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THREE KNOWN TO HAVE PERISHED AS RESULT OF TORPEDOING OF LACONIA; NINE MISSING, CUNARD LINE STATES

Three of Those Unaccounted for Were Passengers and Six Were Sailors; Chicago Woman and Daughter Died of Exposure and Were Buried at Sea; Theatrical Man Living in London Also Died.

London, Feb. 27.—The number of dead or missing as a result of the sinking of the liner Laconia was given by the Cunard Line to-day, 12, made up as follows: Passengers, 3 dead, 3 missing; crew, 6 missing. Six others are in hospitals.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The following dispatch from Consul Frost, at Queenstown, dated at 11.15 o'clock last night, was received to-day at the State Department:

"Two American women believed dead of exposure and bodies lost at sea from Laconia, namely, Mrs. Mary F. Hoy and Miss Elizabeth Hoy, of Chicago. Four Americans saved: F. P. Gibbons, Chicago Tribune; Mrs. F. E. Harris, wife of Col. Harris of the United States army, Fort du Pont; Arthur F. Kirby, Upper New York State, and Father Wareing, of St. Joseph's Seminary, Baltimore.

"Laconia torpedoed without warning 10.30 p.m. Feb. 25, 150 miles west of Fastnet. Overcast, heavy swells not breaking, fair breeze.

"Laconia carried 4.7-inch gun invisible at night. Second torpedo twenty minutes after first. Fifteen boats got away, of which No. 8, with Hoy woman, was lost. Wireless had been sent out. Boats picked up by Admiralty patrol 4 a.m. February 26. Cargo was cotton, foodstuffs and non-explosive munitions. Apparently eight deaths out of 235 on board. Were 259 in crew and 75 passengers, including many women and children.

"Ship sank in about 45 minutes from time of first torpedo. Had fired six rockets, which were seen by Admiralty patrol. Wireless also used up to last moment. Boats scattered two or three miles in swells 12 feet high. Burned flares and were picked up at interval between 3 and 4 p.m. February 26.

Later Message.

A second dispatch from Consul Frost, timed 8.30 o'clock this morning, says:

"Deaths of Mrs. and Miss Hoy as reported now positively confirmed. Cedric R. Ivatts, of New York, probably American, apparently was lost. Add to Americans saved the following negro firemen and seamen: Douglas Adams, Newport News; Benjamin Carter, Barney R. Heiter, Ed. Smith, Harry Young, New York; Lloyd Darrell, Baltimore; Carey, Massachusetts; Newport News; John Williams, address unknown; William Wynne, of Wymg, Baltimore; Henry Smith, Indianapolis; Joseph Lewis, Buffalo; Dan Israel, Savannah, Ga.; Isaac Roman, Savannah, Ga.; John Joneson, New York; Joseph Sumter, Charleston—fifteen in all.

218 Landed.

Total survivors landed here 267. Landed at Bantry, 14. Total on board, 294. Missing, 18, of whom five were drowned and eight, including Hoy women, died of exposure and buried at sea. Six hospital cases; none believed grave.

"First torpedo struck about engines. Steamship going 17 knots at 18 knots. Engines stopped and ship turned. Listing to starboard, so that most boats got away from that side. Twenty minutes later, when most boats were clear, submarine fired second torpedo, striking engine port side."

Buried at Sea.

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Mrs. Hoy's husband, Dr. Albert E. Hoy, who is a veteran of the American Civil War, and their son, Austin Y. Hoy, reside in London. The latter called at the Embassy this morning and received a copy of the message from Consul Frost.

Advice Not Taken.

Austin Y. Hoy resides here as representative at the London branch of an American firm, the other members of the family residing with him. Mrs. and Miss Hoy went home to the United States some time ago to settle some family business and Austin Hoy repeatedly cabled them not to return until the present crisis was over, but they evidently decided to risk the trip. Dr. Albert H. Hoy, the father, an aged man, is prostrated with grief. The son was loath to believe the news that his mother and sister had been lost until he received the confirmatory telegram from Consul Frost.

Another Report.

London, Feb. 27.—Eight American negroes, members of the crew of the Laconia, died of exposure, according to a report.

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Gloucester Added Four Members, Making Their Total Twenty-Seven

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SECOND TORPEDO WHILE BOATS NEAR

San Francisco Physician, Saved From Laconia, Tells of Sinking

WAS NO PANIC; ALL BEHAVED SPLENDIDLY

Queenstown, Feb. 27.—Of the passengers saved from the liner Laconia, four who are in hospitals here, received eight injuries.

Among the four is Dr. Hawke, a resident of San Francisco, who said he was playing a game of bridge in the ship's surgeon's room when he heard an awful crash and guessed that the ship had been attacked by a German submarine. He said that the first torpedo struck the liner aft on the starboard side and everyone made for the life-rafts. The passengers previously had been instructed in boat drill, and got into the boats without panic. Dr. Hawke said that all behaved well and that the discipline was good. He continued:

While Boats Near.

"The submarine returned after we had been in the boats and fired another torpedo, which put out the lights and was followed by a terrific explosion. The ship must have sunk soon after. The second torpedo, mind you, was fired although the lifeboats were close to the vessel and the crew of the submarine could not have failed to see us, as it was moonlight. It was about 9.30 on Sunday night when we took to the boats and about 3 o'clock on the following morning when we were picked up."

Dr. Hawke gave the highest praise to the behavior of the women and children and said that the captain and crew were marvellous.

Eight Succumbed.

It appeared that two boats reached Bantry with 22 persons, eight of the occupants having died of exposure. Among those saved was the well-known singer, Miss Mistle Sitkoff, of Paris. The bodies of the eight persons who died were consigned to the deep.

Among the Laconia's firemen were 16 American negroes.

At 10.30 p.m.

London, Feb. 27.—According to stories gathered from passengers from the Laconia who entered Queenstown, the steamship was torpedoed at about 10.30 o'clock Sunday night. The passengers and crew had taken to the boats when the second torpedo was fired into the sinking ship. The boats were picked up at 4 o'clock on Monday morning.

Many of the survivors wore only the scantiest of clothing.

No Dr. Hawke, of San Francisco, appears on the list of passengers available in New York. The name of Dr. Benjamin E. Hawkes, of Galt, Ont., is listed, however.

GERMAN PEOPLE IN IGNORANCE YET OF CHANGES ON ANCRE

Berlin, Feb. 27.—British troops yesterday many times attacked the German positions on the front between Ypres in Belgium, and the River Somme, says an official statement issued here to-day. Only at one place were the British successful in entering the German lines, at a point to the east of Arras, the statement adds, and there the British were ejected by a counter-attack.

S. S. FREDERIK VIII. EXPECTED TO LEAVE FOR EUROPE TO-NIGHT

Halifax, Feb. 27.—Final preparations were made to-day for the departure of the liner Frederick, VIII., bearing Count von Bernstorff, former German Ambassador to the United States, and a large party of Germans. It was the general expectation that the vessel would start for Copenhagen to-night.

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New York, Feb. 27.—The discovery of a German plan to establish a submarine base in the harbor of Santa Lucia, Cuba, was revealed here to-day by John V. Noel, a well-known publisher and writer on South American questions, who returned on the United Fruit liner Pastores from southern ports.

"The Germans failed only through a slight miscalculation to establish a submarine base in Santa Lucia Bay, situated not far from Antilla on the southeastern coast of Cuba," Mr. Noel said. "The Bay of Santa Lucia would be an ideal base for a foreign power, as it is practically landlocked from the sea and is comparatively little known except by the indigenous population. The water is deep, so that a submarine could submerge outside and not rise to the surface until it was well inside the harbor."

"The bay has two large piers used only by vessels carrying ore from the great copper mines owned by the Cuban copper miner, Manuel Luciano Diaz, who is supposed to have made more than \$7,000,000 during the past two years through his copper operations. The main mines are located seven miles inland and the copper is shipped by overhead cables to the port, where it is loaded on barges.

British Interfered.

"It is necessary to go back a few months to find the beginning of the story," Mr. Noel said. "You will recall the published cables of the seizure of a German named Hans Boehm, who, when taken off the Dutch steamship Zeelandia at Kirkwall had on his person a detailed plan of Santa Lucia Bay and its environs, which evidently had been selected by the German Admiralty for a base for submarines or raiders.

"For several months prior to his seizure by the British authorities at Kirkwall, Hans Boehm had been employed as stenographer for the Matachambre Mines, owned by Senor Diaz. Later he had been discharged for incompetency. Shortly after his dismissal the remainder of the Germans working in the mines were discharged, as it was feared they might be spies in Boehm's employ. The leader of the German group was a man called Frederick Nordheim. Three months later Senor Diaz began receiving communications regarding his former German employees. The inquiries were said to come from the American Government, although Senor Diaz refused to admit or deny whence the inquiries emanated."

U. S. Destroyer.

"Last January the superintendent of the mines was surprised at the appearance of the United States destroyer McDermott, which made several prolonged visits in and about that portion of Cuba. The visit was remarked, especially as the harbor of Santa Lucia has seldom if ever been a stopping place for any American naval vessel, being off the general run from the target grounds at Guantanamo to the American coast. When I visited the mine, although everyone was very reticent regarding any German influence or propaganda, nevertheless they showed me a snapshot of the McDermott taken in Santa Lucia harbor."

Concerning the present revelation, Mr. Noel stated that the Government, under President Monroah, had the situation well in hand and that it was only a question of a short time before it would be entirely stamped out.

Reported U Boat.

In confirmation of the story of the German plot to establish a secret port for submarines and raiders in Cuba, Captain J. Jensen, master of the Pastores, says that while he was in that port a British captain whose name he declined to divulge, had told him that he had sighted only two weeks before a large German U boat between Cape Mathias and the coast of Santo Domingo.

The German Government, according to reports current on the island of Cuba, has been financing the revolutionary movement, passengers of the Pastores said.

FOR FUNSTON'S WIDOW.

Washington, Feb. 27.—A bill granting a pension of \$100 a month to the widow of Maj.-Gen. Funston was passed to-day by the Senate.

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WILSON ADVANCES ONE STEP AT TIME

What Westminister Gazette Says Following His Request of Congress

ALLOWS THE PUBLIC PLENTY OF TIME

London, Feb. 27.—Under the heading "Another Step For War," the Westminster Gazette says:

"President Wilson advances one step at a time, not whipping or rushing opinion, but allowing full opportunity between his steps for opposition to develop if there is any, for cautious counsel to prevail if greater caution is possible. Clearly across the 3,000 miles of sea the atmosphere still is cool and unexploive."

The Pall Mall Gazette says that since the government was reported to have written policies aggregating \$20,000,000, has collected premiums of \$3,000,000, has paid losses of about \$200,000 and has taken salvage of about \$50,000.

AMERICAN NEGRO AMONG THE LOST

Was Member of Laconia's Crew; Cunard Line's List of Missing

London, Feb. 27.—American Consul Frost, at Queenstown, reports that an American, Thos. Gansey, colored, a member of the Laconia's crew, was among the lost. He was the only American member of the crew that perished.

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Mrs. Mary Hoy, Miss Elizabeth Hoy, C. B. Ivatts, Wm. I. Robinson, Dr. Fortunat Zyndel, William Eya.

Four members of the crew also are given as missing.

GERMANS SAY THEY SANK A TRANSPORT

Berlin, Feb. 26.—Delayed.—The sinking of the British transport steamship A-15 was announced by the Admiralty to-day.

OPENING OF LEGISLATURE.

All those wishing tickets of admission to the gallery for the opening of the Legislature on Thursday must make personal application to the undersigned at his office in the Parliament Buildings to-morrow (Wednesday), between the hours of ten and twelve o'clock in the forenoon.

All applicants must be known to the undersigned or vouched for. No reservations will be made by telephone.

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STANDARD OIL TO ASK DAMAGES FOR ROUMANIAN WELLS

New York, Feb. 27.—The Standard Oil Company will seek indemnity for the destruction of its oil properties in Roumania at the time of the German invasion of that country.

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SOCIALIST PARTY IN SWEDEN HAS SPLIT

Stockholm, Feb. 27.—The rupture between the warring factions of the Socialist party which was foreseen during the recent congress here has come to pass. Members of the Socialist left have published an appeal for the formation of a new Socialist party. The proclamation is signed by 15 members of the party in parliament and 18 from the general party organization.

Haynes for Reliability.—Reliable Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, etc., and reliable repairs, 1124 Government St.

DAMAGING OF CELTIC.

Portland, Maine, Feb. 27.—Officers of the British steamship Canada, have from Liverpool, report that the damage to the White Star Line steamship Celtic, which hit a mine on Feb. 14, was confined to No. 1 hold, and that the vessel returned to Liverpool under her own steam.

COMING TO VICTORIA.

Winnipeg, Feb. 27.—Dr. and Mrs. R. R. Swan, Mrs. John Galt, the wife of a wholesale merchant, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank McMurray, of this city, have left for Victoria to spend the next few weeks.

GEN. HAIG'S TROOPS CONTINUED ADVANCE

Moved Two Miles on Eleven-Mile Front Up to Last Night

London, Feb. 27.—The following official report was issued last night: "The movements referred to in the communications on Saturday and Sunday were maintained during the day on both banks of the Ancre. Our advance extends over a front of about 11 miles, from east of Guesdecourt to south of Gommecourt, and has attained a depth of two miles.

"In addition to the village of Serre, reported yesterday, we now occupy the strong point known as Butte de Warlencourt, and the villages of Warlencourt-Eaucourt, Eys and Miramont. We have reached the outskirts of Le Barque, Ires and Puisieux-au-Mont.

"An enemy attack made early this morning on one of our posts south of the Somme was driven off with losses. "We carried out a successful raid this morning north of Arras, capturing 24 prisoners. We also entered enemy trenches during the night west of Monchy-aux-Bois and west of Lens and brought back a few prisoners. The enemy artillery was more active than usual during the day south of the Somme and south of Ypres. We carried out a successful bombardment of a number of points and caused an explosion in the enemy lines.

"In the air fighting yesterday one German aeroplane was destroyed and another was driven down damaged."

French Report.

Paris, Feb. 27.—The War Office reported as follows last night: "Our artillery carried out effective fires on the German organizations in Belgium in the region of the dunes, and east of Malancourt wood. We delivered a surprise attack against an enemy salient north of Tahure, bringing back prisoners. There is nothing to report on the rest of the front."

A Belgian communication said: "Along the whole Belgian front there was sustained artillery firing on both sides, with moderate intensity, especially in the direction of Noordschoote and Steenstraete, where the trench guns were active during the course of the afternoon."

PAPERS SUPPRESSED BY CONSTANTINE

Patris and Nea-Helas Exposed His Intrigues With Germans

Salonica, Feb. 25.—Via London, Feb. 27.—Two of the leading daily newspapers in Athens, the Patris and the Nea-Helas, have been suppressed by the royal government for exposing King Constantine's pro-German intrigues. The disclosures made by these two pro-ally newspapers relate to the voluntary surrender last May of Fort Rupel and an army corps by the Greek authorities to the Bulgarian-Turkish troops.

The Patris published a series of official documents that passed between the War Ministry, the 3rd Army Corps and the 11th Division, stationed at Salonica, showing that the King's government had been in secret agreement with the German military authorities as to the policy to be pursued by the Greek troops when the pre-arranged Bulgarian invasion began. The policy, as events have demonstrated, was voluntary surrender and captivity.

When the Patris was stopped the Nea-Helas took up the task of exposing the King's treasonable acts. One of its last issues contained the texts of a remarkable series of documents. These were strictly confidential military orders issued to the commandant of Fort Rupel, Major Mavroudis, by his superior officers. Major Mavroudis, now a Venizelist, delivered these orders to the Provisional Government at Salonica, which supplied them to the Nea-Helas.

The first of these documents is a long order marked strictly confidential, sent by General Moshopoulos, of the 3rd Army Corps, to the commander of Fort Rupel. The general directed that no resistance be offered to the invaders, that all forts be evacuated and that "the officers in charge of any troops that may be left behind" communicate with the German commanding officer regarding the needs of their men.

Following this order came two communications from the superior authorities, which cancelled all previous commands to resist.

"We shall resist with all force any occupation of the fort by the German-Bulgarian troops. We will send more detailed orders in the near future, read one of these communications.

"This would have put one in doubt as to the real motives of the War Ministry," said the Nea-Helas, "had not negotiations been started already between the German-Bulgarian general staff and the Greek general staff and the King Constantine's government on the other side. These negotiations, as it appears from the archives of the Foreign Office, resulted in complete agreement and the surrender of Rupel four full days ahead of the German-Bulgarian invasion.

The paper went on to say that the order not to resist invasion was issued on account of some ulterior reason, for when the Bulgarians appeared before Rupel, the War Ministry wired to the commandant of the fort as follows: "After the ministry's confidential order 1464, do not resist. Order 793 is put in force again."

With Full Knowledge.

This meant that the plans originally elaborated by the Greek military authorities in agreement with the Teutonic intentions were reinstated. The fort was to be surrendered to the invaders with the full knowledge of Constantine's government. "Nobody can dispute the authenticity of these orders," concluded the Nea-Helas, with defiance. To which King Constantine answered with an order suppressing the publication of the journal.

LOAN SURPRISE TO MOST OPTIMISTIC

Huge Outpouring in Britain a Wonderful Achievement; Encouraging News

London, Feb. 27.—(By F. W. Hirst.)—The amount of the new war loan as given out by Rt. Hon. Bonar Law, £1,000,000,000, is prodigious and even the most hopeful prophets are staggered by the achievement. Exclusive of treasury bills the loan still amounts to £370,000,000. The conversion of treasury bills, therefore, is surprisingly small and the result is far better than was expected from the Chancellor's previous statement.

More than 5,000,000 persons subscribed to the loan. Post office and savings certificates accounted for £25,000,000.

No doubt the Government will effect large reductions in the outstanding treasury bills. The result reflects great credit on the Chancellor, the treasury banks and the publicity campaign which was waged by the newspapers and platform speakers. In this way many small hoards of gold and silver coin were brought into the banks of the country towns by careful folk whose patriotic feelings were stirred into action.

Big Days.

London, Feb. 27.—These are big days in Britain. From every quarter comes word of success. The staggering total of the war loan contributions offers a convincing reply to the question as to whether the people were supporting the war. Bonar Law's announcement that £1,000,000,000 had been collected from five million subscribers is calculated to dishearten the Germans as much as it will hearten Britain and her allies.

The capture of Kut-el-Amara and the big advance on the Ancre without opposition fan the British pride and furnish strengthening tonic to the allied peoples.

Although Kut may seem to be far removed from the main military activities and, therefore, to be of small consequence, it nevertheless has a significant bearing on the war. By steadily pressing ahead in Mesopotamia the British have drawn great Turkish forces from other fronts. The fall of Kut now restores British prestige in the Near East to the place occupied before Townshend's surrender.

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missing—Pte. J. Surley, Sydney Mines, C. B.

Artillery.

Died—Major Jackwell, Halifax; Gar. I. Ireland, England.

Wounded, but returned to duty—Gar. A. Tugnut, England.

Mounted Rifles.

Previously reported missing; now believed killed—Pte. C. Wainman, Quebec; Pte. F. Walker, England; Pte. D. Ward, Cornwall, Ont.; Pte. C. Webb, Toronto; Pte. W. Wilkinson, Whitley, Ont.; Pte. G. Dixon, Toronto; Capt. J. Symons, Toronto; Lieut. H. Bourne, Vancouver; Lieut. H. Cockshutt, Toronto.

Died—Pte. R. Duke, Ireland.

Wounded—Pte. T. Birchfield, Montreal; Pte. D. Price, Vancouver.

Engineers.

Seriously ill—Sapper D. Herbert, England.

Services.

Killed in action—Pte. E. Gilmore, Montreal.

Seriously ill—Pte. J. Rodney, London, Ont.

Wounded—Pte. J. Murray, McKay, B. C.

Reported missing; believed prisoner of war—Lieut. J. Owen, Annapolis, N.S.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.

Killed in action—Pte. E. Jones, Ogdensburg, N.Y.; Pte. H. Palmer, Winnipeg; Pte. A. Offered, England; Pte. H. Stone, England; Pte. R. Hancock, Virginia, Ont.; Pte. J. Bowman, England; Pte. F. Johansson, Iceland; Pte. J. Irwin, Winnipeg; Cpl. J. Halliday, Toronto; Pte. J. Grant, Montreal; Pte. H. Nowlin, Chatham, Ont.

Previously reported missing; now reported killed in action—Pte. E. Chatfield, Miss. N. D.; Pte. L. Cunningham, Winnipeg; Pte. R. Ferguson, Calgary; Pte. T. Greenwood, England; Pte. F. Morefield, Winnipeg.

Previously reported wounded; now killed in action—Lieut. K. Carmichael, Montreal.

Missing; now missing; believed killed—Pte. H. Porter, England; Sergt. J. Dunn, Quebec; Sergt. W. Patterson, England; Cpl. D. Merrick, Montreal; Cpl. H. Coffin, Quebec; Pte. J. Dickson, Pembroke, Ont.; Pte. M. Stansfield, Ottawa; Sergt. F. Mutton, Clover Bar, Alta.

Previously reported dangerously wounded; now died—Pte. T. Pullman, England.

Died—Pte. R. Madshal, Ottawa; Pte. C. Hanson, Estevan, Sask.

Dangerously ill—Pte. J. McGee, England; Cpl. W. Riggs, England; Pte. A. Landreville, Quebec; Pte. J. Millican, England; Pte. H. Fosse, Quebec; Pte. J. Hudson, Toronto; Pte. W. Lyon, Carnegie, Man.; Pte. J. Evans, Halifax; Pte. W. Chisholm, Scotland; Cpl. C. Hayden, Almonte, Ont.

Wounded—Sergt. G. Leburn, Montreal; Pte. J. Doherty, Scotland; Pte. J. Getto, Amherst, N. S.; Pte. D. Shirley, Quebec; Cpl. A. Lamrock, Sydney, N. S.; Pte. J. Hendry, Scotland; Pte. P. Garland, England; Pte. F. George, St. John, N. B.; Pte. N. No-smith, Almonte, Ont.; Pte. A. Ryan, Ireland; Pte. R. Weden, Seventy-Mile House, B. C.; Pte. S. Smith, Galt, Ont.; Pte. J. MacIaw, Toronto; Pte. A. Dunn, Scotland; Pte. A. Foreman, England; Pte. J. Watson, England; Pte. D. McLean, Shoal Lake, Man.; Lieut. C. White, Fort Hope, Ont.; Lieut. R. Thompson, Matheson, Ont.; Pte. A. Black, Toronto; Pte. C. Venables, Calgary; Pte. F. Grainger, Winnipeg; Pte. B. Stevens, England; Pte. S. McDermott, Austin, Man.; Sergt. F. Pennington, England; Pte. A. White, Cumberland, N. S.; Pte. J. Delage, Quebec; Pte. J. Chester, Winnipeg; Pte. G. Gallagher, England; Pte. L. Clements, Edmonton; Pte. J. Forbes, Dauphin, Man.; Cpl. A. Smallman, Woodstock, Ont.

Previously reported missing; now reported wounded—Pte. W. Hutchins, Montreal.

Previously reported wounded; now returned to duty—Pte. E. Watt, Thornhill, Ont.; Pte. H. Crumley, Silverwater, Ont.; Cpl. W. Poiera, Vancouver.

Previously reported missing and believed killed; now unofficially reported prisoners—Pte. J. McMahon, London, Ont.; Pte. W. Donachie, Montreal; Pte. W. Jardine, Toronto.

Shell shock—Sergt.-Major E. Brock, Toronto.

Previously reported missing; now not

MINOR ACTIONS ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

Rome, Feb. 27.—The following official communication was issued last night: "The usual artillery actions took place yesterday, particularly in the Sugga valley, in the Piava sector and east of Gorizia. Raids attempted by enemy troops against our positions on the northern slopes of Col Brion, in the Travignola valley, in the upper Begano and on the slopes of Monte Nero were repulsed at once with heavy casualties.

"Southeast of Gorizia enemy detachments after a violent bombardment attacked one of our advanced positions near Vertolba. They were driven back and dispersed and some prisoners were taken.

"Considerable aerial activity is reported. Our anti-aircraft guns hit an enemy aeroplane, which fell near Duono. Last night two of our aeroplanes successfully bombed the railway station of Riftenberga, in the Branzica valley, Preido, and the aviation grounds at Prosecco, north of Trieste. Two and one-half tons of high explosives were dropped on the objectives with effective results. In spite of a heavy fire from enemy guns and a violent and unfavorable wind our machines returned safely."

PAPER IN STATES.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Newspaper publishers from throughout the United States, meeting here to-day with the Federal Trade Commission, voted unanimously to co-operate with the commission if it should decide to accept the proposal by news print manufacturers that the commission fix a price for their product. The publishers agreed to reduce their requirements if necessary to make the plan successful.

SANK SUBMARINE.

Boston, Feb. 27.—The sinking of a German submarine in the harbor of St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands, by two Portuguese torpedo boats on the night of January 1, was described here by Arthur J. Jeffs, of New York, a member of the crew of the steamship Eldic. One shot apparently pierced the submarine's hull, Jeffs said, and prevented it from submerging. The rudder craft then circled the Eddie several times, manœuvring for an opportunity to launch a torpedo, but the torpedo vessels finally caught the submarine between them. They opened fire with their guns, and the submarine, with her hull riddled, sank suddenly.

MINERS' CONVENTION.

Fernie, Feb. 27.—Yesterday passed without results at the miners' convention of District 18. The officers' reports are still holding the centre of the stage at all sessions and progress is extremely slow. The scales committee and the tellers' reports have not yet been reached, and another week's work will be necessary to finish the business of the convention.

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Mrs. W. W. Oliver, Port George, Annapolis Co., N. S., writes: "I am going to tell you my experience with Dr. Chase's Ointment. There was a spot came on my face something like a mole, but it kept getting worse, and several doctors whom I consulted said it was skin cancer, and that it would have to be cut, or burned out. I intended having this done, but changed my mind when my brother recommended Dr. Chase's Ointment. Before I had finished one box of the ointment this skin trouble had gone, and had not bothered me since. I cannot praise Dr. Chase's Ointment too much, and you are at liberty to publish this letter."

If you have never used Dr. Chase's Ointment send a two-cent stamp for a sample box, and mention this paper. Price sixty cents a box, all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto.

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Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and legible...

EDMONTON AND SINGLE TAX.

To the Editor:—A statement has passed through the press that the city of Edmonton has abandoned the single tax...

We are making an application to the legislature this session to change our system from single to general tax...

It will be noted that, first: Edmonton never adopted single tax in its entirety...

Notice is hereby given that under an order granted by the Honorable Mr. Justice Murphy...

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Berry-bearing Hollies, Anales, Rhododendrons, large stock of Evergreens and Herbage...

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Mount Union Station, 24 miles east of here early to-day.

Council is successful it follows that personal liability for land taxes will become a settled principle...

ORIENTALS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

To the Editor:—A lengthy letter in the columns of your paper of Feb. 22 by Mr. H. B. Wingate White needs comment...

No, Mr. Editor, the woods of our Province could have been full of husky woodsmen...

There is a very great diversity of opinion on the question, and one can hear on almost every hand that we cannot do without Orientals...

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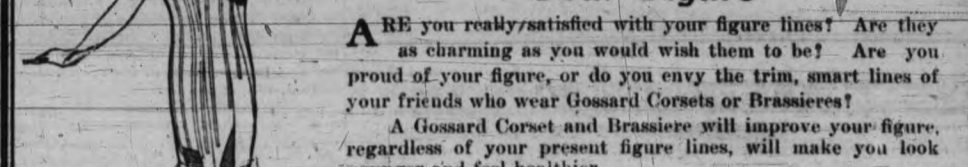
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To the Above Named Defendant, Lillian Maud McKee: Take notice that this action was on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1917, commenced against you, and that the Plaintiff by his particulars of claim, claims against you a certain sum of money...

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Matter of the Estate of Oliver James Knights, Deceased, and in the Matter of the Administration Act.

Notice is hereby given that under an order granted by the Honorable Mr. Justice Murphy, dated 23rd day of January, A. D. 1917, I, the undersigned, was appointed Administrator of the estate of the above deceased...

WILLIAM MONTEITH, Official Administrator.

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FRENCH TOOK SOME PRISONERS IN RAID

Paris, Feb. 27.—"Southeast of Vailly detachments of our troops entered the German lines and returned with prisoners," says an official announcement issued this afternoon.

BERNSTORFF'S PARTY LOST RUBBER HEELS

Haltax, Feb. 27.—Rubber heels worn by German officers who are accompanying Count von Bernstorff on his homeward voyage aboard the Frederick VIII, were removed yesterday by the authorities in the final stage of the close examination for contraband to which the party was subjected.

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NEW CANADIAN LOAN WILL BE \$100,000,000

Hoped Americans Will Participate Largely, Says New York Tribune

New York, Feb. 27.—The British steamship Lapland, of the White Star Line, has arrived safely at Liverpool...

ELIGIBLE FOR SERVICE

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 27.—The National Service Commission has sent out a list of names of men eligible for service in this military district...

TIRPITZITES AGAINST BETHMANN-HOLLWEG

Amsterdam, Feb. 27.—According to a telegram from Berlin, 30 supporters of Admiral von Tirpitz, former Minister of the German navy, including Count von Hoenfuehr, have held a meeting...

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Twenty or more lost lives in train smash

Attoona, Pa., Feb. 27.—Twenty persons, 19 passengers, including two small children, and a negro porter, were killed in a rear-end collision between an express train and a freight train on the Pennsylvania Railway at



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MEETINGS AND ENTERTAINMENTS

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THE "OVERT ACT"

On the terms of the Sussex Note, the sinking of the Laconia is Germany's "overt act," for which Washington has been apprehensively looking. The liner was torpedoed without warning.

If the definition of an "overt act," as now held by Washington, is the same as it was before the severance of diplomatic relations between the United States and Germany, the republic to be consistent must declare war against the perpetrator of the outrage.

The President, however, is having some difficulty with Congress in regard to the nature of the powers he seeks for the protection of American shipping and lives on the high seas.

The President of the United States cannot declare war, but he can produce a condition of affairs that might lead to a state of war.

war. It is doubtful, however, if this would be necessary. If the President asked from Congress a declaration of war against Germany in all probability he would get it.

VACANT LOT CULTIVATION.

No doubt the municipal authorities will move cautiously in regard to the proposal of compulsory vacant lot cultivation. Every vacant lot owner or renter cannot cultivate his property, desirable and even necessary though that cultivation may be, for the simple reason that many have neither the time nor the means to do it.

It might be a fine thing if in this day of threatened food scarcity Victoria, generally speaking, could be converted into a big vegetable garden, but that cannot be. The best the authorities can do in this respect is to impress upon the public the seriousness of the food outlook and the urgency of extensive lot cultivation.

ATTEND TO THE COMBINES.

It is hoped the Justice departments of the provinces will co-operate with the Dominion authorities as far as they are able to do so in any effort that may be put forth to smash food combines. Undoubtedly the machinery provided by the Ottawa Government for dealing with this question could be vastly improved upon, but such as it is it should be employed to the fullest extent.

A short time ago we quoted some statistics from The Labor Gazette to show what sugar has been doing in dainty aerial gymnastics during the last three or four years. It has been charged that this province, in common with its neighbors east of the Rockies, is in the grip of a trust which accounts for the security with which these altivolant feasts have been performed.

OUR TITLED ARISTOCRACY.

Canada's titled aristocracy is growing very rapidly for a country which prides itself on its thorough-going democracy. According to the Toronto Globe we now have two resident barons, two resident baronets and over ninety knights.

If titular distinctions can be considered the highest form of recognition for services rendered to the state, undoubtedly some of the rewards that have come to Canada in the last fifty years have been abundantly deserved. But a growing number have been the product of political effect and influence, and it has had the effect of cheapening the whole idea.

THEIR SMALL PROPORTION.

In its campaign for the Patriotic Aid Fund a few days ago Montreal raised the large sum of \$4,316,562, easily leading the other cities of Canada in its subscriptions to this fund.

"It has been remarked on several occasions, in the campaigns for funds for the benefit of the dependents of our soldiers, that as most of the great industries profiting by the war were located in Montreal or were financed from the metropolis the natural thing to expect was that the list of subscriptions from that city would exceed all others in the Dominion.

The total of these subscriptions is \$112,000; the number of firms represented is thirteen. Taking out the subscription of the Canadian Explosives Company, the total is \$82,000 for twelve firms, or a little over \$7,000 each.

"We do not know any more convincing argument for confiscation of war profits than figures like these. All these concerns have made hundreds of thousands out of the war. Many of them have made millions. The Montreal Ammunition Company, be it noted, subscribes \$5,000. This is the organization which was formed when the war broke out, was capitalized at \$300,000 and which at last report had cleared over three million dollars.

"If the government is not interested in the success of the Patriotic Fund or not concerned with the problem of looking after the dependents of our soldiers the right course for it to pursue would be to continue to ignore the attitude of the profiteers in the matter of voluntarily giving a respectable portion of gains which, many are convinced, can only be justified by some such consecration.

German successes in the first instance were due to superiority in heavy artillery and to an abundance of munitions. Now the allies, and particularly the British, are not lacking in these essentials. The boot is on the other foot, as the preliminary movement in the anticipated spring drive proves.

The price of potatoes in British Columbia, a province of large area and sparse population, is more than three times the price of potatoes in Great Britain, a country of very limited area and congested population.

Apparently the "overt act" was on the Laconia and it was a particularly atrocious act too. Wonder how Bro. Bryan and the other pacifists will behave in connection with it.

Now the question of "strict accountability" really arises. London Daily Express: King Edward was a shrewd judge of men, and he had a long and intimate knowledge of continental politics. His acquaintance with the German mind, and particularly with the ambitions of the Kaiser and the military caste, convinced him that Germany intended war and was methodically preparing for war.

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nations. At the same time, his appreciation of the German menace added to his eagerness to stimulate the new friendship. The Germans are fond of heaping King Edward of plotting to isolate the German Empire.

APPEAL HEARD IN GREAVES WILL CASE

Resume of Case in Which Local Institutions Are Interested

Vancouver, Feb. 27.—The will of the late Joseph Blackburn Greaves, a rancher of Douglas Lake, Nicola Valley, who died on June 13, 1915, at Victoria, leaving an estate of over \$550,000, has given rise to an interesting contest before the Court of Appeal in which the validity of a bequest of \$100,000 in aid of each of any one such charitable or benevolent institutions situated in the Nicola Valley as my trustees shall consider to be deserving of support, is at stake.

The appeal provoked a great deal of interest, both from the human interest, and from the legal points of view. Mr. Greaves had settled in the Nicola Valley many years ago, where he is said to have had a family by an Indian wife. He was very successful as a stock-raiser and was one of the principal owners of the Douglas Lake Cattle Company. He was reputed to be very well-to-do, but no one had pictured him as heading well on into the millionaire class.

After certain bequests to friends and relatives are paid, the residuary estate is to be divided into fifty-seven parts, each of which will be valued at approximately \$10,000. The Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital is to receive twenty-five-sevenths of the residue; the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home, one part; the Salvation Army in B. C., three parts; the Vancouver General Hospital, six parts; the Children's Aid Society of Vancouver, one part; the B. C. Anti-Tuberculosis Society, twenty parts; and St. Luke's Home, six parts. This will

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make the bequests to the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital and to the B. C. Anti-Tuberculosis Society nearly \$200,000 each, the Vancouver Hospital and St. Luke's Home nearly \$60,000 each, the Salvation Army nearly \$30,000 and the Children's Aid Society nearly \$10,000. The largest deduction from the estate has been the probate fees, which on an estate of this size amounted to \$23,500. The executors are Messrs. F. B. Pemberton, William Curtis Sampson and Lindley Crease, K. C. of Victoria. In the proceedings last week before the Court of Appeal H. A. Maclean, K. C., appeared for the executors and for the Merritt General Hospital, which they desired to assist. Mr. H. R. Robertson for the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital and the Vancouver General Hospital, and Charles Macdonald for the B. C. Anti-Tuberculosis Society.

SOME SUGAR CANE BURNED BY CUBANS

Washington, Feb. 27.—Some slight destruction of sugar cane by Cuban rebels in the Oriente province was reported to the State Department to-day by American Minister Gonzales, at Havana. It was the first case of cane burning reported. With this exception the rebels have confined their destruction to the cutting of railroads and the taking of livestock. Official information secured by the minister from the Cuban government forces were making steady but slow progress toward restoration of order.

THREE KNOWN TO HAVE PERISHED AS RESULT OF TORPEDOING OF LACONIA; NINE MISSING, CUNARD LINE STATES

(Continued from page 1.) to a Central News dispatch from Queenstown. Died of Exposure. Queenstown, Feb. 27.—Cedric P. Ivatts, a theatrical manager, who was a passenger on the Laconia, died of exposure. Mr. Ivatts was a resident of London. Unaccounted For. New York, Feb. 27.—The following cablegram was received here to-day by Cunard line officials from the Liverpool office: "Regret to advise you Mrs. Hoy and daughter, also C. P. Ivatts, are dead and were buried at sea. Dr. Fortunat Zyndel and William I. Robinson, cabin passengers, are unaccounted for. "In the second-cabin, William Eya is unaccounted for, as are two firemen, three coal trimmers and the ship's barber, from the crew, making a total of 12 dead and missing from the ship." C. P. Ivatts was a British subject, living in London. As a traveling representative of a New York banking house, he was crossing to England to introduce American products. His wife and two daughters live in Paris, where

the daughters are engaged in American hospital and ambulance service. No News.

London, Feb. 27.—At this hour the American Embassy has received no news of the death of any American citizens in the crew of the Laconia. Said to Be American.

Racine, Wis., Feb. 27.—Representatives of local manufacturing establishments for which Cedric B. Ivatts, victim of the sinking of the Laconia, acted as foreign representative asserted that Ivatts, although born in England, was a citizen of the United States, having taken out his citizenship papers. Said to Be British.

Washington, Feb. 27.—A supplemental dispatch from Consul Fred at Queenstown, received at noon to-day, said: "Ivatts was a British subject. Add to American survivors M. Zeyland and C. Price, negro seamen. Survivors from boat No. 3, from which Mrs. Hoy and daughter were buried, included Father Dunston Sargeant and T. Totterington, British subjects, landed at Eantry."

MURDER AND SUICIDE. Indianapolis, Feb. 27.—Frank Stader, thirty-eight, a laborer, shot and killed his three children early to-day and later shot himself in the head. He died in a local hospital. Brooding over failure to find work he said to have been the cause of his act.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO DAY

Victoria Times, Feb. 27, 1892.

Mr. R. F. Daley, for a number of years connected with the Bank of B. C. in this city, has been appointed agent of the bank at Nelson, Kootenay.

Complaints are numerous of the practice of schooners flying the American flag of landing on Vancouver Island, shipping Indians as hunters and carrying on a sort of trade with them in violation of customs regulations.

Mr. Croft has given notice at Ottawa that at the expiration of 30 days he will apply for permission to erect a wharf at West Bay, near his residence, for private purposes as a boat house and wharf landing.

PROHIBITION COUNT

No Action Taken Until Legal Ruling Received From Sir John Simon.

From information received in the city this morning it would appear that the counting of the overseas prohibition vote, which has been adjourned since February 16, has not been resumed as had been expected.

The subject of several objections by the "dry" scrutineers were submitted to Sir John Simon for a legal ruling, but up till Saturday night that gentleman had not given his opinion, and the counting has not been resumed.

Vancouver prohibitionists received a cable this morning alleging that a visit of Mr. Bayley to Sussex had revealed the information that although Sir Richard McBride had told Mr. Bayley that there would be no further voting in this district, two representatives of the "wet" interests appeared with credentials from Sir Richard. These men the cable goes on to say, secured permission from the military authorities for the holding of polls among the men, and in this way secured 1200 votes. It is also claimed that permission to go among the soldiers was received by the "dry" scrutineer too late to be of service.

Cars Are Damaged

At 3.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon considerable damage was done to a motor car driven by W. B. Butler, when it collided with a motor being driven by Arthur Halliday at the corner of Fairfield Road and Linden Avenue.

Marked Fish Wanted.—The officials of the Biological Station at Departure Bay are offering to purchase fish which were marked as fry by the removal of the dorsal fin. The fish are needed in order to check up the age and compare with the scale markings.

James Stine Wanted

Ernest McGaffey, of the Provincial Bureau of Information, has received an inquiry as to the whereabouts of James Stine. Anyone knowing anything of Mr. Stine is asked to communicate with his sister, Mrs. Clarinda M. Wood Reed, of Carpio, North Dakota, U. S. A. Box 44.

Held for Robbery.—Pte. F. G. High-tower, a member of the 59th Gordon Highlanders, was arrested yesterday and the Wilsons by Detectives Carlou and McDonald upon a request from the Nanaimo police, who allege that he and Private Cook, of the same regiment, robbed a sleeping man at Nanaimo on Saturday night, taking \$70 in cash. The two soldiers had been on a recruiting trip to Nanaimo. Cook has not been located, but an officer will come to the city from up the line, to take the prisoner back for trial.

Arrives to Take Up Position

H. W. Aldrich, late superintendent of the blast furnaces at the Washoe smelter at Anaconda, Mont., arrived yesterday to take over the position of superintendent for the Ladysmith Smelting Corporation, Ltd., a new organization which is to reopen the Tye Smelter. Mrs. Aldrich accompanies him. Mr. Aldrich, who paid a visit here recently to examine the plant, is an experienced metallurgist, who has also had training in the laboratories of the great copper smelter. He has been at the Washoe Smelter for ten years, being, for 12 months previous to that in Mexico.

Ward IV. Ratepayers' Association

Saanich.—At the meeting of the Ward IV. (Saanich), Ratepayers' Association held last evening it was decided to nominate the President, Anton Henderson, former member of the City Council, to-morrow for the vacancy in the ward representation. Mr. Henderson has taken an active share in the conduct of the association's affairs, and has given particular attention to the water frontage question. Owing to the vacancy, a new president was necessary, and George Rogers was chosen. A vote of sympathy with ex-Councillor D. W. Jones in his illness was adopted. A committee was appointed to take up with the City Sanitary Department some remission of the rule with regard to disposal of manure after May 15, since the residents think it should be disposed of in Saanich for fertilizing purposes.

Meets With Accident

While unloading a truck outside the Victoria Foundry, Pioneer Street, Esquimalt, yesterday John P. Wheeler, an employee of the Victoria Brass and Iron Company, broke his right leg just above the ankle. Wheeler was standing on one side while his assistants were carrying heavy castings from the wagon to the side of the road. The accident which occurred was caused by the frost which made the surface of the road very slippery. One of the castings weighing about 100 pounds was dropped on Wheeler's leg. Dr. E. W. Boak was called to attend the wounded man who was taken to the Jubilee Hospital, where his progress is reported to be satisfactory. He is a returned soldier.

Lumber Plant Reopening

The Canadian Southern Lumber Company's plant at Sidney, which has been closed down for the past two years, is to reopen in the near future. Last week the property passed into the hands of Mr. Walton, a well-known coast lumberman, who will begin operations just as soon as the machinery can be put into shape. Engineers, carpenters, millwrights and laborers are already at work, and it is expected that gangs of men will be put on within the next week or two until the force necessary for full operation is on hand. The operation of the mill will mean much to Sidney, as it will necessarily bring a considerable force of workmen to the place, despite the fact that it is the intention of the management to secure as many local men as possible. Vacant houses and closed stores will be come occupied and the air of prosperity for which the place has been looking is certain to follow.

SUGAR BEET PROJECT

FACES OPPOSITION

So Says Officer of Company Planning Large Agricultural Industrial Undertaking

It is stated that the project which was fully explained in the Times recently to establish a sugar beet industry in this province has been met with opposition. That opposition, the promoters state, comes from the B. C. Sugar Refinery Co., of Vancouver, the organization which imports cane sugar for refining, and is practically in control of the sugar territory in B. C. and Alberta.

Since the previous reference was made the promoters of the new concern, which is backed by extensive capital in California, mainly among operators in that state, have carried their plans forward, and have chosen provisional sites. The two chief ones are in the Stuart Lake district, where an extensive tract of land is under negotiation, which, however, as a colonization scheme would have to receive some endorsement from the legislature. Others proposed are at Sumas, Pitt Lake, and in the Lillooet district. The plan contemplated by the promoters, it may be stated in brief, would be to erect one plant each year, for a period of five years, each investment representing an outlay of \$1,500,000 for the plant. The B. C. Sugar Incorporated, since the previous announcement was made on month ago, has obtained a great deal of data on beet growing, and will issue a statement immediately for the information of the public, before any formal attempt is made to conduct a colonization scheme. It should be explained that any proposal which the company undertakes would carry with it the organization of a body of farmers to grow the beets for the factory, as is done in California and Utah. The company claims that it should have the goodwill of the government in the plan from the point of view of colonization. The credentials of the company have been submitted to members of the government, and to lawyers, and it was thought the project was materially advancing when some difficulties have cropped up.

On the basis of the cost of production in British Columbia, it is submitted there would be a substantial cut in sugar prices, a result of the establishment of the industry. As compared with the refining of cane sugar, brought several thousand miles by sea, the new industry would have an advantage, and therefore the existing company is animated, it is claimed, by trade rivalry in resisting the establishment of the plants. If the facts are as stated, the intention is not to give way, but to place the position before the members of the B. C. legislature, providing data on the industry elsewhere, and the soil analyses of the lands which are favored as centres of cultivation.

It was explained to the Times that the scheme contemplates an immediate start, whereas the government is urged to delay action during this session, and naturally the promoting company has advised its representatives to leave no stone unturned to secure immediate encouragement to go ahead. The papers are now with the Minister of Agriculture for perusal, and the company officials are preparing a statement, not in the form of a prospectus, because they do not promote a stock selling proposition, but for the information of the public as to what is suggested.

CANADIAN ENGINEERS

Deputation Asks Provincial Government Not to Employ Aliens in Preference to Native-Born

The right of Canadian Engineers to employment by the Governments of the Dominion and the Province when they are competent for the work desired, was urged upon the Provincial Executive yesterday afternoon by a deputation representing the Provincial membership in the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers.

In the deputation were R. W. McIntyre, past president of the local branch; D. O. Lewis, resident engineer of the B. C. Railway; E. C. Gambia, chief engineer of the Provincial Department of Railways; and R. A. Blair, bridge district engineer of the E. & N. Mr. Lewis and Mr. McIntyre were the spokesmen for the profession, and pointed out that it is not protected by legislation, as so many other professions are. In Canada there were civil engineers in every branch of the profession who were the equal of any in the world, and it was felt that when any Government had occasion to engage the services of an engineer there should be a preference given to the Canadian citizen.

The society, Mr. Lewis said, was in the honorable position of having seven hundred out of its membership of three thousand in the King's uniform, and as a whole members were doing their bit in the prosecution of the war. Both speakers impressed upon the Government that the engineers do not ask for any restrictive legislation on the practice of the profession, although trained engineers have to stand the odium of the mistakes and failures of those incompetents who call themselves engineers. They cited cases, however, in which alien engineers had been employed by this and other Provinces and by the Dominion, to the exclusion of native-born.

Premier Brewster thanked the deputation for the offer of the services of the knowledge and advice of the present society, and assured it that it was the desire of the Government to give preference to British Columbians and citizens in all cases.

ESQUIMALT VACANT LOTS MAY BE USED

Bonus and Tax Rebate Might Be Offered to Successful Cultivators

At last evening's meeting of the Esquimalt council a letter from the Hon. Martin Burrell, Minister of Agriculture in the Federal Government, was read, and the result of the discussion which followed was to the effect that the councillors expressed themselves on the question of granting a bonus and tax rebate to successful cultivators of vacant lots in the municipality will reap a reward of not only garden produce but also a bonus and possibly a tax rebate, which would be granted by the corporation. Reeve Coles suggested that the township inaugurate a vacant lot competition, and that if sufficient entries were made to guarantee that the affair would be worth while the council should award to the gardeners who obtain the best results, prizes aggregating about \$50, the sums to run on a scale of \$25, \$15, etc. It was considered that such a plan would at least stimulate interest in the cultivation of the lots of the district.

Several Councillors mentioned that the matter of securing water was a very difficult one, but others said that as dry farming was being practiced in other districts there was no reason why Esquimalt should not follow this example. The decision of the council finally was that the plan was worthy of consideration and that if it could be successfully carried out, particulars and details should be dealt with without delay. Councillors Bridle and Jones will commence their investigations on the matter immediately.

A letter from the Victoria Public Library asking the municipality for a donation for the purchase of books was read. Since Saanich had already decided to give \$500 it was suggested that such a sum would be a suitable amount from Esquimalt.

Councillor Bridle was in favor of giving a grant to the library as it was possible that 700 Esquimalt residents were benefiting by being permitted the use of the institution.

Owing to the fact that only \$1,000 had been set aside in the estimates for donations, Councillor Cave was of the opinion that the sum of \$500 was too large a one to give to the library.


The matter was laid on the table and the library authorities will be notified that the question will be dealt with in the immediate future.

Will Enforce the Law.—The notice of the public is drawn to the fact that to-morrow is the last day for the owners of dogs to pay their tax. Those who are delinquent in this regard will be prosecuted.

Case Remanded.—The case of Wong Jim Yuen, accused of procuring the girl, Georgina McDonald, now under the protection of the W. C. T. U. Home, was again remanded in the police court this morning. The hearing will take place on Thursday.

Parade To-night.—Full attendance of "A" Company of the 88th Regiment, and as many of those in "B" Company who are to take part in the Guard of Honor at the opening of the Provincial Legislature on Thursday, will parade at the Drill Hall at 8 o'clock sharp to-night.

New Coal Mine.—The development of the colliery of the Nanooks Colliery Company at Grant, Nanooks Bay, is progressing so favorably that Manager Grant has started a second shift. The output of the mine at the present time is approaching the 100 ton mark daily and with a second shift working this output will be considerably increased. John John, a well-known mining man of the district, has charge of operations.



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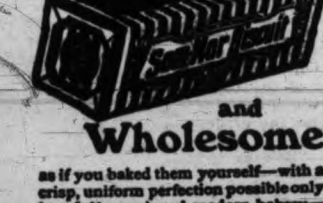
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extracts more laughs in one minute than the rest of the turns put together. His Irish jokes smack of originality and the point is hardly grasped before another is sprung, and so the merriment continues.

break is hard to conjecture, but he appears to have an inexhaustible fund of wit at his command and seems loath to quit the glare of the calcium. His recall is demanded again and again, and if the demand is insistent enough he is inclined to return and make capital out of the succeeding tank act.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender. M. J. Barr, of Vancouver, was in the city yesterday.

W. W. Evans, of Edmonton, is registered at the Empress Hotel. C. W. Shively is at the Metropolis Hotel from Seattle, Wash.

W. P. Olsen, of Prince Rupert, registered at the Dominion Hotel yesterday. H. W. Wright has arrived from Kamloops and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

J. Gordon Barr, of New Bedford, Mass., arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday. Donald Morrison and Miss Morrison, of Winnipeg, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

E. H. Norie is down from Cowichan Station and has registered at the Strathcona Hotel. T. C. Sorby, the Secretary of the Inner Harbor Association, is slowly recovering from a severe attack of

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RED CROSS WORK

High School Students Helping at North Ward and Oak Bay. The men who have gone to fight are giving their lives. Victorians who remain at home can give their time and money to care for the wounded and sick.

The North Ward Branch Red Cross is progressing very favorably with its work, but the assistance of a few more workers would be much appreciated. This evening the committee will entertain the young ladies of the High School who will give their assistance at the rooms.

Amongst yesterday's Nanaimo arrivals at the Dominion Hotel are E. A. Brannner, C. H. Beery, S. G. Hodge, W. H. Pipes, E. G. Vernon, J. Griffiths and S. J. Lee. At St. Paul's Naval and Garrison Church, Esquimalt, the marriage was celebrated yesterday of Miss Euphemia Leitch, of Vancouver, formerly of Victoria, and Arthur George Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Jones, of Esquimalt road.

It is announced that the French Red Cross rooms will be open every afternoon except Saturday. More workers are needed for this society. Revelstoke Boundaries.—A deputa- from Revelstoke is here to-day to ask for legislation to straighten out the boundaries of that city.



WILLIAM S. HART, ENID MARKEY AND ROBERT M'KIM, IN TRIANGLE-KAY BEE PLAY, "THE DEVIL'S DOUBLE" AT THE DOMINION THEATRE TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW

Bluejackets See War Films.—"Fighting with the Allies" and "What London saw on September 3," now showing at the Royal Victoria Theatre for the benefit of the Red Cross, under the auspices of Superlatives Motion Pictures, Limited, delighted about ninety Bluejackets from His Majesty's ships at Esquimalt, who were the guests of the company at the matinee performance this afternoon.

DETENTION HOME IS SUBJECT OF DEBATE

Breezy Annual Meeting of Children's Aid Society Yesterday Afternoon

MRS. SPOFFORD'S POSITION IS FULLY ENDORSED

Committee Appointed to Recommend Officers for Current Year

The annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society was held yesterday afternoon at which the reports of the year's work of the various departments were read. It was decided by the meeting that the reports of the secretary and treasurer be laid on the table until the next meeting in order that the members of the society might have an opportunity of fully considering the contents of each, before they should be voted on for adoption. The reports will be made public after their adoption by the society.

The next matter which came before the gathering was the report of the Children's Aid and Detention Home, which was presented to the meeting by the matron, Mrs. Spofford.

"We are pleased to say that the work has been slightly less than in former years, the number of larger boys admitted being fewer than formerly which probably is due to war conditions. Owing to the change made by the society in the date of closing the books this report covers only a period of eight months and I may say that the monthly average with regard to the number of boys in the home for these eight months has been 18 as against 21.75 for the twelve months previous."

The report then went on to deal with the number of boys that had been admitted and discharged from the care of the home with the individual circumstances that were involved in each case. Attention was drawn to the fact that Dr. G. A. B. Hall had been most attentive to the requirements of the boys. Drs. Keyes, Russell and Lewis Hall had also been kind enough to be of service to the children whenever necessary. Mrs. Spofford also pointed out that eighteen of the boys who had been in the home at any time during their lives were now wearing the King's uniform, either on land or sea.

"During Mr. Spofford's absence I have continued to discharge the duties as superintendent and matron with the aid of a male attendant, but have found considerable difficulty in procuring a man suitable for the work which has increased both the responsibility and the labor."

"In conclusion I would recommend for the consideration of this committee the recommendations contained in the annual report of Mr. Collier, the able probation officer of Vancouver. Mr. Collier suggests a change in Sect. 7 of the Industrial School Act making it possible for the authorities to deal with wayward boys up to sixteen years of age who have drifted into the ways of crime before committing a criminal offence. Another suggestion worthy of note is a change in the Girl's Industrial School Act, whereby an officer of the court may lay information against a girl, the present system allowing the latter will hesitate until the girl commits a criminal offence whereas timely intervention might have saved

her. Magistrate Shaw, Judge of the Juvenile Court in Vancouver, offers as his opinion the suggestion that the age limit for those who come under the influence of the Juvenile Court should be raised from sixteen to eighteen years in view of the difficulty in dealing with these ages. In view of the wide experience of the officers in juvenile work and from our own observation we recommend these suggestions for not only the consideration of but the co-operation of this committee in any effort which may be made to secure these changes."

Following the reading of this report the meeting decided on adopting both it and the recommendations which Mrs. Spofford offered.

At this point Mrs. McPhillips rose and moved that the agreement existing between the city and the society whereby the latter is carrying on the detention home in connection with the Children's Aid home be terminated, and that the organization continue as a purely Children's Aid institution, in view of the fact that a certain ban is placed upon many children who are placed in the home under the Children's Aid Act by being associated with others who are really inmates of a detention home or juvenile prison.

Ex-Alderman Porter, however, was of the opinion that such a change would mean additional expense to the city and should therefore not be adopted at a time when every thought is being directed toward retrenchment, with which statement Alderman Johns expressed himself as being in entire accord. Mrs. Spofford then stated that as a matter of fact there was but very little distinction in many of the cases in question, as wards of the Children's Aid Society were often as delinquent as those sent from the Juvenile Court. It was finally decided to allow the matter to stand over for further discussion.

"Mr. Chairman, I have a recommendation to set before this meeting for its consideration," said Alderman Johns, rising to his feet. "We have got to meet the facts in a straightforward manner. The expenses of running the Home have got to be reduced, and I wish to submit the following for your consideration. I understand that the police woman of the city of Victoria is willing to undertake the work of a probation officer, which position is now held by Mrs. Gordon Grant, the secretary of this society, and to perform the duties that would thus devolve upon her without any increase in salary. She could doubtless undertake Mrs. Grant's other duties and thus save the city \$90 a month. I am also informed that the Rev. Mr. Knott, of this city, would be willing to undertake the work of superintendent and his wife that of matron for the salary of \$50 each per month. This I think would enable the society to retrench to a considerable extent and I submit this statement for your consideration."

At this point the discussion turned to the matter of the salaries which are being paid at present to the officers of the society. It was stated that the male attendant receives \$40, the matron \$60, the assistant matron \$30 and the secretary \$40, besides 15 per cent. of all the board money which she collects from the patients, which amounted to \$247 during the past year. This brought the total sum paid to the secretary for the year's work to \$1,167.

"This, Mr. Chairman, is an excessive sum for an organization such as this to be paying to any secretary," said H. Chapman. "It is indeed time for he secretary to declare the office of secretary vacant and to advertise for applications for the position at a materially reduced salary. In fact the matron and superintendent should do the secretary's work, and therefore I would move that all these offices be declared vacant."

Ex-Alderman Porter: "Such action would be altogether too drastic, we should have more time for consideration than has been afforded."

Mrs. McPhillips: "The motion of Mr. Chapman is out of order, I think, for as this is the end of the year the salary is being paid already. In fact part of to-day's business is to elect officers for the coming year."

The proceedings at this point became of a somewhat heated nature. Quietness again reigned when Mrs. Spofford rose and addressing the chair, said:

"Mr. President, it is my desire to have a direct answer from this meeting as to whether the society considers that the sum of \$85 which I receive monthly for assuming the responsibilities of the offices of superintendent and matron and for the rental of the premises is considered to me, excessive for my own residence at cost of \$800 for material, exclusive of the labor, and permitted the society the entire use of the furnishings with the exception of those of the drawing room for the carrying on of the work. When the number of boys in the Home had increased to almost double the number that we had been asked to provide accommodation for, the society approached the city with a view to getting the corporation to erect their own buildings. The council, however, felt that such action could not be taken at the time. We then asked that a play room be erected, that would afford shelter for the boys in wet weather, as we felt that we could afford no further outlay for the accommodation of the work. Instead of what we asked, the city voluntarily erected a two storey building containing as well as a play room, a dormitory, a bath and apartment for the attendant."

At this point the chairman asked Mrs. Spofford to explain the circumstances relating to the lease of the property. In reply the matron said:

"On the erection of the above mentioned building the city asked for a lease of the ground, on which the structure stood, for a period of one year. Mr. Spofford agreed to give this, but the city took no action. Last year the council appointed three of the aldermen to again go into the matter of the lease, and Alderman Johns, one of the committee, suggested that the lease should be on the entire property, and not on the ground on which the building was erected. Mr. Spofford expressed his willingness to give such a lease provided the terms should be acceptable to him as well as satisfactory

to the city. After the committee reported to the council we heard nothing more with regard to the matter."

Alderman Johns explained at this point that the committee had recommended to the council at the time that a lease on the whole property be drawn up, but the council refused to accept the recommendation of the committee.

In reply to the question of Mr. Chapman with regard to the cost of the buildings erected by the city, Mrs. Spofford replied that the building referred to cost \$1,300, but that the expenses involved in the erection of the school were not known to her.

Dr. Clay, chairman of the meeting, rose at this juncture, and in answer to Mrs. Spofford's request for a direct statement as to whether or not the \$85 which she receives for assuming the responsibilities of superintendent, matron and for the rental of the premises was considered excessive, said:

"I think that the whole of this gathering will be in accord with what I state, that I consider that Mrs. Spofford has been greatly underpaid. She and her husband are out of pocket as a result of their undertaking of the work. Now that the public are aware of the real facts with regard to their service I am confident that they too will be one with us in expressing our appreciation of the work Mr. and Mrs. Spofford have done. The attacks which have been made upon them have been untruthful, as are accusations of mismanagement which have been laid against them during the past weeks."

The sentiments of the chairman were fully endorsed by the meeting, and Mr. Chapman then took the opportunity of making a comparison with regard to the salaries paid to the matron and that paid to the secretary. "Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Spofford is receiving a salary of \$720 a year. For which sum she assumes all the responsibilities and cares of the home, and on the other hand our secretary, Mrs. Grant, last year was paid by the society \$1,167. This I say is not right. The work of the latter office is by no means as trying or arduous as that of matron and superintendent of the home, yet Mrs. Grant is being paid a sum far in advance of that received by Mrs. Spofford. It is time a change was made which could be done for much less."

Mrs. Grant then rose to present her view of the work of the secretary. "When the children's aid work was first started in the city I took the position of secretary and for nine years filled the office without receiving one cent for my services. The field, however, increased so that five years ago I resigned because I could not give all the time that was necessary to do justice to the work, gratuitously. I was then elected to the office of secretary at a salary of \$75 a month. Later I took over the probation work at no increase of salary when Magistrate Jay assumed the duties of Judge of the Juvenile Court. My salary was never increased. Nor am I receiving salaries from three different offices. My entire time is required for the Children's Aid work."

Ex-Alderman Porter: "I am sure some of the offices could be combined so that fewer officials would be employed."

Mr. Chapman: "I move that as all the offices are vacant we advertise for a secretary to be employed at a salary of \$20 a month."

Mrs. Grant: "I made an offer to the society some weeks ago to do the work for that amount but no action was ever taken on the matter so far as I have been informed. If the motion carries I shall certainly not apply for the office."

The resolution was defeated by a majority vote.

At this point of the proceedings a passage at arms occurred, Mrs. McPhillips made a motion that the Children's Aid Society place on record a statement of their appreciation and complete satisfaction with the work of their officers and deplore the unfair and unjust criticism that had been cast upon them.

Mr. Chapman then moved an amendment to the effect that the annual meeting regrets that it feeling has aroused such dissension among the officers of the society that Mr. Chas. Hayward and Mr. Taylor had felt called upon to sever their relations with the organization.

This resolution from Mr. Chapman, however, was the signal for a very heated debate, in which the mover of the amendment, and Mrs. McPhillips were the principal speakers. Mrs. McPhillips: "Mr. Chairman would you kindly ask the person on your right (referring to Mr. Chapman) who has been so rude to me to explain the purport of his amendment."

Mr. Chapman: "Excuse me Mr. Chairman, but it was the lady who contradicted me; my action has I think been perfectly in order."

Mrs. McPhillips: "Your remarks were rude."

The Chairman: "Kindly address the chair Mrs. McPhillips."

Mrs. McPhillips (with a sweeping bow): "Certainly Mr. Chairman."

By the vote which followed the amendment lost and the motion of Mrs. McPhillips carried.

Mrs. Spofford then rose and tendered her and Mr. Spofford's resignation saying: "Mr. Chairman, in order that in its considerations in every way in the reorganization of the work our resignations as superintendent and matron of the home. Personally I feel that I must have two and a half months leave of absence from the work in any event and I therefore deem this the most suitable course for me to pursue."

Mr. Chapman then moved a motion which was carried unanimously that the resignations of Mr. and Mrs. Spofford be not accepted.

A committee consisting of Mrs. McPhillips, Dr. Clay and Father Latourne was then appointed to nominate officers for the coming year and to consider Mrs. Spofford's request for leave of absence, their report to be given in at the next meeting which will be held on Monday next at 4 o'clock

BRILLIANT OFFICER KILLED IN ACTION

Lieut. R. Pryce-Jones Was Formerly in Cadet Corps of University School

A brilliant young officer, in the person of Lieut. R. Pryce-Jones, was killed in action on the western front on the 18th of November last, according to advices received in the city yesterday afternoon. The deceased officer was the son of Lieut.-Col. A. W. and Mrs. Pryce-Jones, of Calgary, and a grandson of Sir Pryce Pryce-Jones, of Newton, Montgomeryshire, Wales. Before coming to Calgary with his people he was educated in Wales and afterwards at the University School at Mount Tolmie. He was an active member of the Cadet Corps connected with the University School, and there secured his sergeant's stripes. Immediately he had arrived at the age of 18 he joined the 103rd Calgary Rifles with the rank of lieutenant, and in the month following transferred with the same rank to the 50th Battalion, C. E. F., which was raised in Calgary for active service.

During his stay with the battalion in England he attended one or two of the military schools, and in all subjects demonstrated his efficiency. At the Hythe school of musketry he obtained his certificate with "distinction" in the Lewis Machine gun course, and was subsequently appointed instructor in musketry for the battalion, in which capacity he acted for several months. At the time of his death in action he was acting junior captain of his company.

LADIES' BATTALION IS NOT IMPOSSIBLE

Captain Burnham Places Scheme Before Authorities; Intending Recruits Here

The ladies of Victoria have always excelled and always will excel in good works. From the knitting of socks and the monotonous duty of standing on street corners with a collecting box for this or that deserving cause, is, however, a far cry to shouldering the duties of Thomas Atkins at the actual theatre of war. This is what a number of Victoria ladies are fully intent on doing. There is indeed some likelihood of "Private Mary Jones" taking her place in a battalion of the fair sex.

Undertakes Light Duties.

From suggestions made to him and from his personal and accurate knowledge of the nature of the duties at the back of the battle lines in France, far enough to the rear to render the area comparatively safe, save for the occasional visit of an enemy aeroplane, Capt. Burnham has made a definite recommendation to the military authorities relative to the utilization of the services of women in France. His scheme briefly is to raise a battalion of young women to go to France for the purpose of undertaking the light duties of military routine of active service conditions, and thus release men who are capable of carrying out the more arduous and useful tasks nearer to the danger zone or actually in the trenches themselves.

Many Applications.

Capt. Burnham, who is at Peterboro, Ont., with the 52d Battalion, is of the opinion that if his scheme secures the recognition of and authorization by the military authorities both at Ottawa and London, that a great deal of good can be accomplished by its adoption. It would also bring every-eligible into line so quickly that the recruiting staffs would have their work cut out to handle the rush. The project, although as yet merely in embryo, is attracting wide attention throughout the Dominion, and the sponsor of the movement is being literally inundated with applications for enrolment, so much so that in the event of the official permit being forthcoming full battalion strength could soon be assured.

Victoria Volunteers.

In keeping with the spirit of the manhood of B. C. the following young ladies of Victoria have forwarded their applications to Capt. Burnham: Misses May Simpson, Zella Thompson, Lilla Robertson, M. Donald, Mrs. W. Gladstone, Misses Rietta Robertson, Jeannie Cameron, Berta Robertson, Jeannie Berwick and Mrs. W. Hall.

There are a number of other young ladies who have also signified their intention to join the battalion in the event of its formation.

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WINS THE D. C. M.

Young Draughtsman From Vernon Wins Distinction While Fighting on the Western Front.

Leaving for England at his own expense as soon as war broke out, Herbert Sunnuck, immediately he reached the other side, joined the London Rifle Brigade as a private and soon afterwards won his sergeant's stripes. News received by friends in the city records the fact that he has just been decorated with the Distinguished Conduct Medal for gallant service on the field in one of the recent engagements on the western front. Sgt. Sunnuck spent two years in Victoria prior to going to Vernon where he was employed by H. J. Birnie, C. E., in the capacity of a draughtsman.

FLIERS LEAVE TONIGHT

Eight Victorians Accepted for the Royal Flying Corps Commence Their Journey To-night.

As stated in Saturday's issue of the Times eight more aviators would leave early this week for Toronto, en route for England to commence their active service training in the Royal Flying Corps. The fliers are Corporal Lionel Punnett, Lieutenant James Gray, Richard Thornley Hall, H. A. Tuckwell, Leonard Francis, B. H. Chamberlain, Arthur Miller and D. C. McIntyre. Both Corporal Punnett and Mr. Chamberlain have already seen overseas service with the Canadian Forces in France and have both been wounded. These men will leave on the midnight Post-to-night and proceed eastwards by the morning train from Vancouver for Toronto, where they will report to Colonel Hoare and join the balance of the party already stationed at the depot awaiting final instructions to proceed overseas.

GIVEN A COMMISSION

Private in the Original Draft of the 50th Highlanders Now Officer in Imperial Army.

Leaving Victoria with the original overseas draft of the 50th Gordon Highlanders in the first month of the war, Private William Body went through all the terrific encounters on the western front in which the old 18th Battalion took part, and it was in the spring of 1915 that he received his first wound. According to advices received in the city yesterday afternoon he has now been given a commission in the Imperial Army. Prior to responding to the call for recruits he was in the employ of the Bank of British North America engaged as a clerk.

AWARDED MILITARY CROSS

Up-Country Rancher Recently Decorated for Conspicuous Gallantry at the Front.

For a number of years ranching in the Douglas Lake and Nicola Valley country Lieutenant Robert Moir closed up his affairs and left for duty overseas about eighteen months ago, with the object of taking out a commission in one of the Scottish Regiments. After taking his officers' training course in the Old Country he became attached to the Scottish Light Infantry. The latest advices received by relatives here indicate that he has been awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry at the front.

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DAYLIGHT SAVING PLAN IS PROPOSED

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The subject is naturally one greatly commended by out-door enthusiasts, sportsmen, gardeners, cultivators, etc., and having that inclination in mind, Mayor Todd brought the subject up at the meeting this morning called to consider the cultivation of vacant lots, and it was enthusiastically endorsed.

It is proposed to forward the resolution to the councils of the city and neighboring municipalities for endorsement, and to forward a copy to the members of the executive council, and to the city representatives.

The resolution under discussion, after setting out the desirability of stimulating production this year, and the encouragement to cultivate after the closing hours of the ordinary avocations, sets out:

"Be it resolved that the Government of the Province of British Columbia be requested forthwith to enact legislation to the effect that at the hour of midnight on the evening of Wednesday, March 14, all clocks be placed forward one hour throughout British Columbia and so remain until Saturday, at 1 a.m. on Sept. 15, when all clocks shall be placed back one hour; that in the opinion of this committee such action upon the part of the Government of the Province of British Columbia would tend greatly to largely increase the possible production of food stuffs, not only on the vacant areas in and adjacent to the cities, but also throughout the farm districts of the Province itself."

Mr. Walters mentioned that the Aspen Grove and Aberdeen camps, and the Peacock group are all doing well among copper claims.

The riding also includes a valuable ranching country, and from the Douglas Lake district a large quantity of stock has been shipped in the last 12 months. Mining development, he points out, creates a market for the farmers, and the building up of population in the district will find a local market for the produce of the valley.

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People of Nicola Valley Are Hopeful of New Industry Says Jos. Walters, M.P.P.

The future of the coal industry in the Nicola Valley, according to Joseph Walters, M.P.P., who arrived in the city yesterday for the session, appears to be bound up largely with the distillation of coal for coking purposes, and for its valuable by-products. An expert, he told the Times, has reported very favorably on its value for oils, based on information, and close corresponding analysis to a similar fuel used at Sheffield, England, for distillation.

The crude oil, the content of which is very high, after distillation is fractionated into motor spirit, and other oils for industrial purposes. It is estimated that a plant to treat 200 tons of coal per day would cost \$150,000, and from a development standpoint the member is urged to secure some guarantee for a plant to make a commercial demonstration. The percentage shown on the analyses are undoubtedly high.

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LOCAL NEWS

Have You Seen the seven-jeweled wrist-watches, with unbreakable fronts, sold for \$5.00 each, by F. L. Haynes, 1124 Government street? They're unequalled.
Deputation of women.—A deputation of women, headed by Mrs. J. H. MacGill, Vancouver, is waiting upon the Premier this afternoon.

British Mail Arrives.—A British mail which left London on February 7 arrived in the city this morning. It consisted of 11 bags of letters and 19 bags of papers.

Public Market.—Wednesday's mid-week market should witness a full attendance of stallholders with fair lines of all seasonable produce. Fresh local vegetables, fruit, poultry, eggs, meats, fish, flowers, plants, home-made confectionery.

Building Permit.—A building permit has been issued to Lemon, Gonnason & Co., Ltd., for the new warehouse to be erected near the present mill, in accordance with an application recently made for a variation of the rule in the fire limits.

Judgment Reserved.—Mr. Justice Gregory reserved judgment this morning on an action for ejectment on a mortgage brought by Rosanna Gill, Albert E. Todd and John Hobden Gill, against William G. Tim, known as Tom Kee, R. T. Elliot, K. C. appeared for the defendant and G. H. Meredith, with F. C. Stacpool as counsel, for the plaintiffs.

Oak Bay Council.—The principal business before yesterday's meeting of the Oak Bay Council was the passing through its third reading of the annual loan by-law empowering the council to arrange through its bankers for the sum of \$100,000 in anticipation of the year's revenue, for the carrying on of the year's business for 1917. The council also agreed to the granting of a lease of the municipalities boathouse and appurtenances on Oak Bay. Messrs. Hamilton and Brown are the parties named in the new lease; they are the operators of the Causeway boathouse in the city.

Utilization of Reserve.—Ex-Mayor Morley, who always stood out strongly in the Council against the McBride settlement of the reserve question on the ground that it was too friendly to the railway companies, now comes forward with a suggestion to the City Council to seize the opportunity to re-open the negotiations with the present Government, so that the reserve may be managed as a City, or Government and City concern for terminal port and railway facilities. "A wide open port, and union terminal is the key for all time," he says. The subject has been sent to the Johnson Street Bridge Committee for report.

Salvation Army.—Commissioner Souton, the chief of the Salvation Army for Canada, is paying a visit to Victoria on Saturday. The commissioner will be accompanied by Mrs. Souton and Brigadier McLean, who is in charge of the work of the army in British Columbia. Since assuming command of the army two years ago there has been decided advances made, and in spite of the fact that many of the rank and file have enlisted, the prospects for the future are very bright. Whilst in the city the commissioner will inspect the local work and will also make special business calls. There will also be meetings of a private and public character in the Citadel on Broad Street.

New Headquarters.—The Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E. headquarters have removed from 723 Fort Street, to 35 Arcade Buildings, just over Spencer's new store, and very kindly lent by David Spencer. There are three rooms, the entrance being by the stairway from Broad Street, opposite Spencer's store. This will be the headquarters for the tag-day in aid of the Field Comforts Department wool fund which is being held on Friday. The Field Comforts Department headquarters, and Mrs. Morley will carry on her newspaper collection there and will be glad to receive any papers. Everyone is asked to support the tag-day as liberally as possible, as the increased cost of wool has made the need for funds all the more urgent if socks and knitted comforts are to be sent in the quantity necessary to keep the soldiers' feet dry.

Bureau of Information.—The report of the bureau of provincial information upon the work of the year 1916, which has been made to the Minister of Finance, under whose oversight it comes, shows that in the twelve months there were distributed 62,810 pieces of literature by mail, besides 5,682 pieces distributed to callenders at the offices. In addition to literature sent out there were 1,712 letters written in answer to requests for information. Photographs and literature have been sent to colleges, libraries and lecturers in Canada, the United Kingdom, the United States and India. The secretary, Ernest McGaffey, has personally interviewed many prominent men from various countries, and has written a number of articles in magazines. Three members of the office staff are on active service. The total immigration to the province for the year ending March 31, 1916, is given as 2,936, showing that the war has affected this as so many other things.

TO CONTRACTORS
Tenders for addition to Nurses' Home at the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital will be received up to 5 p. m. on Thursday, the 27th March, at the office of the undersigned, where drawings and specifications may be seen. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
J. C. M. KEITH,
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COUNCIL OF WOMEN IN OPENING SESSION

Address of Welcome Delivered by Miss Crease; Many Delegates Attending

The third provincial conference of the Local Council of Women of British Columbia, in affiliation with the National Council of Women of Canada, convened this-morning at the Y. W. C. A. for a two days' session. Mrs. C. A. Welsh, provincial vice-president, occupied the chair, and other delegates registered were: Mrs. W. H. Griffin, president of the Vancouver Local Council; Mrs. J. Forrester, president of the New Westminster council; Miss Crease, president of Victoria council; Mesdames J. Perry, W. A. Clark, S. D. Scott, J. J. Banfield, J. H. MacGill, Hugh Wilson, R. P. Pettipiece, W. McKenna, A. W. Scott, N. E. Noble, S. E. Rogers, Thos. Harold, N. J. R. Macken, all Vancouver delegates; Mesdames T. A. Barnard, G. Adams, Cave-Brown-Cave, Patchell, J. Gilley, all New Westminster delegates; Mrs. Peter McNaughton, Gordon Head; Mrs. George W. Beattie, president of the American Women's Club; Mrs. H. Campbell, Vancouver Graduate Nurses' Association; Mrs. J. W. Weart, V. O. N., Vancouver, and the following Victoria Local Council delegates: Mesdames F. H. Burns, G. T. Dabell, J. Collison, R. S. Day, J. C. Hanington, J. D. Gordon, W. Grant, Graves and Coleman, and Miss E. Dill.

The six Vernon delegates allowed by the constitution are being represented by Mrs. Day.

Mrs. Ljewellyn was elected conference secretary early in the proceedings.

Miss Crease, president of the Victoria Local Council of Women, read the address of welcome to the delegates from other parts of the Province, expressing on behalf of the Victoria council how glad they were to welcome the conference to Victoria. This was the third time the Local Councils of the Coast had met together for the purpose of discussing some of the problems of the day. As a notably wise man had said: "In the multitude of counsellors there is safety." The Local Councils of the Province had tackled the great question of gaining consideration for the Chamber of Commerce bill, which, though not yet passed, has been a long time in the making. Mrs. Crease's address was a notable one, and she was well received by the delegates.

Both as a Liberal and as a native of New Brunswick, Hon. Mr. Brewster is greatly interested in the Provincial general election which has just taken place down there.

Many of the candidates who were in the fight are personally known to him and the Liberal leaders he is well acquainted with. Mr. W. E. Foster, St. John's, was called upon to lead the Liberal forces in what proved to be a winning fight. Premier Brewster, last night sent the following message: "Congratulations on splendid achievement of Liberal party in your Province. Regret very much your name is not included among victorious candidates. I look with confidence for better conditions in my native Province under progressive Liberal administration."

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Waters is in the naval service at Salonia and the goods had been taken to his absence. Mrs. Waters, who brings the action, claimed that the effects belonged to her, on the ground that he turned over to her husband a small legacy wherewith to buy the furniture, which, under the circumstances, she considered was her property. The cheques issued in payment for the said effects were signed by her husband as if the account were his. On the grounds that Mrs. Waters was unable to establish any tangible evidence of ownership, save in the case of personal gifts from her mother, His Lordship was obliged, on a point of law, to give judgment in favor of the defendant, each side to pay its own costs.

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Sergeant and Private Arrived This Afternoon on Vancouver Ferry Steamer.
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FROM FIGHTING FAMILY
J. A. Miller, One of the Candidates for the R. F. C., Leaves With Party This Evening.
One of the eight aviators who is going east to-night to Toronto and thence to England to commence training for the Royal Flying Corps is James Arthur Miller. Mr. Miller comes from a fighting stock, whose ancestry includes Major Naemnyth, who went through the Crimea, and a grandfather who was the Surgeon-General of the forces at Bombay, at the time of his death retired. Major John Patrick Miller, retired, is also an uncle of the young aviator. Mr. Miller was born twenty-two years ago in Honolulu and received part of his education in California and the latter part at the High School here. He took part in the first motor cycle

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Prior to his acceptance of the Royal Flying Corps he was working in the mechanical department of the Wood Motor Company. He is also a practical electrician.

GALLERY ADMISSION WILL BE BY TICKET

Public Will Have to Secure Cards of Admission During the Session.

The policing of the Parliament Building grounds goes into effect tomorrow, and will be carried on throughout the session. The arrangements are under the supervision of Supt. Campbell, of the Provincial Police.

There will be a dozen men engaged, and they will do duty in three shifts of eight hours each. All the men are returned soldiers. Inside the building the usual patrol will be observed as it is kept up all the time. For some time past visitors have not been admitted as freely to the buildings as has been customary, and the door has been kept closed, those desiring admittance having to ring.

During the session admission to the public galleries will be by ticket only. For the opening ceremonies on Thursday afternoon tickets may be obtained from the Sergeant-at-Arms at his office in the legislative wing. These can be had between ten o'clock and noon to-morrow (Wednesday). All applicants must be known to the Sergeant-at-Arms or be vouched for.

For admission to the floor of the chamber the usual number of invitations have been issued, and as it is the first session of a new parliament it is certain that the attendance will be large.

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RATE OF TAXATION MUST BE INCREASED

Absolutely Necessary to Augment revenue to Make Ends Meet

HEAVY OBLIGATIONS LATE MINISTRY UNDERTOOK SERIOUS HANDICAP ON PROVINCE

One of the many problems which the Brewster administration has to solve is the adjustment of revenue and expenditure. This is a matter which did not worry recent administrations at all, but the day of extravagant spending, lavish borrowings and wild guarantees has passed, and the successors of the unbusinesslike administrations responsible for the financial condition of British Columbia have fallen heir to the thankless task of rehabilitating the credit of the province.

It was an easy thing to spend money by the millions of dollars when no one cared how large the deficit between the income and expenditures became. Even when the war, and the period of depression which began before, came upon the country it found this province with an administration which sought not most changed conditions and which proved incapable in its financing as in everything else.

For the current year, which ends on the last day of next month, the late Government brought down estimates last session which called for the expenditure of just twice as much money as trained officials of the Government estimated would be got in by way of revenue under all heads.

Since the advent of the new Government there has been some small saving possible, but it is certain there will be a large deficit on the year's operations. For the year before that, the public accounts for which will be laid upon the table of the House on Thursday afternoon, it will be shown that there is a deficit of many millions.

Borrowing cannot go on forever, and it is, besides, the very worst and most unbusinesslike method of financing that either individual, corporation or Government can adopt to meet current demands. The interest and sinking fund charges which the province has to meet now require about one-third of the estimated revenue, and if the Government were to borrow the eight millions which is still authorized by the ten-million-dollar loan Act of last session the charges against the revenue on this account alone would eat up one-half of it.

It is only one phase of the case. The railway obligations which the Province was saddled with by the McBride Government are beginning to press home. In the last twelve months there have been over one million dollars paid out on account of the Pacific coast Eastern Railway. A suspicion is rife in the public mind that it will not be long before the obligations undertaken on behalf of the Mackenzie-Mann system of piracy will materialize in a demand on the Provincial treasury.

As was suggested in these columns a few days ago, Sir William Mackenzie came out here to look for increased guarantees. In Winnipeg on Saturday he stated that this is what he was after; more money on the uncompleted sections of the line. There is a general idea that while he here to ask for further guarantees he did it with the threat of defaulting on the interest as a lever.

The shipping bonus is another thing that will have to be reckoned with, as soon as the war is over. That involves over three million dollars.

How to extricate the Province from its financial predicament and make revenue and expenditure meet is the problem which the Executive Council has been worrying over for several sittings. The matter simply amounts to this, that to meet the obligations of the Province and to carry on its business, even on the most economical basis, a larger revenue than has been coming in must be got somehow.

The sources and the methods by which the incidence of taxation shall be made to fall equitably on all and without hardship on any, have been considered and debated very carefully in Council. The matter is still under consideration, and what the results are will not be known until the Minister of Finance makes his budget speech.

The people of British Columbia, whose servants and trustees the ministry are, have to pay now for the want of foresight of former years. They have to get down to business principles. Having been extravagant in the past, the time has come when they must realize their financial position. It is a well-known commercial principle, which applies equally to the Government, that the revenue may be increased and expenditure do not balance one must not only cut down overhead expenses to the degree that will not impair efficiency but the revenue must be increased to such an extent as can be done without imposing impossible burdens upon the people. Then, after prosperity returns, it will be in order to readjust both to meet the new conditions as they arise from time to time.

A number of suggestions have been made to the Government as to methods by which the revenue may be increased and new sources of income which might be tapped. The Government has also before it the system of other provinces, and these are all being considered, together with the plans which the mem-

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bers of the Executive themselves have to suggest. It is certain that efforts will be made to get the income tax paid regularly and to secure the large amount of arrears which are outstanding. There is nothing else animating a large section of the community in this regard. Men who would soon to let an account run over date think nothing of ignoring the bill for their income tax. It is not unlikely that the rate of taxation on the larger incomes will be increased. There will be a revision of the taxation on automobiles beyond a doubt. One of the matters which is before the Government is that of a tax on theatre tickets, a method of taxation which has been introduced in Quebec and other provinces. Consideration is being given to the rate of taxation on real and personal property, wild lands, coal lands, corporations, railways, and other sources from which a considerable proportion of income now comes. Whatever the decision of the Ministry may be, the one thing that stands out clearly, as has already been stated, is that there must be a larger revenue found somehow. By what means it will be raised will be seen when the budget speech is made.

ASK GOVERNMENT TO CONTRACT FOR CROP

Vacant Lot Committee Organizes, and Makes Suggestions for Conduct of Work

The Vacant Lot Committee settled down to work energetically this morning under Mayor Todd's chairmanship. Its session was conducted with businesslike brevity, and in marked contrast to many gatherings of this character in the city.

Several resolutions were introduced, and passed, and committees appointed which are to report to the general committee to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

It was not found feasible to reach a settlement on two points, those of exemption from water rates, and of a rate of five per cent. additional for late payment of taxes.

On the question of fencing, the following resolution was adopted: "Whereas one of the great deterrents to the cultivation of vacant lots is the fact that a majority of such vacant lots are unfenced; and whereas in the outskirts of the city more or less cattle are permitted to stray, and throughout the city dogs are permitted to roam, and elsewhere those owning poultry do not keep them within properly fenced areas; and whereas in the opinion of this committee it should not be necessary for the cultivator of vacant lots within the city limits to be obliged to fence same in, in order to keep off stray animals nor trespassers; and whereas throughout eastern Canada and also in the United States there are very few fences in the cities owing to the strict administration of the pound and trespass laws; be it resolved, that the City Council be requested to strictly enforce and administer the laws having to do with stray animals, and also those in connection with trespass in order that the cultivation of vacant areas may be safely undertaken without the necessity of the cultivator going to the needless and wasteful expenditure of fencing."

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On the water question a committee composed of Alderman Sargent, Messrs. Purdy and Bagshawe were appointed, and on plowing and manuring of lots Alderman Dilworth, Messrs. Allison and MacEachran.

Two resolutions adopted were: one relating to the water question and another relating to the manuring of lots.

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SENATE COMMITTEE AGREES ON A BILL

Power for Wilson to Arm Ships and Use Other Means

GUNNERS FOR WEAPONS SUPPLIED TO VESSELS

Washington, Feb. 27.—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee late today agreed upon a bill to give the President authority to supply merchant ships with arms and gunners and to use other means necessary to handle developments in the German submarine situation.

The bill as framed by the committee follows the precedent of 1819, empowering commanders of merchant vessels to arm for their own defence and not, as the President to supply the means for arming vessels fore and aft for defensive purposes.

The Senate bill empowers the President to use "other instrumentalities," as he is asked.

Negro Perished. Washington, Feb. 27.—Late this afternoon Consul Frost, at Queenstown, Cabot that Thomas Coffey, an American negro, of Baltimore, was among those who lost their lives when the Laconia was sunk.

Officials thought this probably was the negro seaman referred to in London news dispatches as Thomas Casey. The consul's dispatch added to the list of survivors Robert Gillis, of Brooklyn.

It seems right that the cream-colored horses should be kept away from state functions just now, for they are of purely German origin. When Napoleon I. entered Hanover he seized the stud of cream-colored horses which served to supply the Royal stables over here. At his coronation the following year his state coach was drawn by eight "chevaux au lait," as the Parisians called them. This so irritated George III. that until 1815 the state coach was drawn by black horses at the opening and proroguing of Parliament.—London Chronicle.

HIS VERSION



THE KAISERHUND—I didn't bite him! The obstinate creature would persist in running up against my teeth!

BRYAN AFRAID CONGRESS WILL GIVE TOO MUCH

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 27.—After reading President Wilson's address to Congress, W. J. Bryan cancelled five speaking engagements in Florida and has since been in communication by telegraph with congressional friends in Washington.

"Whatever power is conferred upon the President," said Mr. Bryan, "should be so limited, I think, as not to constitute a surrender of the power of Congress."

NO VITAL CHANGE, SAYS MR. WILSON

Wants Resolution Passed in Form He Proposed; a Report by Frost

Washington, Feb. 27.—After to-day's cabinet meeting it became known that the administration will oppose any vital change in the proposed legislation to authorize President Wilson to protect American lives and rights.

Frost Reports. London, Feb. 27.—Wesley Frost, the American Consul at Queenstown, has sent to the American Embassy here the following report regarding the sinking of the Laconia:

"The Laconia was torpedoed without warning at 10.30 p.m. in a heavy sea while the ship was making 17 knots. The first torpedo struck on the starboard side of the engine room. The engines were stopped and the ship turned, listing to starboard. Most of the boats were launched from the starboard side. Twenty minutes later, after most of the boats were clear, a second torpedo was fired, striking the engines on the port side. The ship sank 45 minutes after the first torpedo hit."

"The ship was armed with two 4.7-inch guns. The ship's wireless was kept in continual action until the last minute. Sky rockets also were sent up and all the lifeboats were equipped with an ample supply of flares. The cargo consisted of cotton and foodstuffs."

Offered No Aid. "The submarine was not seen from the Laconia, but after the second torpedo had been fired and the boats launched a submarine appeared on the surface, came alongside the boat containing the second officer and asked for the captain."

Had to Scatter. "The boats, after leaving the Laconia, had to scatter rather widely in order to avoid danger of collision in the 12-foot swells which were running. Flares were kept alight by most of the boats during the five hours of anxious waiting for the patrol boat to arrive. The patrol vessel began picking up the boats at 4 o'clock in the morning, but had not finished until after daybreak."

BRITISH VESSELS TO AND FROM NEW YORK. New York, Feb. 27.—The Portuguese Prince, a British freighter, arrived here to-day from Brest. The British freighter Luciline sailed to-day for Havre.

PENSION OFFICE BEING OPENED IN VANCOUVER. Vancouver, Feb. 27.—Major E. L. Buchanan, Chief Inspector of the Pensions Board of Canada, is in the city to-day. The object of his mission to the coast is to open an office for British Columbia in this city for the purpose of making preliminary arrangements for the payment of the pensions to disabled soldiers.

METAL MARKET. New York, Feb. 27.—Lead firm, 80.75; Spelter 40.10; spot East St. Louis delivery, 10. At London lead 23.10; spelter, 27. Copper firm; electrolytic, spot and near-by nominal; second-quarter, 25.00; third-quarter, 24.00. Iron steady and unchanged. Tin firm; spot, 25.00; futures, 25.00.

BETHMANN-HOLLWEG DELIVERS SPEECH

Mentions "Reparation and Guarantees" in Addressing the Reichstag To-day

Berlin, Feb. 27.—Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's address to the Reichstag, postponed from last week, was delivered to-day. The Chancellor said:

"While our soldiers at the front stand in the dreariness of the trenches and our submarines, defying death, hasten through the sea; while we at home have no other—absolutely no other—task but to produce cannon, ammunition and food and distribute victuals in the midst of this struggle for life and for the future of our empire, intensified to the extreme, there is only one necessity of the day which dominates all questions of policy both foreign and domestic—to fight and gain victory."

The Chancellor pointed out that the German nation, in the Reichstag's last vote granting new war credits, had demonstrated to the whole world its readiness to continue the struggle until its enemies were ready for peace.

As to this peace itself, the Chancellor recalled the discussions in the Reichstag. He declared that it would be premature if he were to participate in these debates. He continued:

"To make promises of formulated and detailed conditions in my position would be unproductive and precarious. The hostile leaders did this repeatedly! They gave extravagant assurances to each other, but they merely brought about by this that they themselves and their nations were always more deeply involved in the war."

"Their example does not tempt me. What I could say about the tendency and aim of our conditions I have said repeatedly. "Reparation and Guarantees."

"To terminate the war by a lasting peace which will grant us reparation for all wrongs suffered and guarantee the existence and future of a strong Germany—that is our aim—nothing less and nothing more."

After dealing with the problem of domestic policy, the Chancellor briefly recalled his last speech in the Reichstag, in which he announced that an appeal had been transmitted by Germany and her allies to their enemies to enter into peace negotiations. He continued:

"Their answer was more rude and presumptuous than any sensible person in our country or in neutral countries could have imagined. The effect produced by their document of barbarian hatred and insolence is manifold. No vessel of our allies and our front stand the firmer and the German nation is more united and no less resolute than ever."

The Chancellor then turned to the establishment of barred zones around England, France and Italy and to the answers from neutrals to the communication made by the Central Powers. He said:

"We by no means under-estimate the difficulties caused to neutral shipping, and we therefore try to alleviate them as much as possible. For this purpose we made an attempt to supply raw materials, such as coal and iron, needed by them to neutral states within the boundaries of our sea forces. But we also know that all these difficulties, after all, are caused only by England's tyranny of the seas. We will and shall break this enslavement of all non-English trade. We meet half-way all wishes of neutrals that can be complied with. But in the endeavor to do so we never can go beyond the limits imposed upon us by the irrevocable obligation to reach the aim of the establishment of the barred zones."

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"One step further than taken by European neutrals has been made—as is known by the United States of America. President Wilson, after receiving our note on Jan. 31 brusquely broke off relations with us. No authentic communication about the reasons which were given for his step reached me. The former United States Ambassador here in Berlin communicated only in spoken words to the state secretary of the Foreign Office of the breaking off of relations and asked for his passports. This form of breaking off of relations between great nations living in peace is without precedent in history."

"All official documents being lacking, I am forced to rely upon doubtful sources—that is upon the outer (Reuters) office's version of the contents of the message sent by President Wilson on Feb. 3 to Congress. In this version the President is reported to have said that our note of Jan. 31, suddenly and without previously indicated intent, withdrew the solemn promises made in the note of May, 1916, to the United States Government. Therefore, no choice compatible with dignity and honor of the United States was left other than that which had been announced in the note of April 29."

MAKING PLANS FOR CHANNEL TUNNEL

Statements by Chairman of Committee of British House of Commons

London, Feb. 27.—At a dinner of the economic circle of the National Liberal Club, Arthur Fell, M. P., chairman of the committee of the House of Commons dealing with the Channel Tunnel scheme, said that if the committee should report favorably on the tunnel scheme the Government would support it. The matter then would be carried through quickly, in order that they might be able to commence the plans after the war is ended.

Estimates placed the work of five years and the cost of £190,000,000, half of which amount would be found by the British Government and half by France. If, as estimated, five per cent. of the 2,000,000 passengers between this country and France annually patronized the tunnel, the fares, mails and goods conveyed would produce £1,555,000 per annum, and the outgoings would be £120,000.

It is claimed a Channel tunnel would prove an exceedingly profitable commercial undertaking.

MORE VESSELS SUNK BY ENEMY SUBMARINES

British Steamship Aries; Small British Steamer Seagull; Other Craft

London, Feb. 27.—The British steamship Aries, of 3,072 tons gross, has been sunk by a German submarine, Lloyd's shipping agency announced to-day. The crew was landed.

The sinking of the British steamship Seagull, of 144 tons, also was announced by the agency. The Seagull's crew likewise was landed.

A Queenstown dispatch last night reported the sinking of the steamship Aries. No vessel of that name is listed, and it was thought the British steamship Eros, of 1,834 tons, might be meant. To-day's announcement of the sinking of the Aries warrants the conclusion that the Queenstown report referred to her. The Aries was last reported arriving at Marseilles on January 21 from Barry.

London, Feb. 27.—The British steamship Dorothy, of 3,806 tons gross, and the British steamship Algiers, 2,361 tons gross, have been sunk.

Paris, Feb. 27.—Announcement of the sinking of the following vessels has been made: On February 25-26, Dutch sailing ship Maria Adriana, 88 tons; Norwegian steamship Ygda, 1,844 tons, and French sailing ship Kieber, 277 tons.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Table of Montreal Stock Market prices including various commodities and stocks like Amalgamated, Bell Telephone, and others.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Table of Chicago Grain Market prices for wheat, corn, and other grains.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

GENERAL DECLINE ON TO-DAY'S TRADING OF THE WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, Feb. 27.—Wheat closed 5c better for May, 16c up for July and 1c better for October. Oats gained 5c. Flax was down 1c for May and 1c for July. Barley unchanged. The quiet opening trade was continued during the day and the market was never able to get out of the rut. The holiday in Chicago and the hesitancy of the trade to act greatly curtailed the business. The little pit business failed to keep the crowd busy. In the last minutes a little evening-up in case of action by the United States Government caused prices to take a little jump up.

Table of Winnipeg market prices for wheat, oats, flax, and barley.

VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of Victoria Stock Exchange prices for various stocks like Blackbird Syndicate, Canada Copper, etc.

NEW YORK CURB PRICES

Table of New York Curb Prices for various commodities like Aris, Copperfields, etc.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Table of New York Cotton Market prices for various cotton grades.

NEW YORK SUGAR

Table of New York Sugar prices for various sugar grades.

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Arrivals and Departures

Table with columns for ship names, destinations, and arrival/departure times. Includes sections for Coastwise Services, Canada Maru Reports, and Royal Commission.

LINER SADO MARU DUE FROM ORIENT

N. Y. K. Ship Will Make Port on Wednesday Night; Ixion Coming On

Among the first of the inbound liners to reach port from the Orient will be the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Sado Maru, which has reported by wireless that she expects to make the quarantine station to-morrow evening.

The aggregate silk shipments on the three inbound N. Y. K. liners, the Sado, Awa and Inaba, are valued at \$5,000,000.

The British liner Ixion, Capt. William Black, of the Blue Funnel Line, is also due from the Far East and is expected to show up within the next 48 hours.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE Seattle, Feb. 26.—Arrived: Str F. S. Loop, San Francisco; str John Poulson, San Francisco; str City of Seattle, Southeastern Alaska; str Baja California, Tacoma.

Sailed: Str Queen, San Pedro, via San Francisco; str Admiral Dewey, Tacoma; str Johan Poulson, Everett. Raymond, Feb. 26.—Sailed: Str Charles Christenson, for San Pedro. Port Ludlow, Feb. 26.—Arrived: Ege Washougal, from San Francisco, in tow tug Gollah.

Port Gamble, Feb. 26.—Arrived: Str Providencia, from Santa Rosalia. Mukilteo, for San Francisco, via Port Angeles. Port Blakely, Feb. 26.—Sailed: Schr Salvator, for Kona, towing Tacoma, Feb. 26.—Arrived: Str Queen, from Seattle. Everett, Feb. 26.—Arrived: Str Johan Poulson, from Seattle. Eagle Harbor, Feb. 26.—Sailed: Str Thomas L. Ward, for San Pedro. Port San Luis, Feb. 26.—Arrived: Str W. S. Porter, at 7 a.m. Portland, Ore., Feb. 26.—Arrived: Str Beaver, from San Francisco; motor str Sierre, from San Pedro. Sailed: Str La Primera, for San Francisco. San Francisco, Feb. 26.—Arrived: Str Quinsault, from Los Angeles; Sailed: Str Cello, for Astoria; str F. A. Kilburn, for Portland; str President, for San Pedro.

APPROVE PLAN SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CHANGES

Some days ago it was mentioned in these columns that the Marine Agent at this port had asked for some modifications of the building by-law in order to erect a carbide and oil storehouse on the western side of the Dominion Government property on the reserve.

QUAYTEGAS TO SHIFT. The Chilean barque Quaytegas, Capt. Raumbit, is expected to shift from her berth in the Inner Harbor to the Outer Docks on Thursday to discharge the remainder of her nitrate cargo.

WILL MAKE PORT TO-MORROW



N. Y. K. LINER SADO MARU

UNABLE TO FACE HEAVY BREAKERS

Governor Poked Her Nose Through Golden Gate but That Was Enough

"We poked her nose outside the Gate and had a look at it and lost no time in getting back to shelter," said Capt. George Zeh, master of the Pacific Steamship Company's liner Governor, in speaking of the 50-mile gale which raged during the week-end off the California coast.

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ASKS CITY TO JOIN IN UNITED PROTEST

Nanaimo Bodies Appeal to Victoria to Aid Gulf Islands Residents

Residents of the Gulf Islands are naturally apprehensive of the threatened withdrawal of the steamship service, on account of the inadequacy of the subsidy.

WIRELESS REPORTS

8 a.m., Feb. 27. Point Grey—Cloudy; calm; 30.30; 28; thick. Cape Lazo—Overcast; calm; 30.35; 22; sea smooth. Spoke str Princess Maguire, 1.30 a.m. off Cape Mudge, southbound. Pachena—Cloudy; S.E.; 30.30; 31; sea moderate. Estevan—Overcast; calm; 30.05; 28; sea smooth. Alert Bay—Overcast; calm; 30.11; 30; sea smooth. Triangle—Overcast; calm; 30.40; 35; sea smooth. Dead Tree Point—Overcast; calm; 30.25; 25; sea smooth. Ikeda Bay—Cloudy; calm; 30.05; 25; sea smooth. Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 30.11; 30; sea smooth. Point Grey—Fog; calm; 30.31; 36; dense seaward. Cape Lazo—Snow; N. light; 30.40; 32; thick seaward. Spoke str Princess Beatrice, 9.20 a.m., due Vancouver, 1.30 p.m. Pachena—Cloudy; S.; 30.35; 40; sea smooth. Spoke str Admiral Evans, 9.40 a.m., abeam Grays Harbor, northbound. Estevan—Cloudy; calm; 30.05; 48; sea smooth. Alert Bay—Overcast; calm; 30.12; 30; sea smooth. Str Prince George abeam, 10.30 a.m., northbound. Triangle—Cloudy; N.W. light; 30.40; 26; sea smooth. Dead Tree Point—Overcast; calm; 30.21; 30; sea smooth. Ikeda Bay—Cloudy; calm; 31.15; 37; sea smooth. Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 30.32; 36; sea smooth.

CANADA MARU REPORTS

Messrs. R. P. Rithet & Co., local agents for the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, have been notified by wireless that the Japanese liner Canada Maru will reach here on Saturday morning.

UCLUELET COXSWAIN JOINS TRANSPORT UNIT

Frank Tyler Coming South for Service Overseas; Kootenay Skipper Signs

Coxswain Frank Tyler, of the Dominion lifeboat stationed at Ucluelet has signified his intention of joining the Inland Water Transport, according to word received by Sgt. H. W. Fry, local recruiting officer for the unit.

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AMONG SURVIVORS FROM LOST CUNARDER

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LOCAL BERRY CROP

First Estimate is Made by Thomas Walker in Speech This Morning.

The first public estimate of the 1917 crop of the adjacent districts of the Saanich peninsula, at any rate so far as it refers to the strawberry crop, was made in a statement given by Thomas Walker, president of the Gordon Head Fruitgrowers' Association, to an agricultural committee to-day at the City Hall.

ROYAL IN COMMISSION

Will Replace Steamer Princess Alice in Vancouver Service.

The C. P. R. steamer Princess Royal will be placed in commission to-morrow and will replace the Princess Alice on the night run between this port and Vancouver.

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TRANSPORTATION

Canadian Pacific Railway B. C. COAST SERVICE VANCOUVER, daily at 2 and 11.45 p.m. SEATTLE, daily at 4.30 p.m. ALASKA, from Victoria, March 2, 12, 23, at 11 p.m.

NEW CANDIDATE FOR ROYAL FLYING CORPS

Lieut. Alan White Leaves the C. A. S. C. to Join the Air-men; Leaves Shortly

One of the latest candidates to pass the necessary tests for the Royal Flying Corps is Lieut. Alan G. White, a native born Victorian twenty-two years of age.

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

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NO HASTY ACTION ON POLL TAX PLAN

Miscellaneous Work of Council at Meeting Last Night

"This is a very far-reaching question," said Alderman Fullerton, in moving to send to the legislative committee for report last evening in City Council the resolution of the Nanaimo City Council favoring a poll tax for educational purposes. He remarked that it appeared to be somewhat different from the old tax for general purposes.

The sanitary inspector applied to have the public health by-law amended in order that actions might be enforced to remove unsightly wooden shacks, particularly in Chinatown. A report from the fire warden's committee recommended, and the report was adopted, to sell two horses, three sets of harness, two old chemical tanks and with the proceeds estimated at \$1,000 and money received from the sale of four other horses already authorized, buy another second-hand automobile to be converted into a combination hose and chemical wagon for the Kingston Street fire hall. Disposal of the horses will save the city \$200 a year in feed. Tenders are being called for repairs to Nos. 3 and 4 fire stations. Mayor Todd said that in connection with the opening up of Sixth Street extension all owners with one exception are now willing to donate the necessary property to the city for the opening up of the street. The only trouble is that the man who is sticking out owns a 60-foot lot forming the entrance to the street. The other property owners will be asked to use their influence with him to let the city have the necessary land.

On the recommendation of the fire warden, the Council awarded to Lange & Co. the contract for making 71 uniforms without vests for the fire department at a cost of \$2,544.50 and for 72 caps at price of \$140.

An application for a light at the corner of Cook and Carlin streets was referred to the electric light committee for report.

An application from the Women's Canadian Club to have special services on Sunday, April 22, as Ypres Day, was favorably received, and the subject will be called to the attention of the ministers in the city.

On the advice of the solicitor and comptroller, who stated it was impossible to grant the application, owners on Brooke street will be informed that the payment of the expropriations cannot be extended.

WYLLY PROPERTY WILL BE REDEEMED

Long Standing Question is Settled by Necessary Majority of Council

The sale of the Wyllly property back to the beneficiaries under the will has at last been decided by the City Council. At the meeting last evening the application for a settlement from the solicitors to the Misses Brook, of Nassau, Bahamas, the beneficiaries, was supported by a letter setting out the case from Mayor Todd. Two aldermen voted in the negative, Aldermen Johns and Andros, and two were absent. The necessary two-thirds of eleven votes was therefore secured.

Alderman Warden thought the Council was fully conversant with the facts. The Council would also note that the city was threatened with a lawsuit, and it was through no fault of the late Mr. Wyllly that the error had occurred. Alderman Sargent was informed that the figures set out were to cover taxes to December 31, 1916, with interest to March 31.

Alderman Johns said that when a tender was invited last fall the beneficiaries did not put in a regular bid and he had not changed his opinion from the line he took up last year. Therefore he could see no excuse for the present application. Alderman Sargent did not object to see the case made a precedent, because taxes were levied for purposes of local improvement and not for confiscation purposes. Everyone should be encouraged to pay taxes and to redeem if possible. The alderman quoted from experience in other parts of Canada as to what to do with property that had become delinquent. He read extracts from various laws with regard to delinquencies, showing that encouragement was given to ensure the owner the last possible chance to obtain full surplusage after the actual taxes had been paid.

Alderman Dilworth alluded to the past experience with this question, fearing that the invitations to bids by tender last year higher than the figure named in the resolution might lead to litigation. The mayor intervened to remark that under the present situation the succession duty would be paid by the beneficiaries, in the former case the city would pay.

Was the city in a position to give a deed? asked Alderman Dilworth. City Solicitor Hannington said one advantage of resale to the beneficiaries would be to prevent any difference over the title, since the title would be as formerly. There was absolutely no danger of that course, though there might be with other alternatives, such as sale elsewhere. Alderman Cameron did not fear precedent in the case. He rather favored it as a business proposition, not with

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Three Big Glove Bargains for Remnant Day

- Ladies' Short Silk Gloves, in tan and grey with two dome fasteners. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7. Reg. 75c value. Remnant Day, pair 29c
- Ladies' Short Lisle Gloves in black only, with two dome fasteners and heavy black points. Sizes 5 1/2 to 6. Reg. 35c value. Remnant Day, pair 19c
- Ladies' Long Silk Gloves in tan, navy, pink, grey and sky, 14-button length, with two dome fasteners at wrist. Sizes 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2. Reg. \$1.00 value. Remnant Day, pair 49c

Reg. to \$1.50 Ribbons. Remnant Day, Yard 19c

Colored Velvet Ribbons, four inches wide, in various colors. Reg. to 75c yard. Remnant Day, yard 19c

Also a Few Wide Silk Ribbons in plain and fancy. Reg. to \$1.50 yard. Remnant Day, yard 19c

Dressing Sacques. Remnant Day, Each 69c

Dressing Sacques, made of white lawn, with white embroidered collar and cuffs, edged with pleating. Reg. values to \$1.75. Remnant Day, each 69c

Remnant Day Bargains From the Staple Section

- 250 yards Fancy Cotton Valles, in dainty floral and conventional designs, single and double fold. Regular 56c and 45c. Remnant Day, yard 17c
- 375 yards Fancy Voiles, in attractive figured designs, checks and stripes, single and double fold. Regular 46c and 50c value. Remnant Day, yard 26c
- A few pieces only in Check Ratons, Crepe and Brocaded effects, in light colors, double fold. Regular 56c to \$1.00. Remnant Day, yard 49c
- Another range, perfect goods. Regular \$1.99 value. Remnant Day, each 88c
- Hundreds of Remnants in Prints, Flannelettes, Kimona Cloth, all to be under regular values.
- 60 yards Elderdown Flannel, in crimson stripes, plain crimson and brown stripes, suitable for both robes, 27 inches wide. Regular 85c value. Remnant Day, yard 49c
- 50 yards White Canton Flannel. Regular 15c value. Remnant Day, yard 10c
- 5 only, Feather Pillows, slightly soiled. Regular \$1.25 value. Remnant Day, each 69c
- The remainder of our Kimona Cloth, in light and dark designs. Regular 17c and 20c. Remnant Day, yard 12 1/2 c
- Olinghams, Crepes, Cottons, Linens, disposed of at prices considerably

Women's Undermuslins Reg. Values to \$4.00 Remnant Day 98c

A splendid opportunity to purchase Undermuslins that sold regularly up to \$3.50. The lot includes Princess Slips, Combinations, Drawers and Corset Covers. These are made of nainsook and mull of splendid quality, and trimmed with embroidery and lace.

Princess Slips, made of nainsook, trimmed also with embroidery. Reg. values to \$3.50. Remnant Day, each 98c

Combinations, Drawers and Corset Covers, made of nainsook and mull with wide trim at knee, trimmed with fine and linen lace, with lace and embroidery. Reg. values to \$4.00. Remnant Day 98c

Remnant Day Bargains in Yard Goods

- Chiffons in a good assortment of colors. Width 40 inches. Original values 75c and \$1.00. Remnant Day, yard 25c
- Velveteens of extra good quality, with twill back. Colors sage, navy, green and taupe. Widths 22 and 24 inches. Original values \$1.00 and \$1.25. Remnant Day, yard 73c
- Black Bengaline Silk, one piece only; 40 inches wide. Reg. \$2.25 value. Remnant Day, yard \$1.39
- Black and White Checks, 40 inches wide, two pieces only to clear. Remnant Day, yard 49c

Women's Sample Underskirts

Reg. Values to \$4.50. Remnant Day, each \$1.95

Women's Sample Underskirts, made of moire, satin, cotton, taffeta and sateen. All are full cut with wide flounces. Choose from shades of grey, brown, green, cerise and black, also blue and white stripes. Reg. values to \$4.50. Remnant Day, each \$1.95

Middy Waists. Remnant Day 79c

Women's Middy Waists, made of white twill and duck, trimmed with navy and red collars. Reg. value to \$1.25. Remnant Day, each 79c

Clearing Out Odd Lines From the Lace Department

- Border Laces to six inches wide, in ivory, cream, Paris and black. Regular values to 90c. Remnant Day, yard 25c
- One piece only, of Heavy Silk Fish Net, do. do. width. Regular \$1.25 value. Remnant Day, yard 25c
- Four pieces only, Colored Nets, in double widths; shades of blue, taupe, green and brown. Regular 45c value. Remnant Day, yard 25c
- Dewdrop Net, 48 inches wide, in black and mauve. Regular to \$1.75. Remnant Day, yard 25c
- Colored Braids. Values up to 75c. To Clear Remnant Day, yard 10c
- A Special Clearance of Embroidered Laces, Insertions and Edgings. Regular values 50, 60 and 80c. Remnant Day, yard 2 1/2 c

A Large Assortment of Flowers and Mounts to Clear Remnant Day at 10c

A Large Assortment of Flowers and Mounts, suitable for trimming spring millinery. The lot includes Poppies, Daisies, Rose Buds, Trails, etc.

Oddments From the Fancy Work Dept. to Clear at Big Reductions

- A Clean-Up of Cushions, Centras, Babies' Pique Bibs and Patriotic Cushions. All stamped for working. Values up to 75c. Remnant Day, each 10c
- Linen and Muslin Runners, stamped for working, in blue-bird and butterfly designs. Values up to 75c. Remnant Day, each 29c
- 48 Dozen Belding Rope Embroidery Silk. Reg. 60c value. Remnant Day, dozen 15c
- Pure Bristle Hair Brushes, with satin wood backs. Reg. values to \$2.75. Remnant Day, each 88c

Regular to \$1 Drapery Remnants Yard 23c

At this price we have a wonderful choice of wanted styles. All are clean, new goods, which have accumulated after a busy month's selling. The lengths are from 1 yard to 8 yards. Some styles there are two alike. Come early and choose from the best of the styles suitable for bedroom, front room, kitchen and pantry.

A choice of Fine Ribbed Edge Valle Serim, Cream Madras, Scotch Bungalow Nets, strong Etamine with H. S. Borders, Spot and Figured Muslins, Colored Madras, Cross Bar Voiles, Striped Etamines, H. S. Marguerette with drawn Borders, Art Satteen, Chintz and Cretonnes. Regular values 25c to \$1.99 yard. Remnant Day 23c

Odd Lines Women's Hose to Clear at Special Prices

A special clearing up of all odd lines of Women's Hose on Remnant Day. Women's Hose. Reg. up to 35c. Remnant Day, pair 39c

Women's and Children's Hose. Reg. up to 35c. Remnant Day, pair 19c

Reg. to 35c Drapery Remnants, Yard 10c

A good selection to start with at the above price, but you should be here sharp at store opening time in order to get the best styles. Lengths vary from 1 yard to 5 yards. Reg. values to 35c. Remnant Day, yard 10c

Children's Rompers to Clear at 50c

These come in blue and white, and brown and white stripes, also plain blue. Ages 2, 4 and 6 years. Special, Remnant Day 50c

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