

WEATHER FORECASTS

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Thursday: Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, partly cloudy and cold, with occasional sleet or rain.

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- Royal Victoria—Marguerite Clark. Pantheon—Vanderville. Dominion—"The Honor System."

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FURTHER CALL UNDER CANADIAN ARMY ACT NOW IS LOOKED FOR

Anticipation Is That Government Will Issue Summons at Same Time as Figures Showing Results of Operation of Act So Far Are Given Out

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—It is stated that the Government soon will give out returns showing the result of compulsory military service in Canada...

Pending the issuance of this official statement any returns published, it is stated, must be regarded as purely speculative. It may be taken for granted, however, that the issuance of a statement, especially in view of the situation on both the Eastern and Western fronts, must lead to a further call under the terms of the Military Service Act.

Of the six classes specified in the Act, only one has been called—that of single men and widowers without children less than thirty-four years old.

It is considered certain that there are men in other classes who might be drafted into the army without causing undue hardships to any dependents and without decreasing the production of essentials. The primary consideration urged is that of necessary reinforcements having regard to the national civil necessities and to the special circumstances of individuals.

The men actually in khaki, it is pointed out, do not by any means represent the result of the calling out of the first class. Daily, as appeals are heard and exemptions granted, there are additions to the number of drafted men.

Available Classes. The classes which still may be called out, to the limit under the Act as it stands of 100,000 men, are the following:

- Class 1—Those who have attained the age of twenty years and were born not earlier than 1883 and are married or are widowers without children.

The order indicated is that in which the classes may be called out. The Governor-General-in-Council, however, may divide any classes into sub-classes, in which case the sub-classes are to be called out in order of age, beginning with the youngest.

MONDAY FUEL ORDER SUSPENDED IN STATES

Washington, Feb. 13.—Fuel Administrator Garfield today suspended the Monday closing order, but left the way open to put it again into operation if it should appear that that would be necessary.

GERMANS ARE TRYING TO GET ROUMANIA TO NEGOTIATE NOW

Amsterdam, Feb. 13.—The Berliner Tageblatt says that the Central Powers have addressed a demand to Roumania to enter peace negotiations and requested an answer by this evening.

Field-Marshal von Mackensen, says a Berlin dispatch, is negotiating with the Roumanian army command regarding the continuation of the armistice. It is necessary to clear up the armistice question, says the message, owing to the present relations between the Ukraine and Roumania. It denies that Germany has issued any ultimatum to Roumania.

Late last week some of the German

Britain Is Better Off Than Year Ago in Matter of Wheat

London, Feb. 13.—The total stocks of wheat in Great Britain at the end of December last exceeded those at the end of December, 1916, by a million quarters (8,400,000 bushels), Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told the House of Commons today.

1,333,500 Tons Added to Merchant Fleet of Britain in 1917

London, Feb. 13.—During the year 1917 there was built in Great Britain 1,333,500 tons of shipping, and 170,000 tons was secured abroad, Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law announced in the House of Commons today.

CANADIAN FORCES ENTER SPRING FIGHTS STRONGER THAN EVER SEEN BEFORE

Canadian Army Headquarters Overseas, Feb. 13.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent.)—After three and a half years of war Canada is to march with her allies to victory stronger than ever before. The Dominion's fighting strength, both in men and in guns, is constantly increasing. Military regulations prevent any extensive statement from the field as to new developments in the Canadian forces, but I am able to say that Canada's splendid support of the Military Service Act has placed the military authorities in a position where they not only are assured of reinforcements for existing units, but also can add largely to their fighting establishments.

During the Passchendaele operations new forces of artillery came from the Dominion to France, and while not actively engaged in the desperate fighting last October and November, they long ago took their place in the line, where they are now acquitting themselves splendidly. The Dominion is entering upon the spring campaign stronger in men, materials and guns than at any other time since the mobilization at Valcartier marked the creation of the historic First Division, and is holding a larger front than ever before. It is impossible yet to give any details of the increase in the forces, but one effect is to strengthen materially the rifle strength in the line.

2,000 More Serbians Are Available for Forces of Entente

Pekin, Feb. 13.—Two thousand Serbians prisoners captured by the Russians from the Austrians, who had been released from prison camps in Siberia. They are now at Mukden on the way to Dainy and Japan, whence they will return to Europe by way of America.

CIVIL SERVICE IS UNDER REFORM NOW

Commission Calls Attention of Ottawa Departments to New Regulations

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—From 30,000 to 40,000 clerks are affected by the new regulations governing appointments to the civil service. Hitherto many Departments have engaged their temporary clerks without reference to the Commission, more especially the new branches which have been created to deal with business arising out of the war, but in future the Militia and Finance Departments' clerical staffs, the Military Hospitals' Commission, the Canada Food Board, the new Soldier Settlement Board and all other branches must secure their clerks from the same central employment bureau.

In the case of professional and technical positions the Commission will advise, as a general rule, but if competition is considered impracticable, it will rest with the Commission, not with the Department, to decide this point and to exempt the position. Inasmuch as promotions both in the outside and inside service rest with the Commission under the new regulations, this, it is stated, will eliminate political pressure in connection with the advancement of public officials now in the service.

Immediately upon the passing of the Order-in-Council by which all patronage is eliminated from appointments to the civil service, the Civil Service Commission proceeded to avail itself of the new powers that had been vested in it. The chairman of the Commission today addressed a letter to each Deputy Minister calling attention to the Order-in-Council and asking for the co-operation of the heads of Departments in giving effect to the provisions. It is noted that some difficulty may be experienced at first in meeting the needs of the Department promptly as they arise, but it is hoped that as a better class of clerks is furnished the need for extra assistance will be gradually decreased.

When the incentive to distribute patronage is removed, the letter continues, "it will be found that fewer clerks are required to carry on the work of the Departments."

WINNIPEG COLONEL DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—Lieut.-Colonel F. G. Dingwall, of Winnipeg, died this morning at Halifax of pneumonia, contracted at sea while returning to Canada on a furlough after nearly two years of service in France.

HERTLING TO REPLY TO PRESIDENT WILSON

London, Feb. 13.—Count von Hertling, the Imperial German Chancellor, is reported, will answer President Wilson's address to Congress in the German Reichstag next Tuesday.

LARGE HAUL MADE OF PROHIBITED MATTER

Police Raid 'Selling Agency of International Bible Students' Association

City detectives today raided the Yates Street premises where recently have been sold the literature issued by the International Bible Students' Association. The raid was made on the authority of the Secretary of State, under the press censorship regulations, forbidding the possession in Canada of the book published by the International Bible Students' Association entitled "Studies in the Scriptures—The Finished Mystery," purporting to be the posthumous publication of Pastor Russell, and also published by this body at its office in Brooklyn, N. Y. The volume claims to be the seventh of the series of Pastor Russell's books, issued from documents left by him and edited by men specified in his will.

Detective-Sergeant O'Leary had the assistance of Detectives Heather and Murray, and it required a truck to bring the seized material to the police building. Seven hundred and seventy-six copies of the bound volume were found on the premises, and a very large quantity of loose copies of the "Monthly."

The whole of the material has been placed under lock and key pending the decision of the Secretary of State. The intention is to investigate the various book stores in the city, and to see what copies of the Finished Mystery are on sale here. As there has been a considerable number of reports that the book has been widely distributed recently, the convention of members of this organization recently in Victoria having rather stimulated interest in its publications.

PROTESTS AGAINST CHOICE OF HARMER AS OTTAWA SENATOR

Edmonton, Feb. 13.—The executive committees of the three Unionist associations of the West Edmonton, East Edmonton and Strathcona constituencies have adopted resolutions of protest against the appointment to the Senate of W. H. Harmer, Deputy Minister of Telephones of this province, to Sir Robert Borden. The protests are in behalf of all supporters of the Government at the recent Federal election and have been sent by wire.

HEADQUARTERS OF CLAN-NA-GAEL IN DUBLIN ARE RAIDED

Dublin, Feb. 13.—The headquarters of the Clan-na-Gael were raided last night. Twenty-eight persons were detained. No arms were found but maps and drawings were seized. The premises have been closed for more than a year by military order.

ROBERTSON STILL CHIEF OF STAFF

But London Papers Repeat Rumors Cabinet Thinking of Removing Him

DEBATE ON KING'S SPEECH GOES ON

London, Feb. 13.—The House of Commons today resumed the debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne. Discussion of foreign and military affairs was dropped temporarily for consideration of the administration of the Government at home. Rt. Hon. Herbert Samuel, formerly Secretary of State for Home Affairs, made the opening speech on this subject. Later the decisions of the Supreme War Council at Versailles will be taken up again.

Richard Holt, Radical member from the Hexham Division of Northumberland, prepared an amendment to the address, expressing regret that "in accordance with the decisions of the Supreme War Council at Versailles prosecution of military effort is to be the only immediate task of the Government." This amendment is supported by a number of Liberals and Unionists.

Another amendment expresses regret that action has not been taken against newspapers which have published attacks on individual officers of the higher command.

During and after the debate in the Commons yesterday the lobbies teemed with rumors. The sensational talk centred mainly around the possibility of military resignations and a ministerial crisis, but the lobbies eventually were emptied without any of the rumors being substantiated. The morning newspapers today reproduced some of the stories. The Daily News said those in high places in the House of Commons believed that on Monday night the Government had put pressure upon General Sir William Robertson, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, with a view to inducing him to resign, the intention being to replace him by Major-General Sir Henry Wilson, British military representative on the Versailles Council. General Robertson resisted the pressure, the newspaper says, and the Government on Tuesday considered removing him.

The Daily Chronicle, which hinted at possible military and political changes, said that General Wilson was in London now on important business. Crisis Rumored. The Morning Post quoted a lobby correspondent as saying that a crisis had arisen over General Robertson's retention by the Cabinet which might have serious consequences for the latter. The rumors affected Field-Marshal Haig less than they did General Robertson.

Hostile critics like The Post and The Daily News said Mr. Lloyd George had failed to exert his usual power over the House and that the War Cabinet had lost prestige in all the war parties.

The Times said the debate marked a definite point in the campaign between the Government and the opposition, and added that rightly or wrongly, ex-Premier Asquith, as the result of his speech, was hailed as the rising hope of the peace party, which the paper said apparently expects to reinforce its numbers under the cover of the cry of "support the soldiers."

DECIDING WHETHER TO HAVE EXHIBITION IN TERMINAL CITY

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—Whether an exhibition is to be held this year by the Vancouver Exhibition Association or not was the subject of discussion by the Board of Trade last night following the reading of a communication from Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, in which he pointed out that a year ago in order for the exhibition to be held it was necessary that the troops then in training at Hastings Park be moved to New Westminster, which militated against their condition. F. W. Peters expressed the opinion that there was a general desire against an exhibition, not only on account of the country being at war, but because it would be necessary again to remove the troops now at Hastings Park and, he adds, they might not be brought back. A committee to go into the subject is to be appointed by B. W. Greer, president of the Board, and it will report at a special meeting of the Board next Tuesday night, at which several other matters will be taken up.

ONE OF MAGISTRATES IN VANCOUVER NOT NEEDED

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—Mayor Gale, as chairman of the Vancouver Police Commission, is contemplating getting rid of one police magistrate and the accompanying impediments of clerks, stenographers and other officials, in the interests of civic economy. He made this announcement toward the end of a Police Commission meeting yesterday.

PERIOD APPROACHING WHEN AUSTRIA WILL FORSAKE CHIEF ALLY

Parliamentary Correspondent of London News Says Facts Known Which Bring Possibility of Peace Between Vienna and Entente Nearer

London, Feb. 13.—According to the parliamentary lobby correspondent of The London Daily News, facts are known which bring the possibility of a separate peace between Austria-Hungary and the Entente much nearer. Great reluctance, he says, is manifested in Austria toward the prospect of fighting British and American troops on the Western front.

Stockholm, Feb. 13.—The Vienna correspondent of The Berliner Tageblatt reports that the Polish Club has severed its connection with the Government because the Polish province of Chelm was assigned to the Ukraine at the peace negotiations.

The Austrian Government, the dispatch says, now is opposed by a united bloc of Poles, Czechs and Southern Slavs.

National Service Department Aiding the British to Win

London, Feb. 13.—During 1917 the National Service Department put into the army 829,645 additional men and placed in employment at home 731,000 men and 804,000 women, Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law stated in the Commons today. He made this announcement in replying to criticisms of the Government's home policy.

PROOF PRUSSIANS UNGRATEFUL LOT

Lack Decency in Speaking of British Coaling Stations, Says Lloyd George

London, Feb. 13.—"I confess that I think that was the last demand Germany ought to make to have put forth," said Mr. Lloyd George in the House of Commons yesterday in dealing with that part of the recent speech by the German Chancellor in which von Hertling said Britain should be required to give up possession of such places as Gibraltar, Aden, Hongkong, etc.

"These coaling stations," continued the Prime Minister, "had been accessible to German as well as to British ships. Before the war the German fleet always received most hospitable treatment at all these stations. During 1912 some sixty-five visits were paid to them by German warships and they received exactly the same treatment as British warships. The same thing applies to German merchantmen. There were German coaling firms there conducting trade under exactly the same conditions as British firms."

"To make such a demand for the first time in the fourth year of the war is the best proof that the German Empire, or those at present controlling it, is not in a mood to discuss reasonable terms of peace. I regret it, but there is no use in crying 'peace' when there is no peace."

FORMER HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY FACTOR DIES

Prince Rupert, Feb. 13.—Gordon Lockerby, for many years Hudson's Bay factor at Port Simpson, died yesterday of paralysis.

SUCCESSFUL RAIDS MADE BY BRITISH AND FRENCH TROOPS

London, Feb. 13.—Attempts by raiding parties on the West front are growing stronger, especially on the French front near Verdun and in the Woëvre, but there have been no attacks in force.

Field-Marshal Haig reported today: "We carried out a successful raid last night on German trenches southeast of Hargicourt, capturing eleven prisoners, including an officer. Patrol encounters in which casualties were inflicted on the enemy occurred last night southeast of Lens. Apart from hostile artillery activity in the region of Epehy, troops carried out several successful raids east of Auvergne and in the Vosges, and brought back prisoners. East of Emberment a German attempt against a small French post was repulsed. Everywhere else the night was calm."

"German aviators last night bombed Nancy. Three civilians were killed and five injured."

SECRECY IS NEEDED, SAYS LLOYD GEORGE

To Publish Information About Versailles Council Would Be Treason

London, Feb. 13.—Comparing previous councils with the session of the Supreme War Council of the Allies which recently was held at Versailles, Mr. Lloyd George in his speech in the House of Commons yesterday emphasized the fact that at Versailles the civilian and military members were sitting together—the Prime Minister, the Commanders-in-Chief and the Chiefs of Staff of three countries. The discussion had been absolutely free and complete unanimity had been reached. There had been no division of opinion upon any resolution arrived at.

"I must speak cautiously," the Prime Minister continued, "because military decisions are involved. I wish there was someone in Germany and Austria whose ears were glued to the keyhole of the room in which the war councils of Germany and Austria sit and who would publish their decisions in the press. A man who would do that could give us information which would be worth twenty army corps. I must talk with caution because I might give information to the enemy. I would rather that the responsibility for that was on other shoulders than mine."

"To give away such information (concerning the enlargement of the duties of the Versailles Council) would be treason beyond description and I decline to do it. There is no army whose security more depends upon these decisions being arrived at than the British army, which is holding the most important part of the line in the West."

RUMORS OF OUTBREAK AGAINST BOLSHEVIKI IN PETROGRAD CITY

Toronto, Feb. 13.—A special cable dispatch to The Toronto Globe from London says:

"The Daily Telegraph yesterday pointed out that for nearly six days there had been no news whatever with regard to the situation in Petrograd. The last telegrams coming through from Petrograd direct were dispatched last Wednesday. The cause of the protracted silence is unknown. Rumors again were current yesterday of a violent outbreak against the Bolsheviki, but these could not be confirmed."

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FORD TRACTORS ARE BOUGHT BY OTTAWA CHEAPLY FOR FARMERS. Ottawa, Feb. 13.—The Government has purchased 1,000 Ford tractors at cost. They will be sold to Canadian farmers also at cost, plus freight. The details of freight costs have not yet been worked out, but it is estimated

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WEDNESDAY IS MADE BEEFLESS IN CANADA

Instead of Tuesday; No Beef or Pork Wednesdays and Fridays. Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The Food Controller's regulations in respect to the selling of beef and bacon in public eating places have been amended, making Wednesday and Friday of each week Canada's beefless and porkless days, instead of Tuesday and Friday as heretofore. The change is effective on and after to-day, Ash Wednesday, which is the beginning of the Lenten period. The new regulations extend the restrictions on the use of bacon to pork of all kinds, so that to-day is the first beefless and porkless Wednesday throughout the Dominion. Under the amended regulations beef must not be served at more than one meal on any day, while its use on Wednesday and Friday is absolutely prohibited. Similarly pork must not be served at more than one meal on any day, and on Wednesdays and Fridays must not be served at any time. Henceforth no proprietor of a public eating place can avoid serving corn bread, oat cakes or similar substitutes for white bread under the contention that potatoes are recognized as a substitute in the Food Controller's regulations. To avoid this difficulty, the word potatoes has been definitely eliminated from the enumerated substitutes, and in future some substitute must be served if every meal at which white bread is served.

ANOTHER PROTEST ON FISHING LICENSE

Cowichan Women's Institute Aids Fight for Preservation of Cowichan Bay. Dunsmuir, Feb. 12.—At a meeting of the Cowichan Women's Institute held yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Hayward, the vice-president, occupied the chair in the absence of the president. J. I. Mutter, president of the Duncan Board of Trade, spoke on the granting of a purse seine license to the Beacom Fisheries, Ltd., to fish for salmon in the enclosed waters of Cowichan Bay, and the need that this license should be cancelled. Mr. Mutter asked that the Institute endorse the resolution of the Board of Trade and make as strong a protest as possible against this great sacrifice of the interests of the West to those of the East. On motion of Mrs. Macdonald and Mrs. E. G. Smith it was decided to draft a night lettergram to Ottawa, J. C. McIntosh, M.P., Elect for the Nanaimo riding, asking him to take this matter up with the Minister of Fisheries. Agriculture. S. H. Hopkins, the District Supervisor of Elementary Agriculture, explained a part of his work in the rural schools. Mr. Hopkins then explained and demonstrated with two birds how to pick out good hens. Birds with poor constitution should be culled out severely when food is high so that only the best producers would be kept. The speaker told exactly how the fowls should be fed to the greatest advantage. A very hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Hopkins for his most useful lecture and demonstration. Red Cross. A well-attended meeting of those interested in Red Cross work was held yesterday morning to make arrangements for "The Mandarin," which is to be offered in the Agricultural Hall on Saturday, February 23. The secretary, Mr. Macgrath, had a plan of seats made. The balcony will be made into boxes and the hall arranged so that it will have a seating capacity of over a thousand. Committees have been arranged and it is expected to advertise and draw an audience from the territory from Shawigan to Ladysmith.

MORE INFORMATION GIVEN BY D. B. HANNA

C. N. R. Board Hears About Coal and Land Mackenzie & Mann Hold. Toronto, Feb. 12.—Cross-examined by Sir William Meredith near the close of the proceedings yesterday afternoon before the Commission appointed by the Dominion Government to value 600,000 shares of Canadian Northern Railway stock, D. B. Hanna, third vice-president of the railway, declared his opinion that the Canadian Northern Railway would be able to pay a dividend in 1923 to purchasers of the stock at fifty cents on the dollar, or \$30,000,000 for the 600,000 shares. Sir William, however, pointed out that he would have to regard Mr. Hanna's figures as a "pure guess" unless he were shown the calculations which resulted in the prediction. He was assured that the figures would be forthcoming at a subsequent hearing. Mr. Hanna, who had been on the stand since Thursday, concluded his evidence yesterday. His testimony yesterday was mainly in regard to deals in which the Mackenzie & Mann interests were concerned. W. N. Tilley, K.C., chief government counsel, took D. B. Hanna over his previous testimony. Mr. Hanna became angry toward the close. Sir William Meredith finally had to tell him that he was merely present as a witness. Surplus Amounts. Mr. Tilley first tried to learn what ultimately became of the surpluses recorded year by year from 1902 to 1914. The profits on operating expenses should have totalled about \$1,600,000 more in that period, he said, than actually was on hand in 1914. Then Mr. Tilley went into the ownership of coal lands, finding that though vital to the operation of the railroad they were owned by Mackenzie & Mann. Pressing his inquiries as to the ownership of the Rosedale Coal Company, it was ascertained that that property was purchased by Mackenzie & Mann with advances from the C.N.R. on account of sums due Mackenzie & Mann for construction work, and so on. It was while repudiating the suggestion that there was anything shady in that transaction that Mr. Hanna became angry. Continuing the examination, Mr. Tilley went into the coal land ownership and learned that Mackenzie & Mann had interests in Vancouver Island mines, but that the Canadian Northern Railway had none. The coal from these mines operated the British Columbia line as far as Tollerin, from which 1,200 tons a day were obtained. Mackenzie & Mann shared their interests with Belgian and German shareholders. The German interest was sequestered for the present. "This coal was used in operating as far east as Brandon. But for those mines," said Mr. Hanna, "the road would have been at a standstill this winter."

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LEGAL AND OFFICIAL NOTICES. VICTORIA TAXPAYERS. ORDER RE TAX PAYMENTS. I am authorized by the City Council to accept payments by instalments or by payments from time to time on account, of the rates and taxes due by any person, or due in respect of any parcel of land. This authority is extended to include unpaid special assessments and special rates imposed in respect of works of local improvement as provided by Section 43 of the Local Improvement Act. EDWIN C. SMITH. Treasurer and Collector of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C. City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 4th February, 1918. LAND REGISTRY ACT. Notice Under Section 38. TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Elnie Munro as the owner in Fee-simple under a Tax Sale Deed from the Collector of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt or about the 1st day of September, 1916, of all and singular certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the District of Esquimalt, in the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as: Lot 2, of part of Suburban Lot 11, Map 61A. You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act" are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within 28 days of the service of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be forever estopped and barred from setting up any claim or right in or to the said land, and I shall register the said Elnie Munro as owner in fee. If any of you desire that notice may be made by publication in the "Victoria Daily Times" twelve consecutive issues, dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 26th day of November, A.D. 1917. J. C. GWYNN, Registrar-General. To G. H. Stewart Esq., Assessed Owner.

CRUDE PETROLEUM HIGHER IN PRICE

Sarnia, Ont., Feb. 12.—The sale price of crude petroleum has advanced ten cents a barrel, making the price \$2.58, with bounty at \$3.10. This is the highest price Canadian crude oil has reached in more than forty years.

ATTACK IN MARCH IS PLANNED BY GERMANS ON BRITISH FRONT

British Army Headquarters in France, Feb. 12.—Via London, Feb. 12.—Some time in March has been set by the Germans for at least one offensive on the British front, according to a German prisoner who has just been captured. This captive did not know whether it was a general offensive operation that was intended at that time. The statement of the prisoner is not surprising, in view of the intensive preparations that are being made by the enemy all along the front and the remarkably fine drying weather which has now continued for many days. Berlin, Feb. 12.—An official statement issued here yesterday said: "The enemy made thirty-one air attacks on German territory during January. Fifteen of this number were made on the Lorraine and Luxemburg industrial districts. The towns raided included Ludwigshafen, Freiburg, Trier (Treves), Friedrichshafen, Raastatt, Offenburg, Mannheim and Karlsruhe. "Although the number of attacks compared with those of the previous month was considerably increased owing to the favorable weather, the damage and losses fortunately were smaller. Five persons were killed and nine wounded. The material damage was insignificant. There was no interruption of work worth mentioning. "The enemy lost four aeroplanes during these attacks."

171 VICTIMS OF TUSCANIA BURIED

London, Feb. 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—Up to Tuesday night, a week after the disaster, 171 victims of the ill-fated Tuscania had been laid to rest at different points on the Scottish coast. These were divided as follows: Americans, 121 identified and thirty-three unidentified; crew, four identified and three unidentified. The victims included K. Edwards, Butte, Mont., and James Price, Boise. EDMONTON FIRE DEPT. Edmonton, Feb. 12.—The Edmonton City Council last night, after a prolonged discussion, voted five to four not to interfere in the firemen's strike or with the appointment of Fire Chief Davidson, whose choice by the commissioners led to the walkout.

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MANY BOMBS DROPPED BY FRENCH AVIATORS

Paris, Feb. 12.—The War Office here reported last night: "Both armies in the Champagne in the region of the Meuse, and at several points in the Vosges were active. There were no infantry actions. "On February 11 four German aeroplanes were brought down by our pilots. In addition our aviators carried out various bombardments. Nine thousand kilos of projectiles were dropped on enemy establishments, depots, railway stations and cantonments, notably the Metz-Sablon station, where a fire broke out. "Belgian communication.—On the night of February 10 one of our patrols was active in the machine-gun area near Kippe. After a hand-to-hand struggle they put the occupants of the shelter out of action and returned to our lines, bringing back a German machine gun. Along the whole front there was limited artillery activity this morning. It was quite marked during the afternoon near Ramschappel and Merckem."

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as proved in the independent scientific feeding experiments reported to the British Medical Association.

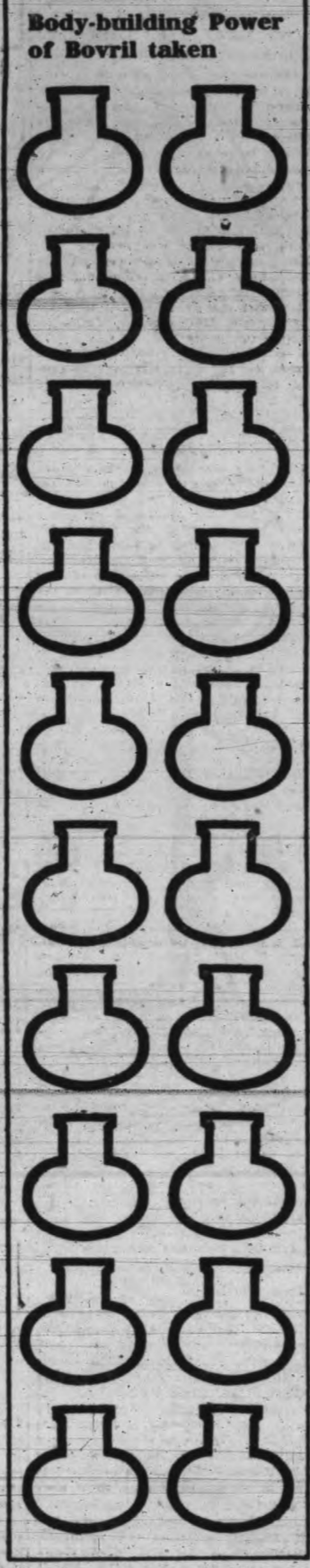
In these experiments, carried out by some of the leading physiologists of the day, Bovril, when added to the diet of human subjects, produced an increase in weight, equivalent to from 10 to 20 times the amount of Bovril taken.

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BOVRIL TAKEN



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SUCCESSFUL RAIDS BY FRENCH TROOPS

Men Got as Far as Fourth German Line in Woevre

With the French Armies in France, Feb. 12.—Via London, Feb. 12.—In the course of three successful trench raids early this morning French troops advanced as far as the fourth German line between Le Prétre and Mortmare Woods, in the Woevre and took prisoners belonging to the Ninth Bavarian and the 94th Landwehr Divisions.

covered by a heavy mist. As soon as the French reached the first positions the Germans opened a sweeping machine gun fire as well as an artillery barrage, but the French penetrated the shell curtain almost without casualties, demolished all the enemy shelters and emplacements and returned to their own lines with most valuable information.

While the French attack was in progress, German troops attempted a raid at Regnieville, in the same district, but were repulsed with heavy losses.

RETURNED SOLDIERS COMING TO VICTORIA

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—Seventy-six returned soldiers arrived here last night from the battlefield. Included in the party were twenty-four men for Winnipeg and other points in Military District No. 10 and forty-eight for Regina.

VICTORIAN OFFICIAL OF BOND DEALERS' BODY

Toronto, Feb. 13.—The annual meeting of the Bond Dealers' Association of Canada was held here yesterday. There are now 150 firms identified with the organization, and owing to its widespread nature it was decided to divide it into three sections, embracing Quebec and the Maritime Provinces with the exception of Prince Edward Island in the east; Ontario in the centre, and Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia in the west.

The officers elected for the year are as follows: Honorary president, E. R. Wood, Toronto; president, J. M. Mackie, Montreal; vice-presidents, H. Gundy, Toronto; Sir Augustus Nanton, Winnipeg; and Edwin Hanson, Montreal; treasurer, A. H. Mackenzie, Montreal. The executive is composed of eighteen members: J. M. Mackie, Edwin Hanson, R. P. Leclerc, A. G. Nesbitt and E. A. Stevenson, in the east; J. H. Gunn, J. W. Mitchell, A. E. Eames, W. C. Brent, R. C. Mathews and W. I. McKinnon, in Ontario; Sir Augustus Nanton and Hon. Edward Brown, Manitoba; F. B. Pemberton, British Columbia. Alberta's representative has not yet been selected.

EXCITING SESSION OF BRITISH HOUSE

Supreme War Council Cause of Interesting Moments in London Yesterday

London, Feb. 12.—Parliament re-assembled yesterday on tiptoe with curiosity as to how Mr. Lloyd George would meet President Wilson's latest declaration and the dissatisfaction manifested by a section of the press and public over the Versailles Council, and also as to how far Mr. Asquith, former Prime Minister, would respond to the demand of the extreme wing of his followers for the abandonment of the policy of benevolence toward the Government in favor of active opposition based on disapproval of the general war policy, and especially the enlargement of the functions of the Supreme War Council.

The House of Commons was not disappointed, for the sitting proved unusually exciting. It could hardly be said that the former Prime Minister came up to the expectations of the most eager of his party, but the temper of a large section of the members seemed to show that such tactics would meet with considerable support.

Perhaps the most notable thing was the contrast in the speeches of the Prime Minister and the former Prime Minister with reference to President Wilson's speech. While Mr. Asquith endorsed fully the President's view, Mr. Lloyd George did not even mention Mr. Wilson's last speech and declined to see in Count Czernin's statement any nearer approach to reasonable terms than in Hertling's. Moreover, over the Prime Minister regarded the German Chancellor's demand that Great Britain give up her coal-gas stations as proving fully that the controllers of German policy were in no mood to discuss reasonable terms of peace.

Declaring absolutely that he would not yield on the matter of revealing more about the Versailles conference, the Prime Minister challenged the House, if dissatisfied with the Government's conduct of the war, to put another Government in its place.

The question of the enlarging of the functions of the Versailles Council led to a little scene between the Prime Minister and Mr. Asquith, and throughout his remarks about the Council the Prime Minister was subjected to a running fire of heckling, punctuated with loud cheering from extreme Liberals, many of whom in subsequent speeches made strong attacks on the Prime Minister regarding his alleged connection with the press.

Lord Hugh Cecil, member for Oxford University, admitted that the Prime Minister's speech was reassuring, but said that the weakness of the Government lay in the existence of coincidences between utterances in the press and certain lines of Government action. He hoped the Government would not hesitate to suppress, if necessary, even the most influential journals acting contrary to the national interest.

Admiral Sir Hedworth Meux invited the Prime Minister to get rid of his private secretaries and also the press, which was hanging around his neck "like an albatross."

While the Versailles conference was under discussion the Prime Minister also was met by constant cries of "Do not divulge."

At one point Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law interposed to deny that Field-Marshal Haig or General Robertson had been dismissed or resigned, and being closely pressed by a heckler, added: "As far as I know."

The House then adjourned and thus far no motion of want of confidence in the Government has been placed on the order paper.

CIVILIZATION WILL BE SAVED BY ALLIES, STATES LORD CURZON

London, Feb. 13.—The recent speeches of Count von Hertling and Count Czernin were a collusive performance between the two statesmen intended to drive a wedge between the Allies rather than to secure peace, Earl Curzon, Government leader in the House of Lords, declared in the debate yesterday in that Chamber on the Speech from the Throne. No attempt, he said, had been made to meet the minimum demands of the Allies. Earl Curzon added: "The most critical times that have ever confronted this country are in front of us. But I do not think the position is at all dangerous, and all our military advisers do not think it is. At the same time we shall have to put every ounce of effort into the common cause. If we do that, I am confident we will win, and this save civilization."

WINDING-UP ORDER FOR DOMINION TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—To refuse a winding-up order under such circumstances would, in my mind, be to utilize this court to defeat an honest debt," said Mr. Justice Murphy here yesterday.

An order for the winding up of the Dominion Trust Company, Ltd., the parent company of the Dominion Trust Company, was granted by Mr. Justice Murphy on the petition of Trully Boyce, of Nanaimo, a shareholder in the company. The petition, it was admitted, had been pushed by the liquidator of the Dominion Trust Company, who had failed before the Court of Appeal to have a number of the shareholders made liable as contributors in the Dominion Trust liquidation. Claims said to total \$53,940 are involved in the decision, which will go to appeal.

TO ALL WOMEN WHO ARE ILL

This Woman Recommends Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—Her Personal Experience.



McLean, Neb.—"I want to recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to all women who suffer from any functional disturbance, as it has done me more good than all the doctor's medicine. Since taking it I have a fine healthy baby girl and have gained in health and strength. My husband and I both praise your medicine to all suffering women."—Mrs. JOHN KOPPELMANN, R. No. 1, McLean, Nebraska.

BRITISH LABOR IS FIGHTING TO WIN

Determination Voiced by Members of British Labor Mission to U.S.

New York, Feb. 13.—The war and its effect upon the industrial workers was discussed at a mass meeting last night by members of the British Labor Mission visiting this country and leaders of trade unions of New York.

Charles Duncan, M.P., secretary of the General Workers' Union of Great Britain, declared in an address that the United States had but a slight notion of the great task that is confronting the Allies. He urged the working men of the United States to profit by the experience of British toilers in the last three years.

W. A. Appleton, of the British General Federation of Trades Unions, reviewed the struggle which organized labor had had in Great Britain prior to the war. He pointed out that the British Government now depends almost solely on the labor unions for supplies and munitions and the spirit calculated to win the war.

The assertion by pacifists in this country that British Labor wanted peace was ridiculed by the men of the Mission. That was the last thing that British Labor desired, it was stated. Should the question of continuing the war or accepting Germany's terms be submitted to a vote, it was declared, the pacifists would be overwhelmed.

"We do not want war," Mr. Duncan said. "We did not invite it, and now that we have suffered by it we are not prepared to let the enemy make the terms of peace."

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—The following casualties have been announced: Railway Troops. Accidentally killed—Lieut. D. G. Mills, Toronto. Died—Pte. E. Stacep, Nanaimo.

HAIG'S TROOPS TOOK SOME PRISONERS

London, Feb. 13.—A report from British headquarters in France last night said: "A few prisoners were brought in by our patrols at different points along the front."

TIRE, NERVOUS HOUSEWIFE TOOK VINOL

Berkeley, Cal.—"I was nervous, irritable, no appetite, could not sleep, and was always tired, so my housework was a great effort. After many other medicines had failed Vinol built me up and made me strong. I have a good appetite and sleep well. Every nervous, weak, ailing woman should try it."—Mrs. N. Edmunds, 307 Dwight Way, Berkeley, Cal.

We ask every nervous, weak, run-down, ailing woman in this town to try this cod liver and iron tonic on our guarantee to return their money if it fails to help them.

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Unusual Corset Values Here Thursday

At \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 \$2.00, \$2.25 and \$2.50

In These Well-Known Makes Nemo, D & A, Gossard American Lady

To-morrow the Corset Section will feature four well-known makes of Corsets selling at \$1.25 to \$2.50 per pair. There is a style of Corset for every figure—medium, stout and slim—also high, medium and low bust models. The materials, trimmings, etc., are the best obtainable in Corsets selling at the above prices, and you will find a full range of sizes in the various styles and makes mentioned.

Some Exceptional Values in Women's Hosiery

- Penman's Very Fine All-Wool Cashmere Hose, in black or white; deep garter top. At a pair, **\$1.15**
- A Special Line of Fine Black Cashmere Hose, splendid wearing. Regular 75c per pair. Special for this week-end, 3 pairs, **\$1.95**
- Children's Strong School Hose, per pair, **25c, 35c** and **50c**
- Heavy Quality Fleece-Lined Cashmere Hose. Special value at 3 pairs for **\$1.00**
- Penman's Fine Black Full-Fashioned Cashmere Hose, with garter top; splendid wearing. At, per pair, **50c, 60c** and **75c**
- "Luxe" Silk Hose, with ribbed top and reinforced soles; colors black, navy, grey and white. Remarkable value at, per pair, **\$1.25**
- Fine Black "Llama" Cashmere Hose, English make; all wearing parts are reinforced. Special value at pair **90c**

"Zenith" Underwear For Women

- Women's Combinations, high neck, long sleeves, ankle length. At, per suit, **\$3.00 to \$3.50**
- Women's Combinations, high neck, short sleeves, ankle length. At, per suit, **\$3.00 to \$3.50**
- Women's Combinations, low neck, short sleeves, ankle length. At, per suit, **\$3.00 to \$3.50**
- Women's Vests, high neck, long sleeves. At **\$1.65 to \$1.95**
- Women's Combinations, high neck, long sleeves, ankle length. At, per suit, **\$2.25 to \$2.75**
- Women's Vests, Dutch neck, elbow sleeves. At, per suit, **\$2.25 to \$2.75**
- Women's Combinations, low neck, long sleeves, ankle length. At, per suit, **\$2.25 to \$2.75**
- Women's Combinations, low neck, elbow sleeves, knee length. At, per suit, **\$2.25 to \$2.75**
- Women's Vests, low neck, short sleeves. **\$1.65 to \$1.95**
- Women's Vests, low neck, elbow sleeves. At **\$1.65 to \$1.95**
- Women's Drawers, open and closed, knee and ankle length. At **\$1.75 to \$1.95**
- Women's Combinations, Dutch neck, elbow sleeves, ankle length. At, per suit, **\$2.25 to \$2.75**
- Women's Combinations, low neck, short sleeves, ankle length. At, per suit, **\$2.25 to \$2.75**
- Women's Combinations, low neck, elbow sleeves, knee length. At, per suit, **\$2.25 to \$2.75**

TEUTONS ARE VANDALS IN NORTHERN ITALY

Rivalry in Pillaging So Great Germans and Austrians Fight

Paris, Feb. 13.—The Austro-German invaders in Northern Italy daily are resorting to increasing acts of vandalism, pillage and brutality, according to statements of prisoners captured by the Italians, a Havas dispatch from Rome says. Officers as well as soldiers are participating.

Udine has been pillaged and stores and buildings destroyed wantonly by intoxicated troops. The rivalry in stealing, it is stated, has been so great that fights have broken out between the various groups of the Central Powers. In Udine these fights resulted in the death of fourteen Germans and three Austrians. There also were bloody conflicts at Polocattaro, between Germans and Austrians.

THE WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Feb. 13.—5 a. m.—The barometer is low over this province and colder weather is general, with snow on the Lower Mainland, and rain extends to California. Zero temperatures are reported in Cariboo and are becoming general in the prairie provinces.

Reports:

Victoria—Barometer, 29.4; temperature, maximum yesterday, 47; minimum, 32; wind, 4 miles N. W.; weather, clear.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.75; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 22; wind, 4 miles E.; snow, 1.4; weather, snowing.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.4; temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; minimum, 18; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, raining.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.32; temperature, maximum yesterday, 22; minimum, 6; wind, calm; snow, .04; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.4; temperature, minimum yesterday, 26; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, clear.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 29.72; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 26; wind, 10 miles E.; rain, .01; weather, clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.32; temperature, maximum yesterday, 41; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles S. E.; rain, .46; weather, cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.30; temperature, maximum yesterday, 41; minimum, 24; wind, 9 miles S. W.; rain, .26; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.32; temperature, maximum yesterday, 58; minimum, 48; wind, 15 miles W.; rain, .01; weather, clear.

Temperature.

Place	Max.	Min.
Penticton	30	20
Cranbrook	35	25
Calgary	45	35
Edmonton	24	6
Qu'Appelle	30	6
Winnipeg	12	2

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GO AFTER THEM.

An important announcement was made by Ottawa yesterday in regard to the Government's steel shipbuilding programme. It was stated that the policy contemplates the laying down of keels of about forty ships by June, 1919, and that of these ten will be laid on the Pacific coast—four for vessels of 5,000 tons and six for vessels of 3,200 tons.

We invite the attention of Island shipbuilding firms to this announcement. It will be a long, long time before they will have such another opportunity to develop the industry in a large way under Government auspices. The Dominion Government is able to launch such a policy under conditions unusually favorable to the shipbuilding industry only because of the demand for shipping arising from the exigencies of the war. The powerful eastern interests which usually capture all the contracts worth capturing cannot handle the whole program at this time and it is now or never with British Columbia.

Vancouver firms will not hesitate to go after the contracts, we may be sure. What are the Island concerns going to do about it? Upon the measure of their enterprise and foresight now will depend the extent to which they will become a factor in competition with the mainland shipbuilders in the future. If they permit mainland firms to take all the contracts allotted to this coast now they will find themselves hopelessly handicapped in catering for future business for they then will have to compete with an established industry of extensive facilities and substantial capital derived from present business. They will not be able to hold much of the business which now comes to them.

A few years ago Coughlan & Son were building contractors in Vancouver who got into difficulties through an unprofitable contract for a "skyscraper." Nothing daunted, when the demand for shipping first became acute, they tackled shipbuilding although they had had no previous experience in this work. They secured a site on False Creek, went after contracts and are now building steel vessels. They probably will have a generous share of the new Dominion shipbuilding programme. Undoubtedly they had strong backing, but this they obtained by going after it. None of these things comes to a firm as a tribute from fate. Our "climate and scenery" will not bring them; neither will resolutions and speeches. I hope Victoria firms are already hot-foot after some of those ten contracts.

ROUMANIA'S POSITION.

What about Roumania? If the Bolsheviks were recognized throughout Russia as the voice of the nation Ferdinand's army on the Sereth would be left in the air. But the Bolsheviks can speak for only those parts of Russia in which Bolshevism predominates and which have not declared themselves to be independent states. They have no constitutional standing. They are not recognized by the Russian army on the Roumanian front, whose leader, one of Brusiloff's able lieutenants, was recently futilely proclaimed an outlaw because he and most of his troops had cast their lot with the Roumanian army. They are not recognized by the Constitutional Democrats who gained a big majority in the recent elections for the Constituent Assembly, nor by Alexander, Korniloff, Kaledines and other prominent military leaders, nor, we may be sure, by many thousands of other soldiers in the Russian army conscious of their country's treaty obligations. Hence, the Roumanian army whose organization so far has been maintained intact, is being constantly increased in men and material, and von Mackensen, therefore, has addressed an ultimatum to Roumania demanding the opening of peace negotiations at once.

With the backing of soldiers like Brusiloff, Korniloff, Alekief and Kaledines and the support of the Milnikoff and Kerensky elements, the Roumanian army might very easily become a dangerous menace to Austria and Bulgaria. It certainly would lack nothing in numbers and its most difficult problem would be one of supply. The adjoining Russian province is Bessarabia, one of the greatest food-producing districts of southern Europe. A short time ago Roumanian troops occupied Kishinev, the chief city of the province, and Bessarabia proclaimed her independence of the Bolshevik Government. At that time we pointed out that these developments suggested that Roumania, in anticipation of the Bolshevik withdrawal from the war

and a separate peace with the Ukraine, was taking care of her communications and her source of food supply. If she has been successful in this she occupies a favorable position, especially if the military and political interests of southern Russia which remain true to their alliance stand behind her, and if Bolshevism does not infect her army. Austria with her hands full on the Italian front is not in a position to force the powerful line of the Sereth in Moldavia, the Bolshevik could not now organize a fighting force of any kind and Germany has important commitments elsewhere.

VACANT LOT CULTIVATION.

Steps are being taken by the Increased Production and Food Conservation Committee, of which Alderman Sargent is chairman, for the organization of a vacant lot cultivation campaign in the city this year. A meeting of the Committee and citizens generally has been called by the Mayor for Saturday morning in the Council Chamber, when plans for the campaign will be formulated.

However pressing was the necessity of increased production which inspired last year's campaign, it was nothing like the urgency which calls for such activity this year. If there are any sceptics who think the food emergency has been overestimated and that "things will work out all right, anyway," they are destined to receive a severe shock later on. Some day they may find themselves on rations and that will be very uncomfortable, to say the least, although it is a brand of discomfort to which the people of Great Britain, France and Italy have been subjected for a considerable time, and which has been the lot of Belgium since the early weeks of the war. Just how far the Canadian people will have to put up with similar disabilities will depend upon the amount of food they produce. And every vacant lot under cultivation helps to solve what is going to be the greatest problem of the times.

A short time ago the President of the Port Arthur Board of Trade issued a statement on the results of the campaign launched by the Port Arthur Garden Club, organized by the City Council of that place last year. The statement showed that through the activities of this bustling organization, products were raised in the following quantities and values:

4,000 bags potatoes, at . . .	\$5,900.00
3,100 bags turnips, at . . .	1,100.00
1,100 bags carrots, at . . .	1,650.00
1,500 bags beets, at . . .	2,250.00
500 bags parsnips, at . . .	750.00
49,500 lbs. cabbages, at . . .	1,485.00
5,400 lbs. onions, at . . .	275.00
1,100 bushels peas, at . . .	1,650.00
550 bushels beans, at . . .	1,650.00
5,500 cucumbers, at . . .	165.00
11,000 cauliflower, at . . .	1,375.00
27,500 bunches celery, at . . .	3,375.00
11,000 bunches parsley, . . .	550.00
150 bushels tomatoes, . . .	675.00
5,000 dozen bunches of lettuce, at . . .	3,000.00
3,000 dozen bunches radishes, at . . .	1,500.00
250 marrow, at . . .	50.00
200 squash, at . . .	40.00
	\$26,527.50

Other Canadian cities have shown equally favorable results from their vacant lot cultivation campaign. In Victoria the showing was highly satisfactory, but it ought to be much better this year. No other Canadian city is more favored in vacant spaces, climate and fertility of soil for a successful campaign of this character than Victoria, and if the public will get behind the Committee we should produce a record result.

THAT LICENSE.

The Victoria City Council has associated itself with the various public bodies of Cowichan District in protesting against the issue of a purse seine license to a company for a part of Cowichan Bay. The license was issued on January 8 without any regard to the wishes of the residents of the district, which were well known to the Department, having been vigorously submitted to Ottawa when a similar project was under consideration in the fall of 1916. Nothing is known of the company which has received the license. It is not registered in British Columbia or Canada and the Cowichanites are more than ordinarily curious concerning its personnel.

The opening of Cowichan Bay to commercial fishing is opposed by the district, for the reasons that it would deplete one of the few remaining spawning grounds and sources of fish food of Vancouver Island, seriously handicap the operations of the Cowichan hatchery, interfere with an important supply of food for the Indians, spoil one of the most attractive resorts for tourists and visitors and depreciate the value of property. The residents in protesting against the action of the authorities are not insensible to the insistent demand for more food production, but they suspect that this is much less the motive behind the issue of the license than the yearning of a privileged interest for dividends no matter what havoc might be played with the fisheries of the Bay. The mystery surrounding the company, and the circumstances under which the license was issued, furnish reasonable ground for suspicion.

more food production were the object, why not allow a local company to supply the need? Cowichan interests are quite ready to do so, if it is so vitally urgent that the Bay be opened to commercial fishing. Was it because it was feared that, seeing that the opening of the Bay was inevitable, a local application for a license would be made, that so much secrecy surrounded the action of the Department? Why was the Duncan Board of Trade, or the Duncan Municipal Council, or any of the other public bodies of Cowichan District not given an inkling of what was coming?

The Department will act wisely if it should suspend operations under that license, for some very pertinent inquiries will be instituted in Parliament on the subject when the Session begins. Mr. McIntosh represents that district at Ottawa, and may be depended upon to get to the bottom of the whole proceeding and ascertain who and what are the interests concerned in it and whence comes their "pull."

STATED WORLD'S CASE AGAINST TEUTONS

Wilson Spoke Admirably, Says London Telegraph; Other British Comments

London, Feb. 12.—The London Daily Telegraph says that President Wilson's address to Congress on Monday was a most admirable presentation of the world's case against the Central Powers, given in unanswerable clear and precise terms.

The Morning Post describes the address as grave, deliberate and restrained. With regard to the President's reference to Czerin, it says that as long as Austria is dominated by Germany her ministers must submit to dictation, and therefore it is impossible to deal with them.

The Daily News says that if anything be needed to emphasize the diplomatic wisdom of President Wilson's recent speech, it would be supplied by a contrast between the principles laid down at Versailles, and the principles laid down at Verdun. It adds: "From the bankrupt statesmanship of the Allied Conference has emerged what is in effect a reassertion of the knock-out blow decision. No declaration of war aims was formulated. No distinction between the speeches of von Hertling was recognized."

"The keynote of President Wilson's speech is the policy of the open door. Peace is waiting as soon as the Central Powers are ready."

NEXT-OF-KIN HOLD SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR

Many Attend Dance and Card Tournament at Empress Last Night

The ballroom of the Empress Hotel presented an animated appearance last night with its whirling crowd of dancers, the more sombre hues of the dark blue of the Navy and the khaki of the military acting as a foil to the pretty gowns of the women.

The affair was arranged by the members of the Great War Next-of-Kin Association, and proved to be one of the most successful events of the season, nearly three hundred dancers taking the floor and dancing to the strains of up-to-date music furnished by Professor Lou Turner's orchestra.

About 9:30 the familiar notes of the National Anthem announced the arrival of the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Barnard, who were accompanied by Mrs. R. P. Butchart and H. J. Muskett. By a curious coincidence yesterday was the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, and on the entrance of R. B. Mosher, the American Consul, a delicate little tribute was paid to the memory of the famous President by the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner."

PIG RECEIVES MORE CARE THAN CHILD SAYS REV. H. DOBSON

Resolution, Passed Following Address on "Life Conservation"

"Whereas the conservation of life is now recognized to be of paramount importance, and whereas the present rate of infant mortality is a matter of grave concern, be it resolved that the Social Service Commission of Victoria, unanimously and cordially endorse the proposal of the Department of Health to form a 'Well Babies' Clinic' in this City, and respectfully urge the Mayor and the City Council to take the necessary action to carry the proposal into effect."

On a motion of the Rev. H. S. Osborne, seconded by the Rev. John G. Inkster, the above resolution was unanimously passed last evening at the session of the Child Welfare Social Service Conference held in the school-room of the Metropolitan Church. The motion followed immediately upon an address delivered by the Rev. Hugh Dobson on the "Conservation of Life."

Local Clinic. Speaking to the motion, Alderman Peden and the City Health Officer, Dr. Price, both pointed to the fact that a clinic had been established last year and had been successful in doing good work. Its activities had been hampered, however, through lack of certain equipment which was essential to more comprehensive work. The Alderman felt that the improvements would be obtained this year and emphasized upon the meeting the necessity of their whole-hearted and continual support to the movement.

"The conservation of life is a nation's greatest problem," declared the Rev. Mr. Dobson, "yet so limited has been the action taken in this great Dominion of ours that 30,000 children go to their graves every year from preventable diseases." The speaker continued his remarks by quoting a lengthy list of statistics compiled concerning the City of Ottawa, and drew attention to the contrast in death rates between the more sanitary and what might be termed the slum sections of the city. He asserted that it was known that the death rate in some cities of Canada exceeded that of the largest city of the world, London.

Sent Experts. Mr. Dobson said he was informed that, when in a certain section of the country it was found that the pigs were dying, both Provincial and Federal Governments took action and sent experts to investigate the case, and Peace is waiting as soon as the Central Powers are ready.

Education. Mr. Dobson then launched into the whole subject of education, but especially into that phase which he felt would be necessary to meet the national question now confronting Canada; the question of mingling the people who were coming to Canada's shores from every corner of the globe. He warned his audience against the futility of approaching the subject from the standpoint of prejudice; such a viewpoint was anything but constructive.

As a fundamental principle, the speaker declared his belief that Canada should not admit to her shores those people to whom she was not prepared to grant the rights of citizenship. To those whom she granted admittance it was her duty to make it possible that they should become worthy citizens.

Referring to the Royal Commission the speaker stated that it was necessary to admit that Canada's school system was behind the time. He referred to the fact many of the Dominion's teachers were too young for their work, while others looked upon the teacher's profession as one to which they would devote their time until something else turned up. The type of personality of the educator was the great thing, in the speaker's opinion, but the required personality was rarely to be found under the system that placed doctors, lawyers and clergy on a pedestal but teachers on a secondary plane.

Admission of Foreigners. Before closing his address Mr. Dobson outlined at some length an elaborate plan governing the admission of foreigners to Canada, the training they should receive, and their ultimate admittance to complete citizenship at a time when they would be capable of assuming its responsibilities.

Threaten Proceedings.—Although rumors are reaching the City Police with regard to threatened proceedings against them, following the wholesale seizure of liquor recently at nine hotels for analyses to be taken, so far no formal intimation has been received that legal proceedings will occur.

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OUR LETTER BOX

OUR FINANCIAL PROBLEM.

To the Editor.—Mr. Flumerfelt's letters have been read by myself with the greatest interest. With his conception of the financial position of the province I am in absolute agreement. His panacea for our financial evils appears to be impractical. I very much doubt if the issue could be in any way disposed of, and I do not think either the Dominion or Imperial Governments would be justified in coming to the assistance of the province, and municipalities in the way Mr. Flumerfelt suggests.

There is only one way by which we can meet our liabilities, and that is by increasing our population. The latent resources of British Columbia are amply sufficient to restore speedily our balance sheet if developed. Strict economy in ordinary administration must be cut down to the minimum, consistent with efficient service, and the productive assets of the province must be fostered at the expense of the non-productive.

The balance sheet presented to the House by the Hon. John Hart does not make pretty reading. Salaries amount to \$1,536,812.97, public works to \$2,515,530.44, and that extraordinary item miscellaneous, appearing under the unhappy nomenclature XIII., comes to \$1,905,264.50. Almost as bad as the days when Bowser reigned.

Mr. Flumerfelt's scheme is, after all, really only a makeshift, and no permanent benefit or development can ever come to British Columbia till the people have it drilled into them that individual, municipality and Government must all cut their cloth according to circumstances, and that being in point of fact "broke," we must behave as such. A business concern in the stress of hard times with an overloaded credit, has got to cut overhead charges to a minimum. We don't seem to have got started on that yet. The next step, of course, is to hustle up new business, "in the case of a Government to acquire new population, new industry and general development."

There are all kinds of opportunities ahead of British Columbia, but from

what I have seen of its inhabitants and their Governments there doesn't seem much likelihood of their being seized on.

H. B. WINGATE WHITE.
 Cobble Hill, Feb. 10.

"FACE THE FACTS."

To the Editor.—As I am convinced that but few realize the seriousness of the present situation, though patent to any thinking observer or reader, I ask you to publish what the Canadian Food Bulletin, issued fortnightly at the Food Controller's office at Ottawa, quotes from the two greatest authorities: Lord Rhondda, the English Food Controller, says: "The food wanted by mankind does not exist. The word 'shortage' is not strong enough for the situation." To put the matter bluntly, the whole world is up against a nasty thing, familiar to the people of India, called 'famine.' Again, regarding the wheat situation, he said: "The position in two or three months may be serious indeed." He said that if the farmers of England could only get a million acres of potatoes under cultivation this year there would be no fear of starvation, and by starvation which is followed by disease and death." Sir Edmund Walker, the Canadian banker, says: "The danger of famine is very near."

R. E. Prothero, President of the Board of Agriculture, England, says: "England is in a most critical condition, and approaching the rapid. If the farmers do not assist him, and Baron Rhondda, the Food Controller, the country would be swept over the rapids. He was afraid that all the carriage horses which had not been sent out to grass would have to be killed."

No words of mine can add any weight to the above. Joseph in Egypt took precautions while there was yet time, and saved many lives. Soon it may be too late to say. Remember that it will be your little ones who will suffer first and most. We may have enough food for ourselves, but we must share that with those who have none in other parts of the world. We are building ships to carry it. Subscriptions and tag days will not make food.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY
 Victoria Times, February 13, 1893.

A London dispatch of Monday last makes the statement that the Archbishop of Canterbury has appointed March 25 for the consecration of Rev. W. W. Perrin, the new Bishop of Columbia. The ceremony will take place in Westminster Abbey.

Mr. and Mrs. Hampson-Hemans are going to hold a series of revival meetings in this city.

The contracts for repairing the James Bay bridge and laying new sidewalks in the city were signed this morning.

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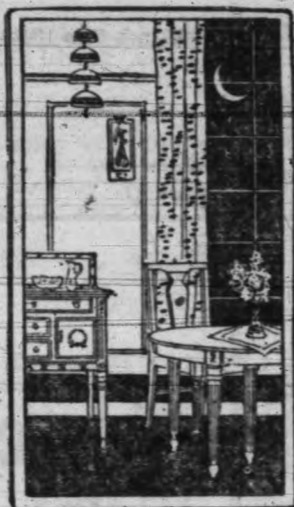
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Heavy Weight Sweater Coat, 75 per cent. wool, finished with military collar and two pockets. In colors brown with fawn. All sizes. Special, each **\$3.95**
—Sweaters, Main Floor

New Ready-to-Wear in Mantle Department

New Coats and Suits arriving continually. Come and inspect the latest arrivals and keep yourself posted on the latest trend in fashions for Spring, 1918.
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THE COMPLETE SUITE, THURSDAY, \$126.00

—Furniture, Fourth Floor

Clearance of China Cabinets and Bookcases

Here's the long watched for opportunity to buy a good China Cabinet at a Bargain price. We have sold the other parts of these sets, so clear out the China Cabinets at very great price reductions.

China Cabinet, in fumed oak; a nice dull finish. Made on square lines, with front and sides of glass, fitted inside with three shelves. Outside measure 3 ft. 4 in. wide by 5 ft. 4 in. high. To clear at **\$30.00**
Bookcase, of solid oak, in fumed finish, double glazed doors; 3 shelves inside; size over all 3 ft. 3 in. wide, 4 ft. 10 in. high. To clear at **\$25.00**
China Cabinet of rich green kyonix, double glazed door, mirror back, glazed sides, built on square lines; size 3 ft. 2 in. wide by 4 ft. 8 in. high. Was \$49.00. To clear at **\$35.00**
And others.
—Furniture, Fourth Floor

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The old reliable qualities, in very dainty pieces, marked at Special February Sale prices for Thursday:

Butter Dishes, regular \$2.90 for **\$2.39**
Butter Dishes, regular \$5.50 for **\$4.49**
Butter Dishes, regular \$4.50 for **\$3.69**
Bon Bons, reg. \$4.25 for **\$3.69**
Spoon Trays, reg. \$3.50 for **\$2.90**
Cake Dishes or Baskets, reg. \$6.95 for **\$6.19**
Nut Bowls, reg. \$6.95 for **\$5.39**
—Silverware, Second Floor

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Very smart designs and pretty colorings, so suitable for present-day tendencies in drapery and homefurnishing fashions. Many of the pieces are particularly suitable for slip covers; others more desirable for window and bed draperies. Come in and look these over and make your selection early. About 450 yards in the lot. February Sale price Thursday, a yard, **32c**
—Drapery, Third Floor

500 Yards Fine Quality Scrims at 19c a Yard

This is a good quality Scrim, and one that will launder well and give every satisfaction in wear. Can be had in cream, white and ecru. Suitable for long or short curtains. Very special for the February Sale, a yard, **19c**
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A BEDTIME STORY

UNCLE WIGGLY AND THE FROZEN PIPE

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 (By Howard R. Garis.)

"Oh, my!" cried Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy, the muskrat housekeeping lady, who lived in the hollow stump bungalow with Uncle Wiggly Longears, the rabbit gentleman. "I certainly have gone and done it!"

"Done what?" asked the bunny rabbit, looking up from the piece of birch bark paper he was reading, and which told about how much cheaper coal was going to be next summer when you don't need it. "What have you done, Nurse Jane?"

"I have cut my paw on the knife with which I was slicing cabbage to make soup for you," answered the muskrat lady. "Oh, how it bleeds!—my paw, I mean, and not the cabbage, though being red it looks as though that was cut, too, as it really is, and the knife was so sharp and—"

"Oh, Nurse Jane! You are getting all excited and hysterical and are talking too much, if you will kindly excuse me for saying so," spoke Uncle Wiggly. "Let me see your cut paw," he went on, as he ran out into the kitchen.

Nurse Jane had cut herself quite badly, but still she was a brave muskrat lady and did not cry.

"The rag around it," said Uncle Wiggly, "and that will stop the bleeding until I can go to the store and get some stickum plaster for you. Stickum plaster is the best but I have none. I'll get some at once."

So he quickly jumped into his tall silk hat—no, hold on just a moment, if you please. I am wrong. He quickly jumped into his warm fur coat, put his tall silk hat on over his ears and then, giving his pink nose a twinkle as he took to make it shine like a firecracker, away hopped Uncle Wiggly to get the stickum plaster for Nurse Jane's cut paw.

On and on, over the fields and through the woods, hopped the bunny rabbit gentleman, never stopping to look for an adventure this time. Of course he wouldn't do that when Nurse Jane had cut her paw, though, of course, if the bunny saw any one in trouble he might stop to help them, as he did. Wait, I'll tell you all about it.

On to the sassafras store, where a monkey doodle sold stickum plaster topped Uncle Wiggly.

"Some of your very best plaster for Nurse Jane's cut paw!" cried the monkey.

"Here you are, fresh off the grid-der!" cried the monkey doodle. "The very best stickum plaster that ever was made. It has pine tree gum on it to make it stick and cure your places."

Here the stickum plaster in his pocket Uncle Wiggly hurried back over the snow-covered fields and

through the woods, and he was almost at his hollow stump bungalow when, as he passed the house of Grandfather Goosey Gander, the goose gentleman ran out crying:

"Oh, it's broken! It's frozen! It's busted! It's squirting water all over! Oh, dear!"

"What's doing all this?" asked Uncle Wiggly. "You talk almost as fast and her paw as Nurse Jane when she cut her paw. What has broken, and frozen and busted and is squirting?"

"My water pipe," said Grandfather Goosey Gander, flapping his wings. "The cold weather made the pipe freeze. When it froze the water that was inside it swelled up and burst the pipe. Then when I thawed the pipe with a hot dishrag, the ice went out and the water came in, but it didn't stay in; the water didn't! It's squirting out of the hole in the pipe all over the kitchen. And Mrs. Goose is so excited!"

"Tush! Tush! That is no way to be," said Uncle Wiggly. "I am in a hurry to get back to Nurse Jane so I may stop the bleeding of her paw with the strong stickum plaster, but I have time to look and see if I can fix your frozen pipe."

So he went in Grandfather Goosey Gander's house and there, surely enough, the broken, frozen pipe was spurting water all over the kitchen.

"See the hole! It's right here!" cried Grandpa Goosey, and he leaned over to show Uncle Wiggly, and a lot of water squirted in the goose gentleman's eye.

"Oh!" quacked Grandpa Goosey. "Oh, can you stop the leak in the frozen pipe, Uncle Wiggly?"

The bunny thought for a moment. Then he said:

"Of course, I can! If stickum plaster will stop a cut paw from bleeding it will stop a burst water pipe from leaking. It is much the same. Here, we'll try it!"

So he wound some of the strong stickum plaster over the hole in the pipe, and surely enough, the water stopped spurting out until Mr. Flat-shall, the beaver gentleman, the plumber, could come and put in a new pipe.

"Oh, thank you, so much!" said Grandpa Goosey to Uncle Wiggly.

"Pray do not mention it," answered the bunny. Then he took the rest of the stickum plaster home to Nurse Jane and soon her cut paw was all better. And if the dog biscuit doesn't bark at the puppy cake and scree at the raisins out of the rice pudding, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggly and Billie's valentine.

Sooner or later every fellow hoper he'll come to the time when the doctor will think him rich enough to order south for the winter.

FINE PROGRAMME FOR CLUB'S NEXT CONCERT

Instrumental and Choral Numbers in Monday's Event Arranged by Ladies' Musical

A delightful programme has been arranged by Mrs. Grace R. Davenport for the next concert to be given by the Ladies' Musical Club, in the Empress Hotel on Monday next, February 18. The complete programme follows:

1. (a) Song of Canada—Percy Semon Miss Denise Harris and Ladies' Musical Club Chorus.
 (b) Song Lances—Bendall Miss Lillian Newway.
 (c) To the Skylark.
 (d) Twilight.
 Ladies' Chorus.

2. Song—What the Chimney Sang.... Miss Lillian Newway.
 Miss Lillian Newway.
 An Indian Lullaby.... Mrs. Coote
 An Irish Folk Song.... Arthur Foote
 Double Quartette.

3. Flute and Piano—
 (a) Dawn..... Busch
 (b) Danse Bergamasse.... Terchak
 W. R. Flasket and Mrs. J. R. Gibson.
 The Snake Charmer.... Lisa Lehmann
 Miss Eva Hart, Mrs. Flasket, Mrs. Gibson.

4. The Dancing Doll..... Poldini
 Ladies' Chorus
 Incidental solo—Mrs. A. H. Golem.

5. Trio—Andante, Op. 22..... Beethoven
 Violin, Viola and Flute.
 Mrs. Bristol Bennett, Miss Morris
 and Mr. Flasket.

Part II.

6. Two Ancient English Greens—
 (a) The Nightingale, A.D. 1000.... Weelkes
 (b) Danemus, date unknown.... Bendall
 Ladies' Chorus.
 Eastern Song and Violins.
 First Violin—Mrs. R. Bristol Bennett,
 Miss Violet Mesher, Miss C. Duckett.
 Second Violin—Mrs. Edwards,
 Miss A. Williams, Miss Irene Hick.

7. Flute Solo—The Brook in the Wood
 Miss Eva Hart.
 Mr. Flasket.

8. Annie Laurie..... Macpherson
 Ladies' Chorus.

9. Thou Charming Bird..... David
 Miss Eva Hart.

10. Dance of the Gnomes.... McDowell
 Ladies' Chorus.
 Conductor, Mrs. Grace R. Davenport.
 Accompanists, Mrs. J. R. Gibson, Mrs. R. W. Hanington.

Social & Personal

C. H. Dickie, of Duncan, was in the city yesterday on a brief business visit.

Mrs. Charles L. Harris has returned to the city from a visit to California.

Mrs. George Burns, of Vancouver, B. C., is visiting in the city as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Thos. Braithwaite, 114 Howe Street.

Mrs. E. A. Catterall, secretary of the Fernwood Branch Red Cross, left yesterday for California, where she was called by the serious illness of her mother.

Dr. F. M. Bryant left last night for Russell, Manitoba, where he was called by the death of his father. He expects to be absent from the city for about two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doering, of Duncan, have been among the recent visitors to the Mainland. During their stay in Vancouver they were registered at the Hotel Vancouver.

George H. Cowan, K. C. Judge advocate general of British Columbia has accepted an invitation to address the members of the Canadian Club, of Seattle, on Monday evening next. The occasion will be the annual informal dinner of the Club.

Miss Emma McDaniel, of 422 Menzies Street, is to-day receiving the congratulations of her many friends upon the attainment of her 77th birthday. In spite of her advanced years she is full of spirit and vigor, which is the envy of her more youthful friends.

Rev. J. K. Unsworth, D. D. of Nanaimo, arrived in the city yesterday, and will address the annual meeting of the Victoria Presbytery to-day. Dr. Unsworth expects to return to Nanaimo to-morrow, and during his brief visit is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. Lothian, of Bushby Street.

Under the auspices of the Sons of England Benefit Society, a benefit dance and military 500 will be held in

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the K. of P. Hall, North Park Street, on Wednesday, March 6. The proceeds will be turned over to a member of the organization who has permanently lost the sight of both eyes.

Arrangements are now complete for the Hard Times Fancy Dress Dance to be held in the Alexandra Club to-morrow night. Up-to-date music will be provided and a delicious buffet supper has been prepared by the Women's Auxiliary to the Great War Veterans' Association, who have organized the affair. The proceeds will augment the funds of the Great War Veterans' Association.

A merry gathering of friends unexpectedly invaded the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Curtis, 1145 Pembroke Street, last night and held a surprise party in honor of the host and hostess. Dancing and games helped a merry evening to pass all too quickly. Following the serving of dainty refreshments, E. Bailey, on behalf of the guests, presented Mrs. Curtis with a handsome jewel case, which gift was suitably acknowledged by Mr. and Mrs. Curtis.

PATRIOTIC FUND

Report for January Shows Present Financial Standing.

The monthly report of the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society shows the collections for January to be \$3,928.85, and for the Victoria branch of the Canadian Fund \$25.90.

The total contributions to the central fund amount to \$2,718.35. General expenses include: Salaries and wages, \$287. printing and stationery, \$44.95; postage stamps, \$56. war tax stamps, \$38. sundry expenses, \$11.67.

The campaign expenses amounted to \$46.25, and the balance on hand includes petty cash \$50, and in Bank of Commerce \$16,162.28, but from this must be deducted the allowance account of \$1,849.67.

In the allowance account is shown advances from the central fund, Canadian Patriotic Fund, \$794,582.50; disbursements under Canadian Patriotic Fund, from commencement to December 31, 1917, \$228,261.00; for January, 1918, \$30,182.82; leaving balance on hand \$4,289.67.

During the month 1,286 families were assisted, comprising 3,243 individuals.

BIG FILMS AT DOMINION PROVE SUCCESSFUL

Big films are proving a great success at the Dominion Theatre. "The Daughter of the Gods" was put on somewhat as an experiment and there was no doubt as to the appreciation of the public.

On Monday "The Honor System" opened and is continuing all week. It is a big ten-reel film and with it is a fine orchestra of fourteen pieces that adds much to the attractiveness of the entertainment.

"The Honor System" is a theme as vitally national to us as "Les Miserables" to France, or "Vanity Fair" to England.

This mighty theme is the triumphant love and faith of the individual in the struggle against the horrible oppressions of the social order.

Obviously this is a much greater theme than the disturbance of the course of true love by parental or family objection. The man fights against overwhelming odds with his back to the wall. A woman leagued with the powers of darkness almost sways him from his purpose. But he fights on, though the more woman's hateful plotting nearly kills him.

A girl comes to his aid. There is a ray of light in the Cimmerian blackness. Society finally turns a kinder face. But the man wins, though physically beaten, because the power of a thought, a sentiment or an aspiration is greater than any of the forces of physics or chemistry.

The love of Joe and Edith wins the world. Had they not lived and loved and suffered and been hated the reign of cruelty and wickedness would have continued. The master that stalks by night and devours by day would still have been abroad in the land, claiming many thousands of his victims yearly.

Did ever Victor Hugo, or Sardou, or Hauptmann, or Flaubert, or Henry Arthur Jones conceive a finer theme?

PANTAGES OFFERS NIFTY NUMBERS

"Minnie," the Biggest Elephant, Heads the List; Song and Dance Revue

It was a very well-balanced bill of vaudeville that opened at the Pantages Theatre this afternoon. A very well-balanced act is at the head of it and nothing less than a very well-balanced elephant heads the animal act. Minnie is given as the elephant's name, and she is a credit to the training of Mr. Gruber, master of ceremonies. Gruber's Animals make a very finished turn. There is a big dog, a small pony, a horse and Minnie. The horse is very well trained indeed and his terpsichorean efforts are wonderful for a horse, but Minnie is the undoubted star of the piece. With her little eyes blinking and her hide all nicely scrubbed, she goes through her paces quite unmoved by the acclaim of the audience.

Minnie is going to be the star attraction for the children also at the Saturday matinee.

The Song and Dance Revue of 1918 featuring Leroy and Cahill, and a whole lot of pretty girls will be the feature of the new bill; the Song and Dance Revue of 1917 is without a doubt the most elaborate and pretentious dancing novelty offered this season, combining pretty girls who display a wealth of gorgeous wardrobe. Beautiful scenery, tuneful singing numbers, and clever dances are features.

Herman and Shriner, a couple of laughmakers, offer a continuous run of fun which is sure fire hit from start to finish.

Nancy Fair is a demure young lady and one of the bright spots on the bill with her histrionic ability, good voice and personality.

Owen and Moore, billed as That Smart Little Couple from Broadway, have a store of good things to offer, which consists of singing, dancing and chatter, that sparkles with comedy.

Ward, Bell and Ward present a comedy acrobatic novelty entitled Under the White Top, in which many surprising acrobatic feats are performed, and the second chapter of "The Hidden Hand" serial makes a thrilling introduction to the bill.

The elaborate picture, "Romeo and Juliet," is being shown in connection with the matinee performances, commencing at 1 o'clock, and for the one price of admission. A special showing of this film will be given for the convenience of school children commencing at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

"BAB'S MATINEE IDOL" AT ROYAL TO-NIGHT

For one who has been on pictures as long as Marguerite Clark, she shows a charming unsophistication about the mechanics of the art. Miss Clark recently went to the first showing of "Bab's Matinee Idol," her most recent picture in which she is to be seen at the Royal Victoria Theatre to-night, with which a Paramount picturegraph will also be shown. The latter shows men diving off a spring board and, by reversing the film, shows them springing from the water and alighting on the board twenty feet over the water. "That's a remarkable feat," said the little Paramount star quite seriously. "I don't see how they do it without hurting themselves when they hit the spring board on the jump."

Marguerite Clark journeyed from Connecticut to New Jersey and back again times without number to reach locations used in "Bab's Matinee Idol," which is her latest Paramount production. This, of course, in addition to much interior work at the studio. It will be "some picture" thinks the star, if "action" has anything to do with it.

You can't make war and enjoy all the comforts and privileges of peace at the same time.

VARIETY

Lina Cavalieri
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Central Iron Committee Will Go After Smelter

Arranges for Public Meeting Next Week for Delegates to Visit Ottawa, and for Co-operation With Mainland Committee

The Central Iron Committee, formed last Friday to develop the iron resources of Vancouver Island, held its second meeting last night, the occasion being no less enthusiastic than the opening one. The natural material lies in boundless quantities in the Island, and the opportunity which, in the words of J. E. Bledsoe, "we have been waiting for for twenty-five years" has at last come to use.

Enthusiastic support of the movement was promised by letters, not only from all the inland points but from the Mayor of Vancouver and the secretary of the Manufacturers' Association there, the Mayor expressing the desire of that city to participate in the movement, stating his own willingness to attend meetings at Victoria, and also that Vancouver would be glad to join in sending a delegation to Ottawa on the subject.

In reciprocity to this expression of co-operation the meeting was of opinion that the movement could and should be carried out in a big way, by linking up Vancouver and the mainland in the project, and, as regarded the Island interior districts, J. E. Bledsoe stated this was one of the few movements in which both Victoria, the Island, Vancouver and the mainland could work harmoniously.

To Hold Meeting.

As the outcome of the meeting it was decided:

1. To hold a public meeting at the Princess Theatre on Wednesday, February 29.
2. To appoint delegates to go to Ottawa.
3. To allocate the expenses of the

was quite willing to leave the matter of location of the smelter to the decision of Government experts.

Frank Higgins was of opinion that a delegation to Ottawa would carry considerably more weight if supported by the Western members of the Dominion House. "You must," he said, "get up a thorough bombardment, or you will never get anything done." He believed Western members would gladly co-operate, and the combined result would be a definite demand for what was wanted. He thought they ought to have a fund of at least \$2,500, and appoint three delegates for Ottawa, and he was convinced that by linking up Vancouver and the mainland with them they could make a big thing of the project.

Dr. Tolmie Eager To Assist.

C. T. Cross agreed with the last speaker except that care should be taken that the delegation should not be too long delayed. Dr. Tolmie, M.P., he said, was heart and soul with the movement to establish a plant on the Island and was waiting at Ottawa to see Mr. Brewster to assist in approaching the Government in the matter. W. A. Jameson alluded to the appreciation of the Minister of Mines of the idea of sending the delegation as soon as possible, and agreed that the deputation should be arranged and got off to the capital without loss of time.

It appeared to J. L. Beckwith that what was wanted was to know whether the Government at Ottawa would be prepared to assist an industry of the kind here. The project was eminently one for private capital to back up, but before doing so private capital would want to know the measure of Dominion Government support. It would be most desirable to get the Dominion Government tied up to a definite industry here.

The Contributions.

To bring matters to a head, Frank Higgins moved, and W. A. Jameson seconded, that a public meeting be held at the Princess Theatre on February 29, which was unanimously carried. It was then proposed that the city of Victoria contribute at least \$1,000, Nanaimo at least \$250 and the nine interior Island municipalities at least \$150 each towards the expense of sending the delegation to Ottawa, mention being made that outside subscriptions would be welcomed. This resolution was also passed unanimously.

The next resolution passed was in regard to the appointment of delegates, and the manner in which they should be appointed, considerable discussion taking place to secure equitable representation as between Victoria and outside sections. J. E. Bledsoe, who was satisfied Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo were all going to "play the game," advocating a vote for each \$50 contribution by outside municipalities and Victoria one vote for each \$100 contribution.

Not Narrowminded.

Mr. Bledsoe was anxious to make it clear that there would be no suspicion of Victoria from any part of Vancouver Island. "We little fellows in the bush," he said, "are not so narrow-minded as that." But they would make a determined effort to secure the location of the plant somewhere on the Island. C. T. Cross seconded Mr. Bledsoe's proposal, and the chairman referred to the general benefit of encouraging outside municipalities in every possible way as their progress would naturally benefit Victoria.

C. T. Cross moved a copy of the report of Mr. Bledsoe's committee in reference to the interview with the Minister of Mines be sent to the Mayors of Vancouver, North Vancouver and New Westminster, with a request that they "lineup" the mainland in the same way that the meeting here has lined up the Island, and also similarly organize, so that a delegation of equal size should accompany that from the Island. This resolution was carried, as also was another to the effect that a copy of the original resolution be sent to all Island organizations, and that all public bodies of every description be invited to attend the meetings.

The Publicity Committee to arrange meetings, etc., was then appointed as follows: R. R. Neild, J. L. Beckwith, J. E. Bledsoe, C. L. Armstrong and Frank Higgins, and C. T. Cross was appointed treasurer. A meeting to select delegates for Ottawa, it was arranged, should be held on Thursday, February 21, at 10 a. m., following the public meeting to be held the night before.

Need For Development.

In his report, presented by J. E. Bledsoe, of the interview his committee had with the Minister of Mines, it was

stated that Hon. Mr. Sloan gave the committee to understand that the Government felt very strongly the necessity for some such movement as that inaugurated by the Central Iron Committee, and were prepared to give it such support and encouragement as might be within their powers. He appeared to feel, however, that the Provincial Government, on account of the expenditure necessary, would not be in a position to undertake the actual production of pig iron by the blast furnace process.

The committee felt that an absolute essential to the successful establishment of iron production on the Island, or, in fact, anywhere in British Columbia, would be the power on the part of the Government to take over iron claims on some reasonable basis, for the benefit of the general industry, and therefore suggested to the Minister that a tonnage royalty be established for the purpose, leaving the details to the Government.

Production of Pig Iron.

In reply the Minister assured the delegation that the Department was already in possession of a sufficient amount of data to warrant them in encouraging any institution, whether

public or private, in taking immediate steps for the production of pig iron on a large scale on the Island, and that it was not, in his opinion, necessary to await further developments of existing claims, though, of course, that should be carried on concurrently with productive work.

It was gathered from the Minister that, in his opinion, a deputation should be sent to Ottawa, and that this deputation should reach the Capital some time during the present visit of the Premier to that city. He knew that the Premier was personally very favorably inclined towards the general objects for which the committee was working, and also felt that the Western members generally would lend whatever assistance might be in their power. In his opinion it would be well not to lose any time in getting to Ottawa.

CHINESE NEW YEAR

Celebrations Are Very Quiet This Season; Many Have Adopted Georgian Calendar.

The change in the calendar in China during the first rebellion, as a sequel

to the occidental influences of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's followers, has died hard among the expatriated Chinese. While there are many of the younger men who show a disposition to respect the edict issued in 1912 to observe January 1, like the majority of western nations, the older element still cling to the New Year ceremonial of former days.

Thus the Chinese New Year, falling this week, is being observed by many of the local residents, though without the celebrated native wine, owing to the advent of prohibition. There are not many homes in Chinatown which comply with the definition of a dwelling house under the Act, and already the police have made a seizure of liquor from a home where the New Year was being celebrated.

The merriment and rough pranks which formerly marked Chinese New Year in Victoria have been discouraged by the authorities, owing largely to the danger of promiscuous use of firecrackers, and accordingly things are very quiet as compared with what they formerly were.

Sanich Liberals' Annual Meeting Thursday evening in Victoria Rooms. Ladies invited.

ASKS CO-OPERATION

Deputy Minister of Labor Addresses Himself to Workers by Way of Explanatory Circular.

With the object of placing before all members and officers of labor organizations in an easily understandable form the more salient features of the Act under which the Provincial Department of Labor has its jurisdiction, James D. McNiven, Deputy Minister of Labor, has issued a circular.

In it Mr. McNiven points to the fact that there should be a close and sympathetic co-operation between the organized labor movement of the province and the Department in which his duties lie.

The Deputy Minister invites the assistance and support of the workers in the carrying out of the provisions of the Act, while he himself, from his long association with organized labor, may be relied upon to place his wide experience in this connection at the service of the Government and worker alike.



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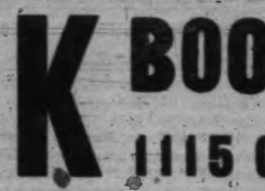
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VICTORIA NORTHWEST WORLD

"CYCLONE" TAYLOR ON A PERIODICAL TEAR LOOMS LARGE

No Limits to the Predictions on To-night's Ice Battle

Seattle, Feb. 13.—The Seattle hockey players are showing a funnel-shaped cloud in the hockey sky to-day. "Cyclone" Taylor, the "terror of the goalies," is scheduled to blow into our little village this evening, when, with the aid of the rest of the Vancouver crew, he will endeavor to close the Mets into their storm cellar.

The Seattle-Vancouver contests have been exciting little affairs ever since the season opened, but to-night's game promises to develop into a real battle. The reason is that "Cyclone" Taylor has gone on another of his periodical tears.

Every so often the hairless wonder of the Canadians goes off on a rampage, and the goal tenders all seek cover when he starts. Up at Vancouver, the other night, the Millionaires' centre beat the Portland club single-handed. The veteran smacked four goals past goalie Murray, assisted in another, and made himself generally bothersome all through the session.

But Lester Patrick, who knows all the tricks of the Canadian star like a book, has a little plan doped out for the slowing up of the cyclone. Patrick has played with Taylor many years, and yesterday he got his little board of strategy working, and the Seattle squad doped out a system for the squelching of "Cyclone's" effectiveness.

MAY BE ANOTHER VANCOUVER IN THE BASEBALL WORLD

Portland, Feb. 13.—Following a conference between W. V. McCredie, owner of the Portland club, and John P. Higgins, ex-Mayor of Vancouver, Wash., Mr. Higgins announced that Vancouver would probably make application for a franchise in the new Pacific Coast International League. Mr. Higgins is interested in theatres and other business enterprises in Vancouver and is at present one of the county commissioners.

WINNIPEG HOLDS ITS THIRD ANNUAL EVENT WITH THE BOWLERS

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—At the conclusion of the opening shifts of Winnipeg's third annual bowling tournament, the Mineralites, of Chicago, are in premier position with a score of 2,872. The Canadian Northern Railway wrecking crew of Winnipeg are second with 2,757, the Saratoga being third with 2,711, closely followed by the Garry Seniors with 2,710. The Garry Independents occupy fifth place with 2,687.

LEAGUE SOCCER GAMES SCHEDULED FOR TO-DAY

Two league games in the Jackson Cup soccer series were scheduled by the Victoria and District Football Association for play this afternoon as follows: Garrison vs. 5th Regiment, at Work Point, referee, P. C. Payne; Infantry vs. Navy, at the Willows, referee, Lockley.

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KING'S PLATE NOT AFFECTED BY THE SUSPENDED RACING

No Other Races to Be Run and Betting to Be Prohibited

Toronto, Feb. 13.—Though racing in general has been suspended in Canada since July last, there will be no break in the continuous running of the King's Plate, the oldest fixture on the American Continent. That was decided yesterday when the Ontario Jockey Club decided to grant the use of Woodbine Park to the Toronto Hunt Club for an open air horse show on May 24 and 25 and to permit the running of the King's Plate.

No other races than the plate will be run at the show nor will betting be permitted in any way on the premises. The number of province bred two-year-olds in training last season before the suspension of racing gives practical assurance that there will be a good field for the plate.

NEW BALL COMPANY FOR THE MAINLAND

Vancouver Fans Say They Are Confident of Being in the League

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—Organization of a new company, to be known as the Vancouver Baseball Syndicate, by which the baseball fans of Vancouver will take over the franchise, players and equipment of the Vancouver club of the Northwestern League, Ltd., from Bob Brown, owner of the franchise during the 1918 season, was announced yesterday by Brown.

The formation of the Vancouver baseball syndicate is the first step to be taken to enable the fans to own and operate a team in the Pacific Coast International League. Brown will turn the club over to the new company for the nominal sum of \$1. The new company also has the option to purchase the entire franchise and equipment for the sum of \$10,000, terms to be agreed upon, according to the agreement.

BRUCE, OF SASKATOON, WON INITIAL MATCH IN WINNIPEG 'SPIEL

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—Bruce, of Saskatoon, won his initial game in the Winnipeg 'spiel' in the 1 o'clock draw yesterday, defeating Westwood, of Roblin, Man., in the Dingwall event, 5 to 4, only to lose out in the 6 o'clock event after playing an extra and going down to McDiarmid, Winnipeg, Strathcona, 12 to 11. However, he disposed of his competitor in the first round of the Purdy Flour event in the 7 p. m. draw, emerging victorious by the score of 4 to 1 in Woodhouse, shipping another Saskatoon rink, also had hard luck, losing a 13-end game in the 7 o'clock draw of the Purdy Flour event, 10 to 12, to Bill, of Elmwood.

TWELVE ROUNDS TO A DRAW.

Boston, Feb. 13.—Johnny Tillman, of Minneapolis, known as the "Red Cross Boss" and Jimmy Duffy, of Lockport, N.Y., fought twelve rounds to a draw here last night. The two welterweights furnished the liveliest bout seen here recently. Each received severe punishment and several times a knockout seemed imminent but both were fighting gamely as the bout ended.

HAS BEEN REJECTED.

Kearney, N.J., Feb. 13.—Valentine Brown, known in pugilistic circles as Knockout Brown, has been rejected by the national army physical examiners, it was learned to-day, because of a defective eye. The optic was injured during a bout, Brown said.

FOOTBALL POPULAR WITH THE STUDENT OF THE FAR EAST

Francis Ouimet Discourses of Progress of the "Royal and Ancient"

As time passes the fact becomes increasingly more evident that soccer football is laying heavy claim to the title of "the international winter sport," is the verdict of several critics of the game. It has become noticeable of late that both Japan and China are turning their attention to the association sport to a degree never before dreamed of and the kicking game now established in those far away parts seems determined to stay. In fact it has been said that the growth of soccer's popularity in the land of Nippon is second only to the rapid development of the sport in the United States. It is not surprising to note in this regard that South American countries are close competitors with the Far East for honors in the association brand of football. Cuba presents a unique example of the game's development.

Last year a league was formed on that island; the body now has a strong following and additional leagues are coming into existence. Of all the brands of football, including association, rugby and the inter-collegiate American varieties, soccer appears to hold supreme sway in the Far East. Many Japanese students have been educated in both Great Britain and United States, and as a result are acquainted with every class of football played in those lands. Their general verdict, however, has been in favor of the famous game of soccer. It is significant to note that while away from the land of their nativity the Japanese athletes participated to a greater extent in the association game, and this tendency to a particular sport remained with them on returning to their home land.

It is no less interesting to take cognizance of the fact that soccer is a game to which the Chinese, according to all reports, adapt themselves with a great deal of facility. It appears that many of the sons of the Republic's first officials have become enthusiasts of the sport during their student days in England, and have returned to the East to inaugurate the association game.

COAST HOCKEY LEAGUE

Table with 4 columns: Team, Won, Lost, For, Against, Points. Includes teams like Taylor, Vancouver, Morris, Seattle, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Goals. Includes teams like Taylor, Vancouver, Morris, Seattle, etc.

GRAND CHALLENGE PLAY IN ALBERTA BONSPIEL

Edmonton, Feb. 13.—In the finale of the Grand Challenge in the Alberta bonspiel yesterday, the Forbes Smith rink, of Calgary, won by a score of eight to five, defeating Ritchie, of Strathcona, who had won sixteen games during the week without a previous loss. The consolation was won by McMillan, of Coronation, who defeated Holt, of Lloydminster, fourteen to ten. In the forenoon the Visitors had been won by Trimble, of Lacombe, who defeated Wagner, of Innisfail, fourteen to eleven.

HUGH HEAL SETS NEW THREE-CUSHION MARK

Chicago, Feb. 13.—Hugh Heal, of Toledo, set a record for the American three-cushion billiard tournament by running thirteen points in his game with Pierre Maupomé, yesterday. Heal won fifty-five to thirty-five, and if his record is not broken he will be awarded a \$50 Liberty Bond. Ray Palmer, of Detroit, played a great game against deCro, but slumped near the end and lost fifty to forty-three. Moran, of Chicago, defeated Jackson, of Detroit, and Heal, both by the score of fifty to thirty-five.

CHAMPION DEFEATED.

Los Angeles, Feb. 13.—Charles Moy, of San Francisco, Pacific Coast heavy weight champion, was defeated at "Ferns" last night in the fourth round of a bout with George Adams, an eastern fighter. Local sporting men said Adams gives him the title.

HISTORY OF GOLF PRESENTS MANY FEATURES OF NOTE

Francis Ouimet Discourses of Progress of the "Royal and Ancient"

Golf has undergone changes that no other game can boast of. Baseball in the olden days was a very crude affair. I do not mean to insinuate that the players were crude and less graceful than the present day players, but their equipment certainly was less elaborate than that used by the modern players. Masks were unknown. The catcher stood far behind the batter. Broken fingers were frequent. A player generally carried bruises from one game to another and had to play just the same; whereas, to-day, a substitute is always available to hop in and take his place. Shin guards and mitts were unknown years ago. Now the player has at least two and sometimes three mitts or gloves.

So, too, has the "royal and ancient" progress. The ball used was a leather covered ball, and the inside was made of leathers. The clubs were made of wood. Drivers, mashies and putters were of the same type of style—a long-headed wooden club, spliced and made of wood. Can you imagine for a moment Chick Evans trying to get out of long grass with a wooden club and using the same club for getting the ball out of a hole? It is a deep sand-pit.

Then came the introduction of iron clubs. The general style of irons was the same. Lofters—that was the name then for the mashies—could be distinguished from cleeks only through the amount of loft. The balls graduated from the feather variety to one of gutta percha. This was a great improvement. The introduction of the "gutta" ball caused the growth of the old fashioned cross-bunkers. At first the ball was made with an absolutely smooth surface. Golfers wondered why an old gutta ball would travel yards further than the new one.

It never dawned upon them that the old ball had been corrugated by "tops" and "half tops" so it had some chance to grip the air and keep going for a certain distance. When this conclusion was reached ball molds were made and the new balls turned out with various markings. This had the same effect on the flight of a ball that the rifling of a gun barrel has on a bullet. If the barrel of a gun was perfectly smooth inside, the bullet upon being discharged would describe the most beautiful curve and twist imaginable, and leave the object of attack whole and healthy.

Comes the Haskell. This period was superseded by the Haskell of the rubber-cored ball. An interesting story is told in which the rubber-cored ball came into existence. Two chaps were sitting by the fire one night, reminiscing and talking of matches with this friend and that friend, and the conversation drifted to the balls. One of the men, whose name was Haskell, suggested the winding of thin rubber bands tight around a piece of gutta percha about the size of a small marble. It was tried, voted a success, and put on the market. Thus passed the gutta percha out of the world.

The new ball created a furor. Bunkers, put in the path of second shots, were driven into, and once the player got the range they bothered him only slightly. Golf clubs improved likewise. Instead of the long-headed weapons, irons and woodens were manufactured with an idea of beauty as well as usefulness. Unheard of clubs, such as mashie-niblicks, mashie-irons, jiggers, etc., completed the golfer beyond any unusual conditions. At present, the clubs seem to have reached the stage whereby they can no longer be improved. One can never tell, though.

The "Last Word" Ball. I thought the same thing about golf balls a few years ago. At this writing there are balls on the market that will go for impossible distances. I doubt if the end can be reached in this line. With the fast improving ball comes the golf course's improvements. The greens committee men are at their wit's end. They no sooner open a new hole that is the "so-called last word" than a ball is put out that will make the hole a comparatively easy one.

BRITISH FOOTBALL'S PART AS PLAYED IN THE WORLD'S BATTLE

Nothing could be more significant, says a writer in The American Cricketer, as to the part British footballers are playing in this war than the fact that while at the commencement of the hostilities forty-two Associations, including 209 clubs, were connected with the British League, yet at the present time no Associations are affiliated. Turning to individuals, it will surprise opponents of football to learn that of 165 players registered with the League this season, only twenty-nine are single men, who, superficially speaking, might be regarded as eligible for war service. Of the remainder, fifty-eight are married, twenty-nine medically unfit, eighteen have enlisted, seventeen under age, seven munition workers and exempt, and ten only sons or sole support of families.

AT LEAST \$800 in Cash Want Ad. Contest

Real Spendable or Savable Money Constitutes the Prize List in The Times

Monday a gentleman came to the Contest Office with a long list of questions covering many points, and we hope that we answered them satisfactorily. Yesterday another gentleman asked the Contest Manager: "What's this candidate business? What do they have to do? What's the idea?" If last Saturday's advertisement is referred to and read fully, most of the ordinary questions will be found answered.

However, we believe that a list of probable questions, with answers, will help a lot to clear up any haziness, therefore herewith is presented a short catechism on the Want Ad Contest:

- Question—What is the object of the Want Ad Contest? Answer—To promote, popularize and increase the Classified Advertising in The Times.
Q.—How is this end to be accomplished? A.—Through the efforts of candidates who will compete for cash prizes.
Q.—How much money is set aside for prizes, and how is it divided? A.—At least \$800 in cash, divided into three prizes—first, \$500; second, \$200, and third, \$100.
Q.—How will these prizes be awarded? A.—The candidate securing the largest number of votes will be awarded first prize, the one standing second the \$200, and the candidate having third largest number will get the \$100 prize.
Q.—How do candidates get votes? A.—By securing signed contracts for Classified Advertising for various periods not to exceed one year, the sale of Coupon Books good in payment for Classified Advertising at any time, and for all Want Ads turned in accompanied by the cash payment for the same.
Q.—Do candidates get votes for contracts that are not paid up as well as for the cash collected upon them and the sale of Coupon Books? A.—Votes are given for each dollar in cash, and for each dollar represented in signed contracts—a different schedule for each.
Q.—How will candidates who do not win one of the stated prizes be paid for their efforts? A.—All candidates who do not win one of the stated prizes will be paid 10% cash upon their collections, if the amount reaches or exceeds \$50.
Q.—Is experience necessary to success? A.—No; if you have an hour or two of spare time daily and will conscientiously follow the instructions given by the Contest Manager, you are sure to be successful in getting a large volume of business.
Q.—To win the first prize of \$500, is any given number of votes required? A.—No, there is no minimum—the candidate having the largest number of votes at the close of the contest will be awarded the big prize of \$500.
Q.—How long will the contest be open for candidates to enter? A.—Candidates may enter at any time. But the best time is before the first list of candidates is published and while the field for business is fertile.
Q.—How soon will the contest officially open? A.—Not before the first of next week in any event.
Q.—Will candidates be supplied with Receipt Books and privileged to accept business before the opening day? A.—No. Candidates can not be prevented from mapping out a field of action in advance, but will not be in a position to solicit and give receipts until the opening day.
Q.—How long will the contest last? A.—Seven weeks for active work—that is, from the official opening day.
Q.—When will the prizes be paid? A.—As soon after the close as the records can be checked up—not over three days.

And We Will Gladly Answer Any Further Questions That May Be Asked

TO-DAY, or early to-morrow morning at the latest, if YOU are interested and have a place for from \$100 to \$500, do not fail to call at the Contest Office, 306 Times Building, and have your first talk about your chances for success. You will be under no obligations for the information. There's a field for ten or twelve active candidates. Don't be afraid there's not room for YOU—there is, and YOU can make room, no matter how many have entered. So far, the expected number is several "short." You will not be required to stand in line two or three hours and then hear the unwelcome news "Standing room only," as happened Tuesday when the rush was on for tickets to hear Harry Lauder. The Contest Manager will wait upon you at once. Don't forget that the office is in room 306, Times Building.

Easy Money for Times Readers

HERE is a little amusement with a cash sequel. Everybody is interested in puzzles or something that requires some degree of skill. Usually, though, there is no reward in puzzle-solving other than doing something out of the ordinary. In to-day's Times, snugly nestled among the Want Ads, will be found one answering the following description:

KEY TO AD. Reference most people object to, especially young ladies; nothing omitted.


\$1 WILL be paid to the person bringing the first correct answer to the Contest Manager, Room 306, Times Building, between the hours of 9 and 11 o'clock. If the correct ad is not found to-morrow, \$2.00 will be paid Friday, and so on \$1.00 per day will be added until solution is found. Then a new ad will be described and the same procedure followed.

PASTE AD HERE
Name
Address

Now, if you reach the Contest Office first to-morrow morning with the correct answer, \$1.00 will be yours. At the same time think seriously about the \$500 The Times is offering as a first prize in the Want Ad Contest. The described ad has been placed in a sealed envelope and handed to the Advertising Manager of The Times.

Economy in Shoes

Cheap Shoes never save you any money. In the end they cost more than they are worth. Practice real economy by buying your shoes at Maynard's. Our shoes cannot be surpassed for comfort, style and wearing qualities.



Maynard's Shoe Store

Phone 1232. 649 Yates Street

Something That Should Be in Every Home

a bottle of

Fairall's Ginger Wine

An excellent tonic stimulant, absolutely non-alcoholic. A real winter drink.

Only 60c Per Quart Bottle

Also try a case of our Dry Ginger Ale.

Fairall's, Limited

Phone 212

University School for Boys

Recent successes at McGill University. Second place in Canada in 1917 at the Royal Military College, Kingston. Canadian Navy, B. C. Surveyors' Preliminary, Cadet Corps and Shooting. Separate and special arrangements for Junior Boys.

BOYS TAKEN FROM 8 YEARS OF AGE AND UPWARDS

Half Term commences Wednesday, February 20, 1918. Warden—Rev. W. W. Bolton, M.A. (Cantab.). Headmaster—J. C. Barnack, Esq. (London University). For particulars and prospectus apply the Headmaster.

The Ford One-Ton Truck Is Here



Made in Canada. Price \$830, F.O.B. Victoria, B.C.

WOOD MOTOR CO., LIMITED

1019 Rockland Avenue Phone 4900

NEWS IN BRIEF

Will Sell a Foot for 2c—A foot of poultry netting, 12 in. wide, 2-in. mesh cost 2c; 3 ft. wide, 3c yd.; 4 ft. wide, 4c yd.; 5 ft. wide, 5c yd.; 6 ft. wide, 6c yd. R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.

Furnaces Installed—Watson & McGregor, Ltd., phone No. 745.

On the Floor of the House use Nussance. It cleans and polishes, 25c to \$2.50. R. A. Brown & Co. Made in Victoria.

Will Organize.—The milk producers of Comox Valley will hold an important meeting on Monday, to undertake the control of the entire product of the district. The association will be formed along the lines of that now in existence at Chilliwack, and which has meant so much to the producers there.

Come, See These Values in Towels

Recent shipments direct from the foremost Canadian and British makers. Here are the prices:

Turkish, brown, 60¢	to 25¢
Turkish, white, with hem or fringe, 90¢	to 25¢
Turkish Toweling, brown, 30¢	and 25¢
Turkish Toweling, white, 40¢	and 20¢

G. A. Richardson & Co. Victoria House, 636 Yates St.

Fir Cordwood AND BARK ABSOLUTELY DRY

A fuel you can always depend on to give good satisfaction.

Lloyd-Young & Russell

1012 Broad Street. Phone 4532

Pacific Transfer Co. H. CALWELL

Heavy Teaming of Every Description a Specialty


Phones 248-249.

Express, Furniture Removed, Baggage Checked and Stored

Our Motto: Prompt and civil service. Complaints will be dealt with without delay.

727 Cormorant St. Victoria, B. C. Motor Trucks, Deliveries.

"If you get it at **PUMLEY'S** it's all right."



Drive An Overland This Summer

LEARN WIRELESS NOW

Operators needed for Merchant Marine, Army and Transport duties.

Call or write for particulars.

SPROTT-SHAW INSTITUTE

Phone 22. Pemberton Block.

Visit our showrooms this week and see the many fine Overland models we are now showing. Roadsters, Coupes, Touring Cars—all are here, ready for you to jump in and start on that demonstrating run. A visit and a spin around the country in one of these beautiful Cars in no way obligates you to buy.

Considering the unusually fine quality of Overland Cars, they are priced remarkably low. From only

\$1,050

Autos Phone 697 **Thomas Plimley** Phone 698
727-735 Johnson Street 611 View Street.

MEN

are invited to join the Young Men's Christian Association and

Participate

in the privileges provided amidst a pleasant environment for their physical, mental and spiritual development.

Association Building

Cor. Blanchard and View Sts. Open daily 9 a. m. to 10.30 p. m.

APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Cases to Be Heard by Mr. Justice Gregory on Monday, February 12.

At a sitting of the Appeal Tribunal which Mr. Justice Gregory will hold on Monday, February 12, the following cases will be heard:

Francis Howson Johnson, Genoa Bay; timekeeper and clerk.

William H. C. Warren, Beaumont P. O.; mason.

Robert Lee Naylor, Sea Otter Cove P. O.; carpenter, mining and fishing.

Albert Grimley Maysmith, James Island; mechanic.

289 YEARS AGO

Legal Decision Given in 1629 "Still Cited With Approval," Says Counsel.

"This decision," stated F. J. Stacpoole, K. C., when addressing the Court of Chambers this morning, "is still cited with approval."

"And the date?" enquired Mr. Justice Clement, before whom the application was being made.

"1629," replied counsel.

"Well," pondered the Court, "it's getting back to somewhat ancient law, but if it's good law it disposes of the question."

The remarks originated in connection with an application made by J. S. Brandon to strike out the defence in reference to an action, *Lindley vs. Vassar et al*, which is set down for trial to-morrow.

Blue Cross Raffle.—The Blue Cross drawings which took place yesterday resulted as follows: Ring, ticket 2, Mrs. G. Hammell; brooch, ticket 48, Mrs. G. Perry; cushion, ticket 44, Mrs. C. E. Currie.

Killed by Explosion.—From a letter received from the officer commanding the 5th Army Troops Company, Canadian Engineers, by Mrs. E. Cleator, 1716 Duchess Street, it appears that her husband, Sergt. Joseph Cleator, who was killed on November 3, 1917, met his death by an explosion in his dugout. Sergt. Cleator went from the city with the B. C. Bantam, February 3, 1917, and was later transferred to the Canadian Engineers.

Failed to Report Purchase.—M. Oscar, a second-hand dealer, was fined \$20 in the City Police Court to-day for failing to report the purchase of a pair of boots from a soldier. They appeared to be part of the proceeds of a robbery, and when the matter was being investigated it was ascertained that the boots had been sold without a record being turned in to the police. Magistrate Jay, in imposing the penalty, stated that the whole object of the report system was to be of immediate service to the police, and delayed reports were of little value. Proceedings were taken under a civic by-law.

SEASON OF LENT HAS NOW BEGUN

Penitential Period Inaugurated To-day; Most Churches Observe Fast

To-day is Ash Wednesday, the first day of the season of Lent.

While the various sections of Christendom disagree on most matters affecting the outward ceremonial of religious belief, many are united on the celebration of this season. Greek, Roman and Anglican churches all keep it annually.

The very name of the vernal fast carries the memory back to the Anglo-Saxon regime in England, the word meaning "spring." The controversialist fathers of the churches, who were more given to argument than possibly to good works, have accumulated a voluminous collection of literature on the early celebration of Lent, some questioning the duration of the fast, others even going so far as to contend that the observance of Lent is not justifiable. It does not appear that the idea of abstaining from certain kinds of food during the penitential period was part of the original recognition of the fast, but grew up in the later centuries until it became general.

It seems that as the observance of Lent became more stringent, the festivities which marked the Mardi Gras, or Shrove-tide celebration immediately antecedent to Lent, began to be more ambitious and the pageantry grew more picturesque. Many of the cities of the Southern States have borrowed this idea from their French and Spanish ancestry, and the Shrove Tuesday pageant is a characteristic feature of the year's events.

Of all the festivals of the Christian churches, none retains in name and nature more closely the religious origin of their founders. Other festivals have borrowed from Scandinavian sagas, and from Roman records notable features of their modern celebration, but not so with the observance of the Lenten season, which is almost exclusively derived from the primitive Christian church.

Lent will, as usual, be respected in those communions where special services are prescribed.

STRONG SHOWING

The Mutual of Canada in 1917 Net Increase \$13,865,000.

To the average reader it will appear difficult of explanation that with so many factors in operation apparently adverse to the life insurance business that it has nevertheless expanded during the past year more rapidly than ever before. One would think that the many public charities demanding contributions, the victory loan absorbing its millions and the high cost of living with its exceptional demands on the public purse, would materially reduce the number of policies issued. Such is not the case. The demand is greater than ever before in the history of Canadian life companies, and this in spite of the depletion of the ranks of young men on account of military service.

The statement of the business of the Mutual of Canada for 1917, for example, shows astonishing results. The amount of new assurances written, the decrease in lapses, the lowness of the ratio of expense to income and the substantial increase in assets—all show a progressive and successful policy in operation, under exceptionally favorable conditions.

The new business issued amounted to 10,251 policies for \$20,124,563, and allowing for discontinued policies, the net increase in the business in force was \$13,865,318—that is, the permanent increase in the volume of business issued. This shows clearly how stable the business of the Mutual is and to how small an extent the business has suffered from lapsation.

It is well-known that the interest realization on mortgage investments is generally much higher than that which Government Bonds yield, nevertheless the policy of the Mutual Life in advancing its money to the Government at a moderate rate of interest will commend itself to all their policyholders and the general public. The company has no less than four and a quarter millions invested in Canadian Government war bonds.

The Mutual Life of Canada is now half way through the fourth year of the war and in spite of the financial strain inseparable from present conditions this institution has held steadily on its way increasingly prosperous.

FOR FERTILE IMAGINATIONS

A new feature pertaining to the want ads is inaugurated to-day. There's an opportunity to earn a dollar for a few minutes' study—that is, if you are able to pick the right answer and get to room 306, Times Building, with the first correct answer to-morrow morning between 9 and 11 o'clock. Turn to the want ad contest advertisement at the bottom of the page, for particulars. If the correct ad is not found to-morrow, it will be further described, and the reward increased to \$2 for Friday. While you may win \$1 for a little study this evening, you may win \$500 for a little work for a few weeks. Which do you prefer?

WOMEN HEAR SPEAKERS ON SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Mrs. McGill Juvenile Judge, and Rev. Hugh Dobson Address Local Council

The afternoon session of the annual meeting of the Local Council of Women opened with the election of officers resulting as follows: President, Miss Crease (re-elected for the eighth time); first vice-president, Mrs. J. D. Gordon; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Garvin Hamilton Burns; vice-presidents, Mrs. Graves, Mrs. Schofield, Dr. Helen Ryan, Miss Mary Lawson and Mrs. A. Thomson.

Judge McGill.

The first speaker of the afternoon was Mrs. J. H. McGill, judge of the Juvenile Court of Vancouver, who gave an intensely interesting address on her work. In her opening remarks she advocated a deliberation in discussion and decision on changes in laws regarding the welfare of children. The Juvenile Court was the outward and visible sign of the growth of civilization. The old idea of vengeance was merging into that of reform of the criminal, the idea of prevention rather than cure. Now, following a child's first offence, inquiry was made into the conditions of the home life and associations. Her investigations into such cases had greatly strengthened her belief in the necessity for the establishment of mother's pensions. She strongly advocated the formation of a Provincial Children's Department such as had been formed in Alberta for the care of children, the country's most precious asset.

Rev. Hugh Dobson.

Rev. Hugh Dobson, B.A., B.D., gave a stirring address on the subject of the conservation of life. He spoke to the women, as the natural conservators of human life, and reminded them that the problem was to-day the supreme issue of many nations. Had Great Britain made adequate provisions for this conservation between the years 1872 and 1914, she would have had one million and a half more soldiers today. One million of the men who enlisted voluntarily had proved themselves as medically unfit, largely as the result of physical defects which could have been easily corrected in childhood. It had been declared in the French Chamber of Deputies that had France conserved her population since the Franco-Prussian war her numerical strength would have been so great that the present war would not have occurred. Both these countries had now launched educational campaigns to offset the terrible loss of life and as far as possible ensure the fitness of the coming generation.

He declared that industry does not exist to make gain for people, but such industry was primarily established to supply the necessities of humanity. Even such spheres as art and music were all for the purpose of broadening life, and in this connection the poor have as great a necessity as the rich, and once it was realized that such were essential, then all men must be given an opportunity to share in these essentials for the uplift of humanity.


Social Evils.

Mr. Dobson referred to the evils of social diseases—"social" inasmuch that society as a whole had to bear the results of the indifference of a few. Typhoid fever could be entirely eliminated by any municipality in the course of two years, while much could be done to prevent the spread of tuberculosis. He deprecated the lack of a Dominion Health Board in a country which had the status of a nation. It was only recently that the Conservation Commission had realized that the conservation of child life was of more vital import than the conservation of oysters or the prevention of disease among foxes. He urged the establishment of a Federal Bureau of Child Welfare under a Ministry of Social Reconstruction and an education system which would develop high citizenship.

Referring to the subject of infant mortality, he spoke strongly of the harm wrought by the prevalence of venereal diseases, which he declared was a civil problem. Great Britain had organized in a campaign to educate the civil population and eradicate these evils. Unless the people of Canada did the same they would have to bear the punishment of their own neglect, of an evil which should have been drastically met years ago.

Reports Heard.

The remainder of the session was taken up with the hearing of reports of the various affiliated societies and committees. Miss Marlett spoke of the work accomplished by the fruit-pickers and stated that the matter of providing female labor for farms and fruit-picking for the 1918 season was now being considered. Mrs. Spofford gave a report for the Committee on Laws for the better protection of women and children, and reviewed the various steps which had been taken in the interests of women during the



Lina Cavalieri

Exclusive Columbia Artist—World Famous Soprano and "Movie" Actress

Those who visit the Variety Theatre this week will see a fine picture with Mme. Cavalieri in the leading role. This is but one of her unique accomplishments. Her

Columbia Records

are magnificent examples of a rich soprano voice perfectly recorded. During the performance some of her records are played on Columbia Grafonola. Among them are:

5178—Tosca, Manon Lescant.
5179—Carmen, Habanera.
30397—Faust (Jewel Song).
A1434—A Sole Mio. Mattinata.

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Western Canada's Largest Music House
1121 GOVERNMENT ST. and 607 VIEW ST.
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Cheap Tungsten Lamps

Before buying compare costs with Mazda or quality Lamps.

MAZDA LAMPS	REFILLED LAMPS
40 candle-power	40 candle-power
Consumes—40 watts	Consumes—50 watts
Costs to burn 1,000 hrs. \$4.40	Costs to burn 1,000 hrs. \$5.50
Initial cost45	Initial cost25
Total cost\$4.85	Total cost\$5.75

Mazda Lamps will average 1,200 hrs. of burning.
Refilled Lamps will average 500 hrs. of burning.

Therefore, Buy MAZDAS.

HAWKINS & HAYWARD

1607 Douglas St. Phone 642. Opp. City Hall.
1103 Douglas St. Phone 2627. Near Corner Fort St.

"The House Behind the Goods"

For my breakfast please—It's delicious



55¢ per lb., at all Grocers.

The W. H. Malkin Co. Limited

Homer delivers the goods—dishonest is caught with them.

HOW TO GET RELIEF FROM CATARRH

If you have catarrh, catarrhal deafness, or head noises go to your drugstore and get 1 oz. of Farnint (double strength) take this home, add to it hot water and just a little sugar as directed in each package. Take 1 tablespoonful 4 times a day.

This will often bring quick relief from the distressing head noises. Clogged nostrils should open, breathing become easy and the cough stop dropping into the throat.

It is easy to make, tastes pleasant and costs little. Every one who has catarrh should try this treatment a trial. You will probably find it is just what you need.

Should Be By-Law.—The practice in the past has been for the City Council to levy a road tax without an annual by-law. The City Solicitor now advises that the procedure should be a by-law each year on similar lines to the passage of an annual loan by-law.

The Women's Auxiliary to the Great War Veterans will hold their regular business meeting to-night (Wednesday) at 7.30.

a brief outline of the work accomplished by the Council of her home town.

Annual Liberal Meeting.—At the Liberal rooms in the Arcade Building on Thursday evening, February 14, at 8 o'clock, the Seattle Liberal Association will hold its annual meeting. The principal business of the evening will be the reception of the annual reports and the election of officers for the ensuing twelve months. Addresses will be delivered by several speakers and a good attendance is desired.

AN INCOME FOR LIFE AWAITS ONE OF TIMES READERS

Passing the Censor!

Every collar that is laundered by us has to pass a censor who sees that the edges are smooth, points turned even, plenty of tie-space, a smooth velvet finish, and every collar MUST be perfect. Try us.

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Victoria Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.

Phone 172

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FOR RHEUMATISM, NEURALGY, BRUISES
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Three Stores. Dispensing Chemists. Free Delivery
Phones 1343, 1554, 3807

Free and Clear Title to This \$2,500 Bungalow Will Be the Times Gift to One of Its Readers

It Will Not Cost the Winner a Cent. Read How to Get It

On March 12, 1918, a FREE GIFT will be made of the clear title deeds to this beautiful five-room bungalow, located at 2825 Cedar Hill Road, to some patron of the stores advertising on these special pages.

The conditions are very simple. Buy your goods from the stores whose advertisements appear on these two special pages—save your bills—and for every \$1.00 spent you will be entitled to one guess on the number of automobile parts in a container which is in full view in The Times windows. On March 11 a committee of judges, who will be named later, will make a public count of the number of automobile parts in the container, and the person guessing the correct number, or the one whose guess is nearest correct, will be awarded this beautiful bungalow without payment of one cent of money.

These are the ONLY conditions: FIRST, patronize the stores advertising on these special pages. SECOND, bring your receipts bills of \$1.00 or over to The Times office, and register your guesses on the number of auto parts in the container.

The prize will in no event be awarded to an employee or dependent of employee of The Times.



Among Our Householdwares

You will find everything a good housekeeper could ask for and more.

Double Boilers—Two-quart size, in best aluminum. Each \$2.25
Flour Sifters—In heavy, bright tin, finely finished. Each .50
Knives and Forks—For kitchen use, extra good value. Pair, 25c
Lip Saucepans—All best sizes, in enamel and aluminum. Prices from \$1.25 to 1.50
The Universal Lunch-Kit—Thermos bottle, tin lunch box and cup, in handy tin grip with strong leather handle, complete. Each \$1.00



Copper Kettles—Heavy nickel plated. Each \$3.00
\$2.75 and \$2.25

Halliday's
743 Yates. Phone 533

Sink Strainers—Non-rusting galvanized wire.

Man is No Better, Than the MEATS He Eats The BEST is Always the CHEAPEST

Phone 2368

Forequarters Spring	30c	Portage Ranch Sausage	25c
Lamb	28c	Beef and Pork Sausage	25c
Forequarters Mutton	20c	Minced Beef	22c
Choice Boiling Beef	30c	Choice Corn Beef	20c
Sirloin Roast	35c	Pigs' Heads	12 1/2c
Tenderloin Roast	22c		

New England Market

TWO STORES J. W. GILLIS & CO.
1220 Government Street, Phone 2368. 1303 Gladstone Avenue, Phone 3400.

WHITE SWAN WASHING POWDER



THE WINNERS OF THE HOUSE

WHITE SWAN NAPTHA SOAP
WHITE SWAN WASHING POWDER
Quickly win their way in the household.

MONEY SAVERS
LABOR SAVERS
TIME SAVERS

WHITE SWAN NAPHTHA SOAP



SAY!—

You forty-horsepower men who drive the business engines, you strong-arm pushers who make the calls, you hydraulic managers, you enthusiastic chaps who use good stationery because you know it pays. You, you, well just get in touch with

Diggon Printing Co.
706 Yates St.

Waste Baskets

in metal, wire, wicker and wood to match furnishings of any room. From 50c up.



Letter Trays

Also in wire, wicker, metal and wood.

Chippendale Strong Boxes
Dead Boxes

See our white enamelled ones for bedrooms or bathrooms.

SAFETY and SECURITY Specialists.



617-VIEW-619

TWO FARM SNAPS

LUXTON STATION—Ten miles from City. 117 acres w. l. lake frontage; 50 acres of choice bottom land under cultivation; new bungalow, two new barns, and other buildings. Price complete, \$13,000.00. Less the cost of buildings this is only \$85.00 per acre for the land. Can you beat it?
GORDON HEAD—On 2 1/2-mile circle. One of the choicest suburban homes near Victoria, consisting of modern seven-room house, on stone foundation; solid stone fruit or dairy house, barn, poultry houses, garage, etc. and four acres of land. The grounds around the house are a natural park, covered with some magnificent oaks, English hollies and Scotch broom. Balance of the land is in full bearing cherry and Italian prune orchard. \$12,000.00 was refused for this property three years ago. Price on attractive terms to-day \$6,000.00

DUNFORDS, Ltd. 1222 Government St.

To the Winner of the Bungalow

If you do not like its location we can move it for you. If you are satisfied with it, we can deliver your effects. We move anything and everything. For fast motor truck baggage transfer, phone 2505-2506. Open day and night.

Victoria Baggage Co.

Five Days Free Storage.
PHONES 2505-2506

"Sam Scott Suits Boys" Boys' Three-Quarter Hose

Now that we have a full assortment of these Hose we would advise an early visit with intent to buy. It will be some time before we will be able to replace our present stock.

These Hose are made with fancy turn-back top. Shades are light and dark heather, navy and brown. Prices:
Sizes 5, 6 and 7.....90¢ Sizes 8, 9, 10.....\$1.00

SAM M. SCOTT

BOYS' CLOTHES SPECIALIST 1225 Douglas Street

For Everything That is Electrical See HAWKINS & HAYWARD

1807 Douglas St. Phone 643. Opposite City Hall.
1103 Douglas St. Phone 2627. Near Corner Fort St.
And Watch Their Ad. on Page 9

EXPRESSION

is what makes or mars a photograph: what decides the success, or otherwise, of a "likeness." OUR STUDY OF THEORY, COMBINED WITH EXPERIENCE OF PRACTICE, HAS MADE US PAST MASTERS OF

EXPRESSION

Telephone To-day For An Appointment.

GIBSON, LIMITED

Take the Elevator. Phone 3217. Expressive Portraiture. Central Block, View Street

Watch Our Bargain Announcements

One Only, No. 30 Hughes Electric Range, almost new. Regular \$72.00. Now \$35.00

Carter Electric Company

615 View Street. Phones 120 and 121

REPUBLIC MOTOR TRUCKS



The Republic Internal Gear Rear Axle is Guaranteed for Two Years

Begg Motor Co., Ltd.

Phone 2058 937 View Street

DOMINION

Entire Week of February 11

To-night

THE HONOR SYSTEM

The Greatest Human Story Ever Told

150,000 Persons Saw This Picture During It's Sensational Run in Lyric Theatre, New York

Large Symphony Orchestra

Household Savings

Buttercup Creamery Butter, per lb.	50¢	Clark's Tomato Soup, 2 cans for	25¢
Purity Oats, large drum	25¢	Clark's Stewed Kidneys, large can	35¢
Maple Leaf or Pacific Milk, 2 large cans for	25¢	King's Quality Flour, 40 lb. per sack	\$3.00
Edwards' Dessicated Vegetable Soup, reg. 25c. 2 cans for	25¢	Jameson's Featherlight Baking Powder, per can	20¢
Deckajulia Tea, per lb.	55¢		

James Adam The Particular Grocer

TWO STORES. Gladstone Grocery, cor. Cook and Fort Sts. Phone 279-282. TWO STORES. Gladstone Grocery, cor. Gladstone Ave. and Fernwood Road. Phone 24

I Don't Know What to Say

I get awfully tired trying to put something in the paper all the time. I have plenty of new recipes, but they all look the same in print, and the girls ask why we don't have something new.

It is much more difficult than one would imagine, to change a little space like this so it looks new every time.

I haven't said a word about Pacific Milk.

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DRAFT OF CHANGE

Proposed Amendments to Lords' Day Act to Be Submitted to Police Commissioners.

Mayor Todd to-day announces the amendments of the Lords' Day Act which he is hoping to have passed...

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BORN. KIRCHIN—On February 13, at Maternity Home, Lee Avenue, to Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Kirchin, a son, John Ernest...

DIED. LACEY—At Royal Jubilee Hospital, February 12, 1918, Henry Lacey, of 1245 Chapman Street, aged 31 years.

Vacant Lot Cultivation

A meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, 16th inst., to organize '3918 Vacant Lot and Backyard Cultivation Campaign.

ALDERMAN W. J. SARGENT, Chairman, Increased Production Committee.

E. W. BRADLEY, Secretary, Increased Production Committee.

Not Specific Enough. The Minister states, in reference to the Chief's letter, that all the suggestion contained therein is that the Chief of Police will be glad to hear whether the Attorney-General will give his consent to prosecute...

OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of the late Thomas Pearson Reed took place to-day at 11 o'clock from the Thomson Funeral Chapel, Rev. C. Cook officiating.

The death occurred this morning at the Jubilee Hospital of Mrs. J. Simpson, of McKays' Avenue, Saanich.

The remains of Mrs. Williamene McFarlane were laid to rest yesterday afternoon at the funeral being from the Sands Chapel.

CONCERT AT WILLOWS

The visit of the men of H. M. S. Lancaster to the Willows Camp last summer was vividly recalled last evening when Military Secretary Estabrook of the Y. M. C. A. escorted Chief Engineer Bailey of the Submarine Department of the Canadian Navy...

The deaths occurred yesterday afternoon at the Jubilee Hospital of Raymond James and Francis John Young, the two-month-old twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Young of 1377 Oxford Street.

The funeral of Mrs. Ume Ito, who died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital last Sunday, took place yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel.

Passports Correctly Prepared. See W. H. Price, Notary, next, Bank of Montreal.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S SPECIFIC LANGUAGE

Police Commissioners Must Address Their Requests as Public Officials. MR. FARRIS SUGGESTS THE PROPER COURSE

The Attorney-General has made up his mind concerning his attitude towards the letter of the Police Commissioners in which the Board offers suggestions as "individual citizens," and not in their capacities as civic officials.

The Attorney-General states emphatically that upon the Police Commissioners, elected by the city of Victoria for a specific purpose, rests the responsibility for the enforcement of the Lord's Day Act.

Denies Suggestion. To the suggestion that the list of persons guilty of an infraction of the Act was compiled on the express instruction of the Attorney-General, Mr. Farris denies that he did at any time, either directly or indirectly, give directions for such a procedure.

States His Course. The Attorney-General has expressed himself in accordance with the foregoing in a letter of reply to the Police Commissioners, to whom he has also furnished a copy of his letter to the Chief of Police in response to the formal communication which accompanied the list of offenders already referred to and detailed in yesterday's issue of The Times.

The Minister states, in reference to the Chief's letter, that all the suggestion contained therein is that the Chief of Police will be glad to hear whether the Attorney-General will give his consent to prosecute "in any or all of the enclosed cases."

Address on Tennyson. An interesting meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the Naval and Military Methodist Church at Esquimalt, was held at the home of Mrs. Raymond, Esquimalt Road, on Monday evening, when Miss Henderson spoke of the aims of the Educational Club, and gave an address on Tennyson's "In Memoriam."

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It will be recalled that several telegrams have been exchanged by the Minister of Agriculture and the authorities at Ottawa to the end that Federal financing might permit evaporating plants in British Columbia to operate insofar as should be deemed necessary to prevent waste.

To these requests, first to the Department of Food Control and latterly to the Prime Minister himself, there has been the steady opinion expressed that the Provincial Government should shoulder the expense incidental to conserving the commodities in question.

In Finance Department. On each occasion Mr. Oliver has been persistent in pointing out that the matter of food conservation and the prevention of waste by the proper methods was one of Federal concern.

He suggested, in somewhat terse terms, in his telegram to Sir Robert Borden yesterday, that the Dominion Government should say whether or not it intended taking action.

To the direct question Sir Robert has replied as follows by wire this morning: "Your telegram received. Referred to Acting Minister of Finance, who will reply direct." There is no hint as to the possible course; at the same time the Prime Minister does not commit himself to any action one way or the other.

South Saanich Women's Institute is giving a grand vaudeville show and dance in aid of Red Cross on Friday, February 15, in Saanichton Hall, Heaton's orchestra. Late cards arranged by B. C. Electric. Admission: Adults, 50 cents; children, 25 cents.

In all of the Red Cross funds a vaudeville entertainment and dance will be given under the auspices of the South Saanich Women's Institute in the Agricultural Hall, Saanichton, on Friday, February 15, at 8:30 p. m. Heaton's orchestra will provide the music for the dance. Arrangements have been made with the B. C. Electric Railway Co. for a late interurban service.

The fortnightly card party takes place on Thursday evening, February 14. A pleasant evening is offered to all who attend. Please phone 2801L for all further particulars.

The stage was effectively decorated with the Union Jack, Canadian ensign, outflanked by the French and American flags, and a number of young girls attired in nurses' uniform acted as ushers in charge of Miss Walker.

WOMEN ARE NEEDED TO HELP IN WAR. Women can be usefully employed in nursing the wounded, in making up the soldiers' kits, and a thousand other ways. Many Canadian women are weak, pale or anemic from woman's ill. For young girls just entering womanhood; for women at the critical time; nursing mothers and every woman who is "run-down," tired or over-worked—Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a special, safe and certain help. It can now be had in tablet form, procurable at any good drug store, or send Dr. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., 10 cents for trial package. Branch office, Bridgeport, Ont.

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OFFENBURG AGAIN BOMBED BY BRITISH AIRMEN, LONDON SAYS

London, Feb. 13.—An official report issued here last night said:

"Some of our aeroplanes carried out a raid into Germany and bombed Offenbach (in Baden, southwest of Karlsruhe). Details have not been received."

STORM SENDS LOGS ADRIFT IN GULF

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—Steamers arriving from the North report that many logs are adrift in the Gulf, indicating that some booms have been broken up by the sea.

The Haro and Dauntless are reported at Trail Islands and the Progressive and Carat at Hilda Bay. Some of the logs which have reached port are the Porlissa, Vulcan, Jessie Mac, Erin, Fresno and Chierkin.

The North Sea has never been so productive as now, says a Daily Chronicle expert. The inference is that the restriction of fishing has permitted an unchecked multiplication of fish. When we reflect that an eel may produce eleven millions of eggs, a cod or turbot nine million, a whiting 60,000, a herring from 25,000 to 50,000 eggs in a season, the case for fish prosperity in a time of freedom of the seas from trawlers may seem established. But the role of life is much more complex than that. All fishes multiply together in similarly favorable conditions, and great fish eat little fish.—London Chronicle.

46,696 MEN ENROLLED IN CANADA; 52,000 EXEMPTION CLAIMS; 30,000 IN QUEBEC

Sir Robert Borden Hands Out Statement Showing Recruitment Since September 1, 1917; In This District 1,377 Reported Up to February 9

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—The reinforcements added to the Canadian militia since September 1, 1917, total 46,696, of whom 30,248 are draftees and 16,448 enlisted voluntarily.

Sir Robert Borden this afternoon handed out a report received by him from the Military Service Council with respect to the operation of the Military Service Act. It shows the total number of volunteers enlisted in Canada from September 1 to January 31 (including men of all classes under the Military Service Act up to October 13, and men of classes other than Class One since that date) to be 8,795. Volunteers from the United States from September 1 to January 31, numbered 7,653, making a total of 16,448 volunteers.

Men called out by the proclamation of October 13, 1917, who reported or joined units for duty in pursuance of that order numbered 16,786, while the men ordered to report or about to be ordered to report in February numbered 7,914. This makes a total number of draftees of 30,248, and the total reinforcements inclusive of volunteers 46,696.

In addition orders to report for duty have been issued to 3,321 men who are said not to have reported according to order. Some of these, the statement says, doubtless have joined in other districts than those in which they were ordered to join and the necessary notifications have not yet been received.

Exemption Claims.

The report of the Prime Minister proceeds:

"There were on February 2, 32,185 claims for exemption which were pending before the tribunals, either local or appeal, including the Central Appeal Judge. Of these 29,683 were pending before the appeal tribunals in the Province of Quebec and 4,502 more before the local tribunals in that province.

"The judges and tribunals are being urged to cause these pending claims to be disposed of as early a date as possible, and it is hoped that these representations will be effective. The very large number of cases pending in the Province of Quebec is due to the fact that the military authorities were obliged to assert their right to appeal from the widespread exemption in that province in order to secure uniformity and impartiality in the administration of the Military Service Act.

"The comparatively small number of men called into active service in the Province of Quebec results from the

fact that only those could be called up in the first instance who did not appeal from exemption or whose claims for exemption were refused and who did not appeal.

"The hearing of appeals by the Central Appeal Judge will be expedited whenever necessary by the appointment, upon his recommendation, of judges to assist him in the rapid disposal of cases awaiting determination on final appeal.

"In addition to the assertion of appeals, a medical review board has been instituted in each district, which will undertake re-examination of those declared to be medically unfit in every case where there is reason to doubt the validity of the exemption on the grounds of physical unfitness.

"The small number of men ordered to report at Halifax is due to the postponement of the call in Military District No. 6 on account of the terrible disaster at Halifax."

The report concludes with a statement by military districts of the men who should have reported for duty up to February 3, and of the number who actually reported, as follows:

Military District—	report.	Total
1—London	1,291	1,195
2—Toronto	6,169	5,328
3—Kingston	1,385	1,236
4—Montreal	2,234	1,619
5—Quebec	155	97
6—Halifax	291	217
7—St. John	1,124	978
10—Winnipeg	2,872	2,225
11—Victoria	1,759	1,537
12—Regina	1,862	1,497
13—Calgary	1,233	1,147
Totals	29,697	16,786

BRITISH COLUMBIA AS WORLD SEED BED

Two Scientists to Plead Claims of Province in This Regard

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—On a mission to carry the industrial war into Germany and make British Columbia the great seed-producing province of the North American continent, two men of science, Professor Paul A. Boying, of the University of British Columbia, and A. McMeans, seed expert of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa, will leave Vancouver to-night to help organize and promote the seed industry for the coming season.

The possibilities of the new industry are said to be enormous. In the light of experiments made with British Columbia grown seed and the immensity of the market which the world war now lays at British Columbia's feet. One sweet pea seed buyer who came here a few days ago, on hearing that sweet peas seeded better here than in California, is said to have offered to take twenty carloads at a dollar a pound if he could buy them.

Prof. Boying, who weighs his words and handles facts with the care due to his position, says that in Canada there is a yearly market for 1,250,000 pounds of swede and turnip seed and nearly 1,500,000 pounds of mangel and beet seed—not to mention the other seed requirements which formerly were supplied by Germany, France and other European countries.

"Now is the time for the British Columbia farmer to meet an urgent and immediate need for home-grown seed. He has a splendid opportunity if he seizes it in time to lay a solid foundation for a permanent industry," said Professor Boying in discussing the subject last evening.

However, Professor Boying and Mr. McMeans propose to go a great deal further than make speeches to farmers. They have authority from the seed branch of the Department of Agriculture to make contracts with farmers guaranteeing fixed and tempting prices for their 1918 and 1919 seed crops, and offering for the next six years subventions or bounties to farmers who will grow seeds. These bounties are over and above the market price which the seeds will obtain.

ANOTHER RAILWAY STORY IS ABROAD

Hon. John Oliver Says He Knows Nothing About It

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—The Province to-day has the following:

"An order has been issued for the suspension of all traffic on the P. G. E. Railway. Within a day or two not a wheel will be turning on the system, and the company's terminal facilities at Squamish will be closed up. Already the office engineers stationed in Vancouver has been given a month's notice to quit.

"The company, following out the argument raised on its behalf that it had no proper legal existence and therefore can not be sued by the Provincial Government is ceasing to exist insofar as it can disassemble itself of any active existence.

"Any further operation of the line, now that the P. G. E. Company is going out of business and discharging all its employees, would have to be carried on by P. Welch, contractor.

"A Victoria report to-day stated that the order for closing down would have gone into effect to-night, but at the request of the department of railways a delay of two or three days was given in order that the Government may further consider the situation. However, no matter what decision Hon. John Oliver reaches there will probably be no more trains run on the line by the P. G. E. Company, as such.

"The Department has had no advice as to any action of closing down contemplated by the P. G. E.," said Hon. John Oliver when he heard of the story recounted above.

NEW FOOD MEASURES PLANNED IN FRANCE

Paris, Feb. 13.—The Cabinet met today to discuss the military and diplomatic situation. Finance Minister Klotz submitted a report on the Inter-Allied Finance Commission's meeting held in London last week, which he said was highly satisfactory.

Premier Clemenceau approved a measure combining under one head the anti-espionage, intelligence and secret police departments, and announcing the appointment of State Councillor Maringer, now Director of Public Safety, as Commissioner-General in charge of the new Department.

The new Minister of Agriculture reported on food conditions in France and the Allied countries. He presented measures intended to restrict superfluous consumption of food and to provide for the equitable distribution of necessities.

TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

Montreal, Feb. 13.—Edward O'Hara was sentenced by Judge Basin here yesterday to prison for two years for having broken out of detective headquarters and one year for having tried to escape from the courthouse. The first two sentences are to run concurrently.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET IRREGULAR

Pool Activity Was Pronounced in Low-Priced Industrials To-day

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

New York, Feb. 13.—Stocks were up at the opening of the stock market here this morning contrary to the general expectation. It was felt in some quarters that the announcements that there was little prospect of an early peace would have a chilling effect on the market. There was a good demand for stocks in the early trading and there was pronounced activity in some of the low-priced industrials. Corn Products was active and strong. This company has been showing splendid earning power. Baldwin Locomotive also was very well taken. In the afternoon the copper and steel stocks were weak, the motor stocks were strong, and the railroad stocks were neglected almost entirely and sagged somewhat of their own weight.

High	Low	Last
Alaska Gold	21 1/2	21 1/2
Allis-Chalmers	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am. Beet Sugar	78 1/2	78 1/2
Am. Sugar Refg.	299	299
Am. Can. Co., com.	49	49
Am. Car. Fdy.	74 1/2	74 1/2
Am. Cotton Oil	212	212
Am. Locomotive	514	514
Am. Smelt. & Ref.	1062	1062
Am. Steel Fdy.	612	612
Am. Wool com.	52	52
Anaconda Mining	63	63
Agri. Chemical	84	84
Atchafalca	115 1/2	115 1/2
Baldwin Loco.	97 1/2	97 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	77 1/2	77 1/2
Goodrich Tire B.	19	19
Butte Sup. Mining	44	44
Brooklyn Transit	141	141
Canadian Pacific	117 1/2	117 1/2
Central Leather	61	61
Crescent Steel	31	31
Chesapeake & Ohio	53	53
Chic. Mil. & St. P.	41	41
Chic. R. I. & Pac.	29	29
Colo. Fuel & Iron	28	28
Cons. Gas	91	91
Chino Copper	43	43
Cal. Petroleum	17 1/2	17 1/2
Chile Copper	161	161
Distillers Sec.	64	64
D. & R. G., pref.	74	74
Inspiration	141	141
Gen. Electric (R. F.)	47 1/2	47 1/2
U. S. Steel	27 1/2	27 1/2
Gen. Nor. Ore	99	99
Gen. Northern, pref.	121	121
Hill & Len.	44 1/2	44 1/2
Insulation	294	294
Int'l Nickel	294	294
Int'l Mer. Marine	94	94
Do., pref.	94	94
Illinois Central	32 1/2	32 1/2
Kennecott Copper	111 1/2	111 1/2
Lehigh Valley	58 1/2	58 1/2
Lack. Steel	77 1/2	77 1/2
L. & N.	111 1/2	111 1/2
Mechanics & Chem.	44 1/2	44 1/2
Midvale Steel	44 1/2	44 1/2
Mex. Petroleum	92 1/2	92 1/2
Miami Copper	39 1/2	39 1/2
Mt. Kas. & Texas	52 1/2	52 1/2
National Lead	42 1/2	42 1/2
N. Y. N. H. & Hart.	29	29
Norfolk & Western	38 1/2	38 1/2
Northern Pacific	83 1/2	83 1/2
Nevada Cons. Copper	19 1/2	19 1/2
N. Y. Air Brake	125 1/2	125 1/2
Pennsylvania R. R.	45 1/2	45 1/2
People's Gas	64	64
Prospect Steel	64	64
Reading	75 1/2	75 1/2
Ry. Steel Spring	89 1/2	89 1/2
Ray Cons. Mining	24 1/2	24 1/2
Republic Steel	76 1/2	76 1/2
Southern Pacific	81 1/2	81 1/2
Southern Ry., com.	23 1/2	23 1/2
Do., pref.	23 1/2	23 1/2
Standard Corp.	58 1/2	58 1/2
Steel Shed	52 1/2	52 1/2
The Texas Company	106 1/2	106 1/2
Union Pacific	115 1/2	115 1/2
Utah Copper	82 1/2	82 1/2
U. S. Ind. Alcohol	134 1/2	134 1/2
U. S. Rubber	57 1/2	57 1/2
U. S. Steel, com.	86 1/2	86 1/2
Do., pref.	110 1/2	110 1/2
Virginia-Chem.	92 1/2	92 1/2
Wabash R. Co.	34 1/2	34 1/2
Wabash R. Co. "A"	41 1/2	41 1/2
Willy's Overland	182 1/2	182 1/2
Westinghouse Elec.	41 1/2	41 1/2
Am. Fr. Loan	82 1/2	82 1/2
Gen. Mo.	140 1/2	140 1/2
C. P. U., pref.	46 1/2	46 1/2
Penn. Coal	48 1/2	48 1/2
Sinn. Oil	27 1/2	27 1/2
Chal. Mo. Coy.	82 1/2	82 1/2
Nat. Conduit	182 1/2	182 1/2
Cub. Can. Sugar	21 1/2	21 1/2
Lib. Loan	97 1/2	97 1/2
Lib. Loan "A"	94 1/2	94 1/2

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July	28.30	28.28
Oct.	27.68	27.67
Dec.	27.45	27.45

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Feb. 13.—Raw sugar steady; centrifugal, 89.00; molasses nominal; refined steady; cut loaf, 89.50; crushed, 87.75; mould, 87.95; cubes, 88.20; XXXX, powdered, 87.65; powdered, 87.90; fine granulated and Diamond A, 87.45; confectioners' A, 87.35; No. 1, 87.30.

SWEDISH SOCIALISTS AND FINNISH CONFLICT

Stockholm, Feb. 13.—The Socialists here at a mass meeting have adopted resolutions of protest against Swedish interference in the Finnish conflict. The resolution "regrets to see the Finnish Social Democracy's leaders assisting in bloody civil warfare and aiming to establish a dictatorship supported by armed force in place of democratic order, built on an unrestricted and general franchise."

A writer in The Dagbladet charges the Government with lack of manliness in refusing to permit the struggling Finns to secure weapons in Sweden.

COQUITLAM DISABLED.

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—A serious menace to navigation is to be found in the broken log booms now adrift in the Gulf of Georgia and the first casualty to be reported is that of the steamer Coquitlam, which has limped into Alert Bay with a smashed propeller and is tied up there waiting for a tow. The heavy southeast gales of the last two weeks have broken up a number of booms of logs and these timbers scattered all over the Gulf and the sea have been too rough to permit of them being rounded up.

Captain R. Batchelor, Vancouver pilot, who is back from Union Bay, where he took a steamer for coal, estimates the logs adrift to amount to 2,600,000 feet. Big masses of the timbers were adrift off the Balhansa Islands and he describes the situation as the worst log spill he has seen.

"Father," asked the little son, "what is a lawyer?"

"Well, my son, a lawyer is a man who gets two men to strip for a fight and then runs off with their clothes."

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Braslian Trac.	25 A		
Can. Cement, com.	57 1/2		
Can. Car. Fdy., pref.	55 B		
Can. S. S. com.	42 B		
Do., pref.	28 B		
Can. Locomotive	58 B		
Can. Gen. Elec.	102 A		
Civic Inv. & Ind.	73 B		
Do., pref.	25 B		
Dom. I. & S.	51 B		
Dom. Textile	53 B		
Lake of Woods Milling	123 B		
Laurentide C. & T.	154 1/2		
N. S. Steel, com.	66 B		
Ogilvie Milling Co.	150 B		
Penman, Ltd.	70 B		
Quebec Railway	17 B		
Shawinigan	111 A		
Steel of Can.	54 A		
Toronto Railway	60 B		
Dom. War Loan (old)	95 A		
Dom. War Loan, 1921	95 A		
Dom. War Loan, 1927	95 A		

NEW YORK BOND MARKET.

A. T. & S. F. fours, 1925	105 1/2
R. & O. fours, 1943	77 1/2
Beth. Steel fives, 1942	85
Cent. Pac. fives, 1949	78
C. I. & Q. fours, 1921	93 1/2
M. M. S. P. fives, 1923	93 1/2
C. & N. W. fours, 1927	84
L. & N. fours, 1940	85
N. Y. Ry. fives, 1942	18
Cons. Prod. fives, 1927	84
Reading fives, 1927	84 1/2
U. P. fives, 1947	85
U. S. Steel fives, 1923	92
U. P. fives, 1929	78
U. S. fives, 1929	84 1/2
S. P. fives, 1929	75 1/2
Penn. Ry. fives, 1929	88
Penn. Ry. fives, 1925	89 1/2
C. O. Conv.	77
Anglo-Fr. fives, 1929	89 1/2
U. K. fives, 1918	98 1/2
U. K. fives, 1919	97
U. K. fives, conv. 1919	94 1/2
Am. For. Sec., 1919	96 1/2
Pr. Gov. fives, 1931	125
Paris sixes, 1921	95 1/2
Fr. Cities sixes, 1919	87
Russ. Gov. fives, 1921	42
Russ. Gov. fives, 1925	84
Dom. Can. fives, 1919	95 1/2
Dom. Can. fives, 1921	94
Dom. Can. fives, 1923	93 1/2
Dom. Can. fives, 1929	93 1/2
Argentine sixes	94
Dom. Can. fives, 1927	94 1/2
Fr. Republic fives, 1919	96 1/2

HEAVY DEMAND FOR CASH GRAINS AT CHICAGO

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

Chicago, Feb. 13.—The advance in futures here to-day came unexpectedly. The short interest covered to a large extent on a steadily advancing market. A big demand for cash grain, both corn and oats, persisted throughout the day. No. 4 Yellow Corn sold at 110 and 5 1/2 cents over May was bid for oats.

Open High	Low	Last
Success Mining	127	127
March	125	125
May	125	125

NEW YORK CURB.

Canada Cotton	7 1/2
Standard Silver Lead	7 1/2
Wright-Martin Aero.	7
Northeast Oil	63
Northwest Oil	61
New Cornelia	16
Shannon	54
Chevrolet Motors	118
United Motors	252
Utica	11
Success Mining	127
Hicks Mining	11
Nipissing	84
Submarine Boat	13
Cons. Copper	92
Actna Explosives	67
Cosden Oil	7
Copper Range	88

BIG SNAP

4-ROOMED HOUSE AND LOT 60 X 130 IN VICTORIA WEST ONLY \$1,000.00

Four roomed house and lot 60x130 in James Bay for only \$1,000; will sell all furniture in house for \$50.

22 acres on Saanich Inlet, close to Tod Inlet, over half-mile waterfrontage, only \$10 per acre.

SWINERTON & MUSGRAVE
Which Bldg., 640 Fort Street.

WIRELESS REPORTS

Feb. 12, 8 a.m.

Point Grey—Snow; calm; 2.74; 32; sea smooth. Spoke str. Jefferson, 7.20 a.m., off Gabriola Reef, southbound.

Cape Lazo—Snow; calm; 29.68; 33; dense seaward.

Pachena—Cloudy; N. W. light; 29.61; 33; light swell.

Estevan—Cloudy; calm; 29.39; 25; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; 29.43; 31; sea smooth.

Triangle—Snow; calm; 29.78; 32; sea moderate. Spoke str. Prince Rupert, 3 a.m., Millbank Sound, northbound.

Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; N. E. light; 29.78; 26; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Snow E.; 29.82; sea moderate.

Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 29.60; 24; sea smooth.

Noon.

Point Grey—Cloudy; calm; 29.75; 27; thick seaward.

Cape Lazo—Snow; calm; 29.65; 36; dense seaward.

Pachena—Cloudy; E. light; 29.62; 42; light swell. Spoke str. Gray, noon, abeam, southbound.

Estevan—Overcast; calm; 29.39; 37; sea moderate. Spoke str. Princess Maquinn, 11.55 a.m., at Uchelet, northbound.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; 29.44; 32; sea smooth.

Triangle—Cloudy; N. E.; 29.80; 35; sea moderate.

Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; N. E. light; 29.76; 26; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Cloudy; E. light; 29.38; 36; sea moderate.

Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 29.68; 32; sea smooth. Spoke str. Prince John, 10 a.m., abeam, Sixteen Point, southbound.

VICTORIA TO AGAIN GET DIRECT SERVICE SOUTH TO SAN DIEGO

Southern California Ports Included in Schedule of President and Governor.

Victoria will again have direct steamship communication with the Southern Californian ports of Los Angeles and San Diego on the resumption of the splendid liners Governor and President in the coastwise service. The steamships Admiral Schley and Queen, which have been doing duty on the California-British Columbia-Puget Sound route since the withdrawal of the larger boats, terminated their south-bound voyages at San Francisco, therefore causing some inconvenience to through passengers who were compelled to change at the Golden Gate port.

Same as Last Year.

As announced yesterday the Governor is scheduled to leave San Francisco for Victoria and Seattle on March 9, to be followed by the President on March 15. They will be operated on the same schedule that was in effect last year, leaving San Francisco at noon on Saturday and arriving here Monday afternoon. Southbound they will leave here at 5 p.m. on Friday. The ports of call for freight after touching at Victoria and Seattle will be Tacoma, Everett and Vancouver. In the south these ships will call at San Francisco, Wilmington for Los Angeles and San Diego.

Direct From Sound.

The steamships Admiral Schley and Queen, together with the Admiral Dewey, will now be operated between Seattle and San Francisco only, calling at Tacoma for freight every other trip.

The Governor and President, which are the largest steamships in the Pacific Steamship Company's fleet, were taken over by the United States Shipping Board in October last, and were withdrawn from this route in November and turned over to the Matson Navigation Company for operation on the San Francisco-Hongkong run. The Admiral Watson and the Admiral Farragut, now on the Puget Sound-California run, will be displaced by the larger vessels, and will be used to augment the Alaska service. The Admiral Watson will be put on the Seattle-Southeastern Alaska route on March 8, while the Admiral Farragut will be placed on the Seattle-Southwestern Alaska route on March 18.

Other Services.

The company's Southern California service will also be improved with the resumption of the fast turbine Harvard, which has been laid up for several months at San Francisco undergoing extensive repairs. It is expected that the Harvard will again take up

Feb. sailings between San Francisco and San Diego on March 15. The Yale and Harvard will each make two round trips every week between San Francisco and Los Angeles. On every other trip they will touch at San Diego. The enlarged schedule will give to the Puget Sound-San Francisco route three sailings weekly, to the San Francisco-Los Angeles route five sailings weekly, and to the San Francisco-San Diego route three sailings weekly.

AGREEMENT REACHED IN RAILWAY DISPUTE

Revised Wage Schedule for C. P. R. Western Road Men and Yard Employees

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The Conciliation Board which considered the dispute between the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, western lines, and its conductors, trainmen and yardmen, has made its report to the Department of Labor. The report states that after prolonged negotiations the parties, with the assistance and upon the recommendation of the Board arrived at an agreement upon all the matters in dispute. One new revised schedule for the road men in lieu of the two previously agreed to. The rates of pay, with the exception of the rates on the New Westminster sub-division which are by agreement fixed for the life of the new schedule are the existing rates of pay, but when new rates are promulgated for the western territory pursuant to the movement now pending in the United States, these rates of pay are to be replaced by increased rates of pay, if any, granted in the United States.

The report states that it was suggested by the representative of the Company that the dispute insofar as it related only to rates of pay should be left to abide the result of a movement in the United States for increased pay. The representatives of the employees agreed to accept this suggestion as applicable to both roadmen and yardmen provided an agreement could be arrived at respecting the other portions of the respective schedules and as to the date when the eight-hour day should come into effect.

The report further states that the feeling of the Board was that a strike at this time would be a national calamity and that a negotiated settlement was most desirable. The members of the Board were T. G. Mathers, chairman; Isaac Pibbado, K.C., representing the company, and D. Campbell, representing the men.

STEAMER TAKES OUT CARGO OF B. C. PAPER

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—One of the steamers owned by the Australian Government has left Powell River with a cargo of paper for the Commonwealth. The vessel is the fourth of the fleet to visit British Columbia.

H. A. DAYFIELD DIED HERE VERY SUDDENLY

Prominent Engineer Was in Charge of the Ogden Point Assembly Plant

BRILLIANT CAREER AS MECHANICAL ENGINEER

The tragically sudden demise of Henry Arthur Bayfield, who passed away yesterday afternoon at the St. Joseph's Hospital following an operation for appendicitis, came as a terrible shock to members of the engineering profession and his numerous friends and acquaintances in Victoria and contiguous cities.

Since the beginning of the year Mr. Bayfield has been superintendent in charge of the Imperial Munition Board's assembly plant at Ogden Point, where the steamships building for the Imperial Government are being equipped with machinery. Up to a short time ago Mr. Bayfield was apparently in the best of health and his unexpected end comes as a great shock to all who knew him. He was a man of sterling worth and a brilliant engineer. His high standing in the profession is generally recognized.

In Prime of Life.

The late Mr. Bayfield was cut off in the prime of life, being but forty-five years of age. He was born at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, and educated at McGill University, from which institution he graduated in 1904. His ability as a mechanical engineer soon became apparent and he rose rapidly in the profession.

Prior to coming out to the Pacific Coast he was in charge of construction work in connection with important harbor works at St. John, New Brunswick, and other large engineering undertakings in the East. He then came out west and for a number of years held the position of Superintendent of Dredges in British Columbia under the Dominion Government.

At Hudson's Bay.

While acting in this capacity Mr. Bayfield designed and superintended the construction of the tug Point Ellice, Point Hope and other tugboats in these waters. In 1913 he resigned that post to become engineer in charge of the construction of the Hudson Bay harbor terminals at Fort Churchill.

He was then appointed by the Imperial Munition Board to take charge of the fitting out of the wooden steamships at the Ogden Point plant here. He was particularly well-known in Vancouver, where he was formerly a member of the firm of Bayfield & Archibald, consulting engineers.

Much Shocked.

R. P. Hutchart, director of wooden shipbuilding on the Pacific Coast for the Imperial Munition Board, speaking of the painful sudden death of Mr. Bayfield, said: "I have had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Bayfield for a number of years and I always had a very high opinion of him, personally and professionally. It was through the efforts of Capt. J. W. Troup and myself that he was persuaded to come out here and carry on the work of fitting out the vessels under construction on the coast. It was a great shock to me to hear of his sudden end."

Brilliant Engineer.

A. E. Forman, chief engineer of the Provincial Public Works Department, who was a personal friend of Mr. Bayfield, was greatly shocked on being advised of his sudden demise. "He was a brilliant mechanical engineer," said Mr. Forman, "and a man who took a keen interest in his work. He was a good practical engineer as well as a technical expert. The painful suddenness of Mr. Bayfield's death comes as a great shock to me."

Since his arrival here a few months ago Mr. Bayfield resided at 2086 Granite Street, Oak Bay. This afternoon the body, accompanied by Mrs. Bayfield and Edward Bayfield, K.C., was shipped to Vancouver, where interment will take place in the city plot. The arrangements here were in the hands of the B. C. Funeral Parlors.

The late Mr. Bayfield was an associate member of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers. His father, Edward Bayfield, K.C., is now a resident of Vancouver, and a brother, Frank Bayfield, is a solicitor at the Terminal City.

FOUR RUSSIAN SHIPS ARE ABOUT TO ENTER TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE

Advices from Seattle state that four of the largest Kuznetsov steamships now at Vladivostok are to be operated on the Siberian-Puget Sound route. The first of the fleet, the Moscow, it is said, is now undergoing repairs and is expected to be dispatched in the new trans-Pacific service. She is a twenty-knot vessel with three stacks. The three other steamships to cross the Pacific are said to be the Kherson, Petrograd and the Smolensk.

The Moscow displaces 13,000 tons and is equipped with 16,000 horsepower engines. She is a historic vessel. Under the name of Lena she sailed from the Baltic in 1905 with the Russian war squadron under Admiral Rodzjevskiy en route to the Far East to battle with the fleet under Admiral Togo, who waited for the arrival of the Russian ships in Tsuchima Straits at the entrance to the Sea of Japan.

By some mischance the Lena, which carried shells and supplies, and another supply ship, the Korea, got between the hostile fleets and the two ships were subjected to a terrible cross fire. The Lena and Korea, however, managed to get away but not before

many members of the crews had been killed or injured. The Lena steamed southward and escaped, while the Korea sought refuge at Shanghai. The Korean Volunteer Fleet now has a fleet of sixty-three steamships.

UNCEREMONIOUS ENTRY BY MIDNIGHT CALLER

Oak Bay Residents Aroused From Slumbers at Late Hour

No little excitement was caused about the hour of midnight yesterday when a goodly portion of the inhabitants of Oak Bay residing in that part of the district in the vicinity of Newport Avenue and Island Road were aroused from their slumbers by the most hair-raising ejaculations that the human vocal organs might be considered capable of producing.

Something more tangible concerning the real source of the mysterious terror was found, when the door of Dr. O. M. Jones's residence on Island Road, became the object of a frantic attack on the part of a hysterical and half-frozen Chinaman. The celestial was so enthusiastic in a desire to make entry for himself and to arouse the inmates, that he smashed the glass of the portal, despite the ready response made by the doctor.

Even when entry had been made for the strange, untimely visitor, it was some little while before the doctor was able to comprehend the tale of the nocturnal adventurer. Evidently it was learned that the man had been shipwrecked at a portion of the coast between Gonzales and Gold Point. He and another Chinaman were taking their course homeward in a motor fishing launch; their engine had stalled and the boat had floated onto the rocks. How he himself had reached shore was easily explained by the soaked condition of the man's garb.

A warm fire and necessary attention soon restored the survivor to a more normal state of mind and body and a party set out to see how his partner fared. A telephone message was sent the Chinese, firm whose property the boat was, and another launch was sent around to the rescue. The rescue party thus dispatched from the city did not reach the scene of disaster until about 2 o'clock this morning where they found the other member of the crew still surviving in the boat by that time almost filled with water.

HARDWARE MERCHANTS DISGRUNTLED OVER DUTY FREE SYSTEM

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—A complaint from the Hardware Metal Association in regard to the Customs regulations affecting their interests was received by the Vancouver Board of Trade last night and referred to a committee for investigation. According to present regulations it was said all materials entering into the construction and equipment of ships built in Canada for the Imperial or Allied Governments, also all equipment for shipbuilding plants, in fact everything the Imperial Munition Board might choose to order out of Canada, is admitted duty free. Wholesale and jobbing houses here have to pay a duty of 27½ per cent average. The complaint said the result was that Seattle manufacturers, wholesale and jobbing houses are getting the bulk of the business connected with local shipbuilding.

ASSIGNED TO SPRUCE CAMPS IN CHARLOTTE

Among the passengers going North from Vancouver by the G. T. P. steamship Prince Rupert on Monday night were 200 men who are to be put to work in the camps engaged in getting out spruce lumber at Masset, Queen Charlotte Islands. The party will make connections with the steamer Prince John at Prince Rupert for the Islands.

The tug Lorne, which has been rebuilt by the G. T. P. and is now in commission will be engaged in towing barges of spruce lumber between the Queen Charlottes and Prince Rupert.

CONCILIATION BOARD IS NOW SUGGESTED TO SETTLE DISPUTE

Minister of Labor Keeping in Touch With Shipyard Situation Here

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Hon. T. W. Crothers, Minister of Labor, when asked today what action the Department proposed to take with regard to the Victoria and Vancouver shipyards dispute, stated that at present there was little to be done. The employees of the Imperial Munition Board, who are working in the shipyards, have made no application to the Department for a Board of Conciliation. Representatives of the Department are on the ground to keep in touch with the situation.

The Minister was asked if the Labor Department was authorized to appoint a Board of Conciliation to deal with the dispute between an organization such as the Imperial Munition Board, which is under control of the British Government and its employees. In reply he said that the Department had the power to do this by virtue of an Order-in-Council applying to industries engaged in the manufacture of war supplies, which had been passed some time ago.

ALCOHOL ENOUGH FOR TWELVE MONTHS HENCE

Commissioner Findlay Safeguards Industrial and Health Requirements of Province

That the Government of British Columbia, through the agency of its two duly authorized liquor stores, will hereafter be in a position to retail alcohol for industrial purposes at \$10 per gallon, and that the supply arranged for by Prohibition Commissioner Findlay will amply provide for the needs of all industries dependent upon that commodity in this province for at least a year hence, is the announcement made by the Commissioner this morning.

It will be recalled that some alarm was occasioned recently to the several manufacturers of extracts by reason of the "shortage" of alcohol made known as soon as the Dominion Order-in-Council became an accomplished fact. The Commissioner tackled the situation with energy, and, apart from very minor inconvenience, he was able to place all fears on the part of manufacturers at rest.

With the need of alcohol in this connection still persistent he took the necessary precaution with a double-edged sword. Metaphorically speaking he welded one blade to ward off the very natural increase in price set up by some of the Eastern distilleries, and with the other he defended the British Columbia manufacturer to the end that his supply was not endangered.

The result of his negotiations is a plentiful supply at a figure per gallon \$5 and \$6 less than the price advertised by the various import houses. While there will be no cause for alarm for a year hence, he is already taking the necessary steps to ensure a continuance of supply after that date.

That France is still able and ready to send her brandy to British Columbia for medicinal purposes, of course is demonstrated by the fact that the Commissioner has just contracted for the purchase, from one of the best known French houses, of a large consignment of the best brand obtainable at a price which suggests that the temperance man knows how to buy the commodity for which he possesses no particular fancy.

DAY STEAMER TO SEATTLE THE S.S. "Sol Duc"

Leave C. P. R. Wharf daily except Sunday at 10.30 a.m. for Port Angeles, Bungeness, Port Williams, Port Townsend and Seattle, arriving Seattle 7.15 p.m. Return- ing Seattle 7.15 p.m. Return- ing Victoria 8.30 a.m.

Secure information and tickets from E. E. BLACKWOOD, Agent, 1231 Government St. Phone 64.

Day's Steamship Co.

1003 Government St.

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S.S. Admiral Schley or Queen Leave Victoria Thursdays, 5 p.m. For San Francisco and Southern California

Special low WINTER RATES to all points in California, effective now, good for return until April 30, 1918. To insure the best accommodation, patrons are respectfully urged to make reservations well in advance of sailing dates.

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The Union Steamship Co., of B. C. Ltd.

Regular sailings from Vancouver to:

Prince Rupert	Anyx
Alberca	Surf Inlet
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Vancouver to Powell River (daily).

GEO. MCGREGOR, AGENT
1003 Government St. Phone 1295.

A CHINATOWN MELEE

Sailor Who Armed Himself With Salt Cellars From Cafe Charged With Assault.

Salt cellars as missiles are unusual, and a leg of a chair is much better for a melee, but the former are more easily removed from a restaurant than the supports of a chair. So Arthur Charles Sherrett, a R. N. C. V. R. man, had to be content with the former, and how he came to be possessed of this singular weapon engaged the attention of the Police Magistrate to-day for over an hour.

New Year's celebrations in Chinatown among a certain section of the Chinese last Sunday morning appear to have been rather boisterous. There was a fight between a number of them and some sailors and soldiers at the corner of Government Street and Commercial Street soon after midnight, in which Sherrett was hit over the head with a broom.

When things cooled down somewhat, four of the soldiers and sailors went to the Olympic Cafe to eat, and Sherrett on leaving, with the decision to spend the night at the Sailors' Institute, revisited the scene of the melee in order to find his cap, which had been knocked off in the previous scuffle.

On his arrival he met two Chinamen, one of them named Hon, on route to his work at the Pacific Club. He hit the Chinaman's eye without asking questions, but did not use the salt cellars, which he had brought away from the cafe for emergency purposes.

While the Chinaman was nursing a black eye and cut face, the police came along, arrested Sherrett who today faced a charge of assault, for which he was fined \$15, and \$5 for doctor's costs.

Alexis Martin prosecuted, and William C. Moresby appeared for the defence.

NO PROSPECT OF HERRING SHORTAGE

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—Plenty of herring are running at Nanaimo, according to news received here, and the Canadian Fishing Company reports the arrival of 200,000 pounds. The herring were brought here by the gasoline craft Ebbie Bradford, Norman, Tassoo, B. C. Kid and San Diego. The run at Barkley Sound continues to be heavy, according to reports received here, and the prospects are that there will be no herring shortage.

MUTRIE & SON

Here are reliable Shoes for everyone in this great \$20,000 Shoe Sale at prices that will help reduce the High Cost of Living. See some of the bargains below.

LADIES' PATENT BUT-TON BOOT

Cloth top, welted sole, medium heel. Regular \$5.50 value, for speedy Sale \$3.65

LADIES' CALF BUTTON BOOT

with cloth top, welted soles; an excellent wearing boot; worth \$6.00. February Sale \$4.25

YOUNG LADIES' BOOTS

In Gunmetal Lace and Button; also kid, all with low heels; \$5.00 value. February Sale \$3.45

LADIES' SPATS

All colors, 10-button. Regular \$2.50 values \$1.95
Regular \$3.00 values \$2.45
Regular \$3.50 values \$2.75

LADIES' NEOLIN SOLED BOOTS

Black and tan, regular \$5.00 and \$7.50. February Sale \$6.45

MEN'S BOOTS

Young Men's Mahogany Tan B.B., recede toe, Goodyear welted; all sizes, in 3 widths; worth \$5.00. February Sale \$6.45

BOYS' BOOTS

Boys' Dress Boots, in tan or velour calf, welted medium weight sole, regular value \$4.50. February Sale \$4.95

MEN'S VELOUR BUTTON

Stout or light sole, Goodyear welted. Regular \$7.50. February Sale \$5.45

LADIES' NOVELTY BOOTS

Bipe, African, Brown, 2-tone grey button, black kid, white top lace, patent bal, grey top and white kid. Value \$12.00 to \$4.00. February Sale \$6.75

BOYS' VELOUR BUTTON

A neat Dress Boot, and also a good wearing; size 11 to 13½. \$4.50 value. February Sale \$2.75

Tungsten Lamp Sale

Going Strong at

28c

10 to 40 watt. Reg. 45c. Sale price 28c 60 watt. Reg. 50c. Sale price 38c

These lamps are the product of the best manufacture. Come and see for yourself. P. S.—All lamps tested at time of sale. We do not deliver Tungsten Lamps.

B. C. Hardware & Paint Co., Ltd.

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Advertisement for Dixi Ross, a quality grocery store. Lists various products like Ceylon Tea, Coffee, and Honey with prices. Includes address: 117 Government Street, Phone 60-61-62.

Advertisement for 'Whole Corn' feed. A full car of Whole Corn just to hand. Order early! 709 Yates Street, Sylvester Feed Co., Tel. 413.

Advertisement for Drake Hardware Co., Ltd. Stop that radiator leak in your car. This isn't a novelty, but a thoroughly practical free-flowing liquid. 1418 Douglas Street, Phone 1645.

Advertisement for Blue 'J' Provincial Journal. Latest issue is a Real Live Monthly With Good 'Stuff'.

Black as Dirt About the Eyes. Liver Was All Upset and There Was Pain Under the Shoulder-Blade—Two Interesting Letters. The advent of The B. C. Weekly Veteran has apparently put the editorial staff of The Blue 'J' on its mettle...

Advertisement for John Cochrane, Druggist. Razor Straps. We have just received a line of these goods, including some of the new 'pig skin' straps...

High Wages Drawing MEN FROM INTERIOR. Mining Man Here From Telkwa Says Labor Has Become Increasingly Scarce. Industries in the interior cannot stand the competition of the high wages paid in the Coast cities...

Whole Corn Whole Corn. A full car of Whole Corn just to hand. ORDER EARLY! 709 Yates Street, SYLVESTER FEED CO., Tel. 413.

STOP THAT RADIATOR LEAK IN YOUR CAR. This isn't a novelty, but a thoroughly practical free-flowing liquid. Just ask for 'NEVERLEAK.' 75¢ and 50¢. DRAKE HARDWARE CO., LTD. 1418 Douglas Street, Phone 1645.

Black as Dirt About the Eyes. Liver Was All Upset and There Was Pain Under the Shoulder-Blade—Two Interesting Letters. So many people suffer from derangements of the liver that we feel sure these two reports, just recently received, will prove interesting reading and valuable information to many readers of this paper.

Advertisement for Houses Built at \$16 per Month and Upwards. FOR SALE—New 7-room modern home, waterfront, Oak Bay district. Half-price. Owner, D. H. BALE. Corner Fort and Stadacona Aves. Phone 1140.

CONSERVATION OF LIFE BY MEANS OF HEALTH INSURANCE

Dr. M. Raynor Sees Method of Meeting the 'Sickness' Problem. 'A comprehensive obligatory system providing insurance against sickness and disability, not covered by the Workmen's Compensation Act, for the wage-earner and his family; a system to include cash benefits for a certain period while incapacitated through illness, and to provide maternity and also funeral benefits...'

CAN STAND COMPARISON

Lady Just Arriving Here Finds Climate Better, and Supplies Cheaper Than Southern California. 'The climate is better here than in Los Angeles, and the cost of living is less,' said a lady from the prairies at the Victoria Island and Development Association office yesterday.

FROM CAPE TOWN

Family Arrives Here to Make Home; Some Points in South African Situation. From Cape Town via California is the route taken by Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Davis and family, who have come to Victoria to locate. Mr. Davis is now retired, and after a long stay in Southern California, he welcomes a return to British soil.

You Get Better Cough Syrup by Making it at Home

What's more, you save about 25¢ by making your own. You'll never really know what a fine cough syrup you can make until you prepare this famous home-made remedy. You not only save 25¢ as compared with the ready-made kind, but you will also have a more effective and dependable remedy in every way. It overcomes the usual coughs, throat and chest colds in 24 hours—relieves even whooping cough quickly.

Stamping Tea Cloths and Napkins, Reduced

Five Irish Linen Hemstitched Tea Cloths, stamped for embroidering in several designs. Size 28x38 inches. Regular \$2.75 values. Special, Thursday \$1.95. Napkins to match. Reg. 50¢. Thursday \$1.00 for 3.

SPECIAL OFFER

The Delineator for One Year at 95¢. Have you secured your subscription to the Delineator yet? Do not fail to take advantage of this exceptional offer of the half-price rate. Only a few days left.

Big Reductions in Fashionable Furs

Natural Wolf Stole, in full skin shape, with claw and chain-fastener, lined with Duchess satin. Regular \$21.50. Thursday \$15.95. Muffs to match. Regular \$16.50. Thursday \$11.95.

Display of Made-in-Canada Cottons

We again emphasize the desirability of purchasing your supplies of Cotton Goods while the privilege is yours of saving 25¢ on the dollar. These are hard facts but they are nevertheless perfectly true. The goods are here—the prices advantageous. It only remains for you to act NOW.

Three Thousand Yards of Fine Filet and Double Bordered Scotch Nets, One-Third Underpriced

1,000 Yards of Scotch Bungalow Net, Yard, 29¢. Good thirty-five-cent values, every yard full 42 inches wide, in neat all-over designs and double bordered styles, with lockstitched scalloped edges, in white, ivory and ecru shades. Worth to-day 45¢ yard. Thursday, yard, 29¢.

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- Size 18—One Only, Fine Quality Black Coating Serge Suit, with large velvet collar, cuffs and belt, box pleated coat and skirt, with gathered back and pockets. Regular \$29.75. Thursday \$15.00. Size 16—One Only, Navy Blue French Serge Suit, trimmed with silk braid with touch of color and large velvet collar; side pleated skirt and coat. Regular \$35.50. Thursday \$15.00.

5 Only, Regular \$25.00 Values, Thursday \$10.00

- Size 18—One Only, Black Wool Hopsack Suit, with large collar and button trimmed; satin lined. Regular \$25.00. Thursday \$10.00. Size 18—One Only, Black All-Wool French, Arrure Suit, in tailored effect, with velvet collar; satin lined. Regular \$25.00. Thursday \$10.00.

Stamping Tea Cloths and Napkins, Reduced

Five Irish Linen Hemstitched Tea Cloths, stamped for embroidering in several designs. Size 28x38 inches. Regular \$2.75 values. Special, Thursday \$1.95. Napkins to match. Reg. 50¢. Thursday \$1.00 for 3.

Reg. \$2.75 D & A and La Diva Corsets at \$1.98

24 Pairs Only of D & A and La Diva (Non Rust-able) Corsets. In sizes 28, 30, 32, 34, 36 and 38. Styles suitable for the average figure; low bust, elastic inset and four hose supports; well made of white coutil; embroidery trimmed. Regular \$2.75 values. Thursday \$1.98.

Big Reductions in Fashionable Furs

Natural Wolf Stole, in full skin shape, with claw and chain-fastener, lined with Duchess satin. Regular \$21.50. Thursday \$15.95. Muffs to match. Regular \$16.50. Thursday \$11.95.

Display of Made-in-Canada Cottons

We again emphasize the desirability of purchasing your supplies of Cotton Goods while the privilege is yours of saving 25¢ on the dollar. These are hard facts but they are nevertheless perfectly true. The goods are here—the prices advantageous. It only remains for you to act NOW.

Three Thousand Yards of Fine Filet and Double Bordered Scotch Nets, One-Third Underpriced

1,000 Yards of Scotch Bungalow Net, Yard, 29¢. Good thirty-five-cent values, every yard full 42 inches wide, in neat all-over designs and double bordered styles, with lockstitched scalloped edges, in white, ivory and ecru shades. Worth to-day 45¢ yard. Thursday, yard, 29¢.

Children's Gowns and Petticoats, Thursday at 78¢

Children's Longcloth Night-gowns, for ages 3 to 12 years, low neck styles with short sleeves, embroidery trimmed with ribbon heading. A broken assortment of regular \$1.00 qualities, Thursday 78¢. Children's Longcloth Petticoats, with bodice attachment, for ages 3 to 6 years, Swiss embroidery trimmed. Special, Thursday 78¢.