

WEATHER FORECASTS

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, fine and milder. Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, fine and milder.

Victoria Daily Times

WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Pantages—Vaudeville. Royal—Mary Pickford. Variety—Wallace Reid. Columbia—J. J. Warren Kerrigan. Dominion—Paragon of the Ages. Victoria West School—Citizens Meeting.

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LULL CONTINUES IN REGION OF GREAT BATTLE IN FRANCE

FINANCIAL POSITION OF PROVINCE IS NOW BEFORE LEGISLATURE

Mr. Hart's First Budget Speech Appreciates Responsibility Cast Upon Government by Heyday of Indiscretion; Straight Business Talk, No Fulsome Verbiage

Legislative Press Gallery, April 4.

Following the placing of the Estimates before the Legislature this afternoon, the Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance, delivered his first Budget speech. He reviewed the finances of the Province as disclosed in the Public Accounts for 1916-17, the accounts for the year which terminated on Sunday last, and the estimates of revenue and expenditure for the fiscal year of 1918-19. For the former period, whose estimates were, of course, prepared by the late Government, the Minister showed that there was a deficit of \$2,172,534, thus increasing the aggregate deficits of the McBride-Bowser Governments to over \$18,000,000.

Mr. Hart reminded the House that the late regime had run through a surplus of eight and a half millions of dollars accumulated up to 1911, and had since increased the public debt by some twelve million dollars.

The Minister placed the estimated revenue of the province for the ensuing twelve months at \$9,900,000 and the estimated expenditure at \$11,611,000, of which \$9,558,254.93 is on account and \$1,952,745 on capital account. He alluded to the fact that the financing of the late Government had compelled the present administration to set aside no less a sum than \$2,111,963—about one-quarter of the revenue—to pay interest and sinking funds on the public debt, whereas as recently as five years ago the sum required for the same application did not exceed \$500,000.

Good News For Farmers. The Minister reiterates the pledge of the Government that the burden of taxation shall be fairly apportioned on the whole people. Farm improvements will be exempt from taxation up to an amount which will appear in the bill shortly to be brought down. A complete new assessment of the real property coming under provincial taxation is to be made during the near future, on which the 1919 rolls will be based.

Mines will be taxed either on income or the two per cent mineral tax, whichever is the greater, and some deductions which are considered fair will be allowed from the taxable value for income-tax purposes. The tax on banks as raised by the surtax of last year will continue, \$2.00 on chief offices and \$1.00 on each branch.

The estimated revenue from income tax for the year 1918-19 is \$2,215,000, from real property tax \$1,000,000, from poll tax \$500,000, and from personal property tax \$500,000. The amendment tax is expected to bring in \$220,000. (Concluded on page 8.)

WHITE WILL NOT ATTEND SESSION

Finance Minister Will Not Return to Ottawa Until After Prorogation

Ottawa, April 4.—Definite word has been received from Sir Thomas White that he will not return to Ottawa until after Parliament prorogues. His physicians have advised him that it would be unwise for him to return and participate in the labors of the session. In the meantime Hon. A. K. Maclean will continue to be Acting Minister of Finance, and will deliver the budget speech, which will be made some time this month.

Friends of Sir Thomas White are hopeful that at the expiration of the period mentioned he will be able to resume his duties as Minister of Finance. His continuation at his post will depend entirely upon the condition of his health at the end of the session. If he does not feel sufficiently improved to resume charge permanently he will insist upon his resignation being accepted.

BELGIAN MINISTER TO RUSSIA WOUNDED

Petrograd, April 3.—Via London, April 4.—The Bolshevik Commissary for Finnish Affairs reports that M. D'Estrea, the Belgian Minister to Russia, was wounded by White Guards or Government troops while attempting to pass into the rebel lines.

GERMAN FORCE IS LANDED IN FINLAND

Expedition is Said to Number 40,000 and Have 300 Guns

London, April 4.—The force landed by Germany at Hangö, Finland, as reported in a Berlin official statement, comprises 40,000 men under General Saanitz, according to the correspondent of The Central News at Copenhagen, telegraphing yesterday. The artillery equipment of the force is 300 guns, and it has 2,000 machine guns.

Petrograd, April 3.—Via London April 4.—Thirty German transports with troops have arrived at Hangö, on the southern coast of Finland, southwest of Helsinki.

An official statement from Berlin received in Amsterdam Wednesday announced that German troops had landed at Hangö to give help to Finland. The Germans, it was said, would assist the Finnish troops in putting down the rebels.

British Fourth Army in France Led Now by Gen. Rawlinson

London, April 4.—General Sir Henry Rawlinson, who was the British representative on the Versailles War Council, has been appointed to the command of the Fourth Army, into which divisions of the old Fifth Army that was aligned on the St. Quentin sector have been absorbed. General Gough, who was in command of the Fifth Army, is unemployed, for the time being.

Age-Limit for Class One Under Military Act May Be Extended

Winnipeg, April 4.—The Winnipeg Free Press-Evening Bulletin's Ottawa correspondent says: "For the securing of more men more promptly, other amendments to the Military Service Act will be made. One will provide that young men who have come of age since the passage of the Act will automatically fall under the draft. It is not considered probable that the Class Two will be called out for a considerable time yet, but it is probable that the age-limit of Class One will be extended to include physically fit unmarried men over the age of thirty-five."

CARRYING OUT TERMS OF RUSSO-GERMAN TREATY OF PEACE

Moscow, April 3.—(By the Associated Press).—The special commission formed to carry out the provisions of the Brest-Litovsk peace treaty has drawn up a programme for the restoration of postal and telegraphic relations with Germany. It has ordered Russian mine-sweepers to clear the mines from the Gulf of Finland and in the Russian part of the Baltic.

MINISTER OF FINANCE MAKES BUDGET SPEECH TO-DAY; HON. J. HART



SERBIAN MINISTER SAYS CLEMENCEAU RIGHT WHEN HE STATED CZERNIN LIED

Paris, April 4.—Premier Clemenceau told the exact truth in his terse declaration that "Czernin lied," in his rejoinder to the statement of Count Czernin that he had inquired through an intermediary whether Austria-Hungary was ready to negotiate. Dr. Vestnitch, Serbian Minister to France, solemnly affirmed in a speech at a luncheon of the American Club here to-day. When asked if there was no fire under this extraordinary smoke, Dr. Vestnitch replied: "Not a spark."

Rome, April 4.—The people of Italy are warned against the speech of Count Czernin by the Giornale d'Italia as, it says, the Austro-Hungarian Government has spoken of peace before every new offensive against Italy.

The cause of Mr. O'Connor's resignation is creating much speculation here, and it is fully expected that the matter will be brought up in Parliament. It is probable, it is stated, that other resignations in the Cost-of-Living branch will follow. As Cost-of-Living Commissioner, Mr. O'Connor's name has been much before the public. A report by him on the operations and profits of cold storage companies led to the appointment of the Henderson Commission and the subsequent passing of an Order-in-Council limiting the profits of such companies. Later a special report on egg holdings aroused much comment throughout the country.

French Civilians Forced by Germans to Work in Russia

Paris, April 3.—One thousand French civilians from the occupied districts of Northern France have been sent to Russia by the Germans, and are being forced to perform hard labor, according to information obtained to-day by Baron Cochlin, a former Cabinet member.

Amiens People Are Urged to Maintain Confident Attitude

Paris, April 4.—Gen. Dumas, commanding the French armies in the north, has signed the following proclamation and had it posted in Amiens: "The dangers which have been announced to you do not threaten you for the moment. The military authorities give you that assurance. You see them in your midst. Warning will be given in case of peril. Keep confidence in France's hour."

BOLSHEVIKI DESIRE TRADE RELATIONS WITH THE STATES

London, April 4.—The Russian Government is sending a delegation to the United States to liquidate Russia's war orders with American firms and arrange future trade relations, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Moscow to-day.

Turks Have Lost City of Erzerum to the Armenians

London, April 4.—Erzerum, the principal city of Turkish Armenia, is reported in an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Moscow to have been recaptured from the Turks by an Armenian corps, aided by a detachment of Armenian volunteers. The Armenians also are reported to be holding other territories in the Erzerum district.

PENALTIES IN STATES.

Washington, April 4.—Conferees of the Senate and House to-day agreed on a bill providing severe penalties for destruction of war materials and for sabotage.

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DOMINION POLICE IN SHERBROOKE WILL NOT WORK ON ARMY ACT

Sherbrooke, April 4.—Orders have been received to withdraw the Dominion police who have been enforcing the Military Service Act in Sherbrooke and district. No reason is given for the move.

O'CONNOR'S RESIGNATION AS THE COST-OF-LIVING COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCED

Ottawa, April 4.—W. F. O'Connor, K. C., has resigned as Cost-of-Living Commissioner of the Labor Department. The resignation was handed in to-day. When questioned this morning by a representative of the Canadian Press, Mr. O'Connor declined to state any reason for his resignation, adding that the resignation was entirely voluntary on his part.

LARGER VESSELS ORDERED IN U. S.

Washington, April 4.—Two new moves to increase shipping facilities in an effort to accelerate the movement of troops and supplies abroad have been made by the Shipping Board of the United States. Shipbuilders had orders to-day for a general increase in the size of merchant ships to be built hereafter for the Government and bills providing large extension of federal authority over shipbuilding, ships, shipping rates, docks and terminals, were before Congress.

BLUE GUARDS IN MOSCOW INSISTING ASSEMBLY BE CALLED

Petrograd, April 3, via London, April 4.—(By the Associated Press).—The Novokozlovsk reports the discovery in Moscow of an organization to enforce the calling of a Constituent Assembly. They call themselves Blue Guards, and are said to number 12,000. The local soviet at Volodga has refused to permit the exiled former Grand Duke to reside in Volodga.

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First Step Toward Arming Nation, Says Assistant War Secretary

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RAIN MAKES GROUND DIFFICULT IN AREA OF BATTLE IN WEST

Torrents Fell During the Night; Machine Gun Post Was Rushed by British Troops; Artillery Fighting Became Violent North of Montdidier

With the British Army in France, April 4.—The German offensive continued to mark time last night, and up to 10 o'clock this morning no move of importance had been reported.

It rained in torrents during the night and to-day the sky still is heavily overcast. It is the kind of weather which renders the shell-torn fields of the Somme region most difficult to work over, and for this reason the British are not displeased at the change.

London, April 4.—There was little activity in the battle area in France last night with the exception of hostile artillery fire at various points, the War Office announced to-day. A few prisoners were taken by British patrols. The text of the report follows:

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During the night a German machine gun post in the neighborhood of Hebuterne was rushed by our troops and a machine gun captured. A few prisoners were brought in on other parts of the battlefield.

"Beyond hostile artillery activity at different points on the line, and also in the Menin Road and Passchendaele sectors, there is nothing further to report."

Paris, April 4.—Heavy artillery fighting occurred last night on the front north of Montdidier, the War Office announces. In raids in Champagne and on the Verdun front French troops took prisoners and also captured two machine guns. The text of the report follows:

"The artillery fighting became very violent during the night in the region north of Montdidier.

"Northwest of Rheims, in the Champagne and on the left bank of the Meuse (Verdun front), French troops penetrated German trenches at several points, bringing back thirty prisoners and two machine guns. German raids east of Rheims, in the Avocourt Wood and north of St. Die, were without success.

"There is nothing to report elsewhere."

BURGLARS THRIVING IN CITY OF BERLIN

Robberies in German Capital Now Average Over 300 Daily

New York, April 4.—Burglaries and robberies in Berlin average much more than 300 daily and great alarm has been caused in the German capital by the sensational increase in crime resulting from war conditions.

In an interview in The Berliner Tageblatt on March 30, a copy of which has reached New York, the director of a large insurance company, said that 800 burglaries and robberies were reported daily to the insurance companies. But the actual number, he said, was much higher, as many households and stores were not insured against this class of crime.

Many of the thefts are committed by deserters from the army, while there also are burglar bands composed of former convicts and deserters. The present conditions in Berlin greatly favor the burglars. The number of policemen and detectives is insufficient and the inadequate lighting of the streets is of advantage to the criminals.

STATEMENT MADE IN OTTAWA HOUSE FUEL CONTROLLER IS JOKE

Ottawa, April 4.—That the Fuel Controller was a joke was a statement made in the Commons yesterday afternoon by S. E. Elkin, Unionist, St. John and Albert, N. B., during a discussion of the fuel situation.

Thomas M. Tweedie, Unionist, Calgary, said that he could not agree that the Fuel Controller was a joke. Mr. Magrath, he said, was a man who had rendered great service to his country in various capacities and it was a shame to ridicule him when he was not there to reply. He considered Mr. Magrath's advice that the people should burn bituminous coal was good advice.

D. D. Mackenzie, Liberal, Cape Breton, advised the Government to deal directly with the men who produced the coal.

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### DESTRUCTION OF BAD FOODSTUFFS PLANNED BY OTTAWA CABINET

Ottawa, April 4.—Confiscation and destruction of unsound or unwholesome foodstuffs found in packing houses or cold storage warehouses is provided for in a resolution of which notice has been given by Hon. T. A. Crerar and on which a bill will be based. The resolution provides that abattoirs, packing houses or other premises where foodstuffs are kept shall be brought under the provisions of the Meat and Canned Foods Act.

### GIVEN SENTENCE FOR STEALING WAR BONDS

San Francisco, April 4.—Charles Cole pleaded guilty yesterday to a charge of appropriating \$12,000 worth of Liberty Bonds from the Federal Reserve Bank here, where he was employed, and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment at McNeil Island, Wash., by United States District Judge M. T. Doering. Cole, who posed as Carl Conrad, confessed and said he had taken the Bonds to pay for an operation on his wife.

### CANADIAN APPOINTMENTS.

London, April 4.—Lieut. G. P. Thursty has been gazetted a flying officer. The following have been gazetted to the Canadian staff: Major W. R. Bertram, Manitoba, General Staff; Major H. I. Baik, artillery staff; Captain H. E. Steele, Manitoba, staff; captain at headquarters. Chaplain H. McCausland has resigned as a captain. Capt. W. C. Laidlaw of the medicals, has been promoted to be major.

### SEVEN RINGLEADERS ARRESTED IN QUEBEC

Quebec, April 4.—The police, after working quietly for two days, made seven arrests to-night, and they believe they have rounded up the ringleaders in the disturbances. Specific charges of rioting will be laid against these men. The men are all residents of Quebec. The arrested men were next turned over to the military. Last night all was quiet in Quebec, with the military in full control of the city. More ventured out on the streets than on the preceding night, but there was no suspicion of disturbances.

### WON FIERCE FIGHT WITH ENEMY DIVER

Leith Shipmaster Decorated by King George for Gallantry at Sea

London, April 4.—How a Leith shipmaster fought a new German submarine to a standstill was related to King George when the mariner was decorated recently at Buckingham Palace. The British ship exchanged shots at two miles with the submarine, which withdrew out of range after firing a torpedo. The smoke boxes of the steamer then caught fire and the submarine commander resumed the chase. He overhauled the steamer and a fierce fight followed. The submarine's after gun was put out of action but enemy shells rained over and around the steamer and one of her passengers and a steward were wounded. After two hours fighting the submarine ceased firing without submerging, presumably having been damaged severely by the Britisher's guns. Putting on full steam the British captain soon left the German, who did not take up the chase, far astern. The captain then "went below" and gave medical attention to the passengers and steward, amputating one of the steward's legs.

### TROOPS OF INDIA QUELLING TRIBESMEN

Resistance of Marris Being Broken Down by Punjab Troops

London, April 4.—The forces in the Punjab, India, are successfully carrying punitive operations against the Marri tribesmen, who have been driven back into the hills and now are carrying out only raiding exploits, says a communication issued by the India Office. The communication follows: "Punitive operations against the Marris continue satisfactorily. With the advance of our troops in the Marri country, the Marris have retired further into the hills. They are offering no organized resistance, but are confining themselves to their traditional tactics of sending out isolated raiding parties to harry defenceless villages, loot bannas (Hindu merchant shops) and lift camels and cattle. "The most serious of their raids was an attack on a goods train near Barabar Kach, in which one European and six Indians were killed and three Indians wounded. Under the gradual pressure of our troops, however, the tribes have begun to show distinct signs of contemplating surrender. Practically all sections of the Khohran tribe already have tendered their unconditional submission through their chief."

### HAIG TOLD ONLY OF LOCAL ACTIONS

Neither British Nor French Official Statements Last Night Reported Change

London, April 4.—Field-Marshal Haig reported last night: "There is no change in the situation. "There was local fighting last night and this morning in the neighborhood of Feuchy and Hebuterne. We captured two machine guns, and many Germans were killed. "The number of prisoners taken yesterday in the successful operation at Ayette was 152, including six officers. "There is nothing further of special interest to report. "Aviation—Hostile troops and transports were again raided on Tuesday with bombs and machine gun fire, over 1,000 bombs being dropped during the day. The enemy's aeroplanes were fairly active between Albert and Moreuil. Thirteen German machines were brought down, seven were driven down out of control and three hostile balloons were destroyed. Seven of ours are missing. "At night rain fell continuously until 3 o'clock in the morning, after which three and a half tons of bombs were dropped on hostile troops and billets. Our aeroplanes returned to their aerodromes just as dawn was breaking." French Report. Paris, April 4.—The War Office here reported last night: "There was no infantry action during the course of the day. Quite violent artillery fighting was maintained in the region north of Montdidier, especially between Demutin and Hangard-en-Santerre. It was quiet everywhere else." Air Raids. Paris, April 3.—Italian Caproni aeroplanes bombarded an aerodrome at Metz on the night of March 17 and again on March 23. Italian squadrons also bombarded the railway station at Thionville on the night of March 24 and succeeded in hitting a train filled with German reserve troops going to the Picardy front. Weaker as Time Passes. London, April 4.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—Telegraphing from British Headquarters in France last night Reuter's correspondent there said: "Our airmen report much movement of troops, guns and transport in enemy regions, but the Germans are experiencing unexpected difficulties in this regard. While, for one, luckily, the weather is turning against active operations, I believe the Germans are bound to strike again as soon as possible and as hard as possible, or admit failure, which alternative would be fraught with a reaction from which the high command shrinks. The enemy has made the supreme test, and although he is capable of pounding again and again, each successive blow will be weaker than the last." Italian Front. Rome, April 4.—The War Office here issued the following report last evening: "South of Marico one of our storming parties surprised an enemy advance post and annihilated its garrison. Our men returned without losses, bringing in fifteen prisoners. More prisoners were taken on the southern slopes of Cima Doba and material was captured on the northern slopes of Altissimo. "Successful operations were carried out on the Asiago Plateau and Monte Tomba. In the Upper Daone Valley and at Cortelazzo, we defeated hostile patrols. An enemy scouting party attempted an attack in the Upper Val Fuvio, but was compelled to retire, pursued by our detachments."

### TAMMERFORS SUFFERS UNDER BOMBARDMENT

Stockholm, April 3.—(Via London, April 4.—(By the Associated Press).—White Guards are bombarding Tammerfors, Finland, and many buildings are on fire.

The Finnish press bureau reports that Russian reinforcements have reached Finland, including the celebrated Probrashensky Guard, which has taken up a position on the Karelian front. A Swedish detachment fighting with the White Guards thus far has lost fifteen killed and seventy-nine wounded of a total of 94 men.

### GERMANS MOVING AGAINST KHARKOV

London, April 4.—Since the occupation by the Germans of Kharkov, seventy miles southwest of Poltava, the position of the Bolshevik detachments opposing them has become more serious, Reuter's correspondent at Moscow cables. The Germans are conducting an offensive against Kharkov from Poltava and Vorozha, employing large detachments which already have occupied Gloutniagky, forty miles from Kharkov. The correspondent also says the Germans have seized at Poltava 54,000 tons of grain, which they are exporting to Germany.

### THIRTEEN BRITISH SHIPS WERE SUNK

Marked Decrease in Number of Merchantmen Sunk by Enemy

London, April 4.—There was a sudden and marked decrease in the losses suffered by British shipping through mines and submarines in the past week. The Admiralty reported last night that only six British merchantmen of 1,600 tons or over, and seven under that tonnage, were sunk. Five fishing vessels also were sent to the bottom. The Admiralty statement continues: "Fifteen British merchantmen were successfully attacked. "The large vessels reported sunk include one sunk during the week ended March 18, and the smaller vessels reported sunk include one during the week ended March 23. "The arrivals during the week ended March 30 were 2,416 and the sailings 2,873." The losses suffered by the British merchant marine through submarines and mines in the past week were less than one-half the losses in the previous week, when twenty-eight merchantmen were sunk, sixteen of the vessels over 1,600 tons. The Admiralty report for the preceding week showed the loss of seventeen vessels, while for several weeks prior to that the weekly loss was eighteen. No French Ships. Paris, April 4.—German submarines did not sink any French steamships last week, nor were any attacked unsuccessfully. Eight fishing vessels were sunk by the enemy. Italian Report. Rome, April 4.—In the week ended March 30 Teutonic submarines sank three Italian steamships of more than 1,500 tons and destroyed one sailing vessel of more than 100 tons and nine sailing vessels of a tonnage under that figure.

### CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, April 4.—The following casualties have been announced: Infantry. Killed in action—Lieut. Ernest E. McCartney, Niagara Falls; Capt. A. E. Sharang, Montreal. Died—Major Herbert N. Glossop, Whyteleaf, Kettle Valley, B. C. Missing—Lieut. W. S. Wilson, Hanover, Ont.; Lieut. Alfred J. Balinger, England. Wounded—Lieut. Edgar E. Coapman, Rochester, N. Y.; Lieut. Marshal S. McLean, Winnipeg. Machine Gun Corps. Killed in action—Lieut. F. G. Walderson, England; Lieut. Randolph H. A. West, Angus, Ont.; Capt. Ernest M. Holland, M. C., Ottawa; Major Wm. F. Battersby, Brantford. Cavalry. Killed in action—Major John Garnett Tatlow, Vancouver.

### IN TURKESTAN JEWS KILLED DURING RIOTS

Moscow, April 2.—(Delayed)—Anti-Jewish riots have occurred in Turkestan. In Kokand 300 persons were killed and much property destroyed, according to The Banney Outro. The anti-semitic agitation in Kiev, it adds, is assuming acute form. When that city was captured by the Ukrainians most of the inhabitants there shot were Jews.

### BEAVER MEAT.

Toronto, April 4.—Quite a number of applications for beaver meat have been received by Manager Wright of the municipal abattoir here. Between 600 and 700 carcasses are expected in Toronto shortly, but up to the present cold weather has interfered with trapping and only seventy-two pounds of the meat have been received.

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### 9,800 IN MILITARY HOSPITALS IN CANADA

Ottawa, April 4.—The latest figures of invalided soldiers on the strength of the Military Hospitals Commission command disclose that the number has fallen to 9,805. This figure represents a decrease of 417 between March 15 and March 22, and a total decrease of more than 2,400 since the first of January, when the figure was 11,961. That figure was the highest that the strength of the Commission's command ever reached, and was an increase of over 9,000 during the year of 1917. The decline since the first of the year may be attributed partly to a higher rate of discharges this year, and

also to the fact that during the winter months the Canadian troops were not in action so frequently as during the summer. As there is no indication of the number of Canadian divisions being increased, it is not considered likely that the number of returned soldiers in hospital in Canada will go much above the 12,000 mark, as the full effect of such heavy actions as Vimy Ridge and Passchendaele participated in by the Canadians already has been felt.

**WILL BE HANGED.**

Montreal, April 4.—Romeo Bolduc, who was convicted at Sorel about two months ago of the murder of Zoticque Bourdon, an automobile agent, at Longueuil on August 25 last, will be hanged at Sorel on Friday morning. An application for clemency has been refused.

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**Military Service Act**

**Important Announcement to All EXEMPTED MEN and to the Public Generally**

**I**N dealing with the very large number of claims for exemption brought forward for consideration in connection with Class 1 under the Military Service Act, it has occurred, as was inevitable, that as a result of false statements and difficulties put in the way of investigation, some individuals have secured exemption whose proper place is in the Army.

It is not the intention of the Government to allow these men to evade permanently their obligation to bear their part in the military defence of the Country and of the ideals for which we are fighting. To do so would defeat the purpose of the Act, and cause grave injustice to men in the second class necessarily called out to fill their places.

**Exemptions Granted on False Grounds**

It is, therefore, proposed to scrutinize carefully all exemptions granted to date in order to separate those which have been granted on false or insufficient grounds from those that are well founded.

With this object in view the various Registrars under the Military Service Act have been instructed to issue a series of questionnaires to exempted men. These questionnaires must be filled up correctly and returned promptly under penalty of forfeiture of exemption for failure to do so.

**Exempted Men Who Have Changed Address**

It is therefore important in their own interest that all exempted men who have changed their address since their exemption was granted and who have not already notified the Registrar of such change should notify him at once. Under the Regulations it is the duty of exempted men to keep the Registrar advised of any change of address, and failure to receive the questionnaire by reason of neglect of this duty must be treated as equivalent to failure to return the questionnaire after receipt.

**Citizens Urged to Assist**

In many instances information has been furnished by members of the public which has led to the cancellation of exemptions obtained by false or misleading statements. Further co-operation of this character is invited. The Government regard it as the Duty of all loyal citizens, not only to the Country, but to the men at the front, to assist in this way in securing reinforcements on a just and legal basis. Correspondence of this character will be treated as strictly confidential and will receive the fullest investigation.

**CHARLES J. DOHERTY,**  
Minister of Justice.

Correspondence should be directed to Robt. S. Lennie, K.C., Registrar under the Military Service Act, Vancouver, B.C.

**CZERNIN SPOKE OF DIVISIONS AT HOME**

He Attacked Czechs in Speech He Made in Vienna on Tuesday

Amsterdam, April 4.—"Since I came into office," said Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister, in the address which he delivered to a delegation from the Vienna Municipal Council last Tuesday, "I have striven only after one aim, namely, to secure an honorable peace for Austria-Hungary and to create a situation which will secure to Austria-Hungary future free development, and, moreover, to do everything possible to insure that this terrible war will be the last one for time out of mind. I have never spoken differently. I do not intend to go begging for peace nor to obtain it by entreaties and lamentations, but to force it by our moral right and physical strength. Any other tactics, I consider, would contribute to the prolongation of the war."

"I must say, to my regret, that during the last few weeks and months much has been spoken and done in Austria that prolongs the war. Those who are prolonging the war are divided into various groups according to their motives and tactics. There are, firstly, those who continually beg for peace. They are despicable and foolish. To endeavor to conclude peace at any price is despicable, for it is unmanly and it is foolish, for it continually feeds the already aggressive spirit of the enemy. The desire for peace of the great masses is natural as well as comprehensible, but as the leaders of the people, we must consider, that certain utterances produce abroad just the opposite effect from what they desire."

"Firmly relying on our strength and justice of our cause," continued Count Czernin, "I have already concluded three moderate but honorable peace treaties. The rest of our enemies also begin to understand that we have no other desire than to secure the future of the Monarchy and of our allies, and that we intend to enforce this, and can and will enforce it. I shall unswervingly prosecute this course and join issue with anyone who opposes me."

**Annexionists.**  
"The second group of war prolongers are the annexionists. It is a distortion of fact to assert that Germany has made conquest in the East. Lenin's anarchy drove the border people into the arms of Germany. Is Germany to refuse this involuntary choice of foreign border states?"

"The German Government has as little desire for oppressions as we, and I am perfectly convinced that neither annexionists nor weaklings can prevent forever a moderate and honorable peace. They delay it, but they can not prevent it."

"The hopes of our enemies of final victory are not merely based on military expectations and the blockade. They are based to a great extent on our interior political condition and on certain political leaders, not forgetting the Czechs. Recently we were almost on the point of entering into negotiations with the Western powers, when the wind suddenly veered round and, as we knew with certainty, the Entente decided it had better wait, as parliamentary and political events in our country justified the hope that the monarchy would be defenceless."

**Attacked Czechs.**  
Count Czernin attacked the Czech leaders and Czech troops who, he declared, "criminally fight against their own country," and appealed to the people to be united against this "high treason."

"If we expel this poison," he declared, "a general honorable peace is nearer than the public imagines."

**Agreements.**  
"I consider the safest guarantee for the future are international agreements to prevent war. In such agreements, if they are framed in binding form, I should see much stronger guarantees against surprise attacks by neighbors than in frontier rectifications. But thus far, except in the case of President Wilson, I have not been able to discover in our enemies any serious inclination to accept this idea. However, despite the small degree of approval this idea receives, I consider that it will nevertheless be realized."

"Calculating the burdens with which the states of the world will emerge from this war, I vainly ask myself how they will cover military expenditure if competition in armaments remains un-

restricted," continued Count Czernin. "I do not believe that it will be possible for the states after this war adequately to meet the increased requirements due to the war. I think, rather, that financial conditions will compel the states to enter into a compromise regarding the limitation of armaments."

"This calculation of mine is neither idealistic nor fantastic, but is based upon reality in politics, in the most liberal sense of the word. I for my part would consider it a great disaster if, in the end, there should be failure to achieve general agreements regarding a diminution of armaments."

**Foodstuffs.**  
"In concluding peace with Roumania and Ukraine," Count Czernin continued, "it has been my first thought to furnish the Monarchy with foodstuffs and raw materials. Russia did not come into consideration in this connection owing to the disorganization here."

"Everything will be done to obtain from the exploitation of the regions which peace has opened for us in the East whatever is obtainable. The difficulties of obtaining these supplies from the Ukraine are still considerable, as no state of order exists there, but with the good will of the Ukrainian Government and our organization we will succeed in overcoming the difficulties. An immediate general peace would not give us further advantages, as all Europe to-day is suffering from lack of foodstuffs. While the lack of cargo space prevents other nations from supplying themselves, the granaries of the Ukraine and Roumania are open to the Central Powers."

**COL. MACHIN'S REPORT READ IN COMMONS**

Director of Military Service Told of Events During Quebec Riot

Ottawa, April 4.—The report submitted by Lieut.-Col. Machin, Director of Military Service, following his visit to Quebec after the riot, was read in the Commons by Sir Robert Borden yesterday afternoon as follows:

"To the Hon. the Minister of Justice, Ottawa."

"Sir,—I have the honor to report that in obedience to your instructions I left Ottawa on Friday, March 29, at 4.30 and proceeded immediately to Quebec, arriving there early the following morning. I was met by Captain Desrochers, Inspector of Dominion Police at that point. This officer had suffered at the hands of the mob the previous evening and still was showing evidence of having been very severely handled."

"It appeared that on Thursday night March 28, two Dominion constables named Belanger and Evanturel, were, in pursuance of their duties, searching for defaulters in St. Roch and visiting a bowling alley, where a young man named Mercier was asked to produce his exemption certificate or papers to show why he should not be in uniform. He stated that he had received a certificate of exemption but did not have it with him and that it was at his home. The police then took the young man to the police station, telling him that he would be released immediately when his papers were forthcoming. The certificate of exemption was sent for by a friend and afterward produced, and Mercier was liberated."

**Police Mobbed.**  
"Shortly afterward Dominion police to the number of fifteen were mobbed by a crowd which had collected, it is stated, at a bowling alley in St. Roch, which is alleged as the headquarters for the agitators. The Dominion Police took refuge in No. 3 municipal police station and the mob, which by this time had grown to very large numbers, possibly 2,000, proceeded to demolish the building and finally overpowered the municipal police, who had refused the mob admission to the police station, seized about twelve of the Dominion constables and started to wreak their vengeance on them, seven or eight of whom were injured, two quite seriously. Captain Desrochers himself being battered about. This affair lasted for nearly two hours, during which time Captain Desrochers telephoned from the police station to the general officer commanding for a military escort to come to the rescue of the Dominion Police and take them away from the mob."

"The mayor left in company with the chief of police for the scene of the riot. It appears that the mayor and the chief of police, in their trip to military headquarters, had passed the Auditorium, as Captain Desrochers was informed by the chief of police that the crowd was then in the building and throwing the records into the street."

**Repeated Warnings.**  
"Captain Desrochers is of the opinion that both the occurrences would have been averted if the civic authorities had taken notice of his repeated warnings and a proper display of protection had been made by the police."

"The facts as to what transpired between the military authorities and the mayor must be obtained from the former, as I have no knowledge of it other than hearsay. As the Registrar's office had been set on fire, the fire brigade was called out, but owing to the action of the mob in preventing the firemen from performing their duties, great damage was done to the building and records before the fire was brought under control."

"After careful investigation I find that the greater portion of the most important records was saved, as they had been locked away in a back filing room and apparently were overlooked by the mob, smoke and water being the cause of damage to these documents, which with the exception of possibly 1,000 names will be saved, and of which no record can be made up. All the office furniture, Chief Public Representative's files and stationery supplies—

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**BIG BRITISH LABOR MEETING POSTPONED**

London, April 4.—In view of the uncertainty of the situation on the Western front, it is announced that the national executive of the Labor Party and the parliamentary committee of the Trades Union Congress have decided to postpone the joint meeting for inaugurating a national campaign in support of labor's war aims and policy of social reconstruction. The meeting was to have been held next Thursday.

**U. S. FLAG SUBSTITUTED.**

San Francisco, April 4.—Because the altar cloth used in the lodge ritual bears the flags of Germany, Austria and Bulgaria, the San Francisco lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose has substituted the American flag as its ceremonial emblem, according to Thomas Roche, a former officer. According to Roche, patriotic lodge members objected to saluting the flags of Germany and Austria in performing the rites of the order.

**"FINISHED MYSTERY" CASES AT WINNIPEG**

Winnipeg, April 4.—A number of raids have been made by the military authorities on the domestic premises of International Bible Students in Winnipeg, and as a result seven men and one woman appeared in the Police Court yesterday charged with possessing copies of the book "The Finished Mystery" and similar pamphlets, all of which are prohibited in Canada. The cases were remanded until Saturday.

**SPANISH SHIPS.**

Madrid, April 4.—After lengthy negotiations between Spain and Germany, it is believed that trans-Atlantic voyages by Spanish ships will be resumed. About 1,000 passengers and more than 2,000 sacks of mail are awaiting departure. It is reported that Germany will permit the mail and passengers to start, but has forbidden the transport of merchandise.

**DIED IN QUELPH.**

Quelph, Ont., April 4.—Death removed an old and highly respected citizen of this city yesterday, when Mrs. Elizabeth J. Knowles, widow of the late W. G. Knowles, died after a brief illness. One of her sons is C. O. Knowles, general manager of the Canadian Press, Ltd.

**CRUSHED BY ROCK.**

Nanaimo, April 4.—A miner named Thomas Johnstone was crushed by a fall of rock in the Reserve mine soon after noon yesterday. He was taken to the hospital, where it was found that his injuries consisted chiefly of a broken shoulder and severe bruises. He is said to have had a marvelous escape from death.

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In fact, everything except the small filing room already spoken of—were totally destroyed. Steps are now being taken to re-establish the Registrar's office at Quebec and I contemplate having this office in full working order at an early date.

**Hostile Attitude.**

"As the lives and personal property of the Dominion police had been threatened, I instructed Captain Desrochers to have his men scattered and for the present to make no arrests. The work of the Dominion police in Quebec, therefore, for the moment, is suspended. Captain Desrochers informs me that since the commencement of activities by the Dominion police there have been threats made against individual members of the force, and what work they have been able to accomplish has been done in the face of a hostile attitude from practically every source."

The report was signed by Lieut.-Col. Machin, Director of Military Service.

**WINNIPEG BATTALION READY TO PUT DOWN RIOTS IN CANADA**

Winnipeg, April 4.—Lieut.-Col. Dan McLean has offered for service in Canada to quell insurrections or riots the services of the battalion of Winnipeg Infantry under his command, a battalion of full strength and comprising fifty per cent. returned soldiers. Colonel McLean recently returned from overseas.

**COL. HODGETTS, RED CROSS COMMISSIONER, RESIGNS HIS POST**

London, April 4.—Colonel Hodgetts, Canadian Red Cross Commissioner, has resigned. The resignation has been accepted.



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At **\$22.50** there are interesting models of good quality covert cloth, in green and rooky shades. These have pleated backs and fronts, tailored collars and belts.

Coats at **\$25.00** and up to **\$47.50** include both tailored as well as the more novelty effects. Very handsome models, beautifully made and finished from the best quality materials. Styles and values you can not fail to appreciate.

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—The Shoes offered in this sale are reliable and will give the best of satisfaction. Perfect fitting models—some of the most comfortable made.

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**Women's Novelty Boots at \$5.85 a Pair.**  
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**Boys' Boots at \$2.95 and \$3.45.**  
—Strong, serviceable footwear of box calf and gun metal in Blucher style. Sizes 2½ to 5½, a pair **\$3.45**  
Sizes 11 to 2, a pair **\$2.95**

**Girls' Boots, \$2.95 and \$3.45 a Pair.**  
—White Cloth-Top Button Boots, with patent leather vamps. Very smart. Sizes 11 to 2, a pair **\$3.45**  
Sizes 8 to 10½, a pair **\$2.95**  
—Women's Shoes, First Floor  
—Men's Shoes, Main Floor

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**Natural Merino Shirts and Drawers**—Penman's brand, light weight for spring wear; long sleeves, ankle length; all sizes. A garment **\$1.15**

**Penman's Fine Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers**, light spring weight, all sizes. A garment **\$1.50**

**Stanfield's Natural Elastic Rib Wool Mixture Shirts and Drawers**. A garment **\$1.35**

**Stanfield's Fine Mercerized Lisle Shirts and Drawers**, in cream only; long sleeves and ankle length; all sizes. A garment at **\$1.75**

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- Plain Butterscotch, reg. 30¢, for **25¢**
- Almond Butterscotch, reg. 40¢, for **29¢**
- Toasted Marshmallows, reg. 40¢, for **29¢**
- Assorted Bonbons, reg. 40¢, for **29¢**
- Mocca Balls, reg. 40¢, for **29¢**
- Neilson's Soldiers' Chocolate, a cake **25¢**
- Grant's Toffees, a lb. **50¢** and **60¢**

—Candy, Main Floor

### A New Shipment of Plain and Floral Voiles to Hand

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—**Plain Voiles** in following shades: light and medium pinks, peach, Belgium blue, Delph blue, sky and black, at, per yard **50¢**

—**Novelty Voiles**, in this season's floral, check, coin dot and diamond designs. We have never seen a prettier lot of Voiles. Each year sees an improvement on the last, and this year is certainly no exception to the rule. Come in and see these before deciding. Our prices compare well with last season's—a yard, **50¢, 65¢, 75¢, 85¢** and **\$1.00**

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### A BEDTIME STORY

#### UNCLE WIGGILY AND JIMMIE'S QUACK

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Jimmie Wibblewobble, the boy duck, didn't seem to feel very happy, and as Uncle Wiggily Longears, the rabbit gentleman, met him near the edge of the woods one morning, the bunny said:

"Why, Jimmie, what's the matter? You look as glum as though you had the toothache."

"No, I haven't that," answered the duck chap.

"I know you haven't," said Uncle Wiggily. "For you're like Charlie Cluck-Cluck, the chicken boy—you ducks haven't any teeth to ache, for which you ought to be thankful. But you don't look very thankful—what is the matter?"

"Oh, I just can't seem to do anything," said Jimmie, in his quacking voice. "I can't whistle, and save you from the fox the way Buddy, the guinea pig boy did, and I can't clean the chalk marks off the blackboard, for my tall isn't fluffy enough, like Jackie Bow Wow's. I don't see what good I am in this world. I can only quack!"

"My goodness me, gracious sakes alive and some peanut pancakes!" cried Uncle Wiggily, making his pink nose twinkle just as if Nurse Jane Fussy Wussy had sprinkled sugar on it. "But you are in a sad state, Jimmie! Suppose you come for a ride in my automobile. It is getting to be spring now and the roads are drying up. We'll go for a ride and see if we can't have an adventure."

"Well, I'll come if you want me to," answered the duck boy, and he did not speak very happily. "But I'm sure I'll bring you bad luck."

"Nonsensicalness!" laughed the bunny uncle. "You come with me and we'll see what happens!"

So off started the bunny rabbit gentleman and Jimmie Wibblewobble, the boy duck, in the automobile, that had bologna sausages for tires, and when Uncle Wiggily wanted to go very fast he sprinkled pepper on them.

Over the fields and through the woods rode the bunny and Jimmie and Uncle Wiggily asked:

"Do you feel any happier now, Jimmie?"

"No," answered the duck boy, "I don't. I can't see what use I am in this world. I can only swim and quack. What good is quacking?"

"Well, swimming is of some use," said Uncle Wiggily. "I remember once when your sister Lulu got caught by the foot in a piece of string, when she was after spiky, green cress and she would have drowned, with her head held under water, if you hadn't swam out to her."

"Well, maybe swimming is some good," said Jimmie.

"Of course it is," said the bunny. "Maybe you can go down to Asbury Grove this summer and be a life-guard on the beach and get tanned like a hot-cross bun."

"But what good is quacking?" asked Jimmie the duck.

of his car and he hurt, he couldn't make a bit of sound.

And when the Flump-Dump had punctured the horn he called to the bad fox who was hiding nearby:

"Now's your chance! I've made Uncle Wiggily's auto horn so it won't blow and make a noise. You run out in front of him and when he tries to blow the horn to call a policeman dog, it won't make a sound and you can carry him off to your den."

"I'll do it!" said the fox. He ran around ahead of the auto and jumped out in front, waving his paws.

"Look out!" cried Uncle Wiggily. "You'll get run over. Oh, Jimmie, there's a fox. Blow the auto horn for a policeman dog!"

The duck boy tried to blow the horn, but he couldn't because it had a hole in it, and then Jimmie, quick as a flash, opened his yellow beak and he went:

"Quack! Quack! Quack! Quack-quack-quack!" louder than any auto horn that was ever made.

"Here I come!" barked a policeman dog, who heard Jimmie quack. And up he rushed and arrested the fox and the Flump-Dump also.

"I thought you said your quack was no good, Jimmie," spoke Uncle Wiggily.

"I didn't think it was," said the Wibblewobble chap. "I'll know better after this. And so, if the pickle fork doesn't tickle the orange spoon when they go down in the salt cellar after breakfast, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and Neddle's claws."

#### AN HISTORIC NECKLACE

Wealthy Women Throughout British Empire to Contribute Pearls to War Necklace for Red Cross.

Considerable interest has been aroused in Great Britain by the announcement that an historic pearl necklace, made up of single beautiful pearls, gifts from women who have strings and ropes of pearls, is now being brought together by the Collections Committee of the British Red Cross.

The necklace, which will be great with tradition and sentiment as well as with practical purpose, will probably have a Christie's sale entirely to itself.

It is believed by the originator of the idea that this Red Cross pearl necklace will string together beautiful pearls freely given by women of all the overseas Dominions and many Allied countries. Women of Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa will, it is hoped, vie with women of the United States and Brazil, Argentina and other South American republics.

It is intended to have a golden book of the women who have given a pearl or pearls to this war necklace, in which each name shall be printed, and this book will be presented to the Imperial War Museum as a record of this special effort on the part of the women of the British Empire and the Allied countries.

#### WASTED ENERGY.

"What a pity Narcissus, who pined away because he couldn't eat or sleep for admiring his own beauty, didn't live in these times."

"Why, how would that have helped him?"

"You poor boob, he could have kept on admiring himself and got a lot out of it as a movie idol."—Baltimore American.

### VAUDEVILLE AND SILENT DRAMA AT LOCAL THEATRES

#### THIS WEEK'S AMUSEMENTS

Pantages—Vaudeville.  
Royal—Mary Pickford, in "Stella Maris."  
Dominion—"Tarzan of the Apes."  
Variety—Wallace Reid and Kathlyn Williams, in "The Things We Love."  
Columbia—J. Warren Kerrigan, in "A Man's Man."

#### PANTAGES THEATRE

An interesting and cleverly executed stage spectacle, "The Destruction and Bombardment of Rheims," holds headline position on the current bill of high class vaudeville at the Pantages theatre. The set shows a miniature of a portion of the famous old city of France with the wonderful architectural pile of the Rheims cathedral as the central feature. The whole is given an effective touch by a replica of the statue of Joan of Arc in the foreground. The scene opens with a view of the city at night, as it would have appeared previous to the present war, and follows on through the dawn and daylight hours. Then comes the fateful day in September of 1914, when the first hostile bomb was dropped on the wondrous beauty of the city. To be followed by intermittent attacks of heavy artillery. Fires sweep the ruins and the curtain falls on a desolate scene, monument to German ruthlessness in this war. Margaret May Lester delivers a graphic narrative giving historic and incidental facts about the scenes depicted.

This strange form of entertainment known as Jazz is a prominent feature of the new bill in act called "The Cabaret De Luxe," under the direction of Miss Billie Richmond. As the title implies, the newest form of cabaret feature is introduced, and the special tone of it is jazz as it is played and danced and sung in Jazzland. Billie Richmond, Maurice LeMare and the Moyer Sisters provide the dancing features of the programme, while an eccentric jazz band of four pieces furnishes the wild music without which cabaret is no longer complete.

There are four other acts of top-notch calibre on the programme of vaudeville. The two Kahler Children are extraordinarily gifted entertainers who are exceedingly popular with the children flocking to the Pantages to see them this week. Little Merna Kahler is one of the daintiest of dancers, and wins warm praise at every performance. Miss Mary Dorr contributes an effective turn with a series of character impersonations which make one of the hits of the bill. The Golroy, Haynes and Montgomery trio have a riotous offering called "The Deputy," which keeps the audience in gales of laughter. And Clyde Hager and Walter Goodwin present their own songs and make a big hit with their "Country Fair specialty. Another chapter of "The Hidden Hand" serial picture contributes thrills.

#### DOMINION THEATRE

"Tarzan of the Apes" continues its run at the Dominion Theatre, where the thrills and sensations of this newest motion picture attract big audiences at every showing. The fights between Tarzan and the lions, the combat with the huge cannibal, the struggle between the white giant and the gorilla, interspersed with jungle romances and dramatic scenes, make this picture uncommonly interesting. Eimo Lincoln and Enid Markey are featured in the cast of the production, which employed altogether more than a thousand people in the making. It is from the original story by Edgar Rice Burroughs.

#### ROYAL VICTORIA

In "Stella Maris," the Aircraft picture now at the Royal Victoria Theatre, Mary Pickford plays a part wonderfully adapted to her. In fact, the illustrations in the novel by Wm. J. Locke show Stella Maris as a replica of Little Mary, golden curls and all.

The work of Mary Pickford as Stella Maris is overshadowed by that of the character of Unity Blake, a homely girl, uncouth and misshapen, who creates big moments in the photoplay and whose emotional work is a revelation. The superior work of Unity Blake is apparent in scenes where Unity and Stella Maris appear together on the screen.

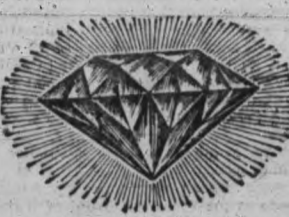
Miss Pickford frankly admits that Unity Blake more than shares the honors with Stella Maris, and that she, herself, loves the part of Unity Blake. This may seem a strange confession for a star to make, but the fact is that Mary plays both parts herself. The dual role is made possible by clever photography, and Miss Pickford is seen talking to herself and walking off the scene with herself.

#### COLUMBIA THEATRE

"A Man's Man" is the feature picture to be shown for the first time at the Columbia Theatre to-day. This is what a New York reviewer said of the picture when it was first shown there: "Perhaps the best compliment that can be paid the writer, the art director, the big cast of capable character-parts and the photographer is that one forgets it is only a photoplay. One lives every minute of the story with the impression that one is watching scenes from life. Mr. Kerrigan is giving the public something distinctly new in the way of screen work—something decidedly refreshing after so much that carries a stilted and strained effect."

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### Social Personal

Mrs. John Malone, of Victoria, is visiting in Ladysmith as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Allan McDonald.

The concert to have been given at the Hampshire Road Methodist Church, has been postponed until April 12.

Capt. George Chaffer, of Vancouver, who recently returned from the front, is visiting in the city for a few days.

Mrs. Dawson, Miss Dawson and Miss Nell Senkler, of Vancouver, are spending a week with friends at Salt Spring Island.

Mrs. Frank Fletcher and her two daughters have returned to Vancouver after spending the Easter vacation as the guests of Colonel and Mrs. James Peters.

Mrs. Jesse A. Longfield went over to the Mainland on Tuesday night to take part in a concert to be given at the Sixth Avenue Methodist Church, Vancouver, to-night.

Mrs. Sutherland, wife of Dr. Sutherland, member for the Revelstoke constituency in the Provincial Legislature, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon, and will remain until the end of the session. Dr. and Mrs. Sutherland are staying at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. Griesbach, of Chemainus, arrived in town on Tuesday and will remain for a few days as a guest at the Strathcona Hotel. Mrs. Griesbach is the mother of Brigadier-General W. Griesbach, C. M. G., D. S. O., and Unlabeled member for West Edmonton.

Mrs. A. A. Bengough will be the hostess at a daffodil tea to be held at her residence, 1839 Hollywood Crescent, on Saturday afternoon. The proceeds will be devoted to the work of the Hollywood branch of the Red Cross. A musical programme has been arranged and Miss Kathleen Redgrave will contribute a Highland dance in costume.

At the conclusion of his farewell service last Sunday, he was presented by his parishioners with a well-filled purse, a pocket-book and a handsome illuminated address. Mr. and Mrs. Hadlow were also the recipients of numerous other presentations from the churches of St. Columba and St. Jude and the women's organizations. They will leave for their new home to-morrow.

The Rev. C. R. Littler, of St. Andrew's, Oak Bay, has been appointed vicar of St. Michael's, Royal Oak, to

succeed the Rev. H. B. Hadlow, who has accepted a call to Holy Trinity Church, Richmond, San Francisco.

Mr. Hadlow has occupied the pulpit at St. Michael's for the past four years and nine months, and also acted as vicar at St. Columba's, Strawberry Vale, and St. Jude's, the Gorge.

C. N. Maywood, of Winnipeg, who recently accepted a position with the staff of Heintzman & Co., in this city, has been joined by his family. They have taken up residence at 1075 Verrinder Avenue, where they will be pleased to welcome their many old-time friends.

Lieut. and Mrs. Clifford Kilpatrick have returned home after a month's honeymoon tour in Los Angeles and San Francisco. Lieut. Kilpatrick is home from the front on three months' leave, and has to report for duty in London on May 2. He left Victoria with the 88th Battalion, and after six months in the trenches contracted trench fever, and when sufficiently recovered was granted sick leave. His marriage to Miss Vera Hume took place in February.

A very successful military five hundred party was held in the workrooms of the Victoria West Branch of the Red Cross last night, as a result of which \$24 has been added to the branch's treasury. In addition the sum of \$2.50 was raised by the raffie of a lace jabot, won by Mrs. Mable. The evening was most enjoyable and the committee expressed their grateful thanks to Mr. Walter, who organized and managed the affair.

Many interested friends and former members of the institution gathered at the Y. W. C. A. annex on Courtney Street yesterday afternoon, on the occasion of the silver tea in aid of the funds. The cosy reception room was gay with spring flowers and plants, and its accommodation was greatly taxed by the steady stream of visitors. The guests were informally received by Mrs. J. L. Beckwith, president of the local Board of the Y. W. C. A., and Mrs. Adams, vice-president, while Mrs. Niven, chairman of the House Committee, had charge of the strictly wartime tea arrangements. During the afternoon a delightful musical programme added much to the visitors' enjoyment, vocal solos being contributed by Mrs. Stupand, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Cornish; Mrs. Lewis, accompanied by Mrs. Arthur Gray, and Miss Winnie Bell, whose accompaniments were played by her sister, Miss Evelyn Bell. Mrs. Arthur Gray also gave a pianoforte solo, which was warmly enjoyed.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Owen, 429 Vancouver Street, last evening, when their eldest daughter, Ida Marguerite, became the bride of Robert A. Myra, a member of the Colonial staff. The Rev. A. deB. Owen performed the ceremony in the drawing room, which was beautifully decorated with Easter lilies, palms and evergreens. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a smart suit of navy blue poplin faille, trimmed with white satin, with which she wore a pale blue picture hat and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. She was attended by her sister, Miss Thelma Owen, attired in a light blue suit and carrying a bouquet of pink carnations. The groom was supported by W. J. McKerie. Miss Vincent played the bridal march. At the conclusion of the ceremony, the bridal party and the large company of guests partook of a delicious supper, and later Mr. and Mrs. Myra left on the midnight boat for Vancouver, where the honeymoon will be spent.

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## LAND ASSESSMENT IS THE RIGHT CRITERION

John Z. White, Addressing Single Taxers, Suggests Sale of Vacant Lots

The gathering of ardent Single Taxers and others, including Mayor Todd and George Bell, M.P.P., which last night at the Dominion Hotel entertained at dinner and heard a pregnant address from John Z. White, of Chicago, who arrived here yesterday, were given much information by Mr. White on the merits of taxes on land as against taxes on production, and, in view of present civic conditions, the subject of the address was distinctly apropos.

Mr. White, serenely confident that in Single Tax there exists the panacea for all Dominion, Provincial and Municipal ills, and that it only awaits universal adoption to solve every problem, intimated the expansion of San Diego, which, he said, was due to the city assessing property there at less than one per cent. from production and six per cent. from land.

At the conclusion of the address George Bell, M.P.P., stated that this province realized the Single Tax doctrine, eighty-six per cent. of property in cities and towns of B. C. being absolutely exempt from improvement taxation, with eighty-eight and a half per cent. the rate in rural localities, a statement which brought from Mr. White the remark that he knew of no towns in the United States which had ventured on such enterprise.

"After" F. C. Wade, Not the least interesting statement made during the evening was when, in voicing a vote of thanks to Mr. White, William Marchant combated recent utterances of F. C. Wade, of Vancouver, who, he said, had mentioned that Single Tax had caused an undue amount of building in cities here. Single Tax, said Mr. Marchant, had never been responsible for that, for they never overbuilt in Victoria. What, however, had been true was that, when the boom dropped, a large number of people left, and the migration caused deflation of values.

"Sometimes," added Mr. Marchant, "it had been to the advantage of the city that they had left, and some of them were badly 'wanted' back again." Mr. Wade being, he added, a not altogether disinterested speaker, for he owned a large number of lots, and the Assessor had been "after him from time to time." So far as B. C. was concerned he was absolutely certain that Single Tax had been a success, whole-hearted and signal success.

The Tariff System. Speaking on the subject of the Single Tax here, said Mr. White, appealed to him "as bringing coals to Newcastle." He paid tribute to the present war tie which bound the interests of the United States and Canada so much together "in their instinctive antipathy to mad dogs and rattlesnakes," adding that if the people on both sides of the line got rid of the tariff system they would hardly realize that they were under two different flags. The way to put an end to the present conditions of uncertainty lay in conserving their power.

Sixty-five out of every hundred lots in Chicago, said the speaker, were lying unused and the people there were beginning to ask themselves what was the advantage of putting them to work on land worth next to nothing while a large amount of land was left unused. Also how was it they were driving thousands of people to the hedgebrush in the remotest regions instead of developing their resources as they should do?

Burden of Taxation. Lack of industrial development, went on Mr. White, was beginning to be

seen as lack of military power. People coming from the cities were loaded with an ever increasing burden of taxation, which brought a pause to the city's growth. The process of holding land out of use and of putting taxes on lands out of production necessitated putting tax burdens on production. Single Tax was simply to remove the burdens from industrial development, and the United States was not developing its potentialities of the country, all manner of resources being undeveloped. The explanation was because they maintained the expenses of thousands of vacant lots.

How would it be, asked the speaker, to conscript vacant lots, which had only a prospective use, as they now stood, and sell them for what they were worth? Not only would this win the war but it would cause modern civilization to follow suit. The primary impulse which lay at the base of human society was mutual production, and governments, whom for thousands of years they had been struggling to make mind their own business, were simply the agents to conserve and administer that power, the basis of which was that society must establish some form of occupying property in land, for the purpose of making it secure.

Land Assessment. The title to land was a public thing, with the Government owing the duty of correcting all the wrongs. More and more were the people coming to understand that the question of land assessment was a greater one than that of improvements, and that the tax on improvements was a burden put on by law, handicapping the growth of towns.

"Don't," said the speaker, in conclusion, "tax your industries. You want shoes to wear, you want lots, you want homes, furniture and machinery. Don't put the burden. With altered conditions there would then be the reverse action, the people would return from the hedgebrush, and the tide of population would be back to the high-priced lands of the city."

### CITY HALL SITUATION

Temporary Arrangements for Financing to be Made, in Order to Get Cheques Issued.

Owing to there being no City Comptroller and Treasurer, following the suspension of those officials, the aldermen on meeting last evening were immediately faced with the fact that cheques could not legally be signed. The paymaster had drawn attention to the subject, Mayor Todd stated, and said the money was wanted at once for wages.

The aldermen agreed that an attempt should be made for the Mayor to arrange accommodation with the bank. Alderman Andros said that the bank must recognize that the responsibility lay with the Council and they would not go back on the liability. If there was any trouble, said the alderman, he would quickly get the money from some other bank.

### MILITARY ORDERS

Military orders issued contain the following list of transfers and certificates granted:

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## CONSIDER GRANTS TO VARIOUS BODIES

City Council Dealt With Numerous Applications in Committee Last Evening

In the Civic Estimates Committee last evening, considerable time was spent on miscellaneous grants for various organizations. In most of the cases the appropriations set are slightly decreased from last year.

That led Alderman Peden to point out that the claims of charitable and preventive organizations were justly larger in hard times like the present than in normal times. People were more in need of help under present conditions than if money was easy to obtain and he hoped the City could not

make any radical departure in its assistance to institutions. Incidentally he defended the grant of \$150 to the Social Service Commission from an attack that the Commission in its work among girls was duplicating the work of other institutions in Victoria. He argued that grants to societies of that character were beneficial in the result that they saved the city considerable sums in punitive work later.

This grant, as well as a number of others passed. With regard to the grants usually made to the Victorian Order of Nurses and the W. C. T. U., it was decided to meet officers of the society first, and discuss the subject with them.

Members of the Council, in discussing the vote to the Inner Harbor Association, expressed the opinion that they were getting good money from assisting the association, the recent publication on the harbor being favorably commented upon.

The Council did not feel justified in increasing the vote of \$20,000 to the Jubilee Hospital in spite of the urgent representations made by directors of the institution to them recently. For a considerable time applications

have come from the Canadian Aviation Fund to present aeroplanes for the Royal Flying Corps, as has been done in the East. The Council in filing the latest communication felt that if the Government does not supply the planes, donations should come from wealthy citizens. The prices of machines range from \$7,500 to \$15,000.

## COMPROMISE UPON TRACK ASSESSMENT

Readjustment is Planned Affecting Street Railway and Gas Mains Here

The question of assessment as it affects the street railway company and gas company here, has been the subject of correspondence between A. T.

Goward, Manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Co., and the City Council.

As framed the City's private bill in Part IV, proposes that the railway tracks will be deemed to be land, to be assessed at \$1 per running foot of single track and waterworks and gas mains shall also be deemed to be land, and assessed at the rate of 60 cents per running foot.

The situation at the present time is that the City is levying an assessment on tracks, which in accordance with the percentage reduction, has been falling from \$1 until now it stands at 70 cents per foot for all classes of track, and of 30 cents on gas mains per foot.

The figures mentioned in the bill are those drafted by the revisers of the new Part VIII of the Municipal Act, which was to have been brought down this session, but which have been deferred.

The proposal of the Company is to seek a compromise, not objecting to the \$1 per foot for permanent track, or about 25.13 miles, but asking for a 50 per cent. assessment on non-permanent work as temporary track, etc., embracing about 5.87 miles. The figures

would work out not greatly different from the present rate paid. On gas mains a compromise is suggested between the two figures, namely, 40 cents per running foot. The figures are based upon actual cost of construction.

The Council is favorable to the compromise, and the subject will be presented to the Private Bills Committee when the part of the Act affecting assessment is discussed.

The question of assessing trackage as land and not improvements is one of the issues raised in an appeal before the Court of Revision on the assessment roll this year. It has been hitherto treated as land, else since the City ceased to tax improvements there would not have been any revenue from this source.

Army and Navy Veterans' Smoker.—A smoking concert arranged by the Army and Navy Veterans in Canada, Victoria Branch, will be held tonight in the Alexandra Club, commencing at 8 o'clock. An excellent musical programme is being prepared and all members willing to give their services are asked to bring their music.

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# Minister of Finance Explains Estimates

## Hon. John Hart Points Out That Requirements for Public Services Are More Than Covered by Revenue; Capital Expenditures Are Drain

Legislative Press Gallery,

April 4.

Full details of the Budget speech delivered in the Legislature this afternoon by Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance, are recorded elsewhere in this issue, while the following constitutes the Minister's presentation to the House of the estimates for the year 1918-1919 as summarized by him from the actual document duly tabled in accordance with legal custom. The Minister stated at the outset, that the arrangement and classification of the estimates in question and the necessity for showing the appropriation under subheads, had been given very careful attention as the plan was intended to give that more detailed information which he felt was desirable.

"It will be found by honorable gentlemen that the document now placed before them," the Minister proceeded, "the improved form of which will have appeared to them at first sight, presents the Estimates of the coming year on a classified and standardized basis, clearly setting forth the expenditures which will require to be made in each of the several Departments and their branches. In the past this has not been done, nor has it been possible for anyone unacquainted with the system prevailing to ascertain from either the Estimates or the Public Accounts the exact expenditure of any particular office or Department."

"Detailed estimates prepared in the form presented, together with the Public Accounts submitted on a similar basis, will afford more direct control over the expenditure of public money, will enable members more intelligently to discuss the Government's budget, and tend to more efficient and economical administration. It will also be observed that the capital expenditures have been segregated from the chargeable to income, which has never been done before in the body of the Estimates."

**Requirements and Revenue.**  
The requirements of the public service for the year, which are chargeable to income amount to \$9,658,254.08, and the Minister estimates that the revenue will be \$9,900,055.13. There would thus be a surplus, he said, of \$241,801.05 over the expenditure, chargeable to current account, but as there are in addition expenditures on capital account amounting to \$1,952,440, the net result is that there will be an apparent deficit of \$1,710,638.95 on the financial operations of the year.

It was worth noting, however, continued Mr. Hart, that three of the items of capital outlay which had to be provided for—sinking fund, Pacific Great Eastern interest and interest on the mortgage on British Columbia House—practically balance this deficit, so that he was able to present to the House and the country a budget in which expenditure on current account and that chargeable to capital, not a direct outcome of the mismanagement of the Government's predecessors, was brought within income. It had been a long time since such an achievement was known in this Province.

**Departmental Figures.**  
"I have already dealt with the tremendous increase in the amount which has to be provided out of current account to take care of the interest on our public debt," he went on. "For this year the sum required for this purpose is \$1,409,578.08. The other heads of expenditure chargeable to revenue are: Legislature, \$100,000; Premier's Office, \$12,750; Agriculture, \$219,684; Attorney-General, \$909,776; Education, \$1,777,290; Finance Department, \$692,604; Fisheries, \$1,175; Labor Department, \$16,170; Lands Department, \$637,608; Mines Department,

"Two-thirds of the total revenue is collected through the Treasury, and the Department of Lands is the next largest channel by which the Province's income flows in. Of the Departments through which various fees and license payments are collected, that of the Attorney-General is naturally the chief, and there we look for a revenue in 1918-19 of \$514,360. Under the different classes we have estimated for substantially the same revenue as our Estimates of last year called for, these being borne out by the receipts for nine months. The same is true of the Provincial Secretary's Department with the exception that we expect a much increased amount from the Printing Office. The cost of all printing materials and supplies has gone up and this we must advance our prices in this connection.

**Lands Department.**  
"Under the head of public debt," continued Mr. Hart, "we estimate that, as against the heavy outlays we have to make on that account, we will receive \$209,000 as interest on the investment of our sinking funds and interest in connection with the Dyking Assessment Act. The amount we have invested in this way will be increased so greatly this year that the sum receivable in interest will also be larger. The total revenue which we look for through the Lands Department is \$2,203,050. From timber licenses we estimate we will get \$1,200,000; from timber leases, \$74,000; from timber royalties, \$560,000, and from timber sales, \$125,000. In view of the steadily falling receipts from land sales we do not think it wise to put this source down for more than \$50,000, but on the other hand the legislation which my Honorable friend, the Minister of Honorable friend, the Minister of Honorable friend, has brought down this session, justifies us in looking for a somewhat larger income from water rentals.

**Treasury.**  
"This brings me to the Treasury Department, through which it is estimated that \$6,700,000 will be collected during the next year. The principal item here is that of income tax, from which source we expect \$2,215,000. This is double what we estimated as the revenue from that tax in the year just closed, the reason being that we will this year be collecting from mines on their income for last year as well as the present. We propose that mines

shall be taxed either two per cent. on the assessed value of ore removed, as in the past, or on income, whichever is the larger. There is no doubt that in the greater number of cases the amount payable on income will exceed what would be collectable as mineral tax, and therefore we are certain of a considerable revenue there. On the other hand the sum likely to come in mineral tax will be much less than hitherto, and we place the estimate at \$85,000. For the past couple of years this tax has yielded about \$285,000 annually. With closer collection of income-tax generally, I think the figure at which we have placed our estimate is a safe one.

**Real Property Tax.**  
"Based on our estimate upon the manner in which the taxes came in up to the end of December, I consider that we can quite reasonably expect for the coming year to derive \$1,000,000 from the real property tax, \$600,000 from the personal property tax, and \$700,000 from the tax on wild, coal and timber lands. The poll-tax ought to bring in \$300,000, as the activity in industrial enterprises will attract many workers from outside, who will become liable for the tax as soon as they have been one month in the Province. The tax on patrons of places of amusement is working very smoothly and is expected to produce \$229,000. The amount received from this source so far shows the accuracy of the estimate of last session, which was based on the probability of the tax being in force for five months of the fiscal year. From subscription duties," concluded the Minister, "we may look for \$300,000, and several smaller items of revenue make up the total which is set out under the head of the Treasury Department."

**Capital Account.**  
"The expenditures which will have to be made on capital account are the following: Sinking Funds, \$718,940; Nakusp and Slocan, Int. on Bonds, \$13,500; P.G.E. Ry. Interest, \$397,200; Wellington Colliery Co., \$15,000; Home Mortgage, \$3,750; Southcoast Rescue Works, \$50,000; Escondido Hospital, \$10,700; Colony Farm, \$1,000; Roads, Streets, Bridges, Wharves, \$208,850; Ferries, \$17,700.

**Mr. Hart went on:** "The whole sum which we ask the House to vote for the new fiscal year is thus \$11,611,694.08. In framing these estimates, I do not think I need assure this House, the members of the administration have been animated by the desire to eliminate all unnecessary expenditures and reduce our outlays to the lowest point consistent with efficient service and the maintenance of all essential operations. I have no doubt that our opponents, who never allowed considerations of revenue or of means of the taxpayers to foot the bills to interfere with their extravagance, will criticize us for paring all expenditures to the bone, but I have just as little doubt, Mr. Speaker, that we will receive the commendation of the people at large for doing what I will admit required some courage.

**Economy With Efficiency.**  
"We recognize," he proceeded, "that the people of this country, in common with their kin throughout the Empire, have a heavy strain put upon their resources to meet their share of the cost of the war, and we do not feel that we would be justified in making any further demands upon them in the way of taxation so long as we can, by wise economy, keep our expenditures as close to our revenue as is possible.

"With the early peace which we hope for from a decisive victory for the Allied arms, and with the return of prosperity generally, we look to a larger revenue from present sources and consequent ability to devote more to the requirements of the Province as a whole. Nevertheless, I would reiterate that at no point have we starved any branch of Governmental activity, and that there will be no impairment of service because the Departments are being compelled to conduct business along ordinary business lines and at a minimum of expense. The revenue for the coming twelve months, as I have said, is estimated to amount to \$9,900,055.13, practically the same sum as was participated would be got in during 1917-1918.

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**Game Act Amendment.**  
In speaking of the second reading of the Bill to amend the Game Act the Attorney-General offered a brief explanation of the measure which legislates some forty Game Wardens and the head of that Department out of the Provincial service, transferring their duties at one fell swoop on to the shoulders of the Provincial Police.

**Ample Safeguards.**  
While the general scheme embodied in the Bill has been dealt with in the news columns of the Times on several occasions, it should be mentioned that the legislation now before the House provides for the appointment of a Game Conservation Board, which will act in an honorary and advisory capacity and deal generally with matters pertaining to the game of the Province as a safeguard against the Province being independent of the Chief of the Provincial Police as was the case under the old Act—but answerable to him. And, explained the Attorney-General, the man who will fill that office would be a game expert and his duties would be to see that the Game Laws were enforced to the letter.

**Financial Position of Province is Now Before Legislature**  
(Continued from page 1.)  
Mr. Hart's Speech.

Following a sincere tribute to his late chief and friend, congratulation to Mr. Speaker on his election to that exalted office and a graceful compliment to the lady member for Vancouver, Mr. Hart delivered his message before the House. He was fully appreciative of the fact that the task before the Government was a serious one, calling for the exercise of foresight and sound constructive policy. While the financial situation had of necessity to be regarded as serious, a solution of the problem was by no means impossible.

The Minister had hope of to admit that there was no perfect of immediate relief from increased taxation. He very naturally alluded to the financial situation of the province as recently as the year 1911, when the Conservative Government had accumulated an aggregate surplus of over eight million dollars, largely derived from the disposal of capital resources. Succeeding years had seen that fund dwindling to snow before a great deficit. Loans to the amount of twelve million dollars, continued the Minister, were secured, the fixed charges on account of which now constituted the uncontrollable sum which the present Administration had to find.

**A Wasted Surplus.**  
Mr. Hart recapitulated the financial obligations of the province in respect of the Canadian Northern Pacific and Pacific Great Eastern Railways and in particular the interest liability at the tune of a million dollars a year payable by the province every year as interest on the bonds of the latter. "A wasted surplus and a public debt increased to twenty-three millions of dollars; over twenty millions spent in a few short years and nothing to show for it except increased taxation," exclaimed the Minister. "The result has been to increase enormously the proportion of the revenue which has to be paid out for purposes over which the Government has no control, a proportion closely approximating fifty per cent. for the fiscal year we have just entered upon. In 1913-14 interest and sinking fund charges on account of the public debt required the appropriation of \$18,738,600 out of a net revenue of \$10,479,000, a little less than five per cent. For 1918-19 we have to ask the House to vote four times more than was needed five years earlier, no less than \$2,111,868, which makes big inroads on the amount which I estimate as the revenue for the twelve months. In little more than two years our predecessors increased the debt from \$12,251,646 to \$23,153,146.

**Expenses Increased—Revenue Fell.**  
"With this reckless spending and borrowing there went a steadily falling revenue. Between 1913 and 1916 it was cut in two exactly, being \$6,291,000 in the latter year as compared with \$12,516,000 five years previous. I need say no more than this, Mr. Speaker, to show where the responsibility lies for the imposition of increased taxation, and to expose the shallowness of the criticism of our action which comes from those upon whom that responsibility should rest."

**Taxation Amendments.**  
Passing on to a reference to the Budget speech of the late Premier last year, Mr. Hart touched upon the promise made by Mr. Brewster at that time regarding taxation investigation. This led the Minister to the events which followed: the appointment of the Taxation Board and its work. He

was also mindful of the services in that connection rendered by the late J. B. McKillop, to whose sterling worth he paid eloquent tribute. As a result of investigation by the Board, and by the views expounded by delegations representative of practically every branch of industry in the province, amendments to the Taxation Act would be submitted to the Legislature hurried to correct errors which carried legislation last session failed to correct. This was the more obvious in the case of taxation of mines and industrial plants, said Mr. Hart in emphasis of the fact that it was the policy of the Administration to encourage capital and generally to assist in the development of the province's natural resources.

**01.12.** The chief items in which the estimate was below the actual amount received were those of timber licenses, where there was \$208,000 more received than was foreseen by the Minister of Finance of the day; mineral tax, where the excess was \$187,000; succession duty, \$127,000; and real property tax, which was greater by \$82,000. On the other hand the actual net expenditure was \$9,079,317.76, as compared with the estimate of \$11,501,374.86. The net result of the year was a deficit of \$2,172,534, which rolled up the grand total of the deficits which the late Government accumulated in five years to \$18,358,751.

**Funded Debt.**  
In further reference to the Public Accounts tabled by the Minister at the opening of the session, Mr. Hart explained the new form of presentation and said that some criticism was voiced in regard to the capitalization of the subsidies the Province received under the Terms of Union, placed at \$12,462,701.40. "As we receive interest at five per cent. every year from the Dominion on this amount," he went on, "I fail to see why we should not deal with it as an income-producing capital asset, particularly since the first of the group of items which go to make up the total, \$583,021.40, has been carried as an asset in every balance sheet since 1885. We are simply consistent enough to capitalize the remainder of the subsidies, it should have been done under the Terms of Union, placed at \$12,462,701.40. 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**ONLY SMALL SALARIES WILL BE ADJUSTED**

Council Decides Policy Before Dealing With Individual Applications

Revision of small salaries paid civic servants will be taken in hand only as a war measure without dealing with the larger question of grading, the Civic Estimates Committee determined last evening.

Before going into details, late in the evening Alderman Andros asked the Aldermen to go on record in favor of no adjustments above \$100 per month, so that small salaried men would also secure the advantage of the rearrangement. He agreed that it would be desirable to give advances to all the employees, yet circumstances compelled economy and the same spirit which prevailed in their home affairs must also rule elsewhere. He advocated that the Council would be justified in assisting men to get a reasonable living wage, but the better paid men must be ready to make sacrifices.

Alderman Dinagda considered that the adjustment was only a war measure, the Council would be justified in limiting the modification to small salaries only.

Alderman Fullerton argued that this annual difficulty about salaries would be obviated by the establishment of a permanent civic salaries list, and in fact the measure had been contemplated when Mr. McNeill was chairman of the Finance Committee. It, however, had not been put into operation. Alderman Peden favored the consideration of the positions entirely from an efficiency basis.

After some discussion, and an attempt being made to deal with increases individually, the aldermen adopted Alderman Andros's motion to limit increases to \$100 per month. The Mayor suggested that increases given should date from April 1, that being the date set by the Police Commissioners in making some adjustments of salaries.

It was determined, however, not to reach a decision until the actual nature of the changes has been agreed upon.

**INFORMATION WANTED**

Does Any Returned Soldier Know What Happened to Pte. Robin P. Pickard?

This paragraph appears in the hope that some returned soldier may be able to give definite information as to Pte. Robin Pym Pickard, who, at the age of thirty-one, left the city with the Fifteenth Battalion soon after the outbreak of the war, and then with the Sixteenth (Canadian Scottish) Battalion, was reported "wounded and missing" after the fighting at Langemark.



PTE. ROBIN P. PICKARD

mark, Flanders, April 24, 1915, the time of the second battle of Ypres.

Since that time he has been officially reported to have died, but no trace was ever found of him, and friends over here have received letters from men with his battalion at the front who confirmed a report that he was picked up by a stretcher party and carried to the rear with both legs wounded.

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**NEWS IN BRIEF**

- Hear John Z. White on "Taxation," First Baptist Church to-night.
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- Garden Barrows—Watson & McGregor, Ltd., phone No. 745.
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- Lawn Mowers Ground, Sharpened: collected, delivered, \$1.00. Jack, Phone 6719, 805 Yates.
- Mrs. Simpson is holding a Benefit Dance on Friday evening at the Hippodrome Hall. Good Orchestra. Refreshments. Tickets, 50c.
- Eggs May Never Be Cheaper.—Better put them down now. Earthenware Crocks make the best containers. To hold 3 doz., 40c; to hold 6 doz., 75c; 12 doz., \$1.10; 15 doz., \$1.45; 18 doz., \$1.80; 21 doz., \$2.20. Water Glass to cover 12 doz., 25c. R. A. Brown & Co., phone 3712.
- Lectures To-night by John Z. White—Subject: "Democratic or Autocratic Taxation." First Baptist Church, Yates Street. Collection.
- Special Lecture—"Democratic or Autocratic Taxation," by John Z. White to-night. First Baptist Church.
- Well Baby Clinic.—The Civic Estimates Committee last evening approved of the principle of a well baby clinic and decided to give the best accommodation in the new quarters to this section of the Health Department. The usual exhibit to an institution of this kind is to be added. Dr. Price stated, as opportunity offers.

The King's Daughters' Daffodil Tea at Government House, by kind permission of Lieut.-Governor and Lady Barnard, April 19—3 to 6 p. m. Admission, 25c. Tea, 25c. Musical programme.

Cheap Fish.—At the meeting of the Trades and Labor Council last evening it was resolved to make an investigation of the fish market situation in Vancouver, before making any recommendations with regard to the situation here.

To Repair Bandstand.—The bandstand at Beacon Hill Park, the condition of which has been a disgrace for some time, is at length to receive the attention of the aldermen, it being decided last evening to have a report from the Parks Committee on repairing and painting the stand.

Island Mail Service.—The Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service, Vancouver, has written to the secretary of the Board of Trade asking whether, in connection with the petition for a mail service by motor boat from Victoria to Port Maitland, serving Port Renfrew, Jordan River, Otter Point, Sheringham Point, and Scarf's Landing, the Board can furnish the names and addresses of responsible persons who would care to submit offers for the performance of such a service.

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**FRIENDLY HELP SOCIETY**

Donations of Cash and Kind Urgently Needed for Benefit of Needy Families.

Eleven members attended the meeting of the Friendly Help Association held on Tuesday morning, with Lady McBride in the chair. The secretary reported that the association's funds are very low, owing to the drain made by families with no breadwinner and mothers with young children. The cost of living is so high that the association finds it increasingly difficult to give adequate assistance to really necessitous cases and for that reason would gratefully welcome donations of money, clothing or shoes. A gift of a sewing machine to help a poor woman earn a living would also be very much appreciated.

The association has acknowledged with grateful thanks the following donations received in March: Cash, from the City, B. C. Benevolent Society, B. Duffy, H. Lethaby, Mrs. E. A. Jacob, "Found Friend," Windsor Grocery Co., A. J. Friend, J. E. Painter & Son and Hall & Walker; clothing from Mrs. Gill, Miss Thomas, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. H. Begwood, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Arzyle, Miss Manby, Mrs. Burge, Mrs. Lang, Mrs. McPhee, Mrs. N. Bradly; shoes from Miss Thomas, Mrs. Waddington, Mrs. Jenkins and Miss Lamb; carrots, "A Sincere Friend"; wood, Mr. Gonnason; apples and vegetables, Mrs. Dunsford.

Victoria's Sunny Climate.—Victoria was well-ahead of the Coast cities in the matter of sunshine for the past month, with a record of over 150 hours' sunshine as compared with only 103 in Vancouver and 123 in Nanaimo. While the residents of the Mainland City "enjoyed" seven and a half inches of rain, and Nanaimo, 4.96 inches, Victoria had only two and a half inches, just enough to bring forth the spring flowers in all their beautiful profusion.

To Reorganize Department.—The Civic Estimates Committee last evening decided to obtain a report on re-arrangement of offices, by which the labor bureau will be combined with the market clerkship, Mrs. Smith to help her husband, F. Collier, now in charge of the bureau will be transferred to another department. In future Mr. Smith will be made senior to the weighmaster. All the aldermen paid tribute to the excellent work Mr. Smith is doing as market clerk, having the confidence of the stallholders in a marked degree.

**EAST SOOKE MINES TO BE DEVELOPED**

Public Asked to Inspect Property Before Investing in Stock

That far-away fields look green in an old adage. When it comes to mines, however, it is better to have the property near at hand where it can be examined personally. The property of the East Sooke Mines, Limited, is close to Victoria, and the Company invites personal inspection on the part of those who propose investing in shares.

For many years there had been considerable prospecting done at East Sooke but without any very tangible results. Many miners, however, had complete faith in the district and this was evidenced by the fact that prospecting was continued and considerable sums of money spent in testing the properties.

Apparently the expected result has been achieved for recently a company was incorporated to take over the mines and develop them. The directors say that the properties have been so well proven that it is now desired to put in the most modern machinery. To do this they are putting the first allotment of shares on the market at a low rate with the promise that subsequent issues will be at a higher price. A number of prominent names are seen on the Board of Directors and this should inspire confidence that the mine is a good one.

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New York Loud in Praise of Singing of Louis Graveure, Eminent Baritone.

Louis Graveure, the renowned baritone who is to appear in recital at the First Congregational Church on Wednesday evening next, established himself in New York as one of the most interesting and artistic singers to be heard in New York.

In chronicling his appearance in the metropolis, the critic of The New York Times said: "He contrives a fine programme of matter, not hackneyed, among which are sure to be several songs of merit quite unknown to many concert goers. Mr. Graveure not only enters deeply into the spirit, the emotional and musical significance of his songs, but he has in very full measure the power of expressing them, of giving them a definite and tangible embodiment. The technical resources which he directs to this end are of unusual excellence; a voice of fine quality and variety of color, excellent phrasing, a carefully finished diction."

Graduation Exercises Postponed.—The graduation exercises of St. Joseph's Hospital Training School, which were announced for this evening, have been postponed until further notice.

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Bank Clearings.—Owing to the Easter holidays there has been a falling off in bank clearings for the past week, the manager of the local clearing house reporting \$1,356,473 as against \$1,433,437 for the corresponding period last year.

Board of Trade.—A Board of Trade council meeting will be held early next week for the purpose of clearing up outstanding matters of the year prior to the annual meeting, the date of which will be announced at an early date.

Central Iron Committee.—A meeting of the Central Iron Committee is to be held at the Belmont Building at 4 o'clock this afternoon to consider the interim report received from R. R. Neild and J. F. Blodson, at Ottawa, on the subject of their interview with the Government.

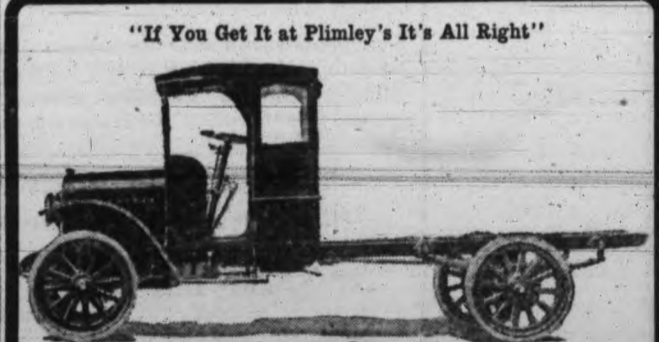
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#### Twenty-Five Boats of Fleet Will Be Turned Over to American Government

Seattle, April 4.—The Seattle office of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha announced today that they received a cable from Tokyo last night stating the Japanese Government March 25 comman-deered nine of the company's steamers. The boats will be turned over to the United States Government, the cable said. The company announced the comman-deered boats would total approximately 59,000 deadweight tons. According to Lloyd's register the boats total 38,820 gross tons.

The boats are to be turned over to the United States Government in exchange for steel plates to be used in the construction of the new Japanese ships, an agreement providing for the exchange having been reached recently by the two Governments.

The names of the two boats and the gross tonnage given them in Lloyd's register follows: Penang Maru, 5,296; Yehoshi Maru, 4,983; Totomi Maru, 3,556; Rangoon Maru, 5,213; Benten Maru, 3,688; Kichin Maru, 3,481; Yeh-toroku Maru, 4,114; Jinsen Maru, 3,784; and Toso Maru, 5,595.

The boats are freighters and have been running between Japan and India. One only, the Toso Maru, has ever called at Seattle.

### BRITISH INCREASE OUTPUT OF SHIPS

London, April 4.—The merchant tonnage built in shipyards of the United Kingdom during the year ended March 31, 1917, was double that built in the year ended March 31, 1916. In the last year, according to a table issued last night by the Admiralty, 1,237,515 tons were constructed.

The monthly figures for the last three months are: January, 53,588; February, 106,028; March, 161,974. The Shipping Controller makes this comment on the table: "The figures for March constitute a record, and demonstrate that the workers have taken to heart the anxiety caused by the comparatively low output of January and February. The men in the shipyards are working loyally to maintain this increased output."

### GROSS EARNINGS OF CANADIAN RAILROAD LINES LARGEST EVER

Montreal, April 4.—The gross earnings of the Canadian railways in March were the largest ever reported for the month, the aggregate on the three principal systems amounting to \$20,666,576, an increase of 49.14 or 5 per cent, as compared with the previous record, made in March, 1917. The 15 per cent increase partly accounts for showing it was the first monthly increase for the Grand Trunk this year. Following are the earnings of the three companies for March: C. P. R., \$15,990,999; increase, \$3,999,000; G. T. R., \$5,359,379; increase, \$57,042; C. N. R., \$3,486,300; increase, \$163,100.

### LIQUOR CASES

Three Are Before Magistrate Jay Today, and Two Are Dealt With.

Several liquor cases were before Magistrate Jay this morning. Mary Ellen Williams, of the Cecil Hotel, who was unable to attend on account of illness, was fined \$75 for having liquor on the premises.

E. L. Tait, who appeared on her behalf, stated that the bar proprietor, Grant, had recently after a theatre performance, brought in some friends about midnight. One of them had with him a flask of whisky. While they were preparing a mysterious cocktail which included vinegar and eggs, the police appeared. The flask was seized, the contents of which were to have formed the flavoring feature of the cocktail. He submitted that a hotel-keeper should not be held responsible for the acts of persons casually bringing in, and then taking it out again.

Esther Macdonald, who was accused of having liquor at 569 Johnson Street, was too ill to appear and Dr. Bryant stated on her behalf that she had been removed to the tubercular ward at the Jubilee Hospital. A fine of \$50 was imposed.

Sidney Mitchell, accused of selling liquor, was remanded until Tuesday next.

### NO THREATS MADE AGAINST CAULKERS

#### At Least Such Was the Evidence of School Students Before Commission

Practically the whole of the morning session of the Royal Commission investigating the shipyard dispute was taken up today in an effort to ascertain whether there was any foundation for the statement in the telegram forwarded to Commissioner Tonkin at Vancouver that a fine of \$25 had been levied by the Union against Dick Bennett, the original tutor in charge of the Cameron-Genoa caulking school.

The evidence given by F. R. Bennett, the first witness sworn, left the impression that no fine had been levied against him, although he had been given to understand that he was liable providing he continued in charge of the school. As Percy Bannerman, superintendent of the plant, was not on hand when the business of the commission commenced, Mr. Bennett, recalled on the arrival of the superintendent, repeated part of his evidence, saying that he was under the impression that he had given Mr. Bannerman to understand that he would be fined if he persisted in charge.

Wanted Fine Paid.

If the company would guarantee to pay his fine he was willing to remain, but this could not be done and he was informed that they would secure someone else to watch over the destinies of the embryo caulkers.

The interpretation placed upon Bennett's former statements by Mr. Bannerman was that the union had levied the fine, but had not collected it. "I am of the same impression yet," added Mr. Bannerman.

James Fairall, shipwright, testified that he attended the school for three days, when he dropped out. There were only two members of his local in the school when he decided that it was time to quit. Names were being taken and he was spoken to casually by union officials, but no threats had been made. One official told him that all the rif-raff of the yard were there, all admitted that he told Mr. Bannerman that he was "bawled out" but didn't mention a strike. All the caulkers "bucked" him but he was still in favor of the school being continued. Witness showed some hesitancy about disclosing what had been said among the men in the yard, and he felt easier and opened up more after Alex. Watchman made the announcement to the commission that the local organizations had no power to take any steps against the men in connection with what they might disclose at a public hearing of that kind.

Not the Courage.

While on the subject of the method of procedure at the union meetings, witness expressed the view that the members had not the courage to vote opening on a question by a show of hands. He maintained that twenty-five per cent of the majority ran the affairs of the union.

Robert Black said that an official named Williams told him that he was liable to a heavy fine and that he had it on the authority of the business agent.

George Joyce told the commission that "talk only" was the cause of his objection. There were rumors that they might be fined, but he was of the opinion that as he was doing it in his own time the union had no power to levy a fine.

Urged Not to Attend.

During the session it was brought up that a resolution had been passed by the shipwrights' local urging the members not to take any active part in the school.

Thomas Young said he quit because he didn't want to be fined. No threats had been made against him. This was prior to the passage of the shipwrights' resolution.

R. S. Trew, staging foreman, testified that no pressure had been brought to bear against him. He admitted that the men in the yard talked on the question in working hours. He had been spoken to by a man named Murray, and in answer to the chairman, he said he had the impression that Murray "didn't want the men to go caulking." Some amusement was created when G. R. Hopkins, a member of the Brotherhood of Carpenters, informed the commission that the house-carpenters employed at the yard were called "shinglers" by the caulkers.

Called a Scab.

Richard H. Davis was inclined to be talkative and had the satisfaction of relieving the monotony that had hitherto marked the proceedings.

Mr. Davis is the instructor now in charge of the caulking school at the Cameron-Genoa yard. He remarked by way of a starter that there were a good many who would like to see him run out of the town. On three occasions he had been molested by a certain caulker who had called him a "dirty scab." "What we want at this time," he said, "is harmony and not antagonism between men and employers. The number of men attending the school had gradually decreased to seventeen, but there was now evidence of a better feeling, thirty-three being on the job after working hours.

If a man was adaptable to the work he would guarantee to make him proficient as a caulker, for watertight work, within three months. In his opinion the unions had "gone too far. Every day is a union meeting when the caulkers are spinning oakum," he blithely remarked.

Inspiring Job.

"Oakum spinning must be very interesting," laughingly ventured Commissioner Kelly.

J. T. Rhodes, superintendent of carpenter work, said that the caulkers had been the "bone of contention"

ever since he had been employed at the plant. In his opinion, between fifty and sixty more caulkers could be used in the yard. They were already six weeks behind in caulking on Hull No. 8, and if they wished to launch the vessel within a specified time it would be impossible to do so. In reply to Chairman Murphy witness acknowledged that the only craft now requiring an examination was the caulking craft.

### WOULD RESIGN IF CHARGES SUSTAINED

#### Director of Shipbuilding Refutes Rumors Reflecting Upon Officials' Honor

"I would suggest that three representative business men of Victoria or Vancouver be appointed to investigate and if they should find that we have favored Evans, Coleman & Evans to the slightest extent, other than as to the band-saws referred to, I will immediately resign from the Board, forever disgraced, and will pay over to the Red Cross the sum of \$5,000. This was an outstanding proposition in a somewhat lengthy communication by R. P. Butchart, director of shipbuilding for the Imperial Munitions Board, to the Shipyard Commission yesterday afternoon in complete refutation of the reports that have been put in circulation reflecting upon the integrity of officials of the board in the matter of placing contracts.

Spirit of Co-operation.

The signed statement, which was read in open court by Mr. Justice Murphy, chairman of the commission, outlined the attitude of the board in clear-cut terms and paid particular attention to the spirit of co-operation and patriotism evinced by the various private firms in coming to the assistance of the board with a view to expediting ship construction with the least possible delay and at the lowest cost. The above quoted paragraph has particular reference to the board's dealings with Evans, Coleman & Evans.

"It has been brought out in evidence," Mr. Butchart said in the written statement, "that we purchased from that firm four band-saws. These were purchased without first calling for tenders.

Band-Saw Order.

"It occurred in this way. When Captain Troup and I arrived in Ottawa last May and ascertained it was the Board's wish that shipyards should be established in British Columbia, the Captain suggested that we should place orders for band-saws as quickly as possible, as owing to the large number of shipyards to be established in the United States, unless orders for these saws were placed quickly, it would be difficult to procure them. The Captain wired Evans, Coleman & Evans to find the particular saw that was being used in the Wallace Shipyards, and to order four of these by wire at once. It was fortunate that this order was placed. Evans, Coleman & Evans were allowed for their services the nominal sum of two and a half per cent on factory cost.

Street Rumors.

Street rumors are to the effect that we have discriminated in favor of Evans, Coleman & Evans. I quite recognize that our mere word of denial as to this will be insufficient to dispel the impression that we have favored this firm, in which Captain Troup, Mr. Ross and myself are interested. Might I, however, suggest that three representative business men of Victoria or Vancouver be appointed to investigate, and if they should find that we have favored Evans, Coleman & Evans to the slightest extent, other than as to the band-saws above referred to, I will immediately resign from the Board, forever disgraced, and will pay over to the Red Cross the sum of \$5,000.

Personally, I do not care the snap of my finger for these street rumors, excepting as they affect the morale of the men in our shipyards, many of whom may give credence to reports of this kind.

Not Specially Favored.

Another rumor is that Captain Troup and I are largely interested in the McQuade Ship Charters business, and in consequence, unduly favoring that firm with orders. There is absolutely no truth in this. Up to date, we have purchased from the McQuade Company \$7,913.39, and from Messrs. E. B. Marvin & Co., who are in the same line of business in Victoria, goods to the value of \$93,511.57. From this, it would appear that Messrs. McQuade have not been especially favored.

A number of other rumors not at all complimentary to the Board have reached us, rumors which have no foundation in fact. While we expect criticism, might I suggest that our critics be a little more charitable. Our judgment may be frequently at fault. Mistakes have been made, and more are likely to be made, but at least give credit as being in earnest, aided by a highly efficient staff who are deserving of more than this passing reference. In trying to produce the best results for the Imperial Government.

John Day Useful.

With especial reference to what has been said about John Day, labor agent for the Board, during the course of the investigation, Mr. Butchart, in his communication, says:

"Mr. Day, in my opinion, has been greatly misjudged. When we engaged him, I had known him only a few weeks. I knew that he was a member of a labor organization. I also knew that he had two sons in France. I knew nothing of his politics or his religion, neither did I care. I believed that he could be useful, and in this I have not been mistaken.

"I believe that the labor organizations at first approved of his appointment, which, in a sense, was gratifying, because shortly afterwards we received a request from the labor local to appoint more of their members to responsible positions. Shortly after I

was approached by deputations of both political stripes, criticizing the Board for employing John Day. Several of my friends tendered their advice that John Day was a dangerous man. We received several notices from local unions demanding Mr. Day's dismissal, and a verbal threat from a local orator, that unless John Day was dismissed in forty-eight hours, serious troubles would ensue.

"Mr. Day, I believe, has been a leading member of labor organizations for many years, during which time he has worked for the betterment of labor, receiving no salary, but solely as a laborer, shall we say—of love. Since his appointment with the Board, I believe he has accomplished more to benefit labor in British Columbia than any man in the local organization. At the same time, he has accomplished useful work for the Board, earning his wages many times over. I admire Mr. Day for his manly qualities and principles, and so long as I have anything to do with this work, and Mr. Day proves useful, he is very welcome to the position he occupies.

Lumber Interests.

A glowing tribute was paid to the attitude of the lumber interests of the province in supplying the lumber required for the twenty-seven ships at a fixed price of \$2549 per thousand feet. "I might say that the contractors and the millmen are not alone in their wish to help the board in delivering the ships to the Imperial Government at the lowest price. The industries supporting the Red Cross and the board have adopted a similar attitude.

Bonus and Penalty.

Regarding the deletion of the bonus and penalty clause, Mr. Butchart said: "This clause was made part of the contract at the express wish of the Board at Ottawa. Afterwards, we found that the hulls could be completed greatly in advance of the equipment, and that therefore it was not necessary to rush completion, and that the delay caused by delaying completion. We suggested this to the contractors, at the same time proffering a request that the bonus and penalty clause be deleted. This unusual request would never have been made had this been a purely business proposition, and although all of the contractors could have made considerable amount in the shape of bonus money to the extent of from \$45,000 to \$60,000, they were broad-minded and patriotic enough to consent to the elimination of the clause. This was done with a willingness from them that was truly splendid.

Proper Spirit.

The saving to the Imperial Government is represented not only by the amount that might accrue had a bonus which we would have had to pay, but also through the saving made in the avoidance of the rush work which the contractors might have adopted in order to assure to themselves a large bonus. Throughout the contractors have shown the proper spirit in this work, and in every way have endeavored to the utmost of their power to build the vessels at the lowest possible cost. I venture to say that at no place on the continent are vessels being built where the contracting firms receive so little for their work. It is not only that they are anxious to establish the industry here, but it is the larger view that they have taken, which is that at this time, every man should do his entire duty to the Empire. Personally, I cannot speak too highly of our contractors.

non-union caulker named Davis in charge. Between twenty and twenty-four men were now attending the school, the others having "dropped out." On March 23 a deputation of caulkers advised the employers that unless the school was discontinued they would quit work. The deputation was informed that if they wanted to leave they were at perfect liberty to follow their own inclinations. The suggestion was then made by the caulkers that apprentices be taken on, but that, in the opinion of witness, would have placed the Company in the same position as before.

Behind in Caulking.

The Company had two ships to finish under the present contract, and he figured that they were from six to eight weeks behind in caulking Hull No. 8, and the other ship would be delayed to a corresponding extent. "The caulkers couldn't supply the demand," remarked witness, "so we set out to supply the demand ourselves." In answer to Chairman Murphy witness said they had applied to the unions for apprentices, but had been informed that there were a sufficient number of apprentices coming with the number of caulkers employed.

Open to All.

Commissioner Tonkin inquired if the school was free and expressed curiosity as to whether the men, after the period of tuition, were at liberty to work at any place that suited them. The reply was to the effect that the school was open to any workman in all shipyards and they were not bound down in any way.

John Carmichael submitted that evidence had been previously given to the effect that there was no rush at the present time to complete the ships.

Mr. Bannerman replied that this was not so as regards his company. "We are in a hurry," he said, "our overhead is just as much as if we had ten ships down." James Dakers, president of the Victoria Metal Trades Council, questioned the sincerity of the employers in their arguments relative to the establishment of the caulking studio.

Took Responsibility.

"When was the school first talked about?" asked Mr. Dakers. "About three months ago when Mr. Price and myself were down at Portland. Then I take it you are responsible for the caulking school idea? I am responsible," was the smiling acknowledgment.

Caulkers Were Curious.

J. H. Price, president of the Cameron-Genoa company, testified that they had never had a ship fully caulked at launching. The number of caulkers needed in the yard would be governed by the number of shipwrights on hand, he said replying to a question put by the chairman. When he first came to Victoria there was only one expert caulker to his knowledge. In the United States they specialized in this class of work as well as in other branches of the industry. "How many caulkers do you think you should have now?" asked Commissioner Ton-

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FAST GAMES PLAYED BY SENIOR TEAMS

Men's and Ladies' Basketball League in Action Last Night

Enthusiasm waxed high at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last evening when Senior basketball teams in the Sunday School League again took the floor.

The second match of the evening was a thriller in every sense of the word. The Fairfield team defeated the Crusaders by a score of thirty-two points to thirty-one.

The first match, that between the Three C's and the Presbyterian B Clubs, was not so exciting, the former aggregation winning by thirty-four points to twenty-one.

The teams lined up as follows: Three C's—Clunk, Ramsell, Galtie, McKay.

Presbyterian B—V. Duncan, Wyles, McLaurie, Jones.

Fairfields—Heaney, Bickle, Wright, Grant, Hume.

Crusaders—E. Cull, A. Hole, J. Buckett, J. Ferris, F. Moulton.

Referee—Boy White.

Close Checking.

It was evident last evening that some of the players did not fully understand all rulings of the game, especially in respect to the fact that close checking when abused constitutes holding.

FOOTBALL DELEGATES ARRANGE CONTESTS

Committee Will Plan for Game for Prisoners' of War Fund

A rather stormy session of the Victoria and District Football Association was held last evening at the weekly meeting held in the Foresters' Hall.

The following games were arranged to be played on Saturday, April 6, at the Victoria West, at Oak Bay; referee, Willacy; Navy vs. V. I. A. A. referee, Sgt. Major Jones, on a ground to be arranged.

HOCKEY TEAMS ARE PREPARING FOR GO

Toronto, April 4.—The Toronto, world's professional hockey champions, left last night for Cleveland where they will play a series of three games, commencing to-night, against an all-star team selected from the other professional clubs.

"Newy" Lalonde arrived in the city this morning from Montreal and will figure on the line-up of the All-Stars.

The Stars are a strong team, including Lehman, the Vancouver net guard; Corbeau and Lalonde, of the Canadiens; Crawford, the former Quebec and Ottawa speed marvel; but late of the Blues; Nighbor, of the Ottawas, and some lesser lights.

IS CONGRATULATED.

Toronto, April 4.—Charley Querrie, manager of the champion Toronto team was yesterday in receipt of many wires of congratulation from his old lacrosse friends.

SEATTLE BASEBALL WILL BE REALITY BY 13TH OF APRIL

Charles Mitchell Has Notable Career in the Ring

Seattle, April 4.—Seattle's first real baseball will be played Saturday and Sunday, April 13 and 14.

On that day the Camp Lewis army team, for which Walter Malls and Charley Schmutz are pitching, will be the opponents of the leaguers.

BIG AMERICAN GOLF PLAYERS PATRIOTIC

Chicago, April 4.—Golf exhibitions by famous amateurs and professionals for the benefit of the Red Cross and other war funds were planned on a large scale to-day by representatives of the Western Golf Association.

The plan as adopted with the sanction of President Charles F. Thomson of the Western Golf Association, who wired his approval from Pasadena, Cal., calls for a series of contests over the course of clubs who will guarantee the collection of a fund sufficient to defray expenses and leave a balance for the local chapter of the Red Cross.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL IN THE COAST LEAGUE

Table with 3 columns: Location, Score, Result. Includes games from Los Angeles, Salt Lake, Los Angeles, Baticles-Merton, San Francisco, Oakland, San Francisco, Baticles-Merton, Johnson, Phillips, J. Johnson and McKee, At Sacramento, Vernon.

ENGLISH CHAMPION PUGILIST IS DEAD

Charles Mitchell Has Notable Career in the Ring

New York, April 4.—Advised here from London announce the death of Charles Mitchell, former English champion pugilist.

Charles Mitchell was born at Birmingham, England, November 24, 1861.

WOULD BRING NEW YORKER TO SWIM

W. H. Davies is Negotiating With Claire Galligan, Famous Champion

In connection with the proposed visit to this city of Fanny Durack, world famous Australian swimmer in August of this year, W. H. Davies who is in communication with William Unmack, manager for Miss Durack, is now negotiating with Claire Galligan, of New York, the American champion, with a view to having her visit Victoria to compete with the Australian.

WINS NATIONAL TITLE.

Chicago, April 4.—Perry McGillivray, of the Great Lakes naval training station, won the fifty-yard national A. A. U. swim last night, the first championship event of the meet which lasts two more nights.

WINNING AT GOLF.

Pinehurst, N. C., April 4.—L. Scofield, of Stamford, Conn., and Irvyn S. Robeson, of Rochester, the two favorites in the upper bracket of the first match round of the north and south championship golf tournament here, won their matches easily yesterday.

WITH NAVAL RESERVE.

Boston, April 4.—Charles E. Brickley, Harvard's famous drop-kicker, was enrolled in the naval reserve to-day.

TO HONOR MEMORY.

New York, April 4.—The Irish-American A. C. is planning to erect a monument over the grave of Martin Sheridan, who died here last week.

AFTER NEW ARENA.

Montreal, April 4.—The arena company which owns the land on which the arena was destroyed by fire some months ago is having plans prepared for a new arena, and if the cost is not too high it is probable the new building will be begun in the near future.

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**FINNS INSULTED ALLIED OFFICERS**

Only Stopped Short of Violence When Two Officers Visited.

Stockholm, April 4.—The British and American army officers who recently visited General Mannerheim, the Finnish White Guard leader, upon orders from their Stockholm legations, were insulted and threatened with personal violence by Finnish officers in a hotel restaurant in Vasa, according to a war correspondent in Finland of a Swedish newspaper.

The correspondent says the two visiting officers who figured in the incident, wearing the uniforms of their rank, entered the restaurant at a time when it was crowded with Finnish officers, mainly from a unit which had served in Germany. The visitors had scarcely time to take seats before a Finnish officer approached the table and told them their presence was not desired. He withdrew only when shown a pass from General Mannerheim, German Anthem Played.

Later another Finn asked the orchestra to play "Die Wacht am Rhein."

Everybody arose, the British and the American plainly desiring to avoid threatened violence, also arising.

Another Finnish officer, continues the correspondent, swaggered up to the table and said: "It is our principle not to sit in the same room with Englishmen."

The American replied that he was an American, not an Englishman, but the Finn responded: "It is all the same. You have just two minutes to get out of the house."

The visitors, who had finished their meal, left the room, accompanied by insults from the Finnish officers.

American and Swedish who have been in Finland recently declare the incident given is typical of the existing feeling among the great majority of the Finns with whom they came in contact.

**TWO TORONTO FIRMS GIVEN PERMISSION TO MAKE OLEOMARGARINE**

Ottawa, April 4.—It was stated in the Commons yesterday afternoon in reply to a question that fifteen firms had asked for licenses to manufacture oleomargarine. Only two, the Harris Abattoir Company, Ltd., and the Swift Canadian Company, both of Toronto, had been granted such licenses.

The licenses were not limited, the only condition being that the firms obtaining them should conform with the law.

**300 RUBLES A MONTH FOR THE ROMANOFFS**

Petrograd, April 3, via London, April 4.—(By the Associated Press.)—Several members of the former Imperial Russian family now at Tobolsk are ill and the Red Cross has petitioned the Bolshevik Government to allow the family of Nicholas Romanoff the ordinary ration instead of that allotted to soldiers. It has been decided to give the Romanoff family an allowance of 300 rubles a month.

M. Tchitcherine, the Bolshevik Minister has refused to recognize M. Tchitcherine, the Bolshevik Foreign Minister, has refused to recognize M. Lyednitzy, who has arrived at Moscow, as Polish Ambassador.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS GENEROUSLY ASSISTS CANADIAN RED CROSS**

Washington, April 4.—The American Red Cross to-day authorized a gift of half a million dollars to the Canadian Red Cross for war relief work.

**ENEMY TRIES AGAIN SOUTH OF SOMME**

Early This Morning Germans Started Attacks Against Allied Forces

**MOVED FORWARD AT POINTS ON HAIG'S LINE**

London, April 4.—South of the river Somme the Germans launched heavy attacks early this morning against the British and French forces, says a report issued this evening by the War Office here. On the British front the enemy made progress in the direction of Hamel and the Bois de Vaire.

**German Statement.**

Berlin, April 4.—Four times yesterday Entente forces vainly endeavored to recapture the heights wrested from them southwest of Moreuil, says a statement issued to-day by the War Office here. The attacks, it is added, broke down with heavy losses.

**LAND RESERVED FOR RETURNED SOLDIERS**

Dominion Government Makes Provision in Prairie Provinces and B. C.

Ottawa, April 4.—An Order-in-Council making reservations of Dominion lands for returned soldiers under the Soldiers' Settlement Act has been approved by the Cabinet pursuant to the recommendation of Hon. Mr. Meighen, Minister of the Interior. It is of interest to all returned soldiers throughout the Dominion who desire to go on the land.

It is provided that all vacant and available lands within approximately fifteen miles on either side of a railway in districts where there are sufficient available lands to warrant reservation, shall be reserved for the purposes of the Soldiers' Settlement Act. This applies to the lines of railway in Northern Alberta, where are situated the bulk of the best remaining homestead lands. A line is drawn along the township lines approximately fifteen miles from the railways on each side, making a belt thirty miles in width within which all remaining vacant lands are held for returned soldiers. The reservation is effective against all applicants for entry on Dominion lands except returned soldiers, who have their ordinary homestead rights, and except as to existing rights prior to the reservation. A returned soldier who has not exhausted his homestead right in the reserved area as if the reservation had not been made, Soldier entries under the Soldiers' Settlement Act will be allowed as soon as the regulations under that Act have been completed and passed by the Cabinet.

**Individual Reservations.**

Elsewhere throughout Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba no continuous areas or belts of land are reserved, as there are no considerable tracts of vacant land contiguous to railways suitable for homestead purposes, although there is good land, somewhat removed from the existing lines, but individual reservations of blocks, parcels or quarter-sections of land anywhere throughout the settled portions of the prairie provinces adjacent to the railways are provided for wherever they can be located. All entries (throughout the Western provinces which in the past few months have been cancelled or abandoned as homesteads or cancelled grazing leases or lands coming out of reserve, except where rights had been previously acquired, have been reserved for selection by the Soldiers' Settlement Board, and this process will be continued.

In B. C. Also.

It is further provided that along any of the railway lines throughout Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and the railway belt of British Columbia where lands are held and the duties are not being performed in accordance with the regulations, action is to be taken to have the entries of all such defaulters considered as being subject to cancellation proceedings for the benefit of the Soldiers' Settlement Act. Special inspection will be made of all entries thought to be in default if there is no prior claim against the land. The land, if cancelled, may be reserved under the Soldiers' Settlement Act.

Any returned soldier who produces a letter from the Soldiers' Settlement Board certifying to his right under the Act to entry is given the privilege of applying for the cancellation of any existing entry in default with a view, if cancelled, to re-entry by himself under soldierly entry.

Any returned soldier having his right under the Soldiers' Settlement Act will have the privilege of applying for a quarter-section of any vacant and available Dominion lands whether it be in a reserved area or not.

**DECISION MUST BE MADE BY ARMIES**

London Daily Mail Says Czernin's Speech is Bluff; Other Comments

London, April 4.—Count Czernin, in spite of the marked change toward the bellicose in his latest speech, still speaks in softer accents than ever have been heard from Berlin, the morning newspapers here say in their comment on the Austro-German Foreign Minister's address to the Vienna Municipal Council last Tuesday.

The Daily Mail characterizes the speech as "Austrian bluff" and says that Count Czernin's assertion that the blockade of Germany is broken in the East will not fill the hungry stomachs of the Germans and Austrians. It adds that the issue must be decided by iron and blood in the battle that is now being waged.

The Daily Telegraph thinks that coming at the moment it does, the speech will demand but a small share of the attention which it would have received three weeks ago. It says that some of Count Czernin's statements and professions require and doubtless will soon receive notice from Entente statesmen.

**Peace Offensive.**

The speech, The Morning Post says, may be regarded as the customary peace offensive ensuing upon the temporary defeat of a war offensive of the Central Powers. It declares that it is addressed particularly to the President of the United States and seems designed to impress President Wilson with the idea that the recent attack was forced upon the Central Powers by the refusal of the Allies to discuss terms of peace. The Post concludes: "Count Czernin apparently is making another attempt to detach the United States from the Allies, possibly with a view to saving Bulgaria and Turkey from a declaration of war by the United States. Judging by reports received of the Austrian Minister's overtures, we can not but regard them as rather clumsily conceived."

**Real Root.**

The Austrian Foreign Minister, says The Daily News, discriminates between the pacific character of his own imperial master and of another imperial master, "and in so doing has touched the real root of this devastating struggle."

The paper urges Count Czernin to preach his gospel in favor of a new world organization based on disarmament in Berlin. It adds that before the world which President Wilson envisages can be inaugurated there must be a change of heart in Berlin.

**VANCOUVER COUNCIL CUTS STRENGTH OF FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Vancouver, April 4.—Despite the numerous protests which have been made to the City Council from the districts affected, and directly against the earnest advice of Fire Chief Carlisle, the City Council yesterday afternoon closed, and the authorized strength of the department also was ordered cut from 174 to 155 men of all ranks. Before this step was definitely taken Fire Chief Carlisle warned the aldermen that the closing of the two fire halls and the drastic reduction in the staff of the department would greatly impair the fire fighting efficiency of the department. Mayor Gale also warned the aldermen that in ordering these changes in the face of repeated warnings and protests from both Fire Chief Carlisle and Deputy Chief Thompson they must assume the responsibility for any serious fire which might ensue with the department unable to cope with it.

**BELGIAN GOVERNMENT HONORS PERSHING AND U. S. MILITARY ATTACHE**

Washington, April 4.—General Pershing has been awarded the Grand Cross of the Belgian Order of Leopold, according to a dispatch to the Belgian legation here to-day from Havre. The decoration was presented to General Pershing by King Albert in person. At the same time the King presented to Colonel Boyd, the American military attache, the cross of an Officer of the Order of Leopold. Both officers also were given the Belgian War Cross.

**NICARAGUA CLOSING DOWN ON GERMAN PROPAGANDA WORKERS**

Managua, Nicaragua, April 4.—Pro-German propaganda against the United States and other Allied countries has become so marked in Nicaragua that President Chamorro has issued a decree prohibiting such activity. All offenders will be banished to the Island of Solentname, in Lake Nicaragua. The President also has ordered that all firms on the American blacklist be denied the use of the national telegraph and telephone lines.

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Do, pref.	60	60
Bell Telephone	120	120
Brazilian Traction	251	251
Can. Cement, com.	60	60
Do, pref.	24 1/2	24 1/2
Can. Car. Ely, com.	65	65
Do, pref.	20 1/2	20 1/2
Can. Gen. Elec.	102 1/2	102 1/2
Civic Inv. & Ind.	74	74
Cons. M. & S.	25	25
Dom. I. & S.	61 1/2	61 1/2
Dom. Textile	83 1/2	83 1/2
Lake of Woods Milling	135	135
Laurentide Co.	123	123
Maple Leaf Milling	97	97
Mackay Co.	75 1/2	75 1/2
N. S. Steel, com.	100	100
Do, pref.	15 1/2	15 1/2
Ogilvie Milling Co.	74	74
Peninsular, Ltd.	74	74
Quebec Railway	15	15
Shawinigan	111	111
Spanish River Pulp	13 1/2	13 1/2
Do, pref.	50	50
Steel of Can.	89 1/2	89 1/2
Toronto Ry.	80	80
Winnipeg Elec.	48	48
Dom. War Loan (old)	92 1/2	92 1/2
Do, 1921	92 1/2	92 1/2
Do, 1922	92 1/2	92 1/2

**NEW YORK STOCKS**  
**STILL INACTIVE**

Shipping Shares Strong To-day; Central Leather Was Well Taken

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

New York, April 4.—A fair demand developed on the stock market here to-day for some specialties, including shipping shares, Central Leather and Mexican Petroleum. The decreased submarine sinkings and the fact that the Allies are well satisfied with the present status of the military situation caused some cheer.

The Liberty Loan campaign will begin soon and an effort may be made to promote a cheerful feeling in order to facilitate the placing of the bonds. Quite likely such action will have a good effect on stock market sentiment.

**High Low Last**

Am. Best Sugar ..... 75 1/2 75 1/2 75 1/2  
Am. Sugar Refining ..... 102 1/2 102 1/2 102 1/2  
Am. Can. Co., com. .... 42 1/2 41 1/2 41 1/2  
Am. Car. Ely, com. .... 65 65 65  
Am. Cotton Oil ..... 33 33 33  
Am. Locomotive ..... 62 62 62  
Am. Smelt. & Ref. .... 74 74 74  
Am. T. & T. .... 101 101 101  
Am. Wool, com. .... 51 51 51  
Am. Steel Foundry ..... 63 63 63  
Anaconda Mining ..... 52 52 52  
Atchafalaya ..... 83 83 83  
Atlantic Gulf ..... 110 110 109 1/2  
Baldwin Loco. .... 70 70 70  
Baltimore & Ohio ..... 52 52 52  
Bethlehem Steel ..... 78 78 78  
Butte Sul. Mining ..... 19 19 19  
Brooklyn Transit ..... 41 41 41  
Canadian Pacific ..... 130 130 130  
Central Leather ..... 68 68 68  
Crescent Steel ..... 68 68 68  
Chesapeake & Ohio ..... 56 56 56  
Chico, Mil. & St. P. .... 41 41 41  
Chico, R. I. & Pac. .... 15 15 15  
Cons. Gas, Ind. & Harb. .... 27 27 27  
Chino Copper ..... 41 41 41  
Chile Copper ..... 15 15 15  
Corn Products ..... 37 37 37  
Distillers Sec. .... 40 40 40  
Erie, lat. pref. .... 27 27 27  
Gen. Electric ..... 130 130 129  
Gt. Nor. Ore ..... 27 27 27  
Gt. Northern, pref. .... 84 84 84  
Inspiration Cons. .... 52 52 52  
Int'l Nickel ..... 28 28 28  
Int'l Mer. Marine ..... 20 20 20  
Do, pref. .... 30 30 30  
Kennecott Copper ..... 31 31 31  
Kan. City Southern ..... 52 52 52  
Lack Steel ..... 77 77 77  
Louisville & N. .... 114 114 114  
Midvale Steel ..... 45 45 45  
Mex. Petroleum ..... 94 94 94  
Missouri Pacific ..... 21 21 21  
Mo., Kas. & Texas ..... 48 48 48  
National Lead ..... 61 61 61  
N. Y. N. H. & Harb. .... 29 29 29  
New York Central ..... 69 69 69  
Norfolk & Western ..... 105 105 105  
Northern Pacific ..... 84 84 84  
Nevada Cons. Copper ..... 15 15 15  
Pennsylvania R. .... 54 54 54  
Pressed Steel Car ..... 60 60 60  
Reading ..... 82 82 81 1/2  
Ry. Steel Spring ..... 52 52 52  
Ray Cons. Mining ..... 24 24 24  
Republic Steel ..... 78 78 78  
Southern Pacific ..... 85 85 85  
Southern Ry. com. .... 22 22 22  
Do, pref. .... 58 58 58  
Studebaker Corp. .... 41 41 41  
The Texas Company ..... 144 144 144  
Union Pacific ..... 120 120 119 1/2  
Utah Copper ..... 78 78 78  
U. S. Ind. Alcohol ..... 122 122 122  
U. S. Rubber ..... 41 41 41  
U. S. Steel, com. .... 90 90 90  
Do, pref. .... 109 109 109  
Virginia Chem. .... 42 42 42  
Western Union ..... 52 52 52  
Wabash R. R. Co. .... 41 41 41  
Wabash R. R. "A" ..... 41 41 41  
Willy's Overland ..... 17 17 17  
Westinghouse Elec. .... 40 40 40  
W. Fr. Loan ..... 91 91 91  
Gen. Motors ..... 121 121 120 1/2  
Tob. Prod. .... 53 53 53  
Un. Cr. Sto. .... 88 88 88  
Un. Cane Sgr. .... 26 26 26  
Ohio Gas ..... 27 27 27  
Stn. Oil ..... 27 27 27  
A. M. S. .... 98 98 98  
Lib. Loan ..... 90 90 90  
Do, is ..... 96 96 96

**TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET**

Winnipeg, April 4.—In the cash market to-day business was quiet, owing to small offerings. The demand for cash oats was good and the spreads, with the exception of No. 1 feed, which was 1 better, were unchanged. Cash barley was fair, with prices unchanged.

There was a good demand for cash flax and a fair number of sales were reported at May prices for No. 1 N. W. C. and five cents under for No. 2 C. W. C.

The future markets closed 1/2 lower for May and July oats. Barley closed unchanged. Flax closed unchanged for May and 1/2 higher for July.

The Winnipeg market opened one hour earlier this morning to enable traders here to be in line with the American markets which are open under the daylight saving time.

**Oats—Open High Low Last**

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### MAYOR TODD IS NOW WILLING TO GO HALF THE WAY

#### Private Bills Committee Gets Along With City's Relief Bill

The odd millions forming the bone of contention in the city's Relief Bill were again juggled before the Private Bills Committee this morning, although there was a more conciliatory atmosphere in evidence. Following another night's sleep on the matter Mayor Todd had arrived at the conclusion that he would split the difference between the City Council's view and his own. But despite the fact that the fiscal agents had insisted upon a forty-five million dollar minimum he was not ready to agree that the matter of assessment was vital as it had been "cracked up to be."

On the other hand the Mayor inclined to the appointment of an Independent Court of Revision, so act as a Board of Equalization, the personnel of which should be entirely independent of the Aldermanic Board. Rather did the Mayor prefer that the members of such a Board be selected by a Judge of the Supreme or County Court, while eligibility to sit thereon would naturally be determined by the system adopted for its operation.

Wanting Speed.

Alderman Andros, as one of the City Council, the whole of whose members hold different views to those of His Worship, was not sure as to whether he possessed authority to say that a compromise would be acceptable to his fellow-councillors. Personally, however, he would do anything reasonable in order that some speed might be put behind the Bill. But if the Private Bills Committee insisted upon a complete Council endorsement then he was helpless from the point of view of the unalarming aldermanic stand on the matter.

John Dean still persisted in the need of referring the question to a referendum, and again advanced the view that there should be general reduction, general discount and above all a general extension of time for the payment of tax arrears.

ment was all very well but why advocate it at a time when the city was "at its lowest ebb." C. T. Cross was averse to seeing the assessed value drop, since the value of public improvements amounted to twenty-one millions alone—practically half the whole assessment. One gentleman present, however, could not bring himself to value them at twenty-one millions—about twelve was actual value and the rest inflated extravagance, he opined.

Before adjourning it was decided that the Private Bills Committee should discuss the matter and decide as to whether there should be a new assessment or an arbitrary figure. That decision would be reported to the Legislature. The general balance of opinion was concurrence in the Mayor's idea of splitting the difference for the fixed amount as between forty and forty-one millions and forty-four and forty-five millions.

Made Progress.

Several clauses of the Bill were passed and F. J. Stacpoole, K. C., representing the B. C. Electric, dealt with that section applying to the taxation of the Company's lines and mains. It was decided in this connection for the city representative and the representative of the Company to get together and strike an arrangement for submission to the Private Bills Committee.

### WILL HOLD PUBLIC MEMORIAL SERVICE

#### For Late Dr. O. M. Jones, at Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday

The authorities of Christ Church Cathedral have, by request of the many friends and patients of the late Dr. O. M. Jones, arranged for a public memorial service to be held in the Cathedral on Sunday afternoon at 2.

Seats will be reserved for returned soldiers, members of the Graduate Nurses' Association and members of the Victoria Medical Society. Members of the above associations should notify their respective presidents of their intentions to be present, and are requested to be in their seats by five minutes to three o'clock.

### COURT OF REVISION

#### No Business Done To-day on Account of Pending Legislation Before House

Mayor Todd, Aldermen Andros and Harvey attended as members of the Court of Revision on the Assessment Roll this morning, the other members not being in evidence, owing to the anticipation that the proceedings would be purely formal.

This applied also to the appellants, four or five attending, and the Court only sat a few minutes.

In view of the proposed legislation embodied in the Private Bill affecting assessment, which is now being argued before the Private Bills Committee, the Mayor stated that it would be impossible to go ahead, and the Court would adjourn for one month.

There are fifty-four appeals pending to this court, which will be taken up after the legislation is settled. The Court formally adjourned until May 2.

### "It Freed Me of Headaches"

#### This is What Many Thousands of People Write About Dr. Chase's Nerve Food—Not Mere Relief, But Lasting Cure.

Chauvin, Alta., March 21.—When the human system gets run down, the blood thin and the nerves exhausted, one of the most constant and distressing symptoms is headache. There is always a temptation to use strong drugs to ease the pain, but such relief is only temporary, and is obtained at enormous expense to the nervous system, and the headaches return with increased violence.

Real cure is only obtained when the vigor of the nervous system is restored by such treatment as Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

Mr. Rene Page, Chauvin, Alta., writes:

"I have used Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, with splendid results. Some little time ago I seemed to lose my appetite, and suffered from frequent headaches. A treatment of the Nerve Food soon put me on my feet again. It helped my appetite, freed me from headaches, and restored my health. I feel like a new man now, and think Dr. Chase's Nerve Food the greatest remedy ever known. I also have to thank Dr. Chase's Ointment for a speedy cure of barber's itch. I have used it for pimples and burns, too."

Certified to by Leger E. Roy, J. P., Chauvin, Alta.

Mrs. C. H. Christoffer, Greenbrier, Sask., writes:

"It is a pleasure to me to write you in praise of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. I suffered for over twenty years from rheumatism, neuralgia, violent headaches and palpitation of the heart. My back ached, I could not sleep, and was always tired and nervous. I had taken a great many medicines of one kind and another, but never got anything to help me until I used Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. This did me more good than all the medicines I ever took, and I cannot say enough in praise of it."

This letter is endorsed by Mr. J. C. Bleich, Postmaster at Greenbrier, Sask.

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, 50c a box, a full treatment of 6 boxes for \$2.75, at all dealers. Dr. Edmondson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto. Do not be talked into accepting a substitute. Imitations only disappoint.



### Hundreds of Satisfied Patients

have testified in conversation with friends to the comfort and lasting quality of the dental work done at this office. To you who have never before consulted a dentist about your teeth, this message should have a special interest. The experience of others should prompt you to come to this office and have your dental defects remedied. The first charge is the last charge here. When you leave this office and I tell you that your teeth are as sound as they can be made, you may look forward to years of comfort and freedom from dental worry and expense.

Come this week and let me examine your teeth and give you an estimate on your requirements.

Experienced Lady Assistants Always in Attendance

### Dr. Albert E. Clarke

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### MINING COMMITTEE HEARS TAX DISCUSSED

#### Government Asked to Appoint Special Committee; Surtax Proposed

Legislative Press Gallery, April 4.

Representatives of the larger mining companies met the select mining committee of the House this morning following up the conference of last evening, with the result that a resolution was passed asking the Government to appoint a special committee of the House to co-operate with a committee of mining men in an endeavor to bring in a solution of the mining taxation difficulty, along the lines of a tax upon net profits as outlined by J. W. Weart. It is the intention to have the proposition as presented printed and circulated throughout the mining districts of the Province in order that it may be fully considered by next session.

In the meantime, for this year, it was agreed that a substitution would be put into effect whereby the two per cent. royalty tax on ore would be retained and to it would be added a special tax not exceeding two per cent. additional on all properties where the output exceeded fifty thousand dollars per year according to smelter returns. The Resolution was presented to Hon. John Hart to-day and is receiving his consideration.

It will be noted that the committee recommendation does away with the ten per cent. income tax to which the miners had taken great exception.

The committee asked this morning that if the Government decided not to accept its suggestions for the retention of the two per cent. tax with a two per cent. surtax, that consideration be given to the proposals advanced by J. E. Sears last evening for further exemption from the ten per cent. income tax so as to make it virtually a net profit tax and to set it as alternative to the two per cent. royalty, levying whichever was the greater.

### HABEAS CORPUS ORDER

#### Further Application in Chambers as to John C. Morrison, of New Zealand.

W. C. Moresby this morning in chambers made an application before Mr. Justice Gregory for habeas corpus in connection with John C. Morrison, held in the city jail since his arrival here on the Niagara in connection with a charge by the New Zealand Government before the Fugitive Officers' Act. A similar application was made before Mr. Justice Morrison last week, and refused.

Mr. Moresby held that Morrison was under arrest at the time the Provincial warrant under the Fugitive Offenders' Act was issued, and, therefore, should have been given his freedom before the warrant was executed. Also, that the warrant did not disclose the information on which it was issued.

### TO DEMONSTRATE TRACTOR

#### Tests Will Be Made at Dean Farm Tomorrow and Saturday of Gasoline Tractor.

Demonstrations of a gasoline tractor will be made to-morrow and Saturday at the Dean farm, Mount Toller Road in order to show the possibilities of tractors on the Island. It has been introduced by the Vancouver Island Fruit Lands, Ltd., being a machine of the caterpillar type from Cleveland, Ohio.

Equipped with a twenty horsepower action on the belt, the tractor can haul ten to fifteen tons over a trail or road. Steering is accomplished by differential gear that accelerates the belt on one side and slows up the other, making it possible for the machine to turn practically in its own length. Of compact form, only eight feet long and four feet wide with a 62-inch height, the tractor takes less space than a horse, and it is stated has a turning radius that enables effective work around fruit trees.

It is claimed on behalf of the tractor that it is practicable to use on farms of 50 acres and up. The distributors are advising that the machines be bought on a co-operative basis by having two or three farmers club together and make a joint purchase. It has been proved that a tractor of this type will show what a saving can be realized through its operation. From eight to ten acres a day can be ploughed without any difficulty.

### WOUNDED IN SIDE

#### Corpl. Herbert Ahlers Now Being Treated in Hospital.

News has been received by his friends in the city to the effect that Corpl. Herbert Ahlers was admitted to No. 30 Casualty Clearing Station on March 13, suffering from wounds in the side. He was later sent to a base hospital for treatment.

Corpl. Ahlers left Victoria in February, 1916, with a draft for the Royal Canadian Regiment, and has spent his twenty-first and twenty-second birthdays in the trenches.

Again Remanded—Ernest A. Grau, who this morning in the City Police Court, was brought up on remand charged with an offence under the Military Service Act, was remanded for another week.

### BRILLIANT SOCIAL EVENT LAST NIGHT

#### Several Hundreds Attend French Red Cross Cabaret at Empress Hotel

Nearly three hundred guests, including many Vancouver visitors, attended the very successful cabaret given at the Empress Hotel last night under the auspices of the French Red Cross Society, and all unanimously agreed that it was the most enjoyable social event of the winter season. The beautiful ballroom presented a gay appearance with its whirling throng of prettily-gowned women, relieved by among whom were many representatives of local naval and military circles. The flags of the three great Allies—Britain, France and the United States, occupied the place of honor above the dais, upon which was stationed Professor Lou Turner's orchestra.

The dancing, which continued until the early hours, was interspersed with an attractive musical programme, which opened with the singing of "La Marseillaise" by Miss Denise Harris, who later contributed a French chanson, "Le Souvenir," both of which were sung delightfully. Miss Ora Pearson created much amusement by her recital of the adventures of a country couple at the theatre, her costume being particularly funny.

Mrs. Harry Briggs, who was in excellent voice, sang "The Voice of Home," and Mrs. D. B. McConnan's singing of "Mussetta's Waltz Song" was greeted with insistent demands for a double encore. Mrs. Harry Pooley delighted her audience with her number, "Somewhere in France," which was warmly scored, as was Miss Eva Hart's song from "The Mandarin," which she gave in Chinese costume. Thomas Kelway, the possessor of a particularly fine tenor voice, gave a splendid interpretation of "Che Gilda Naniha" (La Boheme), and his second number, "Farwell in the Desert" (Stephen Adams), was enthusiastically received.

J. J. Gibson accompanied the soloists at the piano in her usual brilliant and sympathetic fashion.

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### OLD-TIME RESIDENT DIES

#### Late Thomas Luscombe Had Lived in Victoria for Past Twenty Years.

Thomas Luscombe, a resident of the city for the past twenty years, passed away at his home, 1527 Amelia Street, yesterday morning at the age of seventy-seven years.

The late Mr. Luscombe was a native of Yatton, England, and came to Canada nearly sixty years ago. Prior to coming to Victoria he had spent twenty-three years in Montreal and thirteen years in Toronto.

He was a veteran of the Fenian Raid and a member of the St. George Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Montreal, and the Queen City Council of Royal Templars, of Toronto.

He leaves to mourn his loss, besides his widow, three sons and four daughters: William, of San Francisco, Cal.; V. T., of this city; Thomas G., of Iditarod, Alaska; Mrs. B. Hemmings, of Montreal; Miss Ann C. Luscombe, Mrs. C. R. Graham and Miss Grace Luscombe, all of this city.

The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2.30 from the residence, where the Rev. Dr. Campbell will conduct the service.

### IS INVALIDED HOME

#### Pte. H. Wilson Returns After Two Years' Service Overseas.

Pte. H. Wilson, who left Canada for overseas in 1916 with the 6th Battalion of Saskatchewan, has been invalided home. He reached Victoria yesterday afternoon.

Pte. Wilson was previously wounded through the battle of Vimy Ridge, where he was generally known by the officers and men of his battalion as "Happy." His wound was a broken leg. Last of this city, Mrs. Wilson is now in England.

### Dyspeptic Stomachs Need a Magnesia Bath

To Wash Out or Neutralize the Dangerous Stomach Acids Which Make Food Ferment and Sour and Cause Indigestion.

When your stomach hurts—is sour, sick, upset and gassy with indigestion, heartburn and dyspepsia, don't swallow pills. Drugs which only artificially digest your food and weaken the natural power of digestion. Keep your stomach clean and sweet like you keep your bowels clean by flushing it occasionally with a real internal purgative. The dangerous excess of acid in your stomach, sweetens the sour fermenting food contents—stop all the pain and discomfort of dyspepsia and make natural digestion easy. Physicians agree that fully nine-tenths of all digestive disorders and diseases are caused by the development in the stomach of "too much acid." This acid must be neutralized and removed. It isn't necessary to diet—you can eat what you want in reason, but get your stomach a few ounces of pure powdered magnesia and take a teaspoonful in a glass of water before each meal for a few days and your stomach will act and feel fine. There will be no sourness, no heartburn, no indigestion, no heavy feeling in the stomach, no headache, gripping stomach pains, dizziness or bad breath. Purely natural Magnesia will give your stomach just what it needs—a real internal bath to clean up or neutralize the poisonous acids which are souring and fermenting your food and irritating and inflaming your stomach.

Blurred Magnesia is the only form of magnesia you should use for this purpose. It is not expensive, is not a laxative and in the blured form will not injure the stomach. It comes only in powder form and tablets. Try it and forget your stomach troubles with Dyspepsia or Indigestion.

## Footwear That Commands Attention

### Stately, Elegant, Distinctive

There is nothing nicer than Edwin C. Burt White Washable Kid Boots, 9-inch top, full Louis heel, hand-turned sole. Price ..... \$15.00

Ladies' Real Dark Brown Kid Boot, on a combination last, in full assortment of widths, constructed with special flexible sole. The acme of perfection in fit and comfort. Price ..... \$12.50

Young Ladies' African Brown Kid Pump, medium low heel, single sole, made for street wear; comfortable and of good appearance. Price ..... \$6.00

Ladies' White Reinskin Pumps, with dress heel, turn sole, in all widths, so you can be sure of a perfect fit. Price only ..... \$5.00

Ladies' Patent Pump, hand-turned sole, medium heel; made for street wear; an excellent shoe at medium price ..... \$5.00

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### FOOD COMMITTEE ORGANIZES FOR WORK

#### Alderman Porter Is Chosen Chairman and W. H. Malikin as Vice-Chairman

The newly appointed British Columbia Committee of the Canada Food Board was organized to-day and is constituted as follows: Alderman R. J. Porter, Chairman, Victoria; W. H. Malikin, Vice-Chairman, Vancouver; A. D. Paterson, President of the B. C. Stockbreeders' Association, Ladner; Reeve T. W. Fletcher, of Point Grey; Commissioner Herbert Burbridge, of the Hudson's Bay Company, Vancouver; and Alderman George Sangster, Secretary of B. C. Agricultural Association, Victoria.

The ex officio members are Deputy Minister W. E. Scott, Deputy Minister of Labor J. D. McIlven, J. W. Gibson, Director of Elementary Agricultural Education, and Dean L. S. Klinek, of the University of British Columbia. J. H. Hill, secretary of the Returned Soldiers' Commission, is appointed Secretary.

The Chairman authorized a statement that the Committee had decided to get into communication with J. D. McGregor, of the Food Control Board, with regard to the relations of the Board, and executive powers to be exercised by the provincial committee.

### OBITUARY RECORD

The remains of the late Dr. O. M. Jones were shipped on this afternoon's boat to Vancouver, where cremation will take place a 11 o'clock to-morrow morning. The body was accompanied by the widow, Mrs. Oliver and Col. Jones, Archdeacon Pugh, of Lillooet, will officiate at the private service to be held at the crematorium to-morrow.

The death occurred this morning of Marjorie Winifred Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lefevre, 1546 Bank Street, at the age of two years and three months. The funeral will take place from the Sands Funeral Chapel on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. John Robson officiating.

### Funeral of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Crooks took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel. Many friends and relatives from both Victoria and Sidney attended and the many beautiful flowers testified to the high esteem in which she was held. The hymns sung at the service, at which the Rev. Mr. Letts officiated, were, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and "Rock of Ages." Miss D. Dorell sang "On the Resurrection Morn."

### Funeral of the late Mrs. Eleanor M. Gillespie took place yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel. Many old-time friends attended the service, which was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Clay. The pallbearers were: A. B. Fraser, F. Johnson, G. H. Robertson and A. M. Maclean.

### The funeral of Mrs. Gladys Norma Gwyer, five-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gwyer, of 1808 Chambers Street, took place yesterday at 2.45 o'clock from the above-mentioned residence. Rev. Wm. Stevenson officiated and interment was made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

Companies Registered.—One of the slackest weeks this year for the incorporation of companies is noted for the week ending at noon to-day. Only one new concern has been registered, that being the North West Supplies, Limited, private, with an authorized capital of \$30,000 and the registered office at Victoria. One outside company, incorporated in the Province of Ontario under the style of Standard Real Estate Mortgage Corporation, with a capital of \$5,000,000, is now licensed to do business in British Columbia; head office at Victoria.

### COMMISSION FORM OF CITY CONTROL

#### J. Z. White Gives Interesting Address Before Local Rotarians

John Z. White, who is touring America under the auspices of the Henry George Association, gave a brief but forceful impression of the commission form of government for cities, in an address delivered at the luncheon of the Rotary Club held in the Empress Hotel to-day. The dominant principle which Mr. White sought to impress upon his audience was that the adoption of the commission form of government meant the application of business methods to the administration of the city's affairs. In the speaker's mind there were three outstanding powers given to the municipal electorate under this particular form; power to have done what should be done; to stop what should not be tolerated; and to dismiss commissioners who failed in the fulfillment of their trust.

Business Methods.

The commission form of government simply meant that the principles applied daily in private business were to be the methods of public administration. That this should be so was a logical thought since it was generally conceded, in the opinion of the speaker, that private enterprise was usually well administered while the public affairs suffered proportionately. That such a condition existed was traceable to a lack of control and responsibility. The business man employed an agent, giving him the authority necessary for the performance of his work. At the same time that agent was personally responsible to his employer. He was directly under the control of the employer. Under the present form of administration it was necessary to wait patiently the expiration of the term for which the official was elected. It was the purpose of the commission government to gain the power to elect a man out of office as well as into office.

Personal Responsibility.

In the speaker's opinion the critical financial position of many municipalities was due to management by irresponsible agents. In private business the agent or employee was directly responsible; there were no committees of investigation. The element of personal responsibility was absolutely essential.

In the election of the commissioners, Mr. White said they should be chosen by the city at large. It was then required that all their executive orders should be decided upon in public. These have been passed, each commissioner as the head of a department, was the responsible man in respect to its administration. The system further demanded a uniform method of accounting, and all accounts were held subject to investigation by the public.

The commission government demanded complete publicity. It was further to be noted that if the commissioners failed to perform what was deemed advisable the citizens by petition might vote upon the matter and decide what course should be pursued, independent of the commissioners. The petition might also be used to prevent the administration from acting contrary to the public desire, or to dismiss the officials for failure in their office.

In conclusion, Mr. White cited instances of cities in the United States which he said had profited to a remarkable extent as a result of the commission form of government.

### Temporary Arrangement Made.

#### Mayor Todd announced this morning that satisfactory arrangements had been made with the Bank to finance the city pending the settlement of the question with regard to the suspended officials.

### Committed for Trial.—The preliminary hearing of the charge against Rose Churton, of stealing \$176 from the person of C. W. Minor was completed in the Police Court to-day. The information against John Moss was dismissed. The defence was reserved.

### LOCAL NEWS

Win-the-War League.—There will be a meeting of the Win-the-War League at 8 o'clock in the Belmont House to-morrow night.

Call of Fire.—The Fire Department was called this morning to 788 Hillside Avenue, to a roof fire at premises owned by C. Hawkins.

Songhees Park.—Mayor Todd will speak on the Reserve question in its relation to the park or playground grant, at Victoria West School this evening.

Red Cross Rummage Sale.—The Fairfield branch of the Red Cross Society will hold a rummage sale on Saturday in the Royal Dairy building, Douglas Street near the City Hall.

Send your money where you make it. This label on your printing is a sure sign that your work has been done in Victoria. Ask for this label.

Sent to Hospital.—Last evening medical attention was required for Tom McMillan, 712 Johnson Street, who had injured his throat in a fall down stairs. Dr. Lennox attended him and sent the man to the Jubilee Hospital for treatment.

Stole Thermos Flask.—Tim, a rag collecting Chinaman, who yesterday stole a Thermos flask belonging to a city workman named Thomas Duncan, while the latter was engaged in street cleaning, was sent down for a month in the City Police Court to-day.

Information to Be Amended.—Magistrate Jay this morning fixed to-morrow afternoon for the hearing of a charge alleging an act of gross indecency at James Island. It was found necessary to amend the information and the case was not proceeded with to-day.

Let Off With Caution.—Harry Carver was allowed off, with a caution, in the City Police Court to-day for riding a bicycle without a lamp. Although only sixteen, according to Mounted Constable Allen, the boy abused him considerably when spoken to on the matter, the offence being aggravated by the fact that he was off the wrong side of the street. The explanation given was that accused and his brother were delayed at the Gorge and had not a light to come in with.

### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

BORN

DAVEY—April 4, at St. Joseph's Hospital, to Mrs. and Mrs. J. Davey, 70 Catherine Street, a son.

DIED

LUSCOMBE—On April 3, 1918, at the family residence, Amelia Street, Thomas Luscombe, a native of Yatton, England, aged 77 years.

ATKINS—At Streatham, England, on March 17, Elizabeth Atkins, aged 85, the elder daughter of the late Dr. William Atkins, Dean of Exeter, G. C. Westford, Ireland.

MANNIX—On March 31, at her son's residence in Calgary, Mrs. Frances Mannix, beloved wife of Mr. G. C. Mannix, of 278 Douglas Street. The deceased was 93 years of age, born in Stonewall, Manitoba, and a resident of this city for the past fourteen years. She leaves to mourn her loss, besides her husband, two sons in Calgary, one daughter in Manitoba, also one daughter and son in this city.

The funeral will take place Friday, the 5th inst., at 2 o'clock, from the Sands Funeral Chapel, Rev. Dr. Leslie Clay will officiate. Interment at Ross Bay Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation. (Manitoba and Toronto papers please copy.)

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Mrs. Le Clercq wish to thank their many friends for kindness and sympathy shown to them in their hour of sad bereavement.

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**APPEAL COURT JUDGMENTS**  
Judgment in Action of Francis vs. Wilkerson, Appeal is Disallowed.  
Among the judgments handed down by the judges of the Appeal Court now sitting at Vancouver is that in the Victoria action of Francis vs. Wilkerson, in which the appeal is disallowed; the Alberni Lumber Co. vs. Registrar-General, allowed; North Pacific Lumber Co. vs. Sayward, disallowed; and Westholme Lumber Co. vs. G. T. P. disallowed.

**C. A. M. C. Nursing Sisters.**—Nursing Sister M. A. G. Starrett is detailed for duty with the Victoria Military Hospital, and Nursing Sisters C. H. Johnstone and C. M. Hodgson are also mobilized for duty.

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**DELEGATES' PLANS ARE SHAPING WELL**

Iron and Steel Delegates Interview Minister at Ottawa

The secretary of the Central Iron and Steel Committee has received a statement from the delegates, R. R. Neild and J. F. Bledsoe, now in Ottawa, reporting on the progress made already in respect to preparing the case of British Columbia for aid from the Federal authorities to the end that the iron and steel industry may be put on a working basis in the Province. Both Messrs. Neild and Bledsoe have been in Ottawa for some weeks and the letter received by the secretary of the central committee bears evidence to the fact that conditions are shaping favorably for the representative delegation that will proceed from the Province about April 13.

Both delegates since reaching the Federal capital have been actively engaged in preparation for the arrival of the delegation representing both Island and Mainland centres. They have already been fortunate in being favored by an interview with the Hon. Martin Burrell. The delegates laid the full subject before the Minister explaining the significance of development of the iron resources at the present time when war conditions are making such demands upon the nation's mineral wealth. They further entered a statement in respect to the necessity of the Province receiving assistance from the Federal authorities to the end that development might be encouraged.

Cordial Reception.  
The Minister was most cordial in his reception of the delegates and listened with interest to their statement of the case assuring them that the whole subject would receive his careful consideration and that of the cabinet.

Dr. Toimie and J. C. Mcintosh, Federal members for the riding of Victoria and Nanaimo, also received the representatives of the Iron and Steel Committee and, according to the report, are advising them as to the obstacles which must be overcome before favorable action on the part of the Government can be expected. On this phase of the question Messrs. Neild and Bledsoe are now working and will have their full case prepared to confer with the whole western delegation when that body reaches the Dominion capital.

**SERVICE RESUMING**

Premier Oliver was notified this morning that the P. G. E. train leaving Squamish Wednesday reached Lillooet the same day. Reports indicate to the Premier that by Monday the regular schedule will be re-established between Squamish and Clinton, and daily train service resumed, effecting a big relief to districts along the line which for weeks have been without adequate service.

**Auction Sale**  
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Motor Car

Under and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain Indenture of Chattel Mortgage, dated the 4th day of January, 1918, and made between Thomas W. Howarth, of the one part, and Harry Amphlett, of the other part, I have seized and taken possession of 1 Hudson 5-passenger car, 33 h. p. and will offer the same for sale at public auction, in front of Sheriff's Office, Bastion Street, Victoria, on Friday morning, April 5, 1918, at 10.30 a. m. Terms of sale, cash. The automobile can be seen at the Shell Garage, No. 835 View Street.

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**CANNOT OBTAIN MILL FEED FROM PRAIRIES**

Stockmen Find Exceptional Shortage of Bran and Shorts is Handicap

A serious shortage of mill feed for stock exists in the city, and there is no immediate prospect of any change in the situation. It comes at a particularly unfortunate time when the public is urged to raise stock to increase production.

Inquiries yesterday showed that one firm had orders placed in December and even earlier which had not been filled because the millers were unable to give the necessary supplies. It was stated that the situation is not peculiar to Vancouver Island, but that the feed houses on the Lower Mainland are just as short of supplies.

Conditions of Rise.  
The high price of oats and barley, coarse grains usually kept by the western farmer for feed, led to them being marketed at abnormal prices, oats having gone to a dollar a bushel not long ago on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange. Accelerating that condition is the fact that the supply of mill feed has been drawn upon for consumption of stock greatly in excess of normal production.

Some figures recently submitted by the Millers' Committee to Canadian millers show that with the production of flour under present conditions it is utterly impossible to keep up a proper supply of shorts for hogs and bran for cattle, and that dependence on mill feeds is not to be considered seriously. While the millers express a willingness to make the bran and shorts go round as far as possible, arguments are advanced which show that it is impossible to distribute in carload lots, and that if this course were adopted, it would be years before some of the farmers or associations would get a carload. It is clear that mill officials can furnish only a small proportion of the feed required in Canada, and that very many orders for straight carloads cannot possibly be filled.

Adhering to Price.  
"The inevitable has happened in Northwesters' Miller's." "There is a famine in mill feed since the Food Controller fixed the price of bran and shorts. Every kind of feed has been soaring far above mill feed in price and farmers have sold that which was dear, to buy that which was cheap. No conceivable output of Canadian mills could stand such a strain. It is understood the Food Controller is adhering to his price, but is allowing mills to add the difference of the new railway rates."

**COMPOSES HYMN**

Major Henry Guise, Formerly of Victoria, Dedicates "Resurgam" to a British Charity.

Victorians who knew Major Henry Guise, when he resided in this city some years ago, will be interested to hear that he has recently composed the words and music of a very beautiful hymn, "Resurgam." The first verse reads:

"God of our nation, hear,  
Listen to this prayer,  
Like incense on the air,  
Rising to Heaven,  
Though we have greatly grieved,  
In thought, and word and deed,  
In Jesus' name we plead,  
To be forgiven."

Major Guise now resides at the Royal Society Club, St. James Street, and he has dedicated the composition to the Children's Special Service Mission, Warwick Lane, B. C., who will be the beneficiaries of the sale of copies of the hymn.

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—Staples, in Basement

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- The Shelburne Glove, in shades of tan, brown, green, grey, champagne, navy, white and black. Also black with heavy white points; pique sewn seams and two dome fasteners at wrist. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7 1/2. Price, pair ..... \$2.25
- Glace Kid Gloves in Fownes' Make—Colors black, white, tans, browns and greys; also white with heavy black points and two dome fasteners at wrist; all sizes. Price ..... \$1.50
- The Navarre Glove, made of beautiful French kid. Black and white with fancy black and white embroidered backs; two dome fasteners at wrist. Sizes 6 to 7. Price ..... \$3.00
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**Women's New Spring Hosiery**

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- Silk Boot Hose and Silk Lisle Hose, in colors all- over, gunmetal, white and black. Price, pair, 50¢
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- Silk Lisle Hose, made with hem top, double heels and toes; white and black. Price, pair, ..... 50¢
- Fine Silk Lisle Hose, made with deep ribbed top, extra spliced heel and toe; colors white and black; sizes 9 1/2 to 10. Price, pair ..... 85¢  
—Hosiery, Main Floor