he will not accept any responsibility for anything that was done by the government before December 15 last, when he took office. What does that mean? It means that Mr. Flumerfelt, whether he intended to or not, whether it was inadvertent or not, thinks the date of the government so bad that he dare not accept any responsibility. (Cheers.) But at the same time he asks you to believe that a change would not be to the two paragraphs side by side. The administration is so bad that he cannot take any responsibility for its acts, and in the next breath he thinks it would be a very bad thing if we turned it out. (A voice: "We will turn them out and keep him out, too.")

"Can He Avoid Responsibility? How does he think he can avoid responsibility? If Mr. Flumerfelt does not like it and will not permit himself to be coupled with its past acts and policies then what great inducement has there been to force him to take a place in it? Is it because of the corporate interests with which he is affiliated or is it because of the financial institution which he has joined in there to protect their interests? He is like a blind man in a wood, who keeps on walking but ever in a circle. He does not like the old government but wants it kept in power. The man who has chosen him as a minister is and was the man actually at the head of affairs, and what sort of loyalty to a leader in a cabinet is it to say that one will not be responsible for what the leader did in the past? But everybody knows, and if Mr. Flumerfelt knew as much about constitutional government as he ought to know when he is sworn in as one of the advisers of the crown in this province he would know that whether he likes it or not he has to accept his share of responsibility for the past acts of the administration. (Cheers.)"

Mr. Brewster went on to deal with several of the Liberal policies as set out in the platform of the party, and in dealing with the land question he said: "Do you know that according to the figures published by Hon. W. J. Roche in his immigration pamphlet for 1915 over 200,000 immigrants declared at entry ports in Canada their intention to settle in British Columbia during the years 1911-15? To this number there no doubt could be added at least 100,000 who, coming from other provinces, would not be included in these statistics. What have we done with these people? Our population in 1911 was 292,000. Does anyone think we can have 700,000 people in our province to-day? No, we have not, and the only conclusion is that we did not have room for them and the speculators, so we turned them away and legislated to keep the speculator."

"He concluded with an eloquent call to men of all parties to unite in the endeavor to turn the government out when the time comes but at the present juncture to elect three members in opposition to that government. Ralph Smith began by a reference to the changed appearance of the person of Liberalism since he made his first speech in Victoria, to the deaths of Hon. William Templeman, Senator Riley, Duncan Ross, R. L. Drury and others, and to the fact that the youth which dissociated the present from the past in political life had a poor knowledge of human life. The pioneers in

political matters and in the assertion of the people's rights had always had to make great sacrifices, and if men to-day had privileges which were more favorable than men in the past had enjoyed, these had been secured through the sacrifices and toil of those who had gone before. Whatever man had to-day always bore an intimate relation to everything that had gone before. On all rested the responsibility and the duty of strengthening the hands of those who were fighting for our liberties and rights, even at the cost of some sacrifice. Everything worth while in the state had been won by the endeavors of the great men of the past and it was our duty to maintain these. (Cheers.)

No wonder the new ministers wanted to convince the people that the government of which they were members was a new one; no one could blame them for that. (Hear, hear.) They wanted people to believe that all the sins and slanders had been got rid of; that only saints remained; that there might be super-expected saintly legislation and superior administration.

Sending Out "The Goat." The Hebrews of old, Mr. Smith went on to say, had a habit of selecting the most useless old animal they could get, usually a goat—(laughter)—and driving it into the wilderness as far as they could get it from civilization, bearing the sins of the people. Mr. Bowser was not like that. He did not take a worthless thing as the goat. He took a Sir Knight, the premier of the province—(laughter)—and, by the most dishonorable act a man could be guilty of to his leader, sent him forth to bear the sins of the administration. He did not send him into the wilderness, however, but to London, where "mansions were prepared for him. (Renewed laughter.)

"But what will the people of London think about it?" asked Mr. Smith. "What we have to maintain is the reputation of the province before the world. Mr. Flumerfelt tells us he will not take responsibility for anything that happened before December 15, but he is something he cannot escape. Mr. Bowser and he have undertaken the responsibility of appointing a man contrary to the statute law of the land. This very clean minister already has put himself on record as sinking to the act of getting rid of an old servant of the province and appointing a successor before the legislature had the right and privilege of providing for the change. (Hear, hear.)

Not a New Government.

"Mr. Flumerfelt insists that this is a new administration," Mr. Smith went on. "He reminds me of the words of Holy Writ: 'No man puts a piece of new cloth upon an old garment.' That is just what Mr. Flumerfelt is, a new piece of cloth, but it is an old garment. The parable goes on to say: 'If he does, then the rent is made worse.' (Cheers.) New wine is not put in old bottles, else the bottles burst and the worthy liquor is spilled. (Applause.) A new government, and yet I understand Harry Price is still at liberty!"

Mr. Smith admitted that Vancouver had its governmental faults, that it had its Kitchikan reserve, but it had never had a man who changed his sign conveniently and made a million-dollar profit out of the government as part of the party machine. If Mr. Flumerfelt wanted to give evidence that the government was new, he would have to give evidence that the machine was new, and the only way he could give evidence was by coming out and saying so. Had Mr. Bowser ever confessed his sins? Had Mr. Flumerfelt shown any desire for abolition? Their colleague, Mr. Tisdall, in Vancouver had said he would be proud to do all over again what the government had done in the past.

"Is Mr. Flumerfelt going to control the machine or is the machine going to control him?" asked Mr. Smith, and a voice from the audience answered: "They dare not get rid of Harry Price." What about the exploitation of natural resources, the borrowings of the last four years? Mr. Flumerfelt had to accept responsibility for what had gone before. He could not escape from it. He knew when he took office that he would have to provide for the financial obligations incurred in the past by the administration of which he had now become a member.

Meaning of Economy.

Economy was well-spent money, the speaker went on to say. Liberals did not complain because the province had been spending large sums, but because the sums spent had not contributed to the productivity or development of the province. There had been needless and extravagant spending in every branch of the public service. Qualified members of the civil service could have been employed instead of the removal of the Indians from the Songhees reserve without paying other people \$100,000 for the work, or from the Kitchikan reserve without paying \$80,000.

"Speaking of the Songhees reserve," Mr. Smith went on to say, "I can tell you a little history that you would do well to remember at this time. For a considerable time Mr. Templeman, with my assistance, was negotiating a settlement of that question, and we decided that whatever transfer was made it should be by the department at Ottawa, and Frank Pedley was here for two years negotiating with the Indians. Certain gentlemen who ultimately became connected with the matter, and who got a commission out of it, were found to be blocking the wheels, and said that Mr. Pedley could never settle this matter. To the credit of Mr. Templeman it will always be remembered in connection with that transaction that he said: 'We pay officers to transact this kind of business for us. These gentlemen who say that the matter could not be settled until they were called into it got the answer from Mr. Templeman: Then it will never be settled, for the Liberals will not contribute one five-cent piece to any commission agent to do the work that the government pays officials to do for the country. Perhaps the Colonel will make that statement in the morning. A few months after the present government got in these same real estate and commission agents got the government to come to their terms and they made \$100,000 out of doing what should have been done without cost to the country in that way. (Cheers.) We held back the settlement two years

rather than submit to men getting a rake-off of this kind." (Applause.) It had always been the claim of the administration, that its policies were contributing to the settlement of the country and the increase of trade. (A voice: "It is a joke.") The very reverse was the truth. People had been brought out to this province without expense to or effort by this government, and what had they met? They had been frightened away from it by the policy of the McBride-Bowser government, which had tied the land up so that they could not get at it to cultivate it, had handed over the resources of the province to exploiters who were often aliens, and had so committed the province to the railways by way of guarantees of bonds that no one wanted to come here to face the inevitable taxation. No Real Increase. A late report from the provincial mineralogist boasted of an increase of five million dollars in the metalliferous mines of British Columbia. The truth was that the government had never spent a cent to increase the production of the mines, which was \$15,000,000 in 1905 and \$15,000,000 in 1914. In the intervening ten years there had not been one dollar of increase. The miner was responsible for the increase in the value of the production of 1915 over that of 1905. The price of copper, the product of the mines, had been decreasing seriously since 1910, and this was blamed on the use of fuel oil. One of the chief causes of the reduction was the over-capitalization of the companies which were operating, and in this the Mackenzie-Mann interests were the most guilty. (Hear, hear.) "Squeeze the water out," said Mr. Smith, and the audience cheered the sentiment. It would be the duty of a Liberal government, he said, to see that the men who worked in the mines got the greatest benefit from the results of their labors, and that the consumer got coal at the lowest possible price, and there were renewed cheers. Under the Conservative administration of the province there had been no growth of population, no development of trade, no increased production, but there had been a great increase in the revenue. Where had the money gone? What had the government done with it? Part of it had gone to a stipendiary magistrate in the Kitchikan reserve case, thousands of dollars had been spent on royal commissions, whose recommendations had been largely ignored and gone counter to. The man whose creation and manipulation of the machine had made all this waste possible had been elevated from the position of attorney-general to that of premier. Mr. Smith defied Mr. Flumerfelt to point to one million dollars spent out of the vast number of millions in the past few years which had been expended upon productive enterprises or for the benefit of the people in future years. There had been a great deal of talk about the machine. Who created it? ("Harry Price," cried a voice.) No, Harry Price was not big enough for that. Harry was not a creator. Mr. J. Bowser had made the machine after he became minister in 1907, and had used it against his opponents in federal and provincial elections since. Mr. Smith went into the methods of the



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opposition of the cabinet can do something to hold on to the remainder of our liberties that are left." (Renewed cheers.) The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem. Among those who occupied seats on the platform with President Fraser and the speakers of the evening were John Hart, A.M., George Bell and Henry C. Hall, the other Liberal candidates in a general election; P. A. Pauline, the candidate in Saanich; L. U. Conyers, Dr. Lewis Hall, A.M., McNeill, A.M., Peden, Albert Onions, L. W. Bick, James Patterson, James Tagg, Dr. S. G. Clemence, Arthur Brakes, Andrew Fairfull, Thomas Leeming, A. W. Watson, Andrew Walker, A.M., Cameron, R. W. Douglas, C. G. White, Edmund

The cook who had given so much satisfaction unexpectedly gave notice. "Whatever for?" inquired her mistress. "Do you want more wages, or isn't the food good enough?" "Oh, no, mum, it's not that, but—In going to be married." "Married? Why, I didn't know you were courting." "Oh, it hasn't been long, mum. I've recollect me having a holiday a short time back to go to a funeral!" "Yes, quite well." "Well, mum, it begun then. I'm going to marry the corpse's husband. He said that day as how I was the life of the party!"

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WIRELESS REPORT Feb. 23, 8 a. m. Point Grey-Fury; calm; bar, 30.75; temp, 39; thick.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE San Francisco, Feb. 22-Arrived: Str. Olson & Mahony from Guaymas; Str. Brooklyn from Bandon; Str. Avalon from Willapa; Str. Grays Harbor from Willapa; Str. Grays Harbor from Willapa; Str. Grays Harbor from Willapa.

BELIEVE STEAMER IS DRIFTING ON PACIFIC Officials of Packers' Association Cling to Hope That Onward Ho Will Yet Report

Although the fishing steamer Onward Ho has been missing since the middle of January, the officials of the H. C. Packers' Association, owners of the vessel, have not entirely given up hopes for her.

WEDDING PARTY LOST. Seward, Alaska, Feb. 22.-The launch Mattie, carrying a wedding party from Afognak to Kodiak, foundered a few days ago, and four persons were drowned.

JAPANESE LINER IS FAST ASHORE Kobe, Feb. 23.-The Japanese steamer Tanyo Maru, of 12,459 tons gross, on route to San Francisco from Hongkong, is ashore off Shimoda.

PREPARING FOR ALASKAN BUSINESS Grand Trunk Pacific Officials Confer at Winnipeg on Plans for the Coming Season

Winnipeg, Feb. 22.-Considerable extension of their business to Alaska of Vancouver and development of passenger and freight traffic in that direction is planned by the Grand Trunk Pacific railway.

BRITISH TOOK GERMAN OUTSIDE THE LIMIT Washington, Feb. 22.-The American consul at Shanghai to-day submitted a partial report to the state department on the recent seizure of 38 German vessels aboard the American liner China by a British warship.

STEAMER FLOATED. Halifax, Feb. 23.-The steamer Potomac, which stranded while entering Halifax harbor on Saturday morning, in a fog, was re-floated to-day and is now proceeding to dock for examination.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN IN FROM ORIENT Arrives on Second Trip Since Being Released by the Admiralty; Had Good Voyage

The C. P. R. liner Empress of Japan, Capt. Davidson, arrived from the Orient at noon today. The liner reached William Head about 12 o'clock and left port at the outer wharf a few minutes after 2 o'clock.

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SPORTING NEWS

JOE BAYLEY ACCEPTS CURSON'S DEFI AND IS READY FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

Canadian Lightweight Champion Would Post Forfeit Today to Bind Match; Mandot Outpointed Dundee; Other Ring Gossip

Joe Bayley, Canadian lightweight champion announced this morning that he would accept the def. of P. O. Frank Curson to meet all comers at 125 pounds, and that he would be ready to post his \$100 side bet this afternoon with the Times sporting editor to show that he meant business.

Mandot Outpointed Dundee. New Orleans, La., Feb. 23.—Joe Mandot, of New Orleans, was awarded a referee's decision last night over Johnny Dundee, of New York, at the end of a 20-round boxing contest held at the local arena.

The first fifteen rounds were about evenly divided, Mandot being awarded seven and Dundee six with two giving no advantage to either contestant. Mandot took the lead from the 15th round and until the end was in no danger except in the 18th, when Dundee had a decided advantage.

When the final gong rang both men were fighting furiously in the centre of the ring. Neither fighter was forced to the ropes at any time, all of the boxing being done near the centre of the ring.

Weights were given out by managers of the fighters as follows: Mandot 132 and Dundee 127 1/2. They fought at catch weights, however, no weight requirements being exacted.

PRINCE ALBERT MINTOS ARE LEADING LEAGUE

Saskatoon, Sask., Feb. 23.—The Prince Albert Mintos strengthened their position last night in the Northern league race by hammering out a 20 to 6 win against North Battleford in Lumberland, while Saskatoon threw away the advantage of their past win with the Mintos by falling before Humboldt 5 to 4 in a game which required twenty minutes of overtime play.

TEAMS ARE TIED FOR 'PEG HOCKEY TITLE

Winnipeg, Feb. 23.—As a result of the game exhibition of hockey witnessed in Winnipeg last night, the Monarchs and the 18th Battalion hockey teams are tied for the championship of the Winnipeg amateur hockey league and must play a two-game series to decide the championship on which depends which will represent Manitoba in any Allan cup series that must be played.

ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED.

Milwaukee, Feb. 23.—All details for the 10-round bout between Champion Freddie Welsh and Ad Wolgast, the former lightweight champion, were arranged to-day in Milwaukee by Tom Andrews, the premier boxing promoter of that city.

SECRET MEETING.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—A secret meeting of the new owners of the Cleveland club was held in the offices of President Johnson, of the American league, yesterday. When it was over, J. C. Dunn, of Chicago, who is to be president of the club, confirmed reports that Leo Fohl would remain as manager.

ANNUAL CRICKET MEETING.

The Victoria Cricket club will hold its annual meeting for the election of officers and other business on March 2 at 8 p.m. in room 208, Bayward building.

Harry Stone, of New York, challenged the winner.

Chip Fought Abnorm. New York, Feb. 23.—George Chip, of Newcastle, Pa., former middleweight champion, lost on a foul to Young Ahern, of this city, in the fifth round of their second match in Brooklyn last night.

Saylor K. O. Cross. Cincinnati, O., Feb. 23.—Milburn Saylor, of Indianapolis, knocked out Leach Cross, of New York, here last night in the fifth round of a scheduled ten-round bout.

Coulon Outpointed. Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 23.—Frankie Burns, of Jersey City, won a decision over Eddie Coulon, of New Orleans, in an eight-round bout here last night. Burns outpointed the New Orleans bantam in nearly every round.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 23.—Benny Leonard, the New York lightweight, knocked out Jimmy Murphy, of this city, in the last minute of a six-round bout here last night.

Lewis Outpointed. Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Jimmy of Lockport, outpointed Ted Lewis, of New York, in a ten-round bout here last night. In their first bout at Boston, Lewis knocked out Duffy in the first round.

Betting Opens. New York, Feb. 23.—A number of wagers were made yesterday 10 to 7 that Jess Willard will receive the consensus of newspaper opinion in his fight with Frank Moran.

Lightweights Matched. Milwaukee, Feb. 23.—Benny Leonard, the sensational New York lightweight, and Joe Welling, of Chicago, will meet in a ten-round bout here Friday night.

White and Callahan Matched. Cincinnati, Feb. 23.—Frankie Callahan and Charlie White have been matched to box ten rounds here on March 20. The promoters will endeavor to match the winner with Freddie Welsh for the lightweight championship.

V.I.A.A. WILL SEND BOXERS TO SEATTLE

McIntyre Requests That Three Men Go From Victoria; Western Scots' Tourney

W. H. Davies, superintendent of the V. I. A. A., this morning received a wire from Chet McIntyre, physical instructor of the Seattle Athletic club, asking him to send over three boxers to compete in the S. A. C. tourney on Monday night.

O.H.A. RESULTS.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—Last night's amateur hockey results: O.H.A. intermediate (second round)—Port Colborne 7, Wainwright 2 (Port Colborne wins round by three goals). Group tie play-off—Brampton 2, Weston 1, Junior (third round)—Kingston C.I. 4, Belleville 4.

REGINA VICS WIN.

Regina, Sask., Feb. 23.—Regina Vics tied the league race again by defeating the 68th Battalion team 6 to 3 in an exciting and rough game here last night. The soldiers lacked the condition of the city team. They started out strong, the score being 2-0 for the 68th at the end of the first period.

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Local pitcher who left yesterday to join the St. Louis National League club at its training quarters at San Antonio, Texas.

STEELE LEAVES TO JOIN ST. LOUIS CLUB

Graduate From 'Beacon Hill' Diamond Confident of Making Good in Big League

Bobby Steele, the popular local southpaw, left the city yesterday afternoon for San Antonio, Texas, to join the St. Louis National league club at its training station.

The youngster was a bit downhearted, but he possessed plenty of grit, and while he looked fifty per cent better than the clan of slabbers the local club had on staff, he was sent to the Twilight league for seasoning.

P. C. H. A. STANDING

Table showing P. C. H. A. standing with columns for P, W, L, E, A, Pts. and rows for various teams like Portland, Vancouver, Seattle, etc.

CLEVELAND OWNERS.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—It was learned to-day that Thomas Walsh, of Walsh Construction company, of Davenport, Iowa, was one of the purchasers of the Cleveland American League Baseball club.

AGGIES WON.

Medford, Ore., Feb. 23.—The Oregon Agricultural college basketball team defeated the Medford High school team last night by a score of 22 to 6.

METS. REGISTER THEIR FIFTH STRAIGHT WIN

Closed Their Season at Home by 4 to 2 Victory Over Vancouver Last Night

Seattle, Feb. 23.—In the presence of 3,000 madly cheering hockey fans the Metropolitans closed the local season by winning from the Vancouver septette 4 to 2, and by virtue of their victory the locals are now tied with the Millionaires for possession of the position next to Portland in the league race.

As was predicted, the game was a hard-fought one with little to choose between the two teams. The general all round team work of the Mets appeared to be just a trifle stronger than that of Vancouver, and it was due to this that the two-goal advantage fell to the locals.

Seattle went out in front in the second session, scoring two goals, while Vancouver failed to break into the scoring column, and in the final twenty minutes of play Seattle scored twice more, while Vancouver tallied but once.

Line-Up. Seattle. Position. Vancouver. Holmes. Goal. Lehman. Rowe. Defence. Ducean. Carpenter. Defence. Griffis. Walker. Centre. Muckay. Morris. Centre. Muckay. Wilson. Right Wing. Stanley. Foyston. Left Wing. Cook. Rieky. Substitute. Seaborn.

Goal summary: First period—Vancouver, Muckay, unassisted, 1-0. Second period—Seattle, Wilson, from Rowe, 2-1; Seattle, Walker, from Carpenter, 3-1. Third period—Seattle, Rowe, unassisted, 4-1; Seattle, Rowe, unassisted, 4-2; Vancouver, Griffis, from Muckay, 4-3.

DATE ANNOUNCED FOR HORSE RACE MEETING

Chehalis, Feb. 23.—The racing programme for the Southwest Washington fair, to be held August 23 to September 2, has been announced as follows by Secretary Walker.

Tuesday, Aug. 23—2:30 trot, \$500, early closing; 2:30 pace, \$500, late closing; one-half-mile run, \$75, \$100, overnight entries.

Wednesday, Aug. 24—2:15 trot, \$500, late closing; 2:25 pace, \$500, early closing; five-eighths-mile run, \$75; one-mile run, \$100, overnight entries.

BIG OFFER TO JOCKEY.

Ottumwa, Iowa, Feb. 23.—William Wiley, a local jockey who has been riding for the prime minister of Roumania for four years, has received a cablegram from Prince Carl I, now in Bucharest, offering him \$12,000 to ride his mounts this season.

REMARKED ON THE SIDE

Marathoner's Doing Their Bit. The recent announcement that Tom Longboat, the great Indian marathon runner, had enlisted did not come as a surprise. It was Longboat who first suggested the forming of an Indian battalion.

Considering that Jess Willard will get \$1,583.33 a minute for a ten-round set-to with Frank Moran in New York March 25, the bout is the most costly thing in the history of sports.



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BIKE RACE.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 23.—Four teams, the Lawson-Cameron, Lawrence-Magin, McNamara-Madden and Thomas-Kuiser, forged a lap ahead by frequent sprints to-day and went into the lead in the six-day bicycle race at Convention hall here. Their mark at the close of 21 hours' riding was 716 miles and 9 laps.

REDS SIGN TONEY.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 23.—Toney, the premier pitcher for the National league team for last season, to-day signed a contract with the local club for the season of 1916.

COSTLY THINGS IN SPORT WORLD.

Other costly things in sports are here named, each being the most costly of the kind: Arm—Walter Johnson's, \$50,000 a year. Feet—Freddie Welsh's, \$100,000 a year. Hands—Fred Snodgrass's. They cost the Giants \$30,000 world series money.

Legs—Joe Stuber's, used in wrestling, \$100,000. Mouth—Johnny Evers's. He talked the Boston Braves into a pennant and world series. Head—Fred Merkle's. It cost the Giants a pennant.

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HELP WANTED

WANTED—Voluntary signers, all parts, for St. James church choir, Quebec street. Apply Church, Friday, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. MISCELLANEOUS. NOTICE TO CREDITORS—A meeting of the creditors of MacKinnon will be held at 257 Johnson street, Victoria, B. C., on Friday, February 23, at 4 o'clock p.m. in the office of the undersigned.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and to the point. The longer an article the shorter its chance of being published. In regard to the proceedings taken by the fire chief against the undersigned, it is stated I refused to pull in behind the street car which I was following, which is an untruth, as I was going south and the car going north, which the chief admitted.

PIPES AND PIPERS

To the Editor.—As pipe major of the 67th Battalion, Western, Scouts of Canada, I feel bound to answer a letter which appeared in your issue of February 21, having reference to our pipe band in particular and some other things in general. The letter in question is signed "One Who Knows," the writer evidently not caring to use his own name.

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LOCAL NEWS

F. L. Haynes means watchmaker and jeweler.

Oak Bay Red Cross. The ladies committee of the Oak Bay Red Cross society held a meeting this morning for the purpose of discussing the final details of Friday's tea, and arrangements were made for the ladies who are to send cakes, etc. The machine asked for by the ladies for use in the Red Cross rooms is very kindly being lent by Mrs. Ballentine.

Frances Willard Memorial. The W. C. T. U. will hold a "Frances Willard Memorial" at the home of Mrs. C. T. U. on Saturday.

Answers to Times Want Ads.

The following replies are waiting to be called for:

630, 1006, 1122, 1209, 1310, 1343, 1346, 1352, 1367, 1377, 1384, 1324, 1463, 1494, 1426, 1472, 1509, 1516, 1528, 1545, 1572, 1580, 1582, 1621, 1636, 1638, 1665, 2138, 2142, 2172, 2206, 2264, 2265.

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RHODE ISLAND RED ROOSTER, 2 years old, grand bird; also one Rhode Island cockerel and one Houdan cockerel, each 11 months old, good specimens. Anthony, 136 St. Andrew's, Phone 1644.

AGENTS.—Ladies, hustler, to sell a woman's specialty. Box 161, Times. 162.

WANTED.—Some 5x8 plate holders for six view camera. Box 1615, Times. 126.

FOR SALE.—10 h. p. Foy & Bowen marine engine, \$150; 14 ft. rowboat, \$30; 3 roomed house, boat, \$35. Causeway Boat House, Phone 2405, Times. 125.

SALES LADIES wanted for Dollar Day. Apply Mr. Dave Spencer, D. Spencer, Ltd. 124.

OFFICE GIRL wanted, over eighteen years, one living at home preferred; must be quick, accurate in figures and write plain, but experience unnecessary. Reply fully in own handwriting. First letter. You will be judged by your application. Box 1654, Times. 122.

WANTED.—Bookkeeper, used to retail store work, returned soldier or married man. Reply, stating age, experience, references, salary expected and photo, if any. Box 200, Times. 125.

LOST.—Feb. 12, Victoria Order of Nurses medal bearing inscription "M. E. Wallace. Return to 1884 Cook street. Reward. 123.

AN OPPORTUNITY.—Special sale of umbrellas, handkerchiefs, etc., at new goods, splendid value. The Umbrella Shop, 419 Pandora street, near Government. "Other things, too." 122.

CHRISTIAN WOMAN wanted to keep mother's house, 3 children. Box 1627, Times. 125.

ALL BLACK SOIL and manure, delivered. Phone 1584. 123.

FOR RENT.—Fairfield, new seven-room house, all furnished but linen, furnace, half block car. Owner, 234 Sinclair, Phone 1533. 125.

TO RENT.—Davida avenue, Gorge, 4 roomed, modern bungalow, 2 minutes Gorge car, \$8 month. Box 1625, Times. 125.

PLAYER-PIANO, nearly new, and records, for sale cheap, or exchange for good auto. Box 1653, Times. 125.

FOR QUICK SALE.—Modern, 5-room bungalow, furnished, for \$2,500 cash. Phone 3284. Mrs. J. J. Boyd, 1453 Hamley street. 127.

WANTED.—Furniture of all descriptions for cash. Bargain House, just past City Hall. Phone 4271. 123.

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DOANE.—On Feb. 22, at 87 Cormorant street, to the wife of H. F. Doane, a son.

SLANDER CASE FROM HAPPY VALLEY HEARD

Words Complained of Were Spoken at a Bible Class Meeting

Happy Valley at times believes its name. Just now, and for some months past it has had its moments of unhappiness, and of all places in the world the trouble originated in Bible class. It has become public through an action being heard to-day by Mr. Justice Macdonald in supreme court.

Russell H. E. Barker is suing Mrs. Alice M. Gray for \$5,000 damages for alleged slander. The words complained of were uttered in Mrs. Gray's home, where the class was meeting on January 17, 1915, and were to the effect that people were saying Barker was a Mormon and had three wives. W. C. Moroney is acting for the plaintiff and J. S. Brandon for the defendant.

It was then that Mrs. Gray rose, it is stated, walked forward and told Barker that it was common talk that he was a Mormon and had two or three wives. Her explanation is that she did so for his own good, to let him know what was being said, and the propriety, for his own sake, of dropping the line of discussion he had been adopting in Sunday school.

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MILITARY BALL

Interesting Event Last Evening at the Connaught Hall Was in Nature of Farewell Dance. The military ball given last evening at the Connaught hall by the military band of the 6th battalion, C. E. F., Western Scots, brought together a big assembly of dancers who were grateful for the opportunity of meeting their friends in the unit prior to the departure of the latter for overseas service.

OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral took place this afternoon at 2.30 of Ole Halvorsen. Services were held at the Sande Funeral parlors, Rev. J. G. Inkster officiating. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. H. Williams, C. Crane, F. Johnson, and H. Haller.

The funeral of Nelson Beineck will take place on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 from the Sands Funeral parlors. Rev. Walker officiating.

British Columbia, provided the pipe music for the Highland schottische which was one of the much-enjoyed numbers in the first part of the programme. To the following the many patrons of the function owe thanks for the very pleasurable character of this function: Major C. C. Harbottle, honorary president of the band; and the committee: Lee-Cpl. F. D. Ives, president; Cpl. R. G. Humphreys, secretary; Bandsman A. M. McAulay, treasurer; Bandsman Plump, floor manager.

MILITARY FUNERAL HELD THIS MORNING

Obsequies for Pte. George Knox Attended by His Company From 103rd Battalion

The funeral took place this morning, with full military honors, of Pte. George Knox, of the 103rd Battalion, Services took place at the B. C. funeral chapel at 9.30, Rev. C. H. Andrews, chaplain to the forces, being the officiating clergyman.

The attendance was very large, many of the comrades of the dead soldier being present at his obsequies. The whole of his own company, No. 3, paraded in a body in command of Capt. P. P. Barton, and there were present other officers and men from the unit.

REDUCING INFANT MORTALITY IN CITIES

Chief Inspector of Food Tells of Work in Winnipeg. The opportunities which lie before the city health departments in western Canada for reducing infant mortality, raising the quality of foodstuffs, retail to citizens, and improving the quality of milk were mentioned this morning by P. B. Tustin, chief of the food and dairy division of the board of health of the city of Winnipeg.

Mr. Tustin, who is a guest at the Empress hotel with Mrs. Tustin, is an examiner of the Royal Sanitary Institute, and has been conducting an examination in Regina, coming from there to the coast on business.

The department with which he is associated operates a successful clinic and mother's bureau in Winnipeg, and the results have been very valuable. "Our bureau for mothers," he says, "supplies every class of information they may want, six trained nurses going to the graveside to advise inexperienced women on the management of babies. If the babies are not in good health they are brought down to the clinic, where medical men prescribe for them. The reduction in the death rate has been considerable. In a city like Winnipeg, with a large foreign population, a good deal of pains has to be taken in teaching mothers how to bring up children. Our department continues its interest until they are two years old."

"He has been in Texas, though," observed his lordship. "It was sought to be established by Barnett that Mrs. Gray had been afforded an opportunity to apologize, but had not taken it. She had, in fact, said she would never apologize." "The defence is being heard this afternoon."

Miss Hazel M. Smith, of Vancouver, is visiting Dr. and Mrs. A. McCarter, of Craigdarroch, road.

Both mandibles of the parrot's beak are movable, but most birds are able to move only one.

TO-NIGHT'S MEETING IN VICTORIA WEST

Others Arranged for the Rest of Week; Polling Places Are Announced

The meeting held in the Victoria theatre last evening was an auspicious opening to the Liberal campaign, and affords a good indication of how public opinion has veered around from the unreasoning support which it has been giving to the government.

This will be followed this evening by a meeting in Victoria West, in Seaplane's hall. The speakers at this will be Mr. Brewster, F. C. Staupole, K. C., and Ald. George Bell. There is always a good gathering at a Liberal meeting in that portion of Ward One, and there is no doubt that when J. A. Brandon takes the chair this evening the hall will be filled.

The polling station for the by-election has been selected by H. W. R. Moore, the returning officer, and are as follows: Ward One—560 Yates street, opposite the end of Langley street, in the former premises of the Victoria Fruit Produce company.

Ward Two—B. C. Pottery warehouse, corner of Broad street and Pandora avenue.

Ward Three—Maynard's auction rooms (the old Institute hall), View street.

Ward Four—719 Courtney street, in the premises lately occupied by George Carter & Son.

Ward Five—Northwest Garage, corner of Wharf and Courtney streets.

Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt cannot get away from association with Harry Price, it seems, even in the columns of the morning paper. To-day a letter appears in its columns from the latter, disavowing any acquaintance with the minister of finance beyond passing the day, and following this a lengthy explanation of the ancestry and descent of the minister. The two matters are still further linked together by a single head, for which the minister's name is used, and the whole is enclosed in a border.

LADIES' MUSICAL CLUB

Full Programme of Concert To-morrow Night Contains Much of Special Interest. The following is the complete programme for the Ladies' Musical club entertainment at the Empress hotel ballroom to-morrow night: Piano solo—Preludes, Op. 28, Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Violin solo—Selected. Mrs. J. R. Green. Recitation and aria—"But the Lord is mindful of His Own" (St. Paul)..... Mendelssohn (St. Paul)..... Mendelssohn. Women's National Anthem. God Save the King. Accompanist, Mrs. Conyers Bridge-water. Organist, Edward Parsons.

SCHOOL GARDENS

Committee of School Board Investigates Application From Two Schools. The building and grounds committee of the school board this morning made an inspection of the Oaklands and Girls' Central schools playgrounds. At the former school a garden was established last summer, and the trustees are now asked to extend the scope of it, whereas the application at Girls' Central school is a new one. The contribution from the government in the case of a new garden almost represents the outlay.

The committee will make a report to the board at its next meeting on the matter. So far the George Jay and Oaklands schools are the only ones with school gardens.

"DOLLAR DAY"

Co-operative Sale by Victoria Merchants on Saturday Intended for Mutual Benefit.

"Dollar Day" has had its trial, and has already established itself in the confidence of the public. So shoppers will accept as a bona fide undertaking the co-operative sale announced for Saturday next, when, in a general way, the attractions will be much the same as on previous occasions of the kind. The main point which the retail merchants wish to emphasize in their mutual effort to attract the attention of the public to the event is that they will have either individually or collectively some bargain to offer which will make it worth the while of patrons in and out of Victoria to visit their stores during the day. It is hoped, as it was hoped when the movement was first set afoot in the city, that the public that is still under the impression that it can secure better and cheaper goods by shopping away from home will awake to the realization that they are going to needless trouble and expense to do this when visiting Victoria are real legitimate bargains which discount the attractions of the "distant fields."

One or two special offers are being made by most of the stores. For instance, Wilkinson, the jeweller, is giving each of his patrons a chance to purchase a watch for one dollar. Tickets will be given with every dollar purchase, and he who holds the lucky number will get the handsome clock. Other stores have similar offers.

OAK BAY LINKS OPEN

The Victoria Golf club course has been thoroughly dried out, and the green committee decided to open the links at 1 o'clock to-day. Local ground rules will prevail, and members are requested to observe them.

DEMAREST MUCH ALIVE

Elgin, Ill., Feb. 23.—Calvin S. Demarest, the Chicago billiardist, who was reported to have died in an Elgin institution Monday night, is not dead nor in any immediate danger.

MORTIMER WINS TITLE

Boston, Feb. 23.—Stanley G. Mortimer, of the Tuxedo Tennis and Racquet club, yesterday captured the national title in racket singles from Clarence C. Fell, of the same club. The scores were 15-12, 15-2, 15-12.

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PRESIDENT WILSON WISHES FREE HAND

Thinks Congress Should Not Interfere With Foreign Policy of Administration

Washington, Feb. 23.—The tendency of congress to take a hand in determining the attitude of the United States in its relations with foreign powers will be curbed if President Wilson's wishes rule. It is understood that the president has intimated plainly that the matter of the foreign policy, particularly at the present time, should be left to the executive. He feels that if any agitation were to develop in the congress at present it would have an adverse effect on the relations of the United States with the powers with which the government is negotiating.

It is stated that President Wilson told Senators Stone and Kern and Representative Flood when they held a conference with him on Monday that he had determined that the situation as between the United States and Germany on the question of submarine warfare must be clarified. It is understood that he made it plain that he will hold that Americans have the right to travel on the high seas in any ships which they choose, not being under the necessity of confining their traveling to neutral ships, as acceptance of Germany's position with regard to armed merchantmen of the allies would imply.

CLAIMS MADE BY THE GERMANS TO-DAY

Say They Advanced Two Miles in Northern Sector of Woivre

Berlin, Feb. 23.—The official statement issued to-day reads as follows: "Western trenches in the neighborhood of the trenches captured by our troops on February 21 to the east of Souchez (in Artois), the positions of the enemy were damaged considerably by mining operations. The number of prisoners taken there was increased to 11 officers and 248 men. The booty consisted of three machine guns.

In the Meuse hills artillery duels continued with undiminished violence. "East of the Meuse river, in the neighborhood of the village of Consenvoye, we attacked a position which the enemy had been fortifying for one and a half years with all the means of fortress construction, in order to maintain an embarrassing effect on our defenses in the northern sector of the Woivre.

The attack was delivered on a front exceeding well over ten kilometers and we penetrated as far as three kilometers (two miles) into the enemy's lines. Apart from sanguinary losses, the enemy lost more than 2,000 in prisoners and great quantities of material, the extent of which can not now be estimated.

In upper Alsace our attack east of Heildwert resulted in our capturing an enemy position extending over a width of 700 metres and for a depth of 400 metres. About 80 prisoners were taken.

In numerous aerial engagements behind the lines our aviators maintained the upper hand."

RICH MEN OF SEATTLE WERE BLACKMAILED

Seattle, Feb. 23.—A deputy sheriff will leave for Los Angeles to-night to bring back Miss Isabel Clayburg, who is accused of being a member of a group of women who, with the aid of a photographer and two attorneys, blackmailed wealthy Seattle men out of many thousands of dollars.

SIR WILLIAM MACKENZIE COMING TO VANCOUVER

Winnipeg, Feb. 23.—Sir William Mackenzie presided this afternoon at the annual meeting of the Winnipeg Electric Railway company, postponed from two weeks ago because the auditors' report was not ready for presentation.

ROGERS'S REPLY TO CALDER'S STATEMENT

Merely Says Charge Made by Saskatchewan Minister is Untrue

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—In the commonsense afternoon Hon. Robert Rogers, as a matter of privilege, said that this morning he had been informed that a press dispatch had been received in the city stating that Hon. J. A. Calder, minister of railways and highways in the Saskatchewan government, had stated that he (Mr. Rogers) was responsible for instigating certain charges against the Saskatchewan government.

"I wish to say," said Mr. Rogers, "that if such a statement was made it is untrue."

Referring to the statement attributed to Mr. Calder that Mr. Rogers had asked that the investigations into the acts of the Roblin government in Manitoba should be called off, Mr. Rogers said:

"If Mr. Calder made this statement, which I very much doubt, I wish to say that it also is untrue."

HUGHES DECLARES CURRIE MISTAKEN

Minister Says He Did Not Stand Between Colonel and Decoration

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Major-General Sir Sam Hughes replied in the house of commons this afternoon to the statement made by Colonel J. A. Currie, Conservative, North Simcoe, Ont., yesterday that only two men had stood between him and some decoration or mention in dispatches in connection with his services at St. Julien. Major-General Hughes said that the Canadian forces at the front were entirely under the command-in-chief, and he (Hughes) had nothing whatever to do with any decoration which Col. Currie might have received. As he had not been there at all it would be a great presumption on his part to interfere in such a matter.

There were plenty of men who had done magnificent service at the front besides those who had received special honors. He had constantly denied the rumors which he had heard in regard to Col. Currie. One of the rumors had been to the effect that at the time of the severe fighting Col. Currie had been found in the rear of the British division some distance from his battalion. He (Hughes) had found this was not true. The man who had been seen as Brigadier-General A. W. Currie, of Victoria, B. C., who was there looking for reinforcements.

Another rumor was that Col. Currie had been seen at Ypres in the rear of the canal. This story also had been found to be untrue.

Major-General Hughes said that in the latter of the recommendation which Brigadier-General Turner made or may have made, he had taken it up with Brigadier-General Turner. He had asked him if he could say why Col. Currie, if entitled to some recognition, had not been given it. He had received no answer to either letter.

CITY OF QUEBEC WILL HAVE FEWER ALDERMEN

Quebec, Feb. 23.—The private bills committee of the legislature decided to-day that the Quebec city council will be composed of only 16 members, instead of 25 as at present. The city will be divided into only 8 wards. This unexpected amendment to the Quebec city charter was inserted to-day at the request of Lucien Cannon, of Quebec, member for Dorchester. The change is to become effective at the close of the present aldermanic term of two years.

GERMANY HAS LOST THIRTY-TWO ZEPPELINS

Copenhagen, Feb. 23.—Germany has lost 32 Zeppelins since the war began, but has 92 left, according to confidential advice received here to-day.

FRENCH ADMIRAL COMMANDS

London, Feb. 23.—Rt. Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, first lord of the admiralty, announced to-day that supreme command of the allied fleets in the Mediterranean had been placed with the French commander-in-chief.

STATES ROUMANIA WILL JOIN ALLIES

When Hour Comes, Says Russian Foreign Minister; the Emperor's Words

Petrograd, Feb. 23.—The speech of Emperor Nicholas before the duma at the opening yesterday was devoted principally to the victory of the Russians at Erzerum.

"I rejoice that I am able to join you in thanksgiving for the brilliant victory of our army of the Caucasus," the emperor said.

"I am happy to be among the representatives of my faithful people. I pray for God's blessing in your labors in this time of trial and am convinced you will use all your experience and knowledge and be guided by love of your country in the work for which you are responsible to the country and to me. I wish you fruitful labor and complete success."

Sazanoff Reviewed War. M. Sazanoff, minister of foreign affairs, reviewed the war. His speech was most optimistic, although he declared it was more difficult now than ever before to force the end of the world struggle.

"The imperial government remains unshaken in its determination to continue the struggle to conquer the enemy," he said.

"This war is the greatest crime of high treason against humanity. Those who provoked it bear a heavy responsibility and to-day stand entirely unmasked. We know who it was that led these misfortunes without number with which Europe is oppressed. Even the German public opinion is beginning to realize that the German people have been the dupes of those who thought the hour had come to realize the dreams of plunder and rapine they had cherished so long.

Must Crush Prussianism. "When dealing with an enemy like Germany we must take thought in good time how best to prevent the repetition of the events which occurred so rapidly eighteen months ago. The instinct of self-preservation demands that an end be put to the ruthless egotism and passion for plunder which are the crux of Prussianism and they must be crushed once and for all.

Others have been made in vain. The allies have brought about a complete union without the sacrifice by any one of them of a particle of independence or personality. With the enemy it is different. Germany's allies have become vassals. It is hard to speak any longer of Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria as independent states. The British grasp of Germany has seized the power in their armies and all branches of administration.

The signing by the five great allied powers of the treaty not to conclude peace except in concert proves the falsity of the absurd rumors of a separate peace."

Relations With Sweden. In regard to Russia's relations with Sweden, M. Sazanoff said: "Our only sentiment toward the Swedes is one of sincere friendship. Any pretext of conflicting interests could only be artificial.

"Russia's history does not impel her toward the coast of Scandinavia. She must obtain an outlet in the free sea in quite another direction."

Attitude of Roumania. The foreign minister then turned to Roumania, saying: "Roumania will not betray her own interests, and when the hour strikes she will know how to realize her national unity at the cost of her own blood. She may be advised against the attempt of common enemy to interfere with the independence of her decisions she will find real support."

Relations With States. M. Sazanoff then took up the subject of Russian-American relations.

"The interest which American industry has in our markets," he said "permits of the hope that in addition to the friendly political relations now existing between the two countries, an economic rapprochement may be brought about which will be of the greatest benefit to both nations. In any case the Russian government will put forth all its efforts to this end."

The foreign minister also referred to the "maladroit and impudent propaganda of German agents in the United States," which he said, "not only failed in its object but provoked certain irritation and appreciably chilled American sympathies for Germany."

COST OF LIQUIDATION IS BEING CUT DOWN

Judge Continues Review of Solicitors' Bills Connected With Dominion Trust

Vancouver, Feb. 23.—Mr. Justice Murphy, a liquidation judge in charge of the Dominion Trust liquidation, spent his entire morning to-day in continuing his review of the taxation of the bill of costs filed by the solicitors of the liquidation for their work for the first nine weeks, when they acted as solicitors to the provisional liquidator.

The bill, which was for \$7,504 when filed, was taxed down to about \$5,400 by the registrar. Since the appeal proceedings have been heard it has been taxed down further by a considerable amount. Under the rules, the costs of the appeal proceedings and taxation will fall upon the solicitors if more than one-sixth of the original bill be taxed off.

This morning a large number of charges were disallowed and a still further number were upheld, while for Joseph Martin, K. C., the appeal had the happy result that an item of \$25 for advice upon the question of recovering certain documents held by Messrs. Bowen, Reid & Wallbridge as security for their costs, and which had been taxed down by the registrar to \$15, was restored by his lordship to its original value after the facts had been brought out.

Advice Not Followed. One amusing incident marked the proceedings this morning. It was in connection with a fee of \$25 paid by George H. Cowan, K. C., to Mr. Martin for advice upon the question as to whether the liquidator and his solicitor ought to go to Victoria to request the premier and the attorney-general to pay the depositors, as the government allegedly had been aware that the deposits had been taken in violation of the amendment of the 1914 legislature.

Mr. Martin advised against making the trip on the ground that it was outside the scope of the liquidator's duties. In spite of this advice, Mr. Cowan and the liquidator made the trip to Victoria. Mr. Cowan entering up a fee of \$109 for himself for the trip in addition to expenses.

"I see," observed his lordship, "that Mr. Martin very wisely decided it was outside the scope of the liquidator's duty."

"Yes," rejoined Mr. Martin, "and then the registrar goes and cuts down my fee from \$25 to \$15." (Laughter.)

J. H. Lawson, for the creditors: "My opinion is that Mr. Martin is entitled to his full fee for his advice, but I think the other parties ought to have their bills disallowed for not following Mr. Martin's advice after they had got it."

Mr. Justice Murphy: "Well, that's a matter we will have to consider later on when we reach it."

The next item was for sending a telegram to Victoria in connection with the matter. His lordship allowed the sum of \$1 for the telegram, but disallowed a charge of \$1 for sending it off.

Duplicate Charges. In connection with the duplicate charges for advice to the provisional liquidator, Mr. Lawson stated this morning in connection with a series of items all on one day where Mr. Cowan had a fee of \$15 for advising that gentleman all morning and five other items were entered upon advice on sundry matters during the course of the day.

In addition to this there was a standing charge of \$750, being at the rate of \$30 a day for the service of a Mr. Duncan, solicitor to assist and advise the provisional liquidator.

Mr. Justice Murphy requested an explanation.

"Why, if there was a solicitor in charge all the time, do we have these additional charges," he asked.

J. W. Dixie, for the solicitors: "Because the work demanded it."

The court: "Well, why were those five charges made on top of all these other attendances?"

ince, but his status is, technically that of a student here, as his time for awaiting a call to the British Columbia bar has not expired yet. Mr. Martin, who argued the case for him, pointed out that managing clerks could get paid for chamber work.

"But this is for giving legal advice," questioned the judge.

After further argument his lordship accepted Mr. Martin's view and held that the charges could be properly made for Mr. Dixie's services.

A series of charges for advising depositors that could not obtain their moneys was disallowed.

"What was the liquidator doing sending people to his solicitors to tell them they could not get their moneys? He could have done that himself. I will strike out those items," decided his lordship.

Mr. Martin's Statement. A vindication of Mr. Martin's charges was made by the gentleman himself in proceeding against the registrar having cut down several of his bills.

"The solicitors never came to me except when they were in difficulties," he said. "Plenty of counsel in this city would have charged \$100 where I charged \$25. All the way through my bills for counsel's opinion have been very reasonable."

"I can agree with that. I think in this case Mr. Martin suffered at the registrar's hands owing to the trivial nature of the items entered up," agreed Mr. Lawson, and the court restored the item from \$45 to \$25.

That the work of cutting down each other's bills is a mutual matter is seen by a bill of costs entered up by a local firm of solicitors against the Dominion Trust liquidation yesterday. The bill, which was for \$1,100, was opposed by the solicitors for the liquidation, who succeeded in having it taxed down to between \$400 and \$700.

730,000 SQUARE MILES IN AFRICA TAKEN

London, Feb. 23.—Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law, secretary for the colonies, announced in the house of commons to-day that 730,000 square miles of German territory in Africa had been captured.

Togo and surrendered to the British in August of 1914. German Southwest Africa was captured by Gen. Botha's forces in July of last year. The capture of Cameroon by French and British forces was completed last week. In the remaining German colony, German East Africa, fighting is still in progress. Gen. Smuts is in command of the South African force was up to the 14th of yesterday.

Oats was steady all day and after a brisk trade with demand good closed at \$2. up with May at 44 and July at 43. Barley had its first brisk trading and rose 2c to 42c. Flax was down 2c for May to 21c and up 1c for July at 21c.

The feature of all markets was the heavy selling in the early morning and the gradual rally. Some hedging took place to-day, but not a great deal. The export trade was moderate with a good demand reported at seaboard. Most of the buying here was around 12c. Cash trade was light owing to the continued large receipts and the demand has fallen off. The spread remained unchanged from the close when No. 1 Northern was 1c under May and No. 2 Northern 2c under.

Wheat— Open. Close. High. Low. Close. May 120-118 121-121 119-121 119-121 121-121 121-121

EARLY WEAKNESS; THEN STEADINESS IN WHEAT (By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) Chicago, Feb. 23.—The Liverpool cable again showed a small decline for wheat. Influences which started early selling were a continuation of those prevailing last week. In the matter of free country offerings, southwest and northwest, lack of interest in American and Canadian wheat by exporters, the congestion at the seaboard and scarcity of freight room, which has been a disturbing factor of late. One of the features of the day, strength in wheat was a better cash demand, reflected in the disappearance of the discount for No. 2 red wheat in Chicago, which sold at May price this morning against three cents under on Monday.

Wheat— Open. High. Low. Close. May 120-118 121-121 119-121 121-121 121-121 121-121

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET. (By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) Jan. 12.19 12.29 12.28 12.27-29

NEW YORK SUGAR. (By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) New York, Feb. 23.—Raw sugar nominal; molasses, \$1.28-31.50; centrifugal, \$5.90-6.00; refined steady.

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NO ACTIVITY RULES IN VICTORIA MARKET

In Keeping With All Stock Exchanges, Prices Move Narrowly All Through

It was distinctly a quiet market locally, more so than for the last few sessions, but this was not peculiar to the Victoria stock exchange, markets everywhere moving perfunctorily.

Lack of trend is due to the foreign aspect, and until such time as the outlook becomes more clarified not much is expected in the way of speculative movements or even investment buying of securities.

However, mine development is still proceeding at full steam in an effort to keep up with the demand for hard metals and the cash surplus of standard producing concerns is being enhanced thereby notably. Under such conditions any nervousness of selling that may ensue from now on can be based purely on sentiment and certainly not on fundamentals.

Table of stock prices including Blackbird Syndicate, Can. Copper, etc.

MONTREAL STOCKS

(By F. A. Borden & Co.) Montreal, Feb. 23.—Business on the local exchange to-day was largely confined to the steel and iron group. Steel of Canada common making a new high for the present movement, with 4,500 shares changing hands. The new firm shares was the extent to which the present prosperity of Steel of Canada is being advertised. The advance in the common shares so far has been only moderate, especially in view of the large volume of trading in this stock.

In well informed circles it is thought the Dominion Bridge Company will have no trouble in securing sufficient bonds of the National Bridge Company at 5% to give the former company control of the mortgage.

Table of Montreal stock prices including Ames Holden, Bell Telephone, etc.

NEW YORK CURB PRICES

Table of New York Curb prices including Amm. Marconi, Buffalo, etc.

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|                                                            | Reg. Price | Sale Price |
|------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Green Kioto, 100 pieces                                    | \$16.00    | \$12.50    |
| Maroon band, gilt edge, 92 pieces                          | 18.00      | 12.50      |
| Floral decoration, gilt edge, assorted patterns, 97 pieces | 16.50      | 13.00      |
| Green Marie, green and gilt                                | 30.00      | 18.00      |
| Maroon border and gilt edge                                | 20.00      | 16.00      |
| Rose pattern, 138 pieces                                   | 35.00      | 18.50      |
| Rose pattern, Grecian border, 97 pieces                    | 22.50      | 18.00      |
| Gilt edge and black line                                   | 22.50      | 18.00      |
| Brown Empire pattern, gilt edge                            | 25.00      | 20.00      |
| Connaught pattern                                          | 25.00      | 20.00      |
| Indian tree pattern                                        | 40.00      | 27.50      |

## China Dinner Sets

|                                               | Reg. Price | Sale Price |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Yellow floral pattern                         | \$28.50    | \$21.50    |
| Gilt edge and black line, 101 pieces          | 50.00      | 35.00      |
| Green floral border and gilt edge, 105 pieces | 36.00      | 25.00      |
| Rose pattern, 105 pieces                      | 42.00      | 27.50      |

## DOLLAR SPECIALS

|                               |        |                                |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|--------|
| China Biscuit Jars            | \$1.00 | China Dogs                     | \$1.00 |
| Syrup Jugs                    | \$1.00 | Jardiniere                     | \$1.00 |
| Celery Trays                  | \$1.00 | Soup Plates, 1 doz. for        | \$1.00 |
| China Plates, 6 for           | \$1.00 | Fancy China Plates, 1 doz. for | \$1.00 |
| China Plates, assorted, 6 for | \$1.00 | Flat Dishes, 1 doz. for        | \$1.00 |
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| Cast Iron Range, hot base, connected         | 95.00      | 67.50      |
| No. 82 Range, connected                      | 80.00      | 60.00      |
| No. 83 Range, connected                      | 85.00      | 65.00      |
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## DRIVING A WEDGE INTO SAANICH UNITY

Councillor Jones Deprecates  
Conflict Between Rural and  
Urban Sections of District

One of the most telling speeches heard in the Saanich council in recent years on the most important issue affecting its municipal life, namely the secession of the urban wards as against the maintenance of the present system, was made yesterday afternoon by Councillor Jones, the new representative of Ward IV.

Mr. Jones was speaking to a motion to retain the arrangement with the city for fire protection, at the general cost of the municipality until the time is ripe for organizing volunteer fire departments. He pointed out after reviewing the varying conditions obtaining in the rural districts and the urban sections, that the farmers, by creating areas for special services, were encouraging secession. The urban wards were paying for paving which did not benefit them, and yet objections were urged against charges for fire protection, lighting, etc., none of which was expensive, and all of which ought to be provided. They were now told that fire protection was a matter limited to the water area, in spite of the fact that the city fire chief had promised to give aid wherever a fire could be reached.

"Cannot we come to this question in a spirit of compromise?" he asked, "and be generous to each other." The only way to save the split in the municipality, he said, was by showing tolerance.

"The council," he proceeded, "has created a water area, and we are going to pay for it. Thirty years hence that undertaking will be paid for by our money."

Councillor Grant: "By Saanich as a whole furnishing the credit."

Councillor Jones: "And to whom will it belong? If we stay as we are, to the municipality as a whole, and only some of us have paid for it. Councils come and go, but public bodies are continuous, and eventually Saanich will find itself in a position of great difficulty. It is as if Saanich municipality put a mortgage on the water area, which being redeemed in the next generation, still gives them a hold on the equipment of the undertaking for which they have not paid."

Mr. Jones went on to argue against splitting the municipality into two parts by the policy of special treatment.

Councillor Tanner expressed the opinion that the outlying wards already had erred on the side of generosity.

Councillor Grant maintained that outlying districts ought not to be charged for any service they did not have, and it could not be rightly contended that paved roads were mere local improvements.

The debate was participated in by almost every member of the council. Councillor Carey said that if the council would continue the payment of the grant to the city, he would assist in the organization of a fire department by volunteers in Maywood immediately and he was quite confident the proposal would meet with success.

Some of the members of the council said they would cheerfully vote the money for equipment if the volunteer system could be set on its feet.

It was determined to continue the monthly rental to the city for the present. Two alternative schemes for lighting the urban area of the municipality were submitted by the manager of the light and power department of the E. C. Electric railway. One provided for quite an extensive area and involving 400 lights at a cost of \$26,500, payments being spread over ten years at six per cent. interest; the second, which was more favored, was for a limited area, with 265 lights, rising to

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## URGENT PROTECTION OF PUBLIC TRAFFIC

### Complaint of Speed of Inter-urban Trains When Traveling Along Burnside Road

The Saanich council yesterday afternoon appointed a committee composed of Councillors Jones and Diggon to take up with the B. C. Electric railway officials the desirability of protecting the public where the Saanich interurban line runs on the public right-of-way from Harriett to Colquhoun stations. It was claimed that the cars travel at an excessive rate of speed for a vehicle on public roads, Colquhoun station being the point where the company's line diverges into the private right-of-way.

Councillor Jones stated that the danger to vehicular and pedestrian traffic was particularly great from Tillicum road to Colquhoun station, where the track leaves the side of Burnside road to take the centre of the road. In view of the anticipated early paving of Burnside road, the committee was asked to consult with the company whether it would arrange to provide for moving over the track.

In connection with complaints from the Gorge district as to the condition of the cross streets, Councillor Diggon brought up the question of a general local improvement scheme for the district, details of which he proposed to elaborate later in the year.

Councillor Horden thought that rather than burden the resident taxpayers with heavy local improvement assessments some improvements could be effected in making the roads accessible. This could be done by grading them up in such a manner as to prevent the water remaining after wet weather.

Councillor Jones was not very hopeful the money could be found by the residents, although the district appeared to be well built up.

## INSPECTION WILL BE MADE SOON

### Saanich Councillors Will Visit Scenes of Damage by Storm

The condition of the roads in Saanich occupied considerable time in works committee of the council yesterday afternoon. Eventually the councillors adopted a suggestion of the municipal engineer (Mr. Johnson), and will pay a visit of inspection to the roads as soon as possible. There still is a considerable amount of snow in Saanich, particularly in Ward VI, while elsewhere it is still going on in Ward VI.

The engineer reported that the cost of snow clearing had approximated \$3,400, and he would require \$2,500 to effect repairs. The council favored the cost of clearing being charged to general fund and the cost of repairs to the ward appropriations. Mr. Johnson did not anticipate that when repairs were effected there would be much money left for construction from the general revenue.

Councillor Tanner stated that the farmers had supplied teams in his district, and the cost around Saanich therefore had been very small.

The committee authorized the engineer to proceed with the necessary repairs, particularly in Ward III, Sinclair road, Cadboro Bay, was reported to be badly damaged.

Mr. Johnson said the estimate of cost of repairs was merely approximate.

The municipal engineer also reported taking over the waterworks last Friday afternoon, a few lateral services being retained by the city. There had been two breaks already in the east iron pipe taken over from the city, which would be repaired. The pressure on the system was 100 lbs. Authority was given him, after consultation with the water committee, to lease a house for a workshop in the Cloverdale district.

A large number of applications were received for the position of meter reader, and these were referred to the water committee for the selection of three or five candidates for further consideration. The method of dismissal of the recent occupant of the office led to a somewhat acrimonious discussion.

## GIVES LECTURE ON BRIDGE ARCHITECTURE

C. E. Fowler, C. E., Last Evening  
Told of Modern Construction Schemes

The subject of bridges is always a popular one with the public, and in Victoria it has a special appeal in view of the numerous schemes broached in recent years for the crossing of Victoria harbor.

The address given by C. E. Fowler, the well-known engineer, of Seattle, to the local branch of the Canadian Society of Engineers last evening, was well received. It was not technical, and having the advantage of possessing a remarkably fine series of photographic slides, the lecturer was able to drive home to his audience the salient points of the argument.

The subject of the address had special allusion to modern bridge construction, but in order intelligently to introduce the subject he pointed out how the bridge principle had grown from Egyptian and Roman models on the one hand, and Chinese and Persian designs on the other. In passing on to discuss the various types of bridges Mr. Fowler made a plea for the utilization of art and symmetry in design, as for instance in harmonizing construction with the natural features around, mentioning in this case the celebrated examples at Conway, North Wales, where the road and railway bridges are castellated to harmonize with Conway castle ruins. Personally he favored an odd number of spans and arches in the spans, as he stated this gave a much more pleasing design.

In connection with stone arches there were thrown on the screen pictures of the famous Luxembourg bridge, 277 feet in span, and of the Grosvenor bridge, at Chester, Eng., 260 feet span. The first iron structure built, the iron bridge across the Severn at Coalbrookdale in 1779, was depicted, the material being cast iron. The steel arch bridges across the Niagara river, over the Seine in Paris, across the Rhine at Bonn, and others around New York were illustrated and explained.

The suspension and cantilever bridges came next, special mention being made of the suspension bridges across the East river at New York. The experiments which led the engineer to cut away useless material, retaining only the working skeleton and thus reducing the weight of construction, introduced a picture of the Britannia Tubular bridge across the Menai Straits, built by Robert Stephenson. The application by J. A. Roebling of the combination of truss and girder made a way for the modern cantilever bridge, with its combination of hinged continuous bascule girders. Naturally in this connection the great Forth bridge was fully described. The Quebec cantilever bridge, now building for a second time after the disastrous collapse of 1907, will have longer cantilever spans, the lecturer stated, than the Forth bridge. The pictures were specially taken for his lectures in Vancouver and here, and he stated the chief engineer had informed him that trams would be operating across the bridge late in 1917, although it would not be entirely finished.

After briefly dealing with railway bridges, highway bridges and ornamental bridges in parks, mentioning particularly in the last named connection the bridge in Bushnell park, Hartford, Connecticut, Mr. Fowler made mention of movable bridges. He took up in succession swing, rolling and lift bridges, and in conclusion gave some illustrations of the pivot bascule bridge across the Thames at the Tower of London, this being composed of a suspension and drawbridge combined, the bascule span being hinged at the opposite towers.

H. W. E. Canavan, president of the branch, presided. Among the audience were F. C. Gamble, president of the Canadian society; Alderman Todd, chairman of the city harbor committee, and City Engineer Rust. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer.

## A MATTER OF FORM

Financial By-laws Are Amended to Meet Request of Fiscal Agents' Lawyers.

A first reading was given yesterday afternoon, at a special meeting of the city council, to the by-laws amending the two by-laws for the issuance of treasury certificates and treasury bills for \$1,571,000, in order to meet the suggestions of the solicitors for the Dominion Securities Corporation. The amendments were merely technical.

The final passage of the by-laws will be at a special meeting timed for to-morrow evening, and they will then be forwarded to the brokers for attention. There is no doubt that the final arrangements for the flotation will be made without difficulty.

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AND WHEREAS the Council have by resolution determined to dedicate the said lands to the public as a street as hereinafter named.

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1. ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the District of Esquimalt, Province of British Columbia, and being composed of part of Lot Two (2), subdivision of District Lot Fifty-one (51), Esquimalt District, Province of British Columbia, according to map or plan deposited in the Land Registry Office at the City of Victoria, and three numbered Sixty-one (61), and which is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point in the easterly boundary of Constance avenue, Esquimalt District, at the southwest corner of Lot Twenty-seven (27), Map 72, thence southerly and following the easterly line of Constance avenue produced southerly to the southerly boundary of Lot Two (2), Map 51, thence westerly and following the westerly boundary of Lot Two (2), Map 51, Sixty (60) feet to the point of commencement, shall become a portion of and be established as Constance avenue.

This By-Law may be cited as the "Constance Avenue Dedication By-Law, 1916."

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## FAREWELL BANQUET

### TO DRAFT FOR NAVY

Twenty-Five Men From Esquimalt Leaving To-day Were Entertained Last Night

The annual meeting of Gonzales Chapter, T. O. D. E., was held yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in the United Service club.

In opening the meeting Mrs. Sampson briefly expressed appreciation of the members' work during the year just closed, and asked that every effort be put forth during the coming year to assist the Red Cross and Field Comforts' work.

The secretary's report referred to the big shipments of comforts for the soldiers which had been sent by the L. O. D. E. each month, and also reported in connection with the special shipment of Christmas comforts collected and packed last November.

Ninety pairs socks, 4 helmets, 3 mufflers, 8 pairs mitts, 7 pairs wristlets, 1 face cloth, 61 cakes, 8 tins shortbread, 93 boxes sweets, 57 puddings, 2 tins coffee, 2 tins lobster 2 lb. box biscuits, 1 cake tar-soap, 1 dozen mouth organs, 4 dozen writing pads and pencils, 19 packs cards, 60 briar pipes, \$20.50 in money (with which tobacco was purchased).

Early in December the Municipal chapter was appealed to by the local branch of the Canadian Patriotic society to assist them in their campaign for funds for 1916.

A "tag day" was decided on, and so splendidly did the members of all the chapters "tag" that thousands were collected.

Special undertakings of the Gonzales chapter alone included the sending of 175 pounds (\$99 garments) of clothing and \$111 in cash to the Belgian and Serbian refugees in England; 50 pounds of kid and leather gloves to the Ladies' Territorial committee in England and \$5 from the chapter's funds for the making of these gloves into waistcoats for soldiers and sailors in exposed positions; the sending of—

of—reading matter to the soldiers; a contribution of \$60 for uniforms for the Oak Bay cadets; the assisting of the recently organized Girl Guides; and donations of toys and subscriptions to the children's ward at the Jubilee hospital, the Canadian Club Christmas tree, the Y. M. C. A. at the Willows, the British Red Cross society, the Maple Leaf club (London), and the new drill hall hospital.

The total membership of the chapter is now 125.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$254.57 in the current account and \$629.79 in the "cot" fund.

Reports were read from Mrs. Lee on the Patriotic Service work; from Miss Helmecken on the collection of "gloves"; and from Mrs. Foulkes on the "Prisoners of War." The members decided to adopt four prisoners for three months, sending the money to England to be spent there for food, etc., through the proper channels.

A committee was appointed to consider ways and means for the following up of the "adoption" of prisoners.

Mrs. Shallock reported on the work of the Red Cross in Oak Bay and asked that more members volunteer to work either in the rooms or to take work home.

In reporting in the field comforts department the regent announced the coming "tag day" on Saturday to raise funds for buying wool for comforts. Many members volunteered to "tag."

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year, and installed in office: Regent, Mrs. Curtis Sampson; first vice-regent, Mrs. J. J. Shallcross; second vice-regent, Mrs. Hebdon Gillespie; secretary, Mrs. Fraser; treasurer, Miss Pitts; standard-bearer, Mrs. Newton Burdick. Members of the council: Miss Bowser, Miss Campbell, Miss Helmecken, Miss Irving, Miss D. Jones, Miss Pitts, the Misses Pemberton, Miss G. Robertson and Miss Lawson. Echoes' secretary, Miss Alexander.

Delegates to the local council were appointed: Mrs. Gore, Mrs. R. Wilson, Mrs. Stanner, Mrs. Foulkes. Councilors to the national, Mrs. Gillespie. Councilors to provincial chapter, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Sampson, Mrs. Shallock, Mrs. Ridgeway Wilson and Mrs. Gillespie.

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### B. C. BASE HOSPITAL

Organization at Salonica at Time of O. C.'s Last Letter Caring for 800

Last Saturday the Times reported that No. 5 B. C. Base Hospital, now at Salonica, had within a few days of January 17 had a big influx of patients so that on that date they were caring for 514. Letters of later date from Lt.-Col. Hart, O.C., report that the number had risen to 800, so that the full accommodation of the hospital, viz., about 1,200, may by this time be taxed to its capacity.

At the time of last advices from No. 5 hospital the nursing staff had not arrived, but there is little doubt, as they are known to have left Egypt early in January, that their transport was among the hundreds waiting in the harbor at Salonica to disembark its passengers. Descriptions of the port indicate that the facilities for landing are not at all adequate to the present needs of the now important Greek city, as only two vessels at a time are able to draw up before the landing wharf. This would mean a long delay in disembarking any but the most urgent troops or cargo.

No. 4 Base Hospital, which was mobilized and organized in Toronto and sent out to Salonica some time before the B. C. Base Hospital has been largely responsible for the very favorable reception given the latter organization, as all correspondents who comment on the fact at all are agreed that the Toronto organization had a splendid name medically and otherwise.

It is interesting to learn from letters received from other members of the medical staff of No. 5 that of the 600 men taken by them to Egypt in December there were practically no wounded, most of the patients suffering from "trench feet."

## PIPERS BAND CONCERT

Big Entertainment Will Be Held To-night at Old Victoria Theatre: Western Scots' Battalion Attending.

Lt.-Col. Lorne Ross has given permission for the whole of the 6th Battalion to attend the pipers' band concert at the old Victoria theatre to-night, commencing at 8 o'clock, and there will be a parade from the willow camp to the theatre. Major Stuart Armour will act as chairman of the proceedings, which, it should not be forgotten, are being held for the purpose of raising sufficient funds for the purchase of fifteen sets of new pipes for the band which recently lost the use of most of its instruments through frost.

The following is the programme: Overture, 6th Battalion Military Band (Under Bandmaster L. Turner). Comic Song—Selected. Mr. Dobbie. Song—Selected. Mrs. R. H. Pooley. Song—Land of Bonnie Scotland. Sgt. R. Morrison. Physical Drill. 6th Battalion. Pipe Solo—Nocturne in E Flat (Chopin). Pipe Cpl. H. Maclean-Angeus. Song—Bonnie Banks o' Loch Lomond. Selection. Mrs. Lias. Wilson. 6th Pipe Band and Miss Agnes Wallace. Comic Song. Bob Sloan. Highland Fling. The Misses Shearer (Accompanied by Miss Agnes Wallace). Song—A Hundred Pipers. Mrs. Macdonald-Pahey. Song—Selected. J. G. Brown. Red o' Tulloch. Pipers of 6th Battalion Band. Song—Annie Laurie. Miss Charlotte Spencer. Song. Frank Petch. God Save the King.

Once they were sweethearts, but they quarrelled, and, as usual in such cases, each wished to show to all in general, and to each other in particular, that they were not, and never had been, aware of each other's presence. One day the young man had to make a business call on her father on behalf of his employer, and, as luck would have it, she answered the bell. The young man did not lose his head. "I beg pardon," he said, politely, "Miss Robinson, I think it is your father in?" Without showing the least sign that she had seen him before, the maiden replied: "No, he's not. I'm sorry to say, did you wish to see him personally?" "Yes; but it will do tomorrow. I will call again. Thank you. Good afternoon." As he reached the bottom step she asked casually: "I beg pardon; who shall I say called?"

## TWO TRAINS WILL TAKE SCOTS EAST

### Farewell Statement by Officer Commanding: Large Banners Ready for Coaches

When the Western Scots leave Vancouver for the east they will occupy two trains which will carry them across the continent to the point on the Atlantic coast where they will embark for England. As the trains proceed the people on the prairies will know where the men come from by four large banners which will be strung full coach length, two on each of the 67th Battalion trains. The banners were delivered yesterday to the Western Scots headquarters, and are made of linen rope bound. There are eight hundred feet of rope in the four banners. They are done by a local sign-writer, and are in red, white and blue, with distinctive bordering and design, and bear the words, "6th Battalion Western Scots, Victoria, B. C."

In a farewell issue of "The Western Scot," the official publication of the 67th, issued to-day, official recognition is made for the whole battalion under the signature of the officer commanding by the people of Victoria.

Col. Ross's statement is as follows: "On the eve of departure for overseas all ranks of the Western Scots desire to express the heartfelt appreciation of the splendid support that has been accorded the battalion by the people of Victoria and vicinity. Whatever awaits us in the course of duty we feel safe in undertaking that our good friends in this city and province will never have reason to be ashamed of us nor of our efforts in the cause that is exacting emulation of the best traditions of the British people."

"LORNE ROSS, Lt.-Col., Commanding 67th Batt., Western Scots of Canada, C. E. F., "On behalf of all ranks."

There is, however, some doubt yet as to the date of the departure of the battalion and that the present issue of the "Western Scot" may not be the farewell one. It is admitted by the editor, who says in his preface to the officers' mess, "Oh, well, remember the divine Sarah; she farwelled five times."

## MILITARY ITEMS

Men recruited for the 6th Field Company, Canadian Engineers, at 1214 Government street, are being moved to a central camp at North Vancouver, as there is no billeting arrangement for them here. Twenty men, already have enlisted, and fourteen of them left for North Vancouver yesterday. The men are being sent forward as soon as they are ready, and twenty-five went from headquarters to Ottawa last night.

Arrangements have been made for the 103rd Battalion to drill in the Royal Athletic park. It is probable that now they are able to use the park the 103rd will hold a military tournament there. Permission to use the ground was obtained through the agency of Mayor Stewart.

Departure orders have been received by the draft of twenty-five men of the Royal Canadian Regiment, West Point. They will go to the regiment's base at Halifax almost immediately. On the march to the dock from Work Point the band of the 103rd will furnish music.

Dan Cupid has been a fairly busy person in the Western Scots since the battalion was mobilized. He has done some sniping on his own account, as there have been thirty weddings in the rank and file since the battalion was formed.

Col. Ogilvie, D.O.C., who is making a tour of military district No. 11, has left the coast and is on the way to Nelson.

## AUTOMOBILE CLUB

Meeting of Board To-night to Discuss Plans for the Season of 1916.

Important plans for the automobile season are to be discussed to-night at a special meeting of the Island Automobile club board of governors. It is the intention of the club to continue the membership campaign. Most of last year's members have remained with the club, and it is intended to strengthen the organization by the addition of at least fifty new members.

Plans for the road improvement campaign have been formed and await approval of the board, and there is much matter in connection with customs regulations for the entrance of automobiles into the province from the United States and other business to be taken up.

The meeting will be held in the office of the Victoria and Island Development association.

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