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## GERMANS NOW LOSING THEIR BEST MEN AT AN APPALLING RATE

### As Result of Blows by Allies in West Their Losses Are Amounting to a Staggering Figure; Pitting Flesh and Blood Against Allies' Artillery

London, May 7.—Prisoners are being taken by the British at Bullecourt, Reuter's correspondent at the front telegraphs in his account of the heavy fighting in progress to-day. Already, seventy Germans have been sent back to the cages.

"Elsewhere along the line there is little news of importance," the correspondent adds, "but the British guns through daylight and darkness continue to pound the German positions. These positions being only improvised and very different in defensive qualities from the old permanent front out of which the British have driven the Germans, the enemy's losses are steadily mounting to an appalling total."

"It is satisfactory to know, furthermore, that these losses are being inflicted upon the best troops now left to the enemy, for he is throwing in his most war-worthy divisions in his desperate effort to arrest the British offensive."

"Among the prisoners taken from the divisions in the earlier stages of the present fighting, fifty per cent. were boys of 19. Their morale was very poor, which is attributed to the fact that they have a clearer conception of conditions in Germany than their older comrades and realize the hopelessness of the struggle."

**His Plans Upset.**  
With the British Army in France, May 6.—Via London, May 7.—(From a Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press.)—While the fighting for the last fortnight has wrought comparatively little change geographically along the British front, it has, as a matter of fact, been of almost as great importance as any other fighting during the entire war. It has compelled the Germans to throw in such vast numbers of their reserves that comparatively few of the fifty or more fresh divisions assigned to the western front this year by Field-Marshal von Hindenburg remain unscorched by the flames of the French and British offensive battles. In view of this it is small wonder that the press reports from Petrograd assert that German divisions have been withdrawn from the Russian front and started for France.

There is no denying that since the British offensive took them by surprise on Easter Monday and drove them from some of their most formidable positions, the Germans have fought with great tenacity and stubbornness, but at what cost they alone can correctly reckon. They have endeavored to meet the Entente forces superiority in artillery by sheer weight of men, which has meant a deepening of their fortified zone. Thus, when one line of men has been swept away there is another and yet another. How long such tactics can continue, how long the German soldiers can endure the withering blast of artillery which is ever upon them, is purely a matter of conjecture.

**Barriers of Dead.**  
German military writers have been referring of late to the Hindenburg line as a living, movable wall, which by means of its various switch lines, can bend backward and forward as if moving on so many hinges. Now, however, the men of the living wall are fighting behind great barriers of their dead.

The Germans, in fact, seem to be carrying out their defensive battles with the same unshakable belief in the power of mass formation that characterized their first onslaughts upon forts on the Belgian frontier and later their futile offensive against Verdun.

The British assaulting lines in the recent fighting, thanks to the overwhelming weight of the artillery behind them, have been nothing like the strength of the German defending troops. Similarly, the Germans have delivered their counter-attacks with forces often outnumbering threefold the British holding the positions upon which the attacks were directed. The Germans had to make these counter-attacks across the open, under the very eyes of the British field guns, and the losses entailed have been visibly enormous.

**Wonderful Shooting.**  
It is not possible to visit a battery in the Arras section without hearing of the wonderful shooting they have had of late. There has been nothing like it since the war began, so far as the British are concerned, and the khaki-clad gunners feel that they are paying off many old scores of the early days when the German artillery dominated and there was not a single high caliber British cannon on the continent.

The co-operation of the aeroplanes and artillery in smashing the counter-attacks has been little short of marvelous. The flying machines have quickly discovered the assembling

of troops and have sent minute details by wireless back to the batteries, with the result that the guns were trained and ready the moment the gray-clad hordes issued from protecting trees of a village, simply smothering them under high explosives and sheets of leaden shrapnel rain.

**An Idea of Losses.**  
When it is recalled that, as at Gavrelle, there have been nearly a score of unsuccessful German counter-attacks, some idea of the German losses can be had. Since the dead left behind tell the tale, great efforts have been made lately by the Germans to clear the battlefields of their dead wherever it is possible to do so.

More recently orders have been captured on the subject, together with one urgent appeal from a company commander that "at least two big wagons be sent immediately to carry away our dead."

It is one of the paradoxes of modern fighting that fixed positions have actually yielded more rapidly to direct attack and have been more easily defended against counter-attacks than the semi-open warfare shelters dug here and there in new ground. For instance, since Thursday last, the Germans have been throwing great masses against the Australian forces in an endeavor to retake the sections of the Hindenburg line east of Bullecourt captured on May 3, representing a distinct salient. The Germans have been killed by artillery, and at night have been driven off with bombardments and bayonets.

**Australians and Canadians.**  
The bite into the Hindenburg line by the Australian forces has meant the almost complete obliteration of a section of this strong position which formerly ran from Arras to Queant. The capture of Vimy Ridge by the Canadian forces on April 9 left the Arras-Queant position "in the air," and the turning of the top of that line next day beyond Neuville-Vitasse led the Germans to begin the immediate preparation of the so-called Drocourt-Queant switch as the new northern extension of the Hindenburg line.

With the Australian troops east of Bullecourt threatening the important Queant junctions, the Germans naturally are fighting with the utmost determination to offset the latest advance, and again their losses have been admittedly large.

The British are in touch with the Hindenburg line all the way from Queant south to St. Quentin and are steadily pressing the Germans toward the Drocourt switch in the north. The Germans apparently are determined not to retire until they are forced to do so. Thus it can be seen that offensive operations in which great losses are inflicted are often of more importance than a gain of ground not strongly defended.

**For Next Step.**  
Paris, May 7.—As usual after a big effort, yesterday was devoted by the French forces to clearing up the losses of yesterday's operations, reducing the isolated rocks of resistance over which the tide of assault washed without submerging them and, at the same time, consolidating the ground won and withstanding the fresh reserves which the enemy is squandering in fruitless counter-attacks, and preparing for the next step toward the ultimate goal, which is Laon.

## AMERICAN ADMIRAL PRESENT AT ENTENTE CONFERENCE IN PARIS

Paris, May 7.—Rear-Admiral William I. Sims, of the United States navy, represented the United States at an important war conference of the Allies held in Paris during the last few days, at which Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, commander of the British forces in France, and other leaders were present.

## BELIEVED HUGHES WINS IN AUSTRALIA

Indications Are His New Party Will Control Both Houses

## LABOR MAJORITIES GREATLY REDUCED

London, May 7.—A Melbourne dispatch says that it seems certain that the Australian elections will give the Nationalists control of both Houses of Parliament. The party's Senate candidates are leading strongly everywhere except in Queensland. The majorities in the Labor strongholds are enormously reduced.

Australia has been the scene of a bitter political war since last November, when the Administration's constitution bill was defeated at the polls. Rt. Hon. William Morris Hughes, the Prime Minister, was deposed from the leadership of the Federal Labor party and formed a new Labor party with the announced intention of continuing the fight for conscription. The "disension" in his ranks caused the Prime Minister to resign on February 19, but on the request of the Governor-General he immediately formed a new coalition cabinet. The acuteness of the political situation prevented Mr. Hughes from attending the recent Imperial War Conference in London, and Australia was represented only by her High Commissioner.

## FRENCH BEAT OFF WAVE AFTER WAVE

## Nivelle's Forces Inflicted Terrible Losses on Attacking Germans Yesterday

Paris, May 7.—The Germans concentrated their efforts yesterday morning in attacks on the west of the French front, in the region of Laffaux, and in the afternoon on the eastern section, from Braye to Craonne, but the French held the whip hand, and beat off wave upon wave of the enemy's dwindling reserves with terrible losses. More than that, the French troops, after hours of stiff fighting, still had the energy to dash forward and maintain new positions in regions naturally fortified.

The desperate resistance of the Germans and the frequent counter-attacks in force are comprehensible when it is realized that if the French capture Alenent and Pinon they will outflank the whole line running north to St. Quentin. General Nivelle, however, has no sneaker, as he is confronted by the so-called Siegfried line, a system of fortifications on which the Germans have lavished weeks of work and which is of the most formidable type.

On the right wing German battalions streamed out of Filain Wood to attack Froydmont farm, which stands midway between Chevrengy and Hill 185. They were practically annihilated.

It would seem difficult for the Germans to prevent the French from reaching the Oise Canal and the Ailette River on this part of the front. The famous Chemin-des-Dames, the key of the whole section, is now in a great part in possession of the French. In several places they have even gone far beyond it. It was the possession of this road which enabled the Germans to hold up the French advance for so long. Its capture alone shows the importance of the success gained by General Nivelle in the battles of Saturday and Sunday.

## A GERMAN AEROPLANE DROPPED BOMBS NEAR LONDON; ONE KILLED

London, May 7.—A German aeroplane dropped four bombs northeast of London this morning. It was officially announced to-day in the following report:

"In the early hours this morning a hostile aeroplane appeared over the outskirts of Northeast London and dropped four bombs. One man was killed and a man and a woman injured. Slight damage was done to buildings."

No one in the area where the German aeroplane dropped its bombs saw anything of the hostile machine. The people were awakened by the explosions but by the time they reached the streets the machine had disappeared. The bomb which caused the casualties fell on the roof of a residential building and the other missiles landed in a nearby swamp.

## AMBASSADOR ELKUS.

Washington, May 7.—Ambassador Elkus, in Constantinople with typhus, is much better, but may not be able to leave for home for three weeks.

## GROUND TAKEN BY CANADIAN BATTALION

Part of German Line South of Souchez River Captured

## SUPPORT TRENCH WAS WRESTED FROM ENEMY

Canadian Headquarters in France, May 7.—(By Stewart Lyon, Canadian Overseas Correspondent.)—By a surprise attack early Sunday morning the battalion holding that part of the Canadian front immediately south of the Souchez River captured an important sector of the enemy's front line and a support trench some distance to the east.

The whole region southwest of Lens, where the ground was gained, is dotted over with ruins of mining villages, and almost every house has been transformed into a miniature fortress by the introduction of German machine guns operated from the shelter of strong emplacements. The gunners who hold these posts do not surrender—they die at their places beside their guns, fighting to the end. Germany still has men of that type, and they sell their lives for the utmost price they can exact.

It was to avoid as much as possible the concentration of machine gun fire on the attacking force that the enemy's trench was rushed by the Canadians. The result was completely successful. Men went in with bombs and bayonets and cleared the trench after a sharp fight. The occupants, one officer and 33 men, were captured. Possession of this ground was regarded by the enemy as so important that twice during the night he counter-attacked. Both efforts failed. The German losses are known to be heavy. The ground won improves the position of the Canadian troops.

The systematic burning of everything of value in an around Lens continued from day to day. The enemy seems likely to stay long enough to make good his boast that nothing of France's most prosperous mining region will be left but a smoking waste when he goes.

## TWO COMMISSIONS THE PROBABLE PLAN

One in London and One in States to Sit Continuously

Washington, May 7.—Two allied war commissions sitting continuously, one in London and the other here, appeared to-day as one of the first actual steps to co-ordinate the powerful resources the United States brings into the war with those of the Allies across the sea.

The commission in London, with representatives of all the allied nations including the United States, would receive and decide upon the appointment of sea-borne traffic. The commission would then charge itself with getting such supplies to the seaboard, either by direct purchase or through present agencies.

While the inroads of the German submarine menace continue it is absolutely essential to conserve every ship for the most needed freight, and the only way this can be done is to have the Allies submit their needs to a central body in London which shall have power to give priority to the most pressing.

## Railroads Clear.

At the same time the commission in this country, knowing exactly how much was wanted, would buy it judiciously and keep the railroad lines open to the seaports.

With the great bulk of the detailed work now distributed among various sub-committees, British Foreign Minister Balfour now is awaiting reports. To-day he will be officially received at the Supreme Court.

Later the new Belgian Minister to the United States paid a visit to Mr. Balfour. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, called, with the British labor leaders who have just arrived in this country, upon his invitation.

## 90 Per Cent. of All Canadian Wheat for Entente Countries

Winnipeg, May 7.—An understanding under which at least 90 per cent. of all the Canadian wheat will be sold to the Entente Governments or to Dominion mills was announced in a cablegram from the Winnipeg Grain Exchange Council to the Royal Grain Commission in London, made public to-day.

## BRITISH TROOPS FORCE WAY INTO TOWN OF BULLECOURT, ASTRIDE OF HINDENBURG LINE

## NINE REGIMENTS OF ENGINEERS TO FRANCE FROM UNITED STATES

Washington, May 7.—The War Department announced to-day that orders had been sent out for the raising of nine regiments of engineers for duty at the earliest possible moment on the communication lines in France. These troops will be in addition to the forces contemplated in the Administration's army plans.

The recruiting points for the regiments will be in New York City, St. Louis, Chicago, Boston, Pittsburgh, Detroit, Atlanta, San Francisco and Philadelphia.

## \$400,000,000 MONTH FROM THE STATES

To Allies; \$100,000,000 for Britain for Month of May

Washington, May 7.—The government has decided to lend Great Britain \$100,000,000 to meet her needs in this country during May. A second instalment of \$25,000,000 was transferred to the British Embassy to-day, making, with the \$25,000,000 loaned Britain on Saturday, a total of one-half of the May loan.

The decision to advance Great Britain \$100,000,000 during May agrees with estimates that this Government would be called upon to finance the Allies to the extent of at least \$400,000,000 a month. Sums already pledged for the next month or so are at the rate of \$300,000,000 a month and cover only the needs of Great Britain, France and Italy. Additional loans to Russia and Belgium, and possibly to Serbia, will swell the total. It is believed, to at least \$400,000,000 and bring the total advanced to the Allies prior to July 1, when the first proceeds of the "Liberty Loan" will be available, up to approximately \$1,000,000,000.

Subscriptions to the "Liberty Loan" continue in large volume.

**British Mission.**  
The third week of the visit of the British Mission began to-day with conferences of eight sub-committees, among which the various questions connected with the participation of the United States in the war against Germany have been divided. During the week some of the committees probably will report back to the main conference, who in turn may make announcement of the decisions reached.

As the conferences develop it becomes more evident that all questions are extremely complicated in their various inter-relations to other questions and that the most difficult part of the work consists in harmonizing the various conflicting needs. For instance, the sending of an American expeditionary force, desired by both French and British Missions, involves not only military considerations, but also the question of whether it is wise to divert the tonnage necessary for troop transportation from its present work of carrying food and munitions. Likewise it is essential to restrict exports to the materials most vital to the Allies.

Every day the British mission stays shows an increasing centralization of power and a more marked change of the Government of the United States from a peace to a war basis.

**Under American Flag.**  
Another of the difficult problems in putting the American army on a war footing is the disposition of the aliens in the United States, unnaturalized and still citizens or subjects of the Entente Powers and who wish to fight under the American flag. Applications are pouring into the War Department from people acting as individuals or through committees. In most cases they seek permission to join the United States army in national units from companies to legions.

The War Department prefers that the men should return to the countries of their origin to serve in their armies, but although most of them have seen military service and are now reservists they insist upon serving under the American flag.

## AMERICAN RED CROSS GROWS.

Chicago, May 7.—Since the visit to Chicago of the French Mission, thousands of recruits have flocked under the standard of the American Red Cross, which is conducting a campaign for 250,000 members in the city.

## Moved Forward at Dawn To-day, to Press Advantage of Breach in Enemy's Line; French Holding Their Brilliant Gains, Having Captured About 29,000

British Headquarters in France, May 7.—(From a Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press.)—British troops have pushed their way well within the town of Bullecourt. Hand-to-hand fighting has developed there.

Renewed fighting broke out about Bullecourt to-day. The British troops who had been holding positions south and east of the village, where they had been violently attacked during the last four days, moved forward just before dawn in a general attack upon the village itself.

There had been patrol fighting in Bullecourt before this, but to-day's attack was of an enveloping nature. It met with stubborn resistance, but steady progress was being made as this dispatch was written and khaki-clad troops had passed well within the town, which lies absolutely astride the Hindenburg line, the front trench and two systems of support trenches all being within the village limits.

Prisoners began coming back soon after the battle started.

English battalions made an attack to-day from the south and west of Bullecourt. The attack was preceded by the usual violent bombardment. The moon had shone with wonderful brilliancy all through the night and was just setting as the infantry climbed out of the shallow trenches and trudged forward, laden down with hand grenades. In its earlier stages the battle was a bombing contest between the attackers and the defenders, although it was reported later that hand-to-hand fighting had developed.

London, May 7.—After hard fighting British troops pushed forward west of Bullecourt and took a number of prisoners, according to a report issued by the War Office to-day, which says:

"There was sharp fighting early to-day in the Hindenburg line. East of Bullecourt our position has been improved. We progressed westward in the direction of the village and took a number of prisoners."

"A hostile bombing attack during the night on our front line south of Oppy, delivered after heavy artillery preparation, was successfully driven off."

**Gains Maintained.**  
The War Office announced last night that the British forces were successfully maintaining themselves in the breach they had made in the Hindenburg line near Bullecourt. German troops delivered a determined attack at this point on Saturday night, which entirely failed, and were balked again yesterday morning in a similar effort, the British fire breaking up the attempt.

Northwest of St. Quentin German troops were foiled in an effort to retake the ground lost on Saturday east of Le Verguier, while their trenches farther north were subjected to a raid on a mile and a half front in which heavy damage was done their defensive positions.

**Repulsed Everywhere.**  
Paris, May 7.—German forces counter-attacked along the entire front of the French offensive, and everywhere were repulsed, the War Office announced this afternoon. The fighting was especially severe in the region of the Chemin-des-Dames and east of Soissons.

The report says that since April 19 the French forces have taken 29,000 prisoners. The number taken in the last phase of the offensive has reached more than 4,200.

**Four Fresh Divisions.**  
The text of the report follows: "Yesterday evening and last night were marked by violent new reactions on the part of the Germans in the region northeast of Soissons and along the Chemin-des-Dames, where we identified four fresh divisions. Violent counter-attacks, preceded by intense bombardments, were launched against our positions at the Froydumont farm, on the Cerny-Hurtelise front and on the Craonne and Vauciere heights. The fighting, which assumed a most violent character, terminated to the advantage of our troops, who maintained their positions everywhere. The Germans were mowed down in masses by our heavy and field artillery and machine guns, suffering large losses in these engagements. The number of our prisoners is now more than 6,200. This brings the total number of prisoners taken by French troops in the fighting since April 16 to about 29,000."

"On the remainder of the front there were intermittent artillery engagements. We broke up several attempted attacks by the enemy, particularly in the Arrons, near Bolante and Grucru Wood. We made several successful incursions into the German lines near Souvieux Hill and east of Moncel."

The following official report was issued last night: "Northwest of Soissons we made complete our success yesterday and enlarged the captured territory by isolated operations. We occupied several important points of support north of the Moulin-de-Laffaux and north of Braye-en-Laonnois."

"The artillery fighting was violent in the whole region of the Chemin-des-Dames, where the Germans launched anew to-day strong counter-attacks against our positions at the Froydumont farm, on the Vauciere plateau and in the Craonne sector. We everywhere maintained our gains and repulsed the enemy with heavy losses."

"In one of these attacks a German battalion, caught under our fire, retreated in disorder, leaving on the field the greater part of its effectiveness."

"The number of prisoners counted up to the present is 6,100. One of our army corps alone, operating north of Braye-en-Laonnois, took 1,800 prisoners."

**Masters of Ridge.**  
The War Office announced yesterday afternoon that every gain scored by the French in the brilliant advance on Saturday northeast of Soissons had been maintained against numerous heavy counter-attacks on Saturday night. Consolidation of this ground had made the French troops masters of most of the ridge crowned by the Chemin-des-Dames along a front of more than eighteen miles.

The prisoners taken had reached a total of 5,800 and seven cannon had been captured.

A violent artillery action had been in progress northwest of Reims.

In the Champagne there likewise had been a terrific duel of big guns. In this region a fortified point near Mont Haut had been captured by French troops and held against counter-attacks.

**German Statements.**  
Berlin, May 7.—All the German positions between the Soissons-Laon road and Allies and north of Laffaux have been maintained, says a statement issued to-day by the German army headquarters staff. The Germans, it is added, also were successful in the Aisne battle.

The Germans have captured 724 men since Saturday.

Four British and French aeroplanes were brought down yesterday on the western front.

An Admission.  
A tremendous thrust by French forces on a front of nearly twenty-two miles in an effort to break through the German line on the Ailette-Craonne front on Saturday proved entirely futile, army headquarters announced last night.

The French fire completely destroyed the German positions on the Winterburg height, northeast of Craonne, and this height, with the village of Chevreux, remained in French possession. On the Chemin-des-Dames, the Germans now occupy the northern slope of the ridge east of Royere farm, near the western end of the Chemin-des-Dames.

French attacks near La Neuville and southwest of Nauroy (Champagne) were repulsed, the statement added.

It was added that the German troops had taken several hundred prisoners, twenty machine guns and fifty quick-firing guns.

British attacks in strong force at points between Lens and Queant were repulsed, as was a British thrust on a front of nearly two miles in the Gonnelleu region, the statement added.

## LABOR PARTY AND THE IRISH PROBLEM

London, May 7.—Powerful representations are about to be made to Mr. Lloyd George and the War Cabinet by representatives of the Labor as to their view of the imperative urgency of a settlement of the Irish question, the Pall Mall Gazette understands.

It is understood, adds the newspaper, that unless a satisfactory settlement is quickly arrived at the Labor members of the Government may be compelled to reconsider their position.

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## CANADIAN TROOPS TAKING FULL SHARE

Correspondent Writes of Their Part in Great Battle; 5,000 Prisoners

Canadian Army Headquarters in France, May 6.—Via London, May 7.—(By Canadian Overseas Correspondent.)—Certain comments in the Canadian press regarding recent operations of the Canadian troops in France underestimating the probable casualties make it necessary to say that the corps is taking its full share in what history will record as one of the greatest battles of all time and accepting its losses as part of inevitable price of victory.

On Friday and Saturday I traversed the region behind the battleline from Bapaume to Arras and thence north to the Vimy Ridge, a distance of almost thirty miles. Everywhere guns were being operated at high pressure. The enemy's retaliation is shown by showers of earth-spouts upon the hillside and by puffs of bursting shrapnel on the sky-line far greater than when the battle of Arras began on April 9. He has lost many guns and probably has made good his losses only by a supreme effort, but that effort has been made and the testimony of men in the thick of the battle is that enemy's artillery and machine-gun services are still most formidable.

His infantry will not face the bayonet, but I am bound to say that the bulk of the men captured on the Canadian front are a husky lot in the

main, with an admixture of weedy lads not yet full grown.

More than 5,000 prisoners have passed through the cages of the Canadian corps since the Battle of Vimy Ridge, of whom 18 were officers and 435 men taken at Fresnoy on Thursday last. The total number of prisoners taken on the western front by the British during April and May to date is about 20,000. The proportion to the credit of the Canadians shows that they have done their part in securing the measure of success achieved, and the Battle of Arras is not over yet.

Many gallant deeds are recorded daily on this front. The cool audacity of nine airmen who, seeing enemy troops assembling in open for assaults on our lines, descended to an altitude ranging from 50 to 300 feet and dispersed the Germans with machine gun fire, is beyond all praise.

## AMERICAN BUSINESS NEED HAVE NO FEAR

Lord Rhondda Points to the Experience of the British People

London, May 7.—American business has nothing to fear from the war. The profits in Britain have been above normal since the war began.

Lord Rhondda, President of the Local Government Board, in making this statement declared that the American business man, from the small tradesman up to the biggest capitalist, can look optimistically to the future.

Lord Rhondda is one of the world's captains of industry, with interests in not only the United Kingdom, but in France, Italy, Spain, Russia, Canada, Brazil and Argentina. He has made frequent visits to Canada and the United States, his latest being one undertaken at the request of Mr. Lloyd George to arrange supplies for Britain and to obtain information as to American business conditions.

"I have never been inclined to urge that the United States should come in," Lord Rhondda said, "and this, notwithstanding the fact that I was aboard the Lusitania when the Germans torpedoed her. I have consistently believed that the United States would do the right thing—but that it was the republic's own problem.

Unfounded.

"Now that the United States has taken the step I feel free to assure the American business men, among whom I have a great number of friends, that possible fears of business losses through the war are likely to prove unfounded. Certainly it has not been the case in the United Kingdom, except in isolated cases in some lines.

"The Government realized \$760,000,000 from excess profits last year. This means profits above the normal before-the-war profits. The profits last year were \$1,165,000,000, since \$400,000,000 represents a 50 per cent. tax.

"Moreover, last year's profits were achieved with but little evidence of so-called profiteering. Labor obtained its due proportion in increased wages—as witnessed by the ability of the workmen to meet the increased cost of living and at the same time spend more.

"The latter fact is one of the reasons why our tradesmen have not suffered as perhaps they anticipated."

## REICHSTAG PETITIONED.

Amsterdam, May 4.—Four German pacifist organizations have petitioned the Reichstag to accept the following proposals, in view of the new situation by the Russian revolution:

First—Germany to make peace with Russia without territorial acquisition, but under a guarantee that the national rights of Germans in Russia be respected.

Second—Germany's peace terms in respect to her other enemies to be discussed.

Third—The promotion of general peace by a union of the nations and a reduction of armaments.

Fourth—Internal reorganization based on the will and needs of the German people.

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## REPPINGTON WRITES ABOUT SITUATION

His Conclusions After Observations on British Front in France

(By Colonel Repington, Military Expert of the London Times.)

British Headquarters in France, May 6.—Via London, May 7.—Afforded an opportunity of visiting the Somme area and the present battlefields and recognizing the connection between the events of last year on the Somme front and the fighting now in progress from St. Quentin to Lens, I have passed along the present line, seen the fighting and talked with many of the chief actors in the drama which is holding the world enthralled, and may therefore summarize the opinions formed.

In order the better to understand the nature of the task set Field-Marshal Haig this year it is necessary, first of all, to realize the nature of the opposition which confronts us and our French and Belgian allies. The Germans are still very strong—in fact stronger than they ever have been. It is not open to us to reckon that they have fewer than 4,500,000 in the field on both fronts, 500,000 on the lines of communications and 1,000,000 in depots in Germany. They have increased the number of divisions in the west to 155. Of this number there are 68 between here and the Oise.

New Divisions.

The German strengths are fairly well maintained, companies averaging 200 rifles. Those who doubted the existence of the new German divisions must now change their views, for all the first series of the new divisions, thirteen in number, have been identified in one theatre. Lieut.-Gen. Rawlinson's troops captured 400 of these gentry in a recent affair. If there are still skeptics in the Government it would be well to parade these prisoners in Downing Street and show the numbers on their shoulder straps.

To be still confronted by 4,000,000 German fighters makes the latter stages of the war a serious matter for all of the Allies. We have to reckon besides with 500,000 men of each successive German class as it is called. The 1918 German class already is incorporated. The 1919 class is in depots in Germany.

Not Enough.

But there is a reverse to this. The German method of combining out the German industries is practically at an end. The only drafts available are the young classes and recovered wounded. These will not be enough to keep the ranks filled if the fighting continues on the old scale. In this case, at some period this year, Germany must begin to use part of her new formations as drafts. It may be a second series of new divisions will be drawn upon for this purpose. These new divisions exist, but they are in a sense a bluff, for the German headquarters staff must have known perfectly well when it formed them that it could not, with diminishing resources of men, maintain 250 divisions in the field. Certainly it knew this, but placed all its goods in the shop windows to create the illusion that its stock in hand was limitless and to afford its enemies fresh reasons for listening to offers of peace negotiations.

Enemy's Morale.

The morale of the German armies on our front is still respectable. There is nothing but active and reserve formations fighting the British. There practically is no difference in military value between these two categories. They vary, as they do in all armies. All the hand-to-hand and hand-to-hand troops have left our front and gone to the east. We have the best German troops to deal with, and they still fight stiffly. It is true that on April 9 they were handsomely beaten and driven out of their strongest positions with a great loss in prisoners, some indeed surrendering tamely. But it must be allowed that the attacks of Lieut.-Gen. Allenby and Lieut.-Gen. Hornes were so admirably maintained and the whole

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operation such a perfect model of prudent offensive that the Germans were completely outclassed.

April 23 and the following days showed the enemy in a fiercer light. He counter-attacked again and again, and there followed some of the bitterest fighting of the war. It is probable that the German commanders had been severely reprimanded for their failure on the 9th and ordered to take the offensive. This suited us well, as we had the best ground, with very powerful artillery. The longer the German counter-attacks continued the better we were pleased and the more men the enemy lost. But we must admit he showed spirit even if he did not display much tactical intelligence. So, on the whole, we can not call the German morale bad.

More Guns Than Enemy.

The Germans continue the practice of substituting machine power for man power as much as they can, as witness the large use now made of the new .06.15 machine guns, but on the whole we are able to beat their machine gun power. Our artillery is now not only superior to the Germans numerically, but also more efficient in many ways. We can not expect to be superior in calibre, but our artillery now is very good and the munitions more than abundant.

The writer does not think the Germans are short of shells, but they are short of guns, and for some reason or other are unable to make up the leeway. A large number of German guns must have been placed out of action during the fighting at Arras in addition to those we captured.

One hundred and fifty guns were captured by Lieut.-Gen. Allenby's forces, the Third Army, while 64 guns captured by Lieut.-Gen. Hornes' forces, the First Army, only one was reported bulged by a partially successful attempt to blow it up.

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## COMMISSION MAY BE SENT TO THE STATES FROM JAPAN SHORTLY

Washington, May 7.—Japan may send a war commission to the United States. No definite information has been received, but it was said at the State Department to-day that intimations from an unofficial source had been made that the Japanese Government was considering the move.

## DOMINION FIRMS AND PROVINCIAL LICENSES

Winnipeg, May 7.—Attorney-General Hudson announces that as a result of the recent Court of Appeal decision in the case of Davidson vs. the Great West Saddle Company, the Province has the right to compel companies with Dominion charters to take out provincial licenses before doing business in Manitoba. Some time ago provincial licenses were regularly imposed on Dominion companies but since the decision of the Privy Council in 1914 in the case of the John Deere Plow Company vs. Province of British Columbia companies have not been compelled to take out licenses in various provinces. It is now believed the British Columbia bill was badly framed.

## MAY COME TO COAST.

Winnipeg, May 7.—The Booth Fisheries Company of Canada, owners of valuable properties in British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan, have appointed Hugh Armstrong, of Fortage in Prairie, formerly Provincial Treasurer, as general manager. He may remove to the Pacific Coast.

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FRANKIE RUSSELL FOUND NOT GUILTY

Sequel to Vancouver Tragedy Came to Close Late on Saturday

The verdict of "Not Guilty," the sharp "Oh" of the young woman in the dock as she raised her hands over her eyes and sank back in her seat; a burst of applause from the gallery in the court, and the thundered demand of the sheriff for order, made up the final scene Saturday in the sensational trial of Frankie Russell on the charge of murder, arising from the slaying of Chief of Police MacLennan.

Over four hours before the fate of the young woman had been given to the jury, and it was during these hours of suspense that the invincible calm of the prisoner began to be shaken. Two or three times the jury fled back after the presiding judge, Mr. Justice Macdonald, had summed up the case; each time the suspense was heightened, but they came back only to receive further instructions on points raised by counsel during their absence or to ask for a piece of evidence to be given.

Nearly all the evidence of Deputy Chief MacTae was re-read by the court stenographer and part of the evidence of Inspector Scott and Detective McLaughlin in regard to the position of Tait's body when found. It was then that Frankie Russell's face showed signs of acute mental strain, but not until the verdict had been pronounced did she give audible expression to the strain.

Would Excuse Jury. She remained in the dock, dropping wearily and with her eyes covered while As M. Johnson, the Deputy Attorney-General, suggested that the jury, after their difficult duty in the discharge of which they had been locked together for three nights, should be excused from further duty for a term of years.

She left the court room, however, entirely unassisted, after shaking hands with her counsel, I. T. Rubinowitz.

It will be recalled that on the night upon which Vancouver's Police Chief was shot by a negro named Tait in a house on Georgia Street, Frankie Russell, his companion, was said to have been seen by the owner of the property, who had gone to collect rent a little previous to the commencement of the shooting, holding in her hand a revolver. The question hinged as to whether the fatal shot came from the shotgun used by Tait or from the revolver possessed by the woman Frankie Russell.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, May 7.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry. Wounded—Pte. Albert Herman, Port Kells, B. C.; Pte. John Patan Sadler, Oyama, B. C.; Pte. Oliver Elms, Vancouver.

Prisoner of war at Limburg—Pte. A. Rosen, Vancouver.

Artillery. Died of wounds—Gnr. B. A. Crowe, Vancouver.

Wounded—Gnr. Lawrence R. Hembroff, Vancouver; Gnr. James Darcy, 2584 Graham Street, Victoria; Gnr. William E. Clerk, Vancouver; Gnr. Thomas L. Harrison, Vancouver.

Infantry. Killed in action—Pte. R. H. Borthwick (911850), 1200 Bidwell Street, Vancouver; Pte. H. L. Freeman (911994), Revelstoke.

Dangerously ill—Pte. C. J. Shellingford (769535), Burnaby. Wounded—Pte. W. E. Southworth (442201), Revelstoke; Lieut. J. A. McDonald, Vancouver; Pte. F. Anderson (472761) Quesnel.

Engineers. Wounded—Cpl. R. Dickinson, North Vancouver; Sapper W. T. Bend, Central Park P. O., Vancouver.

Services. Wounded—Pte. U. Slater (180727), 1053 Hulton Street, Victoria.

WILHELM'S MESSAGE TO HIS ELDEST SON

Amsterdam, May 7.—Kaiser Wilhelm has sent the following telegram to the German Crown Prince:

"Your birthday falls this year in a serious and decisive time. In grateful and full confidence the Fatherland and I look upon yours and the other battlefronts, which imperturbably resist all attacks and which will stand invincible in the new battles. God grant the Fatherland in your new year of life a full victory and a peace filled with blessings."

The Crown Prince of Germany was born on May 6, 1882, and is therefore 35 years old. He is at present in command of the German armies facing the French offensive.

SEEDING NEAR SASKATOON.

Saskatoon, May 7.—Wheat seeding in the Saskatoon district is forty per cent. completed, according to a statement by Murdo Cameron, reeve of Cory Rural Municipality, and the seed is being sown in a bed which he describes as ideal. In his opinion there will be a decrease in the wheat acreage of fully twenty-five per cent. due to the lateness of the season.

London, May 7.—(By P. A. McKenzie.)—This country is following with strained interest the progress of the biggest battle the world has ever known. Two million men are engaged and the Canadian corps is occupying a place of honor in the fighting line.

Even those fresh from the heart of the battle find it difficult to convey any real impression of the conflict. The enemy has elected to fight the matter to an issue on the present field, and continues strengthening his line with troops drawn from any available reserves.

"The enemy troops are fighting with the utmost desperation. Their position is very strong and their heavy artillery is concentrated and well placed. It is a mistake to minimize either their strength or their fighting ability. The fortification of the so-called Siegfried line from Drocourt to Quesnel enables the enemy to shelter his troops during heavy bombardments and move battalions through deep tunnels from point to point. Against this the British have the advantage of commanding hill positions, thanks to the capture of Vimy.

The battle sways to and fro, with attack and counter-attacks. Now a village is captured, now an advanced post lost. The advance is slow and costly, but each victory represents more than the capture of a limited area. The Allies are annihilating Hindenburg's principal strategic reserve. The enemy's counter-attacks are costing him very dearly. Time after time heavy advancing forces coming under our artillery are almost annihilated.

Our advances into strongly placed positions protected by innumerable machine guns, necessarily demand a high price. The entire rear approaches on both sides are swept by artillery fire such as the world has never witnessed before.

Individual men's impressions of the fighting are so blurred that they only convey an impression of endless exploding shells, head, incredible noise, mountainous clouds of dust, airmen sailing overhead, boldly dipping low to help them, and innumerable individual struggles.

COAL MINE TROUBLE IN DISTRICT NO. 18

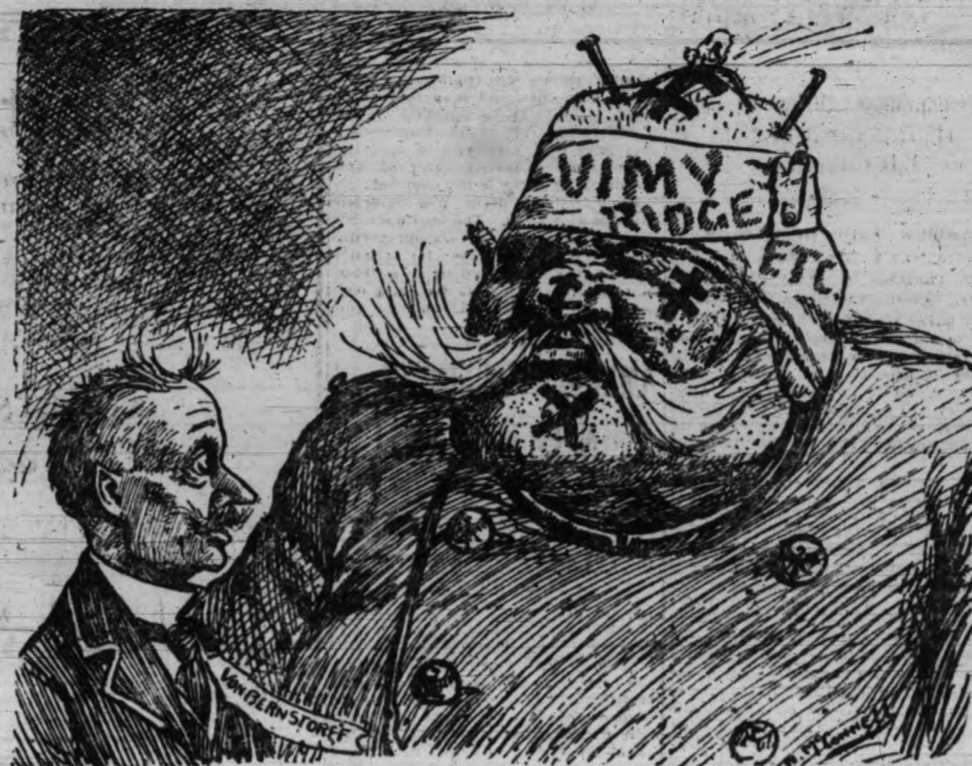
Fernie, May 7.—The union coal miners of District No. 18 on Saturday by a vote of 2 to 1, rejected the proposed new agreement referred to them by the joint conference committee of operators and miners, which had been in continuous session for eight weeks before reaching an agreement on the terms to be incorporated in the new contract.

First, dissatisfied with the failure to negotiate a new contract by April 1, when the old contract expired, and later, at the long delay without any progress toward a decision, camp after camp was operating in District No. 18, resulting in about 6,000 men being idle. The decision means that the cessation will be prolonged, but a special convention of the miners will convene in Calgary on May 10, presumably to formulate an ultimatum to be handed to the mine operators.

EXPLOSION IN MUNITIONS PLANT IN TENNESSEE

Kingsport, Tenn., May 7.—An explosion early today at the Federal Dye-stuff & Chemical Company's plant, which makes munitions, wrecked a portion of the buildings, killed one man, fatally burned some others and left one missing. An investigation is being made.

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VON HINDENBURG—"Iss dose United States-ers relation any to der Canadians, vot?"

DOING AWAY WITH GERMAN RESERVES

Canadian Corps in Place of Honor in World's Greatest Battle

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A MEDICAL OFFICER KILLED IN CALGARY

Calgary, May 7.—Capt. Parker Peacock, a recent medical graduate of Toronto University, is dead as the result of an accident yesterday afternoon when an automobile driven by his brother, Lieut.-Col. M. B. Peacock, was struck by a street car which jumped the track on the Centre Street bridge.

CONCERN IN LONDON ABOUT B. C. ELECTRIC

London, May 7.—The following appears in The Daily Mail: "Concern is growing in this city over the matter of the B. C. Electric Railway Company. This is a British company, which, with its subsidiary companies, has a debenture and share capital of £2,925,470 subscribed, much of it at a premium, by 10,000 people here. The company is protected from competition in the city of Vancouver by certain Acts of the Provincial Legislature and by agreements. Now, however, the city of Vancouver is promoting a bill to eliminate or modify the protective clauses, with what appears to be the object of squeezing out the company. It is difficult to believe that any measure reflecting on the justice and integrity of the Canadian provinces and their cities will be allowed to proceed."

FOOD CONTROLLER IS HARD AT WORK

Lord Devonport Completing Arrangements for Rationing in United Kingdom

London, May 7.—Whether the people of the United Kingdom will respond to the appeals for voluntary bread and wheat flour rationing embodied in King George's recent proclamation and in posters and pamphlets issued by the Food Controller remains to be seen, but in the meantime the staff of the latter is working at high pressure to put the finishing touches on the machine which will be established for compulsory rationing unless the country cuts down on consumption sharply of its own volition.

GENERAL STRIKE IS PLAN IN HUNGARY

Workmen Will Go Out Should Franchise Reform Be Refused

Copenhagen May 7.—The ferment among the Hungarian working classes caused by Premier Tisza's refusal of an effective reform of the franchise is far more serious than appeared in the censored telegraphic account of the demonstrative strike last Wednesday.

WILLIAM MACKAY'S WIDOW SUCCEDED IN SASKATCHEWAN

Prince Albert, Sask., May 7.—The death occurred yesterday at Meskanawa, Sask., of Mrs. Mackay, widow of William Mackay, who was chief factor of the Hudson's Bay Company at Fort Pitt in 1886, the year he died. Archdeacon George Mackay, of British Columbia, is a son.

HAD HEADACHE FOR TWO YEARS

A Barrie Man Tells of Persistent Headaches and Indigestion—Finally Found His Way to Good Health

Barrie, Ont., April 29.—For two long years the writer of this letter was subject to severe headaches. The nervous system got run down, digestion failed, and there was continued loss of weight.

VESSLS LOAD WHEAT AT HEAD OF LAKES

Fort William, May 7.—There are nineteen steamers now loading at the various elevators at the head of the Lakes, fourteen more are awaiting orders for their turns at the elevators and four more, the W. S. Mark, Glenlivet, Glensheo and Matthews, are making repairs. The vessels loading or ready to load represent a capacity of 7,510,000 bushels of wheat, eleven of them having a capacity of 300,000 bushels or more each.

Advertisement for Campbells Juvenile Millinery. Features illustrations of children's hats and a woman in a dress. Text includes: "The Fashion Centre", "Such a Vast Array of Juvenile Millinery", "For the Wee Tots and Girls Up to 10 and 12 Years", "Presenting for Tuesday's shoppers a very interesting group of well-tailored stylish costumes for women's misses, that are really unmatchable value at \$25.00 to \$35.00.", "Tweed Sports Coats. Special at \$9.75", "NEMO CORSETS \$3.00 TO \$6.75".

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Advertisement for Willard's Forkdip Chocolates. Text includes: "QUALITY FIRST", "The only Forkdip Chocolates made in Canada, 25c to \$2.00. Try a Sample Box, 10c.", "Halls DRUG STORE Corner Yates and Douglas Sts. Clarence Block. Phone 29."

Advertisement for TWO WERE INJURED IN VANCOUVER YESTERDAY. Text includes: "Vancouver, May 7.—T. H. Jones, of 2316 Garden Drive, this city, was seriously injured and lies at a hospital in a precarious condition. His daughter also is in hospital with less severe injuries, while two other occupants miraculously escaped death or injury, when an Overland automobile yesterday afternoon, apparently getting beyond the control of its inexperienced driver, turned completely over while rolling down an embankment at the north side of Hastings Street, East, between Victoria and Besslin Streets, opposite the Macdonald School.", "Hudson's Bay 'Imperial' Lager Beer, quarts, 3 for 50c."

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**FIGHTING THE SUBMARINE.**

While it is hoped the dispatches on Saturday announcing, on the authority of the chairman of the United States Naval Consulting Board, the discovery of a solution of the submarine problem, are well founded, it must be admitted that what information they contain is not a little mystifying. There are hints of an invention, credited to Edison, in which the use of electricity is involved, land operations against the Kiel Canal and other German bases and the closing of the northern entrance of the North Sea as effectively as the British navy has locked the Channel entrance. If these are all parts of one plan, the only new feature is the invention, for the other aspects have been thoroughly studied by the Entente naval and military authorities in the light of an intimate knowledge of the conditions such as nobody on this side of the Atlantic possibly can have. Moreover, subsequent dispatches reported other members of the Consulting Board as stating that they had no information of any invention which they believed would definitely dispose of the submarine menace. As Mr. Saunders, the chairman, is an inventor of high repute and not given to making idle pretensions, it would appear that somebody has been drawing a too-elastic imagination.

The proposal to attack Kiel Canal, Wilhelmshaven and Cuxhaven by combined land and sea operations is an old story. It has been the subject of many controversies in the British press and it has been carefully investigated by the British authorities, who have rejected it as impracticable. An attack on the Kiel Canal by land would require as a primary operation the capture of Schleswig, which in turn would involve the establishment of sea lanes of communication to England, four hundred miles away, assuming that it would be possible to transport troops across the mouth of the submarines' lair in the first place. An attack upon Cuxhaven and Wilhelmshaven would be even more difficult, for the Weser and the Elbe, which these two points command, have created certain channels leading out to sea which the Germans have diligently improved, with the result that those bases can be approached only through lanes very easily guarded. Even if the navy, after masking Heligoland, were able to sweep up the mines and avoid the scores of submarines which would operate against it, it would find the approaches to the bases a more formidable obstacle than the Dardanelles proved to be. But in any case such a plan would be merely putting the cart before the horse. Before communications for a military expedition could be safely established across that part of the North Sea the submarine would have to be reduced to impotence, and if some means of doing this were found an expedition against German bases would not be necessary.

The other suggested auxiliary feature of the plan is more practicable, difficult though it is known to be. This is to bar the northern entrance of the

North Sea as tightly as the southern entrance—the Channel gate—has been locked. If this could be done the sea would become a lake from which enemy underwater craft could not pass into the Atlantic. Undoubtedly it would be a tremendous task. The distance from the Orkneys to Norway is three hundred miles, while the gap between Dover and Calais is only twenty miles. Nevertheless, to the lay mind it seems to be within the limit of accomplishment as far as the physical obstacles are concerned, especially in view of the fact that the resources of Britain are now reinforced by those of the United States. The two nations ought to be able to turn out enough fleets and other barriers to span the Atlantic, if necessary. There would be a difficulty, however, in the continued neutrality of Norway, which would leave the three-mile strip along the coast still open to hostile submarines. This is a very tender subject of controversy between Germany and Norway, and the ruthlessness with which the Huns are sinking Norwegian merchantmen, even though sailing between neutral ports, is merely a means of intimidating the Norwegians into keeping that three-mile limit open. This alone shows how important it is to the enemy's submarine campaign. Undoubtedly if Norway permitted herself to be made an anchor for a British wall across the North Sea she would involve herself in war with Germany, but sooner or later that must be the case anyway. If the northern entrance of the North Sea were closed as tightly as the Channel-entrance is closed and if the Strait of Gibraltar, the gateway of the Mediterranean, were similarly locked, not a German or Austrian submarine could operate on the high seas. The rats would be trapped and could be hunted at will.

There is very little doubt that this plan has been under consideration by the Allies, and probably it is being gradually carried into effect now. But speculation on how completely it can be executed brings us to the battlefield in France. If the operations on which the Allies now are engaged smash the German lines and force the Huns, broken and demoralized, out of France and Belgium, Norway's neutrality will not be an obstacle to the imprisonment of the enemy underwater fleet in the North Sea, for the whole spell of Prussian military domination which now paralyzes European neutrals would vanish like the mist. Indeed, in that respect the issue is between the armies of Britain and France and the German navy as represented by submarines. Von Hindenburg is relying upon the German submarines to accomplish what the German army—the long-prepared instrument of German invincibility—cannot accomplish, while for the time being Britain is relying upon her army—her citizen army, only three years old—together with the army of France, to accomplish what the navy, her ancient, always-ready safeguard, so far has been unable to accomplish. This is an extraordinary reversal of history. And what is very much to the point, the armies are doing it. The progress they are making is such that before this summer is over they will have gained the decision they are seeking. Von Hindenburg must meet their challenge on the present line for every known military and political reason, and this is the real significance of the terrific fighting now in progress on the western front. Smash the Huns in France and Belgium and the submarine problem will soon be solved.

**THE CHEMIN DES DAMES.**

The Chemin des Dames, the greater part of which was captured by the French on Saturday, is a road which marks the crest of the plateau rising from the valley of the Aisne east of Soissons. It stretches from a point on the Soissons-Laon highway directly eastward to Craonne, a distance of about fourteen miles. It therefore commands the first section of the battleline after it bends along the Aisne, and, as any material advance there would threaten the capture of Laon and the turning of the whole hostile front stretching from Belgium to that river, the Germans made the most of the natural defensive properties of these heights. In this respect the sector resembles the Thiépval angle in the fighting on the Ancre against which our troops fought for months before that corner gave way and carried with it the whole hostile line of which it was the key. The town of Craonne marks the eastern end of the Chemin des Dames, that is, the eastern end of the plateau rising from the Aisne valley. Beyond Craonne past Rheims and to the Champagne the country is much more open. But until the French had mastered the plateau from Craonne westward their advance in the locality of Rheims was limited. Their first attack against the heights, which marked their new offensive several weeks ago and gave them twenty thousand prisoners, cleared the way for the thrust delivered on Friday and Saturday. Their latest operation appears to have been directed against the two ends of the ridge. That is to say, they

attacked northwestward from the angle north of Soissons, at the western end, and northward towards Craonne, the eastern end. When they took Craonne on the eastern end, and positions near Laffaux on the western end, they were in a position to turn the ridge, as we pointed out on Saturday, and this is what they seem to have done. The result is the capture of almost the whole road and the exposure of the southern flank of the German front south of St. Quentin to envelopment.

The enemy evidently regards the loss of the plateau as extremely serious, for he has been attacking with the utmost desperation along the whole new line but in no instance has he regained an inch of the ground taken from him. Nor is the German front from St. Quentin-LaFere-Laon southward alone menaced by this threat at its flank. The possession of the ridge facilitates the French operations between Craonne and the Champagne; in other words, it weakens the German clutch on Fort Brimont and the other positions, north and northwest of Rheims, from which they are bombarding that unfortunate city. We may expect now a vigorous French attack in this region, that is, a movement along the valley of the Aisne which if successful would place our allies north of Rheims and the western Champagne and therefore in the German rear.

Between the battles of Arras and the Aisne the Germans have been compelled to draw so heavily upon their reserves that the time is near when these will have been reduced beyond the danger point. Costly as the operations have been to the Allies, they are much more so to the Germans, whose counter-attacks have been launched in massed formation on narrow fronts frightfully congested. The Allies thus by making sharp thrusts and important gains on short lines are dictating the kind of counter-attacks they desire for the purpose of playing the greatest havoc with the enemy's manpower. The Russian commander on the Riga front says several divisions with air craft and artillery already have been transferred to the west. We shall read of more German diversions before long.

**PRESSING DUTIES.**

Canada is confronted with several pressing problems which call for positive, resolute action. Her production of food must be increased and the prices must be reasonably controlled. She must fill up the gaps in her army. Regarding the first, no organized effort appears to have been made by the national Government. The National Service Board has only coquetted with the situation. There has been virtually no mobilization of the country's labor for productive purposes, and there seems to be a tendency to drift, to "let well enough alone," which is dangerous, if not fatal. There should be a body, composed of the ablest men in the country, to which should be delegated the whole question of production and distribution. It is no use expecting Washington to solve our problems for us. It has problems enough of its own. What Ottawa should do is to take a few pages from Washington's book—call to its assistance the best brains of the nation, no matter where they may be found. None of the problems before us can be solved by thirty per cent. of the country's ability. A full hundred per cent., or near that much as possible, is required.

As to the second duty, it is abundantly clear that the country is not recruiting enough men to cover more than twenty-five per cent. of its losses from day to day. Our casualties are now over 12,000 per month, and we are enlisting about one-third of that number. We are about to have five divisions at the front, and if that contingent is not kept up to full strength we shall be guilty of dereliction of duty so gross as to amount to treachery. It will not do for ministers to point to the total or enlistments since the war began, including French, Italian and Russian reservists and munition workers, as proof that we are nearing the half million mark. Our casualties must now be nearing the hundred thousand mark. There were, besides, fifty thousand ineligible, that is, men who should not have been enlisted at all. Here also is shown the tendency to drift, to resort to expedients, the effect of which is to hold the issue at arm's length in the hope that the war may be ended in a short time. The call from Vimy Ridge and Frenoy is insistent and imperative, and must be answered. The war may be over this summer or it may last until next year, but the safest course is to reckon on the outside limit.

The world's perspective is out of joint, but not sufficiently to obscure the significance of the historic incident on Saturday when for the first time a British statesman addressed the American Congress in session assembled. It was the final act in the reconciliation of the Mother of Free Nations and her eldest daughter, separated by stupidity and kept apart for many years by misunderstanding, prejudice and distrust. It marks the full realization of both that they have inherited the same

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Ideals and share common traditions; the discovery of how much alike they are, of how close they are to the same trunk. That Mr. Balfour felt the significance of the occasion his eloquent address clearly showed. And more than Mr. Balfour sensed the deepest meaning of the incident, for the President himself shattered another precedent when he attended the session in person and listened to the illustrious British statesman's speech from a seat in the gallery of the House.

New York Herald: An official statement issued by the Berlin War Office characterizes an Allied air raid upon Freiburg as "a nefarious attack." This is the same War Office that has hailed as military triumphs and glorious victories those Zeppelin raids upon unfortified and unprotected towns which resulted only in the slaughter of English women and children. The Devil was sick, the Devil a monk would be!

It is said that the King of the Hellenes, realizing that the game is over as far as the Hohenzollerns are concerned and warned by the fate of the Romanoffs, changed his cabinet out of deference to the trend of the times. Constantine, it also is said, being an ambitious if not an honorable man, entertains the hope of packing his throne upon his back and establishing it at Constantinople. But these are uncertain times for mice and men.

Sir Charles Davidson, commissioner on Canadian war scandals, has declared that Mr. DeWit Foster, sometime M. P., emerged from a certain notorious "hurry in horses" without a stain on his character. In that case, why was Mr. Foster expelled from the House of Commons? If Sir Charles' findings are sound in law and morals, a great wrong has been committed.

The Berlin official communication announces that the Germans have maintained all positions. There is an irreconcilable conflict between this statement and the British and French announcements, and there also is a

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Want Grant Increased.—A deputation of the governors of the University of British Columbia, headed by Chancellor Carter Cotton and President Westbrook, waited upon the Executive Council this forenoon in relation to the grant being made to the institution from the provincial revenue for the coming twelve months. The grant to be made is one of \$175,000, which will constitute practically the whole revenue of the University. It was pointed out by the governors that it would be very difficult to make anything of the University with such a small amount. While unable to hold out any prospect of any increase the ministers received the deputation very sympathetically and promised to consider the representations made to them.

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## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

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The Government steamer Quadra will sail for the Prebyloff Islands on Monday carrying Professor Macoun, of Ottawa. He goes on behalf of scientific research and exploration for the benefit of the Dominion Government, by whom he is commissioned.

Mr. H. P. Johnson, who for over 18 months has held the position of organist of St. Barnabas church, has resigned. He will be much missed by the congregation.

A petition signed by 40 residents of Niagara Street has been presented to the National Electric Tramway Company, asking them to extend their line along that street to Beacon Hill Park.

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Locals Entertained.—Jimmy Adam's basketballers were most excellently entertained by their hosts at Lady-smith, when they journeyed up the island to engage in Saturday's basketball match. The visitors were given a banquet at the Travellers Hotel, a courtesy which was much appreciated by the local boys.

Colfax Sewing Circle.—Rummage Sale, 1313 Douglas, Odd Fellows' Block, Friday, 2 o'clock.

James Bay Methodist Church, cor. Menzies and Michigan Streets, Miss Beatrice Irigien, Social Service worker of the Department of Social Service and Evangelism of the Methodist Church will give a dramatic recital assisted by musical numbers from Miss May Mitchell and vocal talent in the above church at 8 o'clock to-night. Collection will be taken. Miss Irigien will be lecturing in the High Schools of the city this week.

Police Court.—A. Brockhurst was arraigned to-day in the City Police Court on a charge of selling fish unfit for use. The case was remanded until Thursday morning.

Case Remanded.—The case of Leo Gin, a Chinaman accused of running a pawn shop without a license, was remanded until to-morrow by Magistrate Jay in the Police Court this morning.

Charge Dismissed.—The charge against Ethel A. Bright, the driver of whose car was alleged to have violated the statute which requires that a motor stop ten feet in the rear of a street car when the latter comes to stand to allow passengers to board or get off, was dismissed by Magistrate Jay in the Police Court this morning. The case did not come within the limits of the law owing to the fact that the motor was running abreast with the car and stopped in this position.

Victoria Business Girls' Club.—The annual election of officers was held by the Victoria Business Girls' Club last Wednesday evening. The following were the officers chosen: Hon. president, Mrs. Pendray; president, Miss Shaw; vice-president, Miss Pratt; secretary, Miss L. Best; assistant-secretary, Miss M. Campbell; treasurer, Miss Barton; assistant-treasurer, Miss V. Smart; convener social committee, Miss E. Carey; convener Red Cross, Miss Coles; convener musical, Miss Burgess; convener literary, Miss Unwin; convener athletic, Miss Betty Barton. A cordial invitation is extended to all business girls to join the club which meets each Wednesday evening in the Y. W. C. A.

Unwelcome Croakings of Frogs.—Some time ago a story appeared in The Times with regard to the nuisance caused to residents of Fisgard Street, near Vancouver Street intersection, by the croaking of frogs in the excavated basement of the First Baptist Church, at that intersection. Water has flooded the lower part of the basement, and the drainage is unsatisfactory. In consequence the place has become a nuisance. However, there is a tangle about the title of the property, and now the City Sanitary Inspector has written asking for directions as to how he is to bring about the abatement of the nuisance. He suggests that the floor of the building should be raised to improve the drainage, but wants some directions on the question of title.

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## ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Centennial Methodist Yesterday Attended Special Sunday School Rallies.

The anniversary services yesterday of the Centennial Methodist Sunday School were held in the church on George Road, being of a special character. A platform had been erected at the front of the church, and elevated seats were arranged for the Primary and Junior Departments, the Senior and Adult Departments being seated in front. The congregations at all the services were unusually large. The various reports showed that the school was in a progressive condition. Superintendent George Holt reported that the average attendance of the school had increased over last year by 8, the total enrollment being 521. Exclusive of the cradle roll and home department the number was reported to be 468. A substantial surplus of funds was on hand, although the school during the year had given forty per cent. of its total receipts to benevolent and patriotic purposes.

At the morning service Rev. S. Cook, of the James Bay Methodist Church, told the children the story of David and Goliath in a very interesting way, drawing many practical lessons from the tale. In the afternoon Rev. W. Stevenson, of Emmanuel Baptist Church, took for his text Acts 6: 15: "And they saw His face as it had been the face of an angel." In his sermon the preacher showed that through obedience to God, kindness and cheerfulness, all might have beautiful faces. The children of the school also contributed a number of songs and appropriate recitations.

In the evening Miss Beatrice Irigien, social worker of the department of social service and evangelism of the Methodist Church of Canada, spoke on "The Social Ideal of Jesus." This speaker drew a very vivid picture of the changed conditions if the ideal of Jesus was realized. Wealth could be distributed, all could have an opportunity, women would be freed, childhood would be protected, slums and conditions that made criminals in city and rural life would cease, wars would be no more and universal brotherhood would reign. Jesus had always seen the best in men and women and had endeavored to build upon that a noble character. The hope of the nation was not to be realized in indicating the great opportunity at the top, but rather in giving to the man at the bottom a fair chance. The church must work for the realization of the social ideal of Jesus.

## WAS AN OLD-TIMER

Mrs. Sarah Page, Who Came Here in 71, Died on Saturday.

Another of the ever-thinning ranks of early-comers here has been taken in giving to the man at the bottom a fair chance. The church must work for the realization of the social ideal of Jesus. The only surviving relatives are a brother, Henry Rutland, of Victoria; a sister living in England, and several nieces and nephews. The funeral has been arranged to take place on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 from the B. C. Funeral chapel, Rev. Dr. W. L. Clay, with whose church the family had been connected for many years, to officiate.

## NO IMMEDIATE CHANGE

Representative of President of Puget Sound Mills Was in City on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Pond, of New York, were in the city on Saturday. Mr. Pond is the personal representative of E. B. Cadwell, the head of the Canadian Puget Sound Mill Company, Ltd., and was asked by The Times representative for some information with regard to the prospects of the mill becoming again active. He states there is very little change since Mr. Probonco, representing the Michigan Trust Company, explained the situation when he was here last fall. The litigation consequent to the complicated legal position of the interests controlling the mill does not promise any immediate termination, and until these difficulties have been unravelled, the status quo will be maintained.

Mr. Cadwell, he says, is a firm believer in the timber possibilities of this province, and the proprietors are desirous of developing their holdings, but the tangle is not easily straightened out.

Mr. Pond says the temporary lease to the Cameron Company for the manufacture of box shooks is likely to continue, pending some decision as to the future operations of the company.

Killed in Trenches.—Private Hugh Cummings, nephew of Dr. and Mrs. G. D. Beadnell, of "Pillongley House," Little River road, Comox, has been killed in action in France. He left Victoria with the Victoria Fusiliers about a year ago, but after reaching England transferred to "Tobin's Tigers." He had been in the trenches only about forty-eight hours when he was killed.

## IN COMPETITION FOR PATERSON SHIELDS

Time Table Indicates Visits of Judges This Week to Various Schools

The annual singing competitions commence to-morrow in the city schools. These competitions take place in May for the Paterson trophies, senior and junior shields. The adjudicators again will be Frank J. Sehl and Herbert Kent.

The time-table this week is as follows:  
 Tuesday—9:10, Juniors, Quadra; 9:35, seniors, Quadra; 9:55, Juniors, Oaklands; 10:25, seniors, Oaklands (at Quadra Street School); 11, Juniors, Bank Street; 11:30, Juniors, Pembroke (at Bank Street School).  
 Wednesday—9:15, senior girls; 9:40, Junior girls; 10, Junior boys; 10:20, senior boys (at Girls' Central School); 11, seniors, George Jay; 11:30, Juniors, Spring Ridge (at George Jay School).  
 Thursday—9:15, seniors, North Ward; 9:30, Juniors, North Ward; 9:50, Juniors, Burnside; 10:15, seniors, Burnside (at North Ward School); 11:10, Juniors, Margaret Jenkins; 11:30, seniors, Margaret Jenkins (at Margaret Jenkins School).

Friday—South Park, 9:10, seniors; South Park, 9:30, Juniors; Beacon Hill, 9:50; Kingston Street, 10:10; Juniors, Sir James Douglas; 10:30, seniors, Sir James Douglas (at South Park School); 11:15, Juniors; 11:25, seniors, Victoria West, at that school.

Last year ten senior classes were examined, now there are eleven, and whereas in 1916 sixteen junior classes were examined, fourteen have entered this time. Victoria West School holds the senior shield, and Quadra School holds the junior shield. Each class sings three selections, as follows: Seniors: "The Evening Bells," "God Bless the Prince of Wales" and "Canada's Song of Freedom." Juniors: "Sons of the Chase," "Summer Comes With Cheer and Gladness" and "Canada's Song of Freedom."

## SHOULD MEET SOON

Victoria and Island Development Association and Present Situation.

Changes in the commissionship, and office accommodation of the Victoria and Island Development Association are stated to be contemplated, the former being anticipated since the formal organization of the Pacific Northwest Tourist Association. The executive contemplate moving to Government Street, in order to be on the street first traversed by incoming arrivals from the wharves, and that the location chosen is near the post office, the premises till recently occupied by the Dominion Express Company. While the control of the Association is in the hands of a representative executive, the city is the largest contributor, and any opinion from the City Hall will have important weight in its operations. The Mayor indicates to-day that he is getting in touch with the Association to have the executive arranged for filling the vacancy in the commissionship now pending, and thinks it should be done before Mr. Cutbert moves.

Speaking as head of the new general organization, His Worship hopes to see the executive concentrate this summer on Canadian Northwest travel, in order to encourage the prairie residents to make their homes in Victoria during the winter months. He says the Pacific Northwest Association will attend to the general movement of travel, swinging it via Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia. He thinks that Victoria would be best advised to develop attractions to keep the people here, and encourage them to return. That is one of the reasons why he is so anxious to have the Elk Lake golf course established, and to see encouragement given to other attractions, publicly or privately managed.

The attempt to secure permanent residents has not been without success is shown by the waterworks department returns. An absolute check is kept on residential property in that department, and the number of vacant houses has been steadily declining since January, which is a most hopeful sign.

## ARMY SERVICE CORPS

Draft of Victoria and Vancouver Men Reach Winnipeg Under Major Small.

A table has been received from Winnipeg stating that Major Small, of Victoria, has arrived in the prairie city in charge of thirty men of the Army Service Corps who will be quartered there until the next draft leaves for the East.

About fifteen of these men are Victorians who left here at various times and were assembled at Vancouver. The whole draft then proceeded direct from Vancouver to Winnipeg.

The local recruiting office of this branch of the service has been closed on Government Street but a new one will be opened immediately. More men are constantly being required for the work. The opening of the summer camps will necessitate signing additional men for the local company, number 21. These will be used for home service only.

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## COLLARLESS FROCKS ARE A NEW WHIM

Some Designers Dispense With Collars, Others Bring Out New Styles

New York, May 1.—To dispense entirely with collars on separate blouses and dresses is one of the latest fancies of fashion designers. Perhaps this will be a trying style for the majority of women, as most faces require the softening influence of a collar around the neck; but for those to whom it is becoming, the collarless neck, as a novelty, is sure to make an appeal. There is nothing that women like more than something a little different, for to tire of a certain style, however becoming, is only human.

Many and varied are the new outlines and finishes for these collarless dresses. Square, round, oval and Y shapes are all among the different outlines in vogue. The oval outline going across the neck from shoulder to shoulder at a rather shallow depth is very interesting and is shown in the accompanying sketch. In this model the neck is finished with a cross-stitch embroidery design, one of the newest forms of embroidery, or rather, one of the oldest forms of embroidery recently revived. The cross-stitch of generations back has returned, now



Peplum Blouse with Pleated Skirt.

that embroidery of every description enjoys so strong a vogue. It is fascinating work for those who like needlework, and so simple to do that many spring and summer frocks will be adorned with it, worked out in the attractive colors used for embroideries. The peplum blouse illustrated is the kind that is worn with the new loose-hanging skirts, an example of which is shown in the sketch. This skirt is attached to a waistband, the lining so called, hanging from the shoulders and cut on straight, loosely-fitted lines. The lining is made of some soft or thin material such as net, China silk or fine lawn. The object of this type of skirt is to preserve the straight-line silhouette. It makes an excellent foundation for the peplum, or outside-blouses as they are called.

The blouse that buttons straight down the back is making its way surely but slowly into the fashionable world. Crocheted and decorative fancy buttons make these back closings rather attractive. Some novelty buttons are made of colored beads bunched together in ball shape. These are generally used on waists that button in front.

Strings of colored beads to go with waists are being much worn. The beads either match the waist in color or are of a contrasting though harmonious shade; for instance, a rose with blue makes a charming combination.

New Fancy Collars. While collarless styles are fashionable, dainty collars have by no means been discarded; on the contrary, this is an accessory made very much of.

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Some of the new shapes fall in rather long points over the shoulders, others are pointed in front and square at the back, and the familiar sailor collar is ever present. Fine voile, marquisette and handkerchief linen in white and colors are used for the new collars. Some are handstitched by hand, others by machine, and on almost every one there is some touch of hand embroidery. Double collars are usually made with the upper one of some color and a white one, a little larger, under it. The high stock collar is being worn by smart women as much for sports as for use with tailored costumes. Usually it is made of pongee or some



Afternoon Frock of Dotted Foulard in Barrel Effect.

heavy silk with ends that cross in front of striped or figured silk. For sports wear a white silk blouse with one of these collars, and a skirt matching the figured or striped silk in the collar, make a very attractive costume. This idea is also carried out in lines and the new figured cotton materials which are so smart for sports skirts. Instead of the high stock collar, some open-neck blouses are worn with graceful four-in-hand ties made of the skirt material. In Barrel Effect. The barrel or bowling-pin silhouette

appears to be meeting with success not only in skirts of the tailored type, but in afternoon frocks. The effect obtained by soft draperies and pleats at the upper part of the skirt makes very graceful lines and is especially pretty in afternoon silk frocks. The sketch shows one of these models developed in dotted foulard. The waist of this design is particularly interesting, as it features the new kimono sleeve cut so as to form a part of the body of the waist. The curved line starting from the collar and going under the arms is seen in many designs and allows for the use of two materials, that most popular effect. Collar and cuffs of this dress are of sheer white organdy. Short sleeves reaching just above or below the elbow, as in this model, are likely to be popular when the warm weather comes, for every indication points that way just now. The long sleeves will continue to be worn, however.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Dorothy Sweeney and Mr. C. S. Sweeney, of Vancouver, spent the weekend in Victoria.

Mrs. Macdonald Fahey left on this afternoon's boat for Tacoma, where she is to appear in concert on Tuesday evening.

Venerable Archdeacon Greene, of Kelowna, B. C., who has been attending the sessions of the Provincial Synod, Vancouver, is now visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Collinson, 205 Cook Street, and expects to be here until the end of the week.

The Provincial Normal School, Vancouver, will close its sessions on Wednesday, May 23. One of the last gatherings of the year was at the musicale held on Friday, when Miss Coney, who is very well-known in Victoria, lectured on the life of Mozart. The final meeting of the literary society will be held on Friday next.

Miss Lillie Stevenson, who has many friends in the city, will shortly complete her second year in the University of Washington. She is a popular member of the recently formed Phi Mu Sorority. She is well-known to patrons of Tighe & Wheeler's, with which she was associated for some time.

Lieut. Vernon Castle, the famous dancer, who has been in the Flying Corps at the front for several months, is one of the instructors of the Royal Flying Corps in Toronto. He arrived in Toronto last week and left very soon afterwards for New York to see his wife, who may return to Toronto with him. Lieut. Castle won the Legion of Honor from the French for bravery.

Owing to the heavy demands of the army, hardly a young man is to be found any longer in the churches in England, and it has been found necessary to requisition the veterans of the congregations for the choir. A great many men from 65 to 70 years of age have returned, in consequence to the choristers' stalls, and in a few instances women choirs have been formed, the choristers wearing surplice, cassock and purple hat of uniform pattern.

The musicale held last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Hele Ash in aid of the Red Cross kit-bag fund was a great success. The programme given during the evening was contributed to by Madame Webb, Miss Alexander, Miss Gwendoline Ash, Miss Erminie Bass, Miss Davis, Mr. Hughes, Miss Lorna Lewin, Mr. Middleton, and others. The reception rooms were artistically decorated with flowers, tulips of gay color being particularly effective in the scheme. Delicious refreshments were served.

The annual contest for the Sears' Cup, which last year went to the King Edward High School, Vancouver, will be held on Friday evening next simultaneously in the Victoria High School and the King Edward School, Vancouver. The subject to be debated will be: "Resolved, that the railways of Canada should be owned, controlled and operated by the Government." The debating team to be sent from Victoria to Vancouver to meet the Vancouver debaters, Messrs. Chapman and Coupe, will be composed of Bruce Hutchison and Ernest Knapp. The boys who will meet Messrs. Moran and Webster, the King Edward High School representatives who are coming down to debate here on Friday night, are to be Harry Gilliland and Arthur Gee.

Count Ilya Tolstol, 80th of the late Count Leo Tolstol, and who, like his father, has devoted the most of his life to the amelioration of the peasant class in Russia, will arrive in Vancouver on Monday evening and on Tuesday night will lecture at the Hotel Vancouver. Count Ilya is a thinker, writer, lecturer and fighter; he has written several books, has acted as war correspondent with the Russian troops in the present war and contributed some of the most widely read articles on the happenings at the Eastern front, has seen service with the Russian forces in the Carpathians, and for several months was a Red Cross worker behind the battlelines. In his lecture he will tell of the Russian revolution recently, and will also discuss the "great opportunities for Canada that are now opening up in Russia."

The University Players' Club, which is appearing to-morrow night at the Princess Theatre in Israel Zangwill's serio-comedy, "Merely Mary Ann," will be accompanied to Victoria by Mrs. F. P. Westbrook, wife of the president of the B. C. University. Four of this year's graduates are to appear in the cast: Mr. Merrill des Brisay, who went overseas early in 1915, was lay helpless in an open trench, and was finally discharged as unfit for further service; Miss Kathleen Peck, Miss Helen White, and Pat Fraser. The other

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The following resolutions were passed: That existing secretarial arrangements remain in force for the remainder of this year; that in consequence of the phenomenal season the Children's Annual Wild Flower Show should not be held this year; the Members' Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Show is fixed for July 29; that fixed dates shall be assigned for monthly meetings of the sub-committees and each member shall be notified of this resolution and furnished with a list of the dates, to economize in postage and stationery; that no cakes or rich refreshments shall be served at any Women's Institute functions until further notice, scones being selected as the standard dish for monthly meeting teas.

The announcement was made that two members had become life members of the Red Cross Society and that a special donation of \$100 to the Vimy Ridge Fund has been made through the Institute. An entertainment in aid of this fund will take place at Cobble Hill on Saturday afternoon, May 12, at 2.30 p. m. Miss Alice Ravenhill will lecture by special request on her recent trip across the United States in the S. L. A. Hall on Monday, May 14, at 8.30 p. m.

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The Pantages vaudeville programme for this week is headed by a dainty musical comedy, "The Girl from Amsterdam." The scene is laid in Holland and the piece introduces a comedian

who has appeared prominently in many Broadway productions, and a series of singing and dancing numbers presented in many changes of bright costumes. Roy Clair, the star of the piece, is seen as the erratic chauffeur of a rich young American who is traveling through the Netherlands to look over some properties. In meeting the ladies of Amsterdam a great deal of confusion ensues which is made the basis for a riot of funny situations. The offering has many features to commend it.

Daniel Roach and James McCurdy are again with us. These two prime old favorites who are always to be associated with the charming human interest stories of W. A. Brady, will be more than welcome to Victorians in the offering entitled "A Touch of Nature." Years ago when "Way Down East" was the most popular drama in



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Besides being up to all sorts of tricks, Jane is also a highly imaginative child and her statement "I am not what I am" is always the signal for her sailing into visionary realms in which she always poses as the heroine and some brave knight is saving her from death and disaster. At one time it is a queen who is threatened with death; at another she is Cleopatra reclining on her couch while her maidens dance for her and Marc Antony makes love to her; or again, she is simply a little country girl whose horse runs away with her and a man from the city driving by in his automobile comes to her rescue.

**ELKS' VAUDEVILLE**

Three Branches of Red Cross Will Benefit From Proceeds of Entertainment.

The "Royal Purple" Vaudeville, which is to be given in the Princess Theatre on Saturday, May 12, under the auspices of the Elks' ladies in behalf of the North Ward, Fairfield and James Bay Red Cross branches, is rapidly rounding into shape and promises to be one of the best amateur performances that has been held during the past season. A large crowd is expected as the tickets are selling rapidly and those who wish to go should secure theirs without delay from the ladies taking part or from the North Ward, Fairfield, or James Bay branches of the Red Cross.

Mrs. Newbery and Mrs. Ozard, both of whom have had wide experience in arranging amateur performances, have charge of the show, while F. C. Dillabough is acting as business manager. The costumes of the principals and the cheques are exceptionally pretty and the stage settings will be very beautiful.

- The programme is as follows:
1. Japanese Love Song, Miss McMillan and chorus.
  2. Fancy dancing by four of the Elks ladies.
  3. "The Milk Maid," by Miss Dumbleton, Mr. Swain and chorus.
  4. Mr. Wilkes on the banjo.
  5. "The Lady With the Sun Shade," Mr. Freel and Chorus.
  6. The Dumbeltons—Elsie and Dave.
  7. Classical dancing, by Miss Ball.
  8. "Garland of Roses," by Mr. Swain and chorus.
  9. "The China Lady," by Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Hallet and chorus.
  10. The Elks Quartette.
  11. The hoop skirt dance by several of the ladies.
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A comedy-dramatic playlet, "This Way Out," dealing with the efforts of a detective to locate the co-respondent in a divorce case, provided the heavy feature of the bill. Enacted by a capable cast including George W. Barbier, Currie Thatcher, Isabel MacGregor and Jas. O'Neil, well-written in every sense of the word, full of wholesome fun and progressive action, "This Way Out" should appeal to the audiences as one of the best comedy-dramatic sketches of the season.

The Wilton Sisters give a pleasing account of themselves in their song and instrumental numbers. The girls possess that much-envied brand of personality which makes of them a constant delight to audiences everywhere.

The Azard Brothers provide the thrills of the programme with their strong arm work.

An aeroplane chase at 80 miles an hour in which one machine deliberately rams the other is the big thrill of the tenth chapter of "Pearl of the Army," which adds another interesting feature to this week's programme.

of pictures in which Mary Pickford made her first appearances, and also that, at the present time, Mary Miles Minter is becoming just as popular as Mary Pickford in the larger cities of the East.

Manager Murdoch has arranged for an extra attraction all this week in the person of W. Thorne, the "Boy Magician." This young fellow, a local boy by the way, is about to sign a contract with one of the big vaudeville circuits, and will be leaving the city soon. He should make a hit wherever he goes as his work in card manipulating and other conjuring tricks is remarkably clever, comparing very favorably with that of some of the greatest magicians who have appeared in Victoria.

**MYSTERY STORY AT ROYAL VICTORIA**

Charlotte Walker in "Mary Lawson's Secret" is Star in Gripping Play

To-day, Tuesday and Wednesday the Royal Victoria will present to its patrons the well-known actress, Charlotte Walker, in "Mary Lawson's Secret." The mystery story in which the secret is kept until the end may be said to fill its mission. Such a story is to be found in the above feature. It is a photoplay that catches the attention quickly, but holds it firmly until the end of the picture. The variety of incidents and the expert handling it receives, gives the drama its excellent claims to consideration. On the production side, skilful use of the material by the director and excellent playing by the cast ensures a very favorable impression. The photography and the scenery are excellent. Several water-scapes showing an approaching storm are particularly worthy of note. A very laughable comedy makes up the balance of the programme.

**BILLIE BURKE COMING**

Most Popular Star in America to Be Seen Here in Photoplay.

What critics everywhere are proclaiming is the best motion picture novel yet offered the public is coming to the Dominion Theatre on Monday, May 14. Its title is "Gloria's Romance," and the star of this much heralded attraction, is none other than Billie Burke, famous star of "Jerry" and a half dozen famous productions of the speaking stage. The story of the new film novel is from the pen of Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Hughes, who are famous for such tales as "What Will People Say?" "Clipped Wings" and "The Thirtieth Commandment," and is said to be absolutely logical throughout and of real literary merit, not at all like the slap-dash, blood-and-thunder films that have sometimes been shown in theatres of a lower class.

**VARIETY THEATRE.**

The charming juvenile star, Mary Miles Minter, will be the attraction at the Variety Theatre for the first part of this week in a powerful dramatization of Albert Phillips' beautiful story, "A Dream or Two Ago."

Miss Minter will be remembered for her wonderful work in "Faith," which was shown at the Variety some weeks ago. "Lovely Mary" is the greatest juvenile actress appearing in motion pictures to-day, and is only fourteen years old. It is a fact worth noting that her director, James Kirkwood, was also the director of the majority



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Capt. F. F. Scharschmidt, officer commanding the Canadian section of the Inland Water Transport, has advised the officers in charge of the various recruiting centres that a call has been issued for 250 more men, making a total of 1,900 in all. The original authorization was for 500 men, and when this number had been raised, an additional 250 recruits were called for, and now comes the authorization to bring the unit up to strength of 1,900 men. In order to reach this total about 300 more recruits are required and it is hoped that this number will soon be raised. A large percentage of the men already signed up have been drawn from British Columbia and Vancouver Island has been well to the fore with its quota.

Many men drawn from this locality are doing good work in the transportation of supplies up the waterways of Mesopotamia, Egypt and France. The rapid advance of General Maude's forces in Mesopotamia was unquestionably greatly facilitated by the excellent transport system on the Tigris. The work is most interesting and good pay, together with separation allowance for married men, is offered to those with experience in river work. Anyone having the inclination to serve with this branch of the service should lose no time in getting in touch with Sergt. Fry at his Broad Street office.

The fact that a call has been made for an additional 250 men is a great compliment to British Columbia which has supplied a very large number of experienced rivermen.

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## G.T.P. PLANS SERVICE TO ALASKA IN JUNE

Steamship Prince George to Inaugurate Skagway Run; Rupert's Entry Doubtful

There was a report current aboard the steamship Prince George this morning that the Grand Trunk Pacific Steamship Company's summer service to Alaska will be inaugurated with the sailing of the Prince George from Victoria on June 11, to be followed by the steamship Prince Rupert a week later. Since the wrecking of the Prince Rupert on Gein Island no official announcement has been released by the company regarding the Alaska service. It has been estimated that the necessary repairs to the steamer Prince Rupert would take at least two months to complete, but in the event of the contract being rushed and no time lost, there is a possibility that the vessel may be turned over to her owners by June 15. The damaged plates are all out and a large force of mechanics are hard at work under the hull of the vessel, which now rests on the keel-blocks of the Esquimalt graving basin.

The G. T. P. Alaska service was opened on June 6 last year. The steamship Prince George, Capt. D. Donald, left port at 10 o'clock this morning on her northern voyage to Prince Rupert and Anxoy, taking out a good number of through passengers. It was stated on board that by the time the vessel leaves Vancouver tonight the bulk of her cabin accommodation will be taken up. Bookings are gradually getting heavier as the season advances.

Remarkably fine weather is now being experienced up the coast and the Prince George is making good time every trip.

There is an ever-increasing business with Ocean Falls, where the pulp and paper plant of the Pacific Mills, Ltd., is being developed on a large scale. Offices of the Prince George state that the mills at Ocean Falls will be shipping paper this month. Over 1,000 men are already employed at the plant.

## COMMISSION IS CLAIMED

Legal Action is Outcome of Sale of American Barque Dirigo.

Suit has been filed in the United States District Court, San Francisco, by D. B. Dearborn & Co., of New York, against G. W. McNear & Co., for \$1,787 commission alleged to be due for the sale of the American barque Dirigo. The plaintiff company alleges that it was acting as agent for the defendants in the sale of the vessel and an agreement was made that it should receive 4 1/2 per cent. of the purchase price, which was \$175,000.

## EXPENSIVE HANDLING

Cargo of Formosan Sugar Forwarded to Vancouver Via Seattle.

Owing to difficulty in handling the cargo at Vancouver, a consignment of 4,000 tons of raw sugar from Formosa has been landed at Seattle by a Japanese vessel and will be forwarded to the Terminal City by rail. The shipment is consigned to the Vancouver Sugar Refinery.

## BIG SUM INVOLVED IN SHIPPING DEAL

Border Line Steamers Alki and Despatch Change Hands for About \$200,000

The Border Line steamers Alki and Despatch have been purchased by a syndicate headed by H. F. Ostrander and W. C. Dawson, of Seattle, the deal involving approximately \$200,000. The new shipping corporation will operate these two vessels in the Puget Sound-Alaska trade, it being the intention of the new owners to keep the vessels in the trade which they have been serving for so long under the house flag of the Border Line.

The organization of the new shipping concern marks the debut in the Alaska trade of H. F. Ostrander, who amassed a fortune as a result of the tremendous business which developed with Siberia during 1915 and 1916. The Border Line Transportation Company will continue to operate the steamer Fulton between Seattle, Victoria, Vancouver and Powell River, and the motor freighter Wakana between Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver.

H. B. Davenport is the local agent of the line with headquarters in the Belmont Block.

The Border Line Transportation Company was organized in May, 1913. The company purchased the fleet of the Northland Steamship Company, including the Alki and Northland, and acquired the Despatch from the Pacific Lumber Company, of San Francisco.

The Northland was wrecked some time ago in Alaskan waters.

## COAL BEING SHIPPED DIRECT TO HONOLULU

Barge Service Has Been Inaugurated With Vancouver Island Coal Ports

Honolulu is now importing coal direct from the Vancouver Island mines. Early yesterday morning the three-masted barge Isaac Reed passed up Union Bay in tow of the powerful tug Hercules to take on a full cargo of coal, this being the second trip she has made to this coast to load fuel for the Hawaiian Islands. The Hercules is an oil-burning tug with a steaming radius of 10,000 miles. There is a big demand for coal at Honolulu, as an increasing number of deep-sea vessels are touching at the "cross-roads" of the Pacific for fuel since the establishment of new services through the Panama Canal, and the indications are that a regular barge service will be instituted between Vancouver Island coal ports and the Hawaiians.

But for the large steaming radius of tugs of the type of the Hercules a barge service between this coast and Honolulu would be impossible. Heretofore the longest distance that British Columbia coal has been barged is to Alaska and San Francisco. Large quantities of coal have been regularly shipped by barge service to the Golden Gate for many years past. The barge W. H. Smith, carrying a full cargo of coal, shipped at Ladysmith, passed out to sea this morning for San Francisco in tow of the tug Sea Rover.

## NITINAT NOW HAS SESOSTRIS IN TOW

Freighter Salvaged After Ten Years Ashore May Be Shortly Expected Here

According to information received here to-day, the Canadian Pacific tug Nitinat sailed from San Diego yesterday for Victoria with the salvaged steamship Sesostris in tow.

As the Nitinat and her tow will have to put into San Francisco to replenish bunkers it is not expected that the two vessels will show up off this port before the end of next week.

It took the Nitinat seven or eight days to make the trip light to San Diego, and with her big prize astern it may take over two weeks to reach here, especially if she has to buck head seas.

The Sesostris, or the Frank L. Skinner as she will be known in future, has been reclaimed from the sea after ten years ashore on the Guatemalan coast. This remarkable salvage feat was accomplished by the British Columbia Salvage Co., of Victoria, the actual work of floating the vessel being carried out under the supervision of Capt. F. C. Stratford, the clever salvage expert, who for many years has been in command of the steamer Salvor.

Capt. Stratford and his crew, together with Capt. H. W. Logan, local representative of the London Salvage Association, are returning here aboard the Sesostris.

In these days of phenomenal shipping prices the Sesostris is a valuable craft and her owners and the salvage company will make a big thing out of her. Despite the fact that the vessel was aground for a decade her machinery is in good shape, the boilers having been retubed before she was floated, and on leaving Ocos the big freighter was proceeding under her own steam. Doubtless she would have completed the voyage under her own power but for trouble experienced in securing coal at San Diego.

The vessel is now owned by a syndicate, of which Mr. Skinner, of the Skinner and Eddy Corporation, of Seattle, is the head. After landing here at this port the Sesostris will proceed to Seattle to undergo the necessary repairs that will make her fit for service.

## PRINCESS MAY IS RESUMING SERVICE

Preparatory to taking up the service between Vancouver and Granby Bay via Prince Rupert, the C. P. R. steamer Princess May, which has been laid up throughout the winter, is due to leave here to-night for the mainland. For the past three days she has been at Yarrow overhauling and having a new steel mainmast stepped. She will leave Vancouver for Granby Bay Wednesday night, relieving the steamer Princess Maquinnia.

The latter vessel will make one trip north on the schedule of the Princess Beatrice while that boat is laid up here for general overhaul. Upon the return of the Beatrice to the northern run the Maquinnia will come to Victoria to be fitted out for the West Coast service.

What man is there, over whose mind a bright spring morning does not exercise a magic influence?—Sketches by Bos.

## URGE BETTER SERVICE BY ALL-RED ROUTE

Dominions Commission Says Faster Steamers Are Wanted on Atlantic and Pacific

Brief reference was recently made to the report of the Dominions Royal Commission in so far as it affects Canada, but the comment on the Australian situation, which has just been received by mail, is of equal importance to this section of the country in that a strong plea for improved shipping and cable communication between the Pacific seaboard of Canada and the Australasian ports is made.

To enter into competition with the Suez route, which has of course been dislocated in war time, the Commission recommends that the journey via Halifax to Auckland should be accomplished in 25 days, as compared with 28 days from London to Adelaide, and 29 days round the Cape. The journey to Adelaide will have to be accelerated to meet those figures when the Orient mail contract comes to be renewed in 1920. That is proposed to be accomplished by securing an 18-knot service from England on the two lines running alternate weeks in the Australian mail route, namely, the P. and O. and the Orient.

To give an All-Red Route via Canada to New Zealand in 25 days, some considerable changes will be necessary. On the Atlantic the speed of ships crossing from the Old Country will have to conform to the standard of those in operation in the Liverpool-New York route. Ships on the Canadian run have been operating from 16 to 19 knots, as compared with 24 to 25 on the American run. As a consequence the Cunard liners, subsidized by the British Government, have been able to deliver mail in Halifax some times two days earlier than they can be got by the Canadian subsidized service, when both ships have left Liverpool on the same day.

The railway services, particularly east of Montreal, will have to be accelerated and improved, because when navigation closes in the St. Lawrence the whole European mail service of Canada has to be done through the maritime provinces.

On this side of the Pacific, the steamer service will also have to be accelerated to cut the time down. The Niagara makes the trans-Pacific trip at about 18 knots an hour, while it is stated that the new liner of the Canadian-Australasian line, the Otaoera, will be capable of steaming 20 knots an hour. Taking the very best average mails before the war, via New York and Victoria, the time to New Zealand has been 27 1/2 days from Liverpool. So that to comply with the suggestions of the Commission, 60 hours have to be cut off the journey via the All-Red Route.

The British Government is recommended to adopt a course strongly urged by many influential witnesses, the acquisition of an Atlantic cable, with government control of a land line from Halifax to Montreal, then overland to the Pacific Cable station at Banfield. The rates are suggested as being set at 50 cents per word full rate, 25 cents for deferred messages, and week-end messages 12 1/2 cents a word.

The suggestion was made before the Commission that with the co-operation of the Canadian Press Ltd., it might be possible to lease a cable from England to Nova Scotia, and a wire across the continent 24 hours a day, which cable and wire service could be used for the transmission of the press service for Canada in papers, as well as for the papers of Australia, and also handle all Pacific cable business across Canada.

## VESSELS CHARTERED MANY MONTHS AHEAD

San Francisco, May 7.—The following charters are announced: Barque Albert, to carry lumber from the Columbia River to Sydney or Newcastle, private terms, by Comyn, Mackall & Co. (September-October); barquentine City of Sydney, merchandise from San Francisco to Sydney and Melbourne (lump sum), by J. J. Moore & Co. (September-October); schooner Forest Home, lumber from North Pacific to Sydney, at 120 shillings, by J. J. Moore & Co. (June-July, 1918); schooner H. D. Bendixen, lumber from North Pacific to the West Coast of South America, option Australia, private terms; by Comyn, Mackall & Co. (late 1917); schooner James H. Bruce, lumber from the North Pacific to the West Coast of South America at \$32, with option to Australia, 125 shillings, by Comyn, Mackall & Co. (end 1917); schooner Robert R. Hind, lumber from North Pacific to the West Coast of South America, \$2, by Comyn, Mackall & Co. (end 1917).

## CONTRACTS AWARDED TO RESTORE STEINBEK

Contracts for restoring the German ship Steinbek to seaworthy condition for operation under the American flag have been awarded by the United States Shipping Commission to Erland & Co., of Seattle, and the Winslow Marine Railroad & Shipbuilding Co., Erland & Co. will overhaul the vessel's rigging and the Winslow concern will drydock the vessel.

The Steinbek is one of the fleet of German ships taken over by the United States since the declaration of a state of war. She has been interned at Eagle Harbor with the German steamer Saxonia.



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**PROGRESS AGAINST SUBMARINE MENACE**  
Statement by Member of American Naval Board; Daniels Confident  
Washington, May 7.—Advices from the Naval Consulting Board concerning progress towards finding a solution for the German submarine menace, referred to in New York on Saturday by Chairman Saunders of the Board, were expected to reach the Navy Department to-day.  
Secretary Daniels said that while no information would be made public as to experiments which have been in progress, he was satisfied that American ingenuity eventually would check the undersea boats. Mr. Daniels spoke, however, without knowledge of the specific devices with which the members of the Consulting Board have been experimenting, and his confidence was based wholly upon the record for mechanical inventiveness which American engineers and scientists have maintained for years.  
An explanation.  
A telegram to the Associated Press from Lawrence Addicks, of Elizabeth, N.J., chairman of the special naval problems committee of the Consulting Board, served to clear up somewhat the misapprehension concerning Mr. Saunders' statements of Saturday. The message follows:  
"I fear some of the statements in the papers regarding the Naval Consulting Board may unwittingly give wrong impressions regarding its progress in combatting the submarine menace and that conclusions are likely to be drawn that the problem has been either fully solved or given up as hopeless."  
"While it is evident that specific information as to the progress made would be contrary to public policy at this time, as chairman of the committee dealing specifically with the submarine menace I feel justified in saying that good and satisfactory progress has been made and that we have now under practical trial some novel devices of great promise."  
Edison at Work.  
"This committee was formed at the time of the break with Germany to take over all problems relating to the detection and destruction of submarines and the defeat of the torpedo and has under its direction the various experimental stations devoted to this work. In addition to this, Mr. Edison is separately conducting a line of experiments in his own laboratory regarding the results of which I am not qualified to speak."  
Mr. Addicks' statement confirms the understanding officials of the Department have had of the progress being made by the inventors. They have been at work for months on various research studies and since the declaration of a state of war with Germany

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have redoubled their efforts to find a way to cope with the U-boat menace. In many instances naval experts have been called into consultation or have aided in direct experiments. Every precaution has been taken that the German authorities will be prevented from securing any inkling of what is in prospect.  
"I have great faith that American ingenuity will find a means of combating the German submarines," said Secretary Daniels.

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SPORTING NEWS

LADYSMITH DEFEATED BY VICTORIA TEAM

Many Spectators Witness Basketball Game Which Proved to Be Fast Contest

On Saturday evening Jimmy Adams' "all-star" basketball team again defeated the Ladysmith club in the up-land town. The score was 40-17, while the half-time standing was 16-6 in favor of Victoria.

The interest taken in the match was very marked, and many of the spectators said that it was the fastest game that had been witnessed in town for many years.

The local team was composed of different players from those who made the trip two weeks ago.

J. Cole and M. Zborovsky played guard for Ladysmith; J. Gassney and I. Lowe, forwards, and T. Bryant, centre. Bryant and Gassney were the heavy scorers.

The local boys were taken up the island and also brought back to the city in the Adam motor car.

VICTORIA BOWLERS PLAY OPENING GAME

President's Team Wins Match by 10 Shots; Inter-City Match on May 24

The green of the Victoria lawn bowlers was opened for the season on Saturday afternoon last with a match between President vs. Vice-President, resulting in a win for the former by 10 shots.

On May 24 (Victoria Day) a match has been arranged between six links from Vancouver and the same number from Victoria, commencing at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

TIGERS ARE VICTORS IN EXTRA INNINGS

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CAMPL AND DAVIES ARE OF EQUAL BUILD

Seattle Boy Will Workout in City Before Scheduled Bout

All arrangements between the principals for the coming bout between Eddie Campi and Al Davies, which will be staged at the Willows on May 18, have now been made.

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CHALLENGE PRESSMEN.

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VICTORIA CRICKETERS OPEN SEASON'S PLAY

Two Practice Games Played Between Victorias, Albions, Five C's, Congregationals

A large number of local cricketers opened their season on Saturday afternoon last by playing two practice games.

The Victoria's and Albions met at the Jubilee Hospital grounds, where the game ended in a win for the former club by 52 runs.

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CANADIAN FIGHTERS BATTLE IN ENGLAND

Advices from London, Eng., announce the finals of the boxing tournament promoted by the Canadians at Bournemouth.

The results of the lightweight competition in which Jimmy Clark, of Vancouver, was the winner, follows: J. Simpson beat W. C. Rankin; M. Martin beat E. J. Hars; W. H. Rendle beat A. Swan; Detroit Jimmy Clark beat Driver Bolduc.

Simpson beat Martin; Clark beat Rendle. Clark won final.

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Seattle, May 7.—Elongated Tom Dailey, who figured in a couple of victories over Bob Brown's British Columbia contingent over the border last week, was sent against the Vancouver crowd before a big Sunday afternoon crowd on the Seattle lot Sunday, and was once more returned winner by the score of 5 to 2.

The game was a very good one, with the exception that the Vancouver infield qualified for service in the aviation corps during the third inning, and thereby marred what might have otherwise been a splendid baseball struggle.

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OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of the late Ambros Adelman Furman, whose death occurred on May 3, will take place to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 from the Sands Funeral Chapel.

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Continuing, the speaker called attention to the fact that much of the work is done right in the first line, where during the cold of last winter the Y.M.C.A. distributed some 2,000,000 cups of cocoa to the men as they came from the trenches.

Both Chinese Cases. Returning to the court His Lordship first charged the Grand Jury to bring in their true or rejected bill in the matter of Rex versus Wong Jim Goo.

Re-ex vs. Goucher. The Crown moved for the date of hearing of the case Rex vs. Goucher, to be set for 11 o'clock on Wednesday.

ROBINSON, V. C., NOT DEAD; A PRISONER IN GERMANY London, May 7.—News was received to-day from Geneva confirming the report that Lieut. William Robinson, V.C., of the Royal Flying Corps, was not killed, as was announced last month, but is a prisoner of the Germans.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, May 7.—A casualty list of 281 names issued at noon to-day brings the total Canadian losses announced since Easter Monday to 15,056. The list follows:

- Infantry. Killed in action—Pte. S. Hamilton, Scotland; Pte. J. Hayes, Toronto; Pte. F. Landon, Toronto; Pte. G. B. Morgan, Toronto; Pte. H. J. Osborne, Sundridge, Ont.; Pte. P. Whalen, Mattawa, Ont.; Pte. W. L. White, Prescott, Ont.; Pte. W. H. Ball, Toronto; Pte. A. E. Boden, England; Pte. E. P. Carr, Bowmanville, Ont.; Pte. P. T. Cooper, Warsaw, Ont.; Pte. F. Donagan, Vancouver; Pte. C. S. Arthur, Toronto; Pte. W. B. Ball, Toronto; Pte. W. Currie, New Waterford, N. S.; Pte. D. Bennett, North Sydney, N. S.; Pte. H. J. Cleary, West Calder, N. S.; Pte. M. Goodman, Siewiacko, N. S.; Pte. E. J. Johnson, Truro, N. S.; Pte. A. S. McKinnon, New Annan, P.E.I.; Pte. O. D. Branley, Ardhill, Sask.; Pte. A. C. Dunning, England; Pte. H. Bryant, Estevan, Sask.; Cpl. P. Boyd, Scotland; Cpl. G. Keech, England; Cpl. T. Mobow, Rowlesburg, W. Va.; Lance-Sgt. M. Robinson, Toronto; Sgt. H. E. Fisher, Prince Albert, Sask.; Pte. J. W. Dickie, Estevan, Sask.; Pte. W. R. Coates, England; Pte. G. H. Harding, England; Pte. H. L. Loring, Toronto; Pte. A. McDonald, Gal. Ont.; Pte. R. H. Newbrook, Paris, Ont.; Pte. T. S. Walter, Annapolis, Ont.; Pte. C. W. Wooden, Burlington Junction, Ont.; Pte. A. C. Atkinson, Vancouver; Pte. F. S. Batty, Toronto; Pte. A. F. Burnett, Port Moody, B. C.; Pte. J. Clark, England; Pte. R. D. Cooper, Toronto; Pte. W. A. Ferguson, Parry Sound, Ont.; Pte. W. Mateny, Brantford, Ont.; Sgt. W. M. Bates, Louisville, N. S.; Lance-Sgt. J. Ratte, Montreal; Pte. W. H. Chapman, Springfield, N. S.; Pte. T. R. East, Red Deer, Alberta; Pte. W. S. Gray, Fredericton, N. B.; Pte. C. K. Lezak, Lunenburg, N. S.; Pte. C. A. Finney, Bridgewater, N. S.; Pte. W. Beattie, Regina; Pte. M. T. Thornton, Kheville, Sask.; Lance-Cpl. J. J. Reagin, England; Cpl. W. Purdy, Monitor, Alta.; Cpl. C. Anscombe, Fort Arthur; Pte. S. A. Stuart, Amherst, N. S.; Sgt. B. Agar, Harehills, Sask.; Sgt. L. J. McEgan, Cloverbar, Alta.; Pte. A. Covington, Fort William; Pte. J. J. Brabant, Labret, Sask.; Pte. C. Jones, Atwater, Sask.; Pte. B. A. Lambert, Maine, Sask.; Pte. P. Loutit, Fort Arthur; Pte. E. McAvay, Fort William; Pte. R. Blackhall, Toronto; Lance-Cpl. C. Yake, Buffalo; Sgt. R. A. Edmunds, Saskatoon; Pte. G. M. Henderson, Duncan; Pte. R. Warren, Toronto; Pte. M. Reid, Scotland; Pte. H. Brennan, Montreal; Pte. S. Ratt, St. Leonard, Que.; Pte. W. S. McCullough, Windsor Mills, Que.; Pte. H. Adler, Hamilton; Pte. A. Eden, Camden, Ont.; Pte. H. Jones, England; Pte. K. J. Watt, Mitchell, Ont.; Pte. W. J. Simmons, Pleasantdale, Sask.; Pte. W. J. Lyon, England; Pte. E. W. Bishop, Cupar, Sask.; Pte. C. W. Wiggins, Pathlow, Sask.; Pte. W. Seale, Island Brook, Que.; Pte. J. W. Carnell, London, Ont.; Pte. T. Fagan, Montreal; Pte. P. E. Fahey, Milltown, N. B.; Pte. C. F. Vickers, Diligent River, N. S.; Pte. F. M. Ward, Vancouver; Lance-Sgt. P. Humble, Racine, Wis.; Cpl. E. W. Greenway, England; Pte. C. D. Mann,

- St. Thomas, Ont.; Pte. A. Geieron, Kentville, N. S.; Pte. D. Q. Minna, Amilton; Pte. R. W. Bishop, England; Pte. H. H. Judge, England; Pte. J. R. Linton, England; Pte. J. R. Muldon, Mount Brydges, Ont.; Pte. H. Philpot, England; Pte. A. Booth, Prince Albert, Sask.; Pte. C. H. Brassint, England; Pte. W. Gash, England; Pte. T. Coffey, England; Acting Lance-Cpl. A. H. Heirn, Waterdown, Ont.; Pte. A. G. Brice, England; Pte. A. Leouot, LaChine, Que.; Pte. H. Kimball, Great Neck, N. Y.; Lance-Cpl. E. Tuck, England; Pte. D. Campbell, New Richmond, Que.; Pte. F. R. Gough, Scotland; Pte. A. J. Tocharast, England; Pte. C. H. Sully, England; Pte. J. Summerfield, England; Pte. K. Whittaker, England; Pte. I. T. McLagan, Fort Dodge, Iowa; Pte. L. T. Morrow, Simcoe, Ont.; Pte. D. N. McKinnon, Milltown Cross, P.E.I.; Pte. G. Colton, Toronto; Pte. R. H. Atkinson, England; Pte. W. A. McKay, Boston; Pte. N. P. Walsh, Riverhead, Nfld.; Co. Sgt.-Maj. H. A. Langley, Toronto; Cpl. W. Q. Faulkner, Victoria; Lance-Cpl. J. M. Morgan, Sunbridge, Ont.; Pte. J. Richards, Toronto; Pte. A. Brennan, Hamilton.

- Missing—Pte. A. Coleman, England; Pte. J. King, Trenton, Ont.; Wounded—Pte. J. F. Murray, Westmount, Que.; Pte. F. Peterson, Denmark; Pte. J. W. Leadbeater, England; Pte. F. Reid, Ottawa; Pte. J. McKenzie, St. Rose du Lac, Man.; Pte. D. Arsenault, Centralbedquet, P.E.I.; Pte. J. Belarski, Russia; Pte. C. F. Grant, Arlington, N. S.; Pte. B. Cook, Stoughton, Sask.; Pte. A. Robinson, Scotland; Pte. G. Kelly, Scotland; Pte. J. H. Williams, Toronto; Pte. S. A. Christensen, East Robson, B. C.; Pte. W. Gregory, England; Pte. D. Black, Scotland; Pte. P. G. Beaton, Ophir, Ont.; Lance-Cpl. C. H. Russell, England; Pte. G. A. Miller, Winnipeg; Pte. D. A. Corbin, Chester Basin, N. S.; Pte. H. Keating, New Aberdeen, N. S.; Lance-Cpl. D. Whalen, Sydney Mines, N. S.; Pte. O. Pedersen, Denmark; Pte. H. J. Brooks, Stellarton, N. S.; Pte. J. R. Busfield, England; Sgt. W. Stanborough, England; Pte. M. Dutton, Winnipeg; Pte. H. Naatund, Winnipeg; Cpl. A. R. Robertson, Scotland.

- Missing—Pte. J. C. Kerr, Regina; Pte. J. R. Aaron, England; Pte. A. Blarnd, England; Pte. F. Blake, England; Pte. J. A. Christie, South Tete Agatha, N. B.; Pte. L. Gardiner, Bradley, Maine; Pte. J. Herbert, Toronto; Pte. J. Laidlaw, Stittville, Ont.; Pte. E. Marchand, Montreal; Pte. P. Moore, Carleton, Ont.; Pte. G. P. Ollitt, Omeuse, Ont.; Pte. C. J. H. Pringle, Dunsmuir, Ont.; Cpl. R. Palmer, Toronto; Cpl. H. Fry, England; Pte. F. W. Clarke, Toronto; Pte. A. Denault, Bellechase, Que.; Pte. W. S. Waters, Victoria; Pte. T. Arnold, Hamilton; Pte. F. Bergerot, Ireland; Pte. D. R. Atland, Hamilton; Pte. O. Fielder, England; Pte. M. Greenwell, Toronto; Pte. J. G. H. Boyd, Mount Forest, Ont.; Pte. G. McDonald, Scotland; Pte. D. Martin, Martin, Ont.; Pte. T. Cuseman, Calgary; Pte. J. Poulin, Straphael, Ont.; Cpl. V. J. Roberts, Steelton, Que.; Acting Cpl. R. B. Abram, Toronto; Pte. W. Cosby, England; Pte. E. W. Cox, Minton, Ont.; Pte. A. Dunn, Ottawa.

- Previously reported missing; now not missing—Pte. A. Playfoot, England; Pte. G. A. Parker, Hensell, Ont.; Pte. E. P. Guider, Toronto; Pte. C. B. Boulter, England; Pte. J. H. Kerr, Thornbury, Ont.; Pte. J. W. Jordan, Burnaby, B. C.

- Previously unofficially reported died; now according to German lists died March 4, 1917—Pte. S. Latour, Ireland. Fracture—Pte. H. V. Kershaw, Philadelphia.

- III—Pte. O. Bertrand, Montreal; Pte. T. J. Irwin, Scotland.

- Gas poisoning—Pte. I. J. Bethune, Montreal.

- Previously reported missing and wounded; now not missing but returned to duty—Pte. E. W. Hales, Weiland, Ont.

- Mounted Rifles. Killed in action—Pte. J. V. McGaughey, Malpeque, P. E. I.; Pte. C. O. Chapman, Alexander, Ont.; Pte. W. E. Patterson, Dominion City, Man.; Pte. E. E. Higginbotham, England; Pte. H. E. Francis, Cymric, P. E. I.; Pte. P. A. Burnett, Rosebank, Man.; Pte. W. E. Warwick, Newdale, Man.; Sgt. F. R. Ribbards, England; Pte. A. E. Sanderson, Macleod, Alta.; Pte. W. B. Ahern, Westmorland Point, N. B.; Pte. I. McKay, Cincinnati, Ohio.

- Wounded—Pte. D. Stewart, Laysmouth, N. B.; Pte. P. W. McGrath, Halifax.

- Previously reported missing now rejoined unit—Pte. R. W. Stewart, Winnipeg; Pte. L. N. Ferguson, Crystal City, Man.

- Infantry. Missing—Pte. A. H. Sawyer, Kingston; Pte. W. L. Searle, England; Pte. W. Wesson, Swift Current, Sask.; Pte. G. Hablett, Victoria; Pte. W. Sinclair, Regina; Pte. R. Moore, Brownsburg, Que.; Pte. F. J. Sanders, England; Pte. T. Duncanson, Kamouraska, Sask.; Pte. M. Donette, Prince Edward, P. E. I.; Pte. E. Ford, London; Pte. H. H. Judge, England; Pte. E. C. Low, Port Dover, Ont.; Pte. E. Martin, Madison, Wis.; Pte. M. Summit, Russia; Pte. W. E. Rae, Redcliff, Alta.; Pte. O. L. Fox, Amherstburg, Ont.; Pte. E. Graham, Pontipool, Ont.; Pte. E. Hartzell, St. Thomas, Ont.

BYNG'S PRAISE OF CANADIAN FORCES

Victories Have Been Won and More Will Be Won

Canadian Army Headquarters in France, May 7.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent.)—The lieutenant-general commanding the Canadian Corps has sent out the following message to his officers and men under his command: "The brilliant operations during the past month, culminating in the capture of Arleux and Fresnoy, seem to give me the opportunity of expressing to all ranks the pride I feel in commanding the Canadian Corps. From April 9, when the offensive against Vimy Ridge began, till the morning of May 3, when Fresnoy was captured and consolidated, it was one series of successes, obtained only by troops whose courage, discipline and initiative stand pre-eminent. Nine villages have passed into our hands, eight German divisions have been met and defeated, over 5,000 prisoners have been captured and booty comprising some 64 guns and howitzers, 10 trench mortars and 126 machine guns has been added to the trophies of the Canadians. The training undergone during the winter has borne fruit, and it is this training, which coupled with the zeal and gallantry which are so conspicuous in all ranks of the Corps, that will continue to gain results as potent and as far-reaching as those which began with the capture of Vimy Ridge."

DEVONPORT WORKING OUT EFFICIENT PLAN

For Rationing of United Kingdom; Hints From Herbert Hoover

London, May 5.—Lord Devonport, the Food Controller, and his staff, are working out the details of the scheme under which it is proposed to ration the populace of the United Kingdom. That necessity should arise through the people falling to eat food to a sufficient degree. They have borne in mind Germany's rationing plan, which is said to be a complete failure, and have turned to the well-kept perfect organization developed by Herbert Hoover for relief in Belgium, for guidance. The different conditions prevailing in Belgium and Britain, of course, make it impossible to use the Belgian scheme as a whole, but the Food Controller has secured several valuable hints from it.

The main idea of the British plan is decentralization. The whole United Kingdom has been divided into 15 areas, each of which has been subdivided into cities, boroughs, urban district councils and rural district councils. These final small units will be charged with distributing bread and flour to the residents in their territory through bread cards or an immediate similar plan. A rationing committee composed of Lord Devonport, Kennedy Jones, and other prominent men will decide what rations are to be established, what divisions there will be of the populace into classes and other like questions. Another advisory committee will handle the finances and a further committee under Lord St. Davids will control the millers.

A vast army of something like 50,000 people, composed principally of distributing officials who will assume the rationing work in addition to their regular duties, will be under the direction of Alfred Butt, who is well-known on both sides of the Atlantic as a theatrical manager. Mr. Butt has been studying the food rationing question for some months and will become chief director under the new scheme.

The fifteen areas will each have a controller, who will be responsible to the national rationing committee. Each major area also will have many minor controllers who will govern the workers assigned to distributing food. It will take about two months to instruct those who are being appointed by the Food Controller in their duties as rationers. This will be about the middle or end of July, and by then it is expected that the people of the country will have given evidence as to whether they are going to comply with the voluntary rationing plan. Harvest conditions and the amount of imports available also will be a factor in determining whether the rationing scheme should be put into operation.

M. SZANOFF TAKES AN OPTIMISTIC VIEW OF RUSSIAN CRISIS

London, May 7.—Sergius Szanoff, former Foreign Minister of Russia, takes an optimistic view of the present crisis in Russia, according to a Petrograd dispatch quoting a statement made by M. Szanoff to Professor Pares of the University of Liverpool.

Prof. Pares asked the former Minister, as one of the best Russian friends of Great Britain, what attitude the British ought to take toward the crisis. M. Szanoff replied: "Casualty."

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BYNG'S PRAISE OF CANADIAN FORCES

Victories Have Been Won and More Will Be Won

Canadian Army Headquarters in France, May 7.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent.)—The lieutenant-general commanding the Canadian Corps has sent out the following message to his officers and men under his command: "The brilliant operations during the past month, culminating in the capture of Arleux and Fresnoy, seem to give me the opportunity of expressing to all ranks the pride I feel in commanding the Canadian Corps. From April 9, when the offensive against Vimy Ridge began, till the morning of May 3, when Fresnoy was captured and consolidated, it was one series of successes, obtained only by troops whose courage, discipline and initiative stand pre-eminent. Nine villages have passed into our hands, eight German divisions have been met and defeated, over 5,000 prisoners have been captured and booty comprising some 64 guns and howitzers, 10 trench mortars and 126 machine guns has been added to the trophies of the Canadians. The training undergone during the winter has borne fruit, and it is this training, which coupled with the zeal and gallantry which are so conspicuous in all ranks of the Corps, that will continue to gain results as potent and as far-reaching as those which began with the capture of Vimy Ridge."

DOUBTING THOMASES INCREASE IN GERMANY

Suspicion All is Not Well on Western Front is Growing

Copenhagen, May 7.—Apparently all is not easy sailing for the German military authorities in their effort to convince the people at home that everything is going well on the western front. The German military critics occasionally refer in their articles to letters of criticism from readers, indicating not only an unwillingness to take the official bulletins and the dispatches of the war correspondents at their face value but also that the number of doubting Thomases is large.

A few weeks ago, as is evident from articles by Captain Salzmann in the Vossische Zeitung and by other writers laboriously replying to a flood of critical letters, there was displayed an inability to see a great victory in von Hindenburg's strategic retirement. And now a writer in the Deutsche Tages Zeitung says a good patriot is struck by the discrepancy between the German and the British and French reports and is showing a hesitation to accept the German figures of the number of enemy aeroplanes destroyed.

Attacks Go On. Another point now made, as during the Somme offensive, is the refusal of the British and French to discontinue attacking notwithstanding the often-repeated official German declarations that the general offensive has broken down in defeat. These were accompanied last year by calculations to show that Germany's opponent would be exhausted. But reserves, but the statements were subjected to such repeated revision that this year a most sparing use is made of the argument.

A feature of the war in recent days has been the steady extension of the appeal to German public sentiment on the part of the military. The attitude at the outset was that the public was entitled to no information and that the less news published, even in the official bulletins, the better. This, however, has yielded to recognition that, without popular sentiment behind it, the conduct of a successful war is impossible. The military authorities themselves established for this year's campaign a big organization to supply the press with popularly written discussions and descriptions of military events to supplement the official bulletins.

RETURNING TO VICTORIA

Winnipeg, May 7.—John Arbuthnot and Miss Rosie Arbuthnot, who have been wintering in New York, are renewing Winnipeg friendships for a few days before returning to their home in Victoria.

POUNDRING GERMAN ARTILLERY POSITIONS

Canadian Guns Engaged in Counter Battery Work, Writes Correspondent

Canadian Army Headquarters in France, May 7.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent.)—The artillery of the Canadian Corps has been engaged during the past few days in counter battery work, instead of pounding at the enemy's trenches, for the most part it has been trained upon where his batteries are believed to be posted, with the object of putting them out of action. In such a war as this, when the Germans at a narrow point may number hundreds, it is as necessary to destroy the enemy's artillery as his infantry.

In former cable messages mention has been made of the increase in the number of German guns on this front. That increase continues, new batteries having been reported. Our trenches are a shining mark for these guns, the nature of the country being such as to render it difficult to construct defensive positions not subject to cross fire from some point on the enemy's front. The German lines are even more exposed to our retaliation from Vimy Ridge, but the conditions will be still better when his guns can be smashed. So all day, in swirls of gas and smoke the Canadian gunners hammer away. By doing so they force the enemy to divide his attention between our trenches and gun positions, thus improving the conditions for the infantry. Expenditure of shells is cheaper than men's lives.

Meanwhile the re-creation of the devastated region redeemed by the blood of our men proceeds. A few days ago at one of these points where earlier in the spring it meant death to show ones head above the trench parapet, I saw the thrifty owner ploughing and planting potatoes in that part of the field not scarred by trenches. In another field could be seen an old Frenchman ploughing, one of our soldiers seeding and a young French woman harvesting. Thus while the thunder of war still sounds and its lightning flashes through the night, the patient industry of the French peasants already is bringing order from chaos and producing greatly needed food-stuffs from ground that had lain desolate since the autumn of 1914.

TO-DAY'S TRADING ON THE WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, May 7.—The market throughout was very quiet. The day closed with all the wheat markets higher. A notable thing was that at the high of the morning Minneapolis and Chicago were on a par, something decidedly unusual. Winnipeg wheat closed 1 cent higher for October, Oats closed 1 higher for May and 1 higher for July. Barley closed 1/2 lower for May. Flax closed 1/4 higher for May and 1/2 higher for July. These were all minor local trades. The machinery of the new agreement has not yet been perfected and there has not been any activity like a full resumption of buying in the country. The agent of the Ontario Government bought wheat at the spread indicated by the new agreement, giving up May. There was a fair demand for the first two grades of oats, but the lower grades were not wanted. It looks at the moment as if considerable tension was developing in May oats.

Table with columns: Wheat, Oats, Flax, etc. and rows for various grades and months.

NEW YORK CURS PRICES

Table with columns: Bid, Asked, etc. and rows for various commodities like Copper, Iron, etc.

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NEW YORK FIRM AFTER RECENT LIQUIDATION

Coppers Influenced by Strength of Metal; Earnings of U. S. Steel

Table with columns: High, Low, Last and rows for various commodities like Alaska Gold, Cuba Cane Sugar, etc.

CHICAGO TRADING QUIET; MARKET HOLDS FIRM

Chicago, April 7.—The wheat market opened with slightly increased prices over Saturday's close and proceeded to advance, eating stop orders. May wheat advanced to 264 and July to 260. Later there was moderate selling of wheat and corn futures, neutral countries hedging against stuff that cannot be shipped. May closed two and a half lower than its high and July nearly 4 points lower. Corn closing near their opening. Broomhall, Liverpool; Wheat dull, with larger world's shipments and continued favorable reports from India and Australia. Corn firmer, with moderate shipments. Oats easier, with increased shipments and fair demand.

Table with columns: Bid, Asked, etc. and rows for various commodities like Wheat, Corn, etc.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Table with columns: Bid, Asked, etc. and rows for various cotton grades like March, April, etc.

METAL MARKET

New York, May 7.—Lead nominal; spot and May, 9. Spelter dull; spot, East St. Louis delivery, 99.99. Copper firm; electrolytic, spot and second quarter, 31.63; third quarter and later deliveries, 32.00. Iron firm; No. 1 Nor., 34.50; No. 2, 33.50; No. 3, 32.50. Tin steady; spot, 60.00.

New York, May 7.—Raw sugar quiet; centrifugal, 62.7; molasses, 45.3; refined steady.

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## MANY CASUALTIES YET IN EASTER FIGHTING

Number of Well-Known Men Heard of; Timber Wolves Battalion Suffered Badly

Enlisting with the 195th Battalion in Regina, Sask., afterwards transferring to a reserve battalion on arrival in England, Private Harold S. Roe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roe, of 1326 Bursfield Drive, has been killed in action, according to a telegram received during the week end. He had seen many months of fighting on the western front and fell fatally wounded on the day following the capture of Vimy Ridge. Well-known in the city, Private Roe was a student of the High School for three years. Before joining for overseas he was a law student with the firm of Brown & Thompson, of Regina. The young soldier was twenty years of age.

Private George M. Henderson. Although only eighteen years of age, Private Henderson has made the supreme sacrifice for his country, having been killed in action on April 24, according to information received by his mother, Mrs. W. L. Henderson, yesterday. Receiving the greater part of his education in Glasgow, Scotland, Private Henderson had spent the last few years prior to enlisting at Duncan and went overseas with the Western Scots. Corporal E. W. Laiter.

After training with the Timber Wolves for nearly six months, Corporal Laiter went overseas with that unit in July. The latest information concerning him received by his wife says that he has been missing since April 9. Corporal Laiter lived in Duncan for a number of years, where he was engaged as a carpenter, having originally from Sussex, England. On arrival in England with the Timber Wolves he took a course in musketry instruction in the Old Country, surrendering his stripes to go to the front with another battalion. He is thirty-six years of age.

Sergeant Fred Douglas. Another Cowichan soldier to be

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wounded at Vimy Ridge was Sergeant Fred Douglas, who enlisted with the Royal Canadian Regiment shortly after the commencement of the war. He was in Victoria for some time and was afterwards sent to Bermuda. He finally reached the fighting zone in France in October, 1915. Prior to enlisting he was employed in a logging camp on the Cowichan Lake Road, previously conducting his own business in Duncan as a harness-maker. He was a prominent member in athletic circles.

Lance-Cpl. John B. Bell. Leaving Victoria with the Timber Wolves in July last Cpl. Bell, according to advices received by his father, has been posted as missing. Twenty-four years of age, he was educated in England and employed here by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway for a time, and latterly he accompanied various survey parties into the interior. He took a course of bombing instruction in England and was appointed instructor. Giving up his stripes to get to the front he was sent across channel with a reinforcing draft.

Private G. H. Ahlett. Missing since the fighting on Easter Monday in Private G. H. Ahlett, according to advices from Ottawa by his wife during the week-end. Private Ahlett enlisted with the Timber Wolves at the beginning of 1916 and went overseas in July, reaching the front in the early fall with a reinforcing draft for Warden's Warriors. Born in Liverpool, England, he has been in British Columbia about twenty-five years. Prior to joining for service overseas he was engaged as foreman by the B. Wilson Company, Limited. His wife and son reside in the city.

Sergt. W. C. Faulkner. Killed on April 9 during the fighting at Vimy Ridge, according to information received yesterday, was Sergt. Faulkner. He was one of three brothers to don the uniform. His eldest brother recently returned from the other side severely wounded. Another brother, Corp. H. H. Faulkner, went away with the Timber Wolves last July and is fighting on the western front.

Private Frederick Allard. Another Duncan soldier to make the supreme sacrifice on Easter Monday was Private Allard. He was twenty-two years of age and the son of Mrs. M. Allard, of Duncan, where he was educated. He, too, went overseas with the Timber Wolves and was transferred in England to the C.M.R. and only a month in the trenches had elapsed when he was killed. A younger brother is now on his way overseas with the B. C. Cyclist platoon recently raised here.

## EDUCATED HERE

Lieut. Rand, of New Westminster. Killed in Action, Was Four Years at University School.

It will be remembered that Lieut. E. A. Rand, who has been reported as killed in action, was educated at the University School, Mount Tolmie, during 1907-10. He held during that time the rank of major in the Cadet Corps and was very popular in all the athletic branches of the institution. For four years he played with the first Rugby team and by masters and students alike was thoroughly well liked, while his many friends on the Island will hear of his death with profound regret. He was twenty-six years of age and his parents are living in New Westminster.

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## GERMAN IN LOCK-UP

Fritz Sonneborn, Formerly of Victoria, is interned in Seattle.

Seattle, May 7.—"If this country joins the Allies against Germany something big is going to happen on the Pacific coast." This is an excerpt from a letter written by Fritz Sonneborn, an unaturalized German Jew, of Seattle, to a man in Baltimore last December, and this letter, following an investigation on the part of the agents of the Department of Justice, resulted in the arrest and internment of the writer in Seattle on Saturday. Sonneborn, therefore, becomes the first civilian of an alien country to be interned in the Northwestern States.

Some years ago Sonneborn came to Victoria from the States, where he resided up to three years ago. During his stay in British Columbia he was in Vancouver at various intervals, but wherever he went his actions were closely watched by the police. No charge was laid against him but his utterances at various times gave rise to considerable discussion and he was required in consequence to report at regular periods to the local police.

In Seattle he has been under surveillance of the Department of Justice. He is known to have indulged in incendiary remarks on frequent occasions, says the dispatch, but was considered an irresponsible until the fact of his having written the letter to Baltimore developed. Special Agent Wright, who handled the investigation of Sonneborn, is quoted as saying: "We have had him under surveillance for some time, and I believe him to be more of a dangerous agitator than a man who would actually commit an act of violence. Just before the United States severed relations with Germany, Sonneborn again took out his declaration of intention papers, and since that time has been heard to declare that he would not render allegiance to this country. He is an agitator of the excitable type, and is dangerous for what he might actually do."

Capt. Bishop Here. General Superintendent of National Council of Y. M. C. A. in the City.

Capt. Charles W. Bishop, general superintendent of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A. for Canada, is today in the city as a member of the group of three men who are now touring Canada in the interests of the military work of the organization in France. Together with Major Gerald W. Berks and Capt. W. A. Cameron, he is campaigning throughout the country for the purpose of raising the \$400,000 which will be required to carry out the plans of the association for the overseas work for the present year.

Their efforts so far have met with marked success. At Halifax they asked for \$20,000 and were able to collect \$25,000. In St. John they requested the citizens to subscribe \$15,000 and were responded to by the giving of the sum of \$22,000. As yet the central part of the Dominion has not been visited, but it is the intention of the men who are at present in the city to ask the city of Toronto to contribute \$200,000 to the amount which has already been collected.

Capt. Bishop will be in the city until Tuesday evening. To-morrow he will address a gathering of the members of the local branch of the Y. M. C. A. at their annual business meeting which will be held following a banquet at 8.30 o'clock.

CONCERT FOR RECRUITING. Demand for Artillerymen Becoming Insistent; Aid of the 5th Regiment's Band Called In.

Lieut.-Colonel Angus and the officers of the 5th Regiment have given permission for the 5th Regiment band, now so thoroughly popular with Victoria audiences, to give a concert in the Royal Victoria Theatre on Sunday evening next at 8.45. The object of the concert is intended to create stimulus in recruiting men for service with the draft to the 4th Section Divisional Ammunition Column, C. F. A. C. E. F.

While recruits for this branch of the service have been steadily enrolled during the last few weeks, the demand for artillerymen has become so persistent that every possible effort is to be strained for the purpose stated. Thirty men must be secured for the present draft being raised by Lieut. Finnick within the next two weeks.

## IN FRENCH HOSPITAL

Pte. George White, of This City, Wounded and Sent to Etaples.

Pte. George White, who left Vancouver last year and was later transferred to the machine gun section of another battalion, has been wounded, according to a telegram received by his wife, 1113 Fligard Street, Victoria. Pte. White received his injuries on April 26, and was admitted to the general hospital, Etaples, on April 28, suffering with a gunshot wound in the left thigh. He is very well-known in Victoria, being a native son, 26 years of age. He attended Spring Ridge School and the Boys' Central School when a boy, and many of his classmates are overseas at the present time in the fighting line.

## FORESTERS' RECRUITING

Officers Here From Vancouver Today; West Coast Men Rally to Cause.

Major Montzambert, officer in charge of the Forestry units in British Columbia, and Captain Orr, the adjutant, were in the city to-day from Vancouver. They stated that the returns for recruiting were satisfactory, and a splendid type of men were forthcoming. They were in the city to stimulate recruiting for the divisional unit.

The local office in charge of Lieut. Ker is having very good returns, six recruits being secured to-day. From the West Coast there is a good rally of men, the Teeg bringing down two men on her last trip, F. G. Tibbs and T. H. Evans, who have joined the unit now being recruited.

## FOUR SOLDIERS BACK

Returned Men Came Over by Afternoon Boat To-day From Vancouver.

The following four soldiers who have been overseas and are returning for treatment here came off the afternoon boat to-day: Pte. Kennedy, Pte. O'Brien, Pte. Adamson, Pte. Duffy.

They were welcomed by the usual committees of citizens and by an officer from the Convalescent Hospital.

Riding School. Commencing this afternoon a riding school for officers will continue during the next two or three weeks at the Willows Camp. The instructor is in charge of Assistant Instructor Sergeant Major Gadd, of the Army Service Corps, and Sergt. Olegate, of the Divisional Ammunition Column.

Acting Registrar.—For very many years in the service of the Provincial Government, Harvey Coombe has been confirmed in the appointment of Acting Registrar of the Supreme Court during the absence of Registrar B. H. T. Drake on service overseas.

## CLOSING WEEKS OF LEGISLATIVE WORK

Many Bills and Other Business to Be Taken Up by House Within Next Fortnight

Legislative Press Gallery, May 7.


For the next two weeks the House will be kept busy with afternoon and evening sittings disposing of the business which is before it. There are over twenty bills on the order paper to be taken up, all of an important character.

This afternoon the resolution moved by W. R. Ross regarding the releasing of R. D. Thomas is on the paper, and another resolution is that of G. S. Hanes for the calling of W. J. Bowser to the Bar of the House. There are half a dozen other resolutions, and these are taken up it will probably occupy the entire afternoon sitting.

None of the tax bills have yet reached a second reading, and the debate on the Agricultural Development Bill has only begun. The Vancouver Election Inquiry Bill has yet to be discussed in committee of the whole. There are a number of amendments to it of which notice has been given. The Civil Service Bill will occupy considerable time yet in committee.

The only private bill of the session, that amending the Vancouver city charter, promises to give rise to a great deal of discussion, chiefly in respect to the powers which it is sought to include in it to enable the city to enter into competition with the B. C. Electric Ry. Co. in the matter of power and light.

The consideration of the report of the F. G. E. committee will open up a debate as to the action to be taken as to the future of the railway and the plans which should be adopted for its completion to Fort George and extension on to the Peace River district. While the other committees of the



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House have finished the work before them the Public Accounts committee has some inquiries still uncompleted and will hold two or three sittings more, the first of them to-morrow forenoon.

## DEPUTY REGISTRAR

Oswald H. C. Barton Receives Appointment Under Supreme and County Court.

A recent order-in-council provides for the appointment of Oswald H. C. Barton as Deputy District Registrar of

the Victoria Judicial District and Deputy Registrar of the County Court of Victoria.

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## UNIVERSITY SCHOOL HELD ANNUAL SPORTS

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On Saturday afternoon the annual athletic sports of the University School were held. Owing to the war conditions the usual formal invitations had not been issued, but in spite of this a large number of parents and friends visited the Mount Tommie grounds. The weather was very favorable and the fields were in fair condition, with the general result that the sports went off successfully, the competition in the various events being as keen as on previous occasions. During the course of the programme no less than five school records were broken.

Dunn threw the cricket ball 106 yards, 2 feet, 4 inches, thus beating the previous record by 2 feet.

Marpole lowered the previous time for the 100 yards for boys under fourteen by one second, doing the distance in 12 1-5. The same competitor also made a new record in the high jump under fourteen with a jump of 4 ft. 5 in. In the under thirteen events Hill lowered the record for the 150 yards, his time being 21 4-5 secs.

Marpole did some exceptionally fine work, winning all the events in the under fourteen class and securing the junior championship for the second time. Burdick was runner-up in this class. Dunn was the successful candidate for the senior championship with Helmecken as a close second.

The summary of the results is as follows:

**Open Events.**

100 yards: 1st, Helmecken; 2nd, Dunn; 3rd, McDougall; time, 11 1-5 secs. (Record, 10 2-5 sec., by Wyld, in 1912.)

220 yards: 1st, Helmecken; 2nd, Dunn; 3rd, McDougall; time, 26 3-5 sec. (Record, 24 2-5 sec., by Wyld, in 1912.)

Quarter-mile: 1st, Helmecken; 2nd, Thurburn; time, 55 4-5 sec. (Record, 58 2-5 sec., by Wyld, in 1912.)

Half-mile: 1st, Dunn; 2nd, Pelly; 3rd, Thurburn; time, 2 min. 25 sec. (Record, 2 min. 21 sec., by Brown, in 1908.)

One mile: 1st, Thurburn; 2nd, Balmbridge; 3rd, Pelly; time, 5 min. 25 1/2 sec. (Record, 5 min. 13 sec., McAnally, in 1911.)

High jump: 1st, McDougall; 2nd, Balmbridge; 3rd, Pelly; height, 4 ft. 9 in. (Record, 5 ft. 2 1/2 in., by Kilpatrick, in 1914.)

Broad jump: 1st, Dunn; 2nd, Helmecken; 3rd, Robertson; distance, 19 ft. 4 1/2 in. (Record, 20 ft. 6 1/2 in., by Kilpatrick, in 1915.)

Throwing cricket ball: 1st, Dunn; 2nd, Pelly; 3rd, Helmecken. (Record, McGuigan, 1910, 196 yards.)

**Under 16 Events.**

100 yards: 1st, Pelly; 2nd, Peers; 3rd, Heggie; time, 11 2-5 sec. (Record, 10 3-5 sec., by Wyld, in 1910.)

220 yards: 1st, Alexander; 2nd, Downie; 3rd, Heggie; time, 28 3-5 sec. (Record, 26 2-5 sec., by Wyld, in 1910.)

Quarter-mile: 1st, Alexander; 2nd, Heggie; 3rd, Balmbridge; time, 4 sec. (Record, 41 sec., by Hart, in 1913.)

High jump: 1st, Pelly; 2nd, Heggie; 3rd, Pickard; distance, 4 ft. 7 1/2 in. (Record, 5 ft., by Winch, H., in 1914.)

Broad jump: 1st, Heggie; 2nd, Downie; 3rd, Peers; distance, 17 ft. (Record, 17 ft. 10 in., by Hart, in 1913.)

**Under 15 Events.**

220 yards: 1st, Downie; 2nd, Heggie; 3rd, Pickard; time, 29 1/2 sec. (Record, 29 4-5 sec., by Burton, in 1914.)

100 yards: 1st, Downie; 2nd, Heggie; 3rd, Pickard; time, 12 1-5 sec. (Record, 11 2-5 sec., by Helmecken, in 1915.)

**Under 14 Events (Junior Championship).**

100 yards: 1st, Marpole; 2nd, Burdick; 3rd, McNeill; time, 12 1-5 sec. (Record, 13 1-5 sec., by Marpole, in 1916.)

220 yards: 1st, Marpole; 2nd, Burdick; 3rd, Wenman; time, 30 4-5 sec. (Record, 30 sec., C. Winch, in 1909.)

Quarter-mile: 1st, Marpole; 2nd, Wenman; 3rd, Burdick; time, 55 1-5 sec. (Record, 61 1-5 sec., by Marpole, in 1916.)

High jump: 1st, Marpole; 2nd, Burdick; 3rd, McNeill; height, 4 ft. 5 in. (Record, 4 ft. 4 1/2 in., by McVittie, in 1914.)

Broad jump: 1st, Marpole; 2nd, Albert; 3rd, Wilson; distance, 15 ft. 8 1/2 in. (Record, 16 ft. 5 in., by Hedley, in 1914.)

**Under 13 Events.**

100 yards: 1st, Hill; 2nd, Albert; 3rd, Scott; time, 14 sec. (Record, 15 1-5 sec., by Marpole, in 1914.)

150 yards: 1st, Hill; 2nd, Albert; 3rd, Scott; time, 21 4-5 sec. (Record, 22 sec., by Wenman L., in 1916.)

**Under 12 Events.**

100 yards: 1st, Albert; 2nd, Wall; 3rd, Wenman; time, 14 sec. (Record, 13 sec., by McDougall, in 1911.)

**Under 11 Events.**

100 yards: 1st, Wenman II.; 2nd, Lindley; 3rd, Hole; time, 14 3-5 sec. (Record, 13 sec., by Pickard II., in 1915.)

**Other Events.**

Scout relay race: Heggie's vs. Marpole's—1st, Heggie's team.

Obstacle race: 1st, Pelly; 2nd, Alexander; 3rd, Macey.

Senior championship for 1917: Dunn; runner-up, Helmecken.

Junior championship for 1917: Marpole; runner-up, Burdick.

\*New school record.

Haydn's "Creation."—Lovers of oratorio are reminded of the coming performance of Haydn's "Creation" to be given at the First Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, May 8. Tickets fifty cents, at Gideon Hicks and Fletcher Bros.' music stores.

## SUCCESSFUL LIBERAL ORGANIZING MEETING

### Association for Nanaimo Federal-Riding Prepares for Energetic Work

No more optimistic spirit could have been reflected by a meeting of Liberals than that demonstrated in the Odd Fellows' Hall at Duncan on Saturday last. Every section of the Nanaimo Federal Riding sent its representatives to take part in the business scheduled for transaction by the gathering, already referred to in these columns. Both Nanaimo and Duncan were very largely represented, while among the company were numbered the following well-known Liberals: F. A. Pauline, M. P. P. Oak Bay; Geo. McGregor, Cloverdale; F. J. Stacpools, K. C., Tillicum; P. W. Dempster, Lake Hill; C. Pointer, Maywood; Geo. Watson, Gordon Head; D. Gourley, Ladysmith; W. Noble, Oak Bay; A. Muir, Sidney; G. Fraser, Ladysmith; J. W. Jones, Esquimalt; F. Quarmby, Sidney; F. Yates, Shawnigan Lake; Wingate White, Cobble Hill; G. E. Bonner, Cobble Hill; F. G. Sommerville, Duncan; P. Campbell, Duncan; J. A. McDonald, A. Forrester and Dr. Brown, of Nanaimo.

The Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines, and Alexander Henderson, of Pender Island, both sent apologies and regretted their inability to be present at the meeting.

**Optimism Prevails.**

The primary object of the gathering was one of reorganization of the Nanaimo Federal Riding Liberal Association and the excellent spirit of enthusiasm and fellowship displayed by all concerned was a happy augury for the programme of activity outlined. The occasion itself was styled by all present as the largest and most hopeful assembly of Liberals ever held in the history of the riding. In accepting the presidency Dr. Brown, of Nanaimo, included in the future programme with prophetic enthusiasm, the returning to the Federal House in the not very distant future of a Liberal member for Ladysmith. In fact he was of the opinion that the ladies of Ladysmith were intending to make that their special business.

**Good Government.**

P. A. Pauline, M.P.P., Saanich, interestingly reviewed the work of the session as it had so far progressed. He dwelt in convincing form on the task to which the Premier and his colleagues had set themselves, and of the full measure of success which had attended their efforts for good government. He pointed to the beneficial reform which would go a long way to the placing of the province on the footing which was her due. He mentioned the Premier's mastery budget and told of the many features of the financial position in which the province found itself. He believed in the great future of British Columbia and declared that the only way to reap full benefits from her tremendous resources was to see that the business of the province was conducted in a proper business manner. That was the aim of the present Government.

**Vote of Confidence.**

In fitting terms, and eloquently proposed, was a vote of confidence in the Brewster Government by F. J. Stacpools, K.C., seconded by Kenneth Duncan and carried amid loud and prolonged cheers.

The convention, for the purpose of nominating a candidate to carry the Liberal banner for the riding of Nanaimo at the next Dominion election, will be held at a later date to be decided upon by the officers of the Central Association.

**Association Officers.**

The officers of the now organized association were elected as follows: Honorary President, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, P.C., G.C.M.G., M.P.; Hon. Vice-Presidents, Hon. H. C. Brewster, M.P.P., Hon. Wm. Sloan, M.P.P.; President, Dr. Brown, of Nanaimo; 1st Vice-President, C. McIntosh, Esquimalt; 2nd Vice-President, K. Duncan, Cowichan, with three lady Vice-Presidents to be appointed; Secretary-Treasurer, Geo. Vallance, Saanich; Executive Committee, five representatives to be selected from each association in the riding, which consists of Saanich, Nanaimo, Esquimalt, Ladysmith, Cowichan, and the Islands provincial electoral districts.

**MEETING IS CALLED**

"Increased Production" Committee is New Name of Body to Encourage Growth of Foodstuffs.

Mayor Todd has called together the Vacant Lot Cultivation Committee for a meeting on Monday morning next at 10 o'clock. The notices will go out as to the "Increased Production" Committee, the Mayor having rightly decided that the scheme has greatly outgrown the original plan, and is now embracing all classes of production stimulated by the undertaking, both local and general.

The Mayor was astonished last week in Seattle at the seriousness of the American attitude to crop cultivation. Not only was practical evidence forthcoming of the remarkable organization of the country in the past month for more foodstuffs, in view of the coming shortage, but the delegates to the Pacific Northwest Tourist Association all considered the question from the standpoint of its effect on tourist travel.

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**MAJOR GERALD W. BIRKS**

General supervisor of the Y. M. C. A. with the Canadian troops overseas, who was one of the speakers at the banquet at the Empress Hotel to-day.

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### PREPARE FOR MAY 24TH Latest Novelties in Summer Dress Fabrics to Be Seen in the Wash Goods Section

- Etamine Veils**—This is a new and very smart fabric, self-colored ground, in season's colors, with all-over designs in a contrasting color; 36-40 ins. wide. Per yard ..... 45¢
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  - Reception Veils**—An exceedingly stylish material with novel designs and choice color effects; 39 ins. wide. At per yard ..... 50¢
  - Weyan Stripe Veils**—This is a very pleasing combination of plain voile with silk finish stripes; pale color grounds, with original floral designs; 40 ins. wide. Per yard ..... 60¢
  - Normandy Voils**—This is a charming fabric in white and colored grounds, with delicate embossed design in contrasting color; 37 ins. wide. Yard ..... 75¢
  - Voile Superbe**—This is a very fine grade of French voile, with a woven stripe of silk effect; white ground with stripes of pale pink, pale blue, mauve, apple and gold; 36 ins. wide. Per yard ..... 75¢
  - Striped Voile**—A white voile with cord stripe; very fine and eminently suitable for waists and dresses; 40 ins. wide. Per yard ..... 75¢
- In addition to the above we have a large display of Crepes, Muslins, Seersuckers, Gingham, Piques and Repps at popular prices.

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**Special Snap in White English Crepes**

300 yards of fine White Seersucker Weave Crepe—Just what you need for children's wear and whitewear, 27 inches wide, regular 20c yard. Tuesday, yard ..... 16c

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Silk Finish Corduroy, splendid for golf skirts, sport suits and children's wear. Shown in shades of putty, Russian green, golden brown, royal blue, Copenhagen, cream, white and light and dark navy. Very special, Tuesday, yard ..... \$1.00

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