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AMERICAN HOUSE DECLARES IN FAVOR OF WILSON'S PLAN OF MILITARY CONSCRIPTION

Majority of 183 for Selective Scheme on the First Vote; Volunteer Amendments Struck Out; Senate Is Expected to Give Substantial Majority for It

Washington, April 28.—The Administration forces overthrew opponents of the Administration's selective conscription bill in the House on the first vote to-day and struck the volunteer amendments from the measure.

The vote came on an amendment by Representative Kahn, who has led the fight for the Administration's bill. He moved to strike out the volunteer amendments inserted by a majority of the Military Committee against the protests of the President and the Army War College.

The vote to sustain the provisions of the bill as drawn up by the Administration was 279 to 96. This assures passage of the bill as drawn by the army experts.

The volunteer sponsors were assailed at the tremendous strength developed by the Administration forces. When the members lined up to pass the bill it looked almost as though the whole House was about to vote for conscription.

Chairman Dent, of the Military committee, heading the volunteer forces, finally gave up counting the votes. Miss Rankin, the Montana member, voted for the volunteer amendments.

When Representative Saunders, of Virginia, presiding, announced that the Kahn amendment had carried by 279 to 96 there was thunderous applause from the floor and the crowded galleries.

In the Senate the prospects to-day were that the army bill would be enacted by a substantial majority despite the last-minute efforts of opponents of the draft system. The Senate met at 10 a. m., after a session that lasted until early this morning, during which a number of Senators, including Speaker La Follette, spoke on the bill.

Debate in the Senate to-day was started by Senator Harding, of Ohio, in support of the administration's bill and also his amendment to permit Col. Woodruff to raise four divisions of volunteers for immediate service abroad. Senator Harding said that the amendment was not to be misconstrued as inimical to general conscription, which he endorsed.

In favor of the bill, Republican, of Kansas, and Smith, Republican, of Michigan, also endorsed the Roosevelt plan. Senator Lodge spoke at length in his favor.

Senator Stone, of Missouri, suggested that former Governor Sulzer, of New York, also desired to raise a division.

"If any man by his own personal influence or weight in his community can raise a division under this amendment," Senator Lodge replied, "I shall be glad to see him do it."

Will Separate Them. Registering his approval of conscription, Senator Williams, of Mississippi, said he favored it for one reason—because it would separate the loyal and disloyal Americans.

"There are one million traitors in the United States, including a considerable number of German spies," he said. "I want to weed out that element. If they resist the draft they will be interned. This conscription will separate the loyal and disloyal Americans."

In its first vote on the Administration's army bill to-day, the Senate adopted a most drastic prohibition amendment, making it unlawful to sell or give any liquor, wine or beer to any officer or man in uniform or knowingly furnish liquor to any person in the army.

A number of minor amendments correcting language of the bill were agreed to in conference between the Houses.

Age Provision. The age provision of the bill, fixing it at between 21 and 46, drew a lively fire. Amendments were offered to raise the maximum age as far as 60. Representative Platt, of New Hampshire, predicted no draft ever would be made up to the 40 class and Representative Mondell predicted that the age proposition would be put back to between 19 and 25.

Amendments to raise the service age limit above 40 years were defeated. A proposal of Representative Miller, of Minnesota, to substitute the Senate bill age limit of 19 to 25 years for the 21 to 40 years limit of the House was defeated 270 to 25.

So overwhelming was this defeat that it was predicted the House conference would insist on the 40-year limit in the conference.

In the Senate the general debate was ended and voting began on the amendments. The first was on a section offered by Senator McKellar broadening a proposal by the Military Committee to prohibit the sale or possession of intoxicating liquors at any military post or in any enlisted men's or officers' clubs. It was adopted.

Socialist Sections Ignore Berlin and Call for a Strike

Amsterdam, April 28.—Directly contrary to the German Government's appeals, the Socialist minorities in the Reichstag and the Prussian Landtag have adopted resolutions favoring a general strike on May Day, according to Berlin dispatches to-day.

GUATEMALA BREAKS OFF RELATIONS WITH GERMANY; SPANISH GOVERNMENT SENDS ANOTHER PROTEST TO BERLIN

Washington, April 28.—The Government of Guatemala has broken off diplomatic relations with Germany, handed to the German Minister his passports and cancelled the exequaturs of the German consuls in Guatemala.

Official advices of the break, coming from the American legation in Guatemala City, say President Cabrera assigned as the reason for his act his desire to stand with the United States in the fight for democracy and the preservation of international law.

Madrid, April 28.—Premier Prieto announced to-day that he had received official confirmation of an attack by a German submarine on the Spanish steamship Triana and had addressed a strong protest to Germany.

To Uruguay. Rio de Janeiro, April 28.—Adolf Pauli, who was German Minister to Brazil, left Rio de Janeiro last night with his staff for Uruguay. The Dutch Minister took over charge of the German interests in Brazil.

Regarding Peace. London, April 28.—Count Hertling, the Premier of Bavaria, says a dispatch from Munich via Amsterdam to the Central News, is going to Vienna to confer with the Austro-Hungarian Cabinet Ministers regarding peace prospects.

In Germany. Amsterdam, April 28.—The Berlin Socialist newspaper Vorwaerts publishes a declaration of the General Committee of Trades Unions asserting that the German working classes will not cease work on May 1 and deploring the circulation of fly sheets inciting the workers to a political or revolutionary strike on that day. These fly sheets, says the declaration, do not emanate from the Social Democratic Party, but from persons who have nothing in common with the labor movement. It concludes: "Strikes for purposes of political demonstration are at present irresponsible and must be sharply condemned."

SHOULD CUT OFF GOODS FROM NEUTRALS

Allies Should Complete Process of Throttling Germany, Says French Writer

Paris, April 28.—Jean Herbet, writing in the Echo de Paris, discusses the blockade question and the question of exports from neutral countries to Germany. He quotes from a report, the reliability of which the writer guarantees, though he says he is unable to reveal the source.

According to the report, Switzerland during the first nine months of 1913 exported 200,000 pounds of corn and cereals to Germany. During the corresponding period of 1916 the exports of cereals exceeded 1,100,000 pounds. Fruits, cheese, condensed milk and cattle increased in similar proportion. The writer, referring to the fact that the Allies contracted with certain neutrals not to hinder export under certain conditions, declares that in view of present conditions the Allies should cancel such agreements. "Neutrals, he says, should be made to choose between either stopping the supplying of Germany or ceasing to receive supplies from Overseas."

It is the duty of the United States, says M. Herbet, to compel neutrals to make this choice forthwith in agreement with her allies.

SWISS BORDER KEPT CLOSED BY GERMANY TO SCREEN A MOVE

Zurich, April 28.—The German-Swiss frontier has been strictly closed to all travel and postal service. No German newspapers have arrived since Wednesday. This is usually the prelude to an important military move by Germany.

SUBMARINE BUILT IN STATES REACHES SPAIN

Madrid, April 28.—The first submarine of the Spanish fleet constructed in the United States, the Isaac Peral, has arrived at Cartagena, escorted by the cruiser Estremadura.

HAIG LAUNCHES FRESH BLOW BETWEEN SCARPE AND LENS; GOOD PROGRESS BEING MADE

FORCES OF RUSSIA BETTER PREPARED

More Fighting in Sight Than Before Revolution, Says Kerenski

OBJECTS FOR WHICH NATION IS FIGHTING

Petrograd, April 28.—Minister of Justice Kerenski told a representative of the Associated Press to-day that not only is the army better prepared and more fighting in sight than before the revolution, but that the factories are putting out more ammunition than at any previous stage of the war.

Regarding peace, the Minister said: "Russia wants peace on the terms proposed by President Wilson. The revolution and the entry of the United States into the war have somewhat changed the objects for which we are fighting. We want peace restored without annexations or indemnities and favor a conference with the Allies to determine how this can be attained."

DEALS IN FUTURES STOP AT WINNIPEG

Only Those Sanctioned by Committee of Censors Will Be Permitted

Winnipeg, April 28.—Announcement was made on the Grain Exchange here to-day that no trading in futures would be permitted in the pit hereafter without first being sanctioned by a censoring committee.

Shortly after 10 a. m. word was sent for the council of the Exchange to gather. At 10:30 the gong sounded and all trading ceased in the pit. President Gage read the following message: "This is your authority to announce that no buying of Winnipeg wheat futures has taken place by the Allied Governments during the last advance of 40 cents, and that we have sufficient bought for present requirements."

This was signed by J. Stewart, for the Royal Wheat Commission. Mr. Gage added that the council was about to meet to establish a censorship of trades, and he gave warning, "so that you may not be entirely unprepared."

After a brief session of the council the gong again sounded and President Gage announced prohibition of trading in futures. This action, he said, had been deemed necessary in view of the critical condition of the market and in the belief that such action would maintain trade along legitimate lines. Notwithstanding the fact that information before the council would indicate that the holdings in the market were almost entirely for the account of the British Government, Canadian millers had stated their holdings were for present requirements only.

Immediately after this announcement a desk was placed in the pit and the three censors took up their stations and began operations. The most immediate effect was the lowering of the market, which in fifteen minutes had sold off 50 cents for May wheat. Minneapolis May wheat declined 16 to 18 cents in the same period, but Chicago did not drop to the same extent.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE MADE GREAT SPEECH, DECLARES BORDEN

London, April 28.—Sir Robert Borden asked by a representative of the Canadian Associated Press to comment on the speech of Mr. Lloyd George in the Guildhall yesterday, said that it was not only a great speech but that it was an inspiring utterance which gave evidence of the extent of the power of the resources of the Imperial commonwealth, of their vast possibilities and of the need of concerted action founded on full and free consultation, but leaving untouched the autonomy of each Dominion.

Correspondent Says British Troops Got Into Arleux and Oppy and Extremely Violent Fighting Has Developed; French Took 20,780 Germans and 175 Guns

London, April 28.—British forces this morning opened an attack along several miles of the front north of the Scarpe River, the War Office announced to-day, and are making good progress in the face of considerable opposition.

British Headquarters in France, April 28.—(From a Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press.)—Another attack was launched by the British this morning. The blow was struck on the front between the Scarpe River and Lens, on the ground over which some of the most desperate fighting has occurred since the British inaugurated their offensive on Easter Monday. The struggle now in progress is very bitter. The Germans, in anticipation of another British effort, had brought up reinforcements. Fresh divisions have been identified by the British.

FRANK DISCUSSION WITH AMERICANS

Military Members of French Mission Are Giving Valuable Information

Washington, April 28.—While definite ascendancy over the German war machine has been established by the Entente forces in France both in personnel and equipment, and eventual victory is in sight, many months of bitter fighting are still ahead.

This is the view of military experts attached to the French Commission, as gathered by officers of the American General Staff to-day during informal conversations at the War Department. The French officers discussed the situation most frankly. Much of what was said was strictly confidential and information as to the immediate military situation of the most importance was freely given under that seal.

In addition, the American experts obtained many facts and figures applying directly to problems to be considered by the United States in raising its war army and which are not regarded as military secrets.

Conclusions Confirmed. Statements of the French representatives fully confirmed conclusions reached by the General Staff after its long study of losses in all the armies actually engaged in Europe, in an effort to learn the provision they must make for maintaining the fighting strength of an army at the front. The terrible toll in dead, maimed and prisoners, computed in figures amounting to 10 per cent, a month of the troops at the front. Half of these are permanently out of action, and were it not for the constant stream of recruits going forward every day, an army of a million men soon would fade away.

Of the wounded or ill, great numbers return to their regiments. With a medical corps service working at the highest possible efficiency half of the entire loss of an army is recovered for active duty, but the process takes more than three months.

This condition is one of the impelling reasons why the American General Staff stood firmly for the selective draft form of the Administration's army bill. Under the volunteer plan, Britain's forces at the front were, so reduced in strength in some cases that their predicament was serious. France had no difficulty on that score. Under her system of universal military service, classes were called up as they were needed and the losses at the front offset promptly.

At Disposal of States. There was no indication that the French officers had any suggestions to make as to the part the United States army is to play in the great war. They came to place themselves and their experience at the disposal of the American officers and to answer questions in order to ask that certain things be done. The American Staff officers are known to oppose vigorously any suggestion that a small expeditionary force be sent to Europe for its moral effect. They say their immediate concern is to see that the American army is placed in such a position that when the time comes to send forces to the front they will be so strong, so well trained and equipped and so adequately supplied that they will make their weight felt immediately, even in a field where millions of men already are contending.

In to-day's drive the British troops faced a well-organized trench system protected by wire entanglements and held by strong forces of Germans. The artillery preparation which has been in progress for several days did much damage to the defence works, but there remained many troublesome strong points between Roeux, just north of the Scarpe, and Gavrelle.

North of Gavrelle satisfactory progress was made, as far as could be judged, and early in the day prisoners were being brought back. South of this place British troops got on toward Greenland Hill, taking a trench north of Monchy.

It is reported that British troops have occupied the town of Arleux and half of Oppy, but ferocious counter-attacks are developing and the situation is one of surging changes. The fiercest imaginable fighting is under way for the wood west of Roeux.

The weather is favorable and the air-men are active.

French Hauls. Paris, April 28.—Since April 16, when they launched their offensive following the launching of the British offensive on April 9, the French forces have captured 175 German guns of all calibres, 412 machine guns and 115 trench mortars and the number of German captives has reached a total of 20,780. The War Office announced this afternoon.

Heavy artillery fighting occurred last night between St. Quentin and the Oise and in the Champagne.

On the Verdun front French troops raided German trenches and brought back prisoners.

Guns at Work. The text of the report follows: "Between St. Quentin and the Oise there was heavy artillery fighting during the night. Skirmishes occurred south of the St. Quentin. Near La-faux enemy troops attempted without success a surprise attack."

"In the Champagne the artillery fighting was severe. After a violent bombardment German troops attacked east of Auberville, but were thrown back."

"On the left bank of the Meuse one of our detachments penetrated the German lines in the sector of Hill 304 and brought back prisoners."

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FRENCH SOCIALISTS IGNORE MEETING IN SWEDISH CAPITAL

Paris, April 28.—The administrative committee of the French Socialist Party has decided not to send delegates to the international Socialist convention in Stockholm on May 15. The decision was made by a vote of 13 to 11.

Reports have indicated that the convention at Stockholm has been organized by German Socialists with the silent co-operation of the German Government in an effort to secure a separate peace with Russia through the medium of Russian Socialists.

MANY BACK TO RUSSIA THROUGH SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, April 28.—Five thousand Russians will pass through San Francisco within the next few months on their way back to Russia to be repatriated according to an estimate made by Consul-General A. M. de Wywodzoff, who will himself return to take a place in the Foreign Office. The exiles are assured of a welcome, are offered amnesty, passports, free water and railroad transportation via Vladivostok and funds for hotel expenses, according to the consul's statement.

NO HESITATION BY BRITAIN OR STATES

In Working Out Food Problem, Says British Food Economy Director

New York, April 28.—In response to a request, Kennedy Jones, Director of Food Economy in Great Britain, has sent the following message to the New York Tribune:

What are we doing? In a nutshell we are hoping for the best, but preparing for the worst. If things take a turn for the better we shall not be compelled to put anyone in the United Kingdom on bread rations, except perhaps our race horses. By a turn for the better I mean a reduction in the present rate of the sinking of Entente food ships and a substantial diminution in consumption of bread, due to voluntary self-sacrifice. But if the German submarines can continue even temporarily their present luck we can not afford to take any chances.

However much we believe in the willingness of the vast majority of our own people voluntarily to deprive themselves—and we already have splendid proof of this spirit—no food ministry would be justified in leaving to individual effort the solution of the bread crisis that must frankly be faced now and not at the next harvest. We are watching, but not waiting. Day and night the best brains of the country are preparing and perfecting the machinery whereby all available bread supplies can be instantaneously controlled—and rationed out to rich and poor alike.

At Britain's Disposal. In this connection I should like to acknowledge the debt we owe Herbert C. Hoover and those Americans who assisted him in the splendid work of relieving and revictualing Belgium.

Such experience has been definitely placed at our disposal, and has proved invaluable. If we have to issue bread rations you can take it from me that it will not be any admission of temporary defeat. It will simply mean that we are adopting precautions necessary to assure complete victory. There are some things we have learned after nearly three years of the bloodiest war in the history of the world, and one is to tell our people what they are "up against" and quite openly to take such measures, as compulsory service, to meet an emergency.

Mr. Hoover solved the problem in a sentence when he said: "There is nothing about it that can not be overcome with management, but the management must be based on rigid economy, and economy which must penetrate into every dinner table in the allied countries."

Helping to Win. With regard to the United States, I would say that every woman in the United States who stints herself on bread not only is helping to win the war, but is an inspiration to the women on this side of the Atlantic, whose men folk are fighting or have fallen at the front. They are splendidly brave, these women of ours, but even the bravest woman can face sacrifice with a lighter heart and a tighter lip if she knows that thousands of miles away other English-speaking women are silently sharing the fight. The fact that the American women's part at the moment may be limited to undramatic domestic economies does not in the least detract from the inspiration of their example.

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IRELAND DISCUSSED AT CONFERENCES

Mentioned at Meetings of
British Mission and American Officials

Washington, April 28.—The Irish Home Rule question, it became known to yesterday afternoon the total Canadian casualties were 10,064.

The following have been announced:

Infantry.
Killed in action—Pte. W. S. Montgomery, Ladner, B. C.; Pte. T. A. Connolly, New Westminster; Pte. A. T. Stirling, Waneta, B. C.; Cpl. E. Swannell, Ainsworth, B. C.; Pte. J. Lines, Victoria; Pte. F. Aish, Hall's Prairie, B. C.; Pte. F. Butts, Maywood, Victoria; Pte. J. Collier, Revelstoke, B. C.; Pte. M. J. Conway, Central Park, B. C.; Pte. R. C. Conclin, Vancouver; Pte. Wm. Gerringe, Vancouver; Pte. J. J. Lower, Nelson, B. C.; Pte. Chas. Mosler, 2778 Douglas Street, Victoria; Pte. G. S. Wheeler, Vancouver; Pte. J. A. Scott, New Westminster; Pte. Geo. A. McLean, 3119 Cedar Hill Road, Victoria; Pte. Wm. Appleby, 1048 Earl's Street, Victoria; Pte. W. J. Smith, Colista, B. C.; Pte. R. Suell, Vancouver; Pte. Wm. Nevard, New Westminster; Pte. Albert Babcock, Victoria.

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Wounded—Pte. W. Bridgeman, Cariboo Road, B. C.; Pte. C. Lancaster, Kelowna; Pte. C. Irving, 1048 Pembroke Street, Victoria; Pte. J. Clark, Penticton.

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LOSSES OF GERMANS MORE THAN 200,000

Along Front of French Offensive Alone; Allies Holding Gains

Paris, April 28.—The extent of the German losses in the recent desperate fighting along the Aisne is partly disclosed in the reference in yesterday's official statement to the capture of 130 guns since April 16, of which a considerable number are of heavy calibre. The German losses in men are estimated at more than 200,000, with the probability that the total reaches 235,000. These figures include killed, wounded and prisoners and constitute one of the most formidable totals of the present war.

The number of German prisoners aggregates approximately 20,000. The usual formula among military experts is to estimate the casualties at five times the number of prisoners, but this present case, owing to the exceedingly sanguinary character of the fighting for the mastery of the strategic position on the Chemin des Dames plateau. The Germans held this firmly at the outset, and when it was taken from them by the French the Germans repeatedly brought up large reserves in a desperate effort to retake it. All reports show that German regiments were decimated, and it was this which brought about the exceptionally heavy total of killed and wounded, making it probably one of the bloodiest battles of the war.

Now that the strategic line on the Chemin des Dames plateau is firmly held by the French, a period of comparative inaction has intervened, pending reorganization of new lines of attack and a summing up of the extent of the German losses and booty captured.

French Report.
Paris, April 28.—The following official report was issued last night: "There has been marked artillery activity northwest of Rheims. In the Champagne no infantry action has taken place, and the day has been comparatively quiet elsewhere."

"Aviation—On the 26th three aeroplanes were brought down by our pilots. Six other enemy aeroplanes were severely damaged and forced to land or fall within our lines."

"During the night of the 26th-27th some of our bombing machines dropped numerous bombs on the stations and bivouac near Ribemont and Crécy-sur-Serre (Aisne)."

British Report.
London, April 28.—The War Office gave out the following report last night: "There is nothing of especial interest to report from the battlefield in Northern France."

"Yesterday the activity in the air was again marked. In the air fighting seven German aeroplanes were brought down and six others were driven down out of control. One enemy balloon also was destroyed. Six of our machines are missing."

German Statement.
Berlin, April 28.—The War Office reported last night: "On the Arras front strong artillery firing continues in some sectors. A renewed attack by British troops on the Arras-Cambrai road failed with heavy casualties."

"Along the Aisne and in Champagne there have been strong artillery duels at intervals."

Russian Report.
Petrograd, April 28.—The following official report was issued last night: "Western (Russian) Front—The usual rifle firing and reconnaissances took place. In the direction of Vladimir Volynski and in the region of Chelovoff there were rifle firing and fighting with bombs."

"From the Rumanian and Caucasian fronts firing by both sides and scouting affairs are reported. The enemy's heavy artillery has bombarded Galatz, Roumania."

"In the Black Sea one of our torpedo boat destroyers destroyed by gunfire several gendarmic posts in the region of Sectun and set fire to army depots. Ten schooners were sunk and a big sailing vessel laden with grain was seized."

"In the region of Stanislau, Galicia, enemy artillery brought down one of our airships, which fell within our lines. The machine was wrecked, but the crew was saved."

Generals Replaced.
Petrograd, April 28.—As a result of a visit of War Minister Guchkoff to the

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BRITISH EXPORTS INCREASE; IMPORTS ARE GROWING LESS

London, April 28.—Figures issued by the Board of Trade show that in March the imports into the United Kingdom decreased £5,100,000 and the exports increased £4,518,000. The imports of raw materials decreased nearly £3,000,000, chiefly in cotton and wool. The imports of foodstuffs increased £463,000.

FRENCH COMMISSION TELLS WASHINGTON WHAT FRANCE NEEDS

Washington, April 28.—The French War Mission has informed the American Government that the things France needs most from the United States are money, food, fertilizers, coal, steel, oil and transportation equipment, especially ships in which to carry goods from the New to the Old World.

HOUSE DECLINES TO ACCEPT ROOSEVELT'S VOLUNTEER SCHEME

Washington, April 28.—By a vote of 176 to 106 the House late yesterday refused to amend the Army Bill so as to permit Colonel Theodore Roosevelt to raise a volunteer force for service in France.

NO GERMANS NEED APPLY.

Sydney, N. S. W., April 28.—Addressing a big mass meeting in this city, Mr. Hughes, Prime Minister of Australia, was asked whether following final British victory in the war, Germans would be permitted to enter Australia. "If I am returned to office," stated Mr. Hughes emphatically, "Germans will certainly not be admitted to the Commonwealth."

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an unusually large circle of friends in the city and province and his death will cause general regret.

The late Mr. Birmingham was a native of Ireland, being born near Armagh in 1852, and came to Ontario in 1886, settling in Toronto. He came to Vancouver in 1903 and for the past seven years he had been in the employ of the Provincial Government as head janitor at the Normal School here.

He was pre-deceased by his wife 20 years ago. He is survived by two sons, H. D'Arcy and John A. Birmingham, and two daughters, Mrs. John Trick and Miss Minnie Birmingham, all of whom are residing in Vancouver, besides a nephew and a niece who have made their homes with Mr. Birmingham.

PREFERENCES HAVE BEEN ENDORSED BY MEETING IN LONDON

London, April 28.—Preferential trade tariffs after the war between the different parts of the British Empire have been endorsed by the Imperial War Conference, according to a statement made in the House of Commons yesterday by Chancellor Bonar Law.

Mr. Law said that the Conference had accepted the principle that each part of the Empire, "having due regard to the interests of our Allies, shall give special favorable terms and facilities to produce and manufactures of other parts of the Empire."

Speaking at the Guildhall, Mr. Lloyd George said the Government believed Imperial preference could be established without involving any additional cost of food. Such a policy, he added, would assist in the development of all the resources of the Empire.

DIED IN VANCOUVER.

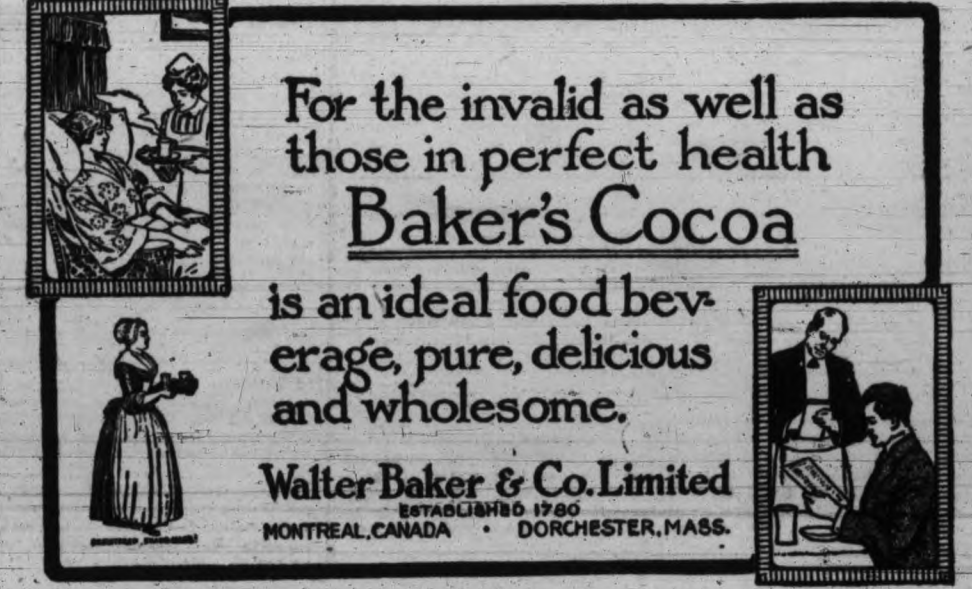
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GERMANS TRYING TO COMPLETE NEW LINE

Frank Simonds Writes of Significance of Fighting East of Arras.

New York, April 28.—(By Frank H. Simonds.)—Perhaps the best parallel for the desperate fighting now going forward east of Arras is found in the German attack upon Verdun in February, 1916. At that time, it will be recalled, the Germans in five days forced their way through all the permanent lines of the French defence, captured Fort Douaumont and took root on the Douaumont plateau. After a period of disorganization and uncertainty, the French decided to defend Verdun. Halferrier brought up the 20th Army Corps in counter-attack, and his counter-attacks covered the period in which a new permanent line was put in. All this was done under the direction of Gen. Petain, who subsequently was officially commended for having restored a perilous situation.

In the case of Arras the situation is quite the same. In the attack of April 9 the British penetrated and pierced all of the first permanent system of the Germans over a depth of four miles from the northern extremity of the Vimy ridge to Croisilles, southeast of Arras, that is, on a front of about a dozen miles. They also penetrated and pierced a reserve line of the Germans, the so-called Oppy line, which extends from the outskirts of Lens southward to a point near Croisilles. They did not, however, entirely overrun this line, portions of which still remain in German hands.

Third Line. It was, and remains, the general belief that behind the two lines the Germans have constructed, or were constructing, a third line, which has been described as the Wotan switch line. This line extends from eastward of Lens, south through the villages of Procourt and Queant, joining up at the latter with the main line on which the Germans had expected to stand. In general it was parallel with and about three miles east of the Oppy line. The theory of what is now going on that seems most satisfactory is that the Germans have not yet completed the Wotan line, and that they are counter-attacking now for the purpose of delaying the British advance until this line is completed, just as the French counter-attacked before Verdun until they had put in the line which ultimately held the German efforts to take Verdun with a rush.

On no other ground is it possible now to explain the German counter-attacks. We know that in the Battle of the Somme the Germans promptly abandoned the counter-attack, and we have the testimony of their generals that this was done because of the great losses suffered in the first counter-attacks. But at the Somme there was no penetration by the British of the complete German system, as at Arras, and the Germans therefore were able, behind a line which still held, to multiply their rearward defences. From time to time under pressure they gave up a portion of their line, but they were always found in a strong line somewhat behind this as soon as the British patrols pushed out.

The immediate importance of the villages which are changing hands before Arras is slight. The fighting that is now going on, so far as one can judge, actually consists in a series of counter-attacks by the Germans coinciding with an effort of the British to resume their advance. The German counter-attacks, made originally with the idea of regaining control of the whole of the reserve line, part of which was in British hands, are continuing with the idea of delaying the British advance until the Wotan line can be put in permanent shape and until the equally necessary task of creating other lines behind the Wotan line itself can be begun.

The Stake. It is well to bear in mind two things in considering the present fighting. First, the original attack, like that of the Germans at Verdun and of the British at Arras, was not expensive in lives, relatively speaking, because it was under cover of a mass of cannon secretly concentrated. Counter-attacks in both cases had to be made against this artillery concentration. Secondly, the real test must come when the Germans, having come to their Wotan line, retire to it. If the British are thereafter able to pierce it the German sacrifice will have been in vain. If, as at Verdun, the line holds it will have been worth while. But if the Wotan line does not hold for some time, long enough for the construction of still another line beyond it and before Douai, the Germans will have to abandon their whole line in France from Lille to the hills near Verdun. This is the ultimate stake of the second Battle of Arras.

British Objective. It is clear that the British have resumed their offensive with the idea of reaching and penetrating the Wotan line. It is clear that the Germans are endeavoring to postpone as long as possible the arrival of the British at what seems to-day to be the last German line of defence. To do this they are sacrificing thousands of men. As far as the British are concerned these tactics admirably satisfy them, because the British purpose is not primarily to capture ground, but to pound the Germans, to multiply the German casualties and to accomplish the work of attrition.

Going back for a moment to Verdun, it will be remembered that the Germans at that time said with perfect belief that while they had failed to take Verdun they had compelled the French to use at Verdun the reserves and the line troops which the French had purposed to use later in a general offensive. They charged that they had prevented this offensive, and this

proved to be untrue, as the Battle of the Somme showed, but had the French been able to use at the Somme the troops which were consumed at Verdun, the Somme offensive might have been more immediately and completely successful than it was.

Upset Enemy's Plans. We may well conjecture then that the British success in the first Battle of Arras compelled Hindenburg to throw into the threatened section those reserves and those line troops which he had been collecting for a German offensive somewhere in the east or west. We may conjecture that the British success at Arras therefore has postponed a Hindenburg offensive, as the German attack on Verdun postponed and weakened the Allied offensive in 1916. Conceivably the thing has gone further and the Allies already have permanently wrested the initiative from the Germans and abolished the possibility of a German blow on the western or even on the eastern front. Conceivably, for the rest of the year, the Germans will be obliged to conform to the Allied strategy and to meet their thrusts when and where the British and French choose.

MR. GRAHAM PROVES BENNETT MISINFORMED

Ottawa, April 28.—Before the debate in the Commons was resumed after the recess yesterday, Hon. George P. Graham secured the consent of the House to print a telegram which he had received from Hon. W. E. Fielding, who was Minister of Finance in the Laurier Government. Mr. Fielding referred to a statement credited by the press to R. B. Bennett, M. P., in which the latter had said that if Mr. Graham would consult Mr. Fielding he would find that a memorandum had been prepared in connection with the leasing of the Intercolonial Railway to the Canadian Northern. Mr. Fielding desired to give the statement most emphatic contradiction and declared that no such memorandum had been prepared.

CANADIAN IMMIGRATION.

Ottawa, April 28.—During the fiscal year of 1916-1917 there were 295 immigrants admitted to Canada. Of this number 61,389 came from the United States, 8,282 from Great Britain and 2,935 from continental Europe.

During the same period 17,988 persons proposing to settle on land in Canada were denied admission at the international boundary line between this country and the United States, 172 were rejected at seaports and 605 immigrants were deported.

BRITAIN WANTS WHEAT, NOT GRAIN PROFITS

London, April 28.—Joseph Martin, K. C., in the Commons yesterday brought the Government's attention to reports that the British Government had made large financial profits through turnover in wheat futures on the Canadian and American markets. Mr. Martin asked whether the Government had made a profit in transactions in futures on the Winnipeg and Chicago wheat markets.

Captain Bathurst, replying for the Government, said that the Royal Commission responsible for wheat supplies had from time to time bought options on the Canadian and United States markets with a view to their subsequent conversion into actual wheat. These options had not been taken for profit, although occasionally profits did accrue. In conclusion Captain Bathurst said that it was improbable that any profit would be secured on the whole transaction, which was being conducted with the object of securing grain, not making money.

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FARMERS WISH CHANGE MADE PERMANENT

Pugsley States in Commons Free Wheat Order Expires With War

Ottawa, April 28.—The House of Commons spent yesterday debating J. G. Turriff's budget amendment asking for the passing of a statute at the present session making free wheat permanent.

Hon. Arthur Meighen, the Solicitor-General, who moved the adjournment of Tuesday night, made the chief speech on the Government side. He was replied to by Hon. William Pugsley, E. S. Scott, Conservative, South Waterloo, Ontario, and W. E. Knowles, Liberal, Moose Jaw, were the other speakers.

Mr. Meighen, in explaining the bringing into force of free wheat, claimed that the Government had been right in the past in its attitude toward reciprocity and free wheat. The present condition had been prompted by a desire to meet the wishes of the people of Western Canada, and because of the special conditions which prevail owing to the war, such as lack of shipping, which makes it necessary to secure a market for western low grade wheat. Mr. Meighen felt that the past action of the Government had been right, and that its present action was in the best interests of the people.

Mr. Pugsley declared that there could be no permanent benefit arising out of the order-in-council unless the farmers of the west were convinced as to its permanency. As a lawyer he expressed the belief that the order-in-council would expire with the termination of the war. He expressed surprise that the Government had not waited until Parliament met again before taking action. In his opinion this was due to the fact that it did not feel certain that it would secure the approval of the majority of its supporters for such action.

Mr. Scott thought the people were not concerned about the legal aspect of the matter. An opportunity would now be given to demonstrate whether

free wheat would be beneficial. Mr. Knowles stated that free wheat was due to the probability of a general election in the near future. He thought there were too many Conservatives in both parties, and expressed the hope that a solid free-trade delegation would represent Western Canada in the next Parliament.

AMERICANS MAY LEAVE AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

Amsterdam, April 28.—A Vienna dispatch says that all Americans who desire to leave the Dual Monarchy may travel to Switzerland up to four weeks from the date of the rupture of relations, May 9. After that date no Americans will be allowed to leave, but those remaining will not be interned unless they commit offences.

BACK TO SENDERS.

London, April 28.—The American consulate has obtained from the British prize court more than 3,500 parcel post packages which had been seized on the way from the United States to Austria. Nothing contraband was found in these packages and they will be returned to the senders.

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FOR MORE PRODUCTION.

The "Act to Promote Increased Agricultural Production," which was introduced in the Legislature by the Minister of Agriculture yesterday, is a measure of far-reaching importance, particularly in its responsiveness to the demands of the stage through which the world is now passing. In a nutshell its purpose is to enable the Government to get quick action in respect of increased agricultural production. It sets up a board of directors who will perform the functions entrusted to the Commission established under the agricultural credits law of last session but whose work will be carried out in an entirely different way. Instead of remaining at central headquarters and passing upon reports of appraisers in regard to applications for loans, the Board will keep itself in personal touch with the properties upon which assistance is sought by farmers, and decisions will be given promptly. The object is to obviate the delay encountered under the present arrangement, which in some cases takes up many months.

But the chief feature of the new measure is the provision empowering the Board to undertake land settlement or production projects itself. Under this section it can prepare and improve Crown lands for agricultural purposes or can purchase land from private owners and subject it to the same process. For instance, this Government has before it a scheme for providing employment for returned soldiers pending their gradual reabsorption into civil life. There are certain logged areas on Vancouver Island and elsewhere which with further clearing operations can be made ready for production. The Board under this section can either acquire the land and improve it or improve it without acquiring it, with the labor of returned soldiers, making the cost a charge against the property, to be repaid over a term of years. This furnishes one means of providing work for soldiers and at the same time creates a permanent asset for the country at large.

This provision, which it is possible to discuss only cursorily at this time, in conjunction with the more prompt and efficient operation of the present loan system, is expected to advance agricultural production in the quickest possible way. It is short-cut through red-tape and places the resources of the Government at once behind the movement for a greater output of food-stuffs, which is and will be for some years the most serious problem confronting the world. It provides for action instead of talk and formality. To the possible criticism that it smacks too much of paternalism, the effective answer is that only through governmental action can an organized movement for more settlement and production be brought to fruition at this time. We shall see measures much more radical adopted by other Governments on this continent before long in their efforts to increase production sufficient to feed their own people and to send a large supply to the Allies across the ocean.

the agricultural credits law in its application to the transactions already carried out under its provisions. It sets up machinery for taking over the work of the Commission and extending it in the future. Undoubtedly it will have to be amended in various particulars, but the underlying principle of it should commend itself to the House, as it will to the country.

COMBATTING THE MENACE.

Mr. Lloyd George's speech at the Guildhall shows that the defensive part of the campaign against the German submarine menace is being developed with the same energy and thoroughness with which the munition problem was solved. This includes the stimulation of agricultural production through which 3,000,000 acres of fresh land are being put under cultivation; the reduction of imports by 5,000,000 tons, which will effect a big economy in shipping; rationing and the establishment of communal kitchens and a shipbuilding programme under which possibly four times as many merchant vessels will be turned out in 1917 as were built in 1916. He admitted that the situation was serious and that many of the measures now under way should have been adopted before. In this the Prime Minister was able to speak with perfect consistency. Had the land reform scheme of which he long has been an advocate been carried out, Great Britain would not now be forced to such heroic expedients.

No German naval authority believes that Great Britain can be starved into submission, whatever the German people may believe. What the enemy hopes is that the reduction of the British trade and the consequent embarrassment will produce a peace atmosphere in the land of his most formidable foe. Subsidiary to that he is anxious to interrupt the flow of materials and munitions to France, Russia and Italy. Undoubtedly, his campaign is affecting the country's trade, apart from the traffic in war supplies, and this in other circumstances would have had serious results, for that trade is the foundation of the nation's wealth and credit, without which the war could not be continued. But American intervention puts an altogether different aspect on the situation. It reduces the demands upon Britain's resources to a much greater extent than Germany could reduce the resources themselves if she multiplied her piratical operations several fold.

A few days ago Sir Albert Stanley, President of the British Board of Trade, stated that the effect of the submarine war was simply that Britain could not continue to bring into the country "all the supplies and materials required for its existence, for the continuance of the war and for the actual needs of its industry." In view of the burden which Great Britain is carrying on behalf of her Allies this, no doubt, is a true statement of the case. But in the future a large share of that load will be borne by a resourceful new belligerent and this with the measures of which Lloyd George spoke will clear the situation.

BATTLEFLEET STILL SUPREME.

A few days ago one of the London newspapers was reported to have declared that naval supremacy no longer was the same as it was understood to be before the war. Its view apparently is that the submarine has largely taken the place of the battlefleet and its auxiliaries as the supreme arbiter on the sea. If this were true it would be a complete vindication of the attitude of Admiral Sir Percy Scott a few months before the conflict began. That distinguished officer, it will be remembered, declared that the development of underwater craft had made navies as understood at that time almost useless as factors in the determination of the issue of a great war. Some time before that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's vivid imagination pictured a war in which Britain's shipping would suffer disastrously from enemy submarines based upon Channel ports.

Unquestionably the developments in the war at sea have shattered many ante-bellum notions, methods, designs, practices and traditions. But there is no more reason to accept the view that the submarine has displaced the battlefleet than an assumption that trench warfare has put an end to the war of movement on land or that Zeppelins have taken the place of land batteries. Submarine activity is a raid on sea communications and nothing else, although such a raid, of course, is always dangerous. Aeroplane operations are largely the same on land, but nobody is rash enough to suggest that aeroplanes should diminish the demand for artillery and other implements of war below.

The submarine cannot be decisive simply because it cannot oppose force to force. A thousand-ton submarine with a 4-inch gun dare not face a 300-ton yacht with a much smaller calibre weapon. Its activity in German hands is a transitory phase of the war which can be controlled in time with the multiplication of counter-

measures. The reason its operations bear heavily upon Great Britain is that her communications are entirely on the sea and therefore are more than usually vulnerable. But to offset that vulnerability is the enormous quantity of her shipping, her extraordinary capacity for shipbuilding and her ability to create new communications.

But the issue of this war was decided by the battlefleet and its satellites, notwithstanding the prophecies of Sir Percy Scott and the panicky comments emanating from certain quarters to-day. It was decided when, in the face of superior force, the German High Seas Fleet sought shelter at its bases and was unable to play the role for which it was designed in a world war. It could not attack the coast of France and by landing an army there turn the French flank and strike our gallant ally to the earth. It could not protect German trade, which was driven from the seas by the navy of Britain. It could not convoy troops and munitions to South-west Africa, the Kameruns, German East Africa, Mesopotamia, Egypt and the islands in the Pacific. Germany to-day is suffering a shortage of food worse than her submarines can make Britain suffer. She is suffering from a shortage of war material. Her submarines cannot open a solitary lane of communication for her on the high seas. A year ago she was forced to adopt a system of rationing which, Great Britain has not been compelled to employ. No submarine can relieve the pressure which is throttling her. Only victory by her battlefleet over the British battlefleet can do that. The Battle of Jutland was her attempt to estimate her chances with this arm. Whatever may be the changes in naval methods and design evolved in this war, superior force—though perhaps not necessarily represented by dreadnoughts—plus good leadership must be the arbiter on the sea as it is on the land. The war in its fundamentals is still a contest between the British navy and the German army.

U. S. FOR CONSCRIPTION?

The large majority in the House of Representatives at Washington against amendments to the compulsory military service measure of the administration foreshadows the adoption of the bill itself. It thus indicates the conviction of the lawmakers of the republic that voluntary recruiting for the field forces of the nation would be detrimental to that full participation in the war to which the country has committed itself. Under the selective draft system which by the way was adopted by Lincoln during the Civil War, the field army will be hand-picked. Young men not required for the essential industries—that is for agriculture, the production of raw materials and the war supply factories—will be enlisted in the army without crippling the foundation upon which the army must stand. In this respect the new belligerent is profiting not only from the experience of the United Kingdom but from the memory of its own troubles in the war which tore it in twain for nearly five years. If the proposed system is adopted it will save all sorts of dislocation and inconvenience and make a short cut to the completion of the preparations which in other circumstances would take many long months to evolve. Nevertheless, for a republic so far removed from warlike aims and war sentiment it is an extremely drastic step and the fact that Congress seems prepared to take shows that there is at Washington a pretty full realization of the trials, sacrifices and suffering that may have to be endured.

The Vancouver Province, which long has had a very tender solicitude for Mr. Bowser, now appears to be deeply concerned about his immediate fate. It asks in big letters whether he is to be sent to the tower. Let not the great heart of our contemporary be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Mr. Bowser's political demise is not going to be all spectacular.

It is significant that while the German leaders are telling their people at irregular intervals that something or other is in operation that will force the enemy to consider peace upon terms so magnanimous that all the world will be astonished, the Allies talk about the war being carried into the summer of 1918.

Let the lot of an editor be cast where it may, tribulation is sure to find him out. The Brazier, a Canadian trench journal printed "somewhere in France," says: "Don't write poetry for the Brazier. There are already 975 poets doing the work, and it is considered presumptuous for a new-comer to indulge."

The British food controller says the government is preparing for the worst and hoping for the best. That is a good motto to nail to the masthead, and explains some of the recent utterances of the responsible authorities.

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gone south for the purpose of discussing with representatives of Austria-Hungary prospects of peace and the terms thereof.

Toronto Globe: Reciprocity has begun in earnest in British Columbia. In former times American rascals always fled to this country.

**NO HESITATION BY
BRITAIN OR STATES**

(Continued from page 1)

Food controllers were not appointed until every belligerent nation learned in the hard school of experience that war can be carried on successfully only by the comparatively prosaic work of feeding the people as well as the armies.

New Angles. There is a trite old saying that "the spectator sees most of the fighting." Up to a few weeks ago the people of the United States were spectators. Now they are in the ring, and we look to them to see angles of the situation which have not occurred to us.

We have made as many mistakes as any nation except Germany that ever went to war. We probably shall make a lot more, but we have always been in it to the finish. British blood from the homeland, from Canada and from every part of the Empire is being spilled to-day over the widest front and in the fiercest battle the world has ever known. The indomitable French with equal gallantry are steadily driving back the enemy. The terrific sacrifice of life involved, mostly young lives full of promise, will be all in vain unless there is in the Entente European countries sufficient food to enable the working classes to produce the munitions necessary to victory and to keep up the morale and health of the armless and the civilian population. We look to the United States for ships, and for food to fill them.

No Hesitation. On our side we shall not hesitate to demand and effect any restrictions of food consumption which we consider essential to victory.

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THE POLITICAL GAME.

To the Editor:—I notice Mr. Bowser persists in giving us an occasional small scream. After wasting days of the House's time in propounding scores of quite insane questions such as age, height and weight of newly-appointed forest rangers, and age, residence and idiosyncrasies of the lady stenographers, size of boot worn, and whether they wore a pompadour or a sarcastic smile, he suggests, having discovered to his chagrin that 80 per cent of jobs have gone to returned soldiers, that the House quit silly talk and get down to business. The stalling game seems to have worked all right, but Mr. Bowser is the first politician who has had the audacity and ungalantry to publish the ages of lady employees, and it seems, after all, that there wasn't even a fifth cousin of any known Liberal on the pay roll.

WALTER FOSTER.

FOOD SHORTAGE.

To the Editor:—I was glad to see by your paper that more lot cultivation was going on, and more people getting interested. This goes to show what newspapers can do, and it is a good thing that people are getting alive to what is almost a certainty in the shape of food shortage and high prices of farm produce.

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United States points from Fraser River section, and if the much-feared floods come this year the demand and prices will be enormous. Vancouver Island has a great chance if people would realize it, and if we raised enough produce we would soon get an evaporator plant for potatoes and vegetables to ship to Europe, as other places are doing. It is not too late to do it yet, as planting and seeding can go on for a month.

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April 26.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

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The sudden death of Mrs. Emily H. Brethour, wife of Mr. Henry Brethour, removes from North Saanich one of its most active and useful workers in church and society.

The bandmen of the city are waking up to the fact that if they are to succeed they must have uniformed bands.

A second quicksilver mine has been reported as discovered on the West Coast, again near Barclay.

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A PLACE NAME

Plea for "Wark" in Street Nomenclature Based on Misunderstanding.

In connection with the advocacy for a change of place names, which is now before the City Council in regard to revision of street names, the confusion with regard to the name "Wark" or "Work" in the correspondent's letter to the Council deserves some examination.

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TAX BY-LAW IS READY FOR MONDAY

City Council Will Fix General Rate for 1917; Removal of Old Buildings

The most important matter which will occupy the City Council at its session on Monday will be the introduction of the Tax By-law. This fixes the rate for 1917 and will be about 21.5 mills on the dollar net, possibly a little less. The increase from 1916, when it was 19 mills net, is due to the decreased assessment, though the expenditure is \$50,000 less than for 1916. The principal increase is for the general debt rate, which will now be about eight mills on the dollar. There are small increases on the general, health, school debt rate, and for schools in order to meet the situation. In a confidential letter, which has been sent to the heads of departments, the Mayor has already advised the strict economy in the expenditures authorized by the annual by-law. It is known there has been a decrease of revenue in the waterworks department for the first quarter, as the commissioner fully warned the aldermen would be the case when the lower rates were adopted last fall. It will be the earliest date for years that the tax by-law has been ready for introduction, due entirely to the earlier action upon the assessment roll. Instead of knowing in July or August what is required of them, the citizens will be able to provide for the taxes quite early in the season. Probably the chairman of the Finance Committee will give some indication on Monday as to when the taxes will be made collectible this year in order to secure the rebate. A motion has been drafted for the same meeting to set in order the proceedings for the condemnation of a number of dilapidated buildings. Last week, without any notice of motion, the Council passed a resolution to hold a sitting on May 7 to hear the complaints of owners. Not only is it desired to include a supplementary list, but the solicitor advises that the action should be by formal notice of motion. So it will now be in order to present the resolution and to pass a new motion fixing May 21 for the date of the inquiry.

ALL ABOUT VICTORIA

Mr. Alfred Emberson Issues Tourists' Edition of Interesting Brochure.

It will be recalled that some months ago The Times gave a brief review of the interesting little brochure, "All About Victoria," written by Alfred Emberson, whose "All About Veret-les-Bains" appealed to the catholic taste of book reviewers throughout the English reading world a few years ago. This more recent publication about the capital city of British Columbia has been widely read, being a collection of very interesting historical facts told in an entertaining way and in compact form useful to the student and the tourist alike. Mr. Emberson has now put out a Tourist Edition, issued "by request," and which should be put into the hands of every person who is making a first visit to the city. For instance, it would help navigation of the highways by tourists from "the other side of the line" if they were instructed immediately on landing to turn to page 21, where the "Rule of the Road" is defined in the old couplet on the paradox of right being wrong and left right. The narrative is rolled into something a little over one hundred "pocket edition" pages, and as it takes in exact sequence the landscape and objects of interest as they begin to appeal to the traveller even while Victoria is a mere glimpse from the sea, it should be the purpose of some organization that has the best interests of the city at heart to have these brochures placed on the news-stands on the various incoming ships so that tourists could fortify themselves with the few preliminary facts before encountering the chaotic "bag" drivers.

There is a distinct charm in the style, and in this respect the little guide-book will be valued for its literary as well as its informative merits more than the ordinary tourist literature. After recapitulating the more impressionistic features as seen by the observant but not always meditative eye of the tourist (Parliament Buildings, public parks, churches, public market, cemeteries, schools, hospitals, theatres, etc.), the brochure is divided into branches off into a chapter on "Living in Victoria," "Industries," and, last of all, a summary of books about Victoria. This last is a generous afterthought and shows that Mr. Emberson must himself have made quite an extensive study of the history of the place since coming here to make his home.

The proceeds of the "Wild West Show" held yesterday morning under Red Cross auspices at the Athletic Park and featuring the "Texas Round-Up" troupe, which is appearing this week at Pantages, totalled \$102.55, a sum which is very gratifying to Mrs. Jim Parker and her company no less than to the Red Cross Society which is to benefit from the show. The Fifth Regiment band, which in its customary ready spirit and by kind permission of Lieut.-Col. Angus and officers of the Fifth Regiment, gave its services for the occasion and headed the procession out to the park, helped a great deal by playing popular numbers and drawing the crowd to the park. Mrs. Parker's demonstration of methods to be adopted in the Mounted Red Cross Detachments which she is organizing in various American cities was of particular interest in the outdoor entertainment which proved so thrilling and entertaining to the spectators. The collection was taken up by a number of the girls of the troupe, hearing their picturesque "cow-girl" dress. Sergt. Duncan and Mr. Cockburn won thanks on all sides for securing the grounds.

Members of the I. O. F. Lodges, including those of the Degree of Rebekah, are requested to meet at the Hall on Sunday morning, April 29, at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of attending divine service at St. Barnabas Church to fitly observe the 95th Anniversary of the Order. Visiting brethren cordially invited.

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Weather Synopsis.—The barometer is high over this province and fine warm weather is general on the Pacific Slope except frosts prevail in Cariboo and Kootenay, while in the Prairie Provinces the weather is cold and snow is reported at Medicine Hat and Swift Current. Snow is also falling in Nevada and Colorado. The forecasts for 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday indicate fresh northerly winds, a fine and warm to-day and on Sunday.

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THE MAJESTIC.

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There seem to be no limit to the daring of Mr. Larkin, and in this number he takes chances on his life or limb several times. None of the power to excite through these stunts has been lost in the photographing of them. In the cast with Mr. Larkin are Ollie Kirkby, Director Robert Ellis, G. Chire, Arthur Albertson, William McKee and Mary Taylor Ross.

THE COLUMBIA.

Chaplin appears in "The Cure" at the Columbia to-day as one who has loved conviviality "not wisely, but too well," and when the genius of the screen makes his appearance wearing that preternaturally grave expression which contrasts so vividly with the pervasive Chaplin grin, there is irresistible comicality in the introduction. Concomitantly humorous is the behavior of the Chaplin feet which refuse to answer their steering wheel and convey the comedian involuntarily into a series of extraordinary situations.

"The Cure" is a hospital resort, dedicated to the elimination of human ills and perversities, populated, as such resorts usually are, by human freaks bent on physical regeneration and mental relaxation. This crowd furnishes a comedy cast, never before equaled even in the vivid imaginings of the screen comedy king.

It would have been easy enough, with clumsy handling, to have overplayed a story which calls for Chaplin's appearance at "The Cure" with a trunkful of plain and fancy drinks in assorted bottles, plus one extra collar, a shirt and a stubby toothbrush, but it is a tribute to the genius of the world famous actor that he has succeeded in making the action of the play exuberantly comic without permitting a trace of vulgarity to appear in it anywhere.

ROYAL VICTORIA.

The theme of "The Painted Lie," which is the attraction at the Royal Victoria for the last time to-night, was suggested to Crane Wilbur by the pathetic story told by a girl who came to the studio seeking work. She admitted she was the daughter of a well-to-do family well-known in the East. She was studying to be an artist and because of her beauty often posed in different studios.

One of the members of the artist colony, a sculptor, had asked her a number of times to pose for him for a statue but she did not care to pose in the nude. He was angered by her refusal and told her that either she would pose for him as he desired or he would ruin her career as an artist. When she still refused he turned a bust of her which he had been modeling into a full length nude figure and invited all the members of the artist colony, her family and her friends, to his exhibition and at that time did all he could to ruin the reputation of the young girl in the eyes of her friends.

Feeling the stigma attached to her name the girl went west and sought work in the pictures. Mr. Wilbur not only engaged the girl, and she appears in one of the small parts of this production, but he utilized her story as the basic theme of his photodrama, "The Painted Lie."

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TO-DAY CRANE WILBUR in "THE PAINTED LIE"

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edietta of the extravaganza kind, featuring funny comedians, pretty girls, new dances and singing numbers, classy wardrobe and special scenery, the whole combining a most artistic and amusing number.

Chris Richards, the famous English comedian, will be another big comedy riot on this his return engagement. Since his last visit to Victoria Richards made an extensive tour of Australia, where he won many laurels and was given unlimited praise for his entertaining ability.

The three Marconi brothers will present their wireless orchestra, rendering classical and popular medleys in a most artistic manner. Paul Decker and his company of players will offer a comedy playlet, entitled "The Twister," which is full of funny situations, and is a great vehicle, giving the players opportunities to display their histrionic talent.

The Knickerbocker quartette will offer harmony in a most capable manner. These singers have a repertoire of classical and popular selections that are winners.

The Kimiwa quartette of Japanese will present their sensational and clever equillibristic number as only the sons of Nippon can present.

Peart of the Army will also be part of the programme which is, without a doubt, one of the best and most enjoyable aggregations of vaudeville, attractions ever seen together.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. W. C. Shiner (nee Fawcett) has been with her son spending the last week with her parents at "Dingley Dell," and yesterday left by the Empress of Japan for Hongkong to join her husband who is relieving for six months the superintendent engineer of Ocean Steamships, Hongkong.

Prof. H. H. Ashton, who occupies the chair of Modern Languages in the University of British Columbia, arrived on the afternoon boat to-day from Vancouver and will be the guest over the week-end of Dr. and Mrs. O. M. Jones, Oak Bay. Professor Ashton is lecturing in French this evening at the Provincial Library.

A quiet wedding took place yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kerr, Toronto Street, when Elizabeth Atack and Thomas Graham, both of this city, were joined in marriage by Rev. William Stevenson. The bride, who wore a pretty frock of pale grey Georgette crepe, was attended by Mrs. Kerr as matron-of-honor. Mr. Kerr supported the bridegroom.

Miss Eva Hart is to be the soprano soloist at the performance on Tuesday evening, May 8, of Haydn's "Creation," which is to be given by a chorus of one hundred voices under Mr. Jackson Hanby's direction at the First Presbyterian Church on that date. Miss Hart has had exceptional experience in oratorio singing, and lovers of this class of music will look forward to with pleasurable anticipation to her rendering of the soprano solos. R. B. Mackenzie will take the tenor solos and Mr. Gideon Hicks, who has an enviable reputation as a vocalist, will take the bass solos.

The weekly concert at Esquimalt Convalescent Hospital last evening was a very enjoyable event, besides the soldier patients back from the front, there being many of their friends present. T. F. Curtis presided as chairman, and on behalf of the matron-superintendent, Miss Ellis, and the patients thanked the entertainers at the close of the programme for the enjoyment they had given. Songs, recitations, and dancing made up the evening's enjoyments, among those contributing to the formal part of the programme being Mesdames H. Briggs, Rochford, D. B. MacCannan; the Misses Haggerty, Harkness and Morley; Messrs. Frank Sehl and James Hunter; Sergt. McMinn, who recited several of Robert Service's poems; Corp. Tipper, and Sergt. Trafford. Mrs. A. J. Gibson fulfilled the duties of accompanist in her usual accomplished manner. On Tuesday evening next the Arion Club is going out to entertain the patients.

A very interesting meeting was held on Thursday afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. under the auspices of the Central Union the audience practically filling the hall. Mrs. Webster, the president, was in the chair. Mrs. Norman led the devotional exercises. Greetings were brought from other unions. A paper by Mrs. Hannington on Women's work for Social Betterment was quite an education in itself, urging each one to keep to the principles laid down by Francis Willard, the great W. C. T. U. leader. Mrs. Livingstone moved the vote of thanks to the speaker, seconded by Mrs. Boyden. Mrs. Boyden read a reply to the catalogue sent by Miss Agnes Slack, of the British Women's Temperance Society, thanking the B. C. Union for their kind thought and sympathy, and wishing the local workers success in the fight for prohibition. Mrs. Hudson won hearty thanks for her singing, and Miss Meston for presiding at the piano so ably.

The Lake Hill Branch, Red Cross, will hold a five hundred tournament at the North Dairy School, Quana Street, on Wednesday evening, May 2, at 8 o'clock sharp. Good prizes are offered, and these are being shown by Mrs. Waxstock, Broad Street. Refreshments will be served immediately after the cards, and dancing will follow. A bus will leave the corner of Broad and Yates at 7 o'clock, returning to the city at 11.30 so that visitors from town will be able to attend the proceedings without any inconvenience. A late bus will also be run after the dancing, which will continue until 1 o'clock. A very pleasant evening is anticipated. The convener, Mrs. Calvert, would be very pleased to welcome more workers at the rooms, which are open every Tuesday from 9 in the morning till 6 in the evening. The need to increase the output is imperative, and any lady of the district who has not already joined the working party would be gladly welcomed if only for two or three hours each Tuesday.

Mme. Jeanne Jomell and her husband, Mr. Orrin Bakus, arrived from Vancouver yesterday and declare themselves as delighted to be back in the city. From their rooms at the Empress they have a magnificent view, and to-day were driven out to the country by friends to experience the joys of angling, a pastime in which Madame is no novice. On Tuesday evening the great cantatrice is appearing in recital at Government House, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Barnard having very kindly arranged to throw open the beautiful ballroom for a Red Cross concert. Among the numbers which she will give are the "Lia" Aria from l'Enfant Prodigue, the rights for orchestration of which in the United States the composer, Debussy, gave to this beautiful Dutch singer. The compliment is a rare one. Other numbers promised are the "Mead Song" from "Faust," an aria from "Robert le Diable," Beethoven's "Nymphes et Sylvains," by special request; DuPare's "Invitation au Voyage;" English songs by Wakefield Cadman, including "From the Land of the Sky-Blue Water;" and Huntingdon-Woodman's "Open Secret." Mme. Jomell just a few days ago gave a second recital at St. Andrew's Presby-



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terian Church, Vancouver, being given a very enthusiastic reception. On Tuesday evening the audience will have abundance of good things, as Mrs. Gertrude Huntley Green, a favorite pianiste whom Victorians would go to much trouble to hear, also Mrs. Brougham, a well-known Vancouver singer, have also consented to take part in the programme.

AT THE HOTELS

J. H. Cameron, of Cumberland, is at the Dominion Hotel.
 S. F. Drenman, of Toronto, is staying at the Empress Hotel.
 A. McKenzie, of Duncan, is registered at the Dominion Hotel.
 Mrs. R. A. Black, of Seattle, is stopping at the Dominion Hotel.
 Mrs. Martin, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Empress Hotel.
 Geo. Winter, of Armstrong, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.
 George Wilkinson, of Nanaimo, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.
 C. E. Fulmer, of Port Angeles, is staying at the Dominion Hotel.
 Wilbert Bailey, of Port Angeles, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.
 D. A. McDonald, of Cranbrook, is stopping at the Dominion Hotel.
 J. A. Whitehouse, of Nanaimo, is stopping at the Dominion Hotel.
 Dr. L. T. Seavery, of Port Townsend, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.
 M. J. Ring, of Windsor, and M. C. Fogel, of New York, have arrived at the Empress Hotel.
 Vancouver registrations at the Empress Hotel include George F. Whalen and W. H. Whalen.
 Geo. Mather, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Luckraft and Miss V. Miles, of Vancouver, are staying at the Strathcona Hotel.
 D. Walker and Mrs. Walker are in from Jordan River and are staying at the Dominion Hotel.
 Mrs. R. M. Brown and Mrs. N. J. Macdonald, of Edmonton, are guests at the Empress Hotel.
 Cleveland arrivals at the Empress Hotel yesterday numbered W. J. Rattle and E. C. Fawcett.
 S. D. C. Hilton and H. Duncan are in the city from Duncan, and are guests at the Strathcona Hotel.
 G. E. Arundel, H. A. Bell, H. N. Maynard, W. H. Gardner, A. McLellan and A. Lyons are Vancouver visitors registered at the Dominion Hotel.
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LAND SETTLEMENT POLICY OUTLINED

Minister of Agriculture Brings Down Most Important Bill of Session

WIDE POWERS GIVEN TO BOARD PROPOSED

Development of Farming Industry and Increased Production to Be Secured

Legislative Press Gallery, April 27.

What will be generally considered as the most important bill to be brought down this session was introduced this afternoon by the Minister of Agriculture. This deals with the matter of land settlement on a sane and effectual basis, and with the much-desired increase in agricultural production.

The bill is entitled an Act to promote increased agricultural production, and its short title will be the Land Settlement and Development Act. It has been very carefully and clearly drawn up, and is easily understood by any reader. Although such a supremely important measure the whole thing is contained within twelve pages and in less than fifty sections. As a matter of fact, the gist of the bill is in one section of twenty lines.

Settlement Board.

The legislation under which there is no doubt that the settlement of the province will be carried out in such a manner as to secure production and development in matters agricultural is to be administered by a board of not less than five members, to be known as the Land Settlement Board of British Columbia. This board will take over and administer the powers and functions of the Agricultural Credit Commission, and it will also have power to act as a public irrigation corporation.

Board's Powers.

The Government will select and hand over to the Board from time to time lands within the province suitable for agricultural purposes, and the Board's powers in dealing with these are wide and allow for the exercise of initiative and discretion. In section 39 the powers of the Board as to land development are described as follows:

- (a) To take over from the Crown and to purchase from or obtain by exchange with private owners lands within the province for agricultural purposes.
(b) To survey, resurvey, subdivide, clear, fence, dyke, drain, irrigate, plant, cultivate, and otherwise improve, develop, and use any lands so acquired.
(c) To erect suitable buildings on such lands.
(d) To farm such lands when necessary or desirable, and generally to do all things necessary or incidental to such farming.
(e) To build and maintain roads and bridges for the improvement of such lands.
(f) To sell, lease, or exchange the said lands upon such terms as may be agreed upon.
(g) To buy, sell, or exchange all kinds of live stock and every kind of merchandise which may be of use or benefit to the Board in any of its undertakings.
(h) To enter into an agreement with any person obtaining a loan under the provisions of this Act whereby the Board may undertake to make and execute the improvements on the land for which such loan was made.

Agricultural Loans.

The Board is to be empowered to make loans to individuals, associations incorporated under the Agricultural Act, or public irrigation companies formed under the Water Act, accepting as security first mortgages upon agricultural lands free from all encumbrances and liens, but no loan shall be made upon unsurveyed land. Loans may be made for the following purposes:

- Acquiring land for agricultural purposes or satisfying encumbrances on such lands.
Leaving, draining, dyking, water-storage and irrigation works.
Erection of farm buildings.
Purchase of live stock, farm machinery, discharging liabilities incurred for the improvement and development of land used for agricultural purposes.
Any purpose which, in the opinion of the board, will increase the productivity of the land affected.
Carrying out the objects of associations, subject to approval by order-in-council.
Taking over in whole or part any existing loan by the Crown to any association or any debentures issued by any association.

Amount of Loans.

No loan will be granted for less than \$250 or for more than \$10,000 to any one borrower, nor for more than fifty per cent. of the appraised value of the land, and shall not be made except on the appraisal of at least one director and the approval of the chairman. The Board has to satisfy itself of the value of the security offered, on the basis of agricultural productivity, the ability of the applicant to make a fair profit from the land when improved, that the granting of the loan will be of economic value to the borrower, and, if a company, that it is solvent and has adequate earning powers. Every mortgage shall contain a personal covenant of the borrower to re-

pay and he shall insure all buildings and keep them insured.

The rate of interest shall not exceed by more than one and one-half per cent. the rate of interest actually paid by the Government on the net amount realized from the sale of the securities by which funds have been raised.

Period of Repayment.

Loans shall be either short-dated or long-dated. The latter shall be repaid to the Board within a period to be fixed, either 25, 20 or 15 years. To the rate of interest is to be added a charge sufficient to amortize the loan by the date of its maturity, and the combined interest and amortization shall be payable half-yearly in equal installments. Short-dated loans shall not exceed \$5,000 to an individual or \$10,000 to an association, and for a period of not less than three years nor more than ten years. Short-dated loans to an association for more than \$5,000 must secure the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council. Mortgages may apply for an additional loan which, with the balance owing, does not exceed fifty per cent. of the value of the land. The Board is given all necessary powers in case of default.

Returned Soldiers.

Returned soldiers who purchase land from the Board will be entitled to a rebate on the purchase price of \$500 on their first purchase of land, and the term includes all soldiers, sailors, chaplains and nurses who have resided in the province and who have served overseas and been honorably discharged from any of His Majesty's forces.

INSPECTORS REPORT ON FERNIE DISASTER

Chief Inspector Wilkinson and Thomas Graham Return From Scene of Explosion

Legislative Press Gallery, April 28.

George Wilkinson, Chief Inspector of Mines for British Columbia, returned yesterday after spending about three weeks at Fernie, where he was engaged on instructions from Hon. Wm. Sloan, Minister of Mines, in supervising the rescue work and in making a general investigation.

Thomas Graham, late chief inspector of mines, who volunteered his services with the consent of his new employers, Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, returned a few days ago and has taken up his new duties.

That the explosion of April 5 last, which killed 34 miners and wrecked No. 3 mine, Coal Creek, Crow's Nest Pass, Coal Co. Ltd., had its origin near the face of the workings on one of the two main levels is the opinion of Inspector Wilkinson.

This is a point, however, which will not be definitely established until these levels are cleared of the debris which now is completely blocking them. Mr. Wilkinson says they are caved tight for a distance of 1,000 feet approximately back from the face. In one room alone there is a single rock 65 feet long, 14 feet broad and 9 feet thick. To make the mine accessible to the point at which, it is believed, the outburst had its inception, therefore, is likely to take several months. Incidentally it will not be possible, until this portion of the mine is cleared, to fix the responsibility, if any human agency is responsible for the disaster.

Relief Work Abandoned.

It is somewhere within this zone that the remains of the twelve men still missing will be found and, in this connection, Mr. Wilkinson explains that it was decided, after three weeks of effort, that it would be hopeless as well as a foolhardy task, to endeavor to obtain further immediate results by pressing rescuers to risk their lives in extremely dangerous localities to find those who long since must have been sacrificed.

Did Everything Possible.

When he left Fernie the position was that all the mine had been thoroughly explored with the exception of the two levels referred to and these, as stated, were impassable. Twenty-two bodies had been recovered and the inquest had been held, the verdict being death from the effects of an explosion, the cause of which is unknown. Men were engaged in clearing the main entries and this would go forward until the fate of those still unaccounted for was established. The Chief Inspector declared that all that was humanly possible had been done and that those most affected, the people of Fernie, realized it, and moreover, appeared appreciative of the material assistance and sympathy tendered by the Government, municipalities and individuals in their distress.

Workings Damaged.

The explosion, judging by the havoc it wrought, was one of the most violent which Mr. Wilkinson has had to deal with in the course of his long experience in coal mining. There was scarcely a part of the underground passages and workings which was not more or less damaged. It was these uncommon conditions which made the efforts of those who went below in search of their fellows so dangerous and their progress so slow. In not a few instances they were called upon to crawl through openings not more than two feet in diameter but, while there was some hope of finding someone alive, no thought was given of the possibilities as far as those engaged in the endeavor to extend aid was concerned.

No Warning.

It was proved by the position of some of the bodies recovered that the miners had no warning. One was near the entry and clearly had been on his way out when caught. Others were in the act of putting on their coats. Another was lying over a car which, apparently, he had been checking. In fact it was evident that the afternoon

shift, which quits at about 10.15 p.m., was breaking up when the outburst occurred.

With Mr. Wilkinson there were associated Thomas Graham, former inspector of mines and now superintendent for the Canadian Collieries with headquarters at Cumberland, and Inspectors Williams, O'Brien and Strachan.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS ACT AMENDMENTS DOWN

Payment for Non-Resident Pupils; B. C. Electric Asks Hearing

Legislative Press Gallery, April 27.

The Minister of Education, Hon. J. D. McLean, this afternoon introduced a bill to amend the Public Schools Act in certain particulars.

In some outlying districts where there are assisted schools the departure of settlers has left the school with less than the required minimum, and a strict carrying out of the law would leave these children still within the district without educational facilities. In some cases the Department has been ignoring the law in order not to work an injustice to these children, but it is felt that it would be better to do things regularly and reduce the minimum average attendance required to keep a school open.

This is now to be made six instead of eight. At the same time that this is being done it is considered equitable to reduce the minimum in the case of regularly organized schools. Districts also, the change there being from ten to eight. It is understood, however, that in the case of these the need for invoking the section would occur rarely, if ever. It is in the remote parts of the province that the population falls so low as to threaten the few who still hang on with the loss of their school.

High School Arrangements.

The situation which has arisen in respect to the attendance of children from outside municipalities at the Victoria High School is met by the section which has been re-enacted in regard to the contribution in respect of non-resident pupils. The per capita grant which is to be paid by the municipalities from whence the pupils come to the support of the school which they attend is to be based on the proportion which the cost of each pupil in attendance bears to the total cost of maintaining the school. There are added the following new sub-sections:

"A per capita grant shall not be payable under this section in respect of any non-resident pupil whose parent or guardian is a ratepayer of the municipal school district in which is situated the school at which the non-resident pupil attends."

"The municipal corporation of any municipality in which adequate school accommodation has been provided for the resident children shall not be liable for any contribution to the support of a school situated in another municipality on account of the attendance of non-resident pupils."

Provision is made that where it is decided to unite two or more schools in any district to form a central graded school and provide for the conveyance of children from a distance, the school board may carry out the scheme on their own initiative without having to have a vote of the ratepayers. The Government continues to bear one-half of the cost of conveying the children to and fro.

Bills Advanced.

The Attorney-General secured third reading for his bills amending the Sale of Goods Act and the Assignment of Book Accounts Act.

The Mineral Survey, Equal Guardianship and Brand Act bills were reported from committee with amendments in each case.

B. C. Electric.

A. M. Manson (Omineca) presented a petition from the B. C. Electric Railway Co. asking to be heard before the Bar of the House by counsel on the consideration of the Vancouver charter amendments which includes one in relation to the city engaging in inquiry looking to its entry into the field as a producer of power for commercial purposes.

This is the power which the city asked for in its notice of intention to seek legislation, and this was ultimately adopted by the committee after a protracted hearing of all parties, with a rider preventing the city going any further than investigations and preparations without coming again to the Legislature.

It is understood however, that a determined attempt will be made by the House by members from Vancouver to have this replaced by a proposal which, it was sought by the city to have the committee adopt instead, which would give them the right to enter at once into unlimited competition with the company in the distribution of light and power.

The House will decide next week whether or not it will allow counsel to address it.

Prayers were read to-day by Rev. W. L. Macrae.

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MEMBERS DEMANDING GREATER PRODUCTION

Liberal Speakers Point to Neglect of Agriculture in the Past; Excellent Addresses

Legislative Press Gallery, April 27.

Practically the whole of the afternoon to-day was spent on the budget, in the course of which speeches were made by M. B. Jackson, member for the Islands; R. H. Pooley, member for Esquimalt; E. D. Barrow, member for Chilliwack, and F. H. Mobley, member for Atlin.

It chimed in well with the introduction of the Land Settlement Bill later in the afternoon that all three of the Liberal speakers should deal with the need for increased production and the development of agriculture. It was significant, too, that from the different classes of the community, the professional man, the merchant and the farmer-businessman, the united demand should come for action to see that legislation the Government has brought in.

The speeches of the day were all excellent, though if anything that of Mr. Jackson was the more scholarly, and honorable gentleman speaking on the Government side had many valuable suggestions to make. On the Opposition side Mr. Pooley confined his remarks largely to shipbuilding, into which he wants the Government to plunge far more deeply than the last administration did.

The Junior member for Vancouver came in for attention from Mr. Jackson, with quotations from Scripture and Shakespeare which struck the House as apt and created considerable laughter. It may have been because Mr. Jackson at one point had been getting a diagnosis in medical terminology of the state of the late Government that when he came to talking about by-products and recommended crocote to the Minister of Public Works for use on wharf materials, he did so in perfectly correct language which, however, bore the unintentional double entendre that it was for human use. "Pretty rough treatment," remarked Hon. Dr. King.

Mentioning the sixth member for Vancouver, recalled that about one a day Mr. Bowser walks down the Chamber to where his junior colleague sits and holds a colloquy with him. It is rather amusing to watch the Leader of the Opposition stand over the member, verily often with uplifted finger, and apparently give him directions as to his course of action. It is certainly a look of amusement that member who watch the interchange of words, if it can be called an interchange where the older man seems to do most of the talking, between the Opposition Leader and the self-styled independent.

M. B. JACKSON.

M. B. Jackson (Islands), making what is practically his first speech in the House, hoped his fellow-members would make a solemn holiday of it, but lend him their sympathies. He was pleased to follow the member for Fort George (W. R. Ross), and to express appreciation of that gentleman's personal qualifications. He recalled, 22 or 23 years ago, the persistency with which "Billy" Ross used to boast of having the finest and fattest baby boy in the country, and he was particularly glad to think that this boy was the one who was now doing credit to himself, his father and his country somewhere on the plains of France. (Applause.)

A New Era.

A new era had begun for the province on September 14, previous to which the people had neither responsible Government nor legislative functions; there had been absolutism, extravagance, recklessness in expenditure, and well-founded suspicion of corruption lying at the root of the administration of the province. People were now getting down to an appreciation of righteousness in public and private conduct.

Last night the Leader of the Opposition had addressed a meeting at the Conservative rooms, at which there had been a number of women but few men, and there he had declared that nothing had been done yet this session; that money was being wasted right and left; that it was being given to the rights of women vindicated and the franchise conferred upon them? Was it nothing to do what the honorable gentleman would not touch with a ten-foot pole for years, and take up the cause of a great half of the people? Was it not a matter of accomplishment to have adopted such legislation as that put through by the Minister of Mines which was grappling in a wide way with the problem? Was it nothing that steps had been taken to abolish the patronage evil? Had it not been some achievement worthy of praise that there was brought about a balance between income and expenditure?

Equal Rights.

The subordination of women, Mr. Jackson went on to say, had grown into a semblance of immutable necessity from the fact that society, distributing the functions of men and women, had given the preponderance to men. It remained for John Stuart Mill to find out that the less feudal militant and contentious society became the more the place of woman improved. In the matter of temperamental qualities women were far more finely organized than men, and she unquestionably excelled him in many ways. If there had been none of these rights to full citizenship, if it was not her elemental heritage, if there were no other justification for the measure of enfranchisement than the splendid achievements and the sacrifices women had made throughout the war and the part she was playing at the front and behind the front gave her equal rights

with men and arrogated to her her rights of citizenship (Applause.)

Twain Evils.

Dealing with patronage and corruption Mr. Jackson said he had taken a whimsical interest in these because, as the twin evils are known on this continent, they were inaugurated by a namesake of his own, having sprung from the maxim that to the victors belong the spoils uttered by President Jackson and by Van Buren. As the Premier had pointed out, the system was the direct descendant of the prerogative of the Crown in earlier days, as described by Pepys, when public office became the current coin of payment for political service. It was being gradually driven out by the entry in public life of public-spirited, highly-developed and clean men of affairs, a type of man who had been kept out by former corrupt conditions.

Glass Eyes.

The honorable gentleman went on to speak of the near-opposition, especially the half of it represented by the Junior member for Vancouver, and in that connection he created much amusement by a reference to the scriptural statement that the wild ass brays when it has no grass. (Laughter.) Recalling that honorable gentleman's appeal to "his poor, tired eyes" the member for the Islands advised him to look up Will Shakespeare's advice: "Get thee glass eyes and, like the wind, strain at them; send them the things thou dost not." (Laughter and applause.)

Agriculture.

Mr. Jackson asserted that the province is not dealing with the matter of agriculture in a measure consistent with the importance of that basic industry. There had been no substantial improvement in the industry for years; in some cases, at least, there had been the reverse. At a meeting of farmers held at Sidney the other evening Prof. Stevenson, director of the Saanich Experimental Farm, made the startling statement that twenty years ago the agriculturists of Saanich peninsula had produced more than the entire products of Vancouver Island farms amounted to to-day.

During the late campaign, Mr. Jackson said, one of the Bowser make-believe ministers of finance, met him at the north end of Pender Island. On that occasion Mr. Stewart said: "We import too much. We have to import our hay and our feed. There never has been any encouragement for the farmer in British Columbia," and there never had been Mr. Jackson agreed.

Force Completion of Railway.

Mr. Jackson coincided with the view of the fourth member for Victoria (J. C. Hall) that it was time to consider the propriety of forcing completion of the Island branch of the C. N. R. and securing justice for Vancouver Island. For that section the company had received in all \$5,320,000 and the total expenditure had been \$3,700,000. All the people had for this was a rotten and a rotten railway, meandering up and down the Island, for which the company had been paid in full and got \$1,600,000 to boot. ("Shame.") The province was getting an idea now how railway huns, following the Ulmans, Bill and Dan, had corrupted their way into B. C., crushing out opposition and in the insupportable condition resulting securing the passage of legislation.

Following up what the member for Fernie said yesterday, Mr. Jackson added his voice to the demand for the utilization of all by-products from coal and everything else. Coke, he remarked, could be more economically produced in by-product ovens than in the beehive type of oven now used.

Finances.

Taking up financial matters the honorable gentleman illustrated with graphic diagrams the contrast between three years of the late Captain Tatlow's financial administration and three years under what he called the make-believe financiers succeeding him. The latest of these he quoted from the same Pender Island meeting: "It simply means that we are living too much on borrowed capital."

From official reports Mr. Jackson cited the per capita expenditure of the provinces, this showing that British Columbia spends as much per head as the three prairie provinces; more than Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

R. H. POOLEY

R. H. Pooley (Esquimalt) approved of a close season for all game except duck and deer this year. He hoped that a rumor of the closing of the London building was not true and he proposed to add to its attractions free cinema shows. Shipbuilding he desired to have carried on in this province under the Act of last year, the only change he wished being that one hundred ships be the limit for subsidy instead of twenty. Canada and the Empire demanded this, he said.

E. D. BARROW. E. D. Barrow (Chilliwack) replied to some of Capt. Hayward's statements, speaking as an experienced farmer and dairyman as well as successful businessman. He remarked that some of the observations of that hon. gentleman did not sound true; he could not believe the hon. gentleman was sincere when he declared it to be good business for the Government to exceed its revenue in its outlays and to borrow largely. The hon. gentleman had gone to speak of the budget speech as a blue ruin and of the Government as pessimistic, but surely had not intended these for the intelligent members of the House. The Brewster Government was the most sanely optimistic Government this province had ever had. (Applause.) The optimism of the past Government was based on its conception of natural assets as commodities to be turned into cash and consumed in riotous living; the optimism of the Liberal party and Government was based on the development of these assets to create industries and support a population in a prosperous manner.

Opposition Responsible.

Mr. Barrow admitted that there was time being wasted in the House, but reminded the member for Cowichan that he and others on the Opposition side were largely responsible for this

in the way of valueless speeches and frivolous questions.

The sixth member for Vancouver who is apt to boast of what he calls his "facility of debate," jumped up with a demand for information as to what questions were not considered important by the hon. gentleman.

Mr. Barrow, who appears to have profited more by his study of the rules than the Junior member for Vancouver, reminded that gentleman that discussion of questions on the order paper was not allowed. But in a general way what he had in mind was such questions spread on the paper as: "Who is Tom Jones? How is his health?" or "How old is Ann?" (Laughter.)

Practical Education.

Speaking both as a farmer and as a businessman, Mr. Barrow called for a system of education better fitted to the needs of the province and for a great extension of technical education. The province, he said, must look at education from the businessman's point of view. The child should be fitted for life along practical rather than academic lines. It was more to the point that a boy or girl should know how to grow two potatoes where one grew before than to know the length of the Fraser River or the population of Timbuctoo. Boys who would be good farmers or artisans should not be made into poor professional men. (Hear, hear.) Any educational system that did not recognize the clean smut and grime of honest labor should not be tolerated in a democratic country. (Applause.)

There was a great deal said about the wonderful resources of the province, the hon. gentleman said, and what a great asset it had in these. For his part he was firmly convinced that the national capital should be expressed in terms of pounds of energy developed, not in the potential value of the resources piled up by Mother Nature.

The hon. gentleman concluded with a renewed appeal for greater attention to agriculture.

FRANK H. MOBLEY.

Frank H. Mobley (Atlin) congratulated the Premier on having equalized expenditures and receipts. Gentlemen who talked so much about optimism and accused the Government of not possessing it never looked up the meaning of the word in the dictionary. Optimism was not needed to build up British Columbia, but sound business sense and judgment was, and these the present Government had in full measure. The past administrations had had so much optimism that the province had been practically ruined and it had been led into wild extravagance, and the same optimism had led to every sort of speculation.

In the matter of production the honorable gentleman held that the farmers should be educated to grow such things as were needed by the people and only what quantities were needed, or else such as could be taken care of.

He cited cases both in the north and south interior where tons of products of farms and orchards had been thrown into the lake or allowed to rot on the ground because there was no market for them.

With the previous speaker Mr. Mobley, who is a successful wholesale merchant, laughed at the strange business doctrine of the member for Cowichan, and said he had never heard of any business man who believed in spending more than he took in. No one could hope to be successful if he borrowed to pay ordinary running expenses. If the province was to borrow—and it could borrow still, but at a high cost if it was to try to do so at this time—it should only be for the creation of industries.

Mr. Mobley favored shipbuilding but not in the way that the late Government had started out to do and the member for Esquimalt wanted this Government to expand. He pointed to the fact that on the American side in the immediate neighborhood there are five hundred craft building or pro-

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jected, and without aid. Why could not the same thing take place here? When the new cannery on the West Coast wanted some boats it tried to get them in the province, but it had to go to Tacoma for them. What sort of enterprise was that on the part of the people of this province? Why could they not do anything for themselves without having to be helped by the Government?

Provincial Police.

The provincial police, the honorable gentleman said, had been doing efficient work, but could do more under a better system and improved circumstances. He was a strong advocate of putting the force into uniform, not necessarily the same as the Royal North West Mounted Police, but one that would be suitable to the coast climate. They should be assigned to do the work of fire, game, fish and other sorts of wardens instead of having the present duplication of the work. The Government would sooner or later realize that this was the proper policy with the police force, the honorable gentleman said.

The poll-tax he approved of highly. Increased taxation had to be accepted with the best grace possible, but this was one of the most just taxes the Government could impose. There were many men throughout the province who had absolutely no interest in it, paid no taxes, and in some cases sent large sums of money out of it, and this tax would catch all these and make them pay for the protection of the provincial laws and services they got, which would be a great benefit. (Applause.)

The Leader of the Opposition secured the floor for Monday afternoon.



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ALL ENTERING STATES MUST PAY HEAD-TAX

New Immigration Regulations Affecting All but American Citizens Effective May 1

New regulations governing the entry of all aliens into the United States will go into effect on Tuesday, May 1. Under the new immigration law all persons other than bona fide or naturalized American citizens desirous of crossing the American border will be subject to the payment of a head tax of \$8.

American immigration officials have received full instructions regarding the interpretation of the new regulations and in order that delay may be avoided at the steamers plying from this port to Seattle, those who contemplate going to or through the United States should make a point of calling at the United States immigration office, 108 Belmont Building, where the necessary arrangements will be made for refund of head tax for those who may be going across the border on a temporary visit only.

As the new immigration law also applies to excursions, it is expected that the head tax will have the effect of deterring many who would otherwise take advantage of cheap rates offered to points in the United States. It should be borne in mind, however, that all moneys paid as head tax will be refunded to those making but a temporary visit. The transportation companies will have the pleasure of collecting the head tax unless a signed receipt is shown from the American immigration officials. All children under 18 years of age are exempt from the head tax regulations.

FILE BOND FOR LIBEL ON STEAMER CONGRESS The Pacific Coast Company has filed a bond of \$200,000 in the United States District Court to secure the attachment of the steamship Congress libelled recently by the British Columbia Salvage Company in the sum of \$214,000. The Congress has been sold to the China Mail Company and may now be delivered to her new owners.

FIRST-FINDING TO BE REVERSED HERE

Decision of Vancouver Court Transfers Blame for Collision From Cleeve to Rupert

By holding that the Prince Rupert was the overtaking vessel and should have kept clear, the finding of the marine court, presided over by Capt. Chene, stated, assisted by Commanders Shenton and Holme, sitting at Vancouver on Thursday and Friday to rehear the Prince Rupert-Cleeve collision case, completely reverses the decision of the original court composed of Capt. J. D. Macpherson, wreck commissioner, and Capt. W. Wingate and J. R. Stewart, assessors. The Vancouver court based its finding on the rules governing navigation in Burrard Inlet. In the original finding handed down at Victoria it was declared that the cause of the collision was an error of judgment on the part of Capt. W. N. Coughlin, master of the Cleeve, in putting his helm hard a starboard just a few minutes before the impact, this action being, in the court's opinion, the initial cause of the casualty, and secondly, to an entirely mistaken idea on the part of the Cleeve's master that his vessel had the right of way. While imputing the sole blame for the collision on Capt. Coughlin, the court did not in any sense mean to reflect on his character and ability as a seaman, and under the circumstances thought that a warning to be more careful in the future would meet the requirements. No blame was attached to the officers or members of the crew of the Prince Rupert.

Capt. J. R. Stewart, one of the assessors, in dissenting from this judgment, stated that he could come to no other conclusion than that the position of the vessels some time before the collision was that of passing vessels, and the onus of preventing such a crossing rested with the Prince Rupert, as she had the Cleeve on her starboard bow. The master of the Cleeve, on seeing that a collision was inevitable, reversed his engines and threw his helm hard a starboard, which was contrary to rule 21 of the regulations for preventing collisions at sea, and as his action failed to show that he in any way lessened the disaster, Capt. Stewart considered both vessels equally to blame for the collision. Capt. Coughlin, owner and master of the Cleeve, then appealed to Ottawa and a rehearing was allowed.

JOINT COMMISSION MAY BE APPOINTED TO END DISPUTE

Washington, April 28.—Creation of a joint commission to settle all fisheries disputes between the United States and Canada has been suggested informally to officials here by representatives of the Canadian government. It is regarded as likely that some arbitrary means of disposing of the controversies may be agreed upon soon.

In recent years the overlapping of fishery interests have constituted virtually the only cause of friction between this government and the Dominion. The celebrated halibut controversy growing out of a trade war between the fishermen of Alaska and British Columbia has reached a deadlock. A number of lesser disputes also remain unsettled, and officials are understood to feel that a readjustment of the whole subject should be effected by mutual sacrifice now.

SUBMARINE MENACE WORSE THAN STATED, DECLARES SAMUEL

London, April 28.—Mr. Hon. Herbert Samuel, former Home Secretary, speaking in London last night on the gravity of the submarine menace, said that the figures he had on the sinking of vessels indicated that the situation is worse than the official reports have indicated.

VESSELS NOW BEING BUILT OF CONCRETE

Reinforced concrete is being applied at Norwegian shipyards to the construction of vessels having a displacement of anything up to 3,000 tons. The inventor of this new style of vessel is said to be M. N. Fougner, a Scandinavian engineer, who claims to be able to build a ship of any size demanded. According to a report from Christiania he is now building a lighter for a mining company at Sydvaranger, Norway, for the overseas export of iron ore and the import of coal. The vessel, having a displacement of 3,000 tons, is to be ready for commission by the end of the year.

BRITISH FLEET TAKES FURTHER MEASURES IN WATERS OF NORTH SEA

Washington, April 28.—Notice of an extension of Great Britain's danger zone in the North Sea effective May 1 was received here today. The new zone is nearer to the North Sea coast and takes in waters bordering on the limits of the territorial jurisdiction of Denmark and The Netherlands. BOOM IN SHIPBUILDING. Within a period of one year no less than forty new shipbuilding companies have been organized in the State of Washington, with an aggregate capital stock of more than \$17,000,000.

SESOSTRIS WILL BE REPAIRED AT SEATTLE

Convoying Steamer Nitinat Puts Into San Diego En Route Here

Representing one of the greatest salvage achievements in the past decade, the former Kosmos liner Sesostris, which rested high and dry in the sands of Ocos, Guatemala, for ten years, is somewhere off the coast en route to Seattle where she will undergo repairs. The Canadian-Pacific tug Nitinat, which is convoying the salvaged steamship, has been reported putting into San Diego, California.

But for the fact that the steamer Prince Rupert occupies the Esquimalt graving basin, and is likely to do for the next two months, it is more than probable that the Sesostris would have been put into seaworthy condition at this port. The Skinner Syndicate, Inc. of Seattle, of which D. E. Skinner is president and John W. Eddy vice-president, has a big interest in the vessel, and it is understood that she will be repaired at the Seattle plant of the Skinner & Eddy Corporation. Built in 1897 at Plessburg, Germany, the Sesostris was one of the big steel freighters operated by the Kosmos Line on the route between Europe and North Pacific ports, via Brazil, the Straits of Magellan, west coast of South America and San Francisco. She has a deadweight cargo capacity of approximately 7,000 tons. Her gross registered tonnage is 4,718 tons and her net tonnage 3,926 tons. She is 378 feet long, 48 feet beam and 25.4 feet molded depth.

The Sesostris drove ashore at Ocos in 1908 during a heavy storm, fetching up on a sandy beach. Successive storms banked tons of sand against her hull and after several attempts at salvage she was abandoned by the Kosmos Line. An enterprising Guatemalan went aboard and put the ship's electric light plant in operation and sold the light to the inhabitants of Ocos. At one time he is said to have used the ship as an hotel.

The Skinner syndicate subsequently acquired possession and the vessel was finally floated by the British Columbia Salvage Company. Capt. P. C. Stratford, who went south from Victoria in charge of the salvage expedition; Capt. H. W. Logan, local representative of the London Salvage Association, and the other members of the salvage party are returning here aboard the Sesostris.

SEALING MASTER WAS ON DURLEY CHINE

Capt. W. E. Baker Was in Command of Steamer Sunk Off Sandy Hook

When the Dominion Government steamer Durley Chine was sunk in collision with the British steamer Harriet the other day 45 miles east of Sandy Hook she was under the command of Capt. W. E. Baker, a master mariner who for many years was engaged in the sealing business out of Victoria.

Capt. Baker succeeded Capt. Davies, who was master of the Durley Chine when she was here June 13, 1915, bound for the Fraser River to load lumber for Port Nelson, Hudson's Bay. He was particularly well-known in the sealing business here. For many years he navigated various vessels of the sealing fleet to the hunting grounds. It was some fifteen years ago that he brought out to Victoria the sealing schooner Viva, which was built at Halifax for A. J. Bechtel and the late Mr. Munsey, bringing the little craft around the Horn.

Capt. Baker engaged in sealing on the North Pacific coast for several years and then returned East, subsequently taking south the schooner Ysabel May, built for Mr. Bechtel at Lunenburg, to hunt the seal off Cape Horn. The Ysabel May was later brought out to this coast to engage in the sealing industry, and more recently was sold to Father Rougier, of Christmas Island fame.

Capt. Baker again returned to Victoria and remained on the coast until two years ago when he went to San Francisco to take command of an American vessel. This vessel, however, was sold prior to Capt. Baker's arrival at the Golden Gate port, but the people who had engaged him paid all his expenses covering the fruitless trip. He then decided to return to his home at Truro, N. S., and nothing further was heard of him until it was learned that he had been given the command of the Durley Chine. No lives were lost as a result of the disaster to the Durley Chine.

GALLIARD CUT IS NOW IN GOOD SHAPE

The Panama Canal channel through Galliard Cut is reported to be in better condition than ever before. The Cut, which has been dredged through the slides, has a minimum depth of 33 feet and the least width of a channel of 30-foot depth is 180 feet at a point opposite Gibraltar Rock. This rock projects into the channel about 110 feet and extends along the channel about 200 feet. It has been blasted away until it now rises only about 30 feet above water. Two dredges are at work on the removal of this rock and are dredging behind it to prevent its being pushed forward.

CANNERS OPPOSE NEW FISHERY REGULATIONS

Urged That Commission Be Appointed to Investigate State of Industry in B. C.

"Whether the proposed regulations governing the fishing industry of British Columbia shall be instituted as they stand, with the approval of the officials of the Department of Marine, in spite of the opposition of the salmon cannery industry, or whether a commission shall be appointed to investigate and ascertain all the facts before any change is made in the present method of administering the British Columbia fisheries" is the question that is exercising the minds of the officials of the Department of Marine. These regulations affecting the salmon streams of Northern British Columbia, which the cannery industry itself claims to be "disturbing" would appear to meet with almost unanimous disapproval. Certain other fishery regulations already in force are believed to have a tendency to deplete certain grades of salmon and to discriminate against the cannery industry in favor of the halibut fishermen.

Furthermore the cannery industry maintains that other changes relating to the number of canneries on the northern rivers and inlets will threaten to render unstable financial confidence in the whole canning industry of British Columbia as an investment. With conditions so difficult to grapple with and the future of the business so uncertain, the argument is advanced that to revolutionize the administration of the fisheries by introducing drastic and disturbing regulations it will not only menace the natural increase of the fish, but also threaten to burden the industry with unnecessary and additional expenditures that may tend to render profitable operation an impossibility.

There have been put forth various reasons why the cannery industry of British Columbia asks the Minister of Marine to appoint a commission to investigate the whole problem of the fisheries. It is claimed that the recommendations of the commission made in 1907 were satisfactory to both cannerymen and fishermen, the principle being conceded that if the fishing boats and fishermen are limited in numbers by regulations, the number of canneries should be also limited, because for economical packing, there must be a fairly good supply of fish.

The cannery men of the opinion that when properly added before a commission the facts will sustain all their claims. They maintain that all they desire is a square deal, and that they are not, in the light of the proposed new regulations, being treated in anything like fairness.

The British Columbia members of the Advisory Fisheries Board, which presents views regarding provincial fisheries and recommends certain action to be taken, composed of Col. F. H. Cunningham, chief inspector of Dominion fisheries for British Columbia, and D. N. McIntyre, deputy commissioner of fisheries for the Provincial Government, each year journey to Ottawa to confer with the chiefs of the Fisheries Department and have their findings carried up to the Minister of Marine. The result of this year's trip was summarized by Inspector Cunningham when he returned from Ottawa in February. In a published interview Inspector Cunningham stated that the advisory board had decided: (1st) that there would be no embargo placed on raw salmon going into Puget Sound ports this year; (2nd) that the Fraser River would not be closed during the three years of the next four-year cycle, 1918 to 1920; (3rd) that a bounty would be paid for halibut of \$1 for each seal up to the limit of \$6,500; (4th) that after this season there would be no more attached fishing licenses in District No. 2, that is in the northern waters of British Columbia, but that the same system would rule there as on the Fraser River; and that the use of gas-line boats would be permitted in the northern waters of British Columbia as they are now on the Fraser; (5th) that salmon cannery would be compelled to set to halibut fishermen sufficient chum salmon for bait when called upon, at the price that such salmon was worth for canning purposes; (6th) that trap nets would be allowed in locations where they would not interfere with gill net fishermen, but they would be used only for fall fish, and should it be found that 10 per cent of the catch was sockeye, then the traps would have to be raised until the sockeye run was over; (7th) that the policy of the department was that one additional cannery a year would be given on those northern streams if the supply of fish justified the increase.

The cannery maintain, that with one or two exceptions in certain clauses, the proposed regulations are opposed by all the cannery operators. More particularly are they opposed to: The abolition of attached fishing licenses in District No. 2; the allowance of gas-line boats on the northern rivers; the forcing of cannery to sell chum salmon to halibut fishermen for bait, and the refusal of the department to grant an embargo on raw salmon shipped to Puget Sound ports.

As the proposed new regulations will not be enforced until the beginning of 1918, it is hoped by the British Columbia salmon cannery that the Minister of Marine may be prevailed upon to reconsider the announced policy of his department, and to settle the controversy between those who favor the regulations and those who oppose them, by appointing a commission of independent business men, representative of all interests, to investigate thoroughly the whole state of the fishing industry in British Columbia before putting into execution the proposed regulations.

SPRINGTIME SPIRIT PERVADES AT MARKET

More Space is Needed Before Fruit and Vegetables Come In

Half-past ten o'clock is the hour when the City Market reaches its maximum on Saturday mornings, and anyone who paid a visit to-day must have realized that the institution is a great success. There was only one empty stall, a butcher who had failed to put in an appearance. The early fruit and vegetables are not yet in, so that more space must be provided in the next couple of months' time to accommodate the stall-holders.

The tendency of the stall-holders is growing more and more to group, by which a man sells for several neighbors, and that principle is encouraged by the committee so long as the material is home grown. Two such groups are applying for extended stall space, from the Cedar Hill and Metchoan districts, so that when the space is extended it will be immediately absorbed. Bedding plants formed a feature today at the market, while cut flowers proved a most pleasing and widely-patronized line. Before the gardens of the wealthier residents are blooming there is a great demand for flowers from the country greenhouses, and many cars rolled away from Cornwall Street to-day with the lady occupants carrying fresh bouquets of carnations, daffodils and similar spring flowers just acquired.

The gardening season helped tremendously in swelling the call for bedding plants, since people who are not in the business are glad to be relieved of the preliminary processes of growth prior to transplanting. Prices ruled along similar lines to recent markets, for all dairy produce and poultry. Meat offerings presented no features of special note, though the stalls were well supplied. Greater development in the way of fresh fish appears reasonable, with well-stocked waters around the city, and cultivation of this industry would help to break the monopoly largely held in these lines by Orientals.

Certain phases of the market now being under investigation by a committee, are not entered into here, but judging from the attendance to-day there is no doubt that Saturday is the popular day from the standpoint of the public, as it certainly is from the stall-holders' point of view.

CHICAGO MARU SAILS. The O. S. K. liner Chicago Maru left port last night on her return voyage to the Far East. She took aboard a number of steerage passengers here. The liner Kamakura Maru, of the N. Y. K. fleet, is due to sail this evening for Yokohama and Hongkong.

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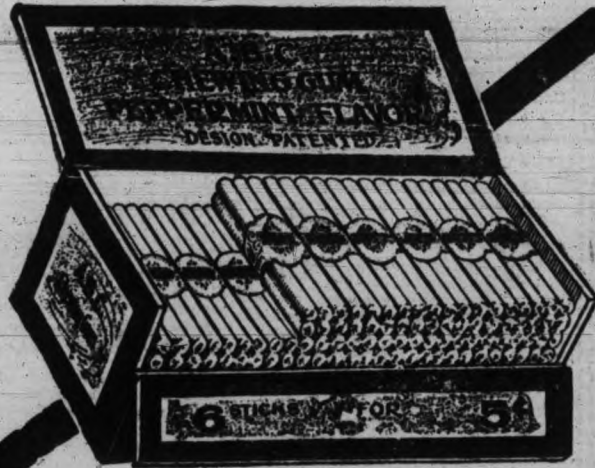
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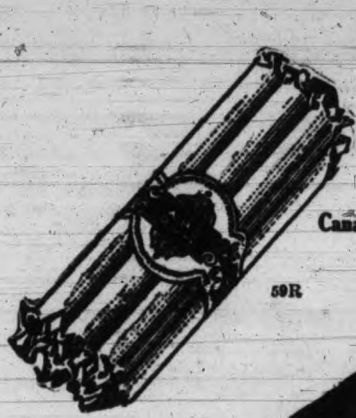
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DAVIES AND CAMPI TO FIGHT TEN ROUNDS

Marquis of Queensbury Rules Will Be Observed in Title Contest

The fight between Al Davies, the local boy, and Eddie Campi, which will be staged at the Willows on May 19, will decide the featherweight championship of the Pacific Coast. The bout will be held under strict Marquis of Queensbury rules, with eight-ounce gloves. The boys will weigh in at 6 o'clock on the evening of the contest and will make 122 pounds. The bout itself will be of ten rounds' duration, each round lasting three minutes with one minute interval. The articles of agreement for the meet are now in the mail, and it is not likely that any hitch will be encountered at this stage.

The fans of the city will have the opportunity of seeing Campi in training before the bout, as W. H. Davies has announced that he is arranging to have the American boy work-out here for several days prior to the contest, this will give Victorians an opportunity of seeing the class of fighter that the local lad will be up against. The latter has already commenced his training under the supervision of his brother, who will see to it that every effort is made to have Al in the best possible condition for the encounter.

Interest in the coming event is not by any means confined to local circles.

Both Davies and Campi are known throughout the coast. The reputation of the latter is of course international and his participation in the tournament will be an enormous drawing card. His opponent has done considerable fighting in the past, and is a familiar figure among the boxers of the Pacific Northwest. It is therefore expected that a large number of fans from coast cities will journey to Victoria on the week-end of May 19.

TITLE GOES TO WINNER.

Chicago, April 28.—Besides refereeing the John Olin-Strangler Lewis wrestling match here May 2, Frank Gotch, titleholder, has announced that he will publicly, without any strings or reserve clauses attached, hand over the championship belt to the winner. The only stipulation made by Gotch is that the wrestler who receives the title go up against Early Caddock immediately, and the winner of that match take on Stecher. Like the rest of the wrestling fans Gotch wants the three-cornered "best man" squabble settled for once and for all.

ARE AWAITING DARCY.

Unlontown, Pa., April 28.—Les Darcy may begin training for the United States Reserve Aviation Corps at once. Bill Pickens, manager of Barney Oldfield, at the instance of De Lloyd Thompson, aviation expert, wired the recruiting offices at Chicago that the local lad will be up against. The latter has already commenced his training under the supervision of his brother, who will see to it that every effort is made to have Al in the best possible condition for the encounter.

Interest in the coming event is not by any means confined to local circles.

HARNESS RECORDS IN 1916 WERE SHATTERED

Possibility of Faster Pacers and Trotters for Coming Season

Records are made to be broken, as no fewer than twenty existing world's harness records were smashed in 1916. It can be confidently stated that the maximum speed of the harness horse has not yet been reached, and he would be a bold prophet who would aver that the turf crown of 1916 will not be removed in 1917 from its present holder, the great "Lee Axworthy."

Former Champions of the Sulky. Those idols of the past—Yankee, Edwin Forrest, Lady Suffolk, Flora Temple, Dexter, St. Julien, Rarus, Goldsmith Maid, Maud S., Jay-Eye-See, Sunol, Alx and Nanck Hanks would stand but a scant show nowadays for the pinnace recognition that other days so justly accorded them.

The adoption of the low-wheeled pneumatic-tired sulky and the billiard table-like smoothness of the modern trotting track are doubtless great factors which have conduced to the "below two minute mark" now existing.

"Like produces like," the breeding of the best to the best, and by that is implied the infallibility of the race track standard of excellence. This has, we think, been the dominant factor of improvement. From a breeder's standpoint the climax was reached in 1916 by the appearance of the long wished for two-minute trotting stallion in Lee Axworthy, who established a record of 1:58 1/2, which mark sandwiches those of Lou Dillon 1:58 1/2 and Ullan 1:58.

Billings' Wonderful Stable.

In connection with the two last-named records one naturally associates them with their owner, C. K. G. Billings, the man who has probably owned more trotters of extreme speed and done more to popularize the light harness horse than any other owner during the last decade, the curtailment of his interest in harness racing is much to be regretted, the turf will not altogether lose his patronage, as he has decided to transfer his allegiance to the thoroughbred and already has a strong stable of them in training.

Dan Patch Dethroned.

The year 1916 saw the extinguishing of the old Dan Patch pacing record. Directum was the star performer who effected the eclipse of Mr. Savage's popular favorite. Directum also broke records at one mile and one-eighth. Another record was made by the advent of eighty-six trotters to the 2:10 list, which is ten more than have ever entered that select speed circle in any previous year. Altogether 1916 may be considered one of the most successful and noteworthy seasons the harness turf has ever experienced.

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SWIMMING GALA BY LOCAL LADIES' CLUB

Annual Event Will Be Held at Y. M. C. A. Tank This Evening

The feature of this week's activities in the sporting world is the annual gala of the Victoria Ladies' Swimming Club, which will be held this evening at the pool of the local Y. M. C. A. On previous occasions such events have been well patronized and Victorians who attended entertainments of a like nature organized by the ladies will need no urging to be present at this evening's meet. The programmes which have been witnessed in the past always were the cause of very favorable comment from the patrons and a like treat is in store for all who think fit to be present this evening.

But apart from the fact that an excellent evening's entertainment is in store the local club is deserving of both the interest and the support of the people of this city, as an expression of the appreciation which is felt for the work which the ladies are carrying on. The value of being able to not only swim, but to effect the saving of life in emergency, cases by having qualified in life-saving classes, cannot be too highly estimated. In this department the Victoria Ladies' Swimming Club is doing a splendid work among the women and girls of the city.

Additional interest is attached to this evening's gala from the fact that Miss Audrey Griffin, the present holder of the Canadian ladies' 100 yard indoor record, will participate in some of the events of the programme. Her ability as a swimmer is well-known and those who witnessed her exhibition at the local tank some months ago will be pleased to have this evening's opportunity of again watching her aquatic performance.

The programme starts promptly at 8 o'clock.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL IN THREE BIG LEAGUES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

At Chicago—H. H. F. Cleveland 7 5 1
Chicago 1 6 1
Batteries—Klepfer, Coveleskie and O'Neill; Billinger, Williams, Scott, Danforth and Schalk.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

At Los Angeles—Salt Lake, 6; Los Angeles, 2.
At San Francisco—Vernon, 3; Oakland, 4.
At Portland—San Francisco, 1; Portland, 5.

NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE

At Vancouver—R. H. E. Tacoma 2 11 1
Vancouver 2 5 1
Batteries—Peterson and Stevens; Acosta and Cadman.
At Seattle—R. H. E. Great Falls 4 7 1
Seattle 3 12 2
Batteries—Clark, Hall and Cheek; Klein and Sullivan, Cunningham.
At Spokane—R. H. E. Butte 6 10 2
Spokane 7 1 1
Batteries—Hydorn and Kafara; Webb, Zweifel and Baldwin, Lafayette.

BASEBALL RECORDS

NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE.			
	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Butte	3	0	1.000
Great Falls	2	0	1.000
Tacoma	2	2	.500
Vancouver	2	2	.500
Seattle	0	2	.000
Spokane	0	3	.000

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
San Francisco	15	8	.652
Salt Lake City	10	9	.529
Oakland	11	13	.454
Vernon	12	12	.500
Portland	10	13	.435
Los Angeles	9	12	.430

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	9	5	.643
Boston	7	4	.636
New York	6	4	.600
Cleveland	5	7	.417
St. Louis	5	7	.417
Philadelphia	5	7	.417
Washington	4	1	.284
Detroit	4	10	.286

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
New York	8	3	.727
St. Louis	9	5	.643
Boston	5	4	.556
Chicago	8	7	.533
Cincinnati	9	8	.521
Brooklyn	3	6	.333
Pittsburg	5	11	.313
Philadelphia	4	7	.364

EASTERN HOCKEYISTS ARE STILL WORRYING

It is understood there will be a meeting of the National Hockey Association some time next week, at which the past season will be reviewed and decisions reached as to the disposition of the \$2,000 bond of the 22nd Battalion team, which it is claimed should be forfeited because the "soldier team" suddenly abandoned the schedule; and regarding the legal complications with Manager Eddie Livingstone, of the Toronto Hockey Club, says a dispatch from Montreal. Manager Livingstone has taken out an injunction to restrain the association from disposing of the Toronto's franchise without his consent.

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PATRIOTIC LACROSSE FOR THE MAINLAND

New Westminster Will Form Team to Take Part in Series

Vancouver, April 28.—The Royal City, cradle of lacrosse in the West and the home of the Minto Cup, will not be behind in the scheme to form a patriotic lacrosse league. This was the decision at a meeting in New Westminster of players and lacrosse men, presided over by Mayor Wells Gray and attended by such stalwarts of the national games as Charlie Welsh, Alex. Turnbull and Tommy Gifford. Evidently there will be no lack of material for the Westminster team, as over a dozen names of men prepared to play were secured. The list included many amateurs, and of course their consent will be dependent on the attitude of the B. C. A. A. U. Mr. Leo Gregory, who was elected secretary pro tem, will write the governing body in amateur athletics for a ruling, but it is generally believed that as the games will be strictly amateur, no player receiving any remuneration, the union will grant the amateurs' association for their contemplated association with professionals on the lacrosse field. Among the names from whom it will be possible to select a team, the following were mentioned: Gordon Spring, Bun Clark, George Rennie, Pat Peoney, Hughie Gifford, Geo. Feeney, Bernie Feedham, George Sangster, Alf Follis, Bill Patchell, Nahold Stoddart, Harry Latham, Pete Latham, Frank Hume and Eldon Cooper.

BASKETBALL TO-NIGHT.

The Ladysmith senior basketball team will meet Jimmy Adam's five this evening at the old Drill Hall, Menzies Street, in a return match. The local boys expect that they will fully avenge the defeat which they sustained at the hands of the Ladysmith boys last Saturday. The line-up of the visitors' team will be as follows: Zbojovisky, Cella, Bryant, Mikalo,

Lowie. The Victoria team is: R. Greaves, J. Jessup, J. Adam, L. Greaves, R. Grubb.

GOVERNMENT AUDIT FOR ONTARIO TRACKS

A dispatch from Toronto says that no applications have yet been made for 1917 licenses by holders of race-track charters. However, the provincial treasurer has stated that legislative powers will be used to scrutinize the receipts of all race-tracks operating within the province, and arrangements have been completed for a daily audit of receipts from all sources at the race-tracks, which will be made by an independent firm of auditors, and which material will be taken at the close of the season as a basis for estimating an equitable license fee.

KILLED IN ACTION.

Ottawa, April 28.—The death of France of Flight-Lieut. Donald Macdonald, prominent in hockey, rowing and football circles in the East, has been reported. He was the fourth Ottawa athlete to make the final sacrifice while serving in the flying service overseas.




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MOTOR FATALITY NEAR NORTHFIELD

Roy Kinsman, of This City, Instantaneously Killed This Morning

LEFT VICTORIA TO-DAY AT SUNRISE FOR PARKSVILLE

Roy Kinsman, son of J. E. Kinsman and grandson of Ex-Alderman Kinsman of this city, lies dead at Me-

The attendant circumstances, around which the sad affair centres are as follows: Mrs. Heller desired to proceed to Parksville at sunrise this morning for the purpose of seeing her

The first indication that disaster had overtaken them was received by phone by Provincial Chief Colin Campbell soon after ten o'clock, when Chief Constable Dunwoody, of Nanaimo telephoned the bare details of the accident. Inquiries were at once

Later telephonic enquiries made to Chief Constable Dunwoody have elicited the information concerning the accident itself. The party had reached the bridge at Northfield after passing through the coal city on the last

As soon as Allen was able to appreciate the situation it was seen that Kinsman was beyond all human help, while Mrs. Heller soon recovered from the effects of the shock. A wagon had

The father has called the jury for three o'clock this afternoon, and whether the inquest will be proceeded with or not will be dependent upon Mrs. Heller's ability to give evidence. The father of the deceased, with Willard, the owner of the wrecked car, left the city for Nanaimo by auto at one o'clock to-day.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

DANCE TO-NIGHT at Connaught Hall. 425 RUMMAGE SALE Wednesday, May 2, 2 p. m. 901 Fort Street. 425

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.

Succession Duties—The legislation now before the House whereby Succession duties will be materially increased serves to emphasize the necessity of adequately protecting one's estate with life insurance, thus doing away with the necessity of carrying a large cash balance.

"THE WESTERN FRONT"

The audience which attended the lecture given last evening at the Alexandra Ballroom by Mr. Lionel Makovski, editorial writer of the Vancouver Daily Province, went away considerably enlightened on many points connected with the strategic and tactical movements of the great armies arrayed along the Western Front since the beginning of the war.

The death occurred yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's Hospital of Edward Smith, age 24 years, a native of England. The deceased was a sailor on H. M. C. S. Rainbow and leaves relatives in England. The funeral will take place on Monday at 2 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel. Rev. F. A. Chadwick will officiate.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Clark, of North Vancouver, have been visitors in the city this week.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The marriage took place quietly last Wednesday in Vancouver of Mary I. Lett, daughter of Mrs. F. G. Lett, of that city, and William Fraser, also of Vancouver. The couple are spending their honeymoon in Victoria.

The Royal Victoria Yacht Club, Cadboro Bay, was the rendezvous of a very happy party last evening, the occasion being a dance given in honor of the officers of the Avoca. About 70 guests were present, the hostesses, Mesdames Holman and Williams, having made excellent provision for their entertainment. Miss Thain furnished a very nice programme of dance music, and Mrs. Jenner supervised the catering, providing much-appreciated refreshments. The decorations were flags and naval ensigns.

A committee headed by E. F. Curtis, chairman of the Oak Bay Red Cross, and composed of Messrs. Fred Landsberg, W. H. Davies, W. J. Shortt, are organizing a Twenty-fourth of May Military and Naval Field Day Celebration in aid of the Red Cross. There will be a parade, decorated automobiles, etc., and at the Royal Athletic Park, where the field day events will take place, there will be band music and other attractive features incidental to the programme. Anyone who is willing to assist the committee is invited to send his name at once to Mr. Curtis or to T. Harry Slater.

A delightful Red Cross tea and musical was given yesterday afternoon at "Inisfaul," the home of Mrs. R. L. Phillips, Howe Street. Ladies brought socks instead of admission money, eighteen pairs being received, and one guest bringing \$1.00 in lieu of the comforts. The tea tables were pretty with tulips and daffodils, and Miss Bromley Jubb and Mrs. Webster were in charge of the delicious refreshments served. The ladies who helped with the musical programme were Miss Elford, Miss Blanche Whiteley, Mrs. J. W. Bond, Miss Annie Wright, Mrs. A. W. Alford, Miss T. Alford and Miss Dorrell. Miss May Dorrell and Miss Bromley Jubb gave recitations. Little Dorothy Spencer, wearing Highland costume, gave some Scottish dances. Mrs. J. D. Gordon, vice-president of the Lady Douglas Chapter, I. O. E. E., gave an address on the needs of the Military Hospitals, and accepted the

May Present Award.—It is probable that the Distinguished Conduct Medal won by Sergt.-Major Charles Frederick Dawson, of Victoria, will be presented in due form by the Honorable the Premier sometime during the next week. The award has already arrived at Work Point. It will be recalled that Sergt.-Major Dawson won the coveted distinction for bravery during the fighting at Ypres in June of last year. He left here more than two years ago with the 30th Battalion and became attached in England to the famous 7th

OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of the late Nicholas Bertucci, whose death occurred on Thursday at his home, 1155 Mason Street, took place this morning at 8.45 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel, 15 minutes later Low Mass being celebrated by the Rev. Father McDonald at St. Andrew's Cathedral. The services were largely attended by relatives and friends and many beautiful flowers covered the casket. The pallbearers were Messrs. C. A. Bossi, A. Marinelli, J. F. Silver and N. Lawson. Interment took place at Ross Bay Cemetery.

OBITUARY RECORD

John D. Norrish, a resident of the city for the past ten years, died last night at St. Joseph's Hospital. He was 62 years of age and born in Canada, his residence being latterly at 2615 Rose Street. Mr. Norrish at one time operated the Imperial Hotel, which stood on the present site of D. Spencer's, Limited, department store. Before coming to Victoria he served for many years at Calgary with the Royal Northwest Mounted Police. He is survived by a widow, two daughters and one son, all of whom are living here, and also a sister, Mrs. H. I. Douglas, of 2640 Blanshard Street. The funeral will take place on Monday at 3.30 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel. Rev. F. A. Chadwick will officiate.

The death occurred yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's Hospital of Edward Smith, age 24 years, a native of England. The deceased was a sailor on H. M. C. S. Rainbow and leaves relatives in England. The funeral will take place on Monday at 2 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel, and half an hour later services will be held at the Naval Cemetery. Rev. Baugh Allen will officiate.

Mrs. Cuthbert Holmes and family, who have been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Ashdown Green and Miss Dunlop, at Rockland Avenue, have returned to their home at Millstream.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Lady Franklin Chapter, I. O. D. E., hung a wreath of laurel in the parish church of St. Mark's, Vesuvius, North Salt Spring Island, last Sunday in memory of the Canadians who fought and fell at the battle of Ypres and Langemarck.

The Royal Victoria Yacht Club, Cadboro Bay, was the rendezvous of a very happy party last evening, the occasion being a dance given in honor of the officers of the Avoca. About 70 guests were present, the hostesses, Mesdames Holman and Williams, having made excellent provision for their entertainment. Miss Thain furnished a very nice programme of dance music, and Mrs. Jenner supervised the catering, providing much-appreciated refreshments. The decorations were flags and naval ensigns.

A committee headed by E. F. Curtis, chairman of the Oak Bay Red Cross, and composed of Messrs. Fred Landsberg, W. H. Davies, W. J. Shortt, are organizing a Twenty-fourth of May Military and Naval Field Day Celebration in aid of the Red Cross. There will be a parade, decorated automobiles, etc., and at the Royal Athletic Park, where the field day events will take place, there will be band music and other attractive features incidental to the programme. Anyone who is willing to assist the committee is invited to send his name at once to Mr. Curtis or to T. Harry Slater.

A delightful Red Cross tea and musical was given yesterday afternoon at "Inisfaul," the home of Mrs. R. L. Phillips, Howe Street. Ladies brought socks instead of admission money, eighteen pairs being received, and one guest bringing \$1.00 in lieu of the comforts. The tea tables were pretty with tulips and daffodils, and Miss Bromley Jubb and Mrs. Webster were in charge of the delicious refreshments served. The ladies who helped with the musical programme were Miss Elford, Miss Blanche Whiteley, Mrs. J. W. Bond, Miss Annie Wright, Mrs. A. W. Alford, Miss T. Alford and Miss Dorrell. Miss May Dorrell and Miss Bromley Jubb gave recitations. Little Dorothy Spencer, wearing Highland costume, gave some Scottish dances. Mrs. J. D. Gordon, vice-president of the Lady Douglas Chapter, I. O. E. E., gave an address on the needs of the Military Hospitals, and accepted the

May Present Award.—It is probable that the Distinguished Conduct Medal won by Sergt.-Major Charles Frederick Dawson, of Victoria, will be presented in due form by the Honorable the Premier sometime during the next week. The award has already arrived at Work Point. It will be recalled that Sergt.-Major Dawson won the coveted distinction for bravery during the fighting at Ypres in June of last year. He left here more than two years ago with the 30th Battalion and became attached in England to the famous 7th

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TO-DAY'S BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE Chicago-St. Louis game postponed; wet grounds. New York 10 7 1 Philadelphia 2 7 2 Batteries—Anderson and Rariden; Rixey and Kilifer. Boston 2 10 0 Brooklyn 0 3 1 Batteries—Tyler and Gowdy; Pfeiffer and Meyers, Miller. Cincinnati 0 3 0 Pittsburgh 2 3 4 Batteries—Sanders and Wingo; Grimes and Fischer. AMERICAN LEAGUE Washington 1 6 2 Boston 7 10 1 Batteries—Johnson and Almsmith; Shore and Agnew. Philadelphia 1 5 2 New York 9 7 2 Batteries—Bush and Myers; Caldwell and Alexander. St. Louis 10 18 2 Cleveland 1 6 3 Batteries—Sothorn and Severoid; Morton, Smith, Gould and O'Neill.

COURTS OF REVISION. A Court of Revision and Appeal under the provisions of the "Taxation Act" and the "Public Schools Act," respecting the supplementary assessment rolls for the year 1917, will be held for the assessment districts, as follows, viz.: FOR ESQUIMALT DISTRICT—At Price's Hotel, Parsons Bridge, Esquimalt, B. C., on Thursday, the 5th day of May, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon. FOR VICTORIA CITY AND CORDOVA DISTRICT—At Sidney, B. C., on Friday, the 5th day of May, at 2 o'clock p.m. FOR NORTH SAANICH AND ISLANDS DISTRICT—At Sidney, B. C., on Friday, the 5th day of May, at 2 o'clock p.m. FOR VICTORIA CITY AND CORDOVA DISTRICT—At the Provincial Assessor's Office, Rooms 116-118 Belmont House, Government Street, Victoria, B. C., on Monday, the 31st day of May, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 25th day of April, 1917. THOS. S. FUTCHER, Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal, Victoria Assessment District.

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ONCE AGAIN THE CANADIAN TROOPS HURL ENEMY FORCES FROM PREPARED POSITIONS; SHARE IN GREAT ATTACK

Swept Forward in Steady Waves After Barrage and Attacked Village of Arleux; British Victory Smashes Line to Which Germans Retired After Battle of Vimy

Canadian Army Headquarters in France, April 28.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent.)—Once again the Canadian forces have driven German picked troops from carefully prepared positions which they were confident of holding. In the gray dawn of this (Saturday) morning, after an artillery bombardment of great intensity, the troops advanced under the protection of a barrage which swept the ground through which they had to pass with a hail of steel and attacked the village of Arleux.

These preparations went on while our men were busy making a way for their guns over the pathless ridge. Captured German guns turned against their former owners were at this stage an effective means of offence. After our own guns had been got into their new positions a systematic bombardment was resumed. The enemy works crumbled. Shelter was no longer possible in the villages, for the houses were destroyed. Even cellars were not proof against the huge shells. The result was that anything like industry was crushed as soon as it was visible.

part of the German front and ordered that the line be held at all costs till more permanent defences could be constructed west of Douai. Whether on his direct order or because of their instinct for self-preservation, the troops who passed through the inferno of the Vimy ridge, along the Arleux-Arleux-Gavrelle line have for the past two weeks been the most industrious Germans in France. Many new trenches were dug and the wire along the front was increased to an average width of thirty feet. Guns, especially heavy ones, were brought up to make good the losses through capture. A reserve division of the Prussian Guards was introduced to take the place of the destroyed Bavarian units.

British troops to the south advanced simultaneously from their positions near Gavrelle against the fortified village of Oppy, which lies midway between Arleux and Gavrelle. This morning's victory smashes the prepared line to which the enemy retired after being driven from the Vimy ridge. At its northern end his position rested on Avion, a suburb of Lens, and extended south to the Scarpe River through Mericourt, Acheville, Arleux, Oppy and Gavrelle. After the battle of Vimy Ridge Von Hindenburg is said to have visited this

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, April 28.—The following casualties were announced to-day: Infantry.

Killed in action—Lieut. H. Morris Bils, Sheerness, Alta.; Lieut. J. D. McLennan, Field, B. C.; Lieut. A. G. Mack, Scotland; Pte. Alex. A. Anderson, Burlington, Wash.; Pte. I. S. Anglia, Byng, Ont.; Lieut. Wm. Allen, Harrisburg, Ont.; Pte. F. H. Burrows, Winnipeg; Pte. A. Jens, Wales; Pte. M. Maki, Cobalt, Ont.; Pte. C. Lewis, Hamilton; Pte. J. French, Scotland; Pte. J. Herros, England; Pte. L. Wm. Kirkland, Calgary; Pte. A. Anderson, Ferintosh, Alta.; Pte. A. G. Huntley, England; Pte. J. L. Abbott, Canada, Alta.; Pte. J. Millard, Scotland; Pte. E. Mowbray, Odessa, Sask.; Pte. E. E. Wright, Moncton, N. B.; Pte. R. F. Boulton, England; Pte. A. S. Rennie, Vancouver; Pte. A. J. Hogg, Merritt, B. C.; Pte. H. A. Aves, Mission, B. C.; Pte. W. M. Johnston, England; Pte. J. R. Newcombe, Vancouver; Pte. J. B. Wilson, New Westminster; Pte. A. S. Buchanan, Scotland; Pte. A. Bremner, High Bluff, Man.; Pte. Wm. Smith, Scotland; Pte. D. McTavish, Scotland.

Died of wounds—Pte. R. Wilkinson, Toronto; Pte. S. Novakovich, Southey, Sask.; Pte. J. Robbins, Bannockburn, Ont.; Pte. J. Vincent, Toronto; Pte. J. Hinton, Port Hope, Ont.; Pte. J. R. Fox, Amherstburg, Ont.; Pte. J. H. Hurndall, Halifax; Pte. C. Woodward, Moncton, N. B.; Pte. Wm. J. King, Gander, Man.; Pte. Wm. H. White, Brandon, Man.; Sgt. F. A. Russell, (address not stated); Pte. R. J. Dickson, Perth, Ont.

Missing—believed killed—Pte. R. J. Connelly, Toronto; Pte. O. A. Flower, Wales; Pte. F. J. Heath, Brantford, Ont.; Pte. B. A. Murray, England; Pte. O. B. Wynne, Montreal; Pte. J. K. Ruiger, Hamilton; Pte. R. Wm. Willson, Welwyn, Sask.; Pte. G. E. Mathies, Winnipeg.

Missing—Pte. C. B. Dewolf, Stellarton, N. S.; Pte. V. S. Dolson, Guelph, Ont.; Pte. T. H. Banzie, Dalhousie Junction, N. B.; Pte. J. D. Newman, St. Thomas, Ont.; Pte. J. P. Grant, Guelph, Ont.; Pte. S. T. Stokes, Brantford, Ont.; Pte. J. Williams, Dutton, Ont.; Pte. S. A. Wells, England.

Missing—believed wounded—Pte. T. Hornby, St. Thomas, Ont.; Pte. F. J. Innis, Peterboro, Ont.; Pte. F. Wm. Kennedy, Ireland.

Wounded—Pte. J. H. Donnelly, St. John, N. B.; Pte. C. N. Dale, Port Elgin, N. B.; Pte. K. O. Bell, Fielding, N. B.; Pte. T. Chisason, Newfoundland; Pte. Wm. H. Ryland, Winnipeg; Pte. A. Bissell, Winnipeg; Pte. P. Lanning, Hamilton; Pte. Wm. Gaudier, Rustico, P. E. I.; Pte. G. Wm. Ching, England; Pte. R. Beavis, Peterboro, Ont.; Pte. A. Anson, Madoc, Ont.; Cpl. A. L. Willow, Toronto; Pte. H. E. Gudgeon, England; Pte. C. R. Armstrong, Lakeside, Ont.; Pte. G. K. Kimbrough, Ottawa; Pte. F. Brethour, Bancroft, Ont.; Cpl. W. C. Sanders, Toronto; Pte. G. L. Wilson, New Westminster; Pte. Wm. A. Bowcott, New Westminster; Pte. R. Master, England; Pte. J. McLean, Scotland; Cpl. J. J. Loftus, Hillcrest, Alta.; Pte. T. R. Carson, Vancouver; Pte. C. Stewart, Scotland; Pte. D. C. Pattman, Edmonton; Pte. G. Reid, Scotland; Pte. H. P. Robertson, Pilot Mount, Man.; Pte. M. Ross, Moose Horn Lake, Man.; Pte. V. Clarke Cochrane, Ont.; Pte. A. MacAulay, Scotland; Lance-Cpl. P. L. Kane, Toronto; Pte. S. Shoebottom, Brantford, Ont.; Pte. B. McMadair, Russia; Pte. E. Golding, England; Pte. W. Scole, French River, P. E. I.; Pte. E. F. Thompson, Toronto; Lieut. A. R. Terhune, Listowel, Ont.; Pte. G. Strath, Hayfield, Man.; Pte. W. Robinson, England; Lance-Sergt. E. E. Pater, Vancouver; Pte. T. E. McDonald, England; Pte. G. Hartley, Galt, Pte. D. A. Dunham, Dunville, Ont.; Pte. E. Humphreys, England; Pte. W. P. Holden, Toronto; Pte. C. Croucher, Winnipeg; Pte. G. L. Grisch, Detroit; Pte. H. J. Wise, Ottawa; Pte. F. Conins, Toronto; Pte. J. P. Smith, Toronto; Pte. D. McLeod, Scotland; Pte. G. M. Ephenan, Toronto; Pte. Z. M. Cunningham, Shelburne, N. S.; Pte. W. E. Smith, Flatlands, N. B.; Pte. W. N. Meyer, Canada, Sask.; Pte. E. F. Sorrett, Bridgewater, N. S.; Pte. J. P. Clancy, Davidson, Sask.; Cpl. J. McNally, Ladysmith, Que.; Pte. R. Hannel, New York; Sgt. P. H. Hutton, Moose Jaw; Pte. G. Easton, England; Pte. H. F. Morrison, Dundurn, Sask.; Pte. T. H. Stevens, Winnipeg; Pte. J. Wm. Cutler, England; Capt. (Acting Major) F. B. Howarth, Vancouver; Lieut. R. D. Reid, Millard, N. S.; Lieut. C. E. Read, Toronto; Capt. (Acting Major) J. A. H. Hope, England; Cpl. A. Tucker, England; Pte. H. W. Davis, Winnipeg; Pte. J. S. Watsky, Greta, Man.; Pte. J. Bland, England; Pte. B. Brennan, Ireland; Pte. E. V. Stanley, Landville, Alta.; Pte. A. Chicklofin, Italy; Pte. T. Chessman, Calgary; Pte. J. C. Beadie, Winnipeg; Pte. Wm. Branton, England; Pte. E. McNeill, Findley, Wyman, Que.; Pte. M. L. Ross, Basswood, Man.; Pte. G. R. Urwin, Victoria; Pte. S. A. Humphreys, Vancouver; Pte. M. Martinson, Sweden; Pte. J. Mills, England; Pte. C. Vachon, Ottawa; Pte. T. F. Houghton, Middleton, N. S.; Pte. J. A. McLellan, Economy, N. S.; Pte. A. McVicar, Bridgeport, N. S.; Pte. Wm. E. Dalrymple, Picton, N. S.; Pte. B. Church, Collins, N. B.

Killed—Pte. F. P. Rentic, Honeywood, Ont.

Died—Pte. R. G. Herbert, England; Previously reported wounded; now not wounded—Pte. M. E. Burnett, Roland, Man.

Seriously ill—Pte. Wm. Williamson, Toronto.

Buried by shell; severe—Pte. R. G. Hinton, Toronto.

Wounded—Pte. A. Tennant, England; Pte. R. Dyer, England; Pte. A. Harris, England; Pte. R. L. Stockeridge, England; Sgt. A. Brooks, Minneapolis; Pte. M. Warren, Calhoun Mills, N. B.; Pte. K. Sutherland, Scotland; Sgt. A. Audette, Montreal; Pte.

G. Korslick, Russia; Pte. S. J. Minrou, Logville, N. B.; Pte. F. J. Williamson, Toronto; Pte. J. Wm. Fulton, Toronto; Pte. R. J. Belling, Jacques River, N. B.; Pte. H. A. Bannerman, Baldir, Man.; Pte. F. L. Kroetch, Shadeland, Man.; Pte. U. X. Lemieux, Somerset, Man.; Pte. G. C. Fanna, Milma, Man.; Pte. H. Millar, Scotland; Pte. D. Watt, Beamsville, Ont.; Pte. C. A. Crossy, Yarmouth, N. S.; Pte. V. M. Joyce, St. John, N. B.; Pte. R. E. Henninger, Chester, N. S.; Pte. W. G. Coffin, Gaspé, Que.; Pte. B. Adair, Toronto; Pte. Wm. R. Wilson, Deloraine, Man.; Pte. P. Bergos, Greece; Pte. H. Armstrong, Toronto; Pte. B. Taiter, Saskatoon; Pte. Wm. Causdon, England; Pte. W. Marsh, Saskatoon; Pte. Wm. Walker, Scotland; Pte. F. O'Donnell, Winnipeg; Pte. J. H. Fleming, England; Pte. J. Martin, England; Pte. A. B. McNaughton, Victoria; Pte. A. McAdam, Vancouver; Pte. O. B. Lovelace, Kentville, N. S.; Lance-Cpl. R. Bell, Amherst, N. S.; Pte. G. Wm. Clark, England; Pte. F. Brim, Vienna, Ont.; Pte. E. Colon, Toronto; Sgt. Major Wm. G. Fraser, D.C.M., Toronto; Lance-Cpl. Wm. Farmer, Hanbury, Ont.; Pte. F. Whitfield, England; A. Tough, Scotland; Pte. A. Norm, Fort McMurray, Alta.; Pte. R. A. Bartley, Fort Francis, Ont.; Pte. C. P. Gowenlock, Winnipeg; Pte. J. J. Waterworth, England; Pte. A. Dakin, Wolfville, N. S.; Pte. A. Wilson, Scotland; Pte. N. Munro, Scotland; Pte. H. Rowland, Montreal; Pte. Wm. Williams, England; Pte. J. Flood, Ireland; Pte. H. C. Brown, Simcoe, Ont.; Pte. H. M. Williams, Lakeport, Ont.; Pte. Wm. Dawson, Hamilton; Pte. H. N. Carr, Beesley, Ont.; Pte. McDonald, Trenton; Pte. R. G. Wiseman, Stonehaven, N. S.

Killed in action—Pte. N. Watson, Upper Musquodoboit Harbor, N. S.; Pte. S. Wild, Hamilton, Ont.; Pte. P. Armstrong, Montreal; Pte. A. Bell, England; Pte. L. C. Beckett, Norway; Pte. L. E. W. M. Bartram, Channel Islands; Lance-Cpl. A. M. Evans, Aylmer, East, Que.; Acting Sgt. Major Wm. Phillips, Montreal; Pte. G. Stubborn, Montreal; Pte. C. E. Hackett, England; Pte. Wm. H. Hodge, England; Pte. F. Leveck, Enterprise, Ont.; Pte. J. V. McCarthy, Ireland; Pte. C. McQueen, Collingwood, Ont.; Pte. R. M. Pike, England; Pte. R. A. Wilson, Moose Factory, Ont.; Pte. H. Stuart Sissett, South Dakota; Pte. V. W. J. Horn, England; Pte. W. F. McFarley, Melbourne, Ont.; Lance-Sergt. R. Greenbank, Monitor, Alta.; Lance-Sergt. P. Young, Springbank, Alta.; Lance-Sergt. P. W. Phillips, England; Cpl. H. Milnes, England; Acting Cpl. E. G. Smith, (no address); Pte. P. J. Toms, England; Pte. E. Teare, England; Pte. A. Cummings, Scotland; Pte. G. Elliott, England; Pte. H. A. Fletcher, Calgary; Pte. F. H. Ibbotson, Lake of Wills.

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Infantry.

Killed in action—Cpl. C. Wm. Cuthbert, Victoria; Lance-Cpl. T. F. Jackson, Vancouver; Pte. J. H. Watson, Nanaimo, B. C.; Cpl. R. E. Kerr, Savona, B. C.; Cpl. C. E. Hardacre, Vancouver; Pte. J. T. Campbell, New Westminster.

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UNREST IN GERMANY WORRIES ITS CHIEFS

Leaders Draining Country of Men to Throw Into France

London, April 28.—The German Government is draining its country of men to throw against the crushing waves of the Franco-British offensive. The necessity of interposing some check to the steady advance of the Entente forces on the west front is being desperately felt by the German military chiefs, who realize the growing discontent in Germany, manifested in various strikes, in Socialist peace propaganda, in dissatisfaction over the shrinking rations and in agitations for greater participation in governmental affairs by the people.

Information received from Germany, via Holland, indicated this condition in the German Empire to-day.

Dispatches now indicate that Germany is opposing the Franco-British advance with forces superior to anything she ever had there before. And still these divisions do not more than slow up the advance. To-day the British attacked and it appeared that the whole strength of the French attacking armies was being made ready for another bolt to be hurled at the German line next week in a resumption of the concerted offensive.

After the lull on the French front for the past few days, gaudy necessity by the bringing up to newly-won positions of the French artillery and consolidation of the ground won in the first week of Gen. Nivelle's general attack plan, the army under the tricolor apparently was all ready to get in motion again.

To the north, the British guns roared all along the line, while the British pushed ahead yard after yard. The greatest pressure apparently was being exerted along the Arras-Douai roadway.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

MONTREAL STOCKS DAY OF SENSATIONS ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Montreal, April 28.—The local market narrowed down to insignificant proportions to-day. It is hard to find buyers for offerings and just as hard to find sellers for purchases, consequently speculative operations are down to a minimum. To-day's last sales were practically at yesterday's closing figures. From the standpoint of earnings Canadian securities are selling very low. The Grand Trunk Railway continues to show increase in earnings. Following upon a small decrease in February and a good increase in January, the net earnings for March increased 82,004, or 1 per cent.

Table with columns: High, Low, Last. Lists various stocks like Ames Holden, Brazilian Traction, C.P. Fish, etc.

WILD TRADING TO-DAY ON CHICAGO EXCHANGE

Chicago, April 28.—To-day was another highly sensational day on the Chicago exchange and prices fluctuated wildly. May opened with a spread of 27 1/2 and July 25 1/2, the high of July opening being its high for the day, and advanced to 15 1/2 over its opening to 27 1/2, which was high for the day. It reacted sharply down to 26 1/2, finally closing around 27. July, except for its opening, traded generally between 24 1/2 and 25. Corn opened up about two points overnight. Chicago May wheat spread of 12 1/2-13 and advanced to 15 1/2, after which it dropped to 14, reacting at the close to 15. oats also was erratic and closed 1/2 of a point above its low for the day.

Table with columns: Bid, Asked. Lists various commodities like Blackbird Syndicate, Canada Copper Co., Can. Cons. S. & I., etc.

BANK STATEMENT

Table with columns: Average, Actual. Lists various financial metrics like Loans, Demand de, etc.

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MEN WELL-KNOWN HERE SUCCUMB TO WOUNDS

Corporal Cutt and Private Cummings Make Supreme Sacrifice in Empire's Cause

A cable to Mr. and Mrs. William Cutt, of 2319 Fernwood Road, yesterday told of the death in action of his son, Corporal Chas. W. Cutt, on April 13. The young soldier left Victoria with the Victoria Fusiliers in May last and was later transferred to a reinforcing draft for a battalion at the front, with whom he had served in the trenches prior to his death. Born in Dorset, England, Corporal Cutt was twenty-one years of age and had been in Victoria for about seven years. He has two brothers and a brother-in-law on active service.

Private Hugh Cummings. Leaving with the Victoria Fusiliers in May last Private Hugh Cummings transferred to Tobin's Tigers on the other side and left for the front at the end of the year. He had only been in the trenches two days when he met his death on March 5. A cousin of Private Cummings is Mrs. H. Catterall, of this city.

Corporal Lionel F. Somers. According to information received in the city yesterday, Corporal Somers was killed in action on March 1. Although born in England the young soldier has spent the major part of his life at Oyama, B. C. He joined the C. M. R. at Vernon two years ago at the age of nineteen and left for England as a member of the machine gun section.

Second Lieut. Ronald H. Creery. Born in Vancouver twenty years ago Lieut. Creery was well-known in Victoria, since he received most of his education at the University School, Mount Tolmie. The recent announcement of his death from wounds will be much regretted by his many friends here. He enlisted as a private in a Vancouver regiment and left for France with the rank of corporal in August, 1915. He fought at that time with a famous British Columbia Battalion. In November of the same year he transferred to a battery unit and shortly afterwards was awarded a commission. He went through the major part of the fighting on the Somme last summer, was wounded about two months ago, and has since succumbed to his hurts.

KILLED IN ACTION



PRIVATE JAMES LINES Made supreme sacrifice during the operations at Vimy Ridge.

GONE TO FRANCE

Son of Former Minister of Militia Takes the Fifth Canadian Division to the Fighting Lines.

In an Ottawa dispatch to-day the fact is noted that Major-General Garnet Hughes, of Victoria, with the fifth Canadian Division commanded by him, has now been moved from England across the Channel for the purpose of filling the gaps in the Canadian forces occasioned in the recent fighting.

HIT IN THE SHOULDER



PRIVATE JOHN MCCOLL Who has been admitted to hospital suffering from a slight wound in the shoulder.

FOR KING AND COUNTRY



SERGEANT FRED COPAS Killed in action at Vimy Ridge. He gave up his stripes and resigned his appointment as sergeant-instructor at Shorncliffe in order to go to the battle line.

HIGH REPUTATION OF VICTORIA'S AVIATORS

Captain Tweedale, D. I. O., Says Headquarters Ask for More B. C. Airmen

Captain Tweedale, the District Intelligence Officer at Work Point, informed The Times this morning that early next week 17 more British Columbian cadets will commence their journey to Toronto, where they will enter upon their training for service in the Royal Flying Corps. Since Lord Innes-Kerr made his first visit to British Columbia on behalf of the Imperial authorities, Capt. Tweedale has sent forward to headquarters nearly 70 cadets.

Victoria's Reputation. Reports reaching Work Point from time to time have been particularly gratifying since the most lavish compliments have been paid to the excellent progress made by the boys from British Columbia, and in especial from Victoria. J. R. Park, of this city, carried off all the laurels among the "new blood" at the "Wing" headquarters, and many of his evolutions and technical accomplishments were singled out by the Imperial instructors as patterns for imitation by the other cadets. He, with several of the boys from this province, has since gone over to the Old Country fully qualified for the more serious part of the education in the air.

More Filers Wanted. Latest advices from Toronto to Capt. Tweedale indicate the desire to have more men for this branch of the service from British Columbia, a fact in itself bearing testimony to the aptitude the former candidates have shown in this unique arm of Britain's army. He desires to be generally known that he is anxious to have many more applications. Candidates must be between the ages of 18 and 25, of good education and character. The medical test is an exceedingly strict one, since the nature of the work demands a state of physical fitness of the highest possible degree.

Seventeen Going. The 17 candidates who have recently been accepted for service and take their departure in the early days of next week are as follows: E. K. McConnell, G. E. Ritchie, F. C. Trewin, W. R. Cutler, J. D. M. Reid, H. F. Crowe and Lieut. L. R. Walker (of the 8th), all of Victoria; M. E. Connelly, J. M. Brown, J. M. McCallum, D. R. McLaren, all of Vancouver; Lavergne Herod, John Levitt and E. A. Course, of Kamloops; H. Hull, of the 6th Field Company, Canadian Engineers, of North Vancouver, and J. Knox Martin. The last named is a fully qualified aviator, and for five years has given many exhibition flights in various parts of the United States, whilst for several months he has been flying the seaplane owned by Hoffer Brothers in Vancouver.

VICTORIAN WOUNDED

Pte. C. H. Unwin is Not in So Serious Condition as Was at First Imagined.

Reassuring news has been received by the sisters of Pte. C. H. Unwin, of this city, from the London office to the effect that the wound which their brother received on April 22 was not so serious as was at first imagined. The first report stated that the gun-shot injury in the neck would possibly be the cause of serious complications, but the latest news contradicts this entirely.

Private Unwin is a native of England and came to Victoria five years ago with his four sisters. His parents are both dead. He was instrumental, in his work with seeds and flowers of various kinds, in introducing to this part of the country several members of the buttercup family.

Shortly after the outbreak of war he enlisted with the 8th Battalion and went overseas with that unit. After undergoing the regular training in England he crossed to France with the same company and had been in the trenches for several months when he was wounded.

POSTED AS WOUNDED

Local Boys and Nanaimo Soldier Admitted to Hospital Following Recent Fighting.

Enlisting with the C. M. R. last spring, Private John V. Bishop went overseas in June and crossed the Channel to the trenches towards the end of November. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bishop, of 1312 Pandora Street, have been notified that the young soldier has been admitted to No. 2 Australian General Hospital at Boulogne dangerously ill. Private Bishop was eighteen years of age when he enlisted and was employed before the war in the local branch of the Merchants' Bank of Canada.

Private James C. Hanna. Admitted to 26th General Hospital at Etaples is Private Hanna, who left Victoria with the C. M. R. last summer, suffering from gunshot wounds in the right leg. He is twenty-three years of age, and both his parents reside here as well as two brothers and sisters. Before enlisting for overseas service he was engaged as night clerk at the King Edward Hotel.

Sergt. Jack Dudley. Mrs. James Dudley, of Nanaimo, has been officially notified from Ottawa that her son, Sergt. Jack Dudley, who originally enlisted in the Timber Wolves but later transferred to a Kootenay battalion, is in hospital in France with a gunshot wound in the left foot.

"Jack," as he was always known, has lived in Nanaimo practically all his life, and for some years was employed in the G. S. Pearson store.

ESQUIMALT BOY



PTE. HAROLD PALMER Son of Chief Palmer, who was wounded in leg, April 16.

SUCCUMBS TO WOUNDS

Private Leonard McKitterick Went Away with the Victoria Fusiliers; Sisters Reside Here.

Miss Agnes McKitterick, of 1817 Quadra Street, received a wire from the Records office this morning containing the distressing news of the death from wounds of her brother, Private Leonard McKitterick. While the telegram just announced the bare facts, further particulars are promised. Private McKitterick joined the Overseas Battalion of the Victoria Fusiliers upon its authorization, and went overseas with that unit in May last. The deceased was 21 years of age, and was born in the Nicola country, coming to Victoria with his parents when a baby. He was well-known in the city.

REPORTED KILLED



PTE. G. A. McLEAN Who is reported as killed April 9. Born in Minnesota he spent most of his life in Canada, coming to Victoria from Winnipeg 10 years ago. His brother-in-law, Pte. P. Diamond, is ill in a French hospital but not wounded.

FELL AT VIMY



PRIVATE WILLIAM APPELBY Killed in action at Vimy Ridge on April 9.

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S AEROPLANE INDUSTRY

"Wing" Will Be Entirely Self-Supporting; Preparations Well Under Way

Reference was made in these columns recently to the two sites at Boundary Bay and Lulu Island decided upon by the Imperial Munitions Board for the establishment of two aerodromes, when the training of British Columbia airmen for service with this branch of the army will no longer require to be carried out at Toronto as is the case at present. While the Ontario city will of course remain the headquarters for Canada, where at the present time upwards of fifty men from this province are taking their course, just as soon as the establishments near the Terminal City are completed the old order will change.

Seeded to Grass. Discussing the matter with The Times this morning, Captain Tweedale,

NOW AT WIMEREAX



PRIVATE MATTHEW McMILLAN Suffering from severe wounds received during the Easter fighting.

The District Intelligence Officer at Work Point, in whose hands all Royal Flying Corps matters have been since the visit here some months ago of Lord Innes-Kerr, states that work on the chosen sites has already been commenced. The Boundary Bay area consists of three hundred and sixty acres, the southern boundary of which is within half a mile of the sea. The Lulu Island site is a little more than two hundred acres. As far as the ground itself is concerned, the major portion of the land has been ploughed and seeded to grass, while the process of under-draining is well under way.

Building Machines in Fall. The building plans are now fully prepared and it is expected that in approximately three months' time there will be many machines fitting through the air with budding zeppelin strainers making rapid progress for the grim task which lies before them. Preparations are contemplated for a programme embracing a complete "wing," which means ninety machines, and about fifty reserve machines. Until organization has been completed after the erection of the necessary attendant workshops two machines will be sent from the east, although Captain Tweedale declares it to be altogether likely that building of the aeroplane itself will be possible in the fall of the present year.

Entirely Self-Supporting. One of the principle features of the British Columbia "wing" is that it will be entirely self-supporting. The entire establishment will comprise skilled experts in every necessary technical branch associated with the aeroplane industry. From the most simple repairs to the designing and manufacture of the intricate machine itself, the B. C. "wing" will not be dependent in the smallest detail—excepting certain patented parts—upon the outside. It will be a veritable town of the air and enable this province to maintain her magnificent military reputation above the earth as well as on the earth.

SECOND SON KILLED

Private William Appleyby Dies on the Field During the Capture of Vimy Heights.

Born in Newcastle-on-Tyne thirty-two years ago, Private William Appleyby, son of William Appleyby, of Earle Street, Victoria, was killed in action on April 9 during the operations at Vimy Heights. Private Appleyby came out from the Old Country with his parents when he was but six years old and received his education in this city.

Before joining the Timber Wolves for service overseas he was working with Dr. Dyer, of Ladyamith. He went to England with the Timber Wolves and was transferred to Tobin's Tigers with a reinforcing draft sent across Channel to the Vancouver battalion.

This is the second son to give his life for the cause of Empire, since Private Herbert Appleyby was killed in action at the Ypres salient while serving with the 7th Battalion in June of last year.

KILLED AT VIMY



Charles Gordon Dean, the central figure in the picture, died of wounds at the 6th Casualty Clearing Station at Vimy Ridge on April 10. He was the son of Rev. G. W. Dean, formerly of this city, and now living at Ganges Harbor.

Dean enlisted at the declaration of war in the naval volunteers, serving on H. M. C. S. Rainbow for seven months. Being permitted to return to civil life he spent two months at home, but could not resist the call and enlisted with the 47th Battalion, going overseas in November, 1915.

He left Bramshott with a draft in March, 1916, joining the 16th Canadian Scottish, with which famous regiment he was at Ypres and on the Somme. During the year he spent in the trenches he was company bomber and later scout in the intelligence section.

Dean went to the High School here and had many warm friends in and about Victoria.

HERO OF AIR DUEL



SECOND LIEUT. J. V. W. PHILLIPS The young aviator who fought two seven miles behind the German lines at an altitude of nearly eight thousand feet. His right knee was shattered by a machine gun bullet from one of the Fokkers. He disabled the Aviatik and succeeded in reaching the British lines in safety. He has an artificial leg and is to report in London for duty again next month. He is at present visiting relatives in the city.

UNIVERSITY PLAYERS

Will Present "Merely Mary Ann" at Princess Theatre on May 8.

Those who saw the Players' Club of the University of B. C. when last May they staged "Fanny and the Servant Problem" in this city will welcome the announcement of a second annual visit from this talented group of college students. They will present "Merely Mary Ann," a delightful comedy by Israel Zangwill, at the Princess Theatre, Yates Street, on the evening of Tuesday, May 8, under the auspices of the Willows Camp Chapter, I. O. D. E.

In Vancouver recently "Merely Mary Ann" was given to crowded houses for two performances, and the Vancouver papers judged the play even better than that of last year. The Province termed the performance "highly pleasing and level," so that "the abundant literary merits of the piece were much enjoyed, and its frequent quips and happy turns kept the listeners genuinely entertained." In the part of Mary Ann, Miss Helena Bodie earned fresh laurels by her very intelligent and pleasing interpretation of a part in which laughter and tears, tragedy and comedy had their share. She absolutely won the heart of her audience. Other principals who ably support Miss Bodie are Russell Hunter, as the young musician; Pat Fraser, his student friend; Miss Viva Martin, as the London landlady; and Miss

SAANICH CASUALTY

Advices reached his wife this morning telling of the admission of her husband, Private W. G. Hall, to No. 13 General Hospital, Boulogne, suffering from severe gunshot wounds in the left thigh and face, received in action on April 11. Private Hall is a native of Sussex, England, and came to Victoria six years ago, making his home at Garden City, Saanich. He joined the Timber Wolves in December, 1915, and left later for England with a reinforcing draft intended for Warden's Warriors over 12 months ago.

PATRIOTIC AID

The following are among some of the recent subscriptions received by the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society:

- Employees, Yarrows Limited, \$215.33; employees, Spencers Limited, \$79.70; staff, Esquimalt Graving Dock, \$33.60; staff, District Engineer's Office, \$17; staff, Resident Architect's Office, \$21.50; employees, F. R. Stewart & Co., \$12; officers and crew of C.G.S. Newfoundland, \$35.95; employees, Victoria-Phoenix Brewing Co., \$55.90; orchestra, Pantages Theatre, \$6; Times employees, \$12.75; Post Office employees, \$108; the riggers, Navy Yard, \$16; staffs of Bank of Montreal, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Dominion Royal, Merchants and Union Bank (per Mr. Laundry), \$151; employees, W. J. Fenby, \$74.40; B. C. Dredging Fleet (Coast Division), \$117; Shannigan Lake Lumber Co. and employees, \$225; P. M. Linklater, employees, \$4.

TWO YEARS AT FRONT



SERGEANT E. C. MESHER Of Nanaimo, wounded at Vimy and now in hospital.

Higher Cost of Fabric and Rubber Causes Increase in Prices

Owing to the tremendous advance in the price of cotton fabric and a considerable advance in the cost of Crude Rubber, the prices of Goodyear Automobile Tires and Tubes are advanced, effective April 27, 1917.

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NEWS OF THE MINES

Work of the Geological Survey in Province; Mr. Brewer's Report on Iron Ore Deposits of Island; Silver Production in Canada

The debate on the Mines Survey Act in the Legislature has drawn considerable attention to the work of the Canadian Geological Survey. That organization, from the days of Richardson and Dawson onwards, has done a great service to the development of the economic geology of British Columbia. So vast is the area, and the topographical difficulties so tremendous, that the portion covered thoroughly is small, although exploratory work has been done on a considerable portion outside the detailed investigations. Still the memoirs published in recent years embrace a large portion of the actual mined areas of the province, and cover the chief camps.

A plea is urged in many quarters for an economic geologist to be attached to the Provincial Department of Mines. Engineers to be appointed under the act it is said should be geologists rather than mining engineers. Still the Federal reports always give special attention to the economic side. The only simple concise data, apart from the minister's annual reports of the British Columbia Department, covering what has been done in districts under review, and what can be expected from geological formation is embraced in these memoirs.

The attention of the writer was drawn recently to the reports on the section west of the Rockies prepared by a member of the Federal staff, from which the leading oil expert of the Pacific Coast was able to start on his work with two seasons saved in the field assembling preliminary data. The value of that information in relieving expense to the operating companies cannot be lightly gauged.

As was pointed out recently in this column there are certain deposits suitable for paint and cleansing substances right at the door of Victoria to which no attention has yet been given, that are rendered available by the work of the Federal department. One factor which has reduced the number of parties working in the field each summer has been that the geologists who have given special attention to British Columbian conditions are now on active service, and their places cannot be filled.

The report on the iron-ore deposits of Vancouver and Texada Islands, prepared by W. M. Brewer, just issued as a bulletin from the Bureau of Mines, keeps a promise made regarding this matter. While a large part of the report is made up of past work, since physical conditions are unchanged from the time that the workings were abandoned, there are some newer developments which are dealt with fully which draw attention to sections which have not been mentioned at any length in past reports. As an instance of this Mr. Brewer deals with the situation at Upper Quinsam Lake, near Campbell River, where the iron hill claim presents features of promise. There, he says, a considerable quantity of magnetite could be quarried for immediate shipment, using steam shovels to operate as is done in the low-grade copper ore mines of Utah. The Lindeman report of 1907,

where are feasible in order to protect the growth of timber. In forests where sal and cedar grow extensively, and are utilized for public works, only limited powers of access are permitted to the hill tribes.

He intends during his holiday to see something of lumber conditions on the Pacific slope, and observe personally how timber preservation is carried on among the coniferous trees of Western America.

LOCAL ODDFELLOWS WILL CELEBRATE

Short Resume of Work of Order on American Continent

The members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows will celebrate to-morrow the ninety-eighth anniversary of the establishment of the order on the American continent by attending Divine service at St. Barnabas Church, where the Rev. Brother E. G. Miller, P. G., Past Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of B. C., will preach a sermon appropriate to the occasion. The members will assemble at their hall on Douglas Street at 9 o'clock, where they will form in procession and march to the Church.

The first lodge of the order in America was instituted at Baltimore, Md., on April 25, 1819, with five charter members, under a charter granted by "Duke of York" Lodge, of the Manchester Unity, Preston, England. This lodge, "Washington," No. 1, is still in existence.

The Grand Lodge of the United States was organized on January 15, 1825, and severed its connection with the Manchester Unity on September 23, 1842.

The last extensive attempt to examine the situation, came at a time when there was considerable interest taken in iron ore deposits, since which date prospecting has flagged till the present time. The report is a carefully summarized review of what the Island contains, and also points to the fact that practically all the known deposits are close to tidewater, in heavy forested districts where lumber can be obtained readily.

In addition to the magnetite deposits, the report also deals with other iron ores. In this connection the report contains allusion to the Wallace showings on Klhalkliri River, of haematite, at the head of Chromium Creek, Knight Inlet, consisting of 13 claims, and to the limonite deposit on a creek flowing into the Zymoets River, 38 miles from Copper City, on the Skeena, and belonging to the North Pacific Iron Mines, Ltd.

The contingencies of mining can never be foreseen, and the valuable properties in the Douglas Island gold workings of the Treadwell mines, in which \$15,000,000 worth of property was lost in a few minutes, points to the particular dangers when mining near salt water, or in the vicinity of a lake. Numerous cases point the moral through the history of mining. Fortunately in this case the warning came in time to save the human life underground, but such is not always the case.

The world's production of silver in 1915 was less than in any year since 1897, and at present the price is higher than the average for any year since 1890. This has stimulated production in the Cobalt district to some extent, but the procuring of labor has proved so great a difficulty that for the first three months of the present year the value of the output will be not more than \$2,000,000, as compared with \$2,750,000 a year ago. The production of gold has increased during the same period by \$520,000, or from \$2,919,000 in 1914 to \$3,439,000 in 1915. The coal output of the Maritime Provinces was slightly less than in previous years, and special efforts under Government auspices are to be made to increase it. On the Pacific Coast and in Alberta there has been some improvement in the output. Provincial authorities in Alberta estimate the quantity mined in 1916 at 4,648,604 tons, as compared with 3,454,591 tons in 1915, and 4,306,346 tons in 1913, the record year.

After a dormant period, a number of mining men with interests in British Columbia are commencing to return here on business, and with finer weather the camps will soon be in full swing, provided that the labor shortage does not too seriously cripple the operation of industries dependent on skilled labor. That is the factor which now weighs most gravely on the industry. The annual reports of mining companies published recently all show that with increased production has come a great advance in operating expenses, in fact had not the metal market taken such a phenomenal turn in prices, many of the lower grade properties would have been out of the running before this date.

No. 2; Dominion Lodge, No. 4; and Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5.

The Encampment. There is a higher branch of the order known as the encampment. The first Encampment was instituted at Baltimore, Md., on July 6, 1827, and the first Grand Encampment that of Maryland, was instituted on December 31, 1831.

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Princes Contribute Generously to Maintenance of Oriental Army

As the war progresses the failure of many of Germany's foreign policies becomes increasingly apparent. Not only did the Kaiser's government mistake the character of the European world; it blundered in its conception of the nations of the Orient, and seeing as it thought in India a means of striking at Britain and her power in the East, no means were spared to bring about an open revolt among the native peoples of that land.

L. B. Jones, who for eight years has been engaged in industrial missionary work in Calcutta and Delhi, arrived on the Shidzuoka Maru and speaking to The Times stated that the German propaganda amongst Britain's subjects of the Orient has proved an utter fiasco. At the commencement of the war considerable unrest was noticeable through the activity of Hun agents; but the loyalty of the Indian Princes was far too sincere to be overcome by the influence of such men, and India is to-day more united in thought and purpose than might have been considered possible but a few years ago.

India's participation in the conflict is being carried on to a degree which is not fully recognized by the outside world. In the campaigns of German East Africa, through Egypt and the Tigris the great Oriental Empire is maintaining in the field an army of some quarter of a million men. A task such as this has necessitated enormous financial support and the native princes have given and are continuing to give most generously of their wealth. This situation speaks well for the system of government which Britain has developed in the land of her Oriental subjects.

Speaking of his own work Mr. Jones stated that the industrial education of the Indian boys is meeting with encouraging results. The pupils who attend the schools which are maintained by both the Government and the missionary societies are anxious to learn the trades which are taught. The spirit of the land seems to be open to new impressions and ideals from the western world, which have reached as yet but few of the countless numbers who inhabit the vast country.

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FROM HILL DISTRICT OF NORTHERN BENGAL

Officer of Indian Forestry Service Passed Through on Holiday

The Indian forest service has always earned the admiration of forestry experts, and one of the officers of the department was through here on the Shidzuoka Maru, in the person of S. Gibson, who arrived with Mrs. Gibson on leave.

Mr. Gibson's section, "centre" B is known, is situated at Darjiling, and his district embraces one of those whose flora is very varied in character, having the native growths of land from 500 feet above sea level to 1,000 feet altitude. One of the most valuable forest trees of that section, which lies in the hill country between Nepal and Bhutan, is the sal, which is extensively used for railway ties, and is cut extensively for government works, on account of its durable character.

The policy, he states, of "taungya" is being extensively adopted, that is to say the growth of the forest crop simultaneously with the field crop, sections of the forest being cleared for husbandry, and the young trees' growth watched meanwhile. The Indian forestry service, he explains, has come to understand thoroughly the necessity of re-afforesting as the timber is removed, and no product is taken away without the assurance that other material will replace it.

Indiscriminate cutting has been checked by the administration, restrictions have been placed on the burning of the jungle by the hill tribes, large areas have been surveyed and demarcated, plantations have been formed, and forest conservation placed on a scientific basis. India being a great agricultural country, it is fully appreciated that the forest growth tends to retain the moisture in the soil. In Mr. Gibson's own particular section, not only are a great variety of trees, but owing to the varying elevation, most of the means of conservancy which have been practiced else-

where are feasible in order to protect the growth of timber. In forests where sal and cedar grow extensively, and are utilized for public works, only limited powers of access are permitted to the hill tribes.

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