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## FRENCH FORCES STILL DRIVING FORWARD

### NEW RUSSIA FIRMLY RESOLVED TO FIGHT UNTIL GOAL ATTAINED

**Will Do Utmost in Assisting Allies to Annihilate Prussianism, Miliukoff Tells British and French Workingmen; Declaration by Newspaper Rech**

Petrograd, April 19.—Russia's allies need have no fear that she will desert the Entente or weaken her resistance against the enemy, Professor Paul Miliukoff, the Foreign Minister, said to-day in an address to the representatives of British and French workingmen who are now in Petrograd.

"We understood that at the moment of the revolution you might be afraid we would lose our strength for resistance," said the Foreign Minister. "I beg you to announce to your countrymen that free Russia has become doubly strong through democratization, that she will overcome all the sufferings which the war may entail and that despite the revolution we stand firmly for the principal object which was imposed on us. Russia will continue the crusade for the annihilation of German militarism with the greatest intensity, for our ideal is to prevent all possibility of war in the future. Our present problem consists of organizing our forces of defence, shaken by the revolution. We will encounter the enemy with redoubled strength, confident of victory."

Hypocritical Manoeuvre.  
Petrograd, April 19.—The Russian press considers the semi-official German and Austro-Hungarian notes concerning the possibility of bringing the war aims of the Central Powers into consonance with those of Russia as a "base, treacherous and hypocritical manoeuvre." The Rech, in reiterating that the Russian Provisional Government is pursuing no aims of conquest, declares it is fully and entirely in agreement with the views expressed by the representatives of the other Entente Powers.

"The enemy precipitately deduces a desire for a separate peace in these notes, scarcely more clever than the proclamations thrown into the Russian trenches inviting the peasants to return to their villages and share the estates of the landowners," says the paper. "These notes will have no better success than the proclamations in the naive attempt to embroil Russia with her allies."

Monstrous Sophism.  
Emphasising the "monstrous sophism" of the Austrian declaration that the aim of the Dual Monarchy is to give the peoples the right to regulate their own destinies—the war aim announced by the Russian Provisional Government—the Rech continues:

"Our enemies are trying to avoid any concrete indication of their aims, just as they abstained from replying to the definite appeal by President Wilson."

"The Russian people know why they are continuing the mortal struggle. They respect the obligations arising from their alliances and will not give up their rights."

As Bad as Sturmer.  
Petrograd, April 19.—The Petrograd papers severely criticized a speech made by one of the returned Socialist exiles, Lenin, in which he advised the Provisional Government to solicit peace with Germany. The Russkoye Volia says that there is no difference between Lenin and Sturmer, both of whom sought the peace of Russia in a shameful and disadvantageous peace.

The Novoye Vremya says that the Russian people never understand the psychology of Lenin and his friends, which is that of Wilhelm and Hindenburg."

**Ministerial Crisis in Greece; King Saw Minister of Britain**

London, April 19.—An Athens dispatch says that King Constantine has been in consultation with certain party leaders in connection with the impending crisis. The King had a lengthy conference with the British Minister on Wednesday, this being the first audience given to the British representative since the attack on British and French marines in Athens last December.

A dispatch from Athens yesterday said that the resignation of the Greek Cabinet was impending.

**WINNIPEG BANK CLEARINGS.**  
Winnipeg, April 19.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$71,518,849, as compared with \$27,787,793 last year and \$35,722,195 in 1916.

### ASSURES ALLIES RUSSIA DETERMINED; M. PAUL MILIUKOFF



### DEBACLE OF GERMANY'S GROUP DRAWS NEAR; AUSTRIA-HUNGARY, TURKEY AND BULGARIA ARE ABOUT TO FALL AWAY

New York, April 19.—Isaac Don Levine writes in the New York Tribune: The debacle of the Central Powers evidently is at hand. The resignation of the two pro-German Ministers from the Austrian Cabinet, coming after Count Czernin's peace move, is proof conclusive that Austria is resolved to pursue an independent and purely national course in her international relations.

For some time past the young Austrian Emperor has been gradually dismissing those high Government officials who have become notorious on account of their too close bonds with Berlin. This housecleaning has attracted considerable attention in Europe. The most important step in this direction was the appointment of Count Czernin, a Bohemian by birth, to the post of Foreign Minister. It was equivalent to a slap at Prussia, for Czernin always has believed that the Dual Monarchy's future did not lie in an alliance with Germany.

Even more significant is the report that Count Tisza, the Hungarian Premier, has resigned. Should this prove true, it would mean nothing less than formal notice to Germany that Austria-Hungary is bent upon immediate peace at any price, for Stephen Tisza, the fighting statesman who probably was more responsible for Austria's disastrous ultimatum to Serbia than any other person, is the bulwark of Prussianism in Austria-Hungary.

Plucking Up Courage.  
Austria is at present in the position of a slave cowed into submission by a cruel master who is beginning to pluck up courage as his master grows weak and helpless before his eyes.

At first Austria made minor changes in the Government which were calculated to be displeasing to Prussia. Then she gathered courage and went further. As Germany's helplessness grew more obvious, Austria's aggressiveness increased. She tried two six-weeks ago a peace move of her own through an interview Count Czernin granted a newspaper. Germany pleaded, but was unable to threaten. So two days ago came a semi-official statement from the Vienna Foreign Office renouncing all annexation aims.

As Germany's position grows more and more desperate, Austria's independent acts will multiply. To-day two pro-Prussian Ministers are dismissed. To-morrow, or next week, Count Tisza will go. And, unless Germany is able to restore her prestige by a sudden master-stroke in the field there can be no doubt that Austria-Hungary will be seeking a separate peace within a very short time.

The influence of this extraordinary situation on Bulgaria and Turkey is bound to be tremendous. The Austrian declaration renouncing all annexation objects on the part of Central Powers is enough to drive Bulgaria to seek a separate peace, for Bulgaria came into the war professionally for no other purpose than territorial expansion. Once this purpose is officially declared void by the Teutonic Empires, Bulgaria has absolutely nothing to gain from continuing to be a member of the Central Powers group.

The report that Bulgaria is seeking a separate peace therefore is the most important of all the peace dispatches now circulated from Switzerland and Scandinavia. Bulgaria, more than any other ally of Germany, has reason to desert the Central Powers. Since Bulgaria is known to be more of an opportunist in diplomacy than any other European state, her efforts toward peace may be taken for granted. With Bulgaria out of the conflict, Turkey's desertion of the Central Powers' ranks could not be delayed. And Austria-Hungary would complete the debacle, bringing peace through the isolation of Prussia.

### GERMANS ABOUT TO GIVE UP GROUND IN ROUMANIAN FIELD

Petrograd, April 18.—Via London, April 19.—A report received here from Jassy, the seat of the Roumanian Government, says the Germans have burned the towns of Braila and Fokshani. The dispatch says Roumanian military circles consider that this foreshadows a German retirement.

Braila and Fokshani are both important railroad towns in Roumania. Braila lies on the Danube to the south of Galatz, while Fokshani is situated on the railroad line about midway between Bucharest and Jassy.

### TORONTO BANK CLEARINGS.

Toronto, April 19.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$85,129,986; in 1916, \$47,739,976; in 1915, \$35,964,769.

### GERMANS THROW IN NEARLY QUARTER OF MILLION MORE AND FAIL TO CHECK FRENCH

### THOMAS CONFINED FOR HIS CONTEMPT

Declines at Bar of House to Answer Questions About Campaign Funds

### HIGHER-UPS SHOULD SUFFER PUNISHMENT

Legislative Press Gallery, April 18.

For the first time in a quarter of a century a prisoner of the Legislative Assembly stood at the Bar of the House this afternoon, in custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, and later he was committed to the custody of that officer, unless he should change his mind in the interval.

The prisoner was Richard D. Thomas, secretary and treasurer of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, who placed himself in contempt of the special committee by refusing to answer questions regarding the campaign contributions of the company to the Conservative party funds, and to-day further placed himself in contempt of the Assembly itself by repeating his refusal before that body.

There was considerable interest in the unusual sight, which had never before been witnessed in a parliamentary chamber by more than one or two of those who saw Mr. Thomas standing at the Bar to-day.

The demeanor of Mr. Thomas was perfectly respectful and manly, and there was nothing but sympathy for him on the part of all the members and spectators, it being quite apparent, as has been said in these columns, that he was being made the scapegoat for a principal who, as was stated in the House, had not the courage to face the House.

Mr. Thomas is spending the night in the ministers' room, in which couches were placed for himself and Sergeant-at-Arms Bowden. There is no accommodation in the building for detaining anyone, but it was felt that it would hardly be in keeping with the spirit of the punishment to take Mr. Thomas to the Empress Hotel for the night. In the matter of meals, of course, he will go to the House grill.

Moving that Mr. Speaker issue his warrant for the apprehension of D'Arcy Tate, K. C., Mr. Farris remarked that it might be the warrant would be of no avail and this witness would continue to set the House at defiance, but it was the duty of honorable members to have this man apprehended and brought before the House to be dealt with.

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### RIOTING OCCURRED IN CONSTANTINOPLE

### German Officers Horsewhipped by Turkish Women; Enver in Deep Water

Amsterdam, April 19.—Serious rioting took place in Constantinople last week on the occasion of the return of a detachment of wounded soldiers from the Mesopotamian front. A mob assembled around the military hospital, hissing the German officers, throwing missiles through the windows and clamoring for food.

Several soldiers, when entering the hospital, shouted to the mob: "We are betrayed by Enver and the Germans." The words acted like magic, the crowd repeating them and preparing to attack the German officers as they were leaving the hospital. The German officers were publicly horsewhipped by Turkish women in front of the offices of the Ministry of War.

Hatred of the Germans in Constantinople is reaching extraordinary proportions, and Enver Pasha, who now is generally called "the only pro-German in Turkey," has been warned that his days are numbered if he does not resign.

### Nivelle's Victorious Troops Take More Ground Northwest of Rheims; In Champagne French Successes on Great Scale Continue, Paris States

London, April 19.—Germany has thrown nearly a quarter of a million fresh troops into the fray on the 60-mile sector of the western front between the Soissons and Auberive regions and still is unable to check the French advance.

Both north of the Aisne and in the Champagne General Nivelle's forces are pressing forward. The first stronghold of the Germans on the Aisne was taken with the capture of the Vailly bridgehead yesterday and there the wavering lines continued last night to be pushed rapidly northward.

From Chavonne on the Aisne, French troops have driven more than three miles north of the river despite desperate resistance by von Hindenburg's reinforced armies.

In the Champagne French forces have driven a great wedge more than three miles deep into the German lines between Rheims and Auberive, and last night attacks netted General Nivelle's men several important heights in the Maonvillers region.

Meanwhile the British armies are quiescent, so far as the official accounts show, awaiting their turn to strike the other flank of the Hindenburg line.

The French so far have taken more than 17,000 prisoners in their offensive. At last accounts the British had taken in excess of 14,000, and 227 guns. The French also have captured nearly 100 guns.

Twelve New Divisions.  
Paris, April 19.—The Germans threw twelve new divisions against the French between the Soissons and Auberive regions last night. The War Office announced this afternoon they were unable to check the successful offensive of the French.

French troops continue to make progress north of Vailly and Ostel, notwithstanding violent German attacks. The success of the French in the Champagne were followed by further advances in the region of Moronvillers. Several important heights and strong positions were taken.

Two more batteries of German artillery were captured. The text of the report follows: "South and southwest of St. Quentin there was very active artillery fighting. Patrol encounters occurred on the outskirts of the upper Forest of Coucy. We took prisoners."

Further Progress.  
"Between the Aisne and the Chemin des Dames we continued to make progress north of Vailly and Ostel. An enemy attack in the region of Courtecon was checked by our machine guns. Further east German troops at six o'clock last night made a very violent attack on our positions on the Vaucouleurs plateau. This futile attack was beaten back with very heavy losses and the Germans were not able to reach our lines."

"During the night there was heavy artillery fighting in the sectors of Saigneville, Le Godat and La Pompelle. On Great Scale.  
"In the Champagne our successes on a great scale were continued. At Moronvillers we attacked, achieving success everywhere. We carried Le Mont Haut and several heights to the east of that point, including Hill 227. In the region south of Moronvillers in the course of an engagement last night we captured two more German batteries."

"On the front between Soissons and Auberive we have identified twelve new German divisions.  
"In the region of St. Mihiel a German attack on the Romanville farm was broken up. The enemy left prisoners in our hands."

Twelve German divisions at war strength constitute a force of about 226,000 men.  
British Report.  
London, April 19.—A report issued by the War Office to-day says there is nothing of special interest to report.

"Became Unsuitable."  
Berlin, April 19.—The battle in the Champagne northwest of Auberive yesterday continued into the night, says an official communication issued here to-day. This morning the fighting increased in intensity as a result of the introduction of fresh forces.  
Near Ville-aux-Bois, the statement says, the "forest position became unsuitable to us and we established ourselves in a rearward line."  
A local French attack near Brayon-Laonnais succeeded, the statement says, but assaults on the elevated front along the Chemin des Dames and near Craonne failed.

### MUNITIONS PLANTS WERE CLOSED DOWN

About 300 Factories in Berlin District Affected by Strike Monday

Copenhagen, April 18.—Copies of the latest German newspapers to arrive here, including the Socialist organs, confirm the semi-official announcement that the strike in Berlin has ended. A settlement was reached after an almost unanimous decision by the metal workers to resume work following the granting of their principal demands.

Among the concessions made by the Government are compliance with the demands of the unions for the establishment of a standing commission of labor representatives which will have a voice in the food distribution in Greater Berlin, a promise that the strikers will not be punished by being sent to the front, explicit assurances of adequate food rations and effective measures against evasions of the food regulations by the rich.

Incidentally the German papers throw an interesting light upon the accuracy of semi-official reports. A censorship account which was telegraphed abroad declared, for instance, that the munitions industry had not been affected. The Vorwaerts, less hampered by the censorship, headed its account of the strike: "Berlin Munition Workers on Strike."

The paper says work ceased completely on Monday in about 300 munitions plants and that 210,000 strikers reported to the metal workers' union alone. This number was further augmented by strikers who failed to report and by participants in other trades. As against these figures, the official news bureau in a statement for home consumption asserted that the number of strikers was about 125,000.

### Lloyd George Offers County Option Plan to the Irish People

London, April 19.—The Manchester Guardian says that it is virtually certain that Mr. Lloyd George will announce the Government's proposal for the solution of the Irish question on Thursday. The scheme will be based on county option, with some arrangements for keeping the counties that vote against Home Rule in orderly relation to the legislation of the Dublin Parliament.

The proposal will put the Home Rule Act into force at once, and while it is expected that both the Irish parties will oppose the scheme, it is believed that neither will persist in their resistance.  
The Guardian says that it seems probable that Sir Edward Carson has yielded to the Prime Minister's suggestion.

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## FRANCE WANTS TO KNOW INTENTIONS OF GERMANY

Paris, April 19.—The sinking by German submarines early in April of four ships of the Belgian Relief Commission, carrying food for the invaded districts, has caused the French Government to appeal to the King of Spain to intervene at Berlin and find out whether the German Government intends to respect Relief Commission vessels, or whether it proposes to assume responsibility for hindering the humanitarian work.

outside the danger zone. The American Commission for Relief in Belgium already has protested against the sinking of the steamships.

### PRECAUTIONS IN STATES.

Washington, April 19.—All enemy aliens residing within one-half mile of a fort, camp, aircraft station, government or naval vessel, navy yard, factory or workshop for the manufacture of munitions are required to remove prior to June 1, under penalty of summary arrest, under instructions issued to-day by the Attorney-General to United States marshals.

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## ENEMY POUNDED BACK NORTHWEST OF RHEIMS

### More Ground Wrested From Germans by Nivelle's Hammer Strokes

Paris, April 19.—The following official report was issued last night:

"South of St. Quentin, after a very spirited bombardment, German troops attacked our positions east of Coucy. The first attempt, stopped short by our fire, was followed by a second of greater force, during which groups of the enemy penetrated our advanced elements. In immediate counter-attacks all the occupants were killed or taken prisoner. Our lines were completely re-established.

"Between Soissons and Aubervie we energetically continued our action despite the persistent bad weather.

"North of Chavonne our troops occupied the village of Ostel and drove back the enemy a kilometre to the north. Braye-en-Laonnois likewise was captured, as well as all the ground to the east as far as the outskirts of Courtecon.

Booby and Prisoners.

"Under the energetic pressure of our infantry and the murderous action of our cannon the enemy fell back in disorder, abandoning important material and leaving in our hands his supply depots. A single one of our regiments took 300 prisoners belonging to seven different regiments. We captured 19 cannon, of which five were short-stroke guns.

"South of Laffaux our troops, covered on the south by cavalry, routed the enemy and occupied Nanteuil-la-Fosse.

"Finally, on the south bank of the Aisne an attack, carried out in spirited fashion, gave us a bridgehead organized by the enemy between Conde and Vailly, as well as the latter place in its entirety.

"In the forest of Ville-au-Bois an important unit surrounded by us threw down its arms. We took 1,300 prisoners and 180 machine guns, which served as the defence of the wood.

Enemy Failed.

"About 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon German troops launched a very violent counter-attack with effectives of two divisions (40,000 men) against our positions at Juvincourt and the Aisne.

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Our barrage and the fire of our machine guns stopped the attack and inflicted sanguinary losses on the enemy, who was able to reach our lines at no point.

"East of Courey (north of Rheims), a Russian brigade completed its success, carrying fortified work and taking prisoners.

"In the operations in all regions we captured 24 heavy field guns and three cannon of 150 millimetres intact, with a thousand shells for each piece. These guns were turned against the enemy by our artillery.

"In the Champagne, we captured several isolated points which were still resisting, and occupied enemy points of support. Twenty cannon, of which eight were heavy guns, and 500 additional prisoners, fell into our hands.

"The total number of unbound enemy prisoners whom we have taken to the rear since the beginning of the battle exceeds at the present time 17,000. Thus far 75 cannon have been captured.

Progress by British.

London, April 19.—The War Office gave out the following report last night:

"Our troops gained ground during the night along the left bank of the Scarpe River east of Fampoux, and this morning captured further portions of the enemy's front line system south-east of Loos. We took a few prisoners.

"In the course of bombing expeditions carried out last night our aeroplanes obtained hits upon an enemy train, two hostile columns, a mechanical transport and a German transport pack. Great damage was observed in each case."

German Statement.

Berlin, April 19.—The War Office reported last night:

"Near Arras there is nothing new to report.

"On the Aisne front a night attack brought a small gain in territory to the enemy near Braye-en-Laonnois. On both sides of Craonne, after the failure of a French morning attack, a second attack is now in progress.

"Fresh fighting began in the Champagne during this afternoon."

Nineteen Divisions.

Headquarters of the French Army East of Rheims, April 17.—By a Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press (delayed).—The initial success of the French in the great battle started yesterday continued to-day, when despite most desperate resistance from the Germans their front position was occupied along another twenty miles, extending eastward from Rheims to Auberville.

The strength of the Germans can be gauged by the fact that they employed nineteen divisions of front line troops. The trenches were absolutely filled with men, and according to prisoners, who now number over 13,000, they had orders to stand until the last, but could not resist the French artillery and infantry. Many fluctuations in position naturally occurred during the course of the fighting, but whenever the Germans counter-attacked they failed to maintain for any length of time positions gained and the French were able to bivouac on the ground they reconquered, sometimes to a depth of five to six kilometres. The defences were found to be very strong everywhere and were well provided with artillery, some of which already has fallen into French hands.

There has been no cessation of the battle even after nightfall and thrust and parry with large bodies of troops have brought about many separate battles at different points, in which the French usually remained masters of the field.

D. S. O. FOR THIRD SON OF ASQUITH

London, April 19.—The King has conferred the Distinguished Service Order upon Mr. Asquith's third son, Lieut.-Commander Arthur Meland Asquith, R. N. V. R., for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty.

Another awarded the D. S. O. is Captain the Hon. Lionel Samuel Montague, son of the first Lord Swaythling and brother of the present peer. Among other exploits Captain Montague, single-handed, captured 50 prisoners, and later, although wounded, remained at his post of duty.

Civilians.

A complication that adds to transport difficulty is the presence in some places of an abnormal large civilian population. Within the area occupied by the British army thousands of refugees have crowded, and in some cases the congestion is serious. In one town, the normal population has been increased to over double. A large proportion of the refugees brought their draught animals with them, and go out from the towns and villages daily to work the land, almost right up to the fighting front.

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## FIGHTERS DEPEND ON GREAT ORGANIZATION

### Thousands at Front Not Handling Rifles, Says Canadian Correspondent

Canadian Field Headquarters in France, April 18, via London, April 19.—(By Stewart Lyon, Canadian Overseas Press Correspondent.)—"The closest call I've ever had," said a young Manitoba engineer who does his part to win the war by operating a motor car, "was up in 'The Sallet.' One day near Ypres I was driving a general to the front when a 5.9-inch shell passed through the car from one side to the other between the front and rear seats. It landed in the road after smashing one of the car doors, and the explosion that followed blew the front off the car and destroyed one of the wheels, but hurt nobody. When the shell passed through the car we were going fast, and I reckon that either the general or I escaped death by less than the tenth part of a second."

Dramatic stories such as that of the young motorist are heard at many a mess at the front, where men face death daily in manifold forms. They are a feature also of many of the letters sent from this side and the more dramatic they are the more readily do they find their way into print. The inevitable result has been the creation in the public mind of the idea that the war consists chiefly of similar incidents in which men risk their lives in spectacular fashion while "all the world wonders."

Truth Otherwise.

The truth is so far removed from this conception that it is well it should be impressed on the people at home. There are tens of thousands of men at the front doing their daily work without the range of the enemy's artillery and contributing in an important way to the winning of the war who have never had a weapon in their hands and have never seen a German other than the prisoners passing through to the rear.

Even the artillery men who handle the bigger guns and to whom a swift and terrible death may come at any moment from some point miles away over a ridge on the skyline, seldom see the enemy.

The infantry who hold the trenches, who "go over" when a raid is to be made, and who follow up the artillery preparation when new ground is to be occupied, do come into actual physical contact with the enemy as did the soldiers of former wars, and know the foe as individuals. Yet even among the infantry the number of men who have had hand to hand encounters with their foes is relatively small.

Instead of being a place for the display of personal strength and courage, the modern battlefield tends to become more and more an area where in certain highly complicated engineering, industrial and transportation operations are carried on under abnormal conditions. Given fighting men who are well matched, the victory must go to the combatant with the greater material resources—guns, shells, lorries, available railways, horses, food for man and beast—and the engineering and administrative skill to make full use of them.

All Needed.

We could not win the war without the fine type of fighting men in the trenches. To them all honor is due. They pay most of the price of victory. But we could not win the war with them alone. Behind them there must be created and maintained a great business organization far more numerous in personnel than the fighting units.

Some one has said that the labor expended by the Canadians alone in France and Belgium would have built a railway as great as the Canadian Pacific. The statement is impossible of verification, but it may well be true. The work done has been of such a temporary nature and so much of it has been destructive that it is only by seeing it in progress from day to day any one can estimate its volume.

Without poking into statistics, which are regarded by all good citizens with marked aversion, I am reasonably certain that on a relatively narrow front here there are as many men and vehicles engaged in carrying ammunition and food to the front from railroad as would do the motor bus and taxi work of any city in the Empire, save London. There are guns used by all the belligerents on this front so large that the shells are a load for the bigger motor transport wagons. Feeding a few such guns involves as much haulage as the feeding of thousands of men.

In a former article on the business side of war I tried to show some of the effects of hauling heavy guns and vast quantities of stores over roads never intended for such traffic. Roads have simply to be recreated every few months. Near us is an old Roman road that despite its admirable foundation has sunk out of sight. Since the spring break-up the cars bestowed on the systems of communication in Northern France has been great and incessant. Modern mobile artillery has enormously complicated the problems of offensive warfare.

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munition dump, while above quite unheeded shrapnel is bursting over a German aeroplane which has come across the lines to spy out the land.

The people are well aware that there is danger of serious injury or even of death from splinters of the shell casing or from the bullets which fall from a height of 10,000 feet with terrific force.

Even more illustrative of the matter-of-fact attitude of the people in the face of the strange conditions under which they live is the sight of little children playing the French equivalent of "ring around a Rosie" or marbles within sound of the guns that now and again drop shells into their homes. We have been accustomed to think of the French people as easily excited. It is doubtful if in either Great Britain or Canada the people would face even present peril and go about their work and play with the stoicism shown by these French peasants. Their presence makes the war seem almost a family affair in which everybody has a part.

A MATTER OF HONOR TO AID BELGIANS

Montreal, April 19.—Rt. Hon. Walter Hume Long, the British Secretary for the Colonies, has issued the following statement to the Belgian Relief Commission:

"It is impossible to exaggerate the advantages which must accrue to the cause of the Allies by the work which now is being done for the relief of the unfortunate people who are bearing so courageously the bitter persecution of the Germans. There can be no doubt that this work will bear fruit, not only to-day, but in the future, when we come to the resettlement of boundaries and the relations between the different countries.

"If we were to leave the people in Belgium to subsist on what they could get from Germany it would be the blackest page in our national history."

There is no danger of "the blackest page" being written in British history, however, for the Relief Commission through every one of the 8,000 committees, is determined to "carry on" until desolation and starvation have been swept out of Belgium with the German troops.

Those waiting women in the bread line, with children so frail and famished that they are but shadows of their former happy selves, need help a little longer, till the day of their liberation is at hand. Immediate supplies are urgently needed at Roubaix.

Contributions may be sent to the nearest Relief Committee, or direct to the Belgian Relief Fund, 59 St. Peter Street, Montreal.

GEN. VON BISSING IS REPORTED DEAD

London, April 19.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent says that according to a Brussels dispatch, Gen. von Bissing, German Governor-General in Belgium, died on Wednesday evening.

General Baron Moritz Ferdinand von Bissing was appointed German Governor-General of Belgium in November, 1914, in succession to General von Der Goltz. He was born in 1844.

During his rule in Belgium General von Bissing was in no prominence many times, notably in connection with the execution of Miss Edith Cavell, the English nurse, frequent clashes with Cardinal Mercier, Primate of Belgium, and the deportation of Belgians. It was reported in 1915 that he had ordered a round-up of nuns and persons suspected of working against the Germans in Belgium, and that scores of executions followed the carrying out of this order.

Several times by his order Belgian citizens and towns were fined heavily for alleged breaking of rules laid down by him. He had been ill for more than a year past.

TO HEAD VANCOUVER POLICE.

Winnipeg, April 19.—Deputy Chief of Police C. H. Newton probably will be asked to become Chief of police at Vancouver, according to a dispatch from that city. Deputy Chief Newton would make no statement to-day.

HOW GERMAN OFFICIALS TREATED MR. WHITLOCK

Paris, April 19.—Brand Whitlock, the American Minister to Belgium, left here yesterday for Havre, where the American legation will be established. He was accompanied by his family.

Prior to his departure Mr. Whitlock had a lengthy conference with Premier Ribot. Mr. Whitlock has carefully avoided making statements concerning conditions in Brussels, but from other quarters it is learned that he had several disagreeable experiences with German officials in Brussels following the rupture of relations between the United States and Germany.

Immediately after notice was received that relations had been broken off the German officials in their communications ceased addressing Mr. Whitlock as "excellency" and referred to him simply as "Mr." He made known his intention to leave Brussels with the other American officials and consuls and their families. A reply was sent him by Baron von der Lancken, chief of the German political department in Brussels, that the Minister and his family might depart, but that other Americans in Belgium, including the consuls at Ghent, Liege, Antwerp and elsewhere, could not. Mr. Whitlock, it is said, made an emphatic protest against the detention of any of the families, declaring that he and his family would remain in Belgium as long as any Americans were held. The Germans finally weakened before Mr. Whitlock's insistence, and after a week had elapsed from the date of his request for passports, the documents were issued for the Minister and all other Americans who desired to leave.

Throughout the closing days of Mr. Whitlock's stay in Brussels the Germans are said to have shown intense bitterness against the United States for rupturing relations.

General von Moltke, a relative of the late General Helmuth von Moltke, formerly chief of the German General Staff, said to the legation officials: "If it had not been for the United States we would have won this war."

It is understood that General von Bissing, the German Governor-General in Belgium, made a similar remark to Mr. Whitlock.

WILHELM HAS ANOTHER GRANDDAUGHTER NOW

Amsterdam, April 19.—The Duchess of Brunswick, Kaiser Wilhelm's only daughter, has given birth to a daughter.

The Duchess of Brunswick, formerly Princess Victoria Louise of Hohenzollern, was married in 1913. She has two sons.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Ont., April 19.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry. Killed in action—Pte. A. T. Green, Essex, Ont.; Pte. R. W. McMeekin, Preston, Ont.; Pte. J. J. Britto, Jacques Cartier, Que.

Died of wounds—Pte. J. Trott, England; Pte. C. H. Grove, England; Pte. C. J. Oneyman, Redvers, Sask.; Pte. C. Kilchester, Toronto; Pte. J. A. Gaudin, Channel Islands; Pte. J. R. McCarthy, Markville, Ont.; Sgt. R. Fraser, Scotland; Pte. J. Lomax, Calgary; Pte. A. Guilford, Manchester, N. H.; Pte. W. Donald, England; Pte. C. A. Moyer, Kootenai, Sask.; Pte. H. A. Willis, Vancouver; Pte. N. Johnson, Leitch's Creek, N. S.; Pte. N. E. Dow, India.

Died—Pte. R. S. Graham, Winnipeg; Pte. G. M. Davis, Spyllin, Sask.

Died of gas poisoning—Pte. G. C. Fisher, Truro, N. S.

Dangerously ill and wounded—Cpl. F. King, St. Catharines, Ont.; Pte. K. H. Kelly, Welland, Ont.; Pte. N. Francho, Hammond, Ont.; Pte. T. W. Allitta, England; Pte. F. G. Walker, Oshawa, Ont.; Pte. W. A. Rosegreen, Jacques River, N. B.; Pte. W. Brooks, England; Pte. T. S. Slavin, Regina; Pte. E. Hubbling, London, Ont.; Pte. G. Sellers, England; Pte. W. H. Holden, England; Pte. T. Leasard, Outlook, Sask.; Pte. T. Haylett, Kootenai, Sask.; Pte. G. W. Joseph, Meaford, Ont.; Pte. O. E. Hanson, Stone Ridge, N. B.; Pte. J. T. Carrigan, Nanaimo, B. C.; Pte. R. G. Espie, Ireland; Pte. J. C. Graham, Barrie, Ont.; Sgt. A. H. Saunders, Toronto; Pte. C. Mucury, Scotland; Pte. F. Owens, Fort Pelly, Sask.; Pte. P. Woodhead, England; Pte. L. Brown, Mount Forest, Ont.; Pte. H. T. Eskert, Toronto; Pte. H. G. Bird, England.

Seriously ill—Pte. J. M. Brown, Paris, Ont.; Pte. C. E. McCulloch, England; Pte. D. E. Barclay, England; Pte. W. Ford, England; Pte. C. W. Rogers, Forest, Ont.; Pte. P. F. Zurek, Zurich, Ont.; Pte. W. F. Rankin (no address); Pte. J. T. Gibson, Ireland; Cpl. H. M. Smedley, England; Pte. E. B. Ingimurson, Stone Hill, Man.

Wounded and gassed—Cpl. M. Ash, Calgary.

Wounded—Pte. A. E. Thomas, Intola, Ont.; Lieut. W. Bay, England; Lieut. W. S. Duncan, Port Credit, Ont.; Lieut. A. V. Mackin, Pemberton Road, Victoria; Lieut. D. Strype, Toronto; Lieut. T. B. Farrell, Toronto; Lieut. M. Ald, Saskatoon; Lieut. G. F. Foster, Dorchester, N. S.; Pte. W. Bradford, Scotland; Cpl. C. E. Jones, England; Pte. S. Smith, Calgary; Pte. H. Garrow, England; Pte. H. W. McHarnid, Carleton Place, Ont.; Pte. R. Crossman, Moncton, N. B.; Pte. J. S. Reid, Scotland; Pte. H. Brownless, North Gower, Ont.; Pte. A. F. Reid, Cornwall, Ont.; Pte. R. K. Walker, Neepawa, Man.; Pte. D. Dalton, Newcastle, N. B.; Sgt. W. Wayne, England; Cpl. H. W. Dagnall, England; Cpl. E. A. Waddell, Winnipeg; Pte. V. Carrick, Hamilton; Pte. M. Meaghan, Ireland; Pte. J. Edgar, Manitow, Man.; Pte. W. J. Maunet, Halifax; Pte. M. Frank, West Indies; Pte. J. Simpson, Swan Lake, Man.; Pte. J. Ash, Embro, Ont.; Cpl. F. G. Hamlyn, England; Pte. C. Bachelor, North Battleford, Sask.; Pte. S. H. Stevens, Regina, Man.; Pte. H. F. James, 1329 Denman Street, Victoria, B. C.; Pte. J. F. Thorne, Springfield, Ont.; Pte. T. Webster, England; Cpl. J. I. Lindsay, Toronto; Pte. A. V. Mann, Toronto; Pte. N. Soullier, Pembroke, Ont.; Pte. H. Heath, England; Pte. T. E. Thompson, Owen Sound, Ont.; Lieut. E. A. Robinson, M. C., Montreal; Pte. T. S. England; Pte. R. Eason, Scotland; Pte. F. Fifield, Newfoundland; Pte. S. Pallett, Ireland; Pte. P. Char-est, Kenora, Ont.; Pte. A. N. Duquette, Whitewood, Sask.; Pte. A. H. McKean, Piapot, Sask.; Pte. A. Tilbey, Crofton, Sask.; Pte. F. M. Carby, England; Pte. G. Bell, England; Pte. J. Walsh, Swarthmore, Sask.

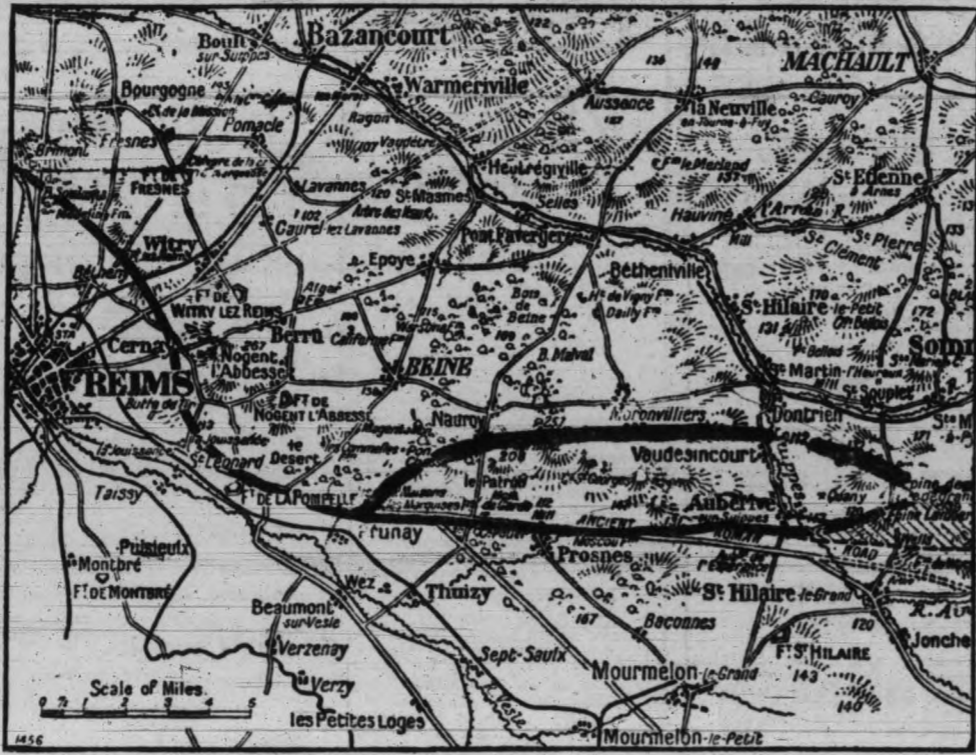
Suffering from shell shock—Pte. R. Hunter, Scotland.

Wounded, remaining on duty—Capt. J. P. Cathcart, Courtright, Ont.

Artillery. Killed in action—Sgt. R. Daly, River Deseret, Ont.; Gar. W. J. Anderson, Hamilton; Gar. A. Hahn, Peterboro, Ont.

Wounded—Gnr. L. Quick, London, Ont.

NEW FRENCH LINE EAST OF RHEIMS



The map shows the location of the line prior to the great French thrust and the gains General Nivelle's forces have made to the northward.

Ont.; Gnr. A. D. Ross, Port Dalhousie, Ont.; Sgt. N. Law, Swift Current, Sask.; Gnr. H. Quinton, Theodore, Sask.; Gnr. J. McArthur, Scotland; Gnr. A. Shut, Brantford, Ont.; Gnr. W. Fawcett, England; Gnr. J. Borden, Hantsport, N. S.; Gnr. J. Grant, Fort Nelson, Ont.; Sgt. D. Brown, Scotland; Gnr. D. MacGregor, St. Thomas, Ont.; Gnr. A. P. Macdonald, Waterloo, Ont.; Gnr. F. W. Higgins, Belleville, Ont.

Dangerously ill and wounded—Sgt. R. McKay, Lethbridge, Alta.

Wounded, remaining on duty—Lieut. E. Chambers, Radson, Sask. Engineers.

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At the Daughters of the Empire Hospital, Hyde Park—Lieut. H. H. Pannill, shot in left wrist.

At War Hospital, Reading—Chaplain Paulin, shot in back; Lieut. E. B. Finley, shot in shoulder; Lieut. W. G. Hazlett, shot in head and elbow; Lieut. C. G. Orier, shot in back; Lieut. W. A. Duwe, arm wound; Lieut. W. Proulx, wounded in left arm; Lieut. W. K. Cummins, arm wound; Lieut. T. B. Farrell, arm wound; Lieut. H. A. Molyneux, face wound.

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At Hyde Park Place Hospital—Lieut. R. Ingraham, wound in left hand; Lieut. N. H. Peters, wound in left arm; Lieut. H. J. Wilson, wounded in back; Lieut. A. R. Jones, neck wound; Captain H. E. Crowell, wounded in right shoulder; Lieut. P. R. Phillips, wound in left arm; Lieut. F. J. Hunt, wound in right leg; Lieut. H. H. Moore, wound in left arm; Captain G. A. Holman, head wound; Captain F. L. Shoultice, wound in left leg; Lieut. F. J. Gray, wounds in arm and thigh.

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DEMONSTRATIONS IN CITY OF NEW YORK

Independence Anniversary is Used to Stimulate Recruiting for Forces

New York, April 19.—The patriotic spirit of New York was stirred to-day by reminders of the Battle of Lexington and the beginning of the American fight for independence. Nearly 200,000 persons took active part in parades and meetings and other demonstrations throughout the city to celebrate the 142nd anniversary of the beginning of the revolution and to stimulate recruiting in the army and navy. "Wake-up-America Day" began at midnight, ushered in by the ringing of church bells and the cheering of crowds on Broadway, while a young woman in the costume of Paul Revere rode through the street summoning the men of the United States to answer their country's call in the new struggle for human liberty. The feature of the celebration was a great parade this afternoon in which members of patriotic organizations participated. One division assembled nearly 3,000 citizens of Great Britain and Canada.

ARTILLERY ACTIVE ON ITALIAN FRONT

Rome, April 19.—The following official report was issued last evening: "Between the Adige and the Brenta the artillery action yesterday was more intense. Our artillery destroyed enemy huts on the Sugana slopes, bombarded the station at Rovereto and harassed the movements of troops and trains along the Sugana Valley road and railway. "On the northern slopes of Col Bricon, Travignola, an attempted enemy attack was immediately repulsed by our troops. Two attacks against our advanced positions on the second summit of Col Bricon last night met with the same fate. "On the Julian Alps front yesterday the enemy's artillery continued particularly active. "In the Gorizia region the enemy artillery was energetically answered by our artillery. Some shells fell in Gorizia. "One of our aerial squadrons bombarded Chiapovano, an important enemy revictualizing centre east of the Spirito Salsizza plateau. In spite of a violent fire from the enemy's artillery our aviators returned safely."

FURTHER STEP TAKEN BY LORD DEVONPORT

London, April 19.—The Food Controller, Lord Devonport, has issued an order, effective next Tuesday, prohibiting thereafter the sale of light pastries, muffins, crumpets, and tea cakes. Cakes, buns, scones, and biscuits can be sold only if they conform to the drastic restrictions respecting the amount of wheaten flour and sugar used. Treats, which are so popular in London and elsewhere, will suffer severely by the new orders. The War Office has ordered a return made by May 1 of all horses, mules, cattle, sheep, pigs, and agricultural implements in Great Britain.

PAY FOR THREE MONTHS AFTER SERVICE ENDS

Ottawa, April 19.—The following order-in-council was passed by the Cabinet yesterday: "The committee of the Privy Council, on the recommendation of the Minister of Militia and Defence, advises that every person who has served, is now serving, or may in the future serve as an officer, nursing sister, warrant officer, non-commissioned officer or enlisted man of the expeditionary force, and who has been or may hereafter be honorably retired or discharged from such service during the present war, be continued on the pay and allowance of the rank held at the date of retirement or discharge for a period of three months, if the said service or any portion thereof has been performed overseas. "This means," the Government explains, "that on being honorably discharged from service, every soldier of whatever rank who has served for six months, a portion of which has been overseas, is to receive a grant of three months' pay and allowances of the rank he held when honorably discharged. Nurses will participate in the grant upon the same terms as soldiers. The grant includes separation allowance as well as pay. "The object of the extra pay is to keep the soldier in funds during a period in which he may be expected, by reasonable effort, to find employment and be reabsorbed into the industrial or business life of the community."

HALF-BREED HANGED.

Spokane, April 19.—Edward Mayberry, a half-breed Indian, was hanged at Fort George Wright to-day by the United States marshal. He was convicted in the United States district court of killing Alice Vivian, an Indian woman, on the Colville Indian reservation.

AT COAL CREEK.

Fernie, April 19.—The management, the inspectors and the miners, after consultation to-day, concluded to change the method of working in No. 3 mine at Coal Creek and begin at the entrance and clean up the mine as they progress inward. This has been decided upon owing to the condition of the mine and the difficulty of locating more of the bodies without clearing away the debris. Coroner Murray, of Michel, has been

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Notices of ratepayers, political, suffrage, patriotic, lodge, society, club or church meetings and services, concerts, socials, etc., inserted under special headings of "Meetings" on classified pages at one cent per word per insertion.

STILL GOING.

The fourth day of the great French offensive finds our allies pushing forward on the whole sixty-mile front, the movement being executed with all the incomparable skill, precision and dash worthy of a nation which has given to the annals of war many of their most brilliant achievements.

Yesterday and this morning our Allies made highly important progress on both sections of the front, that is, between a point northeast of Soissons and Craonne and between Rheims and Auberville in the Champagne.

On the eastern part of the front, between Rheims and Auberville, in the Champagne, the French successes continue on a "great scale," to quote the Paris official report to-day.

sive north of Arras. Our readers will recall that in September, 1915, the Anglo-French operation north and south of Lens, which resulted in the capture of Loos and points near the Vimy ridge and failed, was accompanied by a French advance in the Champagne which gained some 20,000 prisoners.

That the Germans believe the situation to be desperate is shown by the numerous violent counter-attacks they have launched in great strength and the large reserves they are throwing in. On one of these attacks alone—between Juivecourt and the Aisne—they employed 40,000 men.

It is a far cry from Braila and Pokshani on the Roumanian front to the scene of this titanic struggle in France, but the announcement of the Roumanian Government that those two towns are in flames may furnish a very intimate connection between the two.

THE RIFT IN THE LUTE.

What is happening in Austria-Hungary? During the last few weeks political upheaval has succeeded political upheaval. Early in the month the Ministers of Justice, War and Finance resigned, ostensibly over a graft scandal in regard to supplies for the army.

What is happening is probably an attempt by Austria's ruler, on the advice of Count Berchtold, his mentor, to achieve the emancipation of his empire from the control of Potsdam.

Tisza is Austria-Hungary's evil genius. He more than any other public man in the Dual Monarchy was responsible for the declaration of war upon Serbia. His aspirations for the conquest of the Balkans, nourished and encouraged by Germany for her own purposes, made him an all-powerful factor in the empire's policy as long as the outlook appeared promising.

On the eastern part of the front, between Rheims and Auberville, in the Champagne, the French successes continue on a "great scale," to quote the Paris official report to-day.

agitation for a restoration of fraternal relations with their fellow Slavs in the new democracy of Russia, means that the Mittel Europa fabric, so deeply cherished at Potsdam, is crumbling.

HIS "AGREEMENT."

"My agreement was to take care of the campaign funds as far as the Conservative party was concerned," said Mr. Tate before the P. G. E. Committee last Friday. That "agreement" was part of a bargain. What were the other terms of the bargain? Was the company's contribution in return for the over-payment of nearly \$6,000,000, or the action of the late Government in closing its eyes to the conditions of the contract since revealed by the inquiry, or the six-million-dollar "loan" passed last session?

Rather than answer these questions and others equally pertinent Messrs. Tate and Welch levanted, leaving a subordinate to be the scapegoat. The men who have had millions to which they were not entitled and whose operations already have imposed an annual interest charge of a million a year upon the taxpayers—who will appreciate the character of the burden when they receive their tax notices—disappear with what amounts to a gesture of supreme contempt for the public and all its works.

All this will be disclosed in time. As to Mr. Thomas, the scapegoat, it is hardly necessary to say that anybody with an ordinary conception of ethical standards must be convinced that Mr. Bowser's commendation of his course was an affront to the Legislature and to the country scarcely less reprehensible than that delivered by the two absent witnesses. The confidence that Mr. Thomas shared was a confidence of guilt or the men who gave it would not have run away.

THE MELTING POT.

According to the National Geographical Magazine there are 35,000,000 people of foreign stock in the United States, and the number of foreign born is given as 14,500,000. Included in these, the publication points out, are some of the most illustrious citizens of the republic.

The National Geographic Magazine, analyzing the immigration figures, says: "An examination of the statistics of American immigration shows that since the foundation of our Government the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland has contributed 3,400,000 of her people, and Germany more than 3,000,000. Ireland, with more than 4,000,000; Great Britain, with a little less than 4,000,000; and Scandinavia, with something less than 2,000,000, have, together with Germany, contributed more than half of the total immigration to our shores since the beginning of the Revolutionary War."

Constantine of the Hellenes, who has been living in comparative obscurity for some time, emerges with a cabinet crisis on his hands. The times are full of trouble for autocratic rulers, and it even may be that Little "Tino" will have all he can do, now that dynastic matters are coming to a head in various countries, to save his crown.

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man. Only the United Kingdom shows a greater proportion. Since 1890 the trend has been very different. With more than 17,000,000 immigrant arrivals since that date, only 7,323,969 have been Germans.

A table which accompanies the article shows that there are 1,164,000 Canadian-born residents in the United States. More than half of these are in New York, Massachusetts and Michigan.

The German bureau in Copenhagen sends out another story about those pacific Russian revolutionists. A fresh instalment will emanate from that source every time the enemy suffers a defeat on the west front.

In no other country was Hun propaganda promoted more energetically than in Spain. This was on account of the resignation of the cabinet following the sinking of another Spanish ship and the murder of eighteen sailors by a German submarine.

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substance in the statement, the Hun having announced his intention of ignoring the fact that the United States is at war with Germany.

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some-idea more briefly and more forcibly than any months ago. The Colonel not only said the Hohenzollerns must go, but he tersely suggested where.

Haig and Nivelle are methodically laying the foundation for the greatest military triumph in the chronicles of war. If their plans are successfully furthered the Huns will have no time to destroy French towns before they retreat and most of them never will reach the Rhine.

Berlin official statement breaks the news gently in the following words: "The forest position proving unsuitable, we established ourselves on a rearward line." Leaving several batteries of guns, for which they had no further use, behind them, of course.

Mr. Bowser deprecates the proceedings taken against Mr. Thomas upon

the ground that he is an honorable man. That is not disputed, but the prisoner seems to have shown a lamentable lack of judgment in the company he keeps.

Reported from Winnipeg that Manitoba's indicted ex-ministers are taking a deep interest in the proceedings of the British Columbia Legislature.

It is a terrible affliction upon the rest of his kind when a man develops an inordinate love for the music of his own sweet voice.

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## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, April 19, 1922.

Oak Bay is becoming a great bathing place. Many persons go out there for the purpose of enjoying a sea bath.

The Phoenix Brewery building on Victoria West Bay has been completed and machinists are now putting in the machinery.

Mr. Haines, the organist of St. James's Church, was on Sunday presented with a gold watch and chain by the members of the congregation.

R. J. Burde, who for several months past has held cases on The Times, left for the east last evening.

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Gets Mule Deer—Through the efforts of the Vancouver Board of Parks Commissioners, Game Warden Williams has been enabled to secure a large mule deer on payment of the crating and carriage charges. The deer was captured at Arrowhead and is now running in Stanley Park, having arrived in fair condition. There is nothing like the animal in the park, there being a distinct difference from any of the coast deer.

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Expansion in Showers—The latest returns of the B. C. Telephone Company for the month of March show that on April 1, 43,160 are in use throughout the province which is 742 greater than the former high mark of August 1, 1914. This figure is in excess of last year's provincial figure of 40,253 by 2,907. During the last month the gains were 365, of which Vancouver contributed 252, Victoria 58, Fraser-12, Eburne 11, and North Vancouver 10.

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## WILLIAM CROW DIES AT JUBILEE HOSPITAL

Was Former Secretary of Real Estate Exchange; Man of Highest Principles

After an illness extending over practically six months there died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on Tuesday evening, William Crow, of this city, who had reached the age of 59 years and 6 months. The deceased gentleman was born in the county of Essex, England, and came to Canada 23 years ago, making his home in Calgary for 12 years. He came on with his family to Victoria 10 years ago and has resided here ever since.

He was well-known and highly esteemed. As a keen business man of the highest reputation Mr. Crow was for two years secretary of the Real Estate Exchange, in which business he was actively engaged up till the time of his illness. Active, too, in many good works, he also numbered politics among his leisure time pursuits, whilst as a platform orator his eloquence and ready wit won for him always an enthusiastic hearing.

During the life of the Victoria Volunteer Reserve Mr. Crow occupied the position of Captain and Adjutant, and took a great deal of interest in all matters patriotic. Two of his sons, Archibald A. and Percy J., are both in France serving with the 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles, while a younger son, Leonard, will henceforward conduct the business in the Sayward Building, which has been carried on by Mr. Crow for the past ten years.

Before coming to Canada Mr. Crow served twelve years in the Metropolitan Police Force, where he rose, for meritorious service, from the rank of constable to that of acting inspector. As a trophy of the cricket field, too, he was presented with a bat by the Fulham Police Cricket Club, whose captain he was, in 1887.

The deceased gentleman is survived by his widow, a married daughter, Mrs. A. Keary, resident in New Zealand, while his daughter Amy and son Leonard are at home, and the other two boys at the front. Pending the funeral on Wednesday next the remains are reposing at Sanda's Funeral Chapel.

## EXCESSIVE CHARGES MAY DEFEAT CUSTOM

New York Physician Expects Many Wealthy Tourists From East

One of the assurances of the continued patronage of residential and tourist resorts is a reasonable charge for service rendered, says Dr. Edwin E. Swift, who was in the city yesterday with Mrs. Swift. He is en route to California. The doctor, who has for 37 years practiced medicine in New York, and has an extensive clientele among the leisured classes who travel, bases his remarks on personal observation in Florida and in other places, and the experience of those well qualified to know. He has just crossed Canada by easy stages from Montreal.

He referred to the situation particularly in the favorite resorts of Florida, where the season is only 90 days in duration, and observed that people who were robbed, as they felt by excessive charges, fought shy of that section again. He says that never has there been more money in New York than at present, and the wealthy people there intend to spend it in travel. For that reason he is an optimist as to the amount of traffic which may be expected to the Pacific Northwest this summer, irrespective of Californian movements. The people who will come will be those who have profitable investments in industries directly or indirectly prospering from the war, and most of whom formerly went to Europe to spend the summer.

One effect, in his opinion, of the splendid example set by Canada to the United States will be the development of greater sympathy than formerly prevailed, and a desire on the part of Americans to travel in this Dominion to see conditions at first hand. The lowering of the barriers to the traveller will be a direct sequence of the entry of the United States into the war, since many people failed entirely to grasp the restrictions of the past two years, and to appreciate their scope, and thus were kept from visiting this country.

One thing which has struck him particularly in his tour has been the wonderful service of the women of this country, and he regards that as a fine lesson for the American organizations, for patriotic purposes, many of which have already accomplished much.

The Dog Nuisance.—Mayor Todd called the Chief of Police and Pound-keeper into consultation yesterday afternoon with a view to check the nuisance occasioned by badly behaved and vagrant dogs. A number of people have been bitten by them, and it is certain many exist which are not tagged. The dogs are causing a great deal of nuisance in the parks and gardens, as well as disturbing the small hours of the morning, when citizens should be at slumber, by barking and howling.

V. & S. Railway Employees will hold a dance in Agricultural Hall, Saanichton, on May 2, in aid of Saanichton Red Cross. Tickets, 50c including train fare. Train leaves Victoria at 7.15 p. m.

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Mr. E. F. Macneil, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, left to-day for a holiday trip to Toronto, New York and other Eastern points. During his absence Mr. H. L. Dixon, of the Vancouver branch, will be in charge of the office here.

By kind permission of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Barnard Government House has been lent for a Red Cross concert to be given by Mme. Jeanne Jomelli, the famous cantatrice who has been delighting Victoria and neighboring Sound cities during the last few weeks with her lovely voice. The recital will take place on Tuesday evening, May 1, and Mrs. Gertrude Huntley Green, the accomplished pianist who appeared with the diva on her last appearance here about three weeks ago, will again share the honors with Mme. Jomelli by playing some numbers on the programme.

Mrs. James Hunter is in charge of the general arrangements for the Rotary dinner to-night and Mrs. R. A. Playfair is at the head of the sub-committee which is arranging for the dinner proper. Promptly at 7.30 President Abell will take the chair and open the proceedings, which will be of the usual free and easy style adopted by the Rotary Club. Flowers and dancing will be dancing, the ballroom being especially decorated for the occasion in the Rotary colors, yellow and blue. The Empress Hotel orchestra has been engaged for the occasion, and it is the intention to make the event a memorable one.

A very charming Easteride wedding took place last evening at half-past eight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Armstrong, 124 Kingston Street, when their eldest daughter, Alameda Elizabeth, became the bride of Edgar E. Boynton, formerly well-known in the city as a member of the American consul's staff under the late Consul Abraham Smith. The drawing-room, where the ceremony took place, also the hallway and other reception-rooms of the house were beautiful with fragrant spring flowers, and during the service the bride party stood beneath a lovely floral bell of plum blossom and fern, from which radiated white ribbon streamers. Rev. Dr. W. L. Clay, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, performed the rite. The bride was given away by her father, and looked beautiful in a very smart travelling costume of apple green cloth with which was worn a blouse of cream lace and a handsome white fox stole. She carried a shower bouquet of white roses and ferns. Miss Marion Armstrong, her sister, who attended her as bridesmaid, wore a navy blue costume with collar and cuffs of white corded silk and a white picture hat trimmed with a single rose of old-gold tulle. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and ferns. The best man was Thomas Roberts. The bride's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Armstrong, Jr., at the conclusion of the nuptial ceremony played the Bridal Chorus from "Lohengrin" in an arrangement for the piano and violin. Only immediate relatives and friends of the principals were present, and at the dainty dejeuner served later felicitous toasts were offered to the happy pair. The table looked very bridal with its decorations of golden daffodils and streamers of white ribbon, the handsome wedding cake being a feature of the appointments. The bride's mother was in a becoming gown of black peau de soie, relieved with white Georgette crepe, and the bridegroom's mother wore blue tulle with touches of lace. The couple left by the midnight boat for Vancouver, en route for Portland, where the honeymoon will be passed. Later they will return to Seattle to make their home, Mr. Boynton being engaged there in business as a commission merchant. The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a jewel case, and to the best man cuff links.

The beautiful reception rooms at 523 Fowl Bay Road, the house belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sutherland and very kindly lent for the purposes of a Red Cross card tournament by the tenants, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jones, presented a beautiful scene to those who patronized the event there Tuesday afternoon. Hall, drawing-room, billiard-room and library were tastefully furnished for the occasion, the house, lavishly decorated with spring flowers, lending itself so admirably to the purpose that 50 tables were arranged for play with the greatest comfort. Rum, five hundred and bridge all found their devotees, and at the close of a very enjoyable afternoon's play beautiful prizes were presented to the successful players by Master Lindsay, a nephew of Mrs. Burdick, who, together with Mrs. Rattenbury, was responsible for the tasteful and artistic arrangements. The prettiest ceremony of the afternoon, however, was the presentation by the same small gentleman of an exquisitely arranged basket of roses of England and Bles of France, entwined with the Maple Leaf of Canada, to Mrs. Jones. Witnessing the ceremony from the balconies were nearly 150 ladies, who applauded the recipient in a way which showed their pleasure and appreciation of the recognition of their hostesses kindness in lending her home, than which there is none better suited for such purposes in the city. As the result of the very enjoyable event it is anticipated that something in the neighborhood of \$300 will be handed over to the Red Cross. Mrs. Harry Briggs added to the numerous pleasuring features of the occasion by singing during the collection of the tally cards, and the latter part of the afternoon was occupied with the serving of delicious refreshments, Mrs. Jenner having charge of this very admirably organized part of the entertainment.

Lilies and daffodils and primroses combined in rich profusion to make the prettiest of floral decorations for the Hollywood and Fowl Bay Red Cross dance held last night at the Alexandra Hall. A big Red Cross at

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the entrance, and more both small and great studded about the walls of the ballroom, hallways, and supper-room provided a constant reminder to patrons of the purpose of the entertainment which drew such a gratifyingly large number of dancers to the help of this splendid cause. For the first time at an affair of the kind since the outbreak of the war probably the American stars and stripes were displayed in company with the Union Jack, being honored with a conspicuous place at the north end of the hall, where Mr. Heaton and his six-piece orchestra sat half concealed by a screen of palms and flowers. Dancing commenced at 8.30, and continued until well after midnight, even then the patrons of the delightful event leaving reluctantly. Guests were welcomed as they arrived by Mrs. H. M. Fullerton, convener of the Hollywood branch, who was assisted by the ladies of her committee, Mesdames Van Renne, R. T. Elliott, G. W. Anderson and G. Brown, and every care was given to see that there should be no people without partners for the well-arranged programme of dances. The arrangement of the supper-room was particularly pretty, small tables having been set about in order that the dancers might find little supper-parties and enjoy this episode of the entertainment rather more than usual. Lemonade-punch was served continuously throughout the evening, the refreshment being much appreciated by the more energetic of the dancers. Those who preferred found provision made for the playing of cards, tables being arranged in quiet corners where the players could enjoy their game undisturbed. Through the very generous help given from many outside sources expenses were kept down to a minimum, and it is hoped that the net proceeds will total well in the neighborhood of \$150, plus three life-memberships. During the latter part of the evening Capt. Hayward, M.P.P., now home on leave in order to attend the sittings of the Legislature, spoke to the patrons of the event. He was listened to with the closest attention by the three hundred dancers in the ballroom. He did not begrudge them the gaiety of their entertainment, he said, but he hoped they would not forget the purpose for which it was held. The casualty list now coming in represented up to date only a tithe of the toll of life which the recent push along the Western front meant. The supplies of Red Cross materials were constantly being used up, and new stores must be maintained to deal with the terrible urgency of need which such actions as that now in progress signified. He had seen as many as six hundred men lying on stretchers waiting for attention. Any shortage of field ambulance supplies would have meant dreadful suffering on such an occasion. He understood there would be another dance in a month or so for the same cause, and he recommended everyone to help by patronizing the event. If the women wanted to know what they could do more than they were doing let them knit more socks. They were always wanted. If the men wanted to help more let them give more money or send on tobacco, soap, socks, tooth-brushes, etc., for the soldiers. Three life-memberships were taken during the evening: H. M. Fullerton, J. O. Cameron and Mrs. George W. Anderson. The decorations were the work of Mesdames Henry Croft, Dalby, Van Renna, R. T. Elliott, Young, Miss Munsey and Henry Dalby. The city florists were generous in giving supplies, the Quadra Greenhouse, A. J. Woodward, and Brown Bros. winning the thanks of the committee, together with Messrs. David Spencer, who lent flags, vases and china, and Mr. Herbert Kent, who gave some beautiful crimson roses.

### YPRES MEMORIAL

Local Organizations, City Churches, Etc., Plan Commemoration of Battle of St. Julien.

There will be celebrations on the part of several of the city's organizations and local bodies to commemorate the boys who fell in the Battle of St. Julien in the Ypres fighting of April 22, 1915. The Women's Canadian Club and the city will take part in a tree-planting ceremony on the grounds of the High School on Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Premier H. C. Brewster will be present to speak, and prominent residents of the city will plant the fourteen trees which are to form an avenue to the Fernwood entrance of the school.

On Sunday there will be special memorial services in many of the city churches. A special service will be held in Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, when the naval and military forces and patriotic bodies will be well represented. The Dean of Columbia will preach. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Rev. Dr. Clay will preach at the Memorial service at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning.

Speaker Weart will give an address at the First Presbyterian Church. The 5th Regiment Band, by kind permission of Lt.-Col. Angus, O. C., will give a concert at the Royal Victoria Theatre on Sunday night in aid of the Military Y. M. C. A. "Hut" fund, which is being helped by the tag-day on Monday under the direction of the Women's Canadian Club, both of these events to be part of the memorial.

The Daughters of Empire in Victoria will commemorate the occasion by placing wreaths on the soldiers' graves. The members of the different chapters are asked to be at the I. O. D. E. rooms, Arcade Building, on Friday at 2 o'clock, to make the wreaths. The ceremony of placing the flowers on the graves will take place on Sunday at 4.30 p. m. when all members of the Daughters of Empire are asked to be present. Further information may be obtained from Mrs. Mortimer Appleby, convener.

### BANANAS HIGHER

Popular Fruit Has Advanced in Price; Tropical Fruit Will Be Scarce.

Tropical fruits of all grades are expected to be more difficult to obtain in the immediate future. As already reported, bananas, the cheapest of all exotic fruits, have advanced slightly this week, and other varieties, including the citrus fruits of California, are also on the upward grade. Crop conditions in the Golden State are blamed for the advance in oranges, and similar fruits.

### AT THE HOTELS

E. Foster, of Nanaimo, is at the Dominion Hotel.  
Miss Annie Demestri is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.  
W. H. Ludin, traveling passenger agent of the Great Northern Railway,

of Seattle, is stopping at the Strathcona Hotel.

J. Chisholm, of Duncan, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.

John Watt is in from Saanich, and is at the Strathcona Hotel.

John M. Morrison, of Alice Arm, is registered at the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Luke, of Boston, have arrived at the Empress Hotel.

E. S. Prentice, of Salt Spring Island, is registered at the Strathcona Hotel.

H. B. Greaves and Mrs. Greaves, of Vancouver, are at the Dominion Hotel.

Thomas Jones, of Wellington, registered at the Dominion Hotel yesterday.

Mrs. G. White and Mrs. H. Vaux, of Duncan, are stopping at the Dominion Hotel.

Mrs. G. Stelly is down from Cowichan Lake, and is at the Dominion Hotel.

J. A. Macaulay, of Boston, Mass., is among those staying at the Empress Hotel.

Miss J. Carmell, from the Isle of Man, registered at the Strathcona Hotel yesterday.

Mrs. F. R. Price is in the city from Duncan, and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

W. D. Wright and Mrs. Wright, of Denver, Col., are registered at the Dominion Hotel.

Mrs. L. K. Kiteley, of New Westminster, is a new arrival at the Dominion Hotel.

Miss E. J. McLellan and Mrs. J. N. Gillies, of Vancouver, are staying at the Dominion.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wood, of St. Louis, Mo., registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Miss Amo Dudick and Mrs. L. L. Kidd, of Seattle, are staying at the Dominion Hotel.

Sir Clive Phillips-Wolfe is down from Somenos, and is a guest at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mrs. R. M. Large and son, of Vancouver, are visiting Victoria, and staying at the Dominion Hotel.

H. J. Newby and C. Burns, of Montreal, arrived in the city yesterday to meet the Empress of Japan.

W. Jack, A. T. Trollinger, M. E. Palmer and V. Laursen, of Vancouver, are new arrivals at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hutching, H. J. Hutching and Mr. and Mrs. John Birt, of Winnipeg, are guests at the Empress Hotel.

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crop, which comes along usually about the middle of May, to re-introduce their delicious fruit to local palates. Prices, The Times was assured to-day, will show an advance on last quotations, owing to freight charges. Since no quotations have been made available yet, it is impossible to say how prices will rule. The supply of bananas almost exclusively depends on the operation of the United Fruit Company's vessels to Central and South America, and therefore the regularity of their sailings will be the determining factor in deciding prices. It is understood the advance on Monday was due entirely to this source, with the entry of the United States into the war, and not to crop prospects in the tropical belt. Jobbers report green "stuff" scarce, with prices auxiliary to the late season, which will delay the arrival of new vegetables. There is a great demand for jam berries, and agents are mak-

ing contracts for the season. The jam factories are buying heavily this year, and expect to be able to handle large quantities of first class fruit, in addition to the seconds and "wets," which is fruit which has been spoiled in appearance, because of rainy weather. Asparagus is beginning to come in now to the dealers. The shortage of tropical fruit will stimulate production of local fruits unquestionably, and as already stated, the prospects for a record small fruit crop on the peninsula are excellent.

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### HEAVY SNOWFALL IN SASKATCHEWAN

Five Inches at Battleford; Weather Record for Past Week

Prince Albert to-day reports five inches of snow and Battleford four inches. A falling barometer with rain is the forecast throughout British Columbia to-day.

In the weekly summary issued from the Victoria Observatory covering the period from April 11 to 17, Kamloops again leads in sunshine, with Victoria second. The following is the detail:

Victoria—Total amount of bright sunshine, 30 hours and 36 minutes; rain, 25 inch; highest temperature, 54 on 16th and 17th; lowest, 29 on 11th, 14th and 15th.

Vancouver—Total amount of bright sunshine, 2 hours and 54 minutes; rain, 1.21 inch; highest temperature, 59 on 12th; lowest, 37 on 11th.

Kamloops—Total amount of bright sunshine, 46 hours and 48 minutes; rain, .03 inch; highest temperature, 66 on 16th; lowest, 29 on 12th.

New Westminster—Rain, 35 inch; highest temperature, 66 on 16th; lowest, 30 on 13th.

Nelson—Rain, 30 inch; highest temperature, 59 on 15th; lowest, 29 on 11th.

Grand Forks—Rain, 27 inch; highest temperature, 56 on 11th; lowest, 23 on 15th and 17th.

Barkerville—Snow, 4 inches; highest temperature, 42 on 14th and 17th; lowest, 32 on 12th.

Prince George—Precipitation, .21 inch; highest temperature, 59 on 14th; lowest, 22 on 14th.

Prince Rupert—Precipitation, .56 inch; highest temperature, 53 on 14th; lowest, 35 on 11th.

Atlin—Snow, 1.66 inch; highest temperature, 46 on 17th; lowest, 4 on 12th.  
Easwood—Snow, 1.69 inch; highest temperature, 54 on 15th; lowest, 19 on 11th.

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### PLEASING STORY OF NORTH AND SOUTH

Picture Play at Royal Victoria Illustrates Romantic Side of Southern Life

The attraction at the Royal Victoria Theatre to-night and for the balance of this week is the feature film "My Fighting Gentleman." The story is attributed to Nell Shipman.

In the picture William Russell plays the heroic role of the son of a house

divided, his mother being a Northerner and his father a Southerner, and pretty Francella Billington as his sweetheart arrayed in dainty Colonial gowns and pantalettes is all that the production would require as a charming Southern maid.

It is felt that Director Powell has used considerable artistic skill in producing one of the nicest, cleanest stories that the screen has presented. The story which is more to do with the romantic side of life in Colonial days, that of one military spectacle centred about the career of the son of a Southern Colonel whose sympathy leans toward the North. The production is staged in a magnificent manner, the scenery and settings being of the highest order.

On the same programme is a very laughable comedy, "Practice What You Preach."

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### THREE BIG FEATURES AT THE MAJESTIC

"The Man Hunt" is the Title of Three-Act Drama

"The Man Hunt" is the title of a three-act Vitagraph feature drama that heads the programme being offered at the Majestic for the last three days of this week. This photoplay is taken from the novel written by Arthur Train and will be found to be a very impressive story. The leading roles are played by James Morrison and Marguerite Blake.

The fourth adventure of "Grant, Police Reporter," entitled "The Man From Yukon," will prove to be quite as exciting as the previous numbers of these exciting screen stories. The action in this film is when Grant jumps to the sill of a sixth floor window of a building and descends to the pavement on a rope used to hoist a tar bucket.

Another episode of the "Hazards of Helen" railroad series, will be shown, entitled "The Lone Point Mystery." In

### REAL CANDY RAID IN "SPIRIT OF ROMANCE"

Method of Securing Film for Picture at Variety To-day

The skeptics who do not believe in the reality of the candy shop scenes in "The Spirit of Romance" in which the charming Pallas-Paramount star, Vivian Martin, will be seen at the Columbia to-night, Friday and Saturday, have only to go into a certain Los Angeles confectionary to hear the true story.

In the picture Miss Martin suddenly becomes an heiress and with her newly acquired wealth takes all the kids in the neighborhood to have all the candy they want. To secure these scenes Director E. Mason Hopper approached a confectionery store opposite the school and secured permission to take the scenes, offering to pay for all the candy consumed. The camera was concealed behind a screen and the children were notified that free sweets awaited them. This happened just as school was dismissed, and the news of

### BEAUTIFUL DOG IN "FORTUNES OF FIFI"

Marguerite Clark Seen at Variety This Week, Has Many Pets

Marguerite Clark has so many animals and pets of various kinds appearing in her pictures that she seldom completely loses her heart to any one of them, loving them all collectively as she does all dumb beasts. But when she was introduced to the little white toy dog that plays Toto in "The Fortunes of Fifi," she completely capitulated to his charms and, gathering him up in her arms, announced that he was hers 'til death does them part.

Toto is, in fact, one of the most intelligent little dogs that ever came into a motion picture studio. Bubbling over with mischief and responsive beyond belief to the slightest word of command, he is the centre of attraction the moment he steps upon the floor of the Famous Players studio.

Director Robert G. Vignola, who produced "The Fortunes of Fifi," declares that Toto is the most intelligent extra he ever saw—but directors frequently say harsh things which they later regret.

Miss Clark is appearing at the Variety Theatre in "The Fortunes of Fifi" to-day, Friday and Saturday.

### DRAMA OF WESTERN MINING CAMP LIFE

Dominion Theatre is Running Intense Story of Life at Mines

The brains of the East are pitted against the strength of the West, with a woman holding the balance, in the new William Fox picture starring Virginia Pearson, "Daredevil Kate." Kate is a woman of brains plus strength, and she has all the craft and cleverness which years of experience as saloon proprietor have given her.

"Daredevil Kate" (Virginia Pearson), runs a saloon in Devil's Gap. All the miners patronize Kate's saloon, and she numbers among her customers such men as Tim Kilmer (Leighton Stark), and his henchmen, Green (Alex. Shannon) and Bently (Fred R. Stanton). Kate lives with Sallie Grimes and her husband, an old couple of which Sallie is considerably the better half.

Kate remembers that her life has not been passed completely among the miners. She has a younger sister, Irene, from whom she has been separated since the day when a kind lady had promised to give the little girl a good home. The sisters were parted then, and each had taken half of a ring that their mother had given them on her death-bed.

In Kate's Western home, events of unusual interest are happening. Dissatisfied with the treatment they are receiving from the Eastern headquarters, the workmen blow up a munition store-house. News of the incident is telegraphed to headquarters, and John West (Kenneth Hunter), Eastern representative of the company, is sent out to take charge of the situation.

With him goes his wife, Irene West (Mary Martin), their little children (Jane and Katherine Lee), and Cliff Stone (Victor Sutherland), also a representative of the Munitions Company. Cliff and Irene have been raised as brother and sister, and it is not until the eve of their departure for the West that old Mrs. Stone tells them that Irene is an adopted daughter.

Surley glances meet the arrival of West and Stone in Devil's Gap. The miners are disconcerted, they cannot make up their differences with the management, and they object to West's being appointed head of their company in place of Green, in conference in Kate's saloon, they agree to make things hard for the intruders.

But things do not come out as expected. The picture story is running at the Dominion this week.



Who is at the Variety to-day and rest of week.

this picture Helen Gibson does some exciting and daring feats that will thrill all who see them.

The lighter end of the programme is well taken care of by two screaming comedians featuring Kate Price and Babe Hardy.

The man who had made a huge fortune was speaking a few words to a number of students at a business class. Of course, the main theme of his address was himself. "All my success in life, all my tremendous financial prestige," he said proudly, "I owe to one thing alone—pluck, pluck, pluck!" He made an impressive pause here, but the effect was ruined by one student, who asked impressively: "Yes, sir; but how are we to find the right people to pluck?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

Sheriff (in the Wild West)—"Do you take this woman, whose hand you're a-squeezin', to be your lawful wife in flush times an' skimp?" Texas Bill—"I reckon that's about the size of it, squire." Sheriff—"Do you take this man you're f'ed fists with to be your pard through thick and thin?" Bride—"Well, you're about right, old man." Sheriff—"All right, then. Kiss in court, an' I reckon you're married. One dollar fifty will do, Bill, if I don't have to kiss the bride."

### CHARMING SPANISH DANCER, LA ESTRELLITA



A mouse may look at a king, but a snapshot artist may find his occupation rudely interrupted. He may be arrested as a dangerous person or a thousand and one other unpleasant things may happen to him.

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But, admits La Estrellita modestly, his graciousness in the first instance was all on account of a hat, a dainty Parisian confection, which was very much in evidence. The danseuse cherishes that snapshot as one of her most valued possessions, even because it was the hat that was the attraction. Dancers are always modest.

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# SPORTING NEWS

## CHURCH BASKETBALL PLAYED AT Y.M.C.A.

### Senior Teams Give Exhibitions of Close Playing; Bay Teams Defeated

At the gymnasium of the Y. M. C. A. last evening two closely contested games of the senior division of the Sunday School Basketball League were played. The James Bay B team and the Crusaders were the first to get into action, the latter club winning 15-10 after the Bays had led at half-time by 10-9. Art Dowell was high man for the Crusaders with 10 points, and W. Huxtable was high man for the losers with 8. The feature of the game was certainly the close hard checking which was maintained by both clubs. The teams were:

James Bay, B—W. Huxtable, H. Davey, H. Ryan, E. Ledingham and W. Ackerman.

Crusaders—Art Dowell, H. W. Clark, J. Jessup, Andy Smillie and B. Bridgell.

The First Presbyterians and the James Bay A teams were the contestants in the second match, the former club winning by a score of 25-24, 13-10 having been the figures at half-time. The combination of the winners was far superior to that of their opponents, who relied to a great extent on individual work and shooting.

Art Manson worked hard and the Bays' guards played a good defensive game. Hopkins and McKinnon were the pick of the Presbyterian team. F. Stevens was high man with 11 for the Bays and L. Lane got 8 for the other side. The line-up: James Bay A—F. Stevens, J. McFadden, A. Manson, H. Copas and W. Ledingham. First Presbyterians—T. Hopkins, G. Forbes, A. E. Foreman, A. McKinnon and L. Lane. Bob Whyte refereed.

## SPORTING GOODS ARE NEEDED AT HOSPITALS

Sergt. Taylor, of the Esquimalt Military Convalescent Home, is making an appeal to all Victorians who have sporting equipment which is not in use, to aid in the work of the hospitals by donating such articles for the use of the returned boys. At present the men at Esquimalt have no sporting goods of any kind and such articles as would enable them to indulge in the common ordinary pastimes like baseball or soccer would be greatly appreciated.

Now that the summer months are approaching the weather conditions will doubtless become much more favorable for out-door games than they have been during the past months. It is, therefore, hoped that sportsmen who may have any equipment which is not in use will communicate with Sergt. Major Taylor. Any gifts sent to the Esquimalt home will be distributed where they are most needed.

## MAJORITY OF GOLFERS ABOVE WAR AGE LIMIT

New York, April 19.—The United States Golf Association takes a very sensible view of the war situation. A gentleman high up in the association said recently that it would not be necessary to call off any golf events for some time after war is declared. So many golfers are above the war age limit that it is thought the sport would not be affected greatly. These men, the patriotic, do not see why they should be deprived of their golf any more than their social game of bridge or poker in the evenings.

### TEAM ANNOUNCED.

The following team will represent the V. I. A. A. against the University School in the Rugby match which will be played at Oak Bay on Saturday afternoon: Huxtable; Nason, Thompson, Staples, Bendrodt; Grubb, Hall; Harwood, Henderson, Gerard, Winaby, McQuade, Johnson, Al Davies, W. H. Davies.

Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, quarts, \$2.00 per dozen.

## PRESENT CHAMPION



RUSS LEIGHTON

The present Army and Navy Heavyweight champion of British Columbia, who will defend his title against Pte. Cook, of the 50th Highlanders at the Willows camp on Saturday night.

## YOUNG TWIRLERS ARE STARS IN MAJORS

### Newcomers Are Off to Flying Start in Big Leagues This Season

Young pitchers promise to cut a big figure in the two major league championship races. The spectacle of Allan Sothoron and Brown speculation, holding the Indians to a single inning, Al Russell, of the Yankees, downing the mighty Johnson, and Ferdie Schupp, youthful Giant, acting as the balance wheel of that collection of ball players is enough to make the veteran twirlers grab a gun and go to war.

Besides the stated trio of flingers several other youths are being harbored by big league clubs who are likely to step out and burn some of the fur off batting averages most any time. Howard Ehmcke, of the Tigers, although he lost a ball game Tuesday, is far from being the worst pitcher in the American League. And Leo Fohl, Cleveland boss, has an unattached brigade of pitchers that have already proved where it stands. Connie Mack is putting lots of faith in Elmer Myers and Jng, Johnson, both mere lads.

Claud Williams has won his spurs with the White Sox. They're all youths and they're all real pitchers. They're gradually usurping the places held by the old brigade of stars by pitching hair-raising games of baseball.

## BASEBALL RECORDS

NATIONAL LEAGUE		
Team	Won.	Lost.
New York	4	1
Cincinnati	5	3
Chicago	4	3
St. Louis	4	3
Boston	2	2
Philadelphia	2	2
Pittsburg	2	4
Brooklyn	1	4

AMERICAN LEAGUE		
Team	Won.	Lost.
Chicago	5	1
Boston	5	1
New York	3	2
Cleveland	3	2
St. Louis	3	3
Washington	2	3
Philadelphia	1	5
Detroit	1	5

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE		
Team	Won.	Lost.
Salt Lake City	7	4
San Francisco	10	4
Vernon	9	7
Portland	7	8
Los Angeles	5	7
Oakland	6	10

## ERTLE IS READY TO RETIRE FROM RING

### St. Paul Bantam Finds That Fighting is Too Strenuous a Game

"Kewpie" Ertle may retire from the ring unless he regains his form. Although but twenty-one years of age, Ertle fears that he is "slipping"—that he has burned himself out.

Ertle is just another instance of many boxers who have found themselves "has been" at the age when they could be the great "I am." The prize ring is a bit too strenuous for undeveloped boys. He warned!

Hanlon Met Two Champs.

The most famous instance of youthful folly is Eddie Hanlon. Eddie Hanlon was a wonderful fighter. He began at the age of fifteen, and at the age of seventeen he fought twenty-round draws with two champions—Attell and Young Corbett—who had just whipped Terry McGovern. He also beat Benny Yanger the same year. It was the first time that Yanger was ever defeated, and he was in his prime, having a short time previous knocked out Attell, Young Corbett, Harry Forbes, and won a decision over George Dixon.

However, at the age of twenty-one—an age which should have been his best—Hanlon was absolutely through—a wonderful career was ended.

"K. O." Brown Forgotten.

Take "K. O." Brown. Happy, cross-eyed little "Kaxo" was a "has been" at the age of twenty-four. He is almost forgotten now—and he is not quite twenty years of age. Brown, under the skillful handling of Dan Morgan, reached the summit of his fame at the age of twenty, when he whipped Ad Wolgast, then champion of the world, and knocked out "Harlem" Tommy Murphy in one round. He was then matched with Matt Wells, champion of England at the time, and the bout drew a record gate for lightweights—something over \$30,000.

Moore Started Too Early.

Pal Moore, a little Philadelphia lad, began a fast and furious career at the too early age of sixteen. He fought over one hundred battles in the next five years and won a remarkable percentage of them. He was at his best in 1910, when he was eighteen years old. He more than held his own with such men as Jim Driscoll, Abe Attell, Owen Moran, Tommy Murphy, Freddy Welsh and Jimmy Walsh. He was virtually "finished" as a fighter in 1911, and retired two years later, before he was able to cast his first vote.

Frankie Neil, of Frisco, the bantam champion of 1903-4, won and lost the title before he was old enough to vote. He quit the ring entirely soon after his twenty-third birthday.

Young Joe Shugrue, who was the big sensation two years ago, is now retired, and he will not be twenty-three until September.

And many others suffered the same fate that reached recognition.

## CARPENTIER'S PROPERTY DESTROYED BY THE HUNS

A London cable says: "Georges Carpentier, champion heavyweight of Europe and army aviator, who has been convalescing at Nice, arrived in Paris. Not having heard of the evacuation of the civil population of Lens by order of the Germans, he remarked: 'I hope the British find my mother and sister safe when they get to Lens. My people have been there all during the German occupation, the Germans refusing to let them leave. I have not heard from my mother in many months, but people from Lens told me all my property there has been wrecked by the Germans, and I suppose the big British guns hammering the city won't help it any. I hope to get permission to go to Lens soon.'"

## BOWLING NEWS.

In the Commercial League bowling match last night at the Arcade Alley the Pirates defeated the Fairalls, the scores being as follows:

Pirates—	Rines	181	159	158	498
	Proctor	173	135	142	450
	Williams	166	135	141	442
	Davison	180	142	157	479
	Miller	137	168	194	499
		817	719	792	2328
Fairalls—	Brown	147	128	159	434
	Fairall	129	155	163	447
	Taylor	145	173	166	484
	Trewhman	124	133	176	433
	Huxtable	137	145	194	476
		682	722	788	2192

To-night the Garrison meet the Pressmen's Union, and in the Junior League the Quality Press meet the Navy.

## ON HOSPITAL LIST.

"Home Run" Frank Baker and Vic Sailer, major league stars, have been rendered hors de combat, and it will be some time before they are again able to take their places in the lineup. Baker, who is with the New York Yankees, sustained a broken thumb Saturday in the second inning of the game between New York and Boston, while Vic Sailer, first sacker of the Chicago Cubs, broke his leg sliding into the home plate in the sixth inning of yesterday's game between the Cubs and St. Louis.



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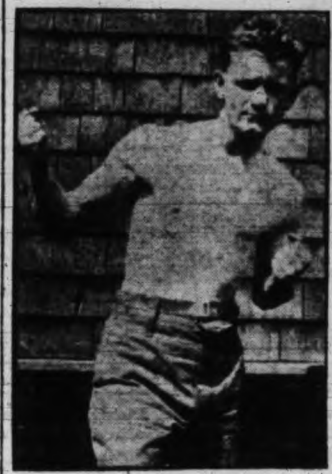
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## HEAVYWEIGHT CHALLENGER



PTE. COOK.

Of the 50th Gordon Highlanders, who meets Russ Leighton at the Willows in a fifteen-round bout for the Army and Navy Heavyweight championship of the units of British Columbia.

## W. H. DAVIES REPLIES TO M'KAY'S CHALLENGE

The following letter has been received by the sporting editor of the Times from W. H. Davies in reply to the challenge issued by Scotty McKay:

Sir—Replying to the letter from Scotty McKay which appeared in Tuesday evening's Times taking exception to my remark as to his being pretty badly smashed up while serving at the front and doubting his ability to participate in a boxing match with Curson, I beg to state that I am very sorry that McKay's feelings have been hurt, but from my mind the fact that the wounds which he sustained while so nobly serving his country and which have resulted in his discharge from the army justifies my remarks in this regard.

Now, as to McKay's request that I should give him a try-out with the gloves, so that he can demonstrate his ability of about thirty (30) pounds in weight when, if he is so desirous of demonstrating to the public the fact of his fitness, he could easily arrange a bout with some one nearly his own weight and invite the public to witness the try-out. However, if McKay is insistent on my meeting him I would suggest that, providing he will take off some of his excess poundage and furnish a doctor's certificate as to his fitness to participate in a contest, I would gladly meet him in a contest of any number of rounds, the proceeds derived from same to go to charity.

I might state that as McKay and all local boxers know I quit active boxing some six (6) years ago on account of sickness, but as I am beginning to regain my health once more I think I could make a come-back and give McKay a very good argument.

Thanking you for publishing this letter, I am, yours truly, WM. H. DAVIES.

Victoria, B. C., April 18, 1917.

## DERBY IS CANCELLED.

London, April 19.—The Epsom Derby, chief classic of the English turf, has been cancelled for this year, together with a number of other track events of importance, by the stewards of the jockey club.

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MEMORIAL CEREMONY FOR YPRES HEROES

Tree-Planting at High School To-morrow to Be Impressive Event.

The following is the complete programme in connection with the tree-planting ceremony to take place to-morrow afternoon at 2.30 at the High School grounds under the auspices of the Women's Canadian Club to the memory of those who fell at the battle of St. Julien, April 22, 1915:

Selections by Fifth Regiment Band Chorus by School Children... "O Canada" Invocation by Rev. Capt. Campbell Chairman's Remarks, Mr. George Jay Address by Premier Brewster Chorus by School Children—"Canada the Land of Freedom" (words by Wellington Dowler, music by George Werner).

Tree-Planting Ceremony (during which "The Maple Leaf" and the National Anthems of the allied nations will be played by the band. Planting of an oak to Lord Kitchener's memory (during which the band will play "Rule Britannia"). This tree which is to be planted to the memory of the late Lord Kitchener was given by Walter Birnie Anderson, and will be placed in a prominent position in front of the main entrance to the school, near the spot where, it is hoped, a permanent memorial will one day be placed.

The following is the honor roll of the Victoria High School, two of the former students, Lieut. J. Macdonald and Lieut. Duncan Ellis, having been awarded the Military Cross before falling in defence of their country. The others who have given their lives are: Pte. Percy G. Barr, Lieut. Herbert Boggs, Pte. T. J. Brown, Pte. Henry Austin, Lieut. J. D. Dowler, Lieut. Duncan Ellis, Pte. Charles Hardie, Pte. Fred Heale, Sgt. Ed. Jackson, Lieut. Nelson King, Sgt. J. A. Pascoe, Sgt. Cyril Sedger, Pte. Wm. Stewart, Pte. F. Thompson, Lieut. Conrad Wilson, Pte. Chas. Fleming, Pte. Mark Bertin, Lieut. Adair Caras, Lieut. Fletcher Elliott, Pte. George Elliott, Sgt. D. B. Stevens.

DIES OF WOUNDS

Member of the 88th Well-Known in Victoria Made Supreme Sacrifice in Empire's Cause.

One of the names appearing in a recent casualty list was that of Private David Young who left Victoria on May 23 last with the 88th Battalion. Private Young was a native of Dysart, Fifeshire, Scotland, and was resident in this city for a number of years, during which period he followed his calling as a joiner with The Woodworkers, Limited, and Gordon Drysdale. The news of his death from wounds was conveyed to his mother in Scotland by a letter from the chaplain. He was 31 years of age.

IN FRENCH HOSPITAL

Private P. F. James, of the Western Universities Battalion, Wounded in Shoulder.

Private advice received yesterday contains the information that Private P. F. James, of Victoria, is now lying in a French hospital suffering from injuries in the left shoulder. The wire does not give any precise information or indicate the seriousness of the wounds. Private James is nineteen years of age, a native of Vancouver and resided here for three years. He enlisted here with the 16th Western Universities Battalion. The young soldier during his residence in this city attended the local McGill classes at the Victoria High School.

IS DOING WELL

Lieut. Hannington Wounded at Vimy Ridge Now in London Hospital Making Progress.

A cablegram received by Mrs. H. C. Hannington this morning gives satisfactory news concerning Lieut. Hannington, who was wounded during the operations at Vimy Ridge. His wound fortunately is not of a serious nature and the cable states that he is now undergoing treatment at the Armoil Hospital for Canadian Officers in London. Gunshot wound in the face is the official description of his hurts, while the report tells that he is making good progress. The hospital in question was the home of Miss Joan Arnold's mother, who turned her residence over to the Canadian military authorities in London to be used for hospital purposes.

LEG AMPUTATED

Private North, of North Saanich, Reached Home This Morning After Hospital Term in England.

Private Douglas North, who left British Columbia with the 48th Battalion, reached his home at North Saanich from England this morning. He was wounded in France during the operations on the west front in June of last year, and so serious were his hurts that amputation of his leg was necessary. It is the intention that he will remain at home for two months, prior to going to Toronto for the purpose of being fitted with an artificial limb.

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Money is still coming in for the Vimy Tribute Red Cross Fund, the total now having passed \$8,000. The following subscriptions are in addition to those already acknowledged:

- Miss White ..... \$ 10.00 Mrs. G. W. Moody ..... 2.50 Miss L. C. Macdonald ..... 10.00 "Peter" for Mrs. Duce ..... 26.25 In gratitude to the heroes ..... 5.00 Friend ..... 2.00 Miss Amy C. Fraser ..... 5.00 Mrs. Munsie ..... 25.00 F. G. Fowkes ..... 25.00 Sympathizer ..... 10.00 Mrs. John Piggott ..... 2.00 Miss M. A. Hall ..... 3.00 Thomas Brown ..... 100.00 George Cook, Sooke ..... 10.00 J. E. M. .... 5.00 J. A. Mara ..... 75.00 Sonny, Girle and Billie ..... 5.00 Dr. A. R. Hudson ..... 5.00 Mrs. M. E. H. Monteith ..... 5.00 C. W. Dunne ..... 5.00 E. E. Blackwood ..... 5.00 Mr. L. W. B. .... 15.00 J. A. Lindsay ..... 100.00 Mrs. L. W. Monteith ..... 5.00 D. R. Ker ..... 100.00 A Friend ..... 5.00 Mrs. F. A. Gowen ..... 10.00 No Name ..... 1.00 Miss Elizabeth Meyer ..... 10.00 Miss Louisa W. Meyer ..... 10.00 J. T. L. Meyer ..... 10.00 Walter R. Shotbolt ..... 5.00 Anonymous ..... 4.00

WOE TO SLACKER

Opportunity to Serve in Reinforcing Platoon for Universities Battalion Described by Officer.

Major Brock, who it is understood, is now in command of a Western Reserve Battalion in England, writing to Dr. Westbrook, President of the University of British Columbia, speaks of the special opportunities awaiting University boys who sign on with the reinforcing platoon now being organized. He says in part as follows:

"The Reserve Battalion includes the base company of the original Universities Battalion, and the boys in this company are all eagerly waiting their turn to be sent over to France. Reinforcements are greatly needed and the boys by going through us will get to their comrades in France if not taken for officers in special lines. There is a big demand for our boys for special service."

SLACKERS

Letters have also been received from some of the boys who are now in the front line and who have seen actual war for the first time. Many of them are hot with indignation because they hear that recruiting is almost at a standstill in Canada and that the 300,000 Canadians in France can not be reinforced as they should be. One boy exclaims: "Believe me, the slackers won't have a chance when the boys return home. They will feel so mean that they will keep out of the way for a long while. If only they could see what we do they would be ashamed to shirk their duty a day longer."

The reinforcing platoon for the 196th Western Universities Battalion is doing very well, but the response to the appeal must be quicker, for the reinforcements are needed immediately. Professor, now Sergt. Mack Eastman, is in charge of the recruiting, and has issued a special plea to all men of the university type to back up the fellows at the front.

SOLDIERS RETURNED

Six Men Arrive in City on Afternoon Boat; Twenty-Five Reached Vancouver To-day.

Twenty-seven returned soldiers arrived in Vancouver at 9 o'clock this morning and were tendered the usual reception by representatives of the returned soldiers' club, the Hospitals Commission, and the various ladies' societies of the city. Six of the party arrived here on the afternoon boat and proceeded to Esquimalt, where they will report in the ordinary way. Their names are: Privates G. Pietro, J. Higgins, E. Wolf, Yates, Blake and Wagstaff.

JOE SIMMONS JOINS AMMUNITION COLUMN

Australian Veteran of Boer War Joins Up at Willows

The latest recruit for the Divisional Ammunition Column, now under orders to be in readiness for almost instant departure, is Joe Simmons, who has had nothing if not a spectacular career. Among many accomplishments not the least important are his conquests in the ring as a one-time Australian welterweight. While he considers those days are more or less past and gone he has decided that what he is unable to achieve with fists today, he may be able to effect with the aid of a field piece. This is not his first experience of military life for the Australian, since on the outbreak of the South African war he joined the Australian Rough Riding Contingent and was not long before he got his baptism of fire.

He took part in the furious engagements of Tugela River and afterwards at Modder River. Wounds in the right hip and shoulder are the legacy of the South African War. On the declaration of peace he went to England for a holiday and later returned to Johannesburg, working in the daytime at the Robertson Deep Mine, where his brother was foreman engineer. In his spare time he took up the study of the Dutch and Kaffir languages, in which he became proficient, while the art of self-defence possibly was his favorite theme.

He was born at Sydney, N. S. W., and the last four years he has been at Port Angeles engaged in the express and transfer business on his own account. He arrived in the city yesterday by the Sol Duc and was passed by the medical board yesterday afternoon.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Celebration of Holy Communion at Christ Church in Memory of Late Major Sweet.

A memorial service for the late Major John Hales Sweet, son of the Venerable the Archdeacon of Victoria, was held at 8 o'clock this morning at Christ Church Cathedral. The service consisted of a celebration of Holy Communion, the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Columbia being the celebrant, assisted by Very Rev. Dean Quainton and Rev. F. H. Fatt. There was quite a large number of communicants, many friends of the family and all the immediate members being present. The hymns sung were "Let Saints on Earth" and "My God My Father While I Stray." Mr. Watson was at the organ. The late Major Sweet was the only son of Venerable Archdeacon Sweet, and met his death in action on Easter Monday, April 9.

Y. M. C. A. WILL BENEFIT

Proceeds of Memorial Concert on Sunday to Go to Military Service Department.

The proceeds from the Memorial Concert in the Royal Victoria Theatre on Sunday next, at which the band of the 5th Regiment will render the programme, will be devoted to the Military Service Department of the Y.M.C.A. The work of the Y.M.C.A. in Belgium and France cannot be overestimated. The Military Service Department maintains a great system of rest shelters, day canteens and every possible convenience for the troops, almost to the extent of the front line trenches. As the troops move forward so does the Y.M.C.A. and with it goes its comforts, always ready and waiting for the tired Tommy. His good work is appreciated by the men almost every letter from the front bears testimony. Tommy's praise of the work of the Y.M.C.A. is only surpassed by his indomitable pluck and tenacity.

NEW APPOINTMENT

Miss McCulloch is Appointed to Teaching Staff of Victoria High School.

Miss Isabella McCulloch, M.A., has been appointed to the teaching staff of the Victoria High School, chiefly to take modern languages, in connection with the filling of vacancies due to faculty changes.

Miss McCulloch, who has been engaged at the Astoria High School, has held a number of appointments. She trained at the Aberdeen United Free Church Training College, and graduated at Aberdeen University in the graduating class in English Literature. For two years she was in Paris with the Guilde Internationale. She taught at Hopeman public school and the Turrif Higher Grade Public School, Aberdeenshire, from 1910 to 1912. She has specialized in French and other languages, for which she holds high testimonials.

SPLENDID WORK BY GREAT BRITISH "TANKS"

London, April 19.—One of the correspondents at British Headquarters in France, referring to the work of the "tanks," says they were one of the undoubted successes of the Battle of Arras.

"The Germans claim to have destroyed twelve tanks, and it is true that a few of them lie stranded about the battlefields," says this correspondent, "but they have saved hundreds, perhaps thousands, of lives and have won strong places and knocked out scores of the enemy. Their success vastly outweighs their failures. Their deeds gave the most practicable aid possible for the advance."

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EXPOSURE CHARGES ON INSURANCE RISKS

Reduction of Rates Takes Form of Relieving Selected Classes of Hazards

Retrospective from April 1 last, a new rate for fire insurance is being established by the board companies doing business in this city. It is applicable to dwellings, schools, churches, and similar risks, based on alteration of the exposure charges.

The reduction is denied to be due to the public agitation for a cut in rates, but at any rate a very active pressure has been brought to bear on the Vancouver Island Fire Underwriters' Association in the last few months. Be that as it may, the local representatives of the companies have been in communication with their head offices for some time, and the statistics show that with regard to mercantile rates the schedule here compares with those in other cities of the West. Full credit, it is claimed, is given for fire

protection, which is steadily improving, and for the situation due to the completion of Sooke waterworks, and the attendant development of the water protection services.

However in regard to dwellings as compared with other parts of Western Canada in some cases the exposure charges were somewhat higher, and a material reduction in the lines mentioned is therefore being given. Whereas formerly an exposure charge was levied for a house within 40 feet of buildings within 30 feet of neighbors. The effect to the public in saving insurance premiums it is difficult to estimate, but an underwriter stated to-day that the difference would be about \$10,000 to \$20,000. Victoria is thus placed in its insurance on practically the same status for rating as the whole of Western Canada.

The president of the Underwriters' Association, L. U. Conyers, and the secretary, J. L. Noble, walked on the Mayor to-day to explain the nature of the reduction. It is understood His Worship was not very pleased with the concession, and declared it would not satisfy the public, who were looking for a general reduction. When a formal communication reaches the City Council there is no doubt the matter will be discussed.

This is the fifth change of rates since Chief Davis took over the re-organ-

SELKIRK SEWER SYPHON

On September 17, 1909, the surcharge of 30 per cent. was rescinded. Reduction in all dwelling rates, November 1, 1913. General inspection and adjustment of rates (Maury Cheney report) taking cognizance of improved fire-fighting facilities, January 1, 1915. Further credit on November 1, 1916, because of increase in the area protected by the high-pressure system.

Yesterday was the anniversary of the laying of the siphon under Selkirk water for the Northwest sewer, uniting the two sections of the system. The cast iron pipes were obtained second-hand, having been previously used for water under the Narrows at Vancouver. The 12-inch and 18-inch pipes were laid from two scows with a chute between; laying was commenced from Victoria West, the pipe joined on the scow, passed down the chute as the scows were moved across, from Summyside to Chapman Point. The pipes were laid separately and afterwards hydraulized into the mud.

City Engineer Rust says the siphon has proved satisfactory, with some minor adjustments developed by experience in operation. The Assistant City Engineer, F. M. Preston, has recently written an article

on the subject of the Northwest sewer

for the Contract Record. Two automatic flushing syphons are placed in a chamber at the upper end, which holds back the sewage in a section of the main sewer, so designed as to act as a storage tank with a capacity of 12,000 imperial gallons. At present, with the minimum flow, about eight discharges per day take place, with maximum velocities in the syphon of 8.5 feet per second in the 12-inch, 3.9 feet per second in the 18-inch and 3.17 feet per second in the 20-inch portions, and the sewage is either stationary or running at these velocities.

The inlet chamber is provided with a sand pit with washout and overflow into the creek, and a galvanized iron cable has been threaded through each pipe in case of blockages. Some trouble was experienced in getting the pilot lines through for these, but finally a torpedo-shaped cedar float with a metal umbrella attached to the front end and acting as a piston was used successfully. A good deal of time was spent in adjusting the flushing syphon. To work properly the skirts of the bells had to be lengthened so as to cut down the rate of flow at the end of the flush, in order to allow the inverted syphon time to drain the water level below the outlets of the syphon and vent them properly. The length of the air pipes needed considerable adjustment also.

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### TWENTY MEN SAVED BY ADMIRAL FARRAGUT

Steamer Thistle Crashed on Reef at Pender Island and Sank in Deep Water

Wireless reports picked up by the Canadian radio stations on this coast from the Admiral Farragut early this morning gave first word of a shipping disaster which, but for the fact that the Farragut was close by to render assistance, might have been attended by serious loss of life.

The Farragut flashed the message broadcast that the steamer Thistle, bound from San Francisco to Bristol Bay, Alaska, struck on the southeast end of Pender Island at midnight, and shortly afterwards, swung by the tide, she slipped off the rocks and turned turtle. This was the last seen of the Thistle, which sank in deep water.

There were 20 men aboard the vessel, but all were rescued and taken aboard the Admiral Farragut. The immediate needs of the distressed mariners were attended to by the officers of the rescuing vessel, and it is expected that the men will be landed at Seattle. Although the location of Pender Island was not given in the wireless report from the Farragut, it is presumed that it would be the rocky ledge off Thurlow Island, this side of Alert Bay, in Johnstone Straits, as it is in the direct line of shipping bound to Alaska.

The only particulars that could be gleaned about the Thistle were that she is a vessel of 100 feet in length. She is owned by one of the big salmon packing concerns of San Francisco.

### INCREASE SHOWN IN GRAND TRUNK EARNINGS

Montreal, April 19.—Grand Trunk earnings for the week ending April 14 were \$1,103,119, an increase of \$78,814 compared with same week last year.

### EMPRESS MADE FAST RUN FROM YOKOHAMA

Canadian Pacific Liner in Port To-day With Over 100 Saloon Passengers

On her 127th eastbound voyage the Canadian Pacific Ocean Services liner Empress of Japan, Capt. W. Dixon Hopcraft, R. N. R., reached her berth at the Outer Docks at 10.30 a. m. to-day, reporting a splendid voyage from the Orient.

The big three-stacker brought in one hundred and four saloon passengers and a large steerage list, in addition to a cargo of Oriental merchandise. Among the passengers was a number from Petrograd, the scene of the recent revolution. These included Boris Martynoff, I. W. Soverlett and J. K. Tacor-Jewsky. Others from Petrograd were Edgar J. Pettit and N. A. Yenks. M. Perez and E. Perez are Spaniards who have extensive sugar plantations in the Philippines. They informed a representative of the Times on board that they were bound from Manila for the United States with a view to purchasing machinery to increase the output of their sugar factories in the Philippines. They purpose returning to Manila within the next few weeks.

M. Marconnet is a French cloth manufacturer of Namdinh, Tongking, China, bound for the United States.

G. M. Harding, a Canadian who has spent many years in the Federated Malay States, is en route to his old home in St. John, N. B. He is continuing a holiday tour which included a visit to the United Kingdom.

Mr. Harding has been closely identified with the large rubber concerns of the Malay States for a number of years, and is now the owner of a rubber plantation of 3,000 acres in extent. He says the bulk of the rubber produced in this section of the globe ultimately finds its way to the United States. Passengers who have been engaged in missionary work in China and other parts of the Orient included Rev. F. P. Gillman, of Hackensack, New Jersey; Rev. R. L. Howard, of Assumption, Ill.; Rev. H. B. Riddley, of Fochow, accompanied by his family; and Rev. G. M. Tichborne, of Hongkong. During the voyage Rev. Tichborne collected \$147 in aid of British sailors interned in Germany and their dependents.

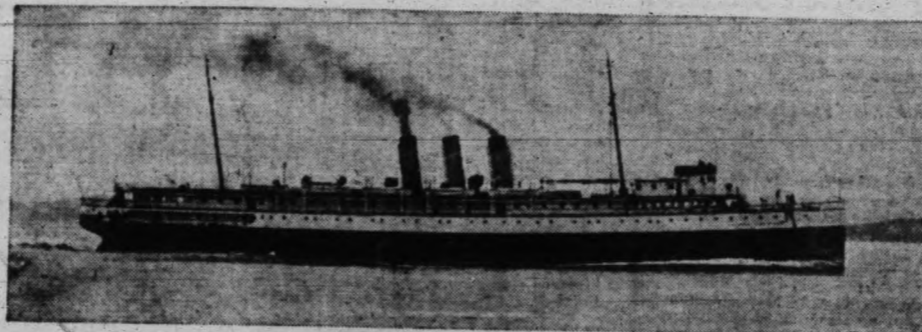
Having been unable to secure passage from Yokohama by the previous C. P. R. boat, the Empress of Russia, Chief Officer Hutchinson and 26 members of the crew of the icebreaker Mikula Sellanovitch, formerly the Canadian vessel J. D. Hazen, were passengers by the Empress of Japan bound to Montreal. The icebreaker was sold to the Russian Government and delivered at Archangel. Capt. John L. Read, who was in command of the Mikula Sellanovitch, and who was subsequently given complete charge of the Russian icebreaking fleet with the rank of Admiral, returned by the Empress of Russia.

The Empress of Japan, after disembarking a number of passengers and landing a consignment of mail, left at 11.15 a. m. for Vancouver.

"How did you come to be a collector of antiques?" "I'll tell you. I was broke one year and had to think up some excuse for not buying up-to-date furniture."

—Chicago Herald.

### EMERGES FROM OBSCURITY



C. P. R. STEAMER PRINCESS CHARLOTTE  
The Princess Charlotte, which has been laid up since last November, will be drydocked preparatory to taking her place in the summer tourist service.

### PRINCESS CHARLOTTE OUT OF RETIREMENT

C. P. R. Steamship Will Be Drydocked Preparatory to Entering Summer Service

Dragged from her long retirement in winter quarters the C. P. R. steamship Princess Charlotte has been shifted from her old moorings preparatory to being hauled out in the Esquimalt drydock for her spring overhaul. For many months past the Princess Charlotte has been lying alongside an inner wharf obscured from the public gaze, and her reappearance at her regular berth created some comment along the waterfront. Inquiry from the offices of the company elicited the information that the Princess Charlotte is about to be delivered over to the ship fitters. This, however, does not mean that the steamer is to be placed in commission immediately. It is absolutely essential that the hull be scraped and painted before the decorators take charge, and as the drydock is not likely to be available for some time after next week, arrangements were made for a premature docking.

No date has yet been set for the return of the Princess Charlotte to the service, as for several weeks to come the vessel will be in the hands of the ship decorators and cleaners.

The Princess Charlotte will be the flagship of the Alaska fleet this summer, as she is booked to make a number of trips in the northern tourist service. Her entry into the Skagway service is due in June, but it is likely that she will make several trips in the triangular service before she is dispatched on her initial trip of the season to Alaska.

The company is preparing to handle a big rush of tourist travel to the Far North this summer and a splendid service will be maintained by the fast and luxurious steamers Princess Alice, Princess Charlotte and Princess Sophia.

### WALLACE TO BUILD TWO FEDERAL SHIPS

Dominion Govt. Awards Contract for Couple of Schooners to Mainland Firm

Vancouver, April 19.—That the Wallace Shipyards, North Vancouver, has secured the contracts for the two auxiliary schooners to be built by the Dominion Government for service between British Columbia and Canadian Atlantic ports was the announcement made at a meeting of the B. C. Manufacturers' Association by President J. A. Cunningham, in answer to Mr. H. G. White.

President Cunningham said that the vessels would be sister ships to the Mabel Brown and added that Dr. Reid, Minister of Customs, had told him that the vessels would make New York a port of call as well as the West Indian ports. It was further intended to build a fleet of steamers, possibly twenty, for service between the Pacific and Atlantic and these would be operated as a Dominion-owned line.

The lack of steel was responsible for the loss of many orders here, said Mr. Cunningham, who added that the Imperial Government would have placed orders for ten steel steamers here had the material been available and the same lack of steel resulted in British Columbia losing orders for three times the amount of ammunition manufactured here.

### LAUNCHING ON SATURDAY

Schooner Jesse Norcross is Due to Take the Water at Wallace Shipyards

Saturday, April 21 is the date set for the launching of the schooner Jesse Norcross, third of the six auxiliary vessels under construction at the Wallace Shipyards, North Vancouver. The time of the launching ceremony will be arranged to suit the tide. The schooner is being christened after the wife of the President of the Canada Steamship Lines, who is one of the principals interested in the Canada West Coast Navigation Company.

### CHICAGO EXPERIENCED VERY SMOOTH PASSAGE

O. S. K. Liner Brought in 187 Passengers and 6,000 Tons of Oriental Freight

With her arrival here last night the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Chicago Maru completed a particularly uneventful voyage from Japan. There was not even a moderate blow to disturb the unruffled surface of the vast expanse of ocean between Yokohama and Victoria, and but for some fog experienced off the coast the voyage would have been ideal. It was on her outward voyage that the elements hammered the Chicago Maru with unabated fury. The liner reached Yokohama minus several of her deck fittings, which were washed away by the tremendous seas through which she ploughed for fourteen days of the passage. The necessary repairs were carried out while the steamer was making her round of Oriental ports and she was not delayed to any serious extent.

On the return trip Capt. Saito brought his ship over the 4,200-mile course in sixteen days, the Chicago Maru having left Yokohama on the evening of April 3. After getting practice at William Head the steamer came alongside the Outer Docks about 6 o'clock last night, and she left Seattle at 2 o'clock this morning with Pilot Grant at the bridge.

With the exception of one Russian, the Chicago's passengers were all Japanese. She carried 137 in all classes, fifty Japanese landing here and 137 being routed through to the United States. Included among the latter was a tour party comprising 60 people.

The total cargo brought in by the Chicago Maru amounted to 6,211 tons, the silk train freight being made up of 1135 bales of raw silk, 214 cases of silk goods, 76 cases of cotton goods, and various shipments of braid, laces, peroxide of soda, rugs, mats and shell buttons. Some of the more important items of the through cargo were 2,500 cases of antimony, 2,354 copper ingots, 3,797 cases of copper and 759 packages of manganese ore.

For this port the liner had 98 tons, and for Vancouver she carried 488 tons.

### DIRECT FREIGHT SERVICE

Toyo Kisen Kaisha to Operate Four Cargo Steamers Between Yokohama and San Francisco

That the Toyo Kisen Kaisha has announced its decision to open a direct freight service between Yokohama and San Francisco, giving a fortnightly service, was learned with the arrival of the liner Empress of Japan from the Orient.

Four cargo vessels, the Jinyo Maru, the Kwanto Maru, the Nichiyu Maru and the Unkai Maru, each of about 2,500 tons, will be commissioned for the new Pacific line. In order to lessen the freight congestion which has rapidly increased on the Pacific since the outbreak of war, the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, besides its vessels on regular lines, has been operating two extra cargo vessels, the Kwanto Maru and Jinyo Maru, for more than a year between Hongkong and San Francisco, calling at Manila, Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

Besides these two vessels the T. K. K. recently chartered two others, the Nichiyu Maru and the Unkai Maru. With these four vessels in operation the T. K. K. is now planning to open a direct freight service between Kobe, Yokohama and the Golden Gate.

### HOURS ON DREDGES

Further reference was made in the Trades and Labor Council last evening to the hours worked on dredges, it being stated that in spite of negotiations with the Federal Department of Public Works, men in certain departments on dredging work are still working 9 1/2 hours to 14 hours per day. It was decided to take the matter up again with the Department officials. Further discussion took place on the abortive efforts hitherto to regulate the price of living by various commissions, the members favoring food regulations similar to those which prevail in other parts of the world.

### ETHEL STERLING SOLD

The Seattle schooner Ethel Sterling, formerly the J. M. Weatherwax, has again changed hands. While the price has not been given out the vessel has doubtless been sold at a substantial profit to her owner. As the J. W. Weatherwax, the schooner made one of the longest sailing voyages ever recorded between Chemamus to Australia.

She put into Honolulu several times for repairs and while there was sold by auction, being purchased by the New South Wales Government. The captain, E. R. Sterling, got hold of the craft and renamed her the Ethel Sterling. Capt. Sterling has been offered \$400,000 for the six-mast barquentine E. R. Sterling, the largest vessel of her rig on the seas.

### TEES SAILS SATURDAY

West Coast Boat Will Be Day Late in Clearing for Holberg

The steamer Tees, scheduled to sail for Holberg on April 20, will be a day late in getting away from this port, according to a statement made this morning at the offices of the C. P. Coast Service. The Tees is now making four trips a month to the west coast of Vancouver Island.

### IS NO U BOAT IN WESTERN ATLANTIC, GERMAN STATEMENT

Berlin, April 19.—It is officially announced that there is no German submarine as yet in the western part of the Atlantic. The statement follows: "The Reuter telegram regarding an attack by a German submarine on the American destroyer Smith can be described only as a feeble means of attributing to Germany the opening of hostilities. In fact no submarine is yet in the western half of the Atlantic."

### YOUNG MARSHAL FIELD JOINS ILLINOIS CAVALRY

Chicago, April 19.—Marshal Field, the third, one of the richest young men of the United States, arrived from New York to-day to enlist as a private in the First Illinois Cavalry. He will draw \$15 monthly.

"I believe every young man of my age (23) should enlist," he said.

### NO CHANGES ALONG THE RUSSIAN FRONTS

Petrograd, April 19.—The activities on all the fronts were confined to rifle fire and scouting operations, says an official communication issued to-day.



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### PHENOMENAL PRICES PAID FOR TONNAGE

Fortunes Are Made in Ships at Present Day Values; Some Remarkable Figures

High prices for vessels are still maintained and there is no sign of a slump in the demand for tonnage which is continually changing hands at fabulous figures. An idea of the fabulous prices paid for ships may be gained from the recent sale of the Pacific Coast Company's liner Congress, which was practically burnt out last fall, for a sum said to be approaching \$1,000,000.

The Cunard Line was reported the other day to have purchased a steamer now under construction on this coast at the astonishing price of \$300 per ton.

The steamship Seward, recently destroyed by an enemy submarine, built at a cost of \$250,000 twenty years ago, is reported to have changed hands for \$1,500,000 just prior to her destruction.

Sailing ships, which a few years ago were worth only a little over breaking-up prices, have been sold at \$100 to \$140 per ton. The Scottish Glen was sold for \$235,250, or more than fifteen times her value, six years ago. The Svalstjerne, built 25 years ago at a cost of \$90,000, and sold in 1910 for \$1,500,000, changed hands more recently for \$158,250. The Alcides has been sold for \$233,750, or over eleven times her value in 1912, and \$200,000 above her cost 24 years ago. The Brablock, sold for \$254,000, was worth only \$21,250 five years ago.

Some remarkable figures of steamers sold include that of the Japanese freighter Kumi Maru, 6,700 tons, built 14 years ago. Before the war started the Kumi Maru had earned more than twice the amount she had originally cost, and in 1912 was sold for \$157,500. In 1915, she brought \$375,000 and later changed hands at \$1,175,000.

The Saint Nicholas brought \$125,000 in 1914, but more recently was transferred to a syndicate for \$500,000.

Three years ago the Calimeris, 6,180 tons, was worth only \$130,750, but her value increased to \$500,000, and when her present owners took her over they paid practically \$1,000,000.

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

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S. S. "Centuria" sails from Vancouver every Thursday at 11 p. m. for Alert Bay, Port Hardy, Nann, Bella Bella, PORT TOWNSEND, Hartley Bay, STEVENA RIVER, Cameron, PRINCE RUPERT, Port Simpson, and NAAS RIVER, Cameron.

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## Increased Production Campaign

The attention of the public is urgently drawn to the almost certain world wide shortage of food stuffs which will occur next winter. The highest and best informed authorities in Great Britain, Canada, and the United States have issued warning after warning that increased efforts must be made to produce food. A food famine would be a "worse disaster to the Empire and her Allies than reverses in the Field."

The City of Victoria is assisting, in various ways, those desirous of cultivating vacant areas, namely, by securing for applicants the use of vacant lots, by ploughing and harrowing at cost, by reduced water rates, and in other ways. Full particulars are available from J. B. Tighe, Secretary of Increased Production Campaign, City Engineer's Department, City Hall.

## Fire Engine For Sale

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, April 23, 1917, for the John Grant Fire Engine, and old Wagon Gear. Particulars can be obtained from the Chief of the Fire Department. All tenders must be addressed to the City Purchasing Agent, and marked on outside of envelope "Tender for Fire Engine." The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

## POLICE UNIFORMS WANTED.

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, April 23, 1917, for 41 Summer Uniforms for the Police Department. Particulars can be obtained from the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on outside of envelope "Tender for Police Uniforms." A marked cheque equal to five per cent. of the amount of the tender, made payable to the City Treasurer, must accompany each tender. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

## CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH

**WEEKLY HALF-HOLIDAY ACT**  
Notice is hereby given that every shop within the Municipal District of Saanich shall be closed for the serving of customers not later than 1 o'clock every Wednesday afternoon after February 4, 1917.

## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of License Commissioners for a transfer of the license held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors on the premises known as the Panama Hotel, situated at 142 Johnson Street, to William A. Galt, of the said City of Victoria.

**THE HUDSON'S BAY CO. WINE DEPARTMENT**  
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## JUDICIAL TRIBUNAL WILL INVESTIGATE

### Searching Inquiry Into Allegations Regarding Campaign Funds in Vancouver

## PREMIER ANNOUNCES INTENTION IN HOUSE

### Every Effort Must Be Made to Probe the Matter to the Bottom and Speedily

Legislative Press Gallery, April 18.

The allegations of the sixth member for Vancouver that the Attorney-General received a sum of \$25,000 on the eve of the general election from the safe of the Hotel Vancouver, where it had been left, is alleged, by officials of the Canadian Northern, will be investigated thoroughly and impartially by an independent tribunal.

A statement to this effect was made in the House this afternoon by Hon. Premier Brewster, and his announcement was received with cheers by supporters of the administration. It is understood that the tribunal to be selected to carry on this inquiry will be a judicial one, to be chosen just as soon as the members of the judiciary, who start next week on assize work, are able to consider the matter.

The day was one of the raising of questions of privilege, and for over two hours one after another matter was brought up under this head. W. R. Ross set the ball rolling by referring to the exchange of words between the chairman of the P. G. E. committee and himself this morning, matters of contempt arising out of the committee proceedings, took up much time and then the matter just referred to was also dealt with.

Hon. John Oliver called attention to the fact that the words uttered by the junior member for Vancouver which he had asked to have taken down had not been included in the Votes and Proceedings of yesterday. He asked that the Votes as printed be corrected by the inclusion of the words taken down.

"In view of the definite charge made by the junior member for Vancouver in a speech yesterday," said the Premier, "that on September 13 last a sum of \$25,000 was paid out in cash by the C. N. R. into the safe of the Hotel Vancouver and taken out by a gentleman who had been a Liberal candidate on February 26 and September 14 of last year, and of its being clearly intimated in the honorable gentleman's remarks that the charge was made against the Hon. the Attorney-General, I consider it my duty to make the statement to this House that it is the intention of the Government to proceed to have a thorough and impartial investigation made into that statement.

Charges of that nature cannot be permitted to be made across the floor of the House without thorough investigation by an impartial tribunal. Honorable gentleman must realize the seriousness of making charges of that kind, that they must not be lightly made and that those who make them must be ready to go before such impartial tribunal."

The Premier asked that the full words used by the honorable member be taken down. The gist of them was written out by the Minister of Railways, who had heard them, and the sixth member for Vancouver accepted them as substantially the words he had used.

not been attending his committee duties. "I may have been unduly resentful, Mr. Speaker, at the imputation that I was railroading anything through, and I am still more resentful of the accusation that I have intimidated the hon. gentleman. I leave it to the record that every member of the committee, all counsel and every witness there has received fair and courteous treatment. (Cheers.)

Reputation Insultation. "If the hon. gentleman wants to make an issue of this outside the House he knows how to arrive at that. (Applause and cheers.) I meant no insult to any member of the committee except in reputation of the insinuation that the chair was rushing anything through or that any member of the committee was not getting fair play."

The Speaker directed that the hon. member for Fort George had the same privileges in the committee as in the House, and was entitled to the same courteous treatment. "And the chairman also?" Mr. Farris asked. The Speaker said it applied to all members of the committee.

## LAST APPEARANCE AT BAR OF HOUSE

### Citing of the Kennedy Brothers, of New Westminster; Popular Excitement

Legislative Press Gallery, April 18.

The last occasion on which the privileges and dignity of the House had to be asserted by the calling of persons to the Bar of the House was in the session of 1892, when the publishers of the Daily Columbian, of New Westminster, James M. and Robert Kennedy, were cited for the publication of an article alleged to be a libellous reflection on Attorney-General Davis and the Private Bills Committee in connection with what was known as the Twin Cities bill, a bill to incorporate the Twin Cities Railway & Telephone Company, which had been introduced by D. A. Stoddart, one of the members for Lillooet.

A letter signed "Vox Populi" and an editorial article were published in the Columbian, then a Liberal paper, on March 17, 1892, and in speaking to a question of privilege in the House on March 22 G. B. Martin, now of the Department of Agriculture, described the letter as "the most scandalous, insulting letter that ever appeared in the columns of a British Columbia newspaper." "A more scandalous letter, a grosser insult to any body of gentlemen was never published," according to the report in the Times next afternoon. The letter certainly seems to have been a scorching one, as it accused the committee of improper motives, rottenness, crookedness and venality.

High Contempt. Hon. John Robson, the Premier, and Hon. Theodore Davis, Attorney-General, moved and seconded the resolution which was adopted, directing that the Kennedy brothers be summoned to attend at the Bar of the House on March 23. The editorial was the subject of the proceedings, this being headed "Outrageous Presumption," and the resolution termed it "a high contempt of the privileges and of the constitutional authority of this House."

When the day came it was reported that the publishers of the Columbian had made default, they having decided to ignore the summons, in which stand they appear to have been supported by a large section of the population of the Royal City, where feeling ran very high. The matter of "the scandalous libel and contempt aforesaid" was referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Pooley, Baker, Croft, Horne and Forster, after the House had voted down an amendment that the matter, so far as the Legislative Assembly was concerned, be allowed to drop.

Kennedy's Left Town. As a result of the recommendations of this committee the House, on April 3, ordered that the Kennedys appear at the Bar on April 12. A summons was wired to New Westminster that afternoon and on Monday morning, April 11, the late Superintendent Hussey went to the Columbian office to serve the original. He found that the Kennedys had decided that a trip to one of the Sound cities would be for the benefit of their health, believing, as it was reported at the time, that the Government was playing an underhanded game with them. It was reported in New Westminster that Superintendent Hussey had not a summons but a warrant, and that arrest was intended. There was great excitement in the city and many openly declared that they would forcibly resist the arrest of the brothers.

Defence Fund. There being still no appearance on April 12 a further order was made, directing that the recalcitrant editors be sent for in the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms. On the arrival of the sergeant in Westminster he learned that the Kennedys were still away, and he returned the warrant of arrest to the Speaker unsatisfied. Meanwhile a citizens' committee had been formed and a public fund generously subscribed to for the defence of the Kennedys, and on April 19 they returned to the city at the request of the committee and offered to surrender to Governor Moresby at the provincial jail, but he declined to take them until he had communicated with the Attorney-General. Next day they were arrested by an officer from Victoria and lodged in jail in Westminster. Application made to Mr. Justice Walkem on their behalf by their counsel, Messrs. Whitehead & Howay, for a writ of habeas corpus failed, and they were brought on here, the Columbian

Defence Committee accompanying them. Appeared at Last. On April 21 the Kennedys at last appeared at the Bar. The Sergeant-at-Arms, having announced that they were without, walked down the Chamber with the Mace on his shoulder, lifted the brass bar and walked out of the Chamber, returning in a minute with the prisoners, whose appearance was the signal for an outburst of applause from the galleries and the Opposition. With the brothers were Governor Moresby, Supt. Hussey, Sergeant Langley, of the provincial police (now chief of police of Victoria) and other officers.

Mr. Speaker Higgins warned the spectators that there must be no demonstration from the galleries, but members could express their feelings. He then asked the Kennedys why they had been delinquent. James Kennedy asked if this was all the questions it was proposed to put, and Mr. Speaker replied that it was not. Mr. Kennedy read a long statement, claiming that the House had not, at the time the alleged contempt took place, any power of arrest, that there were no personal charges made and that he and his brother believed it was their duty as journalists to criticize the committee for reporting against the bill, as the public interests would have been better served by the granting of the charter asked for so that the carrying of passengers between the two cities should not be a monopoly.

Serenaded by Band. They were ordered to retire and the House ordered that they appear next day. They spent the night at the Victoria Hotel, where they were serenaded during the evening by Finn's brass band and a great crowd of citizens. Both the brothers made speeches, thanking the people of Victoria for the interest they were taking in their case and the sympathy expressed.

When they entered the Chamber next forenoon with the same escort they were ordered to be committed to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms. That afternoon they were taken to the provincial jail. H. Dallas Helmcken applied to Mr. Justice Drake for a writ of habeas corpus, which was argued before His Lordship by Hon. A. N. Richards for the prisoners and Attorney-General Davis for the Crown on April 23, but as the Legislature proceeded that afternoon the brothers were free and the decision given later had only a legal interest. The Kennedys were received home in New Westminster with a torchlight procession by an immense throng.

Not only was the Twin Cities Railway Bill rejected by the Private Bills Committee, but another charter applied for, by the Vancouver & New

Westminster Short Line Tramways Company, was thrown out. This was introduced by R. H. Hall, then member for Cassiar, later factor of the Hudson's Bay Company at Prince Albert and now in the service of the company at Winnipeg. The Westminster & Vancouver Short Line Railway had been incorporated in 1888, and at this session its powers were conferred upon the New Westminster & Vancouver Short Line Railway Company.

## EXEMPTION ALLOWED FROM MUNICIPAL TAX

### Amendments to Sheep Protection Act; Bills Discussed in Committee

Legislative Press Gallery, April 18.

A couple of bills were advanced today from committee and others were introduced for the first time. The sheep protection bill was taken up in committee of the whole for its final touches. "Dog" is now defined as any animal of the species over four months. It is also proposed to exempt owners who pay a provincial license from the necessity for paying any municipal dog tax. The Water Act amendments were also disposed of in committee and the bill stands for report after reprinting. In committee on the Supreme Court Act amendments several of those proposed by the Attorney-General were passed.

Aliens in Court House. The sixth member for Vancouver had an amendment calling for all court officials being British subjects. His proposal had particular relation to there being aliens working as court stenographers in Vancouver court house, and to the dismissal of British subjects to make room for aliens. Messrs. Hall, Manson and McGeer and the Minister of Lands agreed that qualified British subjects should have the preference and that it was a reprehensible practice to discharge citizens to make room for aliens, but they pointed out that at interior points it was sometimes impossible to get a qualified court stenographer without sending across the line, and even in the cities there had been times when none could be had. To insist on these

officials being British might result in some cases in tying up the business of the courts.

Being Investigated. Mr. Pooley said he would vote for the amendment for the reason that one of the British citizens displaced to make way for Americans was a highly competent woman court stenographer for many years engaged here and in Vancouver.

The Attorney-General deprecated placing a general provision in the law which might have very inconvenient results in order to meet a local case. There was no doubt there was friction in the Vancouver office and that the lady referred to was an excellent stenographer. The matter was being investigated by the inspector of legal offices. The amendment was rejected.

Not According to Fact. In the course of the discussion on the bill objection was taken to the junior member for Vancouver speaking so often.

Mr. Bowser went to the aid of his colleague and remarked that he had had the gag applied to himself in this session.

Hon. Mr. Oliver told him he was not speaking according to fact. "What about the refusal to let me interrupt the debate yesterday?" Mr. Bowser asked.

The Minister of Agriculture replied that there was no refusal. The hon. gentleman had shut himself out by his action and his refusal to accept an offered adjournment until to-day.

In committee on the bill amending the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, with the object of securing more workable regulations under which dairies and milk production may be carried on, progress was made. C. F. Nelson (Steveston) in the chair.

The Attorney-General introduced two small bills amending the Bills of Sale Act and the Assignment of Book Accounts Act, in the matter of the entry of satisfaction of debts.

Timber Royalties. The Minister of Lands introduced a bill amending the Timber Royalties Act, in regard to the statement which the Department is under obligation to publish every five years as to the wholesale prices of lumber. This should have been published for the first time in 1915, but nothing was ever done by the Government of that time in the matter. The present bill declares that the statement which will be published this year as a result of investigations now being made by accountants shall be taken as that intended to be published in 1915. It is on the average selling price of lumber for the five-year period past that the rates of royalty for the ensuing five-year period are fixed, but the

late Government neglected to do its duty in this regard.

R. H. Pooley asked the Minister of Public Works the following questions:

1. Was James Craig, of Craig's Crossing, formerly a road foreman in Alberni District?
2. When was he appointed?
3. What salary was he in receipt of?
4. Has he been dismissed?
5. If so, when?
6. What notice was he given of his dismissal?
7. Why was he dismissed?
8. Has a successor been appointed?
9. If so, who is he?
10. On whose recommendation was his successor appointed?
11. What experience has his successor had?
12. What salary is he being paid?

Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:

1. Yes.
  2. First employed as foreman on April 1, 1912.
  3. \$4 per day.
  4. His services discontinued 30th March last.
  5. 8 and 7. Road foreman, like road labor, being paid by the day do not require notice of dismissal.
  6. 9, 10 and 11. George Parkes, of Parkville, engaged as road foreman on the recommendation of the District Engineer.
  12. Foreman with gang of less than ten men paid \$2.50 per day; with gang of ten men or more, \$4 per day.
- G. G. McGeer will move on Friday that the Public Accounts Committee inquire whether Mr. B. B. Cotworth charged the province with his expenses for a trip to Quatsino to inspect lands he and his family applied to purchase in 1909, and whether any wrong or improper means were used to acquire the lands referred to. Mr. McGeer also wants an order of the House for the vouchers in regard to the payments to Mr. Cotworth during September and November, 1909, as chairman of the Civil Service Grading Commission, for expenses. Prayers were read to-day by Rev. M. Theo. Habershon.

A small boy who had a great dislike for school returned home for dinner a little earlier than usual. "Tommy, you naughty boy, you have been playing truant," said his mother; "a little dicky-bird came in at the window and told me so." The next morning Tommy set out for school as usual. During the morning his mother heard a noise from the far end of the kitchen, and, looking round there, saw Tommy crouched under the table. "Tommy, you rascal, what are you doing there?" Seeing that he was discovered, he crawled out, and holding up a brick which he had by him, replied: "I was waitin' to kill that dicky-bird."

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Enlistment in Canadian Defence Force is for one year—or for the period of the war and six months after if required. Clothing, equipment and rations provided as in the C.E.F. Pay the same as that for Militia on active service, with separation allowance for married men.

The call is for men between 18 and 45, physically fit and keen to serve.

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### Men Still Required For Overseas in the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

More men are required for reinforcements at the Front. Those who desire to volunteer for Overseas Service may enlist through one of the regiments ordered to mobilize for Home Defence.

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Unaffected by counter-attacks in some places and the sturdy resistance offered everywhere, the French have gained substantial advantages and have driven forward with such speed that the Germans have been obliged to abandon many guns. The enemy made a desperate effort to stem the tide between Juivincourt and Berry-au-Bac. This was the weakest point of his line, being devoid of natural defenses. Thirty thousand of the best German troops were hurled forward here in a furious counter-attack, but the move had been foreseen and the French guns were ready. Artillery and machine guns smashed wave after wave of the green clad soldiers until finally the attempt was given up by the enemy after awful carnage.

Germans Outclassed.

Further details of yesterday's battle from Soissons to Auberville show that the French infantry tactically outclassed the Germans. The first army, operating from Soissons to Craonne, had established itself on Monday night along the front running from north-east of Margival and Vauxaillant to the south of Craonne by Vregny, Chivres, Chavoane, Chivy and Allios. North of the Chivres-Chivy line the enemy retained all the heights, and a footing had to be won there before the operation, so auspiciously launched, could be properly completed.

Two simultaneous attacks were decided upon, with Nanteuil la Fosse on the left and Chivy and Braye-en-Laonnois on the right as the respective objectives. The attacks succeeded perfectly notwithstanding the determined resistance of the enemy, who had all the advantages of ground. Driven out of Nanteuil and Braye, the Germans nevertheless still clung to the intermediate positions, comprising Vailly and the important bridgehead on the Aisne, from which they could threaten the French flanks. The movement then was extended to the bridgehead, which soon was carried, and the attacking troops scaled the slope of the plateau north of Vailly. They advanced rapidly as far as the Rouge Maison farm and a country house to the right, gaining several hundred yards of ground on the summit of the plateau. Substantial progress also was made east of Nanteuil and by the afternoon only one narrow gap was left through which the Germans could withdraw their troops in the region of Conde, Celles and Sanchy. These detachments are in serious danger of capture.

Thrown into Disorder.

The violence of the French attack threw the enemy into such disorder that he was unable to bring up reserves quickly enough and consequently lost several guns. Toward the end of the day the French made further progress between the plateau of Vailly and Braye, all the villages south of the famous Chemin des Dames being taken.

The advance to the outskirts of Courtenot during the last three days has been even greater and amounts to more than three miles in depth. In the centre the battle raged most fiercely in the region of Ville-aux-Bois. The wood east of the village, 2,000 yards long by 500 in depth, was very strongly held by the enemy, no fewer than 180 machine guns being crowded into it. All these were captured, together with 1,500 men, by a clever manoeuvre which cut off the wood from the rest of the line.

The army on the right, from Prunay to Auberville, by skilful manoeuvring cleaned the Germans out of most of the heights in front of the village of Moronvillers. On one of the crests several heavy guns were captured.

On the whole, when account is taken of the wretched weather and the difficulties of the terrain, the day's work is considered most satisfactory, and it is believed that it paves the way for far more rapid progress in the near future.

### CANADIAN MINISTERS AT THE CONFERENCES IN UNITED STATES

Ottawa, April 19.—It is considered probable here that Canadian Cabinet Ministers may take part from time to time in the conferences which the Anglo-French war missions will hold with the United States authorities at Washington. The expectation is that Sir Edward Kemp, the Minister of Militia, and Sir Thomas White, the Minister of Finance, may be called upon at different times to give advice from the standpoint of Canadian organization and financing.

It is expected, also, that Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, the chief British representative, and Marshal Joffre, the chief French representative, will visit Ottawa during their stay in America.

### NEW YORK MARKET CONTINUES IRREGULAR

U. S. Steel and Union Pacific Firm; Marines and Motors Weak

(By Wise & Co.)

New York, April 18.—The stock market was quiet but irregular. U. S. Steel and Union Pacific were firm, and during the greater part of the day steel held around 112, until the close, when the market sold off about 1/4 of a point. The motor issues still showed weakness and also the marine issues, especially Atlantic Gulf. The coppers were firm, Utah and Anaconda closing around yesterday's prices. The Government bond issue is expected to play an important part in the market's movement during the next few days, and much of the irregularity of late is due to that fact. Call loan money to-day was at 2 1/2 per cent.

	High	Low
Alaska Gold	8 71/2	7 3/4
Cuba Cane Sugar	42 1/2	42 1/2
Alis-Chalmers	231 1/2	231 1/2
Do. pref.	231 1/2	231 1/2
Amn. Beet Sugar	93 1/4	91 1/4
Amn. Can	45 1/4	45 1/4
Amn. Car & Foundry	60 1/2	60 1/2
Amn. Cotton Oil	4 3/4	4 3/4
Amn. Ind. Securities	57 1/2	57 1/2
Amn. Locomotive	69 1/2	69 1/2
Amn. Smelting	99 1/2	99 1/2
Amn. Sugar	111 1/2	111 1/2
Amn. Woolen	49 1/2	49 1/2
Amn. Tel. & Tel.	123 1/2	123 1/2
Amn. Zinc	33 1/2	33 1/2
Int. Alcohol	79 1/2	79 1/2
Atchafon	102 1/2	102 1/2
Atlantic Gulf	100 1/2	98 1/2
B. & O.	76 1/2	76 1/2
Baldwin Loco.	54 1/2	54 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	122 1/2	122 1/2
Int. Nickel	61 1/2	61 1/2
Butte Ship.	43 1/2	43 1/2
C. P. R.	162 1/2	161 1/2
Cal. Petroleum	201 1/2	201 1/2
Central Leather	85 1/2	83 1/2
C. & O.	69 1/2	69 1/2
Chas. M. & St. P.	80 1/2	80 1/2
Chas. P. & Iron	61 1/2	61 1/2
Con. Gas	112 1/2	111 1/2
Crucible Steel	63 1/2	61 1/2
Distillers Sec.	141 1/2	139 1/2
Erie	28 1/2	27 1/2
Gen. 1st pref.	41 1/2	41 1/2
Gen. Motors	109 1/2	109 1/2
Goodyear	49 1/2	49 1/2
G. N. pref.	111 1/2	110 1/2
G. N. com.	80 1/2	80 1/2
G. N. Ore cfs.	31 1/2	31 1/2
Hilltop Cent.	104 1/2	103 1/2
Int. Nickel	103 1/2	103 1/2
Inspiration	54 1/2	53 1/2
Inter. Nickel	41 1/2	41 1/2
Kas. City Southern	22 1/2	22 1/2
Lackawanna	84 1/2	84 1/2
Kennecott	62 1/2	62 1/2
Greene Can.	51 1/2	51 1/2
Lehigh Valley	66 1/2	65 1/2
Maxwell Motor	64 1/2	64 1/2
Max. Petroleum	87 1/2	87 1/2
Merc. Mercantile	274 1/2	274 1/2
Do. pref.	274 1/2	274 1/2
Midvale Steel	41 1/2	41 1/2
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Nat. Lead	56 1/2	56 1/2
Nevada Cons.	22 1/2	22 1/2
New Haven	43 1/2	43 1/2
N. Y. & N. J.	94 1/2	94 1/2
N. & W.	128 1/2	128 1/2
N. P.	103 1/2	103 1/2
Pacific Mail	21 1/2	21 1/2
Pennsylvania	53 1/2	53 1/2
People's Gas	31 1/2	31 1/2
Pressed Steel	54 1/2	54 1/2
Railway Steel & Sp.	49 1/2	49 1/2
Ray. Cons.	29 1/2	29 1/2
Reading	96 1/2	94 1/2
Rep. Iron & Steel	80 1/2	80 1/2
S. S. Sheffield	52 1/2	50 1/2
S. P.	94 1/2	94 1/2
St. Railway	28 1/2	28 1/2
Studebaker Corp.	84 1/2	84 1/2
Tenn. Copper	17 1/2	16 1/2
U. P.	152 1/2	152 1/2
United Fruit	124 1/2	123 1/2
Washing. & G. P.	58 1/2	58 1/2
U. S. Steel	112 1/2	111 1/2
Do. pref.	112 1/2	111 1/2
U. S. Smelting	56 1/2	56 1/2
Utah Copper	111 1/2	110 1/2
Va. Car Chemical	43 1/2	43 1/2
Washington	49 1/2	49 1/2
Wabash, pref.	41 1/2	41 1/2
Wily's Overland	20 1/2	20 1/2

### SELECTIVE DRAFT PLAN IN STATES

#### Wilson Determined It Will Be System Adopted for New Army

Washington, April 18.—Friends and opponents of the Administration's plan for raising an army by selective draft lined up in Congress to-day for the impending fight over the two systems. In the House the Military Committee measure with amendments providing for calling volunteers in increments of 500,000 each and authorizing a draft only when the President decides the volunteer plan is not adequate to produce the army desired. An attempt probably will be made to press the measure for passage on Monday.

In the Senate the Military Committee had voted ten to seven to recommend the Administration bill virtually as it was drafted by the General Staff. This is expected to be reported before adjournment this evening and it may be passed by the Senate without awaiting action by the House.

President Wilson still is determined that the selective draft plan shall prevail, and it seems probable that if necessary he will appeal direct to the people on the ground that the nation's safety depends on prompt enactment of the bill prepared by the General Staff.

Preparing to lead the fight in the House for the Administration bill, Representative Kahn, the ranking Republican member of the Military Committee, conferred with Secretary Baker.

Minority Report.

It is expected Mr. Kahn will present in his minority report a letter from Secretary Baker sent to Chairman Dent two days ago in a final effort to get the Committee to approve the Administration's plans, which outline clearly the purpose of the military experts to provide places for 750,000 individual volunteers in the expanded regular army and National Guards and their reasons for distrusting any scheme for taking into the service complete volunteer units as proposed by the majority of the House Committee.

Representative Kahn will have available also a detailed study of Britain's struggle with the volunteer system made by American military experts who personally watched the process. It is understood these reports graphically picture the failure of the system under its greatest test in history and point out the costly delay the experiment cost and the attendant military disasters at the front charged to it.

### REVENTLOW ATTACKS CZERNIN FOR HIS NEW PEACE EFFORT

Amsterdam, April 19.—The proposal of Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister, for a peace conference of all the belligerents is attacked by Count von Reventlow in the Berlin Tages Zeitung as meaning ruin to the German Empire. Von Reventlow declares that Count Czernin took no account of the fact that the German Empire now is fighting a battle "which must lead to victory." He declared that a conference on the basis of the principles recommended by the Austrian Minister would destroy Germany internally and externally.

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But just because of the vastness of the battle now engaged in, we must free our minds from ideas and standards belonging to the limited offensives of the past. It is now not at all a question of piercing the enemy line at this or that point. Such a thing may very well occur, and if it does it will be exploited like any other kind of failure on the other side. Personally I think it more likely that we may see another general retreat by the enemy.

However that may be, we should realize that events are before us of quite a different military order from those of last year, when the allies had to be content with limited frontages of attack and results which, however brilliant, were limited to those frontages in reward and also in cost.

Clear Superiority.

This battle may be long and almost certainly will produce fluctuations of fortune. At last we have reached a clear superiority of available power of all essential kinds, however, and the moment has come when the total of this power can be employed simultaneously.

The beginning has exceeded expectations. The enemy now probably has abandoned hope of launching any considerable offensive in other fields. That is the very practical gift of France and Britain to liberated Russia, and it should be appreciated as such. But the immediate effect is to throw upon the west, which throughout has borne two-thirds of the weight of the German strength, all of such reserves as remain to the enemy. The enemy will now throw in every unit he can scrape together, and, particularly, every trick that remains in his repertoire. No one here has a moment's doubt about the end, but the enormity of the issue makes cheap laudation and sensationalism of any kind intolerably offensive.

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Boston . . . . . 7 12 1  
Batteries—Flitery and Killifer; Adams, Rudolph and Gowdy.

Second game

R. H. E.  
Philadelphia . . . . . 2 7 3  
Boston . . . . . 3 9 0  
Batteries—Oeschger and Killifer; Barnes and Gowdy.

R. H. E.  
New York . . . . . 9 12 1  
Brooklyn . . . . . 2 12 5  
Batteries—Benton and Rariden, McCarty; Smith, Dell and Miller.

R. H. E.  
Chicago . . . . . 10 11 2  
Pittsburg . . . . . 3 7 2  
Batteries—Hendrix and Elliott; Cooper, Jacobs, Carlson and Fisher.

R. H. E.  
Cincinnati . . . . . 4 12 1  
St. Louis . . . . . 4 12 1  
Batteries—Toney, Eller and Wingo; Ames, Watson, Doak and Snyder.

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Boston . . . . . 3 9 0  
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### STARS AND STRIPES ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris, April 19.—It is learned that the Stars and Stripes were hoisted officially over the Lafayette escadrille for the first time on the French battlefield last Saturday morning.

Edmond C. C. Genet, the American aviator whose death was officially announced to-day, was the first American to die in France fighting under the American flag. Genet, who was a grandson of former Governor Clinton of New York, and a great-grandson of "Citizen" Genet, the French Minister to the United States in revolutionary times, was killed near Ham while escorting Sergeant Raoul Lufbery. Genet was known as a daring and skillful flyer and was very popular on account of his cheery and optimistic nature. His home was in Ossining, N. Y.

### SOME IMPROVEMENT IN BERNHARDT'S CONDITION

New York, April 19.—A bulletin issued this morning by the physicians attending Sarah Bernhardt said the actress was resting comfortably and that a slight improvement had been noted in her condition. Mme. Bernhardt was operated on for an affection of the kidneys Tuesday night.

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## FINANCIAL NEWS

### MONTREAL STOCKS

(By Burdick Brothers, Limited.)

Montreal, April 19.—Consolidated Smelters was the only weak feature in this forenoon's local market. The unfavorable labor conditions in British Columbia were given as the reason for the selling in this stock. At the afternoon session a few stocks developed pronounced weakness, Scotia Steel lost several points and brought the other steel issues down with it. The announcement of trouble with the German population in Brazil which it made a new low mark at 23 1/2. Quebec Railway was about the only stock which closed above yesterday's level. The general market closed near the bottom prices of the day.

### STILL FURTHER ADVANCES IN ALL CHICAGO GRAINS

(By Wise & Co.)

Chicago, April 19.—The wheat market to-day showed still further advances and new high levels were scored in all figures. May and July sold at a ten-point advance above yesterday's close. May opened with increased prices, with a spread of 23-23 1/2, later selling at 24 1/2, which was its high. July opened at 27 1/2, reacted towards the close and finally closing with a net gain of six points. Corn followed the wheat and sold at a five-point advance above its opening of 112 for May, closing with a net gain of four points. Oats was steady, closing around its opening figure.

### NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

(By Wise & Co.)

New York, April 19.—Raw sugar easy; centrifugal, 96¢; molasses, 25¢; refined steady; fine granulated, 25¢ 3/4.

### TO-DAY'S TRADING ON THE WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, April 19.—Ten-cent gains are becoming so common that they raise little excitement on the local grain exchange. The bulk of the trading is spreading between the markets. Wheat closed 1/2¢ up for May, 3/4¢ up for July and 7/8¢ higher for October. Corn started to go up in May and July, with October unchanged. Barley gained 1/4¢. Flax was up 1/4¢ in May and 1/2¢ in July. Unprecedented happenings are daily occurring in the grain market. The Government slipped out of the market to-day and yet wheat went up nearly 10 cents before it broke. There was a minimum of trade with most of the business spreading between the markets. The market was a bit, the smallest order book was up a cent, sometimes without a trade. The crowd seemed to be a little long and when the market starts to go there is no wheat offered. In the cash market the Government refused to buy and prices were poorer, compared with the other grades, were unsalable. The premiums were from unchanged to 1/2¢ lower for the first three grades with lower grades nominal.

### NEW YORK CURE PRICES

(By Wise & Co.)

	Bid	Asked
Ariz. Copperfields	4 1/2	5 1/2
Can. Copper	2 1/2	3 1/2
Crown Reserve	30	30
Em. Phos. Nov. 1918	91	91
Hecla	53	74
Howe Sound	6	6 1/2
Emma Copper	18 1/2	17 1/2
Green Monster	11 1/2	11 1/2
Jerome Verde	11 1/2	11 1/2
Big Ledge	31	31
Inspiration	54 1/2	54 1/2
Mines of Ana.	11 1/2	11 1/2
Standard Lead	11-15 1/2	15-16 1/2
Steward	3-15 1/2	5-16 1/2
Success	49	41
Tonahap	6	6 1/2

### VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE

	Bid	Asked
Blackbird Syndicate	2.00	2.00
Canada Copper Co.	19.00	21.00
Can. Cons. S. & H.	41.00	44.00
Coronation Gold	...	...
Granby	80.00	...
Int. Coal & Coke Co.	...	...

LIFE CONSERVATION SUBJECT OF ADDRESS

Alderman Peden Deplores Lack of Protection for Health of Individual

At the monthly meeting of the Elks last night, in which the ladies took part, the dispensing of the creature comforts and the rendering of vocal and instrumental solos, were followed by an address by Alderman Alex Peden on "The Conservation of Life."

White Plague. If the life of the country was to be preserved it was a matter of supreme urgency that Dominion and Provincial Parliaments formulate a scheme that would ensure the same minute detail entering into the care of human life as it did for the safety of the trees of the forest.

Right to Live. There should be in the province of British Columbia sufficient accommodation to enable every incipient, or pre-disposed, tubercular subject to get adequate treatment while the dread disease is in such a stage when there is hope of cure. It should be possible, argued Mr. Peden, "for a tubercular subject to look forward to two things when he is faced with the knowledge of his disease. His life should be of sufficient value to the state to warrant the provision to save it. He should be able to expect immediate treatment to enable him to get well. In the second place it should be reasonable to anticipate provision of every facility to prevent contagion. Until these things are properly provided for it will not be possible to look forward to a decrease of the toll of human lives from this cause."

Death Rate Increased. On the death rate generally, and illustrative of the necessity of life conservation receiving, at the hands of legislators throughout the Dominion, strong action, Mr. Peden stated that in the year 1916 over fifty per cent. of the deaths in British Columbia occurred between the ages of one and forty. The increase in the death rate from tuberculosis alone during the years 1914 to 1916 had increased in Vancouver forty-three per cent. and in Victoria fifty-eight and a half per cent. Citing the city of Dayton, Ohio, as an illustration of the success which had attended the inauguration of a vigorous life conservation scheme, Mr. Peden declared that in 1913 infant mortality was at the rate of 139 per thousand born. That had been reduced each year until in 1915 it was down at 88.8. As another support to the argument he stated that the population of British Columbia was less in 1916 than in 1915, while the death rate was considerably higher. "Competent observers place the annual death rate with the allied armies in France as exactly three per thousand," he continued, "and those results have been largely secured by the application of the principle of prevention of disease." During the course of his address the speaker paid an eloquent tribute to the noble work being carried out by the Anti-tuberculosis Society and hoped the day was not far distant when the wise men in the country would tackle the all important question of life conservation with the same vigor displayed upon many much less important themes.

WILL STATE LOSSES OF HOSPITAL SHIPS

London, April 18.—There have been further losses recently of British hospital ships, which will be published shortly. Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law announced in the House of Commons today.

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MASSED CHOIRS SING HANDEL ORATORIO

"The Messiah," Given Last Night, to Be Repeated This Evening

Future performances of Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah," will have to stand criticism by the magnificent standard set by the choir which for the first time last night gave the work, at the First Congregational Church. The work is to be repeated to-night at the same place, commencing at 8 o'clock, and those who fall to hear so splendid a production are certain to come to regretful realization of their remissness when the merits of the work become mooted abroad in the course of the next few days by those who had the pleasure of hearing it.

The massed choirs of the Choral Society, the Thomas Steele choir, and of the First Congregational Church have provided splendid vocal material, and what Mr. J. Douglas Macey, the conductor, has accomplished in the way of perfecting them chorally is worthy of all praise. Almost impeccable were the renderings of the many beautiful passages of chorus which have now passed into the archives of musical classics. Fine legato treatment was coupled with the most wonderful precision of attack, independence of parts, making in practically each instance fine musical mosaics of the concerted passages. With such finesse of rendering it is difficult to select for special distinction any one of the choruses, except as they might appeal to individual taste as musical compositions.

The voices began in the opening chorus, "And the Glory of the Lord," fresh and responsive to the dictates of the baton, and through many subsequent passages there was scarcely a sign of weariness or flagging interest and attention. It is perhaps permissible to select for special mention "For Unto Us a Child is Born," the declamatory part of which was sung as a single voice of great volume; the lovely harmony, "Behold the Lamb of God," with a splendid treatment of the fortissimo and piano; the dignified "Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates," with a wonderful dramatic punctuation particularly on the part of the soprano; the great "Hallelujah" chorus, a fine exhibition of ensemble singing; and the big chorus of Part III. These were by themselves justification for the long weeks of rehearsal and preparation which have been undergone by the choir, and stand as well-nigh flawless examples of oratorio choral singing.

The solo parts were admirably allotted. Mr. Gideon Hicks brought to the task his magnificent bass voice, a particularly fine sympathy for this class of devotional music, and musical sensitiveness and training. The fine broad phrasing, fine vocal tone, and splendid diction which he employed throughout made his numbers of great beauty. "Why Do the Nations" was one of the outstanding numbers of the many beautiful contributions which he made to the work, although "Behold I Tell You a Mystery" was in some respects almost the rival of this very fine excerpt of the well-known oratorio. Mrs. Hicks' most beautiful number was "I was Despised and Rejected of Men," sung with exquisite beauty of feeling and nice phrasing. Mrs. Fahey carried the difficult soprano solos with ability. "Come Unto Him" being among the best of her numbers. On H. J. Cave, of Vancouver, fell quite a heavy share of the solo work, the recitative and air, "He Was Cut Off" and "But Thou Didst Not Leave His Soul" being taken by the tenor instead of, as usual, by the soprano. The latter was one of the best things done by this singer, who is obviously very familiar with the work. At the organ was Mr. Edward Parsons, and a sixteen-piece orchestra, with Mrs. J. B. Green as first violin, lent their splendid work in rounding out the performance. The pastoral symphony and overture for strings were beautifully bits of harmony. To Mr. Macey is due the greatest measure of praise as conductor.

KILLED IN ACTION

Private Ernest Rice, of This City, Makes Supreme Sacrifice.

Private Ernest Rice, of Victoria, who left here with the 58th Battalion, has been killed in action in France, according to word received in the city. Private Rice was wounded several months ago but later returned to the firing line. He was born in Wales 27 years ago and leaves a wife and one child now resident in Vancouver. His parents reside at Liverpool, Eng. While in this city Private Rice was employed by James Wagner, barber, of 1212 Douglas Street.

WEEKLY REPORT BY BRITISH ADMIRALTY

London, April 19.—The following report is issued by the Admiralty: "Shipping returns for the week ended April 15: Arrivals of merchant vessels of all nationalities at United Kingdom ports over 100 tons, 2,379; sailings, 2,321. "British merchantmen sunk by mines or submarines: Over 1,600 tons, 19, including four not recorded in previous weeks; under 1,600 tons, nine. "British merchant ships unsuccessfully attacked by submarines, including three in the previous fortnight, 15. "British fishing vessels sunk, including two in the previous week, 12." SPANISH CABINET RESIGNS. Madrid, April 19.—The Spanish Cabinet has resigned. The crisis arose from the sinking of the ship Tom in which 18 lives were lost.

GERMAN RAILWAY IS TAKEN TO FRANCE

China Secures Line With Rolling Stock for Western Front

China is certainly rubbing it in with Germany, since the breaking off of diplomatic relations, when a railway building between Chang-sha and Nanchang is shipped bodily, rails, rolling stock, and equipment, to the allied western front, to be used in the great drive.

The story was told to the Times today by A. M. Brown, of Shanghai, who arrived on the Empress of Japan this morning. Mr. Brown carried out the business for British interests, and removed 36 miles of track already constructed under a German concession to the seaboard, to go forward to France, where it will prove of great value. The whole line, so far as it had gone, was complete in every detail.

"The Germans in China," he says, "were rather cock-sure before the severance of relations, and were bragging about the ultimate triumph of Prussianism. Now the situation has changed. It will greatly benefit British trade, which had suffered somewhat from the impossibility of transporting orders from home." "The American business houses," Mr. Brown remarks, "are steadily advancing their commercial connections in the country, and British houses which formerly dealt exclusively in British-made goods are importing American stock, in order to conserve trade. However, there will be a great revival of British trade when tonnage comes back, and the material can be introduced more readily." He explains that much of the ephemeral success of German trading in China has been due to promises of early completion of contracts, which were not carried out to time, but succeeded in diverting business from British and American houses which were more conservative in their undertakings.

"There is going to be a big rush for trade after the war," he says, "among all the Allied powers. In few countries will a more interesting development be seen than in the great republic of China."

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, April 19.—The following casualties were announced today:

Infantry. Wounded—Pte. H. B. Headon, Beamsville, Ont.; Pte. C. Baker, Belmont, Ont.; Pte. G. O. Ghent, Trenton, Ont.; Pte. W. Howe, Trenton; Pte. J. McIntosh, St. Thomas, Ont.; Pte. T. Dayton, Calgary; Pte. G. Samuel, Trenton, Ont. Killed in action—Pte. C. G. Clarke, Dauphin, Man.; Pte. M. Taylor, Winnipeg; Pte. J. G. Sinclair, Fisher River, Man.; Pte. E. Redmond, Winnipeg; Pte. W. Turnaway, Namu, B. C.; Pte. H. H. Stewart, Waskada, Man.; Pte. J. Murray, Winnipeg. Died of wounds—Pte. J. M. Sinclair, Balsam Bay, Man. Believed killed—Pte. W. B. Woodworth, Rockland; Pte. J. Stuart, Roseville, Man.; Pte. J. W. Brebner, Winnipeg.

Wounded—Pte. J. A. McGibnet, Virden, Man.; Pte. S. H. Morris, Boston; Pte. A. Boulen, Tadoussac, Que.; Pte. J. Belanger, Hull; Pte. H. Lactot, Montreal; Pte. A. Lereux, Terrebonne, Que.; Pte. P. Drouin, St. Joseph de Beauce, Que.; Pte. V. Derrin, Ottawa; Pte. J. Deslauriers, St. Jerome, Que.; Pte. D. Garneau, Montreal; Pte. G. Hamilton, St. Adelaide de Pabos, Que.

Killed in action—Pte. J. Bille, Lindsay, Ont.; Pte. E. P. Davis, Oxford Mills, Ont.

Wounded—Pte. W. G. Andrews, Hartland, N. B.; Pte. A. Brantall, Point Wolfe, N. B.; Pte. A. Ricker, St. John, N. B.; Pte. J. Yucktuk, Truro, N. S.; Pte. G. Sutton, Fredericton, N. E.; Pte. W. G. Ralston, Grafton; Pte. J. O. Strassan, Mulgrave; Pte. O. Lydiard, England; Pte. A. A. Collins, Elfin; Pte. J. F. Turnbull, Digby, N. S.; Pte. J. S. Laing, Huntsville, Que.; Pte. M. McDonald, New Waterford; Pte. J. Marshall, Toronto; Pte. G. L. Towles, Walland, Ont.; Pte. G. W. Gales, Toronto; Pte. A. Turner, Hamilton; Pte. G. Patt, Collingwood, Ont.; Pte. J. Patterson, Toronto; Pte. J. H. Hogson, Kingsville, Ont.; Pte. C. E. Vaughan, Ormsby, Ont.; Pte. P. F. Atkins, Toronto; Pte. R. Hull, Niagara; Pte. W. J. Waters, Milton; Pte. W. Munroe, Palgrave; Pte. W. Henry, St. George; Pte. A. W. Coleman, London; Pte. S. W. Wright, Niagara; Pte. C. L. Bassawa, Frankford, Ont.; Pte. J. W. Ward, West Toronto; Pte. R. Brown, Caledon, Ont.; Pte. J. D. Burns, Palgrave; Pte. F. Daubency, Leamington, Ont.; Pte. J. F. York, Marlbank; Pte. W. Smith, Deseronto, Ont.; Pte. F. Kyle, Tilsonburg, Ont.; Pte. P. S. McLean, Rivier Lotus; Pte. W. Brooks, Trenton, Ont.; Pte. T. C. W. Decombe, Toronto; Pte. H. D. Decombe, England; Pte. A. Ball, Bracebridge, Ont.; Pte. O. Davies, Toronto; Pte. W. R. Harris, Brooklyn, Ont.; Pte. H. B. Wilson, Toronto; Pte. A. Young, Trenton; Pte. F. Lebrun, Montreal; Pte. C. Moreau, Deschallions; Pte. A. A. Farr, Montreal; Pte. H. Prives, Montreal; Pte. J. Pedan, Welland, Ont.; Pte. C. J. Forde, Toronto; Pte. A. Frison, Galt, Ont.; Pte. F. E. Bradburn, Brandon, Man.; Pte. T. J. Coe, Toronto; Pte. F. Kenyon, Brantford; Pte. A. Macleod, Calgary; Pte. F. D. Brown, Amherstburg, Ont.; Pte. D. McWilliams, Toronto; Pte. W. G. Reburn, Toronto; Pte. W. G. Hands, Pittsburg; Pte. R. E. Macintyre, Toronto; Pte. F. S. Robinson, Toronto; Pte. W. G. Berry, Sussex; Pte. C. E. Mille, Macadam Junction; Pte. J. Wallace, Wedgport; Pte. M. A. Adams, Waterboro; Pte. A. G. Chappell, Sheppard; Pte. H. Arbeaux, Blackville;

BREATHING SPELL FOR HAIG'S ARMIES

That is All Pause is; Next Great Blow is Being Prepared

War Correspondents' Headquarters with the British Armies in France, April 18.—Via London, April 19.—(By Philip Gibbs).—For a day or two there is a pause only in the great struggle launched with the Battle of Arras, which is by no means ended. It is a breathing spell while the British armies and the enemy's stand and wait for the next round of the fight to a finish.

The Germans have brought up new battalions and massed them around Lens and Loos in order to replace those captured by the British and they are sending heavy shells into Lievin, Angres, Bois de Riument and the suburbs of Lens. East of Arras their batteries are active against Monchy and they are sweeping the ridge and slopes down to the valley with machine gun fire. The British guns are answering back with a more formidable bombardment, and beyond all doubt, or any exaggeration of reckoning, the enemy's losses in dead and wounded are twice as many as those of the British.

Now, as always before, the Germans go to great trouble in the removal of their dead and show the same organizing method in this side of the war, this important department of the war, wholesale business, as in the other branches of its industry. As a proof of this, they provided a large number of coffins ready for immediate use in Angres, close to some dugouts, in which candles still were burning when the English and Irish troops came so quickly upon the German garrison that they were seen running up the streets.

CANADIANS PLEASED COMMANDER OF ARMY

Operations Which Brought Victory at Vimy Ridge Source of Satisfaction

Canadian Army Headquarters in France, April 19.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent).—Having heard something of their achievements from the outside world, the Canadian troops now have had an opportunity of hearing in an order of the day the opinion of their army commander on the operations last week. The general commanding the First Army, Sir Henry Horne, says that he desires to express his high appreciation of the splendid work carried out by the troops of the First Army, adding:

"The Vimy ridge had been regarded as a position of very great strength. The Germans had considered it impregnable. To have carried this position with so little loss testifies to soundness of plan, thoroughness of preparation, dash and determination in execution and devotion to duty on the part of all concerned. The night of April 19 will be historic in the annals of the British Empire." "This statement, read to the troops in the orders, has been even more welcome than congratulations from non-military quarters, welcome as they are. The order received, at the same time, from the army commander on the operations on the Vimy ridge last week. It has produced in the ranks the smiles that won't come off.

FIRE AT AGASSIZ.

Vancouver, April 19.—A fire at Agassiz, B. C., on Tuesday evening, destroyed a barn on Captain Logan's estate. It was the most spectacular fire that has been seen for many years in the valley. The cause is not known. It is understood the place was insured.

The passing of the Romanoffs includes the retirement of Grand Duke Nicholas as a factor in the command of the Russian armies. It is thought that the Russian army will be able to withstand the present violent outbreak against the Russian Royal Family and the services of this able commander will again be utilized, as he is probably the most efficient general Russia has produced during the war. At the outbreak of hostilities he won important victories over the Austrians, but shortage of shells compelled him to retreat, and he was then sent to fight the Turks. The Grand Duke has been a military man all his life, specializing in cavalry. After the Russo-Japanese War, in which, by the way, he did not take part, he was given the task of re-organizing and rearming the whole Russian army, and was in the midst of this stupendous undertaking when war broke out in 1914. Nicholas has done good work against the Turks in Armenia, and to a very large extent has the confidence of the Russian people. It is said that he urged upon the Czar the advisability of abolishing from the throne, and this was the reason he was deprived of his command and sent to Armenia. —Montreal Journal of Commerce.

Very strong peppermints are grandpa's favorite confection. One day he gave one to four-year-old Marjorie and waited slyly to see what she would say or do when she should discover the pungent flavor of the candy. A few minutes later he saw her take the partly eaten peppermint from her mouth and place it on a small table beside an open window. "What's the matter?" he asked. "Don't you like the candy?" "Oh yes," replied Marjorie, "I like it, but I thought I'd let it cool for a little while."

HAWAIIAN STEAMER FOR B. C. LIME TRADE

Wawani Purchased by Pacific Lime Company in Addition to Schooner Burnham

Vancouver, April 19.—The development of the lime works at Blubber Bay, Vancouver Island, has led the Pacific Lime Company to go into the ship-owning business and, as announced on April 6, the four-masted schooner William E. Burnham is on her way from Balboa for service in the local trade. She will ship auxiliary engines here. The company has also secured the steamship Wawani, which is now in port, having been towed here from Eagle Harbor by the Etta White. The vessel is at the Johnson dock, and is at present registered at Honolulu. She has been in the inter-island trade, but the Pacific Lime Company will remodel her for the new business in British Columbia.

The Wawani is 239 tons net and was built at San Francisco in 1881 for the inter-island Steamship Company of Honolulu. She is 147 feet long, 27 feet 5 inches beam and 11 feet 5 inches deep. She has very fine lines and at present has limited passenger accommodation, but big structural alterations will be made by her new owners before she goes into service. The company has also purchased the stern-wheel steamer Haramba, which is now being stripped at North Vancouver. She will be used as a barge. The Haramba was formerly in service between the Fraser River and Victoria, and a few years ago was bought by the Terminal Steamship Company for the Howe Sound service.

The trawler Triumph has been ashore at Lawrence town, seven miles east of Halifax, and was pulled off by the tug Mulgrave after the trawler had discharged her fish. She is leaking badly and is hauled out for repairs. The Triumph was one of the three trawlers sent to Vancouver from England by the Doughty interests, and when that concern suspended she was laid up here until last summer, when she was bought by the Maritime Fish Corporation, of Halifax, and she was sent around the Atlantic via the Panama Canal. The other two vessels, the Canada and the Imbricaria, were bought by the New England Fish Company.

"Motor-driven ploughs are at work in the fields rendering them impassable for the enemy's artillery and convoys."

BRITISH AND FRENCH MISSIONS TO STATES

Representatives Two Entente Countries Are Sending to American Capital

Washington, April 19.—The State Department announced today that the British official party coming to discuss the war is constituted as follows: Rt. Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, Foreign Secretary; Sir Eric Drummond, Ian Malcolm, members of Parliament; C. F. Dornier and G. Butler, personal staff; Rear-Admiral Sir Dudley R. S. Dechair, Fleet Paymaster; Vincent Lawford, Major-General G. Bridges, Captain H. H. Spender-Clay, M. P., and Lord Cunliffe, Governor of the Bank of England.

The French mission about to arrive for the same purpose is composed of four commissioners, two officials attached to the mission and five army officers, composing a staff for Marshal Joffre, as follows: Members of the mission—M. Viviani, former Premier and Minister of Justice; Marshal Joffre, Vice-Admiral Chochehrat, and Marquis de Chambrun, members of the Chamber of Deputies. Attached to the mission—M. Simon, Inspector des Finances; M. Hovelacque, Inspector-General of Public Instruction; staff of Marshal Joffre, Lieut.-Colonel Fabry, Lieut.-Colonel Remond, Commandant Requin, Lieut. de Tassan and Major Dreyfus.

The Victoria Sealing Company, Limited

The Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Victoria Sealing Company, Ltd., will be held at the Board of Trade Rooms on Friday, April 27, at 3 p. m. F. W. ADAMS, Sec.-Treasurer, Victoria Sealing Co., Ltd., April 14, 1917.

NOTICE

In the Matter of the Estate of Samuel Arthur Baird, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that any persons having any claims against the late Samuel Arthur Baird, who died on or about the 12th day of November, 1916, at the City of Victoria, B. C., are required to send the same with full particulars in writing, duly verified, to the undersigned, Solicitors for the Administratrix of the estate of the said deceased, on or before the 28th day of May, 1917, and that after the last-mentioned date the said Administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have had notice. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 18th day of April, 1917. PRINGLE & WHITTAKER, 28-9 Central Bldg., Victoria, B.C. Solicitors for the said Administratrix.

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Head of Peruvian Corporation in Historic Republic is on Visit to Victoria

"The present holds before us a unique opportunity to carry to the Chinese the principles of the Christian religion, while the mind of the Oriental is free from the bonds of superstition and before he is enslaved by the charms of materialism," was the statement of the Rev. H. B. Riddley, who after a period of 13 years' service as a missionary in the province of Fukien, China, was in the city for a brief stay this morning bound for England with his wife and daughter.

Speaking to a Times reporter on board the Empress of Japan, Mr. Riddley said that since the revolution in the great Oriental Empire the Chinese have lost to a great extent their former superstitions, and this respect for their idols. Their minds are thus free to accept whatever the outside world will offer. The advances which the commercial interests of nations are making into the Orient are naturally causing them to become materialistic in their conceptions of life. It is now, therefore, if ever, that the principles of the Christian religion must be given to the millions who inhabit the vast areas of Asia.

People Sympathetic.

Continuing, Mr. Riddley said: "Speaking of the province of Fukien, in which my work is done, I may say that the people are very sympathetic with the efforts that are being put forth by the missionaries. The officials of the towns are absolutely in accord with the movement seeking for the establishment of Christian institutions, and with their aid much can be done for the advancement of the work. The people have undergone a great awakening. The present Government is strongly in favor of education, and realizes the almost impossible task which is before it, owing to the fact that over 95 per cent. of the Chinese are entirely illiterate. The authorities are thus seeking the cooperation of the missionaries, and are asking that more teachers be sent among the people."

The difficulties which confront the missionaries are, of course, being greatly surmounted of late as a result of a new system of books which has been edited and which only require the ignorant native to learn 600 of the 40,000 Chinese symbols in order that he may read the Christian literature that is distributed among them. This will, according to Mr. Riddley, be of invaluable assistance in the furthering of the religious work of the country.

Political Conditions.

The political situation in Mr. Ripley's estimation, one which is extremely difficult to correctly analyze. Prior to the breaking of diplomatic relations between China and Germany the Orientals had been grossly misled by the work of German propagandists who spread the impression throughout the land that the Hun was conquering on the battlefields of Europe. Of late, however, the people have been receiving the truth concerning the general European situation and the sentiments of the intelligent Chinese are now strongly pro-ally.

The internal condition of the country is much improved of late. The unsettled state of the south seems to have gradually passed off and, according to the views of the "North China Herald," a paper of considerable prominence in the Orient, the Government is now on a sound and satisfactory basis.

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# Many Attractive Values for Friday's Selling

### Economies From the Staple Section

For Friday's selling we offer some exceptional values in Staple Goods, actually below the manufacturers' prices. To-day:

150 yards only, Bleached Sheeting, in two widths, 2 yards wide and 2 1/2 yards wide. Regular 35c yard. Friday, yard. **27c**

150 yards Pillow Tubing, made of high grade cotton, 40 and 42 inches wide. Regular 25c yard. Friday, yard. **21c**

Table Damask, with linen finish, many choice designs to choose from, 54 inches wide. Per yard. **65c**

Table Damask, with linen finish, dainty patterns, 72 inches wide. Per yard. **85c**

—Staple Section, Main Floor

### Big Values in Yard Goods

A fine range of Tweeds, Serges, Checks and other weaves in mixed tones and plain colors. These come 40 to 44 inches wide and will make up into useful dresses and suits at a moderate cost. Regular \$1.00 values. Friday, per yard, special. **69c**

Colored Pongee Silk, in nice even weave and bright finish, 32 inches wide, in shades of saxe, strawberry, royal, grey, navy, mauve, emerald, sky, taupe, cream and black. Per yard. **75c**

Seco Silk, New York's latest novelty, shown in colored grounds of mustard, saxe, strawberry, natural, and white with various colored corn spots; adapted both for dresses and millinery; width 36 inches. Per yard **\$1.00**

—Dress Goods and Silks, Main Floor

Reg. \$1.75 Umbrellas, Friday, **\$1.39**

A large range of Ladies' Umbrellas in assorted handles, finished plain, carved or silver tipped; strong frames with gloria covers. Reg. \$1.75 values. Friday **\$1.39**

—Umbrellas, Main Floor

Reg. to \$12.00 Dress Skirts. Friday **\$4.95**

Women's Dress Skirts, made of serge, gabardine, velvet, corduroy and fancy weaves; many smart styles finished with belt and pockets; colors include navy, brown, green, black and white checks. Regular values to \$12.00. Friday **\$4.95**

—Mantle Section, First Floor

### Women's and Misses' Suits

We are showing a splendid range of Suits for misses and small women, made in belted styles, with fancy silk collars. They are developed from serge, gabardine, and other popular fabrics, in shades of navy, brown, green, king's blue, black and white checks. Prices range from \$17.50 to **\$25.00**

—Mantle Section, First Floor

### Fashionable Gloves at Popular Prices

"The Kaiser" Silk Gloves, in plain black and white, also black with white points and white with black points; double tipped fingers and two dome fasteners. Various qualities of silk. sizes 5 to 7. Price **75¢, \$1.00 and \$1.25**

French Manufactured Chamoisette Gloves, in white and natural; also white with heavy black points and two dome fasteners at wrist. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7 1/2. These are perfect fitting, and satisfactory in washing. Price. **\$1.25**

Dent's Caps Gloves, in tan with two dome fasteners, pique seves suitable for driving and shopping. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7 1/2. Price. **\$1.85 and \$2.00**

—Glove Section, Main Floor

### Splendid Values in Stamped Pieces

Stamped Tea Aprons in dainty floral patterns for easy embroidering on fine cross-bar muslin. Price **15c**

Stamped Centre Pieces on excellent quality tan linen, for satin and outline stitches. Plain and conventional patterns. Price. **39c**

Stamped Hats for Children, on pique and repp, for satin and buttonhole stitches. An easy laundered style, which can be opened and ironed flat. Sizes for 2 to 4 years. Price **25c**

Stamped Nightgowns, made of superior quality longcloth for French embroidery; enough material allowed for any size gown. Regular value \$1.50. Price **98c**

—Art Needlework, Main Floor

### Two Specials From the Neckwear Section

A Large Assortment of White Muslin and Voile Collars in sailor and round effects. Some are finished plain, others are prettily embroidered in white. Reg. values up to 39c. To clear, Friday, at **23c**

Windsor Ties in silk and crepe de chine, shown in stripes, checks, polka dots, plaids and Paisley effects. Special, Friday, at **29¢ and 49c**

—Neckwear Section, Main Floor

### New Lingerie Waists, Special at \$1.50

Women's Waists, made of white voile and mull, with large collars, turnback cuffs and finished with embroidery and hemstitching. Many pretty styles to choose from, stocked in all sizes. Price **\$1.50**

—Waist Section, First Floor

### New P. C. Corsets

Just received a shipment of the well-known P. C. Corsets, made of heavy coutil, medium and low bust styles, trimmed with lace and embroidery; four hose supports; sizes up to 30. Special values at **\$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50**

—Corset Section, First Floor

### At the Notion Counter

LADIES' DRESS SHIELDS.

Stockinette, size 2. Price **20c**  
Nainsook covered, size 4. Price **25c**  
White silk covered, sizes 2, 3 and 4. Price **30c and 35c**  
Pink white nainsook covered, sizes 2, 3 and 4. Price **30c and 35c**  
Nainsook covered, "Separable," size 2. Price **30c**  
Nainsook covered, "Separable," size 3. Price **30c**  
Nainsook covered, "Separable," size 4. Price **30c**  
Extra narrow, nainsook covered, size 2. Price **30c**  
Garment attached shield, of silk and strong net, size 2. Price **30c**  
Garment attached shield, of nainsook and net, size 2 and 4. Price **30c**  
Garment attached shield, all silk, sizes 4 and 5. Price **\$1.75**

Nainsook, with 2 sets removable covers, sizes 2 and 4. Price **\$1.00**

COMBS.

White Ivory and Black Dressing Combs, large assortment. Price **15c to 75c**  
White Fine Combs. Price **15c and 25c**  
Hair Barrettes, shell, amber, grey and black. Price **15c, 20c, 30c and 35c**  
Side Combs, in shell and amber. Price **15c, 20c, 30c and 35c**  
Shell Hair Pins, card of 4 pins. Price **15c**  
Shell Hair Pins, card of 6 pins. Price **15c**  
Shell Hair Pins, card of 8 pins. Price **15c**  
New Pearl Buttons, all sizes, all prices, with and without shank, fish eye, two and four-hole.

—Notion Section, Main Floor

### Wonderful Values in Trimmed Millinery at \$5.00. On Sale Friday

Every Hat is so unmistakably superior in style and quality. You can choose from a large range of shades in rose, saxe, mustard, green, brown, navy and black. Special values, Friday **\$5.00**

—Millinery Section, First Floor

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## NATIONAL HIGHWAY PLAN SUPPLEMENTED

Provincial Returned Soldiers' Committee Secretary Makes Suggestion

Referring to the suggestion with regard to the National Highway scheme which appeared in the report of the provincial organization which has been forwarded to the Military Hospitals Commission at Ottawa to be presented to Parliament when it reassembles this month, Mr. Hill, the secretary of the Commission, says:

"We quite agree with the fundamental principle involved in the 'National Highway' scheme, which is that the returned men should be kept on pay by the Federal Government. We do not, however, agree with the plan suggested for utilizing the labor to be supplied by the men. Look at it this way—it is as if the new 'Peace Army' constituted an enormous generator of labor-energy. Under the 'National Highway' scheme this energy or power would be all directed into one channel. Government Must Disband Army.

"Under the scheme suggested by our Commission, the power would be distributed into nine channels, one in each province, where that power could be used in a variety of forms to produce a variety of results. The relations between the Federal and Provincial Governments would be those of a contractor and sub-contractors dealing with any large undertaking. The Federal Government having contracted to raise an army for war purposes must further contract to disband that army in the manner best suited to the requirements of the case.

Near Their Homes.

"It would be only reasonable that the men distributed to the provinces would be the men belonging to such provinces. In many instances it is more than probable that the men would be employed near their own homes. In the course of time and the general readjustment of the labor situation in the province, openings in local concerns would present themselves which could be taken advantage of by the men of the 'Peace Army.' It could be arranged that a man would be eligible for discharge on securing other permanent occupation.

Out of Town.

"If, however, the men were scattered over the Dominion doing road work, on the National Highway, they would be out of touch with local developments in their home province, and any openings which presented themselves would be taken advantage of by others who were on the ground. Then, too, must be considered the position when the National Highway would be completed. It is true that during the time occupied in building it the men would have been provided with employment, but the employment proposed is necessarily of a temporary nature. At the conclusion of the work we would still have to deal with the return of the men to their home provinces and their reabsorption there, and as already pointed out their reabsorption would be complicated by the fact that during their absence from the province since the close of the war, many openings which had occurred would have been taken up by others on the spot, many of whom might never have been in khaki.

Make It Productive.

"It has been stated that the National Highway would be a memorial to Canada's part in the great war. No doubt it would, but it would not be a practical memorial of any great value. We should put our memorial-building energies into something that will be as nearly 100 per cent. as possible, both practical and valuable. This can be accomplished if we use the labor required for the highway to increase the general productiveness of the Dominion as a whole. We must eliminate wastage of labor and energy. Our object should be to equip the Dominion as speedily as is consistent with thoroughness and efficiency, for the important part she is destined to play in the future development of the Empire."

## REMEMBER

The Y. M. C. A. TAG DAY on Monday, and Their Work at the Front