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## CAPTURE OF BAGDAD BY GEN. MAUDE'S FORCES OPENS THE WAY FOR GREAT CHANGES IN EAST, SAYS F. SIMONDS

### Revolt of Whole Populace of Mesopotamia and Syria Against the Turks Possible Outcome of Fall of Ancient Capital of the Caliphs

New York, March 13.—(By Frank H. Simonds.)—The capture of Bagdad by the British is one of the most interesting incidents in the whole war. One may exaggerate the immediate military effect and the ultimate political consequences, but not the possible results, for it may be the first step in a new Orientation of Islam, the return of Arabian supremacy and the relegation of the Osmanli Turk to a place outside the walls of the Mohammedan world.

By taking Bagdad the British have amply and with reasonable promptitude retrieved the prestige lost in the whole Near East by the surrender at Kut-el-Amara a year ago. This surrender, coupled with the failure at Gallipoli, seriously if only momentarily endangered British prestige from Egypt to Siam. It was the kind of failure that

could not be permitted to stand, and its effect east of Suez could only be compared to that of the Roumanian collapse in Europe.

A year ago the Russians had taken Erzerum and were pressing west through Armenia and southwest through Persia. There was a moment when it seemed possible that the three-fold allied thrust of the Entente might fuse into a single drive across the upper waters of the Euphrates and the Tigris and that the Turk would be pushed out of Mesopotamia and threatened, if not attacked, in Syria. The British failure ended this possibility. After taking Erzingan and Trebizond, the Russian operations came to a dead halt and presently the Turks began to advance in Persia. Now the Russians are again reported to be moving west from Hamadan in Persia and the position of the Turks facing them will become exceedingly difficult as British pursuit from Bagdad reaches their communications.

A Junction.  
So much for the immediate military effect. Granted that the British army is capable of further effort after its recent exhausting campaign, it seems probable that the Turk will be driven as far as Mosul along a section of the Bagdad railroad which has been completed. At Mosul the British would be able to join hands with the Russians advancing from Lake Van.

A resumption of the Russian advance from Erzerum westward upon Diarbekr and Kharput is also conceivable. Such a campaign would inevitably compel a Turkish retirement out of most of Syria and this retirement may be appreciably hastened by the prospect now being exerted by a British army coming out of Egypt and already reported at the gates of Jerusalem.

Political Outlook.  
But underlying the military aspect is the underlying meaning of the new turn in the war. If you draw a line from the Gulf of Alexandretta on the Mediterranean straight east to the Tigris river you will, roughly speaking, indicate the northern frontier of the Arab. The Mohammedans, like the Turks and the Arabs, have never recognized themselves to the supremacy of the Osmanli. The traditions of the great days of the Prophet and his successors who carried the green banner from Bagdad to the Loire have survived and the decline of Islam in the world remains for the Arab a consequence of Turkish supremacy.

For many years there has been growing restlessness among the Arabs, Syria, which is Arab by population, was on the verge of a revolt when the Young Turks overthrew Abdul Hamid, and it was long the Syrian dream to create an autonomous Syria. Away to the south, about Mecca, there have been interminable Arab revolts and now the last of these has driven the Turk out of the holy city and thus deprived him of the possession of the centre of Islam, which was one of his chief claims of power.

A Possibility.  
The failure of the Turkish expedition against Egypt, the fall of Bagdad, the invasion of Palestine—these are circumstances which must combine to shake Turkish power. Add to this the great misery and suffering that the war has brought to Syria and to Mesopotamia and it is plain that there is in sight sufficient basis for a revolt of the whole population from the Amanus mountains to the Yemen and from the Mediterranean to the Tigris. No one will forecast the immediate outbreak of such a storm, but its coming must now be regarded as one of the most probable consequences of the fall of Bagdad.

The alliance between the Turk and the German was designed by the German to serve as the first step in German supremacy in Islam. Long before the war Kaiser Wilhelm had gone to the Near East and had sought to build up a legend of Germany's power and his greatness in the whole Turkish world.

German Dream.  
It was generally accepted in Islam that Kaiser Wilhelm was a Mohammedan.  
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## SOME IN MONTREAL URGE MILITIA ACT BE PUT INTO FORCE

Montreal, March 13.—Considerable interest attaches to a meeting of the Montreal Board of Trade called for this afternoon. A resolution will be presented to the meeting calling on the Government immediately to put into effect the Militia Act, which provides for compulsory military service. A spirited discussion is anticipated.

## WHAT SIR ROBERT BORDEN SAW AND HEARD WHILE IN FRANCE MADE HIM MORE PROUD OF ARMY FROM CANADA

London, March 13.—Sir Robert Borden, speaking to a representative of the Canadian Associated Press to-day of his experiences at the front in France, said he found the spirit, physique and training of the Canadian forces all that could be desired. He had been very proud to learn that in the fighting which resulted in such splendid gains during recent weeks the Canadians had taken their full share and borne themselves worthily.

The Canadian ministers, visiting a portion of the ground won in the last few weeks, were greatly impressed by the achievement of the empire's forces in capturing positions which the enemy evidently has regarded as impregnable. Sir Robert said that in capturing such positions the forces probably had accomplished what would have been impossible a year ago.

Sir Robert, Hon. J. D. Hazen and Hon. Robert Rogers, visited the British headquarters and were cordially received by Field-Marshal Douglas Haig, who afforded them every facility to see what had been accomplished in the recent operations. They also had the privilege of visiting the headquarters of General Nivelle, commander of the French armies, who spoke in the highest terms of the Canadian forces. The Ministers were proud to learn that the Canadian army corps was regarded as one of the finest corps on the battle line.

Railroaders and Foresters.  
No less appreciative were tributes to the work of the Railway Construction Corps and the Forestry Corps. The invaluable service being rendered by both these organizations was acknowledged on all hands.

The Ministers visited several hospitals in France and found the wounded receiving every care and comfort. Not a single complaint was heard from the patients in any of these hospitals. "Although a fine spirit of confidence prevails among the forces at the front, this does not minimize the task, which requires the strong united effort of all the King's dominions to ensure the triumph of our cause before the dawn of another year," said Sir Robert.

It is understood that Sir Robert will leave London in a few days for a rest.

## BERLIN MAY CHANGE SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN

### Naval Attaches Called From Some Neutral Countries for Conference

London, March 13.—The arrival in Europe of Count von Bernstorff, former German Ambassador to the United States, has caused renewed discussion in Berlin of the submarine campaign between political, naval and diplomatic representatives, according to the Norwegian Mercantile Shipping Gazette, says Reuter's Christiania correspondent.

"Some German naval attaches in neutral countries have been called to Berlin for a conference," continues the dispatch. "Alteration but not a raising of the blockade is probable."

The conference, it is indicated by the publication, has arisen out of developments during Count Bernstorff's stay in Christiania, in indirect efforts, it says, were made to prevent the situation between Germany and the United States developing into war.

Seals Broken.  
London, March 13.—The story of a mysterious trunk which was on board the Frederik VIII, the steamship which brought Count von Bernstorff from the United States to Copenhagen, is given prominence by the London Express. The trunk is said to have been consigned to Stockholm by the Swedish Minister to the United States and to have borne the seal of the Swedish consulate in New York.

The story says that the trunk was held at Halifax because its seals were broken and that it will be sent to England on a British warship. After it reaches the British capital it will be turned over to Swedish legation, where its contents will be examined in the presence of British officials. The Express suggests that the trunk was opened between New York and Halifax to permit the insertion of secret documents belonging to Count von Bernstorff.

## Point Five Miles Above Bagdad Now in British Hands

London, March 13.—British cavalry from Bagdad occupied Kazimin, on the Tigris river five miles about Bagdad on March 11, it was officially announced to-day.

## RAILWAY FILES PLAN OF HARBOR CROSSING

### Proposal to Adapt Bridge Formerly Used Over Red River at Winnipeg

The crisis appears to have come in regard to the future of the harbor railway crossing. After over four years' discussion the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company has filed at Ottawa plans for a swing bridge across the Inner Harbor to carry its tracks into the Store Street depot.

The bridge proposed is that formerly carrying the Canadian Pacific Railway across the Red River at Winnipeg, and now stored at Coquitlam. Formal notice of the application has been filed with the city authorities, so that a statement of the city's attitude may be lodged in due course, the application to be forwarded to the Board of Railway Commissioners.

The application of the company was filed at Ottawa on March 2, and copies of objections must be forwarded to the general counsel for the Canadian Pacific Railway, E. W. Beatty, K.C. A copy of the plan of the proposed bridge, as suggested to be re-erected is forwarded with notice of the application.

The subject will be taken up in City Council at once. It is largely due to Mayor Todd's activity in having the city go on record in favor of notice being sent from Ottawa as soon as the company made a move that the above notice has been sent. He secured the passage of a resolution in City Council along this line last spring.

The announcement follows the expression of a growing opinion in favor of separate railway and highway bridges across the Inner Harbor, quite a number of leading citizens having come to that point of view since the difficulties of reconciling conflicting interests made the late situation intolerable from the point of view of those who desired to see this long standing question settled.

It has an effect also on the ultimate decision as to the western terminal of the highway bridge, which would have to be changed under the proposed change of plans.

## NEW HIGH RECORD SET BY WAR LOAN

### More Money on Opening Day Than for Either of Previous Loans

Ottawa, March 13.—With Monday's list of subscriptions far from being completed, the indications here are that the initial day of Canada's new war loan established a new record in war loan subscriptions. Much more money was subscribed on the opening day than in the case of either of the other loans. It will be several days yet before the subscriptions made at the more important points are received at the capital, but telegraph advices indicate that, apart from the smaller subscriptions, the big corporations and financial institutions subscribed approximately \$40,000,000 yesterday.

As in the case of the two previous loans, the small subscribers will receive the first consideration and their subscriptions will be allotted in full by the Department of Finance.

SIR LYMAN JONES ILL.  
Toronto, March 13.—An improvement is reported to-day in the condition of Sir Lyman Melvin Jones who has been seriously ill.

## OVER PAYMENT TO RAILWAY FRIENDS

### Pacific Great Eastern Given Too Much by Over \$5,704,000

## REPORT OF AUDITORS ON FINANCIAL RELATIONS

Legislative Press Gallery, March 12.

A very interesting document was laid before the House this afternoon by the Minister of Railways, this being the report of the auditors of Price, Waterhouse & Co. on the financial relations between the Government and the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company up to the date when the proceeds of the company's debenture stock were exhausted.

This report was referred to by the Minister in his speech on the resolution for the appointment of a special committee, and in accordance with the parliamentary procedure which calls for the tabling of every document referred to in a speech he brought it down.

It is abundantly clear from the report that when the Leader of the Liberal party spoke in the House last session he was not beyond the mark when he made the assertion that the Government had illegally overpaid the company between five and six million dollars for the proportion of the line which was completed. As a matter of fact, there has been paid over to the company for less than half of the amount of work which was to be done the proceeds of the bonds for the entire road and the company put not one cent of its own money into construction.

Where there should have been paid over not more than \$12,339,882.07 the company received \$18,043,198.53, so that the actual over-payment amounts to \$5,704,316.50. In reporting how this figure is arrived at the auditors submit four statements, showing what moneys have been deposited to the credit of the Minister of Finance as the proceeds of the sale of bonds, analyzing the estimates of the company on which these moneys were released by the Government, showing what disposition was made of the released moneys, and showing what the amounts were which were payable according to the Act under the sections which the late Government wilfully ignored and violated.

\$2,000 Per Mile.  
In regard to the first statement the auditors say:

"It will be noted that the total of securities guaranteed by the Government amounts to \$20,160,000 which is on the basis of \$42,000 per mile for 480 miles as mentioned in the statute and not for 476.1 miles, the final length of the road as determined by the company. You will notice that the cost of the issue of the first mortgage guaranteed 4 1/2 per cent debenture stock, excluding discount, amounts to \$40,439.22, being approximately 3.06 per cent, which is not excessive as compared with the cost of the British Columbia Government Loan, made in England at about the same date.

Not Authorized.  
"It will be observed that there was an amount of \$231,644.83 deducted in London to pay interest on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company's securities and that the company subsequently refunded \$499,397.96 of this amount (out of moneys received from the Provincial Government on estimate), leaving \$267,746.97 as a payment which was not, as far as we could ascertain, authorized by order-in-council.

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## LLOYD GEORGE WILL ASK NEXT THURSDAY FOR FURTHER FUNDS

London, March 13.—Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, stated in the House of Commons to-day that a supplementary vote of credit to meet increased unforeseen expenditures would be moved on Thursday. When the last vote of credit was passed it was expected that it would carry the Government over the present fiscal year.

## UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL SEEN NEAR AZORES

New York, March 13.—An unidentified steamship, assumed to be an Entente vessel hunting for possible German raiders, was sighted off the Azores Islands on February 24 by the officers of the Norwegian steamship Askild, which arrived here to-day from Gibraltar. The officers said they saw a stranger, carrying four masts and two funnels and painted grey, did not interfere with the Askild after coming close enough to determine her nationality. A tanker which reached here last week reported the presence of what was believed to be an armed German merchant ship north of the Azores.

## EMPIRE SEES A NEW EPOCH OPENING NOW, SAYS LLOYD GEORGE

### Imperial Conference in London Will Prove Extremely Important Milestone in History of British Empire, Which, With Its Allies, Is Standing on Verge of a Great Liberation

New York, March 13.—The correspondent of the New York Tribune in London cables that in the course of an interview Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George, Prime Minister of Great Britain, spoke as follows:

"A war council of the British Empire is about to assemble in London. Its deliberations will last until the latter part of April. It is understood in this country that France and Russia have nearly reached the summit of their resources and that hereafter Great Britain must bear the burden.

"I regard this Imperial council as marking the beginning of a new epoch in the history of the British Empire. There will, of course, be domestic questions which each part of the empire must settle for

## WEEK AGO BOY-ED IN PHILADELPHIA

### Has Been Directing Plot of Smuggling Articles From Interned Vessels

Philadelphia, March 13.—Captain Karl Boy-Ed, former naval attaché of the German Embassy at Washington, was in this city as recently as a week ago. It was admitted late to-day by Frank Garbarino, head of the Philadelphia bureau of investigation of the smuggling plot involving the two interned German commerce raiders at the Philadelphia navy yards, for which five Philadelphia men, including three prominent German-Americans, are under arrest.

Captain Boy-Ed, with Captain von Pape, was dismissed from the country by President Wilson in December, 1915, for conspiracy. Boy-Ed is believed to have returned to the United States on the German submarine merchantman Deutschlafld or the U-53 or a German submarine having a base on the Mexican coast. He is suspected of being the brains of the smuggling plot now under investigation here.

Captain Boy-Ed's name is coupled with that of Adelbert K. Fischer, said to be a relative of Kaiser Wilhelm through a morganatic marriage, a reserve officer of the German navy and president of the Schutte-Koerting Company, manufacturing machinists, of this city. This concern has been a successful bidder at different times on American warship contracts.

## GERMAN SUBMARINE ASHORE OFF HOLLAND

### Official Instructions for Gunners on American Ships Are Ready

London, March 13.—A German submarine is reported stranded in the neighborhood of Hellevoetsluis on the Dutch coast, says a Reuter dispatch from The Hague.

Instructions Ready.  
Washington, March 13.—Complete and definite instructions to the "armed guards" to be placed aboard American merchantmen bound through the German submarine "zones" have been completed by the Navy Department and approved by Secretary Lansing. They will be forwarded to the navy personnel aboard the merchant craft whenever the ships which are to be armed are ready to sail.

The nature of the instructions will not be made public. They were carefully prepared by navy officials and then submitted to Secretary Lansing, at whose suggestion some amendment was made.

It is planned not to spread the orders broadcast generally through the naval service, but to furnish the officer in command of the armed guard on each ship with a copy when his vessel is ready to sail. The Navy Department is making every effort to suppress all information regarding armed ships, such as sailing dates, the equipment put aboard by the navy, the personnel supplied to handle the guns or anything that might be of the slightest value to an enemy. It was said officially, however, that no conduct of jurisdiction between the shipmasters and the gun crews would arise.

itself, questions such as recruiting in the United Kingdom and home legislation. Such domestic matters will be our only reservation, but we propose that everything else shall be, so to speak, on the table.

"The fate of the German colonies is one obvious question, but there are many such questions of equal moment, all difficult problems, connected with the making of peace, to be thrashed out. The war policy of the empire will be clearly defined, and of great importance is what I may call the preparation for peace. That will involve not only demobilization but such post-war questions as the migration of our people to other parts of the empire, the settlement of soldiers on the land, commerce and industry.

"In these days we can not hesitate merely because we are breaking precedents. The British Empire has thrown itself heart and soul into the war and we should be failing in our duty if we did not take every possible step to see that its leaders should get together from time to time.

Must Have Voice.  
"It seems to us an impossible and undemocratic proposition to think that the overseas nations should raise aid place in the field armies containing an enormous proportion of their best manhood and not want to have a say, and a real say, in determining the use to which they are to be put. That is why one of the first acts of the new government was to ask the Prime Ministers of the Overseas Dominions to come over, not to a formal Imperial Conference, but to sit with the executive cabinet of the empire. That is why we have arranged for a representative of India, which has rendered invaluable service to our common cause, to be present also.

"Things never can be the same after the war as they were before it. Five democracies from all parts of one empire can not shed their blood and treasure with a heroism and disregard for the cost, which has been beyond all praise, without leaving memories of comradeship and great accomplishment which will never die. Of this I am certain—the peoples of the empire will have found a unity in war such as never existed before, a unity not only in history but of purpose. What practical change in the organization of the empire that will mean I will not venture to predict.

A Great Liberation.  
"We stand at this moment on the verge of the greatest liberation the world has seen since the French Revolution. I am certain that the peoples who have stood together and staked literally everything in order to bring about that liberation are going to find some way of perpetuating that unity afterwards on an equal basis. There will be much for them to do. The peace terms will be only the beginning.

"After they are satisfactorily arranged, we shall have to set to work to build up that order, freedom and fraternity which is the only security for human peace and progress and which militarism has destroyed, and it is certain that the nations which have borne the heat and burden of the day in overthrowing that militarism will take a leading share in building that new earth which they have made possible by their sacrifices.

## YARROWDALE PRISONERS ON WAY TO STATES

Washington, March 13.—The arrival of the 59 American Yarrowdale prisoners at Zurich was officially reported by Minister Stovall, at Bern, in a dispatch received to-day which bore the date of March 12. The State Department has instructed Minister Stovall to supply the men with every comfort. The disposition of the men has been left in the hands of American consuls in Switzerland, under instructions to provide them with necessary funds for their early return to this country.



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**SMUTS IN ENGLAND FOR  
IMPERIAL CONFERENCE**

London, March 12.—Lieut.-General the Rt. Hon. Jan Christian Smuts, former commander of the expedition against German East Africa, arrived in England yesterday. Speaking of the situation on the East African battlefield, Lieut.-Gen. Smuts said:

"The campaign in German East Africa virtually is ended. After the rainy season in March and April the Germans will be obliged either to surrender or enter Portuguese territory, where the Portuguese are ready to deal with them."

"East Africa is enormously valuable and productive. The Germans spent millions in developing it. The mere suggestion that any part of it should be returned to Germany is preposterous."

**FOR HOUSE OF COMMONS.**

Port Arthur, Ont., March 13.—At a meeting of the Liberal Association of the federal riding of Port Arthur-Kenora, C. O. Smith was confirmed as party candidate for the constituency.

**\$2,112,878,898 TRADE  
TOTAL OF LAST YEAR**

Details Published by Department at Ottawa; Big Convention Proposed

Ottawa, March 12.—The aggregate trade of Canada during the year 1916, according to a statement just published by the Trade and Commerce Department, amounted to \$2,112,878,898, or more than double what it was in 1914. The balance of trade in Canada's favor for exports totalled \$1,368,913,418. Exports to the United Kingdom alone aggregated \$718,723,567, almost double what they were in 1915, and nearly four times the figures of 1914.

The United States purchased from Canada goods to the value of \$269,967,364, but Canada purchased from that country \$592,083,039 worth and from the United Kingdom \$199,104,534 worth.

Canada's exports to the United Kingdom included the following:

Horses, \$2,547,373; breadstuffs, \$256,961,186; fish, \$7,815,823; fruits, \$2,065,556; nickel, \$1,659,004; paper, \$1,029,820; butter, \$2,099,931; cheese, \$3,362,876; bacon and ham, \$38,865,178.

Among Canada's exports to the United States were: Breadstuffs, \$26,480,874; fish, \$9,943,519; coal, \$3,536,980; nickel, \$6,993,175; potatoes, \$585,745; provisions, \$1,717,982; wood, \$52,172,963; paper, \$19,925,403.

The coal imported by Canada last year was valued at \$40,593,211.

Conference at Ottawa.

Sir George Foster has summoned a number of representative manufacturers to Ottawa on Friday next to consider the trade situation in Canada and what can be done to better it. A proposal to call a national convention of business men to make ready for present and after-the-war conditions also will be considered.

Last fall a national convention was proposed, but the response to the call was not encouraging and no dates were fixed for the meeting. On Friday it will be decided whether such a national meeting is needed or worth while. The conference on Friday will be private.

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**ACTS OF BRAVERY  
BRING RECOGNITION**

One Canadian Officer Gets D. S. O. and Seven the Military Cross

London, March 12.—A list of decorations for gallantry gazetted last night includes the following Canadians:

Distinguished Service Order—Acting Major H. W. Alexander Foster, infantry. "When in command of one of the assaulting companies, although wounded during the advance, he continued to direct his men throughout the whole operation," says the official notice of award, "displaying great coolness and resource. When attacked by an enemy party he personally accounted for two of the enemy and took a third prisoner." Major Foster already had received the Military Cross.

Military Cross—Acting Major George Scott Bowerbank, infantry. "He displayed great courage while leading his men against superior numbers and set a fine example, succeeding in capturing a number of prisoners."

Lieut. Reginald Percy Cattel, infantry. "He organized and led a most successful raid, demolishing a mine shaft and inflicting many casualties."

Lieut. Arthur Mortimer, of the Princess Patricia's. "Although severely wounded, he rushed an enemy post with great gallantry, and attacked one of the sentries, killing him with a revolver."

Lieut. William Edward Nutter, infantry. "Previous to a raid he first reconnoitred a gap in the enemy's wire, to which he laid a direction tap. He and another officer then led the raiding party over, entered the trench and captured a prisoner."

Captain Harold Parke, infantry. "He led a party to the enemy support line, where he successfully held the Germans back while the demolition of their dugouts was in progress. Although twice wounded, he refused to leave his command until the operation was completed."

Acting Major Frederick Douglas Raymond, infantry. "Single-handed he killed or wounded a crew of a machine gun opposing the advance of his men. He also destroyed a trench mortar."

Lieut. Gilbert Smithson, infantry. "He led a successful daylight raid and set a splendid example for courage and determination."

**FORCES OF ITALY  
FULLY PREPARED**

Have Been Hard at Work; Austrians Have Some Unknown Plan

London, March 12.—A dispatch received from a British correspondent at Italian headquarters says:

The cold, snow and ice of an unusually rigorous winter have augmented the difficulties of warfare in the Trentino, but have not succeeded in deadening the activities of the opposing armies. I have just returned from a visit to the scenes of the Austrian invasion and retreat of May and June, 1916. This fifty-mile stretch of front is of the greatest military importance, covering two of the most important arteries possible for an Austrian effort—the Valla Grint, Valfascio tablelands and the Aslago.

The incessant hostility of the winter has taken a large toll of life. One unit lost 400 fighting men in one week from avalanches. The enemy's losses were equally heavy. On a mountain 5,500 feet high I watched hundreds of soldiers, while performing obligatory military service. What a merry lot they were. They had recently arrived from a world of honeysuckles and orange flowers. Many of them had never before seen snow. Two years ago at this time their savings went home in gold from the Americas and kept down the Italian rate of exchange. To-day their physical and moral qualities of resistance are enhancing the prestige of the mother country in the eyes of the world.

Engineers and infantry have been working like bees since the suspension of hostilities in September. The Italian forces are prepared for any spring operation.

Austrians Busy.

What the Austrians have accomplished in the Trentino since their retreat in June, 1916, furnishes food for reflection and is open to more than one interpretation. Since last summer they have made serviceable for military transports 2,000 miles of military roads between the Adige valley and Cadore, and have constructed hundreds of miles of tremendously important wire ways, which before the war were almost unknown in Austria. The effective use made of them by the Italians has been limited by the Austrians on a truly imperial scale. Enormous sums have been expended in their construction. There are several now in operation of a length of 25 to 40 miles.

The Austrians have been very busy all winter constructing barracks and munitions depots, and have laid in huge stores of supplies. Whatever may be the purpose of these preparations, there are certain facts which merit attention:

First—The Austrians have pinned down on the Trentino front between two and three times as many men as were there last year.

Secondly—With their vastly improved communications, they could at short notice transport men and guns there quickly and in greater numbers than last year.

The recent visits of Baron Conrad von Hotzendorf, General Ludendorff, Field-Marshal Mackensen, Field-Marshal von Hindenburg and Emperor Charles to this front may not be significant of aggressive intentions, but the Austrians are certainly infinitely better prepared to carry out an offensive on a large scale in the Trentino than last year.

The Italians have not been idle. What was to be seen in my two-day visit was most encouraging. Almost more impressive than the military preparations was the spirit of the men who constructed them and who are to defend them. The soldiers are convinced the enemy can never pass such formidable barriers.

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Infantry.

Died of wounds—Pte. G. Gatten, Hammer, Ont.; Pte. G. Robinson, Toronto; Pte. J. Long, Vancouver; Pte. J. Buckley, Oshawa, Ont.; Pte. C. H. W. Ross, Toronto.

Died—Pte. F. Staarts, Brantford; Pte. J. Angus, Quebec; Pte. T. Solby, McAlax, Man.

Previously reported wounded; now not wounded—Pte. T. C. Aylwin, Honoka, Alta.

Suffering from shell shock—Pte. Wm. Clayton, Verdun, Que.

Reported missing—Capt. James D. Stuart, Vancouver; Lieut. S. J. Hoppler, Toronto.

Seriously ill—Pte. H. Graves, England; Pte. H. Piche, Quebec; Pte. H. Pearce, England; Pte. E. Davey, Toronto; Pte. A. Desjardins, Montreal; Pte. R. Gray, Okanagan Mission, B. C.; Pte. J. Clough, Bowmanville, Ont.; Pte. C. Stewart, Scotland.

Wounded—Pte. M. Gerrard, Spny Harbor, N. S.; Pte. J. H. Ahern, Scotland; Pte. S. Michaud, Quebec; Pte. T. J. Traill, Lanark, Ont.; Cpl. A. Kenner, England; Pte. W. Crocker, St. Thomas, Ont.; Lieut. H. F. C. Letson, Vancouver; Pte. J. Hyden, England; Pte. H. Kennedy, Snowdrum, Ont.; Pte. J. Edvardson, Toronto; Pte. W. J. Hill, Hamilton; Pte. H. Dornay, England; Pte. H. Millar, Renfrew, Ont.; Lieut. Andrew McFowell, Ireland; Pte. G. Atkinson, Kinross, Ont.; Pte. P. Bates, Vancouver; Pte. E. F. Beltrac, Birtle, Man.; Pte. C. Bell, Loveland, Colo.; Pte. H. Herron, Montreal; Pte. J. Fitzpatrick, Rutland, B. C.; Pte. J. McKenna, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Pte. C. E. Hall, Keweenaw, B. C.; Pte. E. A. Archibald, Salmon Arm, B. C.; Pte. L. B. Ramsay, Toronto; Pte. J. A. Riley, Emerson, Man.; Pte. A. Westwood, Toronto; Sergt.-Major

Mounted Services.

Severely wounded—Pte. H. Clark, Clark's Crossing, Sask.

Mounted Rifles.

Seriously ill—Pte. A. Ralla, Henchours, Sutton, West, Ont.

Killed in action—Lieut. L. Threlkett, Sutton, West, Ont.

Engineers.

Severely wounded—Cpl. F. Rogers, Vancouver.

Wounded—Sapper J. Ryan, St. Thomas, Ont.

Artillery.

Seriously ill—Gnr. J. Egan, Halifax.

Wounded—Gnr. W. McKee, Drumheller, Alta.

Died—Gnr. G. W. Finnie, Peterboro, Ont.

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The use of Dr. Chase's Ointment is wonderfully satisfactory because you can actually see the results accomplished. It is surprising what change can be brought about in a single night by this great healing ointment.

Mr. George Beavis, 119 James street, Peterboro, Ont., writes: "As a healing ointment, I consider Dr. Chase's the best obtainable. I had a large running sore on my leg, and although I had tried all the prescriptions of two doctors I was unable to get any relief from the pain or to get the sore healed. One day my druggist handed me a sample box of Dr. Chase's Ointment, and I used it with such good results that I decided to give the ointment a fair trial. Altogether I used four boxes, and am glad to be able to say that the sore on my leg is entirely healed up. Since this experience with Dr. Chase's Ointment I have recommended it to many people."

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

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OVER PAYMENT TO RAILWAY FRIENDS

(Continued from page 1)

"The securities were sold in London through Brown, Shipley & Co., the fiscal agents of the P. G. E. We have requested the P. G. E. to ask the company to confirm direct to us the total amount of securities which were issued by them, and until we receive this confirmation we have no complete verification as to whether the total amount of securities as shown by the records of the company as issued are all that have been issued. We may state, however, that the periodical payments of interest exactly equal the amount of interest payable on the securities shown as outstanding."

Vice-President Got \$1,000 a Month. Of the second exhibit the auditors say in explanation:

"We are advised by Mr. Gamble that the amount of estimates for location engineering, construction engineering and overhead charges, representing charges outside the Welch contract, are not excessive when compared with similar charges entering into the construction of other railroads. We might mention that the item 'executive and accountancy' includes \$1,000 per month payable to D'Arcy Tate, vice-president of the company, for salary and legal services, and that the item of 'general expenses' includes legal services amounting to \$14,822 paid to outside solicitors."

"The purchase price of the Howe Sound and Northern line of railroad is the amount passed by Mr. Gamble after he had revised the figure claimed by the company on its estimate which was, we understand, with the exception of the charges for right-of-way, based on the Welch contract prices. The purchase price of \$193,068.62 was allocated as follows, according to receipts examined by us: Trustee of the Howe Sound and Northern, \$5,000; Foley, Welch & Stewart, \$188,068.62. We were informed that the amount paid, Foley, Welch & Stewart was to reimburse them for the amount they had already paid to the trustee."

Arithmetical Error. "In the revised figures furnished by Mr. Gamble in connection with this purchase there is an arithmetical error amounting to \$5,745.76, the extension of 29,129 ft. of culvert timber at \$22 per thousand being shown as \$6,406.40 instead of \$640.64. This amount should be recovered by the P. G. E. from Foley, Welch & Stewart and refunded to the government or deducted by the government from the next estimate furnished by the P. G. E. The title to the right-of-way included in this purchase, amounting to \$82,690, still stands in the name of the vendors, who, we understand, are now amalgamated with the P. G. E."

"We might mention that the contractor, P. Welch, is operating the line purchased from the Howe Sound and Northern in conjunction with that portion of the road which he has constructed and is operating under the terms of his contract with the P. G. E., but so far as we can ascertain he is not paying anything to the company for the privilege of operating the 7.06 miles of road which he did not construct nor anything for the benefit of certain contracts which, we understand, were included in the purchase of the Howe Sound and Northern."

"For right-of-way, \$316,309.19, the estimates, as constituted as follows: cost of land purchase, \$139,416.16; land surveys (approximately), \$25,000; partial payment on land at Vancouver terminals, \$52,000; fees and expenses of counsel, salary of right-of-way agent, appraisal expenses, cost of removal of obstructions, recording deeds, etc. (approximately), \$99,892.03. We examined a duplicate signed deed in favor of the company for each parcel of land purchased. In most cases a certificate or other evidence of title was attached. None of the land, as evidenced by the deeds, was purchased from the P. G. E. Development Company."

Retentions Were Used. Regarding the amounts, aggregating \$17,262,572.65, for construction of the railway the auditors say: "The estimates furnished by the contractor and submitted to the government by the company were certified to by John Callaghan, chief engineer of the P. G. E., and again certified by R. G. Thomas, auditor of the P. G. E. The arithmetical accuracy of the estimates was tested by us and it is ascertained that the prices stated thereon were the contract prices. "It will be observed that retentions amounting to \$1,582,030.21 were owing to P. Welch on estimates No. 1 to No. 49. It was the policy of the government up to May, 1915, to withhold retentions on estimates furnished under the Welch contract but estimates submitted after May, 1915, were paid in full. In July, 1915, the government paid to the company the amount of \$759,219.59, being half the retentions they had withheld. In this connection it will be noticed on reference to exhibit three that the amounts retained have not been kept separate and available for eventual payments, but have been used by the company towards the payment of sundry items and interest on its securities and bank loans notwithstanding that the same had not specifically struck out of the estimates by the government."

Of the disposition of moneys received by the P. G. E. they say:

"The amounts paid by the company for work performed under the Welch contract have been verified by receipts from the contractor. Received vouchers and other evidences of payment were produced to us in verification of the interest paid. Of the expenditure outside the Welch contract receipts aggregating \$32,484.78 were

examined by us and the remaining disbursements, which consist principally of payments for salaries and sundry supplies, were verified by the company's records. We have already referred in our remarks under exhibit two to the fact that these charges are not considered excessive by Mr. Gamble."

Overpaid \$5,704,316.50. On the final statement the report continues:

"We have assumed that the final length of the road as determined by the company, 476.1 miles, was ascertained and known by the Minister of Finance on or before the date on which the last moneys were released to the company. We have based the estimated cost of 476.1 miles on the total estimated cost of 489 miles as agreed to by Mr. Gamble and Mr. Callaghan. In ascertaining the amount payable to the company for the proportionate value of work done to November 20, 1915, we have assumed the following as being in accordance with the statutes:

"1. That the total cost of construction and materials is the total of estimates No. 1 to No. 41 as furnished by the company, after excluding items which have been eliminated from the estimates by the Government."

"2. That the net amount credited to the Minister of Finance in respect of guaranteed securities sold and pledged is the amount of the Government's guarantee for the purpose of ascertaining the amounts payable to the company."

"According to our interpretation of the statutes governing the payments to the company for the proportionate value of work done to November 20, 1915 (which has been confirmed by the Attorney-General's department in a memorandum dated January 20, 1917, to the Minister of Railways), there has been an amount of \$5,704,316.50 paid in excess as shown in exhibit four. We have noticed that Mr. Gamble has, up to estimate No. 19, recommended to the executive council that the amounts of the estimates be transferred to the credit of the company, but from estimate No. 20 to No. 41 he does not recommend the amounts for payment, but commends them to the consideration of the council."

Heavy Discount. The first of the four statistical statements shows that there was received for securities issued \$14,234,805, and that, less discount, brokerage and other expenses, there were placed to the credit of the Minister of Finance \$13,231,241.02. In addition there was hypothecated to the Union Bank of Canada, to secure a loan paid in monthly instalments by the bank to the total of \$7,809,209.19, securities to the value of \$5,925,195. With the total bank balances of \$215,238.42 the total to the credit of the Minister for the purpose of constructing this line, out of the \$20,150,000 of bonds guaranteed, was \$18,216,579.44.

Expenditures. The chief items contained in an analysis of the estimates which were furnished to the Government by the railway company, and upon which moneys were released, are \$206,295.68 for location engineering, \$524,711.42 for construction engineering, \$190,259.75 for overhead charges, including \$44,069 for office expenses, \$44,696 for general expense and \$63,788 for executive and accountancy; \$193,068.62 for the purchase of the Howe Sound and Northern line and franchise, \$216,209.19 for right-of-way, \$15,782,512.44 on estimates furnished by Patrick Welch, and \$218,710.52 out of the million and one-half retained on the contract as a hold-back.

The total amount of \$18,216,579.44 released was disposed of by the company as follows: P. Welch contract, \$15,610,150; expenditures outside Welch contract, \$1,427,818.92; interest on securities and bank loan, \$1,021,647.60; estimate of, only part of which was received from Government, \$8,334.82; sundry items included in estimate but disallowed by Government, \$9,900.16; expenses of organization and advertising, \$2,000; interest deducted from proceeds and refunded by company out of moneys received on estimates, \$139,267.58, leaving a cash balance in bank of \$27,190.58.

Summary. In their final statement the auditors cite the section of the Act which directs and governs the method of payment out by the Government, as follows: "From time to time, as the work of construction proceeds, the Government, by the Minister of Finance or other duly appointed representative of the Government, shall, out of the said balances, certify to the bank the amount to be transferred from that account to the credit of the company, or its nominees, in monthly payments as far as practicable, such sums as are justifiable having regard to the proportion of work done and materials and supplies purchased for the railway as compared with the whole work done and to be done thereon pending completion of the line."

Taking the interpretation of this which has been confirmed by the Attorney-General's Department they find that the amount which the Government should have paid would bear the same proportion to \$18,888,597.73, the total value of the work passed by the Government, estimated, as does \$18,021,241.02, the net amount lodged with the Minister of Finance, to \$27,620,481.19, the estimated total cost of 476.1 miles of railway. This, as already stated, comes to \$12,330,852.03, so that the company got a release of \$5,704,216.50 more than it was entitled to under its agreement with the Government.

CONDITION OF WILSON. Washington, March 12.—President Wilson remained indoors today because of the cold from which he has suffered the past week, but it was said at the White House that his condition was steadily improving. The usual Tuesday cabinet meeting was cancelled. Both Secretary Tamm and Dr. G. Grayson, the President's physician, said shortly before noon that the President was steadily improving. Dr. Grayson said that Mr. Wilson would be able to sit up this afternoon.

THE OLD BRIGADE



HE (relating thrilling experience)—We were having a terrible time until the French brought up their 75's. SHE—I do think it's splendid for men that age to be fighting, don't you?

TRENCHES RETAKEN BY FRENCH TROOPS

On Hill 185, in Champagne; British Improved Positions Near Bouchavesnes.

Paris, March 12.—The following official report was issued last night: "Between the Oise and the Aisne effective artillery fires were directed against the enemy organizations northwest of Vingres."

"In Champagne we delivered in the afternoon a new attack against the German positions at Maisons-de-Champagne on a front of 500 metres. Our troops captured all the trenches the enemy had taken on Hill 185, and penetrated a fortified work on the slopes north of Mamelon. In the course of this action we took about 100 prisoners."

"On both banks of the Meuse there were lively artillery actions in the sectors of Avocourt, Donnoumont and St. Mihiel. "About 1 o'clock this afternoon the Germans bombarded with incendiary shells the open town of Soissons, causing several fires."

A Belgian communication said: "Great artillery activity occurred today, particularly against Dixmude and Steenstraete. The bombardments on both sides were accompanied by spirited grenade fighting during the afternoon."

British Report. London, March 12.—The War Office gave out the following report last night:

"We improved our positions slightly during the night northeast of Bouchavesnes. Enemy trenches in the same neighborhood were entered by our patrols at many places and a few prisoners captured. This morning we raided German trenches south of Arras in spite of strong resistance by the garrison, bombed dugouts and inflicted many casualties. "The artillery activity on both sides was most marked in the Ancre area, in the neighborhood of Arras, Neuville St. Vaast and the Ypres sector."

"There was considerable activity yesterday in the air. Much successful bombing and reconnaissance work was carried out by our aeroplanes. Air fighting was continuous. Nine enemy machines were brought down or driven down damaged, four of which are known to have been destroyed. Five of our machines are missing."

German Statement. Berlin, March 12.—An official statement issued last night said: "On the Somme front activity continues. Also east of the Somme artillery in several sectors is livelier than on preceding days."

"On both sides of Presba Lake (Macedonian front) and in the Cerna region the artillery fire has increased."

German Plans. London, March 12.—Special dispatches received here from Holland contain current reports of German preparations for an expected great offensive on the western front. The latest rumor, which is attributed to Belgian sources, is that the Germans intend to try again to break through on the Yser, with Calais as their objective. The Belgian newspaper Echo Belge, which now is published at The Hague, hears that Gen. von Falkenhayn has passed through Trieremont on his way to the Flemish front. The writers say that the tight closing of the Dutch-Belgian frontier for several days past and the suspension of all sailings from Antwerp for Holland make it impossible to ascertain the exact value of these reports, but that the universal belief is that the most important preparations are in progress.

FUNERAL AT STUTTGART OF COUNT ZEPPELIN

Rottterdam, March 12.—The funeral of Count Zeppelin was held yesterday afternoon at Stuttgart. Many years ago the late inventor erected his own vault in the Prag Cemetery at Stuttgart, and therefore Countess Zeppelin declined the offer which was made to her by the King of Wurtemberg to give the body a tomb in the royal cemetery. King William II. was present at the ceremony, which was very brief owing to the illness of the countess. The services consisted merely of a sermon by the Bishop of Stuttgart and prayers.

General von Voepner, commander-in-chief of the German air force, attended the funeral by command of Kaiser Wilhelm and 1,000 workmen from the zeppelin plants at Friedrichshafen came on a special train for the service.

COMMITTED SUICIDE IN AUSTRIAN CAPITAL

London, March 12.—Carlos Jeger, Brazilian Consul-General in Vienna, has committed suicide following an abortive attempt at self-destruction by his wife, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Central News. Senora Jaeger's act was prompted by grief over the death of her children and Senor Jaeger took his life in the belief that his wife was dead.

WILL DECIDE LIABILITY.

Washington, March 12.—The liability of the North German Lloyd liner Kronprinzessin Cecilie, at Boston, and also of many other German ships now held in American ports, for damages in returning to the United States when war was declared, breaking contracts to deliver freight aboard, will be decided by the Supreme Court.

A request of the North German Lloyd for a review of the decrees awarding damages to the Guaranty Trust Company and National City Bank of New York for failure to deliver gold shipped to England and France was granted today by the court, whose action prevents possible auction sale of the "gold ship" pending the outcome of the appeals.

LIFE WAS SAVED.

Ferne, March 12.—While engaged in overhauling the ammonia plant at the P. Burns building here yesterday afternoon, Frank Bean was overcome with ammonia fumes and was found prostrate and unconscious. Charles O'Brien, in charge of the mines rescue station, was summoned at once and with the aid of a pulmonologist the man was restored to consciousness and taken to the Fernie Hospital, where he is now resting. It is expected he will be around again in a few days.

WASHINGTON 3 THANKS.

Edine, Italy, March 12.—The Italian supreme command has received a letter from United States Ambassador Page expressing the thanks of the American Government for the sympathy and assistance given on the occasion of the death of Major Elvin R. Heiberg, military attaché of the American Embassy at Rome. Major Heiberg was killed by a fall from a horse while at the Italian front.

MARRIED IN LONDON.

London, March 12.—The marriage has just taken place of Captain S. F. S. Sweeney, of the Royal Engineers, and Isabel Bell-Irving, both of Vancouver. The bride was given away by her brother, Lieut. Henry Bell-Irving. Lieut. Kenneth Creery was groomsmen. The bride nursed for some time at the hospital of Viscountess Rideley. Carlton House Terrace nurses formed a guard of honor.

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FRED J. CAVEEN. 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

EXAMINATION OF MAIL AT PORT OF HALIFAX

New York, March 12.—Mail carried on an American ship, the Standard Oil tanker John D. Archbold, was removed by the British authorities at Halifax, according to the officers of the vessel, which arrived here today from Bergen, Norway. This is said to be the first time that a ship flying the American flag on the Atlantic has been denied the privilege of transporting mail from a foreign country, either neutral or belligerent.

The Archbold took out of Bergen 29 sacks of mail from Norway, Denmark and Sweden. The vessel followed the custom of other neutral ships by putting in at Halifax instead of Kirkwall. There she was detained three days, according to the officers, and all the mail taken off for examination. The tanker resumed her voyage without it.

Since the unrestricted German submarine campaign began no mails have reached here on Scandinavian or Dutch ships. The Bergenford and Kristianafjord, the only two Scandinavian passenger liners to risk the voyage since February 1, sailed without passengers, cargoes and mails.

AUSTRIANS REPULSED BY ITALIAN TROOPS

Rome, March 12.—The following official report was given out last night: "In the Concel-Ledro valley, in the Westerdak, after violent artillery and trench mortar bombardment, against these sections and Monte Vico, an enemy detachment attacked our position in the small valley of Vai, north of Lenzuquo. The enemy was repulsed and a few prisoners taken. On the remainder of the Trentino front yesterday there were patrol encounters and increased artillery activity."

"In the Traviogno valley of the Avigio, after trench mortar preparation against the southern slopes of Cimane de Doche, the enemy attacked toward Penestegio. He was immediately driven off. "There were the usual artillery actions along the Julian front. "In the Castagnavizza sector, on the Carso front, we surrounded an enemy outpost and captured its garrison, comprising nine men and one officer."

STATEMENT ABOUT MEXICO BY VON BERNSTORFF

Copenhagen, March 12.—Count von Bernstorff, dismissed German Ambassador to the United States, prepared a statement on Germany's dealing with Mexico after his arrival here. This statement will be forwarded to the Berlin Foreign Office and, if approved, will be made public through the Wolff Bureau, the official German news agency. It is understood that the statement deals with the way in which Foreign Secretary Zimmermann's instructions to the German Minister in Mexico City fell into the hands of the American Government.

"The departure of the Frederik VIII. from Christiania was decided upon so suddenly that several passengers were left behind in the Norwegian capital."

AMERICAN AVIATOR HONORED BY FRENCH

Paris, March 12.—Sergt.-Maj. Ronald Luffery, an American aviator, has been decorated with the Cross of the Legion of Honor. The announcement gives the following reasons: "Enlisted under the French flag for the duration of the war, he has given proof as an aviator of remarkable boldness and has brought down to us on December 27, 1916, six enemy machines, has already been twice mentioned in army orders and decorated with the Military Medal."

COURT TO-DAY DECIDED HARRY THAW LUNATIC

Philadelphia, March 12.—Harry K. Thaw to-day was adjudged a lunatic by the Common Pleas Court of this city, and under the law cannot be taken to New York on requisition to stand trial on charges of assaulting Frederick Gumpf, Jr., a high school student, at Kansas City, Mo. Thaw will be kept in St. Mary's Hospital here pending his removal to a Pennsylvania asylum. The court's action was based on the report presented to-day by a lunacy commission which yesterday took the testimony of Thaw and his mother.

Bessie had just received a bright new threepenny bit, and was starting out to invest in chocolates. "Why don't you give your money to the missionaries?" asked a neighbor who was selling at the house. "I thought about that," said Bessie, "but I think I will buy the chocolates, and let the shopman give the money to the missionaries."

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Announcement

MEETINGS AND ENTERTAINMENTS

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

THE INDIAN TROOPS.

The London Times reminds its readers that the Army of the Tigris which has just crowned a series of exceedingly brilliant operations is composed largely of Indian troops, and that the cavalry is almost entirely Indian.

Indian troops have played a very important part in Britain's military operations in this war. A strong expeditionary force was sent to France in the early stages of the war and acquitted itself admirably in resisting the enemy's onslaughts upon the narrow line between Arras and the sea.

HIS ECONOMICS.

"Under our policy we did not believe in heaping burdens upon the shoulders of the people already, because of the financial stress, over-burdened. It was our policy to use the credit of the Province. For the papers now to say that the country is in a bad way and not a cent in the treasury is not fair criticism. If they were fair they would admit that for the past three years we made no pretence that the revenue would balance expenditures."

regard to other people's money—are those of a gambler, and a reckless gambler at that. Carried to the extreme in private life they have lashed trust in the penitentiary. The least that can happen to a business man who adopts them is an appearance in the bankruptcy court.

The leader of the Opposition says this policy was calculated to avoid fresh burdens on the taxpayers. He therefore used the credit of those taxpayers and ran them into debt by more than \$20,000,000 in a few years.

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Those who followed the trial noted that the Crown did not produce as a witness the first agent who had joined the conspirators, an omission upon which the counsel for the defence commented with much bitterness.

THE SALE OF TITLES.

The London Morning Post, the organ of aristocratic England, recently published an attack upon the practice of swapping titles for political services which is being heartily endorsed throughout the country.

Following the Post's comment, Thomas Gibson Bowles, a well-known Member of Parliament, contributed a letter to its columns demanding a searching investigation of the practice by a Royal Commission.

A Vancouver clergyman says modern spiritualism is a gigantic fraud. This is a sweeping statement. Undoubtedly the path of the cult is strewn with exposures of fakers, but, then, so is the path of every religion under the sun.

Dear Sir:—It has come to our notice that there is an impression around that our action in leaving the Military Convalescent Hospital (Resthaven), in a body, was strange and uncalculated.

Mr. Bowser produces its proofs of the charges of corruption made against him and his colleagues in the recent campaign. The leader of the Opposition should be patient. The proofs will be forthcoming.

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railroad strike which was averted last year by the intervention of President Wilson may take place in a few days.

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THE RESTHAVEN TROUBLE.

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activity before the war, was based upon the creation of a great state which should extend from the Channel at Calais to the Gulf of Riga on the Baltic and from Hamburg and Bremen to Suez and the Persian Gulf.

When Turkey entered the war, a holy war was proclaimed against the "infidel" and the Germans planned to harness the fanaticism of the Mohammedans to the world plans of the Teutons and conquer British and Russian territories by using Turkish armies, trained, officered and equipped by Germans.

Plans of Entente. To expel the Turk from Islam by separating him from Mecca, to restore the Arab to the place he once occupied, to confine the Turk to Asia Minor by erecting a French protectorate in Syria, a Russian province in Armenia and a British colony in Mesopotamia.

British Came Back. After all war is in a measure a thing of omens still, and it must be a real augury of greater success to come for

the British to open 1917 with a victory precisely at the point at which they suffered disaster a year ago. And once more the East discovers that the Briton, sometimes defeated, does come back.

KILLED BY EXPLOSIONS. Canonsburg, Pa., March 12.—Three men are known to have been killed and seven are missing as a result of two explosions at the mine of the Henderson Coal Company at Hendersonville, five miles from here, early to-day.

Sale of Bantams' Barracks Buildings. On Monday, the 19th inst., at 10 a. m., these buildings will be sold by Public Auction, separately, on the grounds, Beacon Hill Park, to the highest bidder.



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## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, March 14, 1892.

The old Deluge fire bell, which has done service for 25 years, was on Saturday sold to the inhabitants of Fort Rupert, who intend to use it for another long period. It was taken north on the Barbara Bosowitz.

The steamer Umatilla, which arrived from California last evening, brought up two valuable stallions, the property of A. H. Knight & Son, of Eureka, Humboldt Co., Cal. Mr. Knight arrived on the steamer.

The Snowdon Smith property on the Gorge is being offered on the market, together with a number of lots, on the withdrawal of the owner to the Old Country.

**Go Gardening.**—Spades, 90c to \$2.50; Rakes, 35c to \$1.25; Hoes, 25c to 75c; Trowels, 10c to 30c; Sprayers, 60c to \$5; Pruning Shears, 75c to \$1.75. R. A. Brown & Co., 1592 Douglas St.

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**Founding of Victoria, 1843.**—The Lady Douglas Chapter, I. O. D. E., will celebrate this event by holding a tea Wednesday, March 14, 3 to 6, in the ballroom of the Empress Hotel. Admission, 50 cents, including refreshments.

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**The People's Prohibition Movement** will have a concert in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church, to-night at 8 o'clock. A good programme is being given. During the evening Mr. A. P. Goad, of Vancouver, will give a statement of the facts, in connection with the overseas soldiers' vote, as far as they are known to date. Admission 25c and 50c.

**Maccabees** What Drive to-morrow, Wednesday, March 14, K. of P. Hall, 8.30, 10c.

**S. P. C. A.**—The City Council last evening granted permission to the Women's Auxiliary of the S. P. C. A. to hold a tag day.

**Fined \$10.**—A. W. Simmonds was fined \$10 in the Police Court this morning for failing to stop his motor on approaching a standing street car which was letting off passengers.

**Case Remanded.**—The case of Lim Bo, a Chinaman accused of stealing a sweater coat from the premises of R. Lancaster, of 1315 Government, was remanded until to-morrow. The arrest was made by Constable Phillips.

**Tenders for Fire Hall Repairs.**—Three tenders were received for repairs to Nos. 3 and 4 fire halls, from Williams, Terle & Williams, C. A. McGregor and T. H. Matthews, at City Council last evening and referred to a committee for attention.

**Charged With Deserting.**—J. C. Bannington Hayes was arraigned in the Police Court this morning on a charge of deserting himself from the 143rd Battalion, B. C. Bantams, of which unit he was a member, without the consent of his commanding officer. The accused pleaded guilty and the case was remanded until to-morrow.

**B. C. University Wins.**—British Columbia students were successful in winning two international debates held recently between the University of British Columbia and the University of Washington. The resolution that was discussed was that there should be a supreme court in which all international disputes should be settled and that a police power be created to enforce the rulings of such a court. Paul H. Hodges and Harold Everest, of Washington University, supported the negative side of the argument against John Menzie and M. Bailey in Vancouver, while Dean Boltman and Morris Robbins, of Seattle, supported the affirmative against Sutcliffe and Denham in Seattle.

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## ESQUIMALT SCHOOLS

### TO AID RED CROSS

#### Councillor Bridle Lends Land for Students to Raise Vegetables

The Esquimalt council was waited upon last evening at the regular meeting by Principals Stacey and Patterson, of the municipality's Public and High Schools respectively, who requested that the council grant a sum of \$40 for the purchase of seeds which the students will plant and cultivate for the purpose of raising vegetables that are to be sold, the proceeds to be given over to the Red Cross Society. The request was granted.

Mr. Stacey also stated that he desired to thank Councillor Bridle who had been so generous as to grant the pupils the use of about two acres of his land situated on the corner of Lamson Street and Esquimalt Road for the purpose of raising produce for the above mentioned purpose. Mr. Stacey pointed out that the land was already ploughed, but that the turf in many places was still fairly solid, and that it would be difficult for the girls of the schools to dig such plots. He requested that the municipality have the land put into shape by having a cultivator run over it. The council decided to adopt the suggestion and it was left to the chairman of the works committee to see that the land is harrowed next Saturday morning.

Action was taken in regard to lot cultivation. It was ordered that notices be put in the press to the effect that persons who have lots in Esquimalt which they would allow to be cultivated, and also persons who are desirous of cultivating the offered lots, should notify the clerk of the municipality at the earliest date possible.

The recommendation set forth, in a letter from the vacant lot cultivation committee of the city of Victoria was not supported or endorsed by the Esquimalt body. The councillors felt that the changing of the clock for the spring, summer and autumn months, as suggested, would not be at all productive of results superior to those which are reaped at the present time. The general impression that the Government does not intend to enact the suggested legislation in placing the clock forward was considered to be indicative of the fact that the higher authorities do not consider the proposal favorably.

A considerable portion of the council's time was occupied last evening by a discussion which arose over the proposal to lay a water and sewer main in the one trench. The case in point is on Aberdeen Street, which is a difficult roadway with which to deal on account of the amount of rock which it is necessary to remove in order that the trench for the pipe may be made. Owing to the fact that the street will require only a small water main it was thought by several members of the council that it might be laid two feet above the sewer main in the same trench. The suggestion was made on an offer of the Esquimalt Water Works Company to lay the pipe on the street in question of the council would permit it to be placed above the sewer. The company also guaranteed to take care of the pipe if at any time it should be found necessary to dig down to the lower main.

The council consulted the health officer and the engineer on the matter and both reported that although it was not the customary practice to lay the pipes in the same trench it could be safely done without any menace to the public health from contamination of the water in case of a break in the pipe. After considerable debate the council, though not by a unanimous vote, decided to accept the offer of the Esquimalt Water Works Company and have the water main laid in the trench two feet above the sewer. It was pointed out that such a plan had been followed in Vancouver in installing the water and sewer systems on Shaughnessy Heights.

The council will invest \$7,000 of the school loan sinking fund in the new Canadian war loan. The amount will be taken out in registered bonds of \$1,000 each.

Three by-laws were given consideration in committee and passed without amendment. No. 65, the tax rate by-law, fixes the rate of 114 mills for general purposes and 22 for school purposes.

Last year the general tax rate was 93 mills. The difference is owing to the reduction of 10 per cent, made on the assessed values this year and also on account of the fact that the general revenue has to bear a proportion of the sewer and sewer maintenance fund. This amounts to \$5,000. The school tax is practically the same this year as it was last.

By-law 66 and 67 being the expenditure and sewer construction and rental tax by-laws were also passed in committee without amendment.

**Rotary Club.**—In consequence of the visit to Victoria last week of Lieutenant Williams, who addressed the Rotary Club in the interests of Recruiting, the programme set down for that day was postponed. At Thursday's luncheon a talk on "Telegraph Service" will be given by F. H. Blashfield, while a motion in favor of Daylight Saving will be moved by J. M. Edwards.

### Ladies' Musical Club Operatic Programme

At Empress Hotel, Thursday, March 15, at 8:30 p. m.

Singers—Misses Hart, Haggerty, Pearce, Mrs. R. Dunsmuir, Messrs. McKenzie, Petch and Davis. Mrs. Green's orchestra.

Admission to non-members 25c.

## LIBERAL LADIES MEET AND ELECT OFFICERS

### Organization Completed at Session Last Night; Adopt Constitution

The Ladies' Liberal Association last night completed its organization work to the extent of adopting a constitution and electing officers. Subsequent meetings, which it was decided will be held once monthly on the first Monday, will be devoted to the discussion of the questions which it is the object of the organization to consider.

Mrs. Norman presided. The first part of the meeting was occupied in the discussion of the constitution, prepared and drawn up by a special committee headed by Mrs. Lewis Hall. This being adopted the meeting proceeded to the election of officers, the following being successful in getting office: Honorary president, Mrs. Ralph Smith; president, Mrs. Henry Norman; 1st vice, Mrs. Robt. Dinsdale; 2nd vice, Mrs. Angus Gilbrath; secretary, Mrs. James Fleming; treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Brandon; executive, Messdames McIntyre, Pearson, Gregson, Leddingham, Fair, Lumden and Miss Hugh.

The meeting was a very enthusiastic one, and at the close of the main business many of the ladies went forward and enrolled as members. About sixty ladies were present.

## GIRL GUIDES GIVEN THEIR FIRST BADGES

### Reward for Training in Practical Subjects; Splendid Entertainment Presented

The presentation of the first badges that have been awarded to Girl Guides in Victoria took place on Saturday evening in connection with an entertainment given at the Y. W. C. A. by the Fifth Victoria Company, which is affiliated with the Florence Nightingale Chapter, I. O. D. E. The presentation was made by Mrs. Leighton, convener of the Girl Guide Committee, who expressed pleasure that the first badges given should be for such practical subjects as cookery and laundry. The Guides were reminded of their opportunities for the daily good turn to be found in the homes of the wives of seamen and soldiers on service.

The recipients of the badges were: For cookery, P. L. Grace Tysoe and P. L. Gladys Clayards; laundry, P. L. Grace Tysoe, P. L. Gladys Clayards and Cpl. M. Heal; second class, P. L. Mary Shopland, Cpl. Marjory Patrick, Guides Evelyn Patrick and Dorothy Hardisty.

The company received from Mrs. Beckwith, regent of the Florence Nightingale Chapter, a flag typifying the King and British Constitution. The members were adjured to defend it and the things for which it stood. The Guides were recommended to a study of the history of the flag, which had not been conceived as a completed unit but had evolved and been added to through the centuries.

Excellent Programme.

The Girl Guides' programme was cleverly conceived and remarkably well carried out. The opening part consisted of a fantasia entitled "Beauty and the Beast," the character parts in which were carried excellently by the following: P. L. E. Brown, Cpl. B. Ruddock, Cpl. M. Saville, P. L. I. Sedgeman, Guide O. Zala, Guide H. Rawlinson, Guide H. Brown, Guide M. Peppin, Guide G. Miller, Guide A. Mackenzie. The dances, arranged by Mrs. B. G. Ruddock, were original in conception and very effective in performance. That by the Gollwogs was one of the delightful turns of the evening, receiving a hearty encore. Their "spell" for a time spoiled "Prince Auto," who afterwards turned out to be a very nice gentleman. "Beauty" was delightfully acted and won the affections of all the listeners.

The performance was arranged under the immediate direction of Capt. Unwin, who earned congratulations on all sides for the very fine character of the entertainment. Mrs. Ruddock, who arranged the dances and costumes, also shared in the general congratulations, and others who contributed to the success were Miss Carey, who supplied the incidental music, and Mr. Peppin, who arranged the scenery. Miss E. Carey acted as accompanist.

Special numbers included Cpl. M. Saville's song, "When the Boys Come Home," P. L. E. Brown's "The Bonnie Heather," Cpl. Ruddock's dance, a very dainty performance, and P. L. I. Sedgeman's song, "We'll Never Let the Old Flag Fall."

The performers were accorded a very hearty round of applause, and they in turn expressed their gratitude very heartily to the Florence Nightingale Chapter, I. O. D. E., for the fine presentation.



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Tillicum School Will Be Built at Once, and That at Cloverdale Deferred.

From what transpired at the meeting of the Saanich School Board yesterday evening it appears that immediate construction will take place of the Tillicum school, and that the progress made on the Cloverdale school this year will be restricted to securing a site, since the Government is unable to provide a building at Cloverdale this year.

With regard to the Tillicum school, after a letter was read from the Superintendent of Education urging an immediate start, the board decided to appoint Trustees Watson and McGregor as a committee to see the Superintendent of Education, and go over the plans for an eight-roomed school.

In connection with stimulating production in the schools, permission was given for gardens at Gordon Head, Prospect Lake, and McKenzie Avenue schools, and for West Saanich school to keep to three pigs.

After hearing from Dr. Holmes, school health officer, on the medical inspection of the schools, it was decided to ask the Council to have a conference, and invite representatives of the Victorian Order of Nurses to see if arrangements cannot be made to have the school and district nurse combined. It was decided to accede to the request of the Garden City Women's Institute, and instruct the principals that the pupils are not to be detained longer than half an hour after school hours.

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**Red Cross Bridge Party.**—The Fairfield branch of the Canadian Red Cross held a special meeting at their rooms on Monday evening to make final arrangements for the bridge and five hundred party to be given at the rooms, May and Linden, on Monday evening, March 19. There will be 20 tables and prizes will be awarded. Mrs. Aldridge, Mrs. Crane, Mrs. Bellby, and Mr. Hale Ash will take charge of the card-tables. Games will begin at 8.15, and at 10.30 refreshments will be served. The following ladies have kindly volunteered their services to preside at the refreshment table: Mrs. Paul Higgins, Mrs. E. E. Wootton, Mrs. Milton, Miss More, and Mrs. C. P. Gardner. Reception committees: Messdames Knight and Hale Ash. An early reservation of tables is recommended, and those desiring the same should telephone Mrs. Bellby (5443-1) or Mrs. Aldridge, convener (5443-1). The entrance fee will include a seat at the card table and refreshments.



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George Heban, the celebrated portrayer of Italian characters, who will be seen at the Variety Theatre to-day and to-morrow in the Oliver Morosco Paramount Picture, "His Sweetheart," prepared a Christmas tree for the children in the neighborhood of the Morosco studio in Los Angeles. It is said that in keeping with his Italian characterizations, he decorated the tree with garlic instead of the customary strings of popcorn. Supporting Mr. Heban in the cast of this original drama are Helen Jerome Eddy, Harry Devere, Sarah Kernan, Kathleen Kirkham, Robert E. Holson and others.

ROYAL VICTORIA.  
There is no doubt that a good many of the patrons of the Royal Victoria Theatre will remember Douglas Fairbanks for his splendid acting in "Manhattan Madness," but those who pay a visit to the above theatre during the first three days of this week, and see this same actor in "The Halfbreed," will go away with the impression that each successive picture in which he appears is better than the last.  
This is a photo-play where all of the action is taken in the open, some of the scenery being of surpassing beauty, especially the forest fire, which shows great trees such as we have on Vancouver Island, being burnt to the ground. It is a fine story well told, the whole play being full of action of the kind which holds the attention of any audience. A Keystone comedy featuring Fay Tincher in "Laundry Liz," finishes off a programme that there is no doubt will give every satisfaction.

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The Fernwood branch, Red Cross, acknowledge with thanks the following donations to their funds: Mr. Ashdown Green, \$5; Mrs. Ashdown Green, \$10; Mrs. Ashdown Green, electric iron; Mrs. York, Fisgard Street, \$10 (from sale of candy). One of the boxes of apples was raffled, Mr. Mackay, of Rennie & Taylor, holding the "lucky ticket."  
The ladies who took tickets to sell on the tea-cloth, crocheted bag and teapot are asked kindly to turn in the stubs so that these articles can be raffled without further delay. Arrangements are being completed for the lecture to be given in the near future by Mr. Cuthbert, who will show his views of Vancouver Island, British Columbia, Washington and Oregon.

**The WEATHER**  
Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 13—5 a. m.—The barometer remains low over this province and heavy rains have occurred on the Coast and Lower Mainland and rain has been general southward to California. The weather is fair and colder on the northern B. C. coast and zero temperatures prevail in Northern Alberta and Saskatchewan.

**Forecasts.**  
For 26 hours ending 3 p. m. Wednesday, Victoria and vicinity—Easterly and southerly winds, mostly cloudy and mild, with occasional rains.  
Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, mostly cloudy, with occasional sleet or rain.  
**Reports.**  
Victoria—Barometer, 29.73; temperature, maximum yesterday, 43; minimum, 26; wind, 5 miles E.; rain, .55; weather, cloudy.  
Vancouver—Barometer, 29.76; temperature, maximum yesterday, 36; minimum, 32; wind, 6 miles E.; rain, 1.16; weather, cloudy.  
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.76; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.  
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.66; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 26; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, fair.  
Tatoosh—Barometer, 29.68; temperature, maximum yesterday, 35; minimum, 26; wind, 18 miles S. E.; rain, 1.18; weather, raining.  
Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, maximum yesterday, 41; minimum, 28; wind, 5 miles S.; rain, .36; weather, cloudy.  
Seattle—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 36; wind, 10 miles S. E.; rain, .36; weather, cloudy.  
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, maximum yesterday, 56; minimum, 44; wind, 5 miles S.; rain, .06; weather, raining.

**Temperature.** Max. Min.  
Barkerville ..... 38 .. 27  
Grand Forks ..... 26 .. 26  
Penticton ..... 27 .. 27  
Nelson ..... 28 .. 28  
Prince George ..... 31 .. 21  
Calgary ..... 30 .. 19  
Edmonton ..... 22 .. 22  
Qu'Appelle ..... 22 .. 22  
Winnipeg ..... 24 .. 24  
Toronto ..... 32 .. 22  
Ottawa ..... 29 .. 23  
Montreal ..... 32 .. 22  
St. John ..... 24 .. 24  
Halifax ..... 44 .. 44

**Victoria Daily Weather.**  
Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 1 p. m., Monday:  
**Temperature.**  
Highest ..... 43  
Lowest ..... 26  
Average ..... 35  
Minimum on grass ..... 24  
Rain, .66 inch.  
Bright sunshine, 12 minutes.  
General state of weather, cloudy.

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**SOCIAL AND PERSONAL**  
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P. H. Millet, of Winnipeg, is at the Dominion.  
J. A. Bates, of Mission City, is staying at the Dominion.  
C. Springford, of Salt Spring Island, is at the Dominion Hotel.  
S. D. Tietheaway, of Chilliwack, is stopping at the Dominion Hotel.  
J. A. Pringle, of Haines, Alaska, is a new arrival at the Dominion Hotel.  
E. A. Barneby, of Kelowna, B. C. is registered at the Hotel Strathcona.  
F. G. Dawson, of Prince Rupert, arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday.  
C. A. Richardson, of Winnipeg, arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday.  
A. Joyce and son are down from Courtenay, and are at the Dominion Hotel.  
A. A. Dawes and family, of Blackie, Alta., are registered at the Dominion Hotel.  
Mrs. Arthur Copley Fox, of Montreal, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.  
R. D. Gibson and Mrs. Gibson, of Melfort, Sask., are staying at the Dominion.  
Peter Storey and family, of Girvin, Sask., are new arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.  
N. H. Boden is down from Courtenay, and has registered at the Strathcona Hotel.  
M. Drewer and Mrs. Drewer, of Swift Current, are guests of the Dominion Hotel.  
W. J. McComb and Mrs. McComb, of Brandon, are staying at the Dominion Hotel.  
San Franciscans registered at the Empress Hotel include W. H. Stanley and T. H. Agnew.  
Mrs. G. E. Johnston and daughter, of Denver, Colorado, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.  
Dr. J. G. McKay, of New Westminster, is a guest at the Empress Hotel on departmental business.  
A. D. Kennedy and family, of Cadillac, Sask., are visiting Victoria, and stopping at the Dominion.  
Peter Wunder and family and James Frouse and Mrs. Frouse, of Skechewat, are at the Dominion Hotel.  
Mrs. Cowper, wife of J. S. Cowper, of Vancouver, who has been the guest

of Mrs. Richardson, of Prior Street, has returned home.  
W. E. Walkden has arrived from San Diego, Cal., and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel.  
S. A. Fletcher is over from New Westminster, and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel.  
W. H. Gossip has arrived from San Francisco, Cal., and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel.  
R. Grassie and Mrs. Grassie are down from Duncan, and are staying at the Dominion Hotel.  
L. A. Roebuck and family have arrived from Broderick, Sask., and are guests at the Strathcona Hotel.  
W. E. Rowe, Mrs. E. Ives, Mrs. W. Balcom and W. Balcom are among the Vancouver registrants at the Strathcona Hotel.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Duncan, of Broderick, Sask., and visiting the Coast, and are staying at the Strathcona Hotel.  
George H. Cross and Misses Alzire E. Cross and Elsie Cross Hawley, of Douglas, Wyo., are guests of the Dominion Hotel.  
Lieut. W. Hanson and Mrs. Hanson and Lieut. A. E. Neill and Mrs. Neill, of Vancouver, are amongst yesterday's registrants at the Dominion Hotel.  
Mrs. Timeck, of New Westminster, who has been touring the United States, is now a guest of Mrs. Richardson, of Prior Street. After her visit she will return to her home.  
Mr. Paul Hodge and Mr. Harold Everest, the visiting debaters from the University of Washington, were the guests of the literary department of the undergraduate body of the University of British Columbia at a merry dance at the home of Mrs. Patrick Fraser, Vancouver, on Saturday evening. Among those present were Miss Henderson, Miss Fraser, Miss Mutrie, Miss Lock, Miss Lee, Miss White, Miss Maynard, Miss Storey, Miss Coy, Miss Rosebrugh, Miss McGuire, Miss Pim, Miss Harvey, Miss Macdonald, Miss Clement, Miss Walsh, Miss Alexander, Miss Healy, Miss Day, Miss Damer, Miss Willard, Miss Collier, Miss Martin, Miss Bodie, Miss Fulton, Miss Clark, Mr. F. G. C. Wood and Mr. Howard Russell, of the faculty, and former Victorians; Mr. Wright, Mr. Bullard, Mr. Storey, Mr. L. Page, Mr. Le Messurier, Mr. Livingstone, Mr. Berto, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Baker, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Marshall, of Victoria; Mr. A. Ellard.  
Under the auspices of the Shawnigan Lake Women's Institute a very enjoyable evening was held last Friday in the Shawnigan Lake Hall, when John Kyle, of Victoria, who is well-known from the work he is doing amongst

the returned soldiers, gave an excellent and instructive lecture on the necessity of manual training in the rural schools. This was followed by a most interesting account given by Mr. Mackay, military secretary of the Y. M. C. A., of the work accomplished by their society amongst the soldiers in their training camps and in all camps right up to the front lines since the beginning of the war. An appeal for funds to carry on the great work was made. The chairman, Mr. Ravenhill, extended to the two speakers the thanks of the National Anthem the audience adjourned for refreshment, a charge of ten cents per head being asked in aid of the Belgians. The results were gratifying, \$16 being collected in aid of the good work. Both the evening's speakers spoke the following night at Cobble Hill.  
A 300-lb. man stood gazing longingly at the nice things displayed in a hostess's window for a marked-down sale. A friend stopped to inquire if he was thinking of buying shirts or pyjamas. "Gosh, no!" replied the fat man wistfully, "the only thing that fits me ready-made is a handkerchief."

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OPPOSITION LEADER SPEAKS ON ADDRESS

Fighting Speech by Mr. Bowser is Met by Wide-Awake Government Supporters

Legislative Press Gallery, March 12.

The Leader of the Opposition was in fighting form to-day, and when he got up to speak in the debate on the address it was apparent that he was going to spare no one. But on the other hand he found a House that was just as much prepared to fight as he was, and if he gave blows he had to receive them, too, somewhat of a new experience for him within the walls of the chamber of late years.

At every point the fifth member for Vancouver was caught up before the House had time to forget his statements, and either the misstatement called on the spot or the intended thrust deprived of its sting by a quick retort. A couple of times the honorable gentleman made remarks which he probably did not mean to be taken quite in the sense in which their plain-English conveyed, but both times the ready retort which was evoked emphasized the words which he used.

Thus, he gravely informed the House that he is now the one man who stands between "a dominating party" and the people. This brought a laugh and the question whether the Opposition was to be a one-man affair just as were the governments of which he was a member. Again, he stated that Conservative governments were a thing of the past, and there was a burst of applause and cheering from the Liberal benches which should have convinced him of the truth of his statement, although it was doubtless not the way in which he meant it.

Mr. Bowser commenced with the statement that his entrance into the debate was no perfunctory effort, but a sincere desire to do his duty. One result of the last general election was that it had brought into public life many young, able and bright young men, who would go some distance in the life of their province—and he hoped some would also entirely—from the political arena before next election.

An audit of the public accounts he had no objection to, if the Government thought it necessary, but he feared that it was going to cost a lot and the Opposition did not think it necessary. Referring to H. C. Hall's reference to fisheries, he said that honorable gentleman had the right idea, but was not posted on his political history.

Fisheries. When he (the speaker) had come into office in 1908 he took up the position, as Commissioner of Fisheries, that the property of fish when caught was in the province, and the result of his taking the matter up with Ottawa was that we had obtained control over the canneries and the right to issue fishing licenses, with the result that over \$250,000 had been collected in revenue as well as \$50,000 collected from the Dominion under modus vivendi.

The Leader of the Opposition warned the Government not to undertake any duties or obligations which it was the duty of the Dominion to attend to under the terms of union. The late Provincial Government had done much excellent work in establishing hatcheries and initiating researches into fish life, in connection with which some valuable reports had been issued. He was glad to know the Commissioner of Fisheries had decided to carry on this work.

Election Reform. Election reform would find sincere and thorough advocates on that side, Mr. Bowser said. He went on to say that the Vancouver by-election of last year was still in the public eye and mind, and that when the Premier moved the formal resolution on opening day, seconded by the Attorney-General he had to smile as he thought that the second was under the shadow of a royal commission.

"What happened over here in Victoria in the by-election of last year?" Mr. Macdonald asked.

The Leader of the Opposition went on to say that there was no better man to second the resolution than the Attorney-General.

"I notice you have a vacant seat to your right," remarked the Premier, referring to the absence of W. R. Ross, member for Fort George.

Patronage. Quite a laugh at Mr. Bowser's own expense was raised when he went on to speak of patronage, and remarked that when Mr. Brewster spoke during the campaign about the curse of patronage he had dropped one word; what he had meant to say was "the curse of Conservative patronage."

The hon. gentleman went on to say that there was no talk of the curse of patronage raised when Mr. Kenwick was "dismissed" by the Minister of Lands or when "three partisan politicians" were appointed on the Workmen's Compensation Board. It was told him on indubitable authority that the reason Mr. Winn was appointed on that board was that his political ambitions interfered with those of the brother of the fourth member for Vancouver in connection with the federal candidacy for Kootenay.

"I was not consulted, nor did I make any representations whatever in regard to the appointment of Mr. Winn," said J. W. de la Farris, fourth member for Vancouver.

Mr. Bowser wanted to know why it was necessary to appoint a Liberal in the person of Mr. Winn, instead of looking about for someone who had leanings towards the Conservative side.

"They all had jobs," came the re-

tort from the Premier, quick as a flash.

This plainly got under Mr. Bowser's skin, as he at once flew off into an accusation that the Premier was showing a lack of dignity. Of Parker Williams's appointment Mr. Bowser said it was made as a reward for services to the Liberal party; that he did not represent labor and represented no party. After a compliment to David Whiteside (New Westminster), formerly the registrar of joint stock companies, Mr. Bowser betrayed some heat because of that gentleman's criticism of the Companies Act, one of his own creations.

Tranquille Sanitarium. In matters of irrigation and the difficulties arising with water users Mr. Bowser promised the member for Kamloops his assistance in pressing for improved legislation. Speaking of aid for Tranquille Sanitarium, which he agreed should be maintained as a private institution, the hon. gentleman stated that from 1906 to 1916 there had been made grants aggregating \$205,000 for buildings. He offered help to get cheaper coal, sugar and potatoes—these having been matters referred to by Government supporters—and hoped that then we would have the millennium. Mr. Bowser, dealing with one member after another, spoke of him as having "supplanted" or "displaced" this, that or the former Conservative member.

Defends Sir Richard. Mr. Bowser took exception to the member for Yale (Mr. Walters) speaking of Sir Richard McBride as simply "drawing down his salary," and maintained that the former Premier had left his impress upon the province. He added the hope that the new Minister of Mines would do more than draw down his salary and would carry out some of the recommendations his supporters made. Praise for the Conservative opposition members in khaki—among whom Capt. Hayward was improperly included as one of "our ten"—was given by Mr. Bowser and he regretted that those who had been defeated were not there. Of J. O. Oliver and himself he said there was "a bitter warfare which will keep on as long as the Minister of Railways and I are members of this Legislature."

Of the chief Liberal whip and third member for Victoria (Mr. Hart) he repeated sneering references to fraternal society associations of that gentleman which Mr. Ross had made on Friday.

Criticizes Speech. Of the King's Speech Mr. Bowser said it was a ponderous document, but vague in suggestion, and he believed that some outsiders must have written it to hand over the old court house site in Vancouver to that city. Mr. Bowser declared that it was a sop to placate the people for not getting a second cabinet minister again.

"Where did you get your information?" the Premier asked him.

Mr. Bowser warned the young men who were making speeches that they would not get the portfolio; "the Premier is dangling the carrot before you and he has no intention of taking you in," that the Premier would hang on to the salary as Minister of Finance, which would save his colleagues from pooling salaries with him and the Minister of Mines from making an extra contribution.

"It is altogether apart from the truth that any contribution of any kind has been made by us," said Hon. Mr. Sloan.

"It is a piece with all the rest of his statements," Mr. Brewster observed.

"I did not know my informant was wrong in so many particulars," said Mr. Bowser.

The Attorney-General advised him to change his informant.

As Mr. Bowser continued on this line the Minister of Mines insisted on his denial being accepted, and the Leader of the Opposition said then that he was but repeating what he had been told.

Would Dare Public Opinion. Coming back to the court house site, Mr. Bowser patted himself on the back for consistency, and intimated that he would continue to dare public opinion and oppose any disposal of the site except by sale. In this connection he asserted: "I am the one man now between this dominating party and the people of this country."

"Then you are still the only man in the Opposition as in the Government," was the Premier's comment.

Mr. Bowser asked the House to remember in future that, though no prophet nor son of a prophet, on March 12 he predicted that the third member for Victoria would be taken into the Government as President of the Council.

"Why not keep it till the seventeenth?" Mr. Hart asked, and the House laughed and cheered his Irish wit.

Mr. Bowser pledged support for all patriotic efforts to meet the returned soldier problem, but he intimated that it was correspondence which he had had with Sir Robert Borden which brought about the recent conference at Ottawa. Talking of the betterment of trade he quoted a Vancouver paper as attributing this in part to the building of the C. N. P. and P. G. E.

"And we, the people at large, are those who are paying for it," the Premier added.

Will Have to Pay. "The people may have to pay in the end," Mr. Bowser admitted. "They approved of the policy, and if the war had not come along and over-indulgence in real estate the people would not have had to pay."

Mr. Bowser boasted that from the time when he became Premier and was defeated the bank clearings in Vancouver had risen by eight million dollars.

Journal, issued by the department, in which was a frontispiece of the Minister of Agriculture and inside a cut of the Leader of the Government, confronted on the opposite page by a lemon tree. (Laughter).

"The lemon tree is across the floor from him now," remarked a Liberal member.

Mr. Bowser complained that the sketch of the Minister of Agriculture was being published at public expense. It had, no doubt, been published after he had edited it.

"That is absolutely untrue," said Mr. Oliver.

The Opposition Leader hoped there was no intention of going back on the shipbuilding policy of his Government, which he believed was going to do marvels for the province. He excused himself from saying much on finances at this time, beyond that the province was not in so bad a state after all and that he was sorry the Government was going to increase taxation.

"Your sorrow is too late," said the Premier.

Asks Questions. Mr. Bowser claimed that this was no time to harass people. What the Government wanted was courage and confidence; go into the money markets and borrow; what were a few million dollars! He wanted to know what was being done about the Brewster writ and the plugging inquiry, and in the latter connection stated that there were Liberal supporters in the House who did not agree with the Attorney-General's being in the cabinet. J. S. Cowper, junior member for Vancouver, grinned at this. What about the investigation into alleged corruption, which the Liberals claimed they got no time for last session?

"As the honorable gentleman knows a firm of chartered accountants, has been at work among the accounts of the province and the operations in question," replied the Premier. "They have gone into it and in due order the honorable gentleman will have laid on the table a report. If he can derive any comfort from that he is even more optimistic than I think he is."

"During the late campaign," Mr. Bowser went on, "the now Leader of the Government issued a circular to the soldiers charging me with corruption."

"Hear, hear," said the Premier.

Mr. Bowser said he was there as a representative of one of the greatest constituencies in the province, and he was not going to allow any man to charge him with personal corruption.

"The honorable gentleman will have ample opportunity to defend himself," Hon. Mr. Brewster assured him.

The Leader of the Opposition declared it was most unfair to go over the country saying things about him and especially to send circulars to men who were doing their bit.

"They did their bit for you all right," observed Mr. Hart, alluding to the fact that the Leader of the Opposition owes his seat to the soldier vote abroad.

Mr. Bowser wanted to know why there was no reference to prohibition in the Speech; did the Government intend to enforce prohibition if it carried, and if it did not what did it intend doing?

The honorable gentleman assured the House that Conservative Governments were a thing of the past, and the opposition was there, not to gain any political advantage but to give its assistance in enacting wise legislation, managing the business of the country, and assisting in the establishment of industries and building up this great province.

The Premier secured the floor for the next sitting, and will speak to-morrow afternoon.

Willie was out walking with his mother when she thought she saw a boy on the other side of the street making faces at her darling. "Willie," asked mother, "is that horrid boy making faces at you?" "He is," replied Willie, giving his coat a tug. "Now, mother, don't start any peace talk—you just hold my coat for about five minutes."—Exchange.



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ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS IN THE LEGISLATURE

Bills Advanced a Stage; Questions Answered; P. G. E. Inquiry Resolution

Legislative Press Gallery, March 12.

After the Leader of the Opposition got through with his speech on the address this afternoon considerable routine business was disposed of.

The debate on the proposal to appoint a special committee to investigate the affairs of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway was moved slightly further ahead, a small Government bill was given second reading, another was moved and explained and a couple of questions were answered.

Prayers were read to-day by Rev. John Robson.

F. W. Anderson (Kamloops) introduced a petition from Rev. Henry S. Akenhead and others regarding amendments to the Municipal Act in the direction of exemption of church sites from taxation.

Speaking on the P. G. E. resolution W. R. Ross said briefly that he was in favor of the matter being referred to a royal commission, as he did not think that members of the House—and he did not mean to be invidious in this—who had made the matter a political issue during the campaign could be fair judges.

Mr. Bowser moved the adjournment of the debate, and as he had made a strenuous physical effort during the afternoon, and claimed that he had been personally attacked by the Minister of Railways in the matter, Hon. Mr. Oliver consented to the debate going over until to-morrow, but reminding the House that it was a matter of urgency and should not be delayed unnecessarily.

The bill amending the Pharmacy Act was given a second reading. The Attorney-General explained that the intent was to make more stringent the provisions of the law against habit-forming drugs, and assist the police in tracing where supplies of drugs came from, by compelling all manufacturers, wholesalers and jobbers to make a report monthly to the chief of police of the city or the superintendent of provincial police, if in unorganized territory, of all sales made by them.

The Minister of Lands moved the second reading of his bill to amend the Coal and Petroleum Act, so as to make it quite clear that the Governor-in-Council has power to place a reserve upon all unalienated coal, petroleum and natural gas areas. The adjournment of the debate was moved by the member for Fort George, W. R. Ross.

J. S. Cowper (Vancouver) asked: 1. What are the names of the male deputy official court stenographers employed at the Vancouver Court-house?

2. What are their respective nationalities?

3. Has an opportunity to enlist for military service been offered to them and to other civil servants?

4. Have any of the aforesaid deputy official stenographers refused to enlist? If so, upon what grounds?

5. Have any members of the Provincial police force at Vancouver applied for leave of absence to enlist for service overseas?

6. What are their names?

7. Has leave of absence been granted or refused?

8. If leave has been refused, what alternative (if any) has been suggested to them by the Honorable Minister?

Hon. Mr. Macdonald replied as follows:

1. P. J. Mackay, engaged February, 1909; W. E. G. Johnson, engaged October, 1911; W. R. Hill, engaged September, 1912; W. L. Fenstermacher, engaged November, 1914.

2. Mackay and Johnson (Canadian); Hill (Scottsman); Fenstermacher (American).

3. They have had the same opportunity as has been offered to every male resident of this Province. Might add that a census of civil servants is being taken.

4. No.

5. Yes.

6. Constables A. D. McNeely and E. D. Markland.

7 and 8. They were notified that the department would accept their resignations without prejudice to their right to apply for reinstatement on their return.

Dr. Ross asked the Attorney-General the following questions:

Why has the Government not filled the position of sheriff for Kootenay?

2. When does the Government propose to make this appointment?

Hon. Mr. Macdonald replied: The Government intends to fill this position at an early date.

W. R. Ross is asking for information as to the number of applications for and how many applications for proportionate allotments under the Soldiers' Homestead Act of last session, which put an end to the system of land speculation, a policy suggested by the Liberal leader in this city long before the Bower Government adopted it. He also wants information as to the acreage involved in the respective action of purchasers and the amount of money secured to the treasury from those who completed their purchase by paying up arrears of the purchase price.

The minister was struggling to put on a new four-ply collar, and the perspiration was starting from every pore. "Bless the collar!" he ejaculated. "Oh, yes, bless it! Bless the blessed collar!" "My dear," said his wife, "what is the text for this morning's sermon?"—"Four-four-four, four-four-four, four-four-four, four-four-four, four-four-four."—Exchange.

The w-words of his m-mouth were s-smoother than b-but-ter, but w-war was in his h-heart."

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CARRYING COAL SOUTH.

The motor vessel Marie, with a cargo of coal for San Francisco, passed out to sea yesterday from Nanaimo.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Table with columns for arrival and departure times, vessel names, and agents. Includes entries for 'For Vancouver', 'From Vancouver', and 'From Seattle'.

SUPERSTRUCTURE OF PIERS NOW COMPLETE

Contactors Have Finished Concrete Work; Now Going Ahead With Back-Filling

The completion of the breakwater has somewhat overshadowed the work on the new Government piers under construction within the sheltered area at Ogden Point.

WIRELESS REPORTS

8 a.m., March 13. Point Grey—Rain; S. E. light; 29.78; 36; thick seaward. Spoke str Prince George Maquina, 6.10 a.m., off Cape Mudge, 5.30 a.m., southbound.

ISBEN WAS UNDAMAGED.

The Norwegian freighter Henrik Isben, which was recently ashore at Yokohama, is now on her return trip across the Pacific, having been reported clearing from Honolulu for Seattle.

FREIGHTER ARABIEN HAD EVENTFUL TRIP

Steering Gear of C. P. R. Chartered Vessel Depended on Lone Rivet During Gale

Vancouver, March 13.—With her steering gear depending upon one lone rivet, with mountainous breaking seas sweeping her deck, and a three-ton ice chest careering around aft, the Danish steamer Arabien, Capt. Prip, had the voyage of his life on the last run from Vancouver to Vladivostok.

CUNNINGHAM AT OTTAWA TO LAND CONTRACTS

Ottawa, March 13.—J. A. Cunningham, of Vancouver, President of the Manufacturers' Association of British Columbia, is in Ottawa in connection with the closing of a contract with the British Imperial authorities for three 8,000-ton steamships to be built on the Pacific Coast.

NEW INQUIRY ORDERED

Rehearing of Prince Rupert; Cleve Collision Case at Vancouver.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Table with columns for arrival and departure times, vessel names, and agents. Includes entries for 'For Vancouver', 'From Vancouver', and 'From Seattle'.

TALTRYBIUS TO TAKE VESSEL IN SECTIONS

Second Shallow-Draft Craft Built at Yarrows Ready for Delivery

Preparations are now under way at Yarrows, Ltd., for the shipping of the second shallow-draft steamboat constructed at the Esquimalt yards, the contract for which was sub-let by the parent firm on the Clyde.

AMERICANS ACQUIRE BIG FRASER CANNERY

Scotch-Canadian Plant at Steveston Taken Over by Booth Fisheries Company

Seattle, March 13.—Closing one of the largest cannery deals in recent years, the Booth Fisheries Company has taken over the big four-line sanitary Scotch-Canadian plant at Steveston, at the mouth of the Fraser river and will direct its operations from the Seattle offices.

HAD LONG DRIFT

Bottle Dumped Overboard From Liner Picked up at Masset.

On the last outward voyage of the C. P. R. liner Empress of Russia, which left Victoria December 29, the master-at-arms and his men decided to send New Year's greetings to F. C. Clendenning, divisional freight agent for C. P. R. steamships at Vancouver.

CAPT. TROUP GOES EAST

Will Attend Meeting of Western Officials at Winnipeg.

PRINCE GEORGE AFLOAT.

The G. T. P. steamship Prince George, which is undergoing overhaul at Prince Rupert, was floated from drydock toward the latter part of last week.

DOG FISH OIL AND GLYCERINE DEMAND

Raw Product Abundant on Coast; May Yield Valuable Returns

Some days ago reference was made in the Times to the use of the livers of dog fish caught in the Queen Charlotte Island fisheries for the preparation of oil from which high grade glycerine has been made.

LANDED MANY PASSENGERS.

When the Pacific Steamship Company's steamer Governor reached here yesterday afternoon she disembarked 110 passengers.

TAKES OVER LUISE NIELSEN.

Under a charter closed recently, Frank Waterhouse & Co. have taken possession of the new Norwegian steamer Luise Nielsen, just completed at the Skinner & Eddy plant at Seattle.

SADO IS OUTBOUND.

On her outward voyage to the Orient the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Sado Maru left Seattle at 10.15 a. m. to-day and is due here late this afternoon to take on passengers and mail.

INCREASE IN FARES.

The Pacific Steamship Company, through J. G. Thomson, local agent, announces an increase in passenger rates between Seattle, Victoria and San Francisco, and after March 15.

VICTORIA LAID UP.

The C. P. R. steamer Princess Victoria is laid up for machinery overhaul. Her place in the triangular service has been taken by the Princess Adelaide.

CLEAR FOR FAR EAST.

The steamer Harold Dollar passed out to sea early this morning with a full cargo for Vladivostok. She was brought down the Gulf from Vancouver by Pilot Roberts.

TIDE TABLE.

Tide table for March 1917, showing high and low tide times for various locations including Victoria, Esquimalt, and Nanaimo.

Canadian Pacific Railway B. C. COAST SERVICE. S.S. TEEB Will Sail for Clayoquot and Way Ports on Monday, March 12, at 11 p.m.

Canadian Northern Railway TRANSCONTINENTAL LEAVES VANCOUVER. 9.00 A.M. SUNDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY, 9.00 A.M.

TO UNDERGO TRIALS WITHIN TEN DAYS. Schooner Margaret Haney Will Go on Berth Immediately Afterwards

DAY STEAMER TO SEATTLE THE S.S. "Sol Duc" Leaves C. P. R. wharf daily except Sunday at 11.00 a.m.

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BRINGS SUGAR CARGO. The Japanese steamer Amagisan Maru, 2,305 tons, reached Vancouver last night with a cargo of sugar from Formosa.

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# SPORTING NEWS

## HARDEST BUT THE BEST TEST OF GOLF

By Francis Ouimet, Former Amateur and Open Champion of U. S.

It is a well established fact that of the two classes of competition in golf—medal and match—the former is by long odds the better test. One might be inclined to think in match play, with your opponent watching every stroke and waiting for the opportunity to dash in and win the hole when you have been bunkered, or when he lays an approach putt dead, leaving you with a ten-footer for the half, that this represents the most efficient test. These certainly are trying moments; but, think a second of the hundred different things that can and do happen in medal competitions.

In the first place, these events are usually composed of entries who have equal chances of winning the event; or, I suppose they would not be entered. Some who have been through the fire successfully are naturally the most favored ones, but those less fortunate in this respect are known to possess the ability to win and their chances should be just as good as those of any other.

**Lost His Head.**  
But that is not all. Though it is necessary to be well equipped with skill it is equally necessary to be equipped mentally. I remember once a chap who had been leading a very fast field by two or three strokes and had but nine holes to play. If he played these holes in close to par figures he would probably have won. He beat himself out of first place by a foolish display of anger. A pulled drive into bad trouble so enraged him that he deliberately smashed his driver against a nearby tree.

Before he was able to extricate his ball from the rough, he had played four and the hole finally cost him eight shots and destroyed any chance he had of winning. The mere fact that he allowed his anger to get the best of him was probably the main reason for his downfall.

One of the biggest feats of recent years was Hagen's victory at Midlothian in 1914. Off in the lead with a great 68, he was never headed, though Chick Evans pushed him hard all the way, finishing only one shot away.

In medal play the peacemaker has a tough time because he is pursued by a fast field generally on his heels, and he is further tormented by the knowledge that practically every misplay he makes a good many boys are gaining on him.

**Every One Counts.**  
Medal play trains a man to be careful, though not overcautious. He knows every stroke he makes must be recorded, and, for that reason, he thinks, or should think, all the time. Bad shots are seldom repeated, while in match play the spirit of carelessness quite often prevails.

I know of a chap who faced the eighteenth hole with a three for a 72, while his opponent had the same figure for an 85; and, strange as it may seem, the first fellow was one down. This is not a wild dream, but an established fact, and the man who had the three for the 85 was inside his opponent on their shots to the green. The second fellow took three putts, and was finally defeated by a golfer, vastly his superior, only after 20 holes were played. This example certainly explains the relative merits of the two styles of play and certainly there can be no arguments advanced which would favor the match play system.

In the match spoken of, the worst player was holding long putts for the half of a win and when he did lose there was a difference of two and three strokes between their scores on some of the holes. Yet the best golfer narrowly escaped defeat after playing a steady, consistent round. This is a rare occurrence, but the man who can keep his aggregate score well down, should be the person rewarded.

## INTEREST IS KEEN IN COMING BOUT

Leighton Expects to Hold His Title of Pacific Fleet Heavyweight Champ

The following entries have already been received for the naval boxing tournament which will be staged in the Princess Theatre on Monday evening next:

From H. M. S. Avoca.  
115 lbs.—Boy Dickenson. 125 lbs.—Boy Cannon. 135 lbs.—Senman Mills. 155 lbs.—Stoker Batchelor. Heavyweight—Ldg. Sto. Hooper.  
From H. M. C. S. Rainbow.  
115 lbs.—Boy Young. 135 lbs.—Ldg. Sto. Woods. 145 lbs.—Petty Officer Curson and Cpl Jessop. 155 lbs.—Sto. John Smith and Ldg. Sto. McDonough. Heavyweight—Russo Leighton.

The factor of keen rivalry is playing a large part in making the prospects of the success of the affair very bright. The two ships now stationed at Esquimaux have among their members a large percentage of men who although



**RUSS LEIGHTON**  
Heavyweight champion of the British Pacific Fleet.

they have never participated in the professional ring, have spent the greater part of their spare time with the gloves. This has enabled many of them to gain a considerable amount of skill in the fist game, a fact which was given ample evidence to by the result of the tournament held in this city the week before last.

The feature of the whole programme will be of course the meeting of Leighton and Hooper. This contest will not be at all of a similar nature to the one between Leighton and Butts, in which the latter man on account of his age principally, was forced to end the conflict at the close of the third round. The leaders in the coming event are more of a match as regards age and men from the Avoca give their word, founded on past experience, that Hooper whether winning or losing will fight to the bitter end.

The local branch of the Red Cross will benefit by the meet, as ten per cent of the proceeds are to be devoted to that society.

### CRIBBAGE MATCH ENDED.

Woodrow, Minn., March 13.—A cribbage game, played in the bowels of the earth, and running to 100,000 points, finished the other night, was played by Gus Raymond, miner, and William Gabriel, pumpman, of the Wilcox mine here. The sitting lasted six months. Raymond won by 207 points. The game was played in the pumhouse 250 feet under ground. Gabriel once held a 29-hand, which cribbage mathematicians declare happens once in ten years of continuous playing.

Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, quarts, 3 for 50c.

## WESTERNERS WIN COMPLETE VICTORY

All Matches but One Go to the West; Excellent Playing is Feature

Los Angeles, Cal., March 13.—Western players captured all matches yesterday in the closing play of the East vs. West tennis tournament, and finished the four-days' play with victories in two of the three doubles and all of the four singles matches of the tournament play and all the exhibition matches except one mixed doubles.

The tournament match yesterday was that of Maurice E. McLoughlin (West) against A. Throckmorton (East), the Westerner winning 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.  
Miss Mary K. Browne and McLoughlin (West) won again in the exhibition mixed doubles against Miss Molla Bursstedt and H. A. Throckmorton (East) by a score of 6-2, 6-2.  
Miss Hjorstedt also suffered defeat at the hands of Miss Mary K. Browne in the last match of the ladies' round robin singles, 7-5, 6-0.

## ROOKIES AND REGULARS IN THE TRAINING CAMPS

Sacramento—Twirlers Aldrich and Packard, stabbing for the Cub Yankigans, were too much for the Seals Sunday and the Yans won 2 to 1. The Cubs also won a game at Stockton in the morning.

Boyes Springs—When the Oaks and Olympic Club were struggling to break a 3 to 3 tie in the ninth, a terrific downpour of rain ended Sunday's game.

Porterville—The Salt Lake Bees shut out the Fresno Sunbirds 7 to 0 Sunday. Five errors by the Fresnoians contributed heavily to the result.

Los Angeles—Pickles Dillofer, Cub recruit, disobeyed the doctor's orders to keep away from baseball a week or two, and consequently Frank's Angeles tasted another defeat. Dillofer's homer in the ninth brought in two runs and won 7 to 3.

Marlin—John J. McGraw overcame the awkwardness of his ball players with a supreme effort and the Giants won a Sunday game from Dallas 1 to 0.

Miami—Beginning yesterday the drive week is on. Stallings plans to put the Braves through their paces with a will. Several of the players went up in a flying machine yesterday.

## DODE BRINKER GIVEN RELEASE BY BEAVERS

Dode Brinker will be missing from his old station in centre garden at Athletic Park when the Beavers parade for the opening game of the Northwestern League campaign on April 25.—Bob Brown, President of the Beavers, yesterday announced that Dode had been handed his unconditional release. Accompanying the release was a letter of appreciation from the Vancouver club.

The release was not tendered Dode because of any desire of the club to lose his services, but President Brown believes that the outfielder may want to make a change for himself after ten years' service with him and in view of Brinker's loyalty to the club in the past and the fine service he has rendered the club prey may the release unconditional.  
"I am sorry to lose Brinker, but I will not stand in his way," observed Brown. "Dode has rendered the club good service in the past and he carries with him my best wishes for his future success in the diamond sport."

## OLD COUNTRY RACING DATES ARE ANNOUNCED

The flat racing season in England, which usually opens about the end of this month, will begin this year on April 17, according to a cable to-day from London. As requested by the Government, the Jockey Club will confine all meetings for the present to Newmarket. Last year, in addition to the meetings at headquarters, racing took place at Gatwick, Lingfield, Windsor and Newbury. It is hoped that as soon as can be arranged further meetings this season will be scheduled on some of the southern race courses.

The schedule already decided upon for Newmarket follows:  
April 17, 18 and 19, Craven meeting; May 1, 2, 3 and 4, first spring meeting; May 15, 16 and 17, second spring meeting; July 3, 4, 5 and 6, first July meeting; July 17, 18 and 19, second July meeting; October 2, 3, 4 and 5, first October meeting; October 16, 17, 18 and 19, second October meeting; October 30, 31, November 1 and 2, Houghton meeting.

## ALLAN CUP SERIES.

Winnipeg, March 13.—The Toronto Dentals defeated the Saskatoon Pilgrims last night in the first hockey game of the two-game series to decide which team will compete with the Winnipeg Victorias for the Allan Cup. The score was 6 to 4. The new game will be played Wednesday.

## NEW ZEALAND RUGGERS TO PLAY IN ENGLAND

London, March 13.—The military authorities have marked their appreciation of the value of Rugby football in these times by permitting a number of New Zealand soldiers to leave the front for a brief series of games in this country.

The New Zealand trench team, as they may be described, will open their brief tour with a match against the famous Army Service Corps' fifteen, who, in the course of seventeen matches this season, have run up the tremendous score of 821 points against 24. The athletic ground at Richmond is to be specially re-opened for this encounter.

## FISHING IS GOOD AT COWICHAN BAY

Fishing for grilse and spring salmon is reported very good in Cowichan Bay where a number of catches have recently been made.

It is expected that very soon there will be good sport with the grilse in Saanich Arm but up to the present no full baskets have been reported from there.

At Deep Bay there has been considerable fishing with some success.

## BIG ROWING DATES.

April 5—Yale vs. Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, Pa.  
April 14—Pacific coast intercollegiate regatta, Oakland, Cal.  
April 19—Harvard vs. Princeton, at Princeton, N. J.  
May 12—American Henley, Philadelphia, Pa.  
May 12—Childs Cup race, Princeton, Pennsylvania and Columbia, at Princeton, N. J.  
May 19—Columbia vs. Harvard, at Boston, Mass.  
May 19—Cornell vs. Yale, at Derby, Conn.  
May 26—Princeton vs. Cornell, at Ithaca, N. Y.  
June 21—Intercollegiate regatta, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.  
June 22—Harvard-Yale regatta, New London, Conn.

Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, pints, 3 for 25c.

## SEATTLE TO MEET WORLD CHAMPIONS

Series Will Be of Fast and Furious Nature; First Game Saturday

If Pete Muldoon's Pacific Coast Hockey Association champions are to become monarchs of the hockey world they must wrest the title from the Canadiens, Montreal's famous French-Canadian hockey team. With the championship of the National Hockey Association on one goal, the Canadiens today are travelling toward Seattle to meet the Metropolitan in the world's series games to begin next Saturday night.

Despite the fact that they were defeated by the Ottawa team Saturday night four goals to two, the commanding lead piled up by the Canadiens Tuesday night was enough to win. The Canadiens won the first half of the N. H. A. season and Ottawa finished ahead in the second half. In the two games played to decide the title the Canadiens scored seven goals to six for Ottawa and won the title.

The Seattle team must fight for the title against a team that already holds the Stanley Cup, emblematic of the world's championship. The Canadiens won the N. H. A. pennant last year and defeated Portland, the P. C. H. A. winner in the series, for the championship.

Newly Lalonde, the star forward of the Canadiens' lineup, who was suspended for the season after an unwarranted attack on Frank Nichor of the Ottawa team, has been reinstated and will be eligible to play in the world's series games. During the season Lalonde drew two match penalties, under the rules of the N. H. A., automatically suspended himself. President Robinson, of the Eastern body, lifted Lalonde's suspension Saturday night, however, and the famous star is with his team and will be eligible to play in the games here.

Noble, one of the Canadiens' wing men, despite the fact that he is coming

## EDWARDS STOPS M'COY IN TWENTIETH ROUND

Within twenty seconds of the end of the twentieth round Lew Edwards, of Australia, successfully defended his title of lightweight champion when Herb McCoy, of America, went down and took the count in the final round at Sydney, N. S. W., says a cable. It was one of the greatest battles fought in the Sydney Stadium. Before the knockout in the twentieth round it looked like even honors for both. At Melbourne Fred Kay, of America, got the verdict at the end of twenty rounds with Harry Stone, but it did not meet the approval of the fans present, as Stone apparently had the advantage in the majority of rounds.

## BOWLING NEWS

At the Arcade Bowling Alley last night in the Commercial League the B. C. Electric were defeated by the Outlaws. The scores were:

B. C. Electric.	
McKenzie	106 129 116
Lennox	126 143 129
Tomms	178 144 134
Underwood	137 91 112
Harrison	189 96 197
Total pins—1,887.	

Outlaws.	
Leach	133 142 141
Vegelius	148 141 138
Kline	108 91 106
Fuggle	198 144 163
Brown	164 169 124
Total pins—2,060.	

To-night in the Junior League the Piccadilly Watts play the Meters.

## "TOMMY" IS LEARNING FRENCH.

One of the most interesting side issues of the war, in the United Kingdom, promises to be a great spread in the knowledge of the French language. The traditional British Tommy had, it is true, an autocratic way of dealing with the French pronunciation, as he had a fine contempt for "french lingo" of all kinds; but the traditional British Tommy is largely a thing of the past. The small expeditionary force of 1914 has grown to be a huge army, representative of the whole nation, and, if the new Tommy's pronunciation still leaves much to be desired, he is taking an ever-increasing interest in French newspapers, and greatly appreciates the "new world" which they open to him. It cannot be doubted that when the war is over, many will wish to pursue the subject further.—Christian Science Monitor.

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This loan is authorized under Act of the Parliament of Canada, and both principal and interest will be a charge upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

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Subscriptions must be for even hundreds of dollars.

In case of partial allotments the surplus deposit will be applied towards payment of the amount due on the April instalment.

Scrip certificates, non-negotiable or payable to bearer in accordance with the choice of the applicant for registered or bearer bonds, will be issued, after allotment, in exchange for the provisional receipts.

When the scrip certificates have been paid in full and payment endorsed thereon by the bank receiving the money, they may be exchanged for bonds, when prepared, with coupons attached, payable to bearer or registered as to principal, or for fully registered bonds, when prepared, without coupons, in accordance with the application.

Delivery of scrip certificates and of bonds will be made through the chartered banks.

The issue will be exempt from taxes including any income tax imposed in pursuance of legislation enacted by the Parliament of Canada.

The bonds with coupons will be issued in denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1,000. Fully registered bonds without coupons will be issued in denominations of \$1,000, \$5,000 or any authorized multiple of \$5,000.

The bonds will be paid at maturity at par at the office of the Minister of Finance and Receiver General at Ottawa, or at the office of the Assistant Receiver General at Halifax, St. John, Charlottetown, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary or Victoria, or at the Agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City.

The interest on the fully registered bonds will be paid by cheque, which will be remitted by post. Interest on bonds with coupons will be paid on surrender of coupons. Both cheques and coupons, at the option of the holder, will be payable free of exchange at any branch in Canada of any chartered bank, or at the Agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City.

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It should never be lost sight of that this whole question was satisfactorily settled so long as the "Jones" continued to run. Moreover, I think I am right in saying that the paying stage was being reached when the shadow of approaching war knocked this and everything else awry.

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ST. PATRICK'S MASQUERADE DANCE—Connaught Hall, Tuesday, 13th March, 9 p. m. Cash price, 50c. Special. Irish music. Grand March, 10.30 p. m.

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ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, March 14, Boyd will hold his opening "Congo" dance (invitation) in the Connaught ballroom. Dancing from 8.30 to 11.30. For invitations apply to Mrs. Boyd, studio, 50 Campbell Bldg. Phone 2241.

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A HOUSE, two bedrooms, kitchen, pantry, woodshed, etc., by 50, taken by close to car; price \$1,150, easy terms. Cross & Co., Belmont House.

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WANTED—Six roomed house, will assume \$2,000 mortgage and pay a little cash. What have you got in Fairfield? Apply Box 49, Times.

NOTICE—I do not want my husband to be responsible for any debts, except food and necessities for myself and children. Mrs. R. T. Hoyt.

ANCIENT ORDER FORESTERS—All members of the A. O. F. and their families are invited to the anniversary concert and social dance given by the city courts, to be held in A. O. F. Hall on Friday, March 16, at 8 p. m. sharp. W. F. Fullerton, secretary.

PICTURE FRAMES and TRAYS to order. 718 Yates.

WANTED—Person with \$300 cash to join advertiser in theatrical proposition. Don't answer unless you mean business. Box 68, Times.

WANTED—To rent, 6 or 7 roomed, unfurnished house, near Victoria West district. Box 48, Times.

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ENGLISH BABY CARRIAGE for sale, in good order, only \$12.50. Apply 1012 Hillside Avenue.

REMOVAL—We have now better facilities and new machinery for grinding, grinding and all kinds of mechanical repairs. Waites & Knapton, 1411 Douglas. Phone 2429.

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WANTED—Capable life insurance man, will give money to right party. Terms apply Box 797, Times.

FOR SALE—Two driving barges, prices \$35 and \$55. Ferris's Furniture Store, 1419 Douglas.

DRY CHEMISTS WOOD, equal to cordwood, \$2.50 cord. Phone 129. Ferris, 1417 Douglas.

FOR RENT—Six-room, nicely furnished bungalow on Cowichan Street. Apply Gillespie, Hart & Todd, Ltd., 711 Fort Street.

FORD LUNABOOTH for sale, \$200. Apply 823 Cormorant Street. Phone 1218.

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HE HAD a collision with his bicycle and continued to ride it. One day he called in and requested that we examine it. We found the front forks almost broken off. It pays to have your wheel examined by an expert. Let us do this for you. Pimley's Cycle Store, 613 Yates Street.

OH! YOU MEAT PIE AND COFFEE—15 cents, at Piercy's Lunch, 63 Fort St.

DON'T FORGET the chicken dinner to-morrow at Piercy's Lunch, 63 Fort St.

DON'T FORGET! Forget what? To get your new tires or tubes from Huffin, the cycle man, 718 Yates. Phone 362.

IRISH ENTERTAINMENT in Wesley Church, Thursday evening, Irish songs, Lecture on Ireland by the pastor. Collection.

WANTED—Four-room bungalow, furnished or partly, Oak Bay or Fowl Bay. Box 54, Times.

ALL MUNICIPALITIES SHARE IN WAR LOAN

Subscriptions Up to Date Very Gratifying; Bankers Pleased

For the first time all the municipalities of the district have lined up together to subscribe to the War Loan, and in corporation and individual subscriptions the amount put through the local banking concerns since the third issue was floated yesterday morning approaches something in the neighborhood of \$350,000 or \$390,000. The municipal investments are as follows: Victoria, \$250,000; Oak Bay, \$50,000; Saanich, \$8,500; Esquimalt, \$7,000. Victoria City purchased fully registered bonds of \$10,000 denominations. The city, it will be recalled, participated to the same extent in the first (1915) War Loan. Last September, when the second loan was issued, they decided not to invest. Oak Bay Municipality has also taken the issue in fully registered bonds, the amount being set aside from the sinking fund. Esquimalt has purchased registered bonds of \$1,000 each, from the School Loan fund. Saanich has purchased the coupon bonds.

Several of the city banks report very gratifying results since the opening of the loan yesterday. One firm states that up to last night they sold \$46,000 to individual subscribers, the denomination preferred being from \$1,000 up to \$7,000. In this instance the business done on the first day is about the same as for the same period on the occasion of the last War Loan. The small subscriber is showing considerable interest in the loan, as well as the man with the bigger banking account, and in fact the majority of the banks state that the inquiries are chiefly for bonds of \$100 up to \$500 denomination. One such bank reported the sale of approximately \$15,000 worth in these smaller coupon bonds.

There is every justification for the belief that, provided the rest of the Dominion shows the same interest in the loan as Victoria, the \$150,000,000 subscribed for will be as heavily oversubscribed as the last. The loan, intending subscribers should note, will close on March 23.

The head office of the Sun Life, Montreal, has sent word to the local office that the company has taken \$16,000,000 of the new War Loan, this making \$25,000,000 that they have invested in this way since the war.

DETERMINED ATTITUDE

James Island strikers stick out for overtime rates; will not go back.

At a meeting held in the Labor Hall this afternoon the workers of James Island who have been out on strike since Saturday morning definitely decided not to return to work unless the Canadian Explosives Company will agree to pay them at the rate of time and a half for all time worked above ten hours daily, and double time for Sunday work. A further meeting will be held in the same place to-morrow afternoon.

STAY OF PROCEEDINGS

Chinese Riots Case in Court Again; Crown Did Not Wish to Proceed.

It will be recalled that in connection with the riots which took place in the premises of the Chinese Benevolent Association in October last, later dealt with in the County Court in the lengthy case known as Rex vs. Hoo Hee et al., that there was a counter charge laid by the Nationalist League, after their own committee in the Police Court, against the officers and delegates of the Association. The preliminary proceedings took place in the Police Court before Magistrate Jay, who declared that he was not in a position to decide the case in view of its close relation to that of Hoo Hee already sent to the higher court.

Eight members of the Association appeared before His Honor Judge Lamden this morning to answer the charge of "unlawful and riotous assembly calculated to cause a tumultuous disturbance of the peace." The accused had the opportunity of electing for speedy or trial by jury. They chose the former, however, and pleaded not guilty. F. J. Stacpoole, K. C., announced that the Crown did not wish to proceed with the case, in consequence of which a stay of proceedings was entered and the accused told to depart. W. C. Moresby appeared on behalf of the defendants, and with Mr. Stacpoole was Mr. McInnes of the Attorney-General's department.

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WAR BOND APPLICATIONS. Apply to Dalby & Lawson, 415 Fort Street.

TO TRADE—Fairfield property, several good modern houses, all rented, for equity will accept good building lots. E. W. Whittington Lbr. Co., Ltd., 718 Yates. Phone 2097.

DIED—On the 11th inst., at the family residence, 1403 Harrison Street, John H. Hart (Victoria), secretary.

Public Accounts—F. A. Pauline (Saanich), chairman; Frank H. Mobley (Atlin), secretary.

Card of Thanks. Mrs. W. Hitchens Smith and family wish to thank the vicar, teachers and children of St. Mark's Sunday School, the nurses of St. Joseph's Hospital, St. John's Church Committee, engineer and helpers of the Cameron's Gorge Mills, officers and members of Lady Douglas Chapter, Queen City Chapter and many other friends for their kindness and sympathy in their aid.

SEVENTY APPEALS FOR COURT OF REVISION

Objection Filed by Store Street Owners Owing to Failure to Rebuild Bridge

The number of appeals from the City Assessor's judgment to that of the Court of Revision, which commences its sittings on March 22, is a material decrease on 1916. There is lodged chiefly against assessments affected by the non-completion of the Rock Bay bridge.

The owners on Store Street were expected to protest, because the rentable value of the property has been steadily falling since the communication with the western suburbs was cut off, and the defeat of the by-law in January placed the situation in a critical position. Several of the larger appeals affect this section of the city.

There is very little semi-business property made the subject of appeal, due doubtless to the general cut of 12.38 per cent. in the assessment roll this year.

Much was made last year of the assessment of homesteaded property, that is to say, land used for gardens around the older residences of Victoria. Much of this is in excess of the average grant, which it will be noted, opens with orchard selections from "Madame Butterfly."

The following is the programme, which it will be noted, opens with orchestral selections from "Madame Butterfly."

Part I. Selections—Madame Butterfly. First violins, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Bennett; second violins, Miss Williams; Miss Meher; viola, Mr. Longfield; cello, Mr. Hicks; harp, Mrs. Hastings; piano, Mrs. Bridgewater.

Part II. Cavalleria Rusticana. Mascagni (a) Intermezzo. Orchestra. (b) Sicilienne. E. Petch. (c) Baritone Solo (with chorus). Mrs. J. H. Owen. (d) Romance. Miss Peggy Pearce. (e) Tenor Solo and Finale. Accompanists, M. A. J. Gibson and Mrs. Bridgewater.

MISSIONARY'S REPORT

Legacy of \$500 From Late Mrs. Pemberton Noted in February Statement of Seamen's Institute.

The following is the Connaught Seamen's Institute port missionary's report for the month of February, 1917: Ladies.—Since my last report I have been able to visit the Vancouver Institute, which is a branch of our British and Foreign Sailors' Society, London, England, to welcome the Rev. D. J. Rowlands, who has been appointed chaplain to this branch. He was able to have a long interview with him as to the different phases of the work. I urged upon him most particularly as to the catholicity of our work to seamen. All shades of religion are represented amongst the men and it is our privilege and duty to hold out a helping hand to all denominations and work harmoniously with every one. I also visited the American missions to seamen in Seaton Street, under the charge of Mr. Moody.

The H. M. S. Avoca boys have made good use of the institute while in port, where everything has been done to make them feel that they have a home in this western outpost of the British Empire.

Can report progress with the Esquimalt proposition, and hope ere long to have all things complete and the institute fully opened.

Am sorry to have to report the decease of George Burroughs, of H. M. S. Rainbow; Capt. Ritchie, of H. M. S. Patricia, and W. Blakemore, our honored citizen who was greatly interested in the welfare of the sailors.

Books for the library have been donated by Rev. Dr. Hall, of Toronto, and Mrs. McEckling.

There has been much sickness among the boys, but am pleased to state that all are doing well. Our thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Proby, who have paid frequent visits to the T. B. Ward of the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Have gratefully received a legacy of \$500 from the trustees of the late Mrs. T. J. D. Pemberton, which has been placed to our trust fund account. The following are the statistics for the month:

Number signing book, 20; visits paid, 125; distressed seamen relieved, 1; free meals, 3; free beds, 28; letters received and written, 32; services held, 6; port missionary's visits to vessels, 6; hospitals, 27; sick seamen, 39; sailors' homes, 1; dockyard and wharves, 13; sick soldiers, not recorded.

People's Prohibition Movement.—The annual session of the People's Prohibition organization will be held in this city on Wednesday and Thursday, March 22-23.

The reason people go to friends instead of relatives to borrow money is because they like to be turned down politely.

OPERATIC PROGRAMME FOR MARCH RECITAL

Ladies' Musical Club Presenting Good Concert on Thursday Evening

The programme of operatic excerpts which the Ladies' Musical Club are giving on Thursday evening at the Empress Hotel as their March concert has so many attractive numbers that it is impossible to single out for special mention any one in particular.

The best of local talent has been secured for the occasion, and, thanks to the very high standards set and maintained by the club, the public feels assured in advance that the selections will be delivered in a manner worthy of the best professional traditions.

The programme is to commence at 8.30, and it is hoped that people will make an effort to be in their places by this time so that the programme may begin without interruption.

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OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of Mr. Lawrence W. Winterbottom took place yesterday morning from the Sands Funeral Chapel, where Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick officiated. The pallbearers were Messrs. A. Coles, P. Duchasty, S. Meesters, A. Cornochan, N. Evans and W. Williams. Burial was made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

The death occurred Sunday of Charles Ernest Tolpitt, son of Mr. J. E. Tolpitt, of 3440 Bethune Avenue. He was 22 years of age and is survived by his father and three sisters, Muriel, of this city; Mrs. S. P. Corbett, of Pender Island, and Mrs. W. E. Reid, now living in England. There are also two brothers, Arthur and Jack, both living on Pender Island. The funeral will take place from the Sands Chapel to-morrow at 2 p. m. Rev. J. W. Plinton officiating.

A resident of the city for the past thirty years, John Herd died on Sunday at the family residence, 1403 Harrison Street. Deceased was 76 years of age and a native of the Isle of Tyree, Scotland. He is survived by three daughters, who are living in this city. The funeral will take place to-morrow at 10 o'clock from the Sands Chapel, where Rev. J. G. Inkster will officiate. Burial will be made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Jane Ward, who died last Friday at her home, 2608 Douglas Street, took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends and the numerous beautiful flowers, which covered the casket, testified to the high esteem in which the deceased was held. Rev. J. G. Inkster and Rev. Dr. Campbell officiated and the hymns sung were: "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee," and "Abide With Me." The pallbearers were: Messrs. B. T. Williams, F. W. Patterson, Main, Angus and Thomas Cook. Interment took place at Ross Bay Cemetery.

The death occurred yesterday afternoon at the Royal Jubilee Hospital of Mrs. Louisa Warren, aged 42 years, Rockland Avenue. The funeral took place to-day at 2 o'clock from the family residence, the services being private. Interment was at Ross Bay Cemetery. The deceased lady was very well known in the city, having lived here for several years. The family came here from England, and besides the husband there survives a daughter, a son, Capt. A. W. Agnew, who went from Victoria with the 48th Battalion, was killed in action the latter part of last year.

"I say," the visitor told the police sergeant, "my neighbor had all his chickens stolen last night." "How many?" "Oh, I don't know." "You want to make a done anything to be arrested for."

PART OF RESERVE IS OFFERED TO CITY

Government Sets Good Example in Vacant Lot Cultivation Campaign

The Government has joined in the City's example to citizens to increase production, and while the City is going to cultivate its acreage on Richmond Road, the Government, has offered the only piece of arable land on the reserve, apart from that already transferred to the Canadian Northern Railway, to the City for cultivation for the 1917 crop.

Hon. John Oliver, Minister of Railways, in his message to Mayor Todd, offers the land north of the E. & N. railway shops and track, extending to Esqu



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### THREATEN RAILROAD STRIKE IN STATES

#### Four Employees' Brotherhoods Ready Should Conference on Thursday Fail

New York, March 12.—Information received by the national conference committee of managers of the great railway systems and made public today, indicates that the four employees' brotherhoods have completed arrangements for a progressive series of strikes to begin at 6 o'clock, Eastern time, on Saturday night, if the conference on the 8-hour question to be held here Thursday should fail to reach a satisfactory agreement.

Washington, March 12.—The railroad brotherhoods on March 12, wrote to President Wilson, it became known today, formally notifying him of the conference with the railroad representatives scheduled for March 15. In this letter the brotherhood leaders declared they were "hopeful" of making a satisfactory adjustment of questions pending with the railroad.

Chicago, March 12.—The wheat market today was nervous and excited as a result of the railroad strike situation.

Philadelphia, March 12.—Government agents are said to be searching for Capt. Karl Boy-Ed, former military attaché of the German Embassy at Washington, who was recalled by his Government on President Wilson's request and who is said to have been in Philadelphia as late as a week ago. So far they have not been able to find him. Nothing can be learned by the press of his present whereabouts. He is said to have been in disguise when last here and one theory advanced is that he is now on his way to Mexico.

Neither President Wilson nor Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Labor, had official information today regarding the intention of the brotherhoods to strike unless a satisfactory arrangement should be reached at Thursday's conference. An investigation was started through Government agencies, however.

It was stated that there was little of a definite character to-day the Government could do until the outcome of the meeting in New York is known.

At the direction of President Wilson,

Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Labor, will keep in close touch with the conference in New York on Thursday, and should it fail, the Government would then consider further steps.

Government officials regarded it as inconceivable that there should be a nation-wide railroad strike at this time, and while no plans have been worked out, it was generally taken for granted that the President will use his utmost efforts to prevent such a strike.

"We feel obliged to advise you officially of our intention to meet again the national conference committee of the railways on March 15 for the purpose of making another effort to adjust the pending eight-hour law controversy."

"We are very hopeful of working out a satisfactory adjustment with the railroads, but if while we are negotiating, our country should become involved in war, we want to assure you, as chief executive of the nation, that we and the membership we represent can be relied upon to support you to the fullest extent, and that yourself and the nation will have our heartfelt support."

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### CORROBORATION GIVEN AT SEATTLE TRIAL

Seattle, March 12.—Corroboration of the testimony of Logan Billingsley concerning important details surrounding the alleged payment of a \$4,000 bribe to Mayor H. C. Gill on the afternoon of August 30 last was offered by the Government in the liquor traffic conspiracy trial in the federal district court today. Five witnesses were put on the stand by the prosecution and testified to incidents previous and subsequent to the alleged delivery of the money to the mayor.

After marriage has opened a blind lover's eyes he is entitled to sympathy.

### Holding Up the Hands of the Government



This cartoonist of the Brooklyn Daily Eagle depicts the attitude of the pacifist Senators and other pacifists in the United States.

### SEARCH FOR BOY-ED AT PHILADELPHIA

American Government Agents at Work; May Be Going to Mexico

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### SURPRISE ATTACKS MADE BY FRENCH

#### Between Avre and Aisne; Three German Attacks Were Repulsed

Paris, March 12.—Three attacks were made by German troops last night and all were repulsed, the War Office announced this afternoon. A strong German detachment which attempted to advance on the Courcy road was checked. Another futile attempt was made by enemy troops near Beaune-la-Chateau. Two German attacks on Hill 49 and on the Louvemont work on the Verdun front were countered easily. The French took 150 prisoners yesterday.

During the night German guns bombarded Soissons. French troops successfully raided German trenches between the Avre and the Aisne.

The text of the report follows: "Between the Avre and the Aisne French detachments late yesterday made three surprise attacks on German trenches. They blew them up and took prisoners. German guns bombarded Soissons during the night. On the Courcy road a strong enemy detachment attempted to approach our lines. It was repulsed. Furthermore, another German attempt in the region of Beaune-la-Chateau was broken up by our fire.

Artillery Busy. "The artillery fighting was rather lively in the sector of Troyon.

"West of Maisons-de-Champagne German troops yesterday evening made a violent counter-attack on Hill 185. Our curtain of fire and machine guns checked the attackers promptly. We maintained all our positions.

"The number of prisoners taken by us yesterday reached 150, including three officers.

"On the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front)—a surprise attack undertaken by enemy troops against our works in the region of Louvemont was repulsed easily by the use of grenades."

A SPECTACULAR FIRE TO-DAY IN LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, March 12.—Nine persons were injured and 23 were overcome by smoke and taken to hospitals today during a spectacular downtown fire that closed all traffic for hours, destroyed one end of a five-story building and furnished the setting for scenes of rescue which thousands applauded.

The damage probably will not exceed \$125,000, according to insurance adjusters, but for three hours practically every fire company in the city was at the scene.

Sections of persons were carried from the accidental Hotel down Ladd and fire escapes, many of them scantily clad. Salesgirls from surrounding department stores and from the burning building fainted and some were overcome by smoke.

Among the injured are eight firemen.

### CHASED GOVERNOR OF WASHINGTON FROM OFFICE

Olympia, Wash., March 12.—An unknown armed man chased Governor Ernest Lister out of his office this afternoon. The stranger held possession of the office for some time while the sheriff and police guards all the doors and watched outside. Later the intruder surrendered. Nobody was hurt.

### A NOISY WELCOME FOR JAMES W. GERARD

Dayton, Fla., March 12.—When former Ambassador Gerard and his party arrived here today they were met by several hundred citizens and winter residents headed by a band. Mr. Gerard smilingly received the noisy welcome.

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

Winnipeg, March 12.—After a very erratic session wheat closed higher for May, for July and for October. Oats gained for May and closed unchanged for July. Barley, after a dull start, closed lower. Flax was 2c. down for May and 2c. lower for July. It was an active, erratic market, following conflicting reports which came from the winter wheat section and the pit conditions. These reports were conflicting and conditions clearly are not known yet. Outside news was of little importance. Winnipeg acted stubbornly in the morning, resisting all selling pressure from the weakness of Chicago. Later the market yielded, but was much steadier than the southern pits. The millers bought in the morning, but were soon out of the pit and left the bulk of the trade in the hands of the floor crowd. Near the close there was a little rally which took wheat up near the high points of the day. Short covering on a small scale was chiefly responsible. The cash demand was excellent at the best buyers. The Government took a little No. 1-Northern. The premium was unchanged, with no interest in wheat for the opening.

Wheat—Open, High, Low, Close. May 179 1/2 179 1/2 182 1/2 181 1/2. July 152 1/2 151 1/2 154 1/2 154 1/2. Sept. 111 1/2 111 1/2 114 1/2 111 1/2.

Oats—May 57 57 57 57 57. July 55 55 55 55 55. Sept. 41 41 41 41 41.

Barley—May 57 57 57 57 57. July 55 55 55 55 55. Sept. 41 41 41 41 41.

Flax—May 26 26 26 26 26. July 25 25 25 25 25. Sept. 18 18 18 18 18.

Cash prices: Wheat—1 Nor., 18 1/2; 2 Nor., 18 1/2; 3 Nor., 18 1/2; No. 4, 16 1/2; No. 5, 15 1/2.

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## FINANCIAL NEWS

### MONTREAL STOCKS

(By Burdick Brothers, Limited.)  
Montreal, March 12.—Trading on the local exchange was quiet today, but stocks were in fair demand with the active list averaging small fractions higher than yesterday's closing prices. Detroit United and Dominion Iron were the strongest issues, while in the active group Maple Leaf Milling gained four points, selling at 110. There was no special news marketwide and the chief influence was the better tone in Wall Street.

The January statement of the Brazilian Traction Company shows a slight improvement over the average for 1915.

Ames Holden 19 19 19  
Bell Telephone 147 147 147  
Brazilian Traction 4 4 4 4  
C. P. R. 152 152 152  
Can. Cement, com. 64 64 64  
Do, pref. 92 92 92  
Can. Car Fds. com. 29 29 29  
Do, pref. 71 71 71  
Can. S. S. com. 38 38 38  
Do, pref. 84 84 84  
Can. Locomotive 55 55 55  
Can. Cotton 54 54 54  
Can. Gen. Elec. 110 110 110  
Civ. Inv. & Ind. 81 81 81  
Cons. M. & S. 32 32 32  
Detroit United 114 114 114  
Dom. Bridge 67 67 67  
Dom. Textile 82 82 82  
Laurentide Co. 18 18 18  
Lynn Constn. Co. 8 8 8  
Maple Leaf Milling 108 108 108  
Montreal Tram 38 38 38  
Quebec Railway 25 25 25  
Macdonald Co. 15 15 15  
Mackay Co. 4 4 4  
N. S. Steel, com. 101 101 101  
Ogilvie Mfg. Co. 140 140 140  
Pennsylv. Ltd. 70 70 70  
Quebec Railway 25 25 25  
Thorburn Paper 116 116 116  
Shawinigan 127 127 127  
Spanish River Pulp 35 35 35  
Do, pd. 55 55 55  
Steel of Can. 67 67 67  
Do, pref. 94 94 94  
Toronto Railway 93 93 93  
Winnipeg Elec. 73 73 73  
Wayagamac Pulp 81 81 81  
Dom. War Loan (old) 84 84 84  
Dom. War Loan (new) 84 84 84  
C. B. of C. 184 184 184  
D. U. Rights 2 2 2

### NEW YORK EXCHANGE

(By Wise & Co.)  
New York, March 12.—Prices of stock showed little change from last night's closing quotations. U. S. Steel was the most active and gained a point on the day's trading. The copper was steady and the rubber was stronger than for some time. The rates were light. Call loan money was at 2 1/2 per cent.

Allis-Chalmers 25 27 27 27  
Amn. Beet Sugar 92 94 94 94  
Amn. Car & Foundry 86 87 87 87  
Amn. Locomotive 54 54 54 54  
Amn. Smelting 144 144 144 144  
Amn. Steel Foundry 92 92 92 92  
Amn. Sugar 54 54 54 54  
Amn. Woolen 54 54 54 54  
Amn. Tel. & Tel. 127 127 127 127  
Amn. Zinc 37 37 37 37  
Anaconda 81 81 81 81  
Atchafalpa 161 161 161 161  
Atlantic Gulf 106 106 106 106  
B. & O. 24 24 24 24  
Baldwin Locom. 82 82 82 82  
Bethlehem Steel 110 110 110 110  
Butte Sup. 47 47 47 47  
C. P. R. 152 152 152 152  
Cal. Petroleum 24 24 24 24  
Central Leather 51 51 51 51  
C. & O. 34 34 34 34  
C. M. & St. P. 37 37 37 37  
Colo. Fuel & Iron 4 4 4 4  
Con. Gas 120 120 120 120  
Crucible Steel 60 64 64 64  
Distillers Sec. 24 24 24 24  
Erie 24 24 24 24  
Do, 1st pref. 24 24 24 24  
Gen. Motors 120 118 118 118  
Goodrich 55 55 55 55  
G. N. P. 24 24 24 24  
Granby 112 112 112 112  
G. N. Ore. 24 24 24 24  
Inter. Nickel 42 41 41 41  
Ind. Alcohol 124 120 120 120  
Inspiration 60 59 59 59  
Kennebec 42 44 44 44  
Chino 44 44 44 44  
Lehigh Valley 98 98 98 98  
Maxwell Motor 54 54 54 54  
Mex. Petroleum 88 88 88 88  
Mer. Mercantile 24 24 24 24  
Mer. 73 73 73 73  
Do, pref. 41 41 41 41  
Nevada Cons. 24 24 24 24  
New Haven 43 43 43 43  
N. Y. C. 95 94 94 94  
N. Y. G. & W. 22 22 22 22  
N. B. 24 24 24 24  
Pennsylvania 102 102 102 102  
U. S. Steel 114 114 114 114  
People's Gas 9 9 9 9  
Pressed Steel Car 74 74 74 74  
Ray. Cons. 28 28 28 28  
Reading 94 94 94 94  
Rep. Iron & Steel 74 74 74 74  
United Fruit 141 141 141 141  
U. S. Rubber 94 94 94 94  
U. S. Steel 114 114 114 114  
U. S. Smelting 61 61 61 61  
Utah Copper 112 109 111 111  
Va. Car Chemical 44 44 44 44  
Western Union 202 202 202 202  
Westinghouse 311 311 311 311  
Money on call, 2 1/2 per cent.  
Total sales, \$67,000 shares.

### ERRATIC MOVEMENT IN CHICAGO MAY WHEAT

(By Wise & Co.)  
Chicago, March 12.—The wheat market opened off about half a point, and soon after the opening continued its downward trend of yesterday. Later, however, the market reacted considerably, May selling at 182, an advance of over 4 points above the low, but again declining 31 points, finally closing strong at 181. September wheat showed considerable strength during the session. Corn was firm and advanced a point over yesterday's close. Oats was steady.

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### VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE

Blackbird Syndicate 18 18 18 18  
Canada Copper Co. 150 170  
Can. Cons. Gold & R. 41 40  
Carnation Gold 4 4  
Granby 85 85  
Int. Coal & Coke Co. 13 13  
Lucky Jim Zinc 104 104  
McGillivray Coal 14 14  
Portland Canal 81 81  
Standard Lead 62 61  
Stowarm 1 1  
Stewart M. & D. 7 7  
Slocan Star 23 23  
Stewart Land 7 7  
United 1 1  
Gisland Creek 1 1  
Inland Investment 1 1  
Union Club (Deb.), new 40 40  
Do, old 40 40  
Colombia Pulp 20 20  
Howe Sound Mining Co. 7 7 7 7

### NEW YORK SUGAR

New York, March 12.—Raw sugar firm; centrifugal, 53 1/2; molasses, 41 1/2; refined steady; fine granulated, 47 1/2.

F. L. Haynes, 1124 Government St. The store for reliable watch and jewelry repairs.

## As Business Gets Better

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### BAGDAD IS REALLY A BRITISH SUCCESS. SAYS GERMAN PAPER

London, March 12.—The Koelnische Volks Zeitung is quoted by the correspondent of the Central News at Amsterdam as describing the occupation of Bagdad as an undeniable success for the British, especially as the British also have succeeded in driving the Turks from the Sinai Peninsula. "The event must be regretted, but it has not the least influence on the decision of the war," the newspaper says, Mesopotamia being a secondary theatre of operations. The loss of Bagdad, it comments, is nevertheless painful to the Turks.

### CONSIDER SALMON FROM THIS COAST

British Authorities Probably Will Permit Importation of Certain Tinned Fish

London, March 12.—It will be welcome news to the British Columbia canners that the President of the Board of Trade, after consultation with the Food Controller, has appointed a committee to advise the import restrictions department regarding the importation of certain classes of tinned fish, notably British Columbia salmon, of which large quantities are used. In their canisters both the British and French armies will be allowed to come in under special licenses.

It is possible also that certain products of the Maritime Provinces will be given special facilities. The committee includes Sir Lancelot Smith, chairman; Geoffrey Blackwell, Percy Machin, Edward Powell and Arthur Towle, several of these gentlemen being directly or indirectly connected with Canadian imports.

### TEMPORARY SHORTAGE OF FLOUR IN PETROGRAD

London, March 12.—A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says General Chavloff, commander of the Petrograd district, has issued a proclamation forbidding all assemblages in the streets. The Petrograd newspapers are not appearing and the tramway service has been suspended, it is reported.

The temporary shortage of flour, causing a lack of bread, resulted yesterday in demonstrations by a small portion of the inhabitants and the patrolling of the city by Cossacks in companies. Twice yesterday large crowds, composed mostly of students and boys, gathered in Nevsky Prospect, but both times were dispersed without violence. The temper of the crowds so far has been good. The Cossacks wisely have been allowing them to pass singly.

The situation was calmer this evening. Long sledge trains of flour in the streets indicate that the temporary shortage may be relieved.

### KILLED IN ACTION

Vancouver, March 12.—Unofficial advices received in the city today from the Old Country announce the death in action on March 3 of Pte. Thomas Woodward, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Woodward, of 744 Eighth Avenue, West. No official advices have come to hand from the records department at Ottawa. Mr. Woodward, receiving his information in a private cable forwarded from London to D. R. Clarke, of the Bank of Montreal.

### TREATY WITH COLOMBIA

Washington, March 12.—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today approved in modified form the treaty with Colombia, by which the United States will pay that republic \$25,000,000 for the partition of Panama. It will be pressed to a vote at the present special Senate session.

### RAILWAY COMMISSION

Ottawa, March 12.—D'Arcy Scott, assistant chairman of the Railway Commission, left yesterday for Regina, where a session of the Board will be held on Thursday. On Friday the Commission will sit in Winnipeg, returning east on Saturday.

Haynes Repairs Jewelry satisfactorily and reasonably.



SERBIAN PATRIOT IS BACK IN VANCOUVER

Nicola Pavlovich Led Red Cross Nurses Through Untold Dangers to Safety

It was Nicola Pavlovich who piloted that little band of Red Cross nurses over the mountainous wilds of Albania during the terrible days of the Serbian retreat. It was he who brought them through untold horrors and dangers to a point of safety. It will be recalled, too, that in charge of the nurses was Mrs. St. Clair Stobart, who served under the Red Cross with the Bulgarians in the last Balkan war, condemned to death by the Germans in Belgium in 1914, and whose son, F. C. Stobart, is the manager of the Harper Ranch, near Kamloops. A very few days after war broke out this Serbian patriot headed a little band of Serbians from Vancouver to his native land to take a hand in the fight for freedom. He arrived back in the Terminal City yesterday and told his interviewers that he wants more men.

Brave Nurses. "The peasants of my country are brave and they suffered much, and have confidence in the ultimate victory, which makes all suffering as nothing," he declared. "But even the bravery of my people is not greater than that shown by those noble Red Cross nurses. I say it boldly, that the British Red Cross nurse is the equal of any person alive in point of bravery and endurance."

Pavlovich shudders when he speaks of that terrible retreat of the defeated, but undaunted, army, of the starvation and privations of the feeble and aged, of the women and children peasants of the ravaged country, of the 35,000 young recruits who started on that retreat through the frozen wilds of a desolated country, and of whom only 3,000 reached Corfu. "It was not the guns of the Austrians who killed those boys," he declares. "It was starvation and privation."

"But we are not beaten. We will fight on, until not a single Austrian or German foot remains on Serbian soil," declared the speaker. The spirit of my people, even through all the sufferings that they have endured, has been unbroken. It is the spirit that means victory and victory will surely be the portion of the Allies."

Sang Through Dangers. Commenting on the retreat to the coast, Mr. Pavlovich said that when given charge of the party of Red Cross nurses he was told to see that they reached the coast in safety, and it is his proud boast that they did so with out a single casualty, although the trip through the mountains of Albania was one which would frighten the most daring mountaineer under ordinary circumstances. "Those brave, noble women," he stated, laughed at the dangers and sang songs when there was nothing to eat and the prospects were the darkest."

TROPHIES' EXHIBIT

Many War Souvenirs Collected for Public Display March 26-31.

The collection of trophies and souvenirs from the front, to be held in the Belmont Building during the week March 26-31 inclusive, is being added to daily, and the organizers anticipate having one of the finest exhibitions of this sort yet shown in the province. The display is being arranged under the auspices of the Returned Soldiers' Flower Guild and the Returned Soldiers' Association, Mr. Cross having very kindly offered the use of the ground floor rooms of the Belmont Building (entrance facing the Empress Hotel), and Mr. Goward, of the B. C. Electric, having offered the necessary lighting facilities. Many original and interesting souvenirs from the front will be found comprised in the exhibition, and returned soldiers will be present daily to explain the uses and history of such war trophies as may be novelties to the visitor.

The doors will open daily at 2 o'clock, and visitors will be admitted until 10 p.m. Each evening from 8 to 10 there will be a concert, and through the kindness of Mr. Hicks, who has lent a piano and gramophone, there will be musical selections also during the afternoon. Those who have trophies or souvenirs of any kind are asked kindly to telephone 337.

GASSED AT POZIERES

Private Alfred J. Johnson Left With 13th Field Ambulance in Hospital.

Writing to his wife, who is resident in the city, Private Alfred J. Johnson, of the 13th Field Ambulance, states that he was gassed in a trench, and received treatment in a French hospital, and has now returned to Leicester, England, where he is to undergo an operation. Private Johnson left Victoria on June 18 last year, and prior to joining the army was engaged with Lane & Son, printers. He was born in London, England, 25 years ago, and has been resident in British Columbia for upwards of ten years. He was for some time president of the Young People's Society of the Emanuel Baptist Church.

Cloverdale Red Cross.—The Cloverdale branch, Red Cross, are arranging a St. Patrick's tea to be held on Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6 p. m., in the Jennings Building, Douglas Street. Visitors are asked to bring articles suitable for the furnishing of a bath-room in the military convalescent hospital, shaving supplies, towels, etc.

VICTORIAN DECORATED BY THE FRENCH GOVT.

Sergeant Frank Hatcher Wins the D. C. M. and Medaille Militaire

It was in the middle of January that information was received in the city to the effect that Sergeant Frank Hatcher, of No. 3 Company, of the 5th Regiment, Canadian Garrison Artillery, serving in France with the C. F. A., had been recommended for the Distinguished Conduct Medal. This has now been followed by the news received by Mrs. Hatcher that her husband has been awarded the Medaille Militaire by the French Government for the same heroic conduct.

It will be remembered from details published in these columns that Sergeant Hatcher in October last was engaged on the Somme front with the Tenth Field Brigade Ammunition Column, C. F. A., when an entire section was caught in an exposed position on the crest of a hill. Immediately detected by the German gunners, they were subjected to a withering fusillade, with the result that in a few minutes every member of the section was placed hors de combat, with the exception of the captain and Sergeant Hatcher. With almost superhuman heroism, both remained on the field in the face of a murderous fire and attended to their wounded and dying comrades. It was for this gallant action that Hatcher was recommended for the British decoration.

Sergeant Hatcher has resided in Victoria for twenty-two years and is a native of King's Somborne, Hampshire, England, arriving in British Columbia with the first Imperial troops to land here, the Royal Marine Artillery. He was at Work Point Barracks for six years and has been connected with the 5th Regiment for sixteen years during which period he has acted in the capacity of drum major for five years and held sergeant's stripes for eleven years.

During the last four years, prior to being overseas, he was in the capacity of instructor in the employ of the City of Victoria. He left the city exactly thirteen months ago and has taken part in the fighting on the Somme for some considerable time. Before his engagement with the City of Victoria in the capacity of license inspector he was employed in the circulation department of the Daily Colonist. His letter to Mrs. Hatcher yesterday indicated that he expected to receive the British medal any day.

GONE OVERSEAS

Private T. A. Jacklin

Eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jacklin, of 1524 Referra Street, who enlisted recently with the Canadian Army Service Corps, and has left for overseas. Prior to joining the army Private Jacklin was engaged in the Surveyors' Branch of the Provincial Government.

WOUNDED IN KNEE

Pte. W. Fletcher, Formerly Employed Here, Hit at Vimy.

News is received to-day that another member of the Fletcher family, who have been employed for several years at the Empress Hotel, has done service for his country, and been wounded in the attempt.

It is some months since Charles Fletcher was welcomed back after wounds received with one of the Canadian Scottish battalions in the stirring battles of the early days in Flanders, and now his brother, Douglas, learns that Pte. W. Fletcher, a young brother who is even now but 18 years of age, in a stirring passage of arms at Vimy, in which he accounted for three Germans in a charge over rising ground, was hit in the knee.

The name appeared recently in the casualty list, but is now only just confirmed by letter. The boy, who joined the 88th Fusiliers the day after war was declared, went from Canada with the 46th Battalion, from Sewell Camp. It is believed that he transferred, the details however being a little obscure since he reached France.

Pte. Fletcher, also like his brothers, was employed at the Empress Hotel during the months he lived in Victoria, and was a well-known football player. He came to Victoria from Leicester, England.

SPECIAL CAMPAIGN TO RECRUIT FLIERS

R. F. C. Officers Coming West on Important Mission

References in these columns from time to time have indicated that the Royal Flying Corps has been steadily gaining in popularity with British Columbians, and in proof of that the piles of applications to the local officer in charge of recruiting arrangements at Work Point continue to grow, as many as thirty and forty letters reaching Captain Tweedale each morning.

Colonel Duff Stuart informed the Times this afternoon that he had just received an official telegram from Ottawa to the effect that officers of the Royal Flying Corps are planning to come to British Columbia during the next few days for the purpose of conducting a special recruiting campaign. They will also establish permanent recruiting arrangements here and so relieve the department which has been handling the multifarious details connected with this branch of the service on behalf of Lord Innes-Kerr, who was here several weeks ago as the special agent of the Imperial Government.

The D. O. C., whose co-operation in the matter is sought by the officers of the Flying Corps, states that the recruiting campaign about to be inaugurated will be for "actual fliers," which means of course pilots and air mechanics. The age requirement for the pilot is between eighteen and twenty-five, while mechanics will be taken up to forty and in some cases of especial fitness a little over the forty mark will not be a hindrance.

According to present arrangements, at any rate, those who are accepted for service will be sent to the Training Depot at Toronto under the command of Colonel Hoare, whose a number of "Victorians" are learning to become "birdmen." It is understood that an effort will be made, on the information supplied by the National Service cards, to secure sufficient skilled men for the "ground" work, that is the manufacture, repair and rebuilding work connected with the various depots which are to be established in due course throughout the Dominion.

TRANS-OLYMPIC PENINSULA RAILWAY

Proposal from San Francisco Would Mean Great Deal for Victoria Trade

Great interest has been aroused by the announcement from San Francisco that the long talked of railway from Gray's Harbor to Port Angeles may be undertaken by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways, as a means of giving access to the virgin forest of the Olympic Peninsula. It is reported the proposal formed the subject of the conference between President Hill, of the Great Northern, and President Hannaford, of the Northern Pacific, in San Francisco in the latter part of the week.

The importance to Victoria would be that if the railways undertake the construction, they would certainly penetrate British Columbia from Vancouver Island, as well as from the Mainland, by ferry from Port Angeles. At present the line is in operation from Port Townsend to Port Angeles, known as the Seattle, Port Angeles and Western, controlled by the Chicago Milwaukee Railroad, and that railway contemplates an extension westward to the head of the Straits, with the view of crossing the western end of the Olympics, and following the Pacific Coast to Gray's Harbor. This would open up the timber district by way of the streams which flow south-westerly to the Pacific Ocean.

The Northern Pacific-Great Northern scheme selected an overland route across Chehalis, Jefferson and Clark counties. It is stated by those who know the country that a crossing of the Olympics could be made at a reasonable altitude, and once beyond the Olympics a falling grade would take the line into Gray's harbor through a very rich timber country, one of the best in the state of Washington, but which has been practically inaccessible. From the point of view of railway construction the all-coast route would be much cheaper.

For twenty-five years such a scheme has been talked of, but backed by two of the principal railroads of the Pacific Northwest its fruition seems much more probable. Mr. Earles, a Port Angeles lumberman, is quoted in the message from San Francisco as stating that it is proposed to build thirty miles through the timber this year. Four reconnaissance survey parties are reported to be in the field.

City School Board.—At the monthly meeting to-morrow evening notes will be set, and judges chosen for the school singing competitions, which occur in May.

Selling Walnut Trees.—Miss Pooley, who has a stall in the city market on Wednesdays and Saturdays for the sale of flowers and plants, the proceeds of which are being given to the Esquimalt Red Cross, has been presented with one hundred four-year-old walnut trees. These she will be glad to receive orders for at her stand at the market to-morrow.

Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, pints, 2 for 25c.

ALL-RED SERVICE OF NEWS NOW ARRANGED

Provincial Press Association Learn Details of the Plan; Elect Officers

The success of the efforts of the Newspaper Publishers of Canada to obtain a cross-Canada news wire together with a trans-Atlantic cable for Canadian papers was related to the B. C. Publishers in convention here today by John Nelson, of the Vancouver World, who impressed upon the gathering the great importance in the development of Canadian opinion this improvement would mean.

News, like trade, he said, should flow east and west. In the past the Canadian papers had been forced to get their Canadian news service from Seattle, Minneapolis, Chicago, New York and other American papers and thus do not obtain Old Country and Dominion news in the form and quantity they would like. Recently they interviewed the Federal Government and made arrangements for the placing of \$50,000 in the estimates this year to cover the operation of a trans-Canada 24-hour telegraph wire.

It is now proposed to operate a National News-Service with district headquarters in all the chief cities, by which it is planned to furnish a first class Canadian domestic news service to all Canadian dailies. Old Country and European news for the immediate future will be taken direct from New York where it arrived by this continent. Pacific Coast service will be furnished from Seattle and middle west service will be furnished from Chicago.

In Operation This Spring. The trans-Canada wire is likely to be in operation this coming spring between St. John and Victoria with a loop or two in eastern Canada to pick up those cities not on a direct line. The fifty thousand grants from the Dominion Government will probably be an annual one and is to cover the cost of the unproductive service between Vancouver and Calgary, Ottawa and Winnipeg, St. John and Montreal.

The Canadian publishers, Mr. Nelson, said, had placed before the Canadian trade commissioner a proposal to provide the newspapers of Canada with cable facilities to the Old Country, thus doing away with the necessity of any news from New York other than American items.

Australian publishers will probably go in with Canada on this scheme for an All-Red News route. The benefits to be obtained in the unification of thought in Canada and the empire are almost untold. Mr. Nelson also referred to the appointment of Stewart Lyon, of Toronto, to send articles from the front particularly suited to Canadian readers. Interviewed Premier.

The publishers this morning sent the following committee to interview the Provincial Executive with regard to campaigns: P. J. Burde, Vancouver World; R. K. Hindmarsh, Nanaimo Herald; R. Sutherland, Nelson News; W. A. Myers, Terrace Dispatch; L. J. Bell, Vernon News; John Imrie, C. P. A.

They met Premier Brewster, Hon. John Oliver and Hon. T. D. Pattullo, and suggested to them the expenditure of approximately \$3,000 on three provincial advertising campaigns in the newspapers: first, for the publication of vacant lots; second, for publication at the end of the session of a brief and unbiased resume of the legislation passed during the session, and third, for a continuous educational campaign along the lines covered in Government bulletins, but designed to mitigate the waste of the contents of the bulletins and making them available to those who send in requests. The committee also suggested advertising both in provincial and eastern publications of advertisements dealing with the consumption of B. C. fruits, all kinds of edible fish and the development of B. C. timber trade.

Hon. Mr. Pattullo lent a kindly ear to the proposals with regard to timber advertising, and the Premier was much interested in the fish programme. Hon. Mr. Oliver stated that before the Agricultural Department could do much it would be necessary to take stock of the agricultural resources of the province. The matter will be taken up at a later date.

Oppose Agricultural Journal. In session later on in the morning the association went on record as being opposed to the Provincial Government issuing such periodicals as the Agricultural Journal in direct competition with private enterprise. A committee comprising R. J. McDougall, Peacock Herald; L. J. Ball, Vernon News; Hugh Savage, Cowichan Leader; H. C. Moore, Salmon Arm Observer, and John Imrie, manager of C. P. A., was appointed to interview Deputy Minister Scott, of the Department of Agriculture, upon this subject, and also upon the general subject of agricultural advertising.

Elect Officers. Last year's provisional officers of the B. C. Division, Canadian Press Association, were re-elected as follows: President—R. E. Sutherland, Nelson News. Vice-Presidents—F. E. Simpson, Kamloops Standard-Sentinel; Hugh Savage, Cowichan Leader. Secretary-Treasurer—F. J. Burde, Vancouver Province. Executive Committee—R. Dunn, Victoria Times; C. H. Sawle, New Hazelton Herald; L. J. Ball, Vernon News. The convention passed resolutions asking that the Provincial Government specify that advertising requiring a long standing must be in papers possessing postal privileges for at least three months, urging all provincial editors to join in a discussion of the best means of developing the natural resources of the province, mentioning

its appreciation of the policy now being adopted by the Federal and Provincial Governments of advertising in the press, regretting the recent death of William Blackmore, and also that of Anson McKim, Eastern Advertising Agency.

Fight to a Finish. The publishers expressed their appreciation of those of their number now giving their services at the front, and in flexible determination to go on with the war was expressed. These two resolutions were on a standing vote.

The convention called for an amendment to the Municipal Act making it obligatory upon cities and municipalities to publish annual financial statements in newspapers. An endeavor is to be made to have the annual convention of the C. P. A. in British Columbia after the war. Votes of thanks were passed to the Government for use of the hall, John Imrie, for his visit and transportation companies for their services.

The visiting newspapermen were given a drive this afternoon by the Victoria and District Development League, and will be tendered a smoker to-night by the same organization in the Pacific Club.



FICTION.

- Locke, William John—Wonderful year. 1916.
Muhlbach, Louise, pseud. (Mrs. Clara Muntz)—Marie Antoinette and her son. 1867.
Soutar, Andrew—Green orchard. 1916.
Stories by English authors—Africa. 1896.
Stories by English authors—England. 1896.
Stories by English authors—France. 1896.
Stories by English authors—Germany, etc. 1896.
Stories by English authors—Ireland. 1896.
Stories by English authors—Italy. 1896.
Stories by English authors—London. 1896.
Stories by English authors—Scotland. 1896.
Stories by English authors—Sea. 1896.

RELIGION.

- C. H. M.—Notes on the book of Deuteronomy. 1880. (Gift.) 222-15 C54nd.
C. H. M.—Notes on the book of Exodus. (Gift.) 222-12 C54ne.
C. H. M.—Notes on the book of Leviticus. 1861. (Gift.) 222-13 C54nl.

LITERATURE.

- Dobson, Austin, ed.—Eighteenth century essays. 1896. 839-D63el.
English lyrics—1896. 868-1-E56k.
Garvin, John W., ed.—Canadian poets. 1916. 811-5 G24ca.
Gay, John—Fables, with a memoir by Austin Dobson. 1896. 812-G28fa.
Milton, John—Sonnets; edited by Mark Pattison. 1896. 812-M66ao.

BIOGRAPHY.

- Beaden, James—Mrs. Jordan. 2 vols. (Days of the Dandies.) Ref. B-382b.
Cibber, Colley—Colley Cibber, written by himself. 2 vols. (Days of the Dandies.) Ref. B-C567e.
Fitzgerald, Percy—Sheridan. 2 vols. (Beaux and Belles of England.) Ref. B-8561f.
Goldsmith, Oliver—Beau Nash; together with the comedy of Beau Nash by Douglas Jerrold; also Beau Fleiding by Grace and Philip Wharton. (Days of the Dandies.) Ref. B-N252e.

HISTORY.

- Doyle, (Sir) Arthur Conan—British campaign in France and Flanders. 1914. 840-9-D753r.
Masfield, John—Gallipoli. 1916. 940-9-M38ga.
Ridpath, John Clark, and Ellis, Edward S.—Story of South Africa; an account of the historical transformation of the Dark Continent by the European powers and the culminating contest between Great Britain and the South African Republic in the Transvaal war. Illus. 1899. 968-R54st.

JUVENILE BOOKS.

- Hales, A. G.—Fight for a friend. 1907.
Menty, George Alfred—Winning his spurs; a tale of the Crusades. (Gift.)

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Victoria Public Market HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY THE MIND Of the people who visit the market is favorably IMPRESSED BY THE MERIT, good value and beauty of the HOME PRODUCTS BELOW ADVERTISED COME TO MARKET THE RUSH For our Candies and Chocolates may be partly avoided by coming in the afternoon to Hamsterley Farm Public Market. COME TO MARKET "QUALITY FIRST" Cut Flowers Plants Shrubs Ferns Trees Rock Plants Fruit Trees Quadra Greenhouse Co., Ltd. Victoria, B. C. Write for New Catalogue Experienced Gardeners Recommended MADRONA FARM New Laid Eggs Are famous for the flavor and their freshness. STALL 9 ROCKSIDE POULTRY STALL Large supply of ROASTING CHICKENS, YOUNG PORK LOCAL NEW LAID EGGS FOR WEDNESDAY DIGESTIBLE MEALS —Impossible unless they're cooked right and pure foodstuffs used in the cooking. Try THE TEA KETTLE Miss M. Wooldridge Corner Douglas and View Streets Phone 4096 TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT DOG-TAX Notice is hereby given that the Esquimalt Dog Tax is due on or before the 31st day of March, 1917. Owners who have neglected to pay the tax by that date are liable to legal proceedings without further notice. R. H. NUNN, Collector. TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT VACANT LOT CULTIVATION Owners of vacant lots willing to grant use of same for cultivation during the coming season are requested to notify the undersigned. Persons desirous of cultivating vacant lots are requested to notify the undersigned, giving particulars of the lot or lots required so that steps may be taken to secure same. C. E. PULLEN, C. M. C.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. FUEL FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS. SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon on Friday, 23rd day of March, 1917, for supplying and delivering coal required at the Provincial Government Buildings, as enumerated hereunder, during the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1918, to be delivered in such quantities and at such times as may be directed during the period above stated. The approximate annual consumption of coal at each of the buildings named is as follows: Best washed nut coal—Parliament Buildings, Victoria, 1,000 tons; Parliament Buildings, Victoria, 100 tons; Government House, Victoria, 110 tons; Court-house, Victoria, 100 tons; Provincial Normal School, Victoria, 300 tons. The above-mentioned quantities are not guaranteed, the quantity actually required may be under or above the figures stated. Tenders to be based on ton of 2,240 lb. Each delivery must be accompanied by an official weighmaster's certificate. Weighing charges borne by Department. Tenders shall be accompanied by a cheque in the sum of \$100, on a chartered bank of Canada, payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, which will be forfeited if the party tendering declines or neglects to enter into the contract when called upon to do so. The cheques of unsuccessful tenders will be returned upon the execution of the contract. The Department is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender. Tenders must be signed by the actual signatories of the tender. J. E. GRIFFITH, Deputy Minister and Public Works Engineer. Department of Public Works, Victoria, B. C., 8th March, 1917. PUBLIC SCHOOL DESKS. SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tenders for School Desks," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon on Monday, 26th day of March, 1917, for supplying the following desks: Size No. 1 Single Desks 255 Size No. 2 Single Desks 255 Size No. 3 Single Desks 250 Size No. 4 Single Desks 100 Size No. 5 Single Desks 50 Size No. 6 Single Desks 50 The desks are to be quoted at a price per desk. The name of the desk and maker to be mentioned in tenders. Delivery of Victoria or Vancouver on or before 31st day of July next. The successful tenderer will, free of any additional charges, store the desks and pack or crate ready for shipment to places to be hereafter designated from time to time to the order of the Department. No tender will be entertained unless accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank of Canada, payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, or by cash, in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200), which will be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the contract. Cheques of unsuccessful tenders will be returned upon signing of contract. The Department is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender. J. E. GRIFFITH, Deputy Minister and Public Works Engineer. Department of Public Works, Victoria, B. C., 8th March, 1917.

SHERIFF'S SALE Lucky Jim Zinc Mines, Limited; Shares Under and by virtue of a Writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, and to me directed, against the goods and chattels of G. Weaver Loper, I have seized 11,394 shares in the Lucky Jim Zinc Mines, Limited, standing in the name of G. Weaver Loper, in the books of the said Company. I have also seized 35,985 shares in the Lucky Jim Zinc Mines, Limited, standing in the name of G. Weaver Loper, Trustee, in the books of the said Company. The above shares are of a par value of \$1.00 each, and are fully paid up. I will offer the same for sale at public auction, at my office, Law Courts, Bastion Street, Victoria, on Friday, the 23rd day of March, 1917, at 10.30 a.m. Terms of sale, cash. F. G. RICHARDS, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Victoria, B. C., March 10th, 1917.

Board of License Commissioners The next sitting of the Board of License Commissioners will be held in the Police Court, new Jail Building, Government Street, on Wednesday next, the 14th day of March, 1917, at 2.30 p. m. WELINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C. City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., March 8th, 1917.



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B. & K. WHEAT FLAKES, large carton.	<b>30c</b>
PURITY FOOD 5-lb. sacks	<b>35c</b>
GROUND RICE OR RICE FLOUR 4-lb. sacks	<b>25c</b>
HONEY Per comb	<b>20c</b>
PURITY FLOUR 49-lb. sack	<b>\$2.60</b>
SMALL BROWN BEANS Extra value, 4 lbs. for	<b>25c</b>
"SUNKIST" GRAPE FRUIT, 6 for	<b>25c</b>
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### ATTEMPT FAILS TO CHANGE POLICY

#### Majority of Council Declines to Reverse Policy on the Initiative

Nothing daunted by the criticism levelled at him by those who answered his remarks a week ago on real estate operators, Alderman Andros last evening in City Council again drew attention to the subject which had provoked the discussion.

It came up in the form of a direction to the Solicitor by resolution to apply to have Clause 9 struck out of the Local Improvement Act, at any rate so far as Victoria is concerned, accepting in lieu thereof the powers under Clause 13. These clauses deal with the powers of initiating work.

The mover also asked for the motion, laid on the table a week ago, to be taken up again simultaneously with the matter. This would rescind the motion taken in December by the Council.

Alderman Dilworth pointed out they must make a choice between the two clauses.

Alderman Sargeant showed that the action of the Council might lead to valuable powers being abrogated, which ought not to be lost to the Council, which objectionable clause was undoubtedly No. 9.

"My own conviction," said the Mayor, "was that the Council intended last year to do away with the powers under Clause 13, and that aldermen have been unaware of Clause 9's effect till it has now been pointed out to them." He did not think the city would have got into as serious a condition had its powers been curtailed before the last boom.

"The Council has had far too much power," he added, "and we went local improvement crazy a few years ago, since many works done under the local improvements are really general improvements." He quoted some data from American cities to show how they dealt with the subject.

The motion to rescind the resolution of December last was defeated by seven to three votes, names not being taken, and Alderman Andros then withdrew the proposal to make an application with regard to Clause 9 of the Act.

### MAY PAY TAXES BY INSTALMENTS NOW

#### New Arrangement Will Be of Great Advantage to Small Ratepayers

In future citizens may pay taxes in instalments as they like, up to the amount of the taxes of the current year, which will be placed to their credit from time to time.

The subject was brought up in a motion by Alderman Cameron formally authorizing the collector to receive payment of taxes in instalments, as permitted by the amendment of the Municipal Act passed last session. The same principle will apply to local improvement taxes.

Alderman Andros said steps must be taken to prevent this system being abused, by allowing a man to secure discount on a current year's taxes while he still owed taxes on the same property for previous years.

Following the meeting of the Board of Trade last week, the secretary forwarded a resolution with regard to the city assuming the difference between the estimate and actual cost of local improvement work, favoring such course. The letter was sent to the tax delinquency committee for attention.

### DAYLIGHT SAVING

No Comment is Offered to Announcement of Premier on Matter.

Formal notice has been received by the City Council that the Government would decline to introduce legislation on the Daylight Saving Bill this session, on account of the protest of outside workers. The Vacant Lot Cultivation Committee had urged this course.

When the matter was mentioned last evening the communication of Hon. H. C. Brewster was read, and filed without comment. This closes the discussion so far as legislative action is concerned.

The auction of the Bantam Barracks will take place at ten o'clock on Monday morning next.

William Galt, City Purchasing Agent and Storekeeper, has been formally appointed Stores Superintendent at Garibaldi Road yard. Temporarily he will continue to hold the position of Purchasing Agent, pending other arrangements.

A preliminary reading was given to the Health Department by-law, by which it is proposed to regulate the operation of the department in future.

The Council declined to pass any resolution on the question of abstaining from killing young livestock, after each alderman had aired his knowledge of the butchering business. A request on the subject had come from the Trades and Labor Council.

An Englishman, an Irishman and a Scotman who had been on holidays were comparing the souvenirs they had collected. The Englishman had a bust of Shakespeare from Stratford-on-Avon and the Irishman a matchbox of bog-oak. "Oh," said the Scotman, "you can't beat this!" and he produced a teaspoon marked "L. & N. W. R."

### OAK BAY CONSIDERS LOT CULTIVATION

#### Council Will Invest Large Sum in New Canadian War Loan

The Municipality of Oak Bay is working along the lines adopted by the City of Victoria with regard to the cultivation of vacant lots during the coming season. The matter was brought before the council at their meeting which was held in the Municipal Hall yesterday afternoon and after considerable discussion it was referred to the general works committee to report as to what would be the most advisable plan to be put into practice in the district. A motion was passed asking the owners of vacant lots to file a list of those available for cultivation with the clerk of the municipality. As conditions are at present there is not a sufficient force in the works department to prepare the lots thus offered for cultivation but it is possible that the council might consider the matter of having the work done by contract should the interest in the movement warrant such action.

In this regard it was passed by the meeting that the clerk ascertain the lowest cost for which teamsters in the municipality will plough lots.

It is the intention of the Oak Bay Friendly Help to do what they can in regard to providing vegetables for needy families of the district. Mr. Gopell who was present at yesterday's meeting requested the council to plough several lots and to supply seed which he would undertake to plant and cultivate; the produce resulting to be distributed to families who might be in need of it during the coming year. The matter was finally referred to the works committee.

The council decided that it would take no action on the recommendation regarding the daylight saving plan which is being promoted by the Vacant Lot Cultivation Committee of the city. The letter which was received from the organization was laid on the table.

A communication was also received from the City Council regarding the disclosure which was recently made of the conditions which exist at the Chinese Cemetery at Poul Point. Complaints have been received that unsanitary conditions have arisen as a result of the practice of the Orientals in digging up bones for shipment back to China. The matter was left with the municipal engineer to confer with the solicitor of the corporation to ascertain just what power the council has to act.

By a unanimous vote the council decided to invest in \$50,000 worth of bonds in the new Canadian War Loan. The money thus invested will be taken from the sinking funds subject to the approval of the lenders. The annual loan by-law making it possible for the council to borrow \$100,000 in anticipation of the revenues for 1917 was finally passed and adopted.

With the exception of Acting-Reeve Eurdick and Councillor Toms, the Reeve and Councillors were appointed as members of the Court of Revision, and April 16 was decided upon as the day for the first sitting of the court.

The assessors roll was returned to the council at yesterday's meeting. The figures which have been set for the coming year are as follows:

Total assessed value of Municipality	\$9,631,294
Total assessed value of improvements	\$,101,434
Total assessed value of land	\$6,529,860
Total assessed value of land exempt	113,500
Total assessed value of land for taxation	\$6,416,360

The following is a comparison of the assessed value of the land of the municipality for three years:

1915	\$8,094,490
1916	\$7,255,674
1917	\$6,529,860

### REFLECT UPON RECORD NOT ON POSSIBILITIES

#### Says G. H. Barnard, M. P., in Eulogy of Borden Government Last Night

Speaking in the Conservative Club rooms last night to a meeting at which three sexes were represented, with the majority in favor of the fair sex, G. H. Barnard, M. P., told his audience what the Government, led by Sir Robert Borden had done for Canada during the present war, making a plea for fair recognition of the accomplishments rather than to dwell on what might possibly have been neglected. He said they had arrived at a time when there were not many people worrying about the results of elections, but rather were they paying more particular attention to the winning of the war and arriving at decisions as to the best way each individual could render his or her share of service to the country in her hour of crisis.

Some People Critical.

The conditions directly attributable to the war had had the effect of making a section of the populace critical; but in so criticizing the work of the Government they usually lost sight of the things that had been done. He pointed with pride to the fact that 434,525 men had been taken from the industrial life of the Dominion to the new industry of war. Some were reservists of the Imperial Army and Navy, while others answered the call of their old regiments in the armies of the Allies.

Had Made Mistakes.

Mr. Barnard told of the enormous undertaking of the Hospitals Commission

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### Women's Spring Underwear

Women's Vests, in cotton thread, plain or rib weave, low neck, short or no sleeves	<b>19c</b>
Women's Vests, in cotton lisle, many styles to choose from, with short sleeves or narrow shoulder straps	<b>25c</b>
Women's Vests, in cotton lisle, plain ribbed or porous knit, low neck, finished plain or with lace yoke, short or no sleeve, cunfy cut styles; sizes 36, 38 and out sizes	<b>\$1.00</b>
Women's Combinations, in cotton thread, low neck, short or no sleeves, tight or un-bretha knee	<b>50c</b>

**New Arrivals at the Dress Goods Section**  
Lustoria Suitings at **\$1.50 Yard**

For hard service and a practical and really inexpensive material, this is one of the most favored fabrics for Spring. They come 42 inches wide, in a large range of colors. Included are plum, green, grey, brown, wine and light and dark navy. Per yard **\$1.50**

**Novelty Striped Tweed Suitings and Coatings**  
This is one of the very latest fabrics for suits and coats. They come in grounds of grey, green, brown, and sage, with two and three-tone stripes; width 58 inches. Per yard **\$3.00**

## 1000 Yards of Curtain Material Wednesday Special, 15c Yard

A special lot our buyer was fortunate to pick up at much below their present value. The lot includes Fine Bordered Serim with fancy borders, all self colors in cream, ecru and white; 36-inch dainty Flowered Serim, with neat rosebuds on pink and green, and blue on cream and white grounds. Any of these goods are at present worth ten cents per yard more and very hard to get at any price. Wednesday, yard **15c**

### Many Special Values Offered in the Staple Section, Wednesday

Just Opened Up—Delayed Shipment of Saxony Wrappertees. They come in pale blue ground with small spots and stripes, also in cream ground with spots, floral designs and neat stripes, also in black and white check; large and small plaid. This is especially suitable for children's wear and light-weight kimono; 27 inches wide. Per yard **15c**

**SPECIAL SNAPS IN HOUSEHOLD NECESSITIES**

12 only, Cotton Filled Comforters, covered art-sateen; size 72x72. Reg. \$3.00. Wednesday, each only	<b>\$1.95</b>
18 only, Cotton Blankets, three-quarter bed size. Reg. \$1.65. Wednesday, each	<b>\$1.19</b>
10 dozen only, Plain and Hemstitched Pillow Slips, made from fine grade cotton; sizes 40 inch and 44 inch. Reg. 25c each. Wednesday, each	<b>19c</b>
2 Pieces only, Bleached Sheeting, "Canada made," 2 1/4 yards wide. Reg. 35c. Wednesday, yd.	<b>31c</b>
25 only, Full Size White Damask Bedspreads. Reg. \$2.25. Wednesday, each	<b>\$1.89</b>

### The New Sports Hats

It is no wonder the new Sports Hats are finding such favor, for in addition to their splendid styles and smart appearance, their colorings are beautiful. We are showing an endless variety in every conceivable shade and design. Prices range from **\$1.95** to **\$5.00**

### Special Wednesday

15 Dozen Women's Black Cotton Hose, Pair	<b>17 1/2c</b>
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A special selling of 15 dozen Women's Cotton Hose. These are made of a splendid quality cotton and reinforced in all wearing parts. Black only. Sizes 1/4 to 19. Reg. 39c value. Wednesday only, **17 1/2c** pair, or 2 pair for **35c**. Buster Brown Sister Hose for children, a fine lisle, 1-1 ribbed hose in black and white. Sizes 5 to 10. Price, pair **25c**

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Do not experiment with your young chickens. We have the only Chick Starter containing Beef Scraps, Grits and Grains so mixed to be a perfect food.

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Washed Nut Coal, per ton, delivered	<b>\$6.50</b>
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Our Method: 20 sacks to the ton and 100 lbs. of coal in each sack.

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but at the same time fully alive to the seriousness of the obligation they had in consequence been called upon to assume.

Manila has given its name probably to more articles of commerce than any other city in the world. "Manila" tobacco, cheroots, hemp, hats, paper matting, bracelets, and rings are just a few of the things which remind people in different countries of the capital of the Philippines. London Chronicle

### DELINQUENCY SHOWS TENDENCY TO GROW

#### Salient Phase of City Balance Sheet is Increasing Arrears of Taxation

Owing to the policy of the city in the last three years in delaying the receipt of taxes till the last available moment, the presentation of the city balance sheet has gradually been delayed later and later, and it was not till last evening that the statement for 1916 was ready to be forwarded by the City Comptroller to City Council.

The statement, with its accompanying schedules, compares very favorably with 1915, although there is a satisfactory tendency displayed to write down the value of the city's fixed assets to the land values (which now exist for adjoining properties). The assets are stated to be \$3,722,964 above the liabilities, the total indebtedness being figured at \$23,073,711.

Debtore indebtedness totals \$18,789,984.43, including \$10,703,470.13 for general purposes and \$8,085,514.30 for local improvement, \$1,497,979.26 of which is the city's share, and \$6,587,644.94 the people's share. There are also short loans amounting to \$2,810,263.82, being made up of treasury bills, certificates, and account with the city's bankers on construction account.

Inability to meet taxation is shown

### AUCTION SALE

Instructed by the Owner, will Sell at 1772 FOURTH ST. (Near Jubilee Hospital) **TO-MORROW** 2 P. M.

### High-Class Furniture Carpets, Brassware Etc.

Chesterfield, with spring seat and back uph. in tapestry, cost \$110.00; Chair to match, chair uph. in tapestry; Axminster, Tapestry, and Persian Rugs; Velvet Pile Carpet, Goatskin Mats, 44 Colt Revolver and 45 Webber Revolver, new; Remington Type Writer, Fumed Oak Pedestal and Table and Buffet, Set of Diners, Clock, Rattan and Grass Chairs, Silverware, Cut glass, Quantity of Fishing Tackle, Steel Engravings, Set Bentwood Chairs, Charter Oak Range, with brass coils; Kitchen Utensils, 7-Passenger Automobile, and other items too numerous to mention. On view Tuesday afternoon and morning of sale.

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In the decreased receipts from general taxes, which were \$1,017,810 in 1915, as compared with \$819,907 in 1916. The details of last year's collections were as follows: General rates, \$213,166.35; debt and schools, \$437,917.55; water frontage, \$10,380.11; boulevard, \$18,519.19; cluster light, \$2,461.60; sewer rentals and sewer tax, \$28,162.94. Tax arrears were paid in as follows: 1913, \$9,365.51; 1914, \$53,890.25; 1915, \$93,905.94.

The tax situation shows clearly from a schedule of the balance sheet that delinquency is increasing. For instance, general rates have increased in arrears from \$493,474 to \$520,600, in the last two years, and the total is now \$1,430,990 on general taxes, and \$901,287 on local improvements, since there was an addition to the delinquency in this regard last year of \$412,000. Twelve months ago when the balance sheet was prepared, the total general delinquency was \$1,066,077.

Active assets, such as bank balances, debentures held for delivery, tax and local improvement assessment arrears amount to \$7,860,816.32; reserves, including sinking funds and local improvement sinking funds of \$2,042,598.38, passive, including streets, bridges, telephone conduits, and local improvements generally, \$9,599,019.52, and fixed assets, including real property and water works, to the value of \$7,294,242.93. The last item is the one in which the value set on city property has been cut in keeping with decreased land values.

Labrador dogs, which appear to be popular favorites at Cruft's Dog Show, came to us in a curious way. They were first brought by sailors to Poole, in Dorset, which formerly had considerable trade with Labrador. They attracted the attention of the then Earl of Malmesbury by their great sporting gifts, a little later some more were imported direct from Labrador by the then Duke of Buccleuch. These were kept pure for many years, but owing to the difficulty of getting fresh blood became crossed with other breeds, especially flat-coated retrievers. The difficulty of obtaining a change of blood has not yet been surmounted. London Chronicle.

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Strictly Fresh Local Eggs, per dozen	<b>35c</b>
Sugar House Molasses, at per tin	<b>10c</b>
Avondale Molasses, 3 tins	<b>25c</b>
"Our Best" Brand Bread Flour, per sack	<b>\$2.35</b>
Noel's Pure Black Currant Jam, 4-lb. tins	<b>65c</b>
B. C. Sugar, 20-lb. sack	<b>\$1.70</b>
Finest Creamery Butter, at per lb.	<b>45c</b>
Ashcroft Potatoes, 7 lbs.	<b>25c</b>
Snider's Tomato Soup, large can for	<b>15c</b>
Quaker Tomatoes, large can	<b>15c</b>
Navel Oranges, 20 for	<b>25c</b>
B. C. Milk, per can	<b>10c</b>
Toilet Rolls, 5 for	<b>25c</b>

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