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## CONGRESS OF STATES CALLED FOR APRIL 2; ACTION IS EXPECTED

### Wilson Advances Date of Extra Session Two Weeks; Believed Washington Houses Will Declare State of War Exists Be- tween States and Germany

Washington, March 21.—President Wilson, recognizing that Germany practically is making war on the United States on the seas, today called Congress to assemble in extraordinary session on April 2 to deal with the situation.

The purpose of the session, now called two weeks earlier than the date first set, as announced in the President's proclamation is "to receive a communication concerning grave matters of international policy which should be taken immediately under consideration."

The President in his address to Congress will detail how Germany practically has been making war on the United States by the ruthless destruction of American lives and ships on the high seas in contravention of all the laws of nations and humanity. Congress then is expected to pass a resolution declaring that a state of war has existed between the United States and Germany for some time.

Such a resolution in itself will not be a declaration of war in a technical sense, although practically it will amount to the same thing.

Further Steps.  
As a consequence the United States will take further steps to protect its interests on the high seas and elsewhere against the warlike acts of Germany, and whether an actual state of war will come to exist in its full sense will depend on the future acts of the German Government.

Since last Sunday, when three American ships were sunk off the British Isles in quick succession, with loss of American lives—bringing the total number of Americans lost through German submarine operations to more than 200—the President and all his advisers have recognized that a state of war existed. From all parts of the country have come calls for the immediate summoning of Congress in extra session.

Advised of Support.  
Although the President, by the provisions of the constitution, must leave it to Congress to make the practical declaration of war, such advice as has come to the White House from members of Congress, governors of states, public officials and many hundreds of citizens have contained statements of support of such a policy in its fullest sense.

The Cabinet, which urged the move upon the President at yesterday's session, is described by its members as having been more thoroughly united than it has been on any other question that has come before it.

The nation now actually comes to the point which all the history of centuries indicated must necessarily follow the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany on February 3 last. When the President on that day handed to Count von Bernstorff his passports and notified Congress that he had severed diplomatic relations together with the German Government, the United States was placed in a position where all the precedents were pressing it toward war.

Fully Expected.  
All official Washington openly acknowledged that nothing less than abandonment by Germany of her newly announced campaign of submarine ruthlessness could prevent it and no one here supposed that Germany would change her determination. All the allied nations openly gave indications of their belief that the United States soon would be involved in the war and that possibility was recognized in Germany before the new submarine campaign was announced when Foreign Minister Zimmermann, working through Count von Bernstorff and the German minister in Mexico, attempted to unite Japan and Mexico in an alliance to make war on the United States.

Mobilizing Resources.  
All the resources of the United States, industrial as well as military, are speedily being mobilized to place the nation in the fullest state of readiness for any emergency.

For the present the responsibility rests with the navy, which is arming American merchant ships, placing rush orders for submarine chasers, spending \$125,000,000 by special authority of Congress to hurry the naval construction already under way, advancing the graduation of classes at Annapolis, protecting harbors against invasion by German submarines and marshaling the industrial resources necessary to stand behind the fleet.

Universal Training.  
The plans for the army are not so fully matured. It is believed, however, that President Wilson will recognize the possibility of the army's participation in war when he addresses Congress by discussing the need of universal military training. In a tentative way plans for marshaling the full strength of the regular army, the na-

## LIMITED WAR AGAINST GERMAN SUBMARINES

Washington, March 21.—Senator Poindexter, Republican of Washington, said today that "Congress will pass quickly a law authorizing a limited war on Germany's submarines."

## PRISONERS OF WAR.

London, March 21.—The following Canadians are officially reported prisoners of war: Private J. K. Taylor (102402), Pte. J. B. Bromley (410459), and Corporal O. G. Hall, Lieut. R. O. White, attached to the Royal Flying Corps, is now a prisoner at Karlsruhe.

## NEW FRENCH GOVERNMENT HEADED BY M. RIBOT PLEDGES ITSELF TO CARRY ON WAR TO VICTORIOUS CONCLUSION

Paris, March 21.—The new ministry of Alexandre Ribot made its declaration today, pledging itself to carry on the war with all possible energy. The declaration, which was read in the Chamber of Deputies by Premier Ribot and in the Senate by Rene Viviani, Minister of Justice, opens with the affirmation:

"We are resolved to wage with the utmost vigor and to a victorious end, the terrible war into which we were drawn by inexcusable aggression. We will wage it not as our enemies, in a spirit of conquest and domination, but with the firm resolve to recover the provinces formerly wrested from us and obtain reparation and guarantees to prepare a durable peace, founded on respect for the rights and liberties of peoples."

The declaration refers to the retirement of the Germans on the French front, which it says "is without doubt a prelude to other battles in which the enemy will exhaust his last resources."

"France," the declaration continues, "feels that her confidence is acquiring new impulsion from these results of our unshakable firmness and the skillful strategic preparations of the commanders of our army."

## Big Riots Reported in German Capital Over Food Shortage

London, March 21.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent reports that it is rumored that serious riots have broken out in Berlin in connection with the scarcity of food.

A dispatch from Oldenzaal, Holland, says persistent rumors are current of great rioting in Berlin. The dispatch adds: "Frontier regiments are reported to have left for Berlin to maintain order."

## MINING BILL IS A MASTERLY STROKE

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## SYSTEMATIC SURVEY OF RESOURCES OF PROVINCE

Legislative Press Gallery, March 20.  
The Minister of Mines this afternoon brought down his bill to provide for a mineral survey of the province and for the development of the mining resources of B. C. in which are included provisions for the protection of wage-earners and investors, and the aiding of prospectors and miners.

From the title one might have expected a bill of a couple of hundred sections and very bulky in its size, with long and interminable forms of words concealing the intent of the law, if it had any intent. Hon. William Sloan has achieved, with the aid of ordinary English, in the space of 16 sections, covering less than six pages of a bill, what any of his predecessors would have taken the larger amount of room to spread forth, and he has done it so clearly that the man in the street can pick the bill up, read it and know what the intentions of the Minister and the Government are.

## PLEA OF GUILTY BY GERMAN PLOTTERS

## A GENERAL AMNESTY ORDERED IN RUSSIA

Sander and Wunnenburg Will Be Sentenced To-morrow at New York

Political Prisoners Benefit by Change in Government; Recognition for Finland

Petrograd, March 21.—A general political amnesty has been ordered by the Provisional Government. The order is embodied in the following ukase:

"Yielding to the demands of the national conscience, in the name of historic justice and in commemoration of the definite triumph of the new regime founded upon right and liberty, we order a general political amnesty."

The Provisional Government also has published a manifesto fully confirming the constitution of Finland and ordering its application in full form.

The manifesto grants comprehensive amnesty to all political prisoners. It also provides for an early convocation of the Finnish Diet.

State Notes.  
Petrograd, March 21.—The Provisional Government has increased by 2,000,000,000 rubles the amount which the state bank may issue in state notes.

Some Arrests.  
London, March 21.—The orthodox clergy at Kiev, Russia, have recognized the new Government, Reuter's Petrograd correspondent reports.

Governor-General Gondatti, in charge of the Siberian province of Amur, and General Mostchenko, commander of the troops there, are reported to have been arrested.

The Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz has been arrested and brought before the Duma. (The House of Mecklenburg-Strelitz is German. Duke Charles, a cousin of the Grand Duke, was naturalized as a Russian a few days before war broke out.)

General Baron Fredericks, who was Emperor Nicholas's minister of court, has been arrested at Gomel, being apprehended at the railway station and lodged in a hotel under guard. (Baron Fredericks was on the Imperial train with Emperor Nicholas at Vishera, 125 miles southeast of Petrograd, when the Emperor learned of his deposition. Gomel is in Southern Russia near the Black Sea coast.)

Universal Training  
IN UNITED STATES

Washington, March 21.—Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, who was a White House caller today, said he would reintroduce the universal military training bill as soon as Congress convenes on April 2. In the meantime he will confer with Secretary Baker over the form of the measure.

Senator Chamberlain did not know whether a call for volunteers was likely, but thought that Congress would be ready to take any steps thought necessary by the President.

## RAPID PROGRESS IS BEING MADE ON SOMME-AISNE LINE; RUSSIANS IN MESOPOTAMIA

## More Ground Passes Into Hands of French; More Extended German Withdrawal Seems Imminent; Turks Near Aden Cut From Their Headquarters

Paris, March 21.—Rapid progress is being made by the French forces in pursuit of the retreating Germans on the Somme-Aisne front, the War Office announces. Important gains were made on both sides of the Laon road, ten villages being captured.

After a severe fight in which heavy losses were inflicted, French troops carried Savrienois Castle and the village of Jussy, about nine miles south of St. Quentin. Skirmishes between French cavalry and German detachments occurred on the Ham-St. Quentin road. South of Chauny, the French are occupying the Ailette line and consolidating their new positions.

A German surprise attack in the Champagne was repulsed.

## ABOUT TO GIVE IN ON U-BOAT CAMPAIGN?

American Correspondent in London Thinks Germany May Step Backward

New York, March 21.—The New York Tribune's correspondent in London, in a cable message filed on Tuesday, speculates on the possibility that Germany may withdraw from her unrestricted submarine warfare. He asks:

"Is Germany about to make a political withdrawal matching in importance her military retirement in France, which, according to Major Morath, is purely for strategic reasons?"

The conference Bethmann-Hollweg held at Vienna last week, the Tribune's correspondent states, may be followed by an announcement of immediate interest to the United States.

"From dispatches," he states, "it is clear that the German Chancellor is playing dangerously near the brink of disaster so many times that an eleventh-hour withdrawal on the submarine question still is a possibility, if not a probability."

"For Germany to recede from her unrestricted submarine campaign would mean an advantage for the Allies; to persist in it would mean war with the United States. Bethmann-Hollweg has paved the way for withdrawal."

Six Survey Districts.  
The province is divided into six mineral survey districts, each of which will have a permanent survey station and office, these being at Prince Rupert, Hazelton, Kamloops, Grand Forks, Revelstoke and Nanaimo. There will be a duly qualified resident mining engineer in charge of each district, and he is to undertake and carry on continuously a mineral survey of his district, keep complete and comprehensive records and plans as the work progresses, make reports from time to time, and perform all the duties which this act imposes upon a resident engineer.

Aid to Miners.  
Under the head of giving aid to miners and prospectors it is specifically directed that these resident engineers shall do so, as far as practicable, in the following manner:

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## GERMANS TRYING AGAIN FOR PEACE

## ARMY OF RUSSIA

## Great Change in Russia Has Put Fear Into Their Hearts

London, March 21.—An appeal to the Russian army has been issued by the Provisional Government, according to a Petrograd dispatch to Reuter's. The proclamation, which is signed by Premier Lvoff and Minister of War Guchkoff, says:

"The people will be able to carry through successfully the reorganization of life at home provided they are well defended against the enemy outside. The Government is certain that the army, mindful of this fact, will maintain its power, solidarity and discipline intact and will do its utmost to bring the war to a victorious end."

Nicholas Under Arrest.  
London, March 21.—The Russian Government has ordered that the deposed Emperor and his consort shall be regarded as having been deprived of their liberty and that they shall be brought to Tsarskoe Selo, Reuter's Petrograd correspondent telegraphs.

## SIR ADAM BECK MAKES A CHARGE IN TORONTO

Toronto, March 21.—With respect to the charge made by Sir Adam Beck in the Legislature yesterday to the effect that for months the Electrical Development Company had been stealing the people's water-power by developing more horse-power than allowable under its agreement, Sir William Mackenzie, when seen this forenoon, stated that he was not interested in Sir Adam's charge and had not read the story up to the present.

"If I were Mackenzie," stated Sir Henry M. Pellatt, "I would take action. The facts are twisted to suit the speaker's purpose."

## DELUGE AT HONOLULU.

Honolulu, March 21.—The heaviest rains in years were experienced here during the past 48 hours. The deluge undermined foundations of buildings and did other damage. The streets in the lower levels were running rivers.

Bare-legged Kanaka boys caught fish in the principal street at Waikiki Beach, the world-famous swimming resort.

## TORNADO KILLS FIVE.

Little Rock, Ark., March 21.—Five persons were killed and four seriously injured in a tornado which swept a small section near Delark, Ark., early today, according to reports received here.



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## MORE GROUND PASSED IN HANDS OF ALLIES

More Important Points on Somme-Aisne Front Were Occupied

Paris, March 21.—The War Office gave out the following report last night:

"North of the Aisne our troops, while making new progress, occupied the reconquered zone.

"Our cavalry pushed forward as far as the outskirts of Roupy, about 7 kilometers from St. Quentin, where they gave chase to German cavalry patrols.

"Northeast of Chauny our infantry occupied Tergnier to-day and crossed the canal of St. Quentin. Several lively skirmishes with enemy detachments ended to our advantage.

"During this pursuit, extending over several days, we have suffered quite insignificant losses on the entire front. Everywhere we have been able to observe proven German vandalism of no military value.

"This afternoon our aviators reported that the historic ruins of Coucy-le-Chateau had been destroyed by an explosion.

"Evacuating Noyon, the enemy carried off by force fifty young girls from 15 to 25 years of age.

"The day was relatively calm on the rest of the front."

A Belgian communication said: "The artillery activity was less intense than on preceding days because

## BLONDIN RESIGNS TO JOIN FORCES

Postmaster-General Offers His Services to Minister of Militia

Ottawa, March 21.—Hon. P. E. Blondin, Postmaster-General, has tendered his resignation, and Sir George Foster, Acting Prime Minister, has called Sir Robert Borden to that effect. It is announced that Mr. Blondin has resigned his portfolio for the purpose of enlisting in the overseas forces. He has written a letter to the Minister of Militia in the following terms:

Ottawa, March 20.—Dear Sir Edward Kemp: I must inform you that I have put my resignation as Postmaster-General in the hands of the Acting Prime Minister in order to offer myself in the overseas forces. I am willing to put myself at your orders, and consequently I apply for enlistment in the overseas forces of Canada.—Yours truly, P. E. Blondin.

It is stated that Sir Edward Kemp proposes to ask Mr. Blondin to recruit a battalion for service at the front as a part of the Canadian expeditionary forces.

Mr. Blondin was born in December, 1874, and, therefore is 42 years of age. He was elected to the House of Commons for the constituency of Champlain in 1908, and re-elected in 1911. He was appointed Deputy Speaker of the House on the opening of the new Parliament, that year. In October, 1914, he became Minister of Inland Revenue. In October, 1915, he was appointed Secretary of State, and at the beginning of the present year he succeeded the late Hon. T. Chase Casgrain as Postmaster-General. He is the French-Canadian Conservative leader in the province of Quebec.

It is believed here that Mr. Blondin's resignation will be accepted, the supposition being that an acting minister will be named during his absence.

For Some Time

Ottawa, March 21.—Intimate friends of Hon. P. E. Blondin, who has placed his resignation in the hands of Sir George Foster in order that he may volunteer for service overseas, say that the Postmaster-General has been seriously considering taking this step for some time past. It is expected here that Mr. Blondin will be authorized immediately to raise a French-Canadian battalion in Quebec, but this would not necessarily involve his immediate retirement from the cabinet.

## ASQUITH DEFENDS KITCHENER'S COURSE

Churchill Says Dardanelles Operations Based on Plans of Experts

London, March 21.—An energetic defence of the late Field-Marshal Earl Kitchener was made in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. Asquith, former Prime Minister, who replied to the criticism levelled at his government in the recently published report of the Dardanelles Commission.

"Lord Kitchener was a masterful man, endowed with formidable personality and disposed by nature to keep his own counsel," said Mr. Asquith. "But it is a mistake to suggest that he lived in isolation and did not consult military opinion as to the conduct of the war. That is untrue, but it is true that during the early months of the war he acted as his own chief of staff."

"When the war broke out the officers of the General Staff were sent to the front. Their places were taken by officers who had been in retirement. The best and highest authority at that time was Lord Kitchener himself. Up to no man in history had a heavier burden been cast, and nothing fills me with greater indignation than the attack made on Lord Kitchener, whose memory is in no danger and will live."

Resources Lacking.

Mr. Asquith said the Dardanelles expedition was primarily a naval one because Lord Kitchener had proved to the satisfaction of the War Council that the resources to make it a joint military and naval undertaking were not available. The War Council had spent three weeks in examining the British and French naval expert opinion favored the enterprise: The adverse view of Admiral Lord Fisher, then First Sea Lord, was not founded on technical naval objections, but upon his preference for a different objective in a totally different sphere of operations.

The delay in sending troops, Mr. Asquith continued, was due to the Russian position, which was then bad, and pressure was brought to bear by both the British and French commanders-in-chief to keep their troops in France.

Mr. Asquith asserted that the Dardanelles operations had saved the situation in the Caucasus, prevented for months the defection of Bulgaria to the Central Powers, kept 300,000 Turks mobilized, destroyed some of the finest troops in the Turkish army and contributed to the favorable results witnessed in Egypt, Mesopotamia and Persia.

No Good Purpose.

The suggestion that no good purpose would be served by having the Dardanelles Commission continue its labors was received by the House with loud cheers. The suggestion was made by Sir Mark Sykes, who vigorously defended the Dardanelles operations.

Col. Churchill.

Col. the Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, formerly First Lord of the Admiralty, severely criticized the manner in which the Commission's report had been prepared.

"They built up the narrative by clippings and documents and by sentences from the evidence of witnesses," said Col. Churchill.

He admitted, however, that the commissioners had swept away directly or by implication many serious and reckless charges, and that the burden of responsibility that he had borne alone for the last two years now was shared by the most eminent men of the country had produced in generations. The decision with regard to the Dardanelles, said Col. Churchill, was not based on the opinions of experts, but on the plans of experts and the readiness of experts to execute these plans. No body had a right to say naval opinion had not been marshalled behind the Admiralty's actions.

Warmly denying that he urged Admiral Lord Fisher, then First Sea Lord, to give his silent and reluctant consent to the enterprise, Col. Churchill said:

"Lord Fisher did not declare definitely that he consented to undertake the operations. After balancing all the possibilities, he exerted himself to the utmost, and even offered to go out himself and take charge of it. It was not until the new situation had arisen and the admiral on the spot was unwilling to go forward that Lord Fisher said he would not press him."

## SIR N. CHAMBERLAIN URGES NEED OF ALL AVAILABLE FOR ARMY

London, March 21.—In an appeal to employers to amalgamate by pooling their interests so as to release available labor to fill gaps in the army, Colonel Sir Neville Chamberlain said yesterday: "When the Germans make a stand we will see terrible fighting and heavy casualties, and in order to defeat them and secure a decision this summer we must keep the army reinforced."

"It is a long way from Bapaume to Berlin or even from Bapaume to the Rhine, and we must prepare for the fiercest battles to come. We must not let the army languish for reinforcements and therefore must rob some trades of their labor in order to fill the places of men who have gone to join the army in other places."

## MOUNTAIN LUMBERMEN ARE CALLING FOR MEN

Calgary, March 21.—The Mountain Lumbermen's Association, in session here, has decided to call on the National Service Board for 5,000 men to man its members' camps and mills this year. Fifty mill owners are attending the convention. A 25 per cent. increase in wages is being paid but more men are badly needed.

## TWO SUBMARINES TAKEN.

Newport, R. I., March 21.—The trapping of two German submarines was reported by Captain E. L. Smith, of the American steamship Alaskan, which arrived yesterday from La Pallice, France, for New York, according to the pilot who brought the ship into the harbor. The U-boats, Captain Smith said, were detected lurking beneath the surface of the sea by observers of the French aircraft patrol.

The aeroplanes signalled for trawlers and circled about, directing the placing of nets. In a little while the nets were drawn completely about the unsuspecting submarines, which were hopelessly encased and brought to the surface. They were lying side by side in the harbor of La Pallice when the Alaskan sailed.

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## A REPUBLICAN FORM OF GOVERNMENT SOON

Belief in Petrograd People of Russia Will So Decide Question

Petrograd, March 20.—Via London, March 21.—The procedure of the new Government, it was learned at the Foreign Office to-day, will rest exclusively in the control of the Council of Ministers until the convocation of the constitutional assembly. The Duma committee, having fulfilled its task as the temporary governing body during the days of the revolution, will thus pass out of existence as the chief executive body of the nation and will surrender its extraordinary powers to a cabinet whose premier, Prince Lvoff, will have authority approximating that of the president of a republic.

It is impossible as yet to forecast with any certainty the final form the Government will assume, since it will depend entirely upon the collective will of the entire people, expressed through universal suffrage.

The belief prevails in official circles that the opinion of the country will be found to favor a republican form of government, not under a president, but under a commission similar to the governing body of Switzerland.

In any event the old regime is dead, the Foreign Office to-day informed a representative of the Associated Press, and nothing can resurrect it. If the people should decide upon a monarchy, it will be a monarchy of the most limited type and the monarch will be stripped of all the traditional powers which belonged to the Emperor and he will be little more than ruler in name only.

The Foreign Office reiterated the declaration already made by the new Government concerning liberty and full rights for all the races which are component parts of the nation, and it was said that since this was applicable to Jews as well as others, nothing would stand in the way of a new commercial treaty with the United States.

## FRENCH MADE GAINS NORTH OF MONASTIR

Paris, March 21.—French troops in Macedonia, according to a War Office announcement, have captured a hill and two towns about three miles north of Monastir, after stubborn resistance by the enemy. They also took more than 1,500 prisoners, including 11 officers.

Berlin, March 21.—The nine-day battle on the Macedonian front has been without success for the French, according to a War Office report of yesterday, which read:

"The struggle that has been going on for the last nine days between Lakes Ochrida and Prespa, as well as on the heights north of the Monastir basin, was equally unsuccessful for the French yesterday. North of Lake Doiran several British companies were dispersed by our artillery fire."

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## CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, March 21.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.

Killed in action—Pte. F. Welch, England.

Died—Pte. W. J. Brock, West Lorne, Ont.; Pte. J. F. Mitchell, Leadville, Col. Previously reported missing; now reported killed in action—Pte. T. H. Bye, Toronto; Pte. George Heron, Fort Hope, Ont.

Wounded—Sergt. James Cranston, Scotland; Cpl. W. G. Cooke, England; Pte. A. W. Billeby, Ottawa; Pte. L. Camosai, Trenton, Ont.; Cpl. I. P. MacDonald, Fort Hawkesbury, N. S.; Pte. R. C. Norris, Scotland; Pte. Harold Bridges, Cranbrook, B. C.; Pte. A. T. Drysdale, King's, Ont.; Pte. W. H. Taylor, Headingley, Man.; Pte. Wm. McDonald, Bloomington, Ont.; Pte. John Snow, South Vancouver, B. C.; Pte. W. R. Burr, New Westminster, B. C.; Pte. Fred Masters, England; Pte. W. Braithwaite, England.

Reported wounded—Pte. J. A. Fournier, Bonaventure, Que.; Pte. George Legat, Valleyfield, Que.; Pte. Paul Landry, Rochester, Que.; Pte. M. E. Shook, Hatfield, B. C.; Pte. Victor Woods, Haliburton, Ont.; Pte. W. Daveler, Dayton, Ohio; Pte. Earl Cotey, Lindsay, Ont.

Reported wounded; remaining on duty—Pte. W. B. Fisher, Vancouver; Pte. Aubrey Fisher, Vancouver; Pte. G. T. Goddard, England; Pte. Wm. Skelton, Kingston.

Reported missing—Pte. A. E. Stratford, Tompkins, Sask.; Pte. Matthews Fraser, St. Catharines, Ont.

Suffering from gas poisoning—Cpl. A. Baillie, Montreal.

Previously reported wounded; now not wounded—Pte. W. T. Hunt, Ottawa; Joseph J. M. Stevenson, Scotland; Pte. Joseph Burnett, Montreal; Pte. Joseph McIntosh, Sydney Mines, C. B.; Pte. Hector McDonald, Sydney Mines, N. S.; Pte. N. LaJole, Montbello, Que.; Pte. Duncan McLaren, Montreal; Pte. Chas. Hays, Beetham, N. S.; Pte. Wm. Baker, no id.; Pte. John McMillan, Montreal; Pte. Solomon Leblanc, Quebec; Pte. John Hefferman, Gouville, Nfld.

Artillery.

Seriously ill—Gnr. L. H. Bagg, Montreal; Gnr. Wm. Roberts, England.

Wounded—Gnr. C. G. Booth, Toronto.

Mounted Rifles.

Seriously ill—Pte. W. H. Hale, Toronto, Medical Service.

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# BRAVE VANCOUVER CHIEF OF POLICE AND LITTLE BOY KILLED BY NEGRO, DRUG-CRAZED, WHO ENDED OWN LIFE

### White Girl, Negro's Companion, Now Held on Charge of Murder; Acting Detective Cameron Seriously Wounded; Other Members of Police Force Also Received Wounds in Four-Hour Struggle

Vancouver, March 21.—Chief of Police Malcolm B. MacLennan was shot and instantly killed last night by Robert Tate, a notorious colored character, while leading a party of police to effect the arrest of the man who earlier in the evening had murdered George Robb, aged 8, and seriously wounded Acting-Detective John Cameron. The negro later committed suicide, and Frankie Russell, his white paramour, who remained with him in a barricaded room in an apartment at 522 Georgia Street, East, for four hours while he resisted arrest, surrendered to the police, and is now held at police headquarters on a charge of murder.

The chief of police was shot through the head with a charge of buckshot. He was unarmed at the time. The boy, whose widowed mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Robb, resides at 522 Georgia Street, East, is believed to have been killed by a bullet from a high-powered rifle as he was walking on the opposite side of the street. He

blood to resist and murder anyone who interfered with him, and had provided himself with an arsenal consisting of two rifles, two revolvers and a shotgun, and so rapidly did he fire when the police approached that it is alleged that the Russell woman either must have been leading the guns for him or assisting him in the use of the firearms.

After his suicide the woman declared that she had been forced to remain in the bedroom where the negro had entrenched himself, and that she could not escape until after his death. She did not surrender, however, until some twenty minutes after he was dead, his body lying across her as she protruded herself on the floor to escape the volleys that the police were pouring through the door and walls of the room. When she did give herself up to Divisional Inspector David Scott it was after she had been told that unless she came out of the room she would be killed, as the police were preparing to dynamite the house.

How It Started. The trouble started when Frank King, 75 Seventh Avenue, West, owner of the apartments where Tate and the white woman lived, accompanied his agent, Hector McKinnon, to the place in order to collect the rent, which was in arrears. Tate flourished a gun and threatened them, and they withdrew, reporting his actions to the police. Police Constable Duncan Johnston was sent to investigate, and finding that the negro was in an ugly mood, asked for assistance to be sent. Acting-Detectives Russell and Cameron accordingly were sent to the scene.

The landlord accompanied the officers up the stairway to the landing. Detective Russell, through having acted as jailer for several years, was well acquainted with Tate, and volunteered to do the talking. He rapped on the door.

"Who's there?" demanded the negro. "It is me," answered Russell. "And who's me?" "Russell." "You were a pretty good guy to me, Russell, but I've been acting stool too often and have been double-crossed," the colored man answered. "You are not going to take me—I'll go under first."

"Come on, Bob, open the door; I want to talk to you. I never double-crossed you," parried the detective. Shot Through Door.

There was no answer from within, and without the slightest warning the cowardly negro shot through the glass of the door, using a shotgun. The charge scattered over the faces of the four men, badly wounding Cameron and King, both of whom received pellets in their eyes, while one side of Russell's face was peppered and his hat was blown off his head and the revolver from his hand. Johnston and Russell assisted Cameron, who seemed to be the most seriously injured, down the stairway. King followed, Russell ran across the street to telephone, and as he ran Tate continued to shoot, using a rifle.

Russell had just sent a call for assistance to police headquarters, and was emerging from the store at 501 Georgia Street, east, when he saw little George Robb step up on the sidewalk from the roadway. He heard another shot, and saw the little fellow stagger and sink to the sidewalk. Without a moment's hesitation Russell, him-

self half blinded with blood from his wounds, rushed forward and gathered the little fellow up in his arms. Around him pattered the bullets from the murderer's rifle. Russell ran with the boy in his arms across the front of the house in which Tate was located, and carried the boy into the home of some Italians at 538 Georgia Street, from where he telephoned for the ambulance. Johnston remained on guard while Russell went to the hospital with the men.

Reserves to Scene. Soon the station reserves were on the scene of the tragedy—it being between the hours of 7 and 8 p.m., the relief men of the traffic squad were at headquarters—while the officers from the nearby beats were drawn into the neighborhood, and soon had a conundrum drawn about the immediate neighborhood. Chief MacLennan, Deputy Chief McRae and Inspector of Detectives Jackson were telephoned for, and with Inspector Craig were soon at the scene in charge of the operations.

After a consultation it was decided that the best plan would be to rush the rooms up the narrow stairway at the side of the building. To this end, under cover, constables and detectives secured positions commanding the windows at the front and rear of the building.

Shortly after 8 o'clock the party, headed by Detective Inspector Jackson and composed of that officer, Chief MacLennan, Deputy Chief McRae, Inspector Craig and Detectives Denning, McLaughlin and Ricci, mounted the narrow stairway leading to the landing. The chief had no revolver, but carried a heavy fire axe. As he mounted the stair Detective Ricci begged him not to endanger himself, but the chief paid no heed to the warning and pushed forward to be first into the house.

Chief Killed. The officers succeeded in getting into the place, but in the darkness had no idea in which room the murderer had entrenched himself. Inspector Jackson passed the door of the room in which he was located, as did also the chief, while the other officers advanced toward the front room and into the kitchen. Inspector Jackson turned and kicked in the panels of the bedroom door, and immediately a rain of shots greeted him. He dodged back into the kitchen, as did also the chief. Jackson did not realize that it was the chief who was in the room with him, but when he heard the moan and crash of a heavy man falling, after the negro shot from his bedroom through the door leading from the sitting room to the kitchen, he knew that it was one of the men of the department, and as soon as the firing from the bedroom stopped he emptied his revolver in the direction of the bedroom, as did also the other officers. Having expended all the ammunition in their guns, the police withdrew to reload, and it was then that it was discovered that the chief had been hit.

Inspector Anderson was in the same room, and he, too, realized that one of the men of the department had fallen, he himself having a miraculous escape, being in the direct line of fire, close to the chief when the head of the department fell.

Reached the Body. Deputy Chief McRae, not wishing to sacrifice more lives uselessly, called a halt. Several officers, including Detectives McLaughlin and Russell, volunteering to enter the place to ascertain the extent of the chief's injuries, and endeavor to get him out of the place. McLaughlin and Russell, as well as several policemen, did succeed in getting to the room, McLaughlin reaching the side of the body, when Tate appeared before him with a gun. He withdrew. The officers, however, ascertained that the chief was dead.

Deputy Chief McRae sent to police headquarters for rifles and ammunition, and communicated as well with the army officers at Hastings Park with a view to obtaining a squad of soldiers to bombard the place with service rifles. Round After Round. Upon the arrival of the rifles and ammunition, Divisional Inspector David Scott and Police Constable Berry took up firing places at the windows of an empty apartment house directly opposite the place, believing that Tate was in the front bedroom. Assistant Fire Chief Charles Thompson arrived with a hose wagon bearing a powerful searchlight, which was used to illuminate the back veranda in case Tate should make an effort to escape by the rear stairway. Guards were placed with drawn revolvers to cover this stairway, and the signal being given, Inspector Scott and Berry poured round after round of ammunition through the walls of the building, searching the different quarters of the place with their fire. For 15 or 20 minutes the officers continued their fusillade, and although several shots were heard in the house, Tate having fired again toward the doors through which he expected the police to charge, it was thought that possibly he had been wounded.

Recovered Body. Police Constable Murphy, of the motorcycle squad, a returned soldier, offered to manufacture several hand grenades and lead a bombing expedition into the building, but before this could be attempted, and while a search was being made for explosives, the deputy chief suggested that another effort be made to get the body of the chief. Constable Berry and Police Constable McLeod and Detectives Roy Perry and McLaughlin volunteered to make an attempt. A bathhook was secured, and with this they mounted the stairs to the side door. By reaching in they could only touch the chief's boots. Then Berry volunteered to risk going into the direct line of fire to recover the body if the other officers would cover the door of the room in which the murderer was entrenched. This they did. Upon the occasion of the first raid into the place, when the chief was killed, Inspector Jackson had succeeded in turning on one of the lights and this not only served to give some faint illumination of the interior, but also made Berry a conspicuous target. The

constable reached the body of the chief, and succeeded in carrying the remains to the veranda, where it was discovered that death had been instantaneous, a great hole having been bored in his forehead by the charge from the shotgun.

Fire Chief Thompson suggested a sulphur smudge, and was making preparations to smoke Tate and the depraved woman out of their hiding place when Inspector Scott and several other officers chanced down and slipped into the house. Scott called to the Russell woman to come out, saying that preparations were under way to dynamite the house.

"I can't come. He's dead and is lying across me," she answered. "Come out or I'll shoot through the door and then blow you up," threatened the inspector.

Secured the Woman. "I'm coming," answered the prostitute, opening the door, which Scott, Detective Denning and their fellow officers kept covered with their revolvers. "Throw up your hands," ordered Inspector Scott, suspecting that the woman might be coming out in the guise of a shield for the negro. The woman's hands went up just in time, as the hammer on the inspector's revolver rose.

"He's dead. He killed himself," stammered the woman, and the other officers seized her. "He shot himself before the last time you shot."

Not knowing whether the woman was telling the truth, and anticipating further shooting, the officers rushed the barricaded room, smashed in the door, and found Tate dead on the floor. He had placed his shotgun in his forehead and blown off the top of his head, a portion of his scalp adhering to the ceiling.

## BULGARIANS USED ASPHYXIATING SHELLS

### Killed Old Men, Women and Children in Open Town of Monastir

Corfu, Greece, March 20.—Via London, March 21.—Asphyxiating gas bombs thrown into the open city of Monastir by the Bulgarians in their violent bombardment on March 17 killed more than 50 civilians, including 25 women and 31 children, according to the Serbian press bureau. Nearly 20 others, mostly women and children, were killed by shellfire. The bureau has received the following from Salonica:

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MEETINGS AND ENTERTAINMENTS

Notices of ratemakers, political, suffrage, patriotic, lodge, society, club or church meetings and services, concerts, socials, etc.

WILL THEY STAND?

The situation on the western front has reached an intensely interesting stage. It is but a question of hours when we shall know whether the Germans intend to make a stand on the Douai-Cambrai-La Fere-Loon line or are going to retire upon Lille-Hirsonne-Meuse, thereby evacuating all but the narrow strip of France along the Belgian border.

Press dispatches report large fires in the rear of the so-called Hindenburg line. This certainly is not an indication of the enemy's intention to make an immediate stand.

becomes a very elusive quantity, and this would be particularly true of the Germans, who have not the incentive of fighting on their own soil and who are notoriously bad losers.

German newspapers and military commentators are having an interesting time explaining the Hun retirement to the German people. The difficulty of their task is increased by the remarkable Russian revolution, which has emboldened the critics and stimulated the discontent of the masses.

BLONDIN'S EXIT.

It is unfortunate for the Hon. P. E. Blondin if his political record should open to question the motives and considerations which prompted his spectacular exit from the Canadian Government.

DRUG FIENDS.

The tragedy in Vancouver, in which a gallant chief of police and a little boy were the victims of a drug-crazed negro or his consort or both, emphasizes the necessity of a relentless campaign for the suppression of a form of vice to which too little attention has been given.

WHERE IS THE CONTRACT?

During the recent debate in the House of Commons on the Ross rifle, the Hon. Arthur Meighen, the champion hair-splitter of Parliament, contended that the present Government was bound to equip the Canadian troops with that weapon, no matter what happened, owing to the contract agreed upon between the company and the late administration.

AID TO MINING.

The Government is losing no time in fulfilling its pledge to assist the mining industry. The bill introduced by the Minister of Mines yesterday is calculated to promote to a material extent the development of our mineral resources on a systematic scale.

CONGRESS OF STATES CALLED FOR APRIL 2; ACTION IS EXPECTED

The Vancouver Province says Joe Martin is writing a history of Canada, the only true and authentic record of events in this young Dominion that has yet been printed.

U-BOATS MAKING WAR ON AMERICAN TRADE

New York, March 21.—During Germany's first month of unrestricted submarine warfare around England, Scotland and Ireland, the American export trade through New York to those countries dropped nearly \$35,500,000 as compared with that in February of 1916, according to figures made public here to-day by the collector of customs.

COALITION WON.

London, March 21.—In a by-election held yesterday at Stockton-on-Tees, made necessary through the recent death of Jonathan Samuel, Liberal member of parliament, Bertram Watson, won the seat.

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conspiracies with foreign powers for disruption of the States, that they have been engineering plots for the murder of American citizens and actually have procured the murder of many of them, both on land and sea, and for the destruction of property, the charge cannot be laid against the President that he has been lacking in patience.

Shorn of his power, his titles, his orders and his honors, the late Czar of all the Russias would appear to be a helpless and harmless individual, yet the new democracy has decided that he must be deprived of his individual liberty.

Verily the ways and the ideas of the Hun, wherever he may be, are past finding out. Germans in a country torn of one of the western states forced officials to tear down a flag that offended their sensibilities.

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While the war obscures all other issues, in normal times the session of the Legislature now proceeding would be considered of extraordinary importance. That is the reason the Times is giving a great deal of space to reports of its proceedings.

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When the word that the President had summoned Congress went through the Entente embassies to-day it was received with acclamation. There is not a diplomat in the corps who does not believe that it means the entry of the United States into the great war, bringing its wealth, its armed forces, its great resources and its moral power to the side of the Entente powers in what they feel is their battle for the preservation of civilization and democracy.

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Mr. John Jessop read a financial statement at Pandora Avenue, Methodist Church yesterday showing that the church and site cost \$82,000, and the net debt is \$40,000.

R. L. T. Galbraith, of Fort Steele, East Kootenay, arrived in the city on Saturday night, and will remain on the coast until navigation opens on the Columbia. Mr. Galbraith is confident that the C. P. R. Co. will build a line through the Crow's Nest Pass at a very early date.

Jockeys are at work training at the Driving Park for the spring meeting. Speeding is also taking place at the beach at Bowker's Bay.

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**B. C. Forest Club.**—At the annual meeting of the B. C. Forest Club, held in the rooms of the Terminal City Club, a resolution was passed urging the faculty of the University of British Columbia to adopt a short course in lumbering, logging and cruising such as is done in the University of Washington. A committee consisting of Messrs. A. B. Buckworth, R. L. Morae and W. B. W. Armstrong was appointed to interview President Westbrook. The following will compose the executive of the club for the current year: President, Aird Flavell, Port Moody; vice-president, W. B. W. Armstrong; secretary-treasurer, W. J. Van Dusen; executive, E. C. Knight, Roy Cameron and R. L. Morae; programme secretary, Dr. J. Clark.

**Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product.**

**Fined \$10.**—Nason and Levy, second-hand dealers of this city were fined \$10 and \$2.50 costs in the Police Court this morning for failing to comply with the by-law which requires that a daily report of goods purchased be given to the police authorities.

**Wounds Not Serious.**—A telegram received yesterday by W. R. Ross, M. P., states that his son, Lieut. W. C. Ross, who was wounded recently in the attack on the General Hospital at Etaples, France, and that he is making satisfactory progress.

**Tillikum School.**—C. Elwood Watkins, who designed the High School, and several graded schools for the City School Board, has been selected to draw plans for the new Tillikum School. This was decided at a meeting of the Saanich School Board on Monday.

**Taking Wise Move.**—Dr. A. G. Price, City Health Officer, is inaugurating a useful move in circulating the residents of Chinatown in Chinese about certain health conditions there. As soon as the circular comes from the printers, it will be distributed to the best advantage among the Oriental population.

**Arion Club Singing.**—On Monday evening at the Belmont Building in connection with the War Trophies Exhibition the Arion Club will give a concert. The music will commence at 8.30, and as the programme has been specially arranged with a view to suitability for the occasion visitors will find the concert of particular interest.

**Equal Pensions.**—Mr. Charles Macdonald, Liberal candidate for the federal riding of Vancouver South, addressing the Ward IV. Liberal Association advocated, the equalization of pensions. A protest was lodged against giving naturalized Japanese the vote, and another resolution urged the establishment of the compensation board headquarters at Vancouver.

**Motor Cycle Police Patrol.**—It is proposed to abolish the mounted patrol in the city, and replace it by a continuous mounted cycle patrol of the usual three shifts. The subject was one of those before the police commissioners this afternoon. It is felt that effective service could be secured by the cyclist corps, and that the mounted horsemen are somewhat ornamental, and their services could be better employed in another direction. There will be considerable sympathy shown with this alteration, because mounted men in a city are unusual.

**Court Mourning Ordered.**—A telegram under date of March 20, 1917, was received yesterday by Lieut.-Gov. Barnard from Thomas Mulvey, Under-Secretary of State, Ottawa. The message was as follows: "Colonial Secretary cables that twenty-one days court mourning has been ordered for Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught from March 15; half mourning from April 5 to April 12." The parliamentary dinner, which was to have been given on Thursday at Government House and other functions arranged within the period mentioned, have been postponed.

**Duncan Hospital "Tag Day."**—Through the kindness of Mr. Spencer the King's Daughters will be able to use for headquarters on their tag day for the fund to rebuild the part of the Duncan Hospital recently destroyed by fire the big room in the Arcade Building at the corner of Broad and View Streets. Mr. Terry has very kindly arranged to supply lunches at a reduced charge to the ladies who are tagging. The committee is headed by Mrs. L. H. Hardie, district president of the King's Daughters, and the following: Miss Leitch, Mesdames H. A. S. Morley, Gordon Jameson, R. H. Powell, C. F. Gardiner, R. B. McMicking and Dean.

**Combined Negligence.**—The action for damages before His Honor Judge Lampman, which took up four sessions of the County Court yesterday and Monday, was completed yesterday afternoon. The case was between Burgess and the B. C. Electric Railway and arose over a collision between a street car and the Lake Hill Auto Bus on Hillside Avenue. The claim of the plaintiffs amounted to \$250. The jury brought in a verdict of negligence on the part of the defendant company, contributory negligence on the part of the plaintiffs, and ultimate negligence on the part of the defendants. A motion for judgment was deferred until Tuesday next when the case will be argued. H. C. O'Halloran appeared for the plaintiff and H. B. Robertson for the B. C. Electric.

**Irish Tea and Shower.**—The directors of the West Saanich Women's Institute entertained the members and their friends at an Irish tea and jam-shower for the Resthaven Military Convalescent Hospital last Saturday. The event took place at the home of Mrs. J. Osborne, West Saanich. The decorations were very pretty, and several novel guessing contests introduced during the afternoon formed diversion for the visitors. Prizes were awarded the successful contestants. An Irish recitation by Mrs. R. J. Parsell and a piano duet by Mesdames Stewart and Murray were both well-received and much appreciated. Tea was served by the junior members of the institute. The occasion was thoroughly successful, a large quantity of jam being collected, and the occasion being very enjoyable in a social sense.

### MENTAL UNFITNESS SUBJECT OF PAPER

Women's Canadian Club Hears From Miss Winn Many Valuable Suggestions

Yesterday's meeting of the Women's Canadian Club was a very popular one with the members, many attending to hear the paper by Miss Winn, who has already been heard several times in the city on some phase of mental training, a subject in which she has specialized. Her theme yesterday was "Moral and Social Phases of Mental Unfitness," a problem which she handled with the rare sympathy and insight which have characterized all her analysis of the question on previous occasions.

"We have here in Victoria more than one hundred social incompetents under the age of sixteen years," said the speaker in presenting the need for institutional treatment for these cases. These children were being cared for in homes for the most part; thirty were classified as too incompetent to be cared for in school at all; some were past the age for compulsory school attendance; some were in the special class. The final disposition of these children, unless special provision were made for their custodianship would be the same as with thousands who had some before and filled the prisons, detention homes, almshouses, charitable institutions, houses of refuge and insane asylums.

"How shall we determine who have sound minds and who have not?" asked Miss Winn. "First of all we need the services of psychologists far more than those of the physician. If we can get a combination of medical and psychological expertise so much the better. The most subtle cases of insanity do not baffle us so much as do those of the high-grade feeble-minded. Often in insanity there are certain accompaniments that account for the condition. But in cases of high-grade dementia the effects are so concealed beneath the surface that only a very keen student of human behavior can detect the aberrations."

Miss Winn appealed for sympathy, pity and consideration for the mentally defective. All of his wrong-doings were but symptoms of a disease. He should be treated as a patient demanding the most gentle and skillful treatment. Borderline cases could be greatly helped if taken while still young. Most of such cases were of a mild, gentle, affectionate and obedient type amenable to training along certain lines. To postpone taking care of this helpless class was the greatest folly of which the state could be guilty. One-fourth of the public revenues was devoted to the care of delinquents and dependents, and in the end public or private charities had to care for every single individual case of defectiveness. Both financially and morally the neglect of the evil was evidence of the greatest short-sightedness in the state. Whether or not any special provision was made for the protection or custodianship of social incompetents the state was ultimately obliged to assume the care of three-quarters of them.

"There are in Victoria at the lowest calculation one hundred institutional cases of defectiveness," Miss Winn repeated. "After the initial cost of housing is allowed for, the cost of maintenance per person would be in a liberal estimate \$250 per year, and this supposing that the subject is able to contribute nothing in the way of labor to his support. To curtail expenses in this direction is not practicing true economy. There is one and only one solution to the problem of the feeble-minded for their own protection and the protection of the state; they must be segregated and placed in institutions."

The farm colonies provided in some places for the disposition of these unfortunate were wise, economical and humane. Out-of-door life was essential to their well-being. The housing in cottages provided a real interest in community life and an opportunity to express their home-making and house-keeping interests. A greater and more intensive study of their aptitudes and deficiencies must be made with the idea of bringing to them the happiness that comes from consciousness of having played a part, even though small, in the work of the world.

Mrs. Peter McNaughton moved a cordial vote of thanks, seconded by Miss Wheeler, the meeting very heartily endorsing the resolution. Mrs. Hanington presided.

A programme of unusually fine character was given while the guests partook of tea. Miss May Dorrell recited in a very beautiful way one of Pauline Johnson's Indian poems, giving an encore a patriotic composition. The vocalists were Mrs. D. E. Campbell, Mrs. R. Morrison and Miss Mona Mifsud, artists who pleased by beautifully rendered songs. Miss Ida Morris, a finished pianist, gave other numbers which added to the pleasure of the afternoon. The accompanists for the soloists were Mrs. R. Hanington and Mrs. Warren.

**House to Prorogue.**—The Liberal Mook Parliament, which has been so successful and which has done a great deal to improve the speaking of the members, will formally prorogue on April 2. The formal announcement was made by the Government at the session in the Belmont Building last night. There were several interesting debates over the Education Bill, which underwent its first and second reading, and the Finance Bill, which was read a second time. Owing to the call of the outdoors it is thought wise to discontinue the meetings until the autumn, hence the decision to make the next session the last for the season.

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## "MALKIN'S BEST" WEEK

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WATCH FOR INTERESTING ANNOUNCEMENT

### SEED CULTURE ON COMMERCIAL BASIS

Mr. McMeans, of Department of Agriculture Will Address Local Growers

Reference was made in these columns some little time ago to the effect that Mr. McMeans, of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa, was on his way out West in the interest of his department and particularly in regard to the placing of contracts for seeds. As soon as this was known Commissioner Cuthbert, on behalf of the Victoria Seed Growers' Association, which is an organization tributary to the Victoria and Island Development Association, wired to the Minister on the matter, who gave further particulars on the subject of seed production and the nature of the contract Mr. McMeans would be able to enter into with Victoria growers.

The representative of the Department has made an extended tour through the Okanagan Valley and the many agricultural communities of the Interior and is expected to arrive at the Coast at the end of the present week, where he will confer with Professor Kilneck, Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture at the University of British Columbia, before proceeding to Victoria. Commissioner Cuthbert is arranging for the visitor to address the members of the Victoria organization on the subject of Seed Culture on a commercial scale.

It is believed that a number of local growers are now in a position to talk business and ready to enter into contracts with wholesalers to compete with the Californian seed producer. For that reason it is hoped that all who are interested in seed culture will avail themselves of the information the representative of the Department will have to offer.

During Mr. McMeans' visit here he will confer with Professor Stevenson, of the Sidney Experimental Farm, who is also a member of, and has rendered a great deal of assistance to, the Victoria Seed Growers' Association.

Further information relative to the address will be given as soon as it has been possible to arrange a date with Mr. McMeans.

hear a lecture and see pictures such as will edify the large audience that is expected to-morrow night. Mr. Cuthbert has had a great deal of experience on the platform and has spoken to the most representative bodies of business and transportation men on the continent. The proceeds of the entertainment which will be partly musical will go to the Red Cross.

**Mile of Cents.**—A mile of copper cents is what the pupils of the Nanaimo public schools have set out to collect for the Red Cross. The value of such a mile would be \$699.

**Public Accounts Committee.**—The legislative public accounts committee was scheduled to meet at 10 o'clock this morning, but in view of the fact that the committee-rooms were required for other committee meetings, an adjournment was ordered subject to the call of the chairman, F. A. Pauline.

**Shipment of Paper.**—The Red Cross Society expects to make a shipment of paper early next week. About twenty tons have already been delivered at the warehouse and several schools have paper ready which will be gathered up in the next few days. All schools having a ton or more of paper ready are requested to telephone the Red Cross headquarters, 5952, at once, so arrangements may be made to collect it and include the amount in this month's report.

**Rural Labor Shortage.**—In connection with the effort of the Department of Agriculture to provide rural labor this year, on account of the shortage of men, Mayor Todd is in receipt of a letter from the Deputy Minister asking for the services of the municipal bureau to be extended to embrace the rural districts. By resolution of the Council, this principle was adopted after the business men's tour of the Island last fall.

**Was Not Discouraged.**—Some time ago the City Council heard with some amazement a letter from a Toronto resident advocating the return of the Canadian troops after the war through Siberia, and urging the Pacific Coast towns to take the matter up. Not discouraged by the cool reception the letter received, the writer comes back now with an amended suggestion that the troops should be distributed throughout parts of the Empire on route home. He advocates the Russian scheme as a means of popularizing knowledge of Siberia. "The Canada Victorians have an opportunity to do it," he calls it.

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### AT THE THEATRES

#### DOMINION THEATRE.

Those who enjoy a bright, breezy comedy will be repaid by seeing Max Figman, the well-known comedian, in his delightful romance, "My Best Girl." For making the most of funny situations and as a refined minstrel-maker, Max Figman is hard to rival. The production is a light comedy photoplay full of amusing complications, woven around a charming love story. The whole picture proves highly entertaining and is sure to meet with approval. It will be seen to-night for the last time at the Dominion Theatre.

#### THE VARIETY.

Lovers of intensely dramatic photoplays, depicted in a series of strikingly beautiful scenes, will do well to attend the Variety Theatre to-night. The picture is entitled, "Should a Wife Forgive?" with Lillian Lorraine, who has achieved a wonderful success on the New York stage, as the star. The heart-stirring scenes are portrayed in a wonderful manner, and cannot fail to make a lasting impression, while the story told conveys its lesson in unmistakable language. There is not a dull minute in the whole presentation.

#### THE COLUMBIA.

Anita King and Wallace Reid, who are appearing at the Columbia to-day, are typical Americans in every sense of the word. They are now starring in the Lasky-Paramount Production, the "Golden Fetter." Wallace Reid has scored a great success in all his productions and was selected by Cecil B. De Mille to play a leading man for Geraldine Farrar in his great production founded on the story of Joan of Arc. Wally, as he is better known, is a typical big, husky American. When he has not been on the stage or before the camera he has been a civil engineer, cowboy, and everything else in fact that a young man could turn his hands to.

#### ROYAL VICTORIA.

There is really something more than a good entertainment in "The Microscope Mystery," in which are costarred Constance Talmadge and Wilfred Lucas, and which will be the feature attraction at the Royal Victoria for the last time to-night. It is a vital and much-needed public lesson in the actual danger to the public of the medicine faker. There has been much publicity given this abuse of medicine during the past eight or ten years, largely through the persistent campaign waged against many patent medicine manufacturers by high-class magazines and advertising organizations. On the same programme is also shown a very laughable two-reel Keystone comedy, "Safety First Ambrose," which rounds out a programme that is well worth seeing.

#### THE MAJESTIC.

The story in which little Mary McAllister is playing a prominent part at the Majestic Theatre is a very interesting one. Little Helen's father is at work on an invention which he expects to make him wealthy. He requires funds. The child befriends an old man, a miser, and on his deathbed he sends his accumulations of money to her. With the funds the father develops his invention and attains the wealth he expected. Then neglect by her parents, who have many social obligations, strike her into the heart of the child, who finds herself constantly under a cloud of a governess, while all her little playmates of the days before the money came continue to enjoy themselves with their childish games. Her parents, as so many others, are unaware of the misery into which they have plunged their little girl by their neglect. Rattling, roaring comedy has a prominent place on the bill.

#### PANTAGES THEATRE.

Constantino Bernardi, one of the big attractions at the Pantages this week, is acknowledged to be the world's greatest protean artist and character delineator. In his present act he performs so many amazing and mysterious things that it is practically impossible to describe them in cold type. In fact, while Bernardi's act is in progress the audience never knows where to place him, so bewildering are his actions and so frequent are his appearances and disappearances. He is seen in almost every conceivable make-up and character, his changes being made with such startling quickness and dexterity that it is difficult to realize that one is witnessing the vaudeville efforts of one man. He is fully assisted at times with his own European company. Bernardi performs the sensational stunt of letting the audience in on many of his tricks, a fact which only tends to increase the resulting mystification. As a finale to his performance, he disappears completely from sight while standing in full view of the audience, and then appears to receive his applause in many quick changes of costume. He was booked personally by Alexander Pantages.

Co. Dora offers the most sensational thriller ever presented on any stage by anyone; her number is without doubt the climax of all death defying exhibitions ever given in vaudeville; the act is causing a great deal of attention, and deservedly so. Rawls and Kaufman present a comedy entitled "A Willing Worker" that abounds in comedy lines and funny situations that score numberless laughs. George and Mae LeFevre offer a series of dancing numbers that please immensely; the Oakland Sisters provide entertainment with songs, dances and patter; Billy Small, aside from being a clever violinist, offers one of the biggest comedy musical riots ever presented in this city when he revives the characteristic playing of the old country fiddler, and the third installment of the "Pearl of the Army" serial

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CONSTANCE TALMADGE and WILFRED LUCAS  
in  
THE MICROSCOPE MYSTERY

#### DOMINION THEATRE

TO-DAY  
Max Figman and Lois Meredith  
in  
"My Best Girl"

#### COLUMBIA THEATRE

TO-DAY  
Wallace Reid and Anita King  
in  
"THE GOLDEN FETTER"  
A Lasky-Paramount Picture

#### ROMANO THEATRE

TO-NIGHT  
LILLIAN RUSSELL  
in  
"WILDFIRE"

#### MAJESTIC

CHARLIE CHAPLIN  
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### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.

J. H. Weber, of Seattle, is at the Dominion.

H. F. Blott, of Estuary, Alta., is at the Dominion Hotel.

C. H. Walker, of Seattle, is registered at the Dominion Hotel.

E. E. Steers, of Princeton, is staying at the Dominion Hotel.

W. D. Calder, of Nanaimo, is stopping at the Dominion Hotel.

S. Flaek, of Red Willow, Alta., is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.

H. C. A. Corning, of Roseland, is staying at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyler, of Ucluelet, are staying at the Dominion Hotel.

Mrs. J. Horochalin, of Malahat, is staying at the Dominion Hotel.

L. W. Patmore, of Prince Rupert, is staying at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Elliott, of Regina, are guests at the Empress Hotel.

E. A. Cathcart, of Chemainus, is registered at the Dominion Hotel.

A. E. Mainwaring, of Nanaimo, is registered at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mrs. F. J. Roberts, of Thetis Island, has registered at the Strathcona Hotel.

C. G. Owen, of Honolulu, H. I., registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

F. D. Macarquadale, of Montreal, arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Mrs. J. Anderson is down from Nanaimo and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

F. L. McFarland, of Vancouver, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

W. A. Tolmie and Sidney B. Smith, of Vancouver, are stopping at the Dominion.

Miss Gladys Peters of this city has been visiting Mrs. Frank Coulson in Toronto.

Captain and Mrs. T. B. Green, of New Westminster, were in the city yesterday.

S. Johnston and family, of Regina, are among yesterday's registrations at the Dominion.

W. Rutherford, a well-known Nelson business man, is a guest at the Empress Hotel.

Jon. Z. La Roche, of Regina, is amongst yesterday's arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.

J. J. Powell and family, of Regina, are visiting Victoria and staying at the Dominion Hotel.

W. Milligan and Eric H. Gordon, of Other Point, are new arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.

Sir Clive Phillips-Wolley is in town from Somenos and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Lacey, and R. J. Glasgow, of Salmon Arm, are guests at the Empress Hotel.

E. C. Wilson, C. R. Gordon and Wm. Rae are among the Vancouver-registrations at the Strathcona Hotel.

F. H. J. Mason, Hillside and Quadra Streets, is ill at the Jubilee Hospital and will have to undergo an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Mather and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davis, of Vancouver, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Mr. C. B. Winter, manager of the Bank of Montreal at Enderby, B. C., has been in the city visiting his son Eric, who is recovering from an operation at St. Joseph's Hospital.

At St. John's Church on Tuesday morning the wedding took place of Miss Annie Fearn, of Northfield, B. C., and Mr. J. Leask, of Cowichan Lake. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick. Miss Anne Russell, of Everett, Washington, acted as bridesmaid and Mr. E. Leask, of Victoria, best man. The wedding was very quiet. The couple will spend some time in the city before returning home.

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### REVISION OF THE B. C. DENTAL ACT---

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CAPTAIN COX WRITES ABOUT HIS EXPLOITS

How the Soldier Vote Was Taken, as One of the Machine Describes It

Legislative Press Gallery, March 20.

The debate on the address is to close tomorrow afternoon with a speech from the Minister of Mines, who will add a further Irish touch to the Irish tendency of the three speeches made in the course of the debate to-day.

Hailing all from the Green Isle, one born there and the others being proud of the fact that their fathers came from that land to Canada, it was to be expected that the three gentlemen would interest the House and do themselves credit.

John Hart, third member for Victoria, was cheered by his colleagues as he replied to unmanly insinuations made in the House, which were, but a repetition of charges made in the course of the campaign. In a dignified and gentlemanly manner Mr. Hart gave a complete refutation to the calumnies which have been given utterance to in regard to himself.

Equally effective was his reply to the Leader of the Opposition and his followers in the matter of the soldiers' vote, and the extracts which he read from correspondence of Captain W. J. Cox, puts that officer in not an enviable light and gives point to the charges made that he was a political instrument in the interests of the Bowser Government.

J. E. W. Thompson, Grand Forks, and G. G. McGeer, Richmond, both made excellent speeches, and were listened to with the utmost interest by the House. Both have a good manner of delivery, speak well, and have matter worthy of the manner to give forth. They may always rely on a ready hearing when they wish to speak.

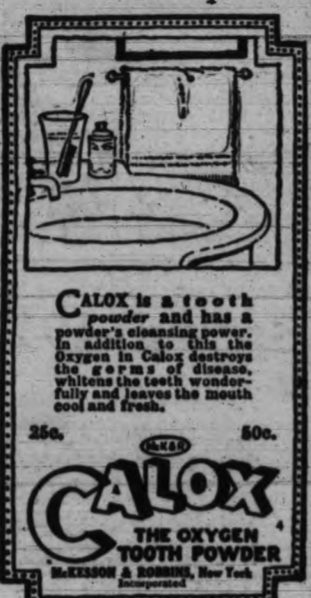
J. E. W. THOMPSON. J. E. W. Thompson (Grand Forks) hardly saw why he should speak at all, seeing that the member for Fort George had professed to speak for one-half of the province and the member for Atlin the other half. Still, he felt that the man who represented Grand Forks might well take part in the debate, seeing that riding had contributed and was producing more new wealth per capita than any other constituency in the province. Three million dollars' worth of copper ore dug out of the earth within the boundaries of Grand Forks had made possible prosperity in other districts as well. He had listened with interest to all the speeches made in this debate, he said, and each one had instilled in him greater love for the province.

Miners Want Land. The honorable gentleman welcomed what had been said by the member for Carleton (Mr. Yorton) in regard to settlement as touching closely the needs of the miner and workers generally in other districts. It was the ambition of most workers to acquire a home of their own, but under existing land laws this was impossible, as no man could, during the years while he continued to work at his trade, sacrifice the time and money to take advantage of the chance to secure a homestead. It would be good business to so amend the Land Act, or so provide in the settlement scheme, that as in the case of a free miner the spending of a certain amount each year on so many acres for a certain number of years would secure him title in due time to his homestead.

The Premier Industry. The premier industry and salvation of the province was mining, and it was very gratifying to find that it was to be wisely assisted. With proper and intelligent assistance it could, in the fulness of time, pay off the provincial debt. He would approve of encouragement for agriculture, lumber, ship-building, but above all he favored aid to mining, which would respond more quickly than any other, and the development of which would react on all other industries.

Step in Right Direction. Dealing with labor matters, Mr. Thompson insisted that the Government would have to keep faith with labor, and declared that the workers of the province were quite sure the present Government would keep faith. It was beginning by the establishing of a fortnightly pay, a step in the right direction, and there was no doubt that other reforms would follow. In the appointments made to the Workmen's Compensation Board the Government had acted wisely, and so far as the miners of his district were concerned these appointments were eminently satisfactory in every particular. There had been criticism of the board from gentlemen opposite. He would like to see the Leader of the Opposition go to Grand Forks and tell the workmen there that Parker Williams had made appointment to the board the price of support of the new Government. The honorable gentleman would not be allowed to make such a statement.

Commends Government Policies. Mr. Thompson spoke briefly of taxation, and believed that every man in the province should be compelled to pay a share of the cost of government. He said about aliens, half in jest, half



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earnest, that they should be taxed ninety-nine and ninety-nine one-hundredths of their income. Hearty support for every proposal looking towards the assistance of the returned soldiers was promised by Mr. Thompson, he approved of the grant of the franchise to women, and he commended the Government for the manner in which it was addressing itself to its mighty task, one offering a mighty opportunity.

JOHN HART. John Hart (Victoria) complimented the mover and seconder (H. C. Hall and John Keen) on their speeches, and then went on to say that he had not intended taking part in the debate himself had it not been for certain reflections and insinuations which called for a few words of reply. Continuing, the honorable gentleman said: "I have reference to the remarks of the honorable gentleman for Fort George (Mr. Ross), and to the manner in which he travelled far afield to introduce a subject which has no connection whatever with the debate or with politics, bringing in the name of an organization to which I have the honor to belong. I believe he did it for one reason alone, in an effort to distract attention from another brotherhood which has given himself some worry."

Historic Ballot-box. "I allude, Mr. Speaker, to the brotherhood that existed between the honorable gentleman from Fort George and a certain person in the city of Fernie, a brotherhood that existed prior to and at the time of the disappearance of a certain historic ballot-box from Fernie. (Hear, hear.) That brotherhood lasted throughout the trials and tribulations of the honorable gentleman; I believe there were some triumphs there during that period as well. "The member for Fort George tried to give us the real reason why it was necessary for him to leave Fernie and try his political fortunes in the Far North, but the actual explanation was the untimely ending of that brotherhood. He has pitched his tent in a far-off place, where communication is not as yet very good, where it takes a long time to circulate, the idea being, I presume, that if he got in there on a short notice of election he might, with the assistance of a Ford motor-car, cover the district at a greater rate of speed than his record could follow him. (Laughter.) It, I think, is due to the stability of the Ford that the honorable gentleman is here to-day."

Independence. The Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Hart said, seemed to think the independence shown by the Liberal members was something to object to, and conveyed the idea that the Opposition was a happy camp. It was the independence of the Liberal members that would keep the Brewster Government in power. (Cheers.) As for the Opposition, it was common gossip that there was a row in the Opposition camp, involving at least three, and this was in regard to the leadership. There was the member for Fort George, but after his speech the other day the Leader of the Opposition had concluded that there was no rivalry to fear in that direction. Then there was the Leader of the Opposition, who might be the leader in the House, but was not the Leader of the Opposition in the province. The member for Cowichan was the third, and his speech on the address showed that he might be the successful one.

Prophecy. "Adopting the role of the Leader of the Opposition," continued Mr. Hart, "I may say that although I am neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet I venture to predict—and I ask you to remember that I did predict on March 17th when the next provincial Conservative convention is held the fifth member and present Leader of the Opposition in this House will not be the leader of the Conservative party in this province. I understand that there are vacancies in the gift of the Dominion, some of which he might jump at, and that the carrot will be dangled until the next election. If the honorable gentleman would get the carrot now is his time, even if he has to invoke the aid of his dear friend, H. H. Stevens, because events may transpire within a very short time which will put it out of the power of his friends in Ottawa to grant him any assistance."

Insinuating Circular. Mr. Hart went on to refer to the circular which was distributed prior to the general election, purporting to be a chronicle of war events on one cover and a list of Conservative candidates on the other, and which contained inside a number of insinuations about candidates who were or were not in khaki, one paragraph being: "One strong reason I would oppose the Grit candidates is because the Grit machine manager and Grit candidate in Victoria threw up his commission and his uniform as soon as war was declared."

form as soon as war was declared. This document, he hinted, was not merely the work in part of a certain woman who was not unknown in British Columbia politics and was now in the Old Country, it was understood, and perhaps Capt. Cox had a hand in it, too.

Absolute Lie. "The statement in that circular in regard to myself is an absolute lie," said the honorable gentleman, and the House cheered the words. "I do not care to speak of my own wearing of the uniform but it was forced upon me by the remarks made on the opposite side. My wearing of the uniform is a thing that I am proud of. (Cheers.) The facts in that connection are that I offered my services soon after the war broke out to defend the coasts of my adopted country, which at that time were in some danger of being attacked by the raiders of the enemy. I offered myself for the artillery coast defence, and at the suggestion of the officer in command took a course of six months' training and spent six months on active service, until such time as the gallant work of the navy had swept the sea of the enemy vessels and the danger was practically over.

Did Not Resign. "Then, on account of the small amount of activity in coast defence, and one of my partners and several of our staff having enlisted for overseas I applied for leave of absence. I did not resign; I could not have resigned under the regulations. I was not going around wearing the uniform for political effect. (Hear, hear.) I knew the campaign was coming on and I was prepared to enter the fight, but without using the uniform as a means of party advantage or party advertising. I am still subject to military call and no man wears the uniform now who will respond as quickly as I will do if the need arises." (Cheers.) Dabbled in Politics.

Referring to Mr. Bowser's remark that a previous reference of his to the soldier vote was an audacity Mr. Hart pointed out that there never had been any objection to the soldiers having a vote; what was objected to was the method adopted for the taking of the vote. One Cox, a captain in the overseas force, was sent by the Government to look after the taking of the vote in Canadian camps, and it was stated by the Government that he was going to be an impartial referee and would not dabble in politics. The facts disclosed that he was neither impartial nor did he abstain from political activities. W. R. Ross wanted a change made in the official appointment to take the vote at Sarcee camp, and wired Cox: "He has acted secretary-treasurer Prince George Conservative Association. I believe he will make a good man for the position."

Good Man for Position. "He did make a good man for the position," said Mr. Hart, for whereas we were advised that polling would commence there on August 15 it started three days before."

Therefore the recommendation of Mr. Ross had been a good one. At Camp Hughes Cox was also in evidence politically. The first intimation the Liberals had of a poll being opened there was in a telegram from an assistant man who had overheard Cox, in one of his joyous moments, tell on the train of what he had done to the Grits at Camp Hughes, opening a poll without any scrutineers present. Further particulars about this individual's action there were contained in a letter from him in which he told of what he was doing. He mentioned paying men \$10 a day and having to pay them in advance, and added: "I am also paying for the distribution of party literature. You need have no cause of worry on that point as I secured outside help from reliable people." This was the impartial man who was not to dabble in politics!

Obdurate Colonel. The cost of Cox's trip from here to Halifax, by the way, was \$1,374.50! He expressed in his letters his intention of taking the vote of the 19th Battalion himself and stated that he had not been well received by the Colonel, a Liberal. "This is the only colony I have had trouble with all along the line," he wrote. "You might tell Dr. McGuire I have met several B. C. officers at Camp Hughes, and there will be a large vote for the Government here. Lieut.-Col. Sifton, I believe, was looking for trouble and I had to be careful 'Ho, Ho.'" to have all literature forwarded by mail to soldiers from Brandon." (Laughter.)

Vote Right. "This is the impartial man we were asked to trust," continued Mr. Hart. "This gallant captain writes: 'They are all very keen here about their vote and understand well vote right.' Did he mean they would vote for the Liberals, and if not how did he find out they were going to vote for the Government?" It had been stated that the ballots were to be printed under proper safeguards, but as a matter of fact the Premier gave Cox authority to have his own ballots printed in the east.

Hon. Mr. Oliver—"Has the honorable gentleman any information as to whether he marked the ballots as well printed them?" Mr. Hart—"I have not but I have my suspicions." Speaking of "Soapy" Welsh, Mr. Hart said he was probably sent to the Old Country as a friend of the then Premier. In the Old Country camps "Soapy" distributed Conservative campaign literature and the pamphlet he had quoted from, Welsh was requested to design his own receptacles and ball boxes, and no doubt made a design suitable for the purposes for which he went across.

Soap Boxes. "I have not seen them but I am informed on good authority they were ordinary soap boxes," added Mr. Hart and the House laughed at the suggestion to "Soapy" Welsh's soap-contract graft while a member of the Vancouver School Board. Mr. Hart quoted the figures of the election in Vancouver, which placed W. J. Bowser in seventh place and therefore not elected. For this

reason he did not see what reason Mr. Bowser had for thanking the people of Vancouver for electing him; what he ought to have done was written two letters of thanks, one to Capt. Cox and the other to "Soapy" Welsh.

G. G. McGEER. G. G. McGeer (Richmond) recalled that the year of the election of the present House was the sixtieth of the foundation of responsible government in the colony, and the tone of the Speech from the Throne this session was greatly reminiscent of that adopted by Sir James Douglas in the case of the Speech of 1856. What this province needed it had now got, and was not what it had got in the past, men of flowery language, enlarged ideas and unscrupulous attitude towards public questions, but men who would look on the business of government as a matter of public trust.

Need for Audit. There was great need for a complete audit of the provincial accounts, and it was gratifying to know this was being done. The Civil Service Bill was a timely matter, especially when one thought of the great waste the service had created and the enormous cost it had risen to. There were many expensive things gone into the past, such as Strathcona Park, the University of B. C. and B. C. House in London. In the case of the latter the building ought to be sold and the money used for university purposes. While the province could get along without an agent-general or an expensive London office-building, it must have higher education. Mr. McGeer expressed thorough confidence that the affairs of the province would be well managed by the present Government, and concluded an eloquent and scholarly speech amid cheers.

Hon. William Sloan moved the adjournment of the debate which he will close to-morrow afternoon.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS IN THE LEGISLATURE

Dolly Varden Mine Railway; Questions Asked; Highways Act Changes

Legislative Press Gallery, March 20. There were a number of minor matters dealt with in the House this afternoon in addition to the penultimate speeches in the debate address and the introduction of the mining bill.

To carry out an agreement reached with the owners of the Dolly Varden mines some time ago a bill was introduced by the Minister of Railways respecting the Dolly Varden Mines Railway. This company, which has valuable producing mines on the Kitault River, about eighteen miles up from its mouth at Alice Arm of Observatory Inlet, put in a trail at its own expense a year or more ago with the intention of taking out its ore to tide-water by motor truck, but found this winter that the state of the roads prevented this in bad weather.

The present bill authorizes it to lay out and operate a line of railway, either of three-foot gauge or standard gauge for a distance of about twenty miles, with branch lines not to exceed ten miles each, being permitted to occupy twenty-five feet of the highway referred to without charge, until April 1, 1917, with right of renewal on terms to be then fixed. It may also take stone, timber and gravel along the line for construction purposes.

Common Carrier. The company has to act as a common carrier, in accordance with the terms of the agreement reached, and therefore the bill gives it the power to so act, and to carry on an express, telegraph and telephone business. It must have the line completed and in operation by December 31, 1918, and failure to operate at any time for twelve months will forfeit its railway rights.

The bill received its first reading. In committee on the bill to amend the Highways Act in some essential particulars which the Minister of Public Works has introduced the Leader of the Opposition found fault with the amendments proposed and discovered in each and all of them some attacks upon public rights and civil interests. The legal aspect of the matter as seen from the Government viewpoint will be dealt with by the Attorney-General when the bill comes up again.

Out of Order. Mr. Bowser wanted an order of the House for copies of all orders-in-council passed since November 24, but the Minister of Railways drew attention to the fact that it was necessary to ask for these by way of address to the Lieutenant-Governor. Mr. Speaker stated that this was the proper procedure and ruled the motion out of order. The Leader of the Opposition was understood to say that he needed the orders in order to discuss matters which will come down later including the budget. Mr. Ross also got tangled up in the rules by repeating in the form of an order-in-council a statement of fact for the inclusion of which a former question was ruled out of order. The Premier pointed out that while there was no objection to answering the question it was well to have it put in the proper form, and the Speaker ruled that this position was unquestionable. The question will have to be put in the correct and unobjectionable form on some later day.



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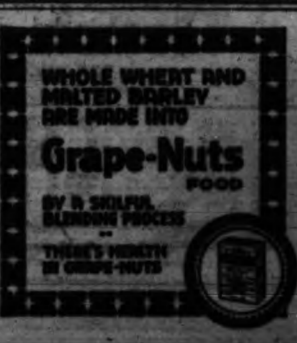
The Flavor Lasts!

Instead of that of J. W. deB. Farris (Vancouver), who is engaged on the P. G. E. committee and will be so for some time. Prayers were read to-day by Rev. W. L. Macrae. Questions Regarding Scott. Mr. Bowser asked a long series of questions touching John T. Scott, these being as follows: 1. Did the Premier, on or about the 18th day of October, 1916, have a long-distance telephone conversation with John T. Scott in Seattle? 2. What was the purport of that conversation? 3. Did the Premier, on or about the 19th day of October, 1916, receive a letter from John T. Scott, written from Seattle, dated on or about the 18th day of October, 1916? 4. Did such letter reach the Premier by ordinary course of mail? 5. If not, was it delivered, and by whom? 6. Did not said letter contain a reference to the inadvisability of the Premier taking the Attorney-General into his Cabinet? 7. Did the Premier show the letter or divulge its contents to the Attorney-General? 8. If so, when? 9. Was a copy of said letter given to the Attorney-General? 10. Where is the letter at the present time? 11. Will he Premier table a copy of said letter? 12. What was the date of John T. Scott's sworn statement in reference to the plugging in the by-election in the City of Vancouver in February, 1916? 13. Before whom was such statement sworn? 14. Where is such original statement now? 15. Was such sworn statement or a copy of same disclosed to the Attorney-General? 16. If so, when, by whom, and for what purpose? 17. Did the Premier, either personally or through some other person or persons, negotiate with Scott personally or through some one on his behalf in reference to his return to Vancouver? 18. Was immunity promised said Scott either by the Premier or by some one on his behalf? 19. Did the Premier, on or about the 28th or 27th day of October last, have an intimation that the said John T. Scott was about to reach Vancouver?

light, was not a distinct failure, as in the case of some districts on the line of the G. T. P. railway between Hazelton and Tete Jaune Cache, and it was therefore considered inadvisable for the Provincial Government to supply seed-grain.

Cowper Again. J. S. Cowper (Vancouver), whose numerous questions are converting him into something of an interrogation mark, wants to know if a firm known as the Pacific Syndicate, Ltd., of Vancouver, has offered to complete the P. G. E., and in addition he wants some information about the company, its promoters, their nationality and so forth. He also wants further particulars of the acts of offensive political partisanship which led to the dismissal of James Stewart, game warden at Mission, while the age of the successor of the dismissed official bothers him. In a third question which the junior member for Vancouver is to ask on Thursday he will ask how many soldiers there are in British Columbia suffering from deafness from shell-shock, and whether the Government is arranging for any special assistance to enable them to qualify for a return to useful civil life.

Political Partisanship. W. R. Ross is asking for the reasons for the dismissal of George Snell, Vancouver. It is safe to say that partisanship will be the answer, or at least part of it. Snell was very active in the interests of Mr. Ross during the recent campaign and accompanied him throughout the riding on his canvassing tours. Mr. Snell, it may be said, is by no means the only road superintendent who did the same thing with the respective Bowser candidates.



# SPORTING NEWS

## SEATTLE METROPOLITANS DEFEAT THE CANADIENS IN SECOND WORLD CONTEST

### Eastern Hockeyists Are Completely Vanquished by Score of 6-1; Flying Frenchmen Are No Match for Speed and Aggressiveness Shown by Muldoon's Club; Third Game on Friday

Seattle, March 21.—Hook-checking the very heart out of their veteran rivals, Captain Foyston and his merry band of speed skaters staged the comeback of the season last night when they plastered a six-to-one defeat onto the Montreal Canadiens in the second game of the series for the hockey championship of the world. The score was 6 to 1, which just about shows how far the Mets had it over the lads from Eastern Canada. It was the most torrid battle of the year and the four thousand fans who crowded the Arena cheered and yelled themselves hoarse.

"Beaten by the hook-check," might be an appropriate title of last night's struggle because it was clever use of this bit of hockey strategy combined with sheer speed and aggressiveness that put the Mets on an even basis with the invaders of the Stanley Cup. From the very onset the Seattle crew stick-handled their way around the visitors for an early lead and the result was never in doubt.

Back in the National Hockey Association where five of the Seattle team played before coming west the men now forming the Mets once beat the "Flying Frenchmen," by the simple process of hooking the puck from the Montreal men every time they got their stick on the rubber. Seattle tried the same process last night and it worked like a charm. Every time a visiting forward snared the puck and ankleed up the ice, swish, some local skater would slide along and hook the elusive pill from the Canadiens' stick, leaving the duped player bewildered.

"Bullet" Pitre, poor old Pitre, who proved such a thorn in the side of the Seattle men a few short hours before, was broken-hearted. Pitre could not keep the puck long enough to see how it felt. The local speed lads went out after Pitre early in the game, and after Jack Walker had worked his little pet check on the "Bullet" for about five minutes, Pitre was through for the night.

The fight fan was in his glory last night. There were not any 8-ounce gloves or padded rings, but there was plenty of mixing just the same. This French-Canadian crew are about the most willing lot of battlers that ever roughed up a hockey game. One Mummery, a two-hundred-and-twenty-pound defence man, need not retire when he gets through playing hockey. He ought to challenge Cbet McIntyre or Jess Willard, or somebody. Mummery got his French-Canadian temper frustrated last night, and it took both

## JACK DILLON MOST UNFORTUNATE KILLER

### Such is Opinion of New York Critics Regarding Great Fighter

New York, March 21.—Jack Dillon, erstwhile Indianapolis bearcat, maul-killer and holder of several other sanguinary titles, is the most unfortunate scrapper inhabiting the United States. His refusal to battle Jim Flynn after he had lost his chance to get on with Les Darcy brought it out fully.

When Dillon came to New York not a long time ago, Billy Miske battled him for ten rounds and did a fairly good job of it. Dillon scored heavily against the St. Paul false alarm, but he was much surprised the next day to discover that nearly every newspaper in the city had come to the conclusion that Miske had beaten him.

Then Jack came back to New York and met Miske again. He didn't make quite so good a showing, but he did well and easily held Miske to a draw. However, the critics again put it down as a victory for Miske.

Dillon Got Mad. Then Dillon got mad. He came to the conclusion that his former roughness had got him in bad. He had made such a habit of beating up his opponents that critics were unable to see the side of the bout when he failed to knock somebody down a few times when he appeared in a ring.

So he got himself matched up with Al McCoy as a prelude to his battling Darcy. He whipped McCoy so bad it was a shame, but he was incensed when he awakened the next morning and found himself criticized for not knocking McCoy out. In fact two rounds of the scrap were credited to McCoy by more than one.

McCoy took a beating that many a heavyweight would have fallen under. He was hit plenty of times and he was hit hard. He deserved full credit for winning the bout just as far as he did, but he didn't get it. Dillon says he won't fight again in New York. No one can censure him for such a decision. He was rapidly losing his reputation when he decided to go back to Indiana.

## ROYAL CITY PLAYERS MAY BE REINSTATED

If the eight or nine New Westminster ball-players make statutory declarations answering some six questions provided in the R. C. A. U. constitution, they will probably be granted registration in the B. C. A. U. at an early date. At a meeting of the latter body it was decided to request the players to swear to affidavits before their applications are passed on.

Officials of the Union informed the delegates that it was the desire of the military authorities to have the various provincial bodies stage championship boxing tournaments for soldiers, the winners to attend a big tournament in Toronto. An effort will be made to carry on tournaments in this province. The amendment to the constitution suggested at the annual general meeting calling for representation on the provincial executive for all affiliated sport bodies was passed up on favorably by the governing board and was passed at the meeting.

## STECHEER GOES SOUTH TO WRESTLE RUSSIAN

The exodus of wrestlers began yesterday, says a dispatch from the Golden Gate, World's Champion Joe Stecher has gone to Los Angeles where he will obliterate Constantine Romanoff, the Russian grappler, Friday night, and Antonio Jirza, the elephantine mat artist, also took his departure for Chicago.

## CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP OF B. C.

Vancouver, March 21.—The second annual congress of the B. C. Chess Federation will be held in the rooms of the Vancouver Chess Club, 41 Fairfield Building, 445 Granville Street, Vancouver, on Good Friday, the following Saturday, and Easter Monday, April 6, 7 and 8.

All entries must be filed with the secretary at the above address not later than April 1.

The entry fee will be \$3. With the championship goes the custody for one year of the Bowser Challenge Shield and a gold medal.

A minor championship, for which an entrance fee of \$1 will be charged, is also proposed, should sufficient players come forward.

## BOWLING NEWS.

In the Junior League match at the Arcade Bowling Alley last night the Toggery Shop lost to the Camerons. Following are the scores:

Toggery Shop.	
Spence	134 140 148
Kendell	129 136 99
Watson	99 139 128
Brown	128 98 121
Anderson	128 101 142
	617 632 266
Camerons.	
Mitchell	142 138 127
Pemberton	126 142 121
Dickson	136 137 201
Schmelik	176 141 161
Cameron	167 96 103
	747 657 613

In the Commercial League the Pressmen's Union met the Pirates to-night.

## MAJOR LEAGUE BALL CLUBS NOW READY

### Four Called to Battle in American; White Sox May Surprise

New York, March 21.—With the axes beginning to swing in training camps throughout the country, fans are today able to get a tiny glimpse of what may be expected when the National and American Leagues plunge into their annual flag chase.

There is little change from the pre-season dope that emanated from the stove league. The National league has its strong teams, the American has its. A matter of careful conditioning, freedom from injuries when the season starts and the natural things that go to make up a baseball season will settle the issue, as always.

### Four Teams in Running.

In the American League Boston, Chicago and Detroit and New York stand out as the best balanced teams. Many experts are favoring Chicago to win a pennant this year. They bank on the come-backs of the Comiskey hurling corps, at one time as good as they grew. Jim Scott is said to be showing better than he has for several years and Red Russell, it is persistently declared, is having success in his efforts to iron the kinks out of his left flipper.

It has been positively stated there will be no experimenting with Chicago's southside team this year. Veterans, tried and true, will be found filling all the holes wherever possible. There are apparently two holes, good sized ones, on that club—one at first and one at shortstop.

### Gandill May Fool Fans.

Chick Gandill may fool the multitude and prove himself to be just the man the White Sox have been looking for. Anyway, it is certain that neither Jack Nees nor Fournier is capable of doing a major league day's work. Nees will not be among those present when the season opens. There are several recruit first-sackers among the Sox who may be able to do something.

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The presence of either Terry or Hixborg at shortstop looks rather bad for the Sox, when the trouble is taken to gase back over the sterling efforts of Buck Weaver. Weaver will be at third base.

Detroit will start the season in the same fix as formerly—a lack of an adequate hurling staff. New ones must be developed or the old ones must improve if the rest of the team continues at the old gait.

### Boston's Chances Lie in Jack Barry

Boston's chances lie in Jack Barry and his ability to keep the old machine from rusting. He will get the same start as was given Bill Carrigan a year ago.

### Yankees Are Dark Horses.

New York, a young team of pep, punch and speed, may prove the dark horses of the race, Bill Donovan has assembled a fine outfit of men for the Yankees and is bound to cut a big figure in the fighting.

### Connie Mack is sending out optimistic signals from his Florida training camp and it may be that the former demon world's series winner will get a running start for more fame and glory. He has some excellent material from which to build up.

### Giants Have the Hitters.

The National League seems to be all New York, with a remarkable infield defence and a slugging outfield to back it up. McGraw's hurlers are not the best in the league, but his hitters will spoil many a dinner for the other pitchers. The Braves appear to be the most dangerous opponents of the Giants, with the Phillies and Dodgers running in the order named.

## DILLON IS WINNER.

Memphis, Tenn., March 21.—A scheduled eight-round bout here between Jack Dillon, of Indianapolis, and Jack Moran, of St. Louis, was stopped by the referee in the sixth round and the decision awarded to Dillon to save the same but badly battered St. Louis man from further punishment.

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**RUGBY GAME.** At the Oak Bay grounds on Saturday next a return Rugby match will be played between the University School and the V.I.A.A. Mr. Spalding will act as referee and the kick-off will be at 3 o'clock.

**SHOWS GREAT SKILL.** San Diego, Cal., March 21.—Miss Molla Bjurstedt, national women's singles tennis champion, defeated R. F. Scovell, of London, a noted English tennis player, yesterday, at the Coronado Country Club courts, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3. It was a special match game.

## BIG MINORS HAVE NEW STUNT FOR THIS YEAR

A new departure has been decided upon for Class AA ball this year, in that the International League and American Association teams will play a post-season schedule of games. The two leagues will close their own playing seasons on August 5, and on Monday, August 6, the inter-league series will begin in the American Association cities—Toledo, Columbus, Indianapolis, Louisville, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, St. Paul and Kansas City.

The International League clubs will play in the west till August 25, and on August 31 the western teams will invade the International League cities, staying till September 28. Twenty-four games will be played in each section.

The American Association will open its regular season on April 11 and the International League on April 17. The schedule for the latter is out and shows the northern teams, Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo and Rochester, opening at Baltimore, Providence, Newark and Richmond, respectively.

## WELL-KNOWN ATHLETE GETS MILITARY CROSS

Ottawa, March 21.—Lieut. McCulloch, who enlisted with a Regina battalion, and was transferred to an Imperial battalion

## BASKETBALL RESULTS IN CHURCH LEAGUE

In the gymnasium of the First Presbyterian Church three Sunday School League basketball games were played. In the ladies' division the Reformed Episcopalians defeated the Congregationalists by a score of 17-3. Miss M. Cuthbert made the high score with 8 points.

A fairly easy victory was registered in the intermediate division by the Presbyterians (A) over the Congregationalists whom they defeated by a score of 26-13. F. Sproule got 17 for the winners and E. Cull and J. Buckett took 5 each for the losers.

The Metropolitan defeated the Presbyterians (B) team by a score of 25 to 12. H. Knott made 15 for the leading club, while Wytes got 6 for the Presbyterians. Angus McKinnon refereed all the games.

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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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SIR OLIVER LODGE ON SPIRITUALISM

Fails to Prove His Case Says Rev. Wm. Stevenson in Sermon

At Emmanuel Baptist Church on Sunday evening Rev. William Stevenson spoke on the subject, "Can we speak with the dead?"

A pathetic interest attached to the title "Raymond." This is the name of a son of Sir Oliver and Lady Lodge who laid down his life in battle in September 15, 1915.

A number of letters written from the trenches by this young soldier are given at the beginning of the book, and they afford a glimpse of something noble and worthy which the world has lost.

Interest in Spiritualism.

Sir Oliver Lodge had already for years taken a deep interest in the possibilities of spiritualism. Long before this bitter loss came to him he had expressed the conviction that the time would come when human beings would open the Borderland and obtain messages from those who had crossed over.

Sir Oliver Lodge tells the story of how he got into touch with his dead son and of the happy converse he believes he has had with him.

Tenderly Sympathetic. Taking all the circumstances into account it is impossible to feel other than tenderly sympathetic.

"Yet in a matter of such tremendous importance I feel that I cannot accept without scrupulous sifting the conclusions at which Sir Oliver has arrived. I think I can say with the utmost conscientiousness that after going through the book with great care and without prejudice, the case which Sir Oliver Lodge set out to demonstrate has not been made good.

"I am swayed in coming to this decision not by the crudities in the book. There are in my opinion many crudities in this book which greatly mar its main purpose. I would go further and say that there are crudities in the second part of the book that would never have been permitted had Sir Oliver Lodge been a trained and expert psychologist.

Anti-Christian. I do not wish to say harsh things about some of the contents of the book. We are all too harsh with each other to-day in the matter of religion and politics. But I cannot refrain from saying that from the standpoint of a believer in Christ, and from the standpoint of one interested in the need for a deeper spiritual interpretation of life there is much in the book that is disappointing, and that sometimes jars to the extent that it appears anti-Christian.

Telepathy. But apart from that and leaving that altogether out of account, my main difficulty is that there is hardly anything in the strange things which Sir Oliver Lodge reports that could not be accounted for, largely by what we know of telepathy.

Mr. Stevenson gave one remarkable example of this mysterious force. Proceeding, he claimed that until telepathy was better understood no one could dogmatize about it, but he thought we already knew sufficient of its phenomena to warrant people in believing that such supposed messages as are detailed in Sir Oliver Lodge's book were the result of telepathic force working on the earth plane.

"Telepathy seems to operate in defiance of time and space," continued the preacher. "It would seem possible that the thoughts we are thinking may be impressing themselves upon the subconscious mind of others, only to project themselves into the conscious mind years hence. I do not think sufficient care was taken even in the best

test cases put forward by Sir Oliver Lodge.

Not Sufficiently Scientific. "Sir Oliver Lodge holds a distinguished place in the world of science as a scientific investigator. A great deal of respect is due to him in this ground when he speaks upon any great question of nature. But I do not think the methods adopted by him in these instances were as careful from a scientific point of view as they should have been.

It may be possible, at some future day in the world's history, God is not so impoverished that He cannot bring about new wonders and greater glories than we have yet known. Often I believe God Himself does give messages from the unseen. But they are always given to meet some deep and tangible need; and they are generally unsought. There is nothing trivial about them; nothing that would drag the dignity of the Lord down to absurd trivialities or that would involve the abdication of the divine gift of reason.

French Reservist Reaches Victoria. Won the Croix de Guerre at Tahure; Fought Two Months at Verdun.

Up till July 22, 1915, Auguste Joubin was peacefully pursuing his civil avocation as a baker and pastry cook in the city of Vancouver.

During September, October and November, Joubin took part in the fighting in Champagne sectors, including the advance in September, while at the end of December he was transferred with his regiment—the 14th Infantry Regiment of France—to the first line trenches to the north of Verdun.

When the officer in charge of his company had advanced with a few men in a preliminary raid to gauge the precise strength of the enemy immediately before them, he and nearly all his men fell, the majority of whom were either killed or wounded.

Exhaustion from loss of blood and the serious nature of the captain's wounds, unhappily caused his death rather more than a week later, the news being conveyed to his brave rescuer while in hospital recovering from his own hurts aggravated by a complete breakdown of the nervous system.

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Before coming to British Columbia Joubin served three years in the

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LADYSMITH HERO OF COURCELLETTE VICTORY

Private Ernest Johnson Returns to His Home Suffering From Shell Shock

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Cumberland Man Decorated by the French Government for conspicuous Bravery

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CAPTAIN MACPHERSON GOES TO THE WILLOWS

New O. C. of Medical Training Camp Has Seen Much Service in Africa

In the room of Major Cummings, who is down with a severe attack of pneumonia, Captain J. S. Macpherson has been appointed the Commanding Officer of the Army Medical Training Camp of Military District No. 11, situated at the Willows.

VICTORIAN REPORTED DEAD

Pioneer Ernest Rowland Stafford Previously Stated Missing, Now Reported Dead

A recent casualty list contains the name of Pioneer Ernest Rowland Stafford. He was reported missing on June 13 and he is now believed to be dead.

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### KEISHIN MARU WAS

## DISABLED AT SEA

Long Overdue Freighter Reported to Have Reached Yokohama on March 1

With the arrival here of the O. S. K. liner Panama Maru last night it was learned that the Japanese steamer Keishin Maru, 4,362 tons, owned by the Tatsunuma Kisen Kaisha, which left this coast for Japan on January 29, and for the safety of which considerable anxiety has been felt, reached Yokohama on March 1.

The freighter was delayed by a heavy gale which set in soon after she cleared from the Pacific Coast, when she became disabled and drifted about for some time at the mercy of the storm. On the way across the Pacific the Keishin Maru picked up the crew of a Japanese sailing ship which foundered.

The Keishin Maru is a well-known vessel on this coast and has been a frequent visitor to British Columbia and Puget Sound waters under charter to Frank Waterhouse & Co. She was under charter to this firm on her recent voyage.

Officers of the Panama Maru also brought word that the prospects of floating the Osaka Shosen Kaisha steamer Shishitori Maru, 3,376 tons, which stranded on Francis Reef, Borneo, on February 23, were particularly bright when the Panama sailed away from the Japan coast. The hull of the Shishitori Maru seems to have sustained no serious damage and the crew are all safe.

### SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Seattle, March 20—Arrived: Str Neane City, San Francisco; str President, San Diego, via San Francisco and Victoria, B. C.; str Morning Star, Vancouver, B. C.; str Oleum, Tacoma; str Javary, Tacoma, at Meadow Point; str Benjamin F. Packard, Eagle Harbor, in tow of tug Richard Holyoke; str STE. Hymeholdt, Southeastern Alaska; str Oleum, Port San Luis; str Javary, Shinghal, from Meadow Point; str Wilmington, San Pedro, via Port Angeles, from Meadow Point; str President, Tacoma.

San Francisco, March 20—Arrived: str Admiral Dewey, from Seattle; str D. G. Scofield, from Hongkong; Dan str Delagosa, from Dalny; str Klamath, from Honolulu; str G. C. Lindaur, from Coos Bay; str Rose City, from Portland; str Svea, for Gray's Harbor; Jap str Korea Maru, for Hongkong; str Elizabeth, for Brandon; schr Commercé, for Tahiti.

### CAPT. TROUP BACK.

Capt. J. W. Troup, manager of the R. C. Coast Steamship Service, returned to the city yesterday afternoon after a short visit to Winnipeg, where he attended a meeting of western C. P. R. officials for the purpose of arranging the summer railway and steamer schedules.

### MAKES CHRISTIANIA.

Completing her first round voyage between Norway and the Pacific Coast, the Olsen motorship George Washington arrived at Christiania on Monday.

## ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

### COASTWISE SERVICES

<b>For Vancouver</b>	Steamer Princess Victoria leaves daily at 3 p. m., and steamer Princess Mary or Adelaide daily at 11.5 a. m.
<b>From Vancouver</b>	Steamer Princess Adelaide arrives daily at 1 p. m., and steamer Princess Mary or Alice at 1.30 p. m.
<b>For San Francisco</b>	Steamer President, March 23.
<b>From San Francisco</b>	Steamer Governor, March 25.
<b>For Seattle</b>	Steamer Princess Adelaide leaves daily at 1.30 p. m.
<b>From Seattle</b>	Steamer Princess Victoria arrives daily at 1 p. m.
<b>For Port Angeles</b>	Steamer Sol Duc leaves daily except Sunday at 11.30 a. m.
<b>From Port Angeles</b>	Steamer Sol Duc arrives daily except Sunday at 1 p. m.

### BOLINDER ENGINES

## HAVE BEEN INSTALLED

Schooner Margaret Haney Will Undergo Sail Trials Within Next Few Days

With the completion of the work of installing the twin Bolinder engines on the auxiliary schooner Margaret Haney, the first vessel built at the shipyard of the Cameron General Mills Shipbuilders, Ltd., is now practically ready for sea. The tanks are now being connected up and the builders anticipate that within a few days the schooner will be ready to make her trial trip in the Straits. Her machinery will be thoroughly tested out at her berth.

The present indications are that the trial trip of the Margaret Haney will be postponed until after the launching of the Laurel Whaler, which will be put into the water as scheduled at 4 1/2 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. Miss Marjorie Brewster, daughter of the Premier, will act as sponsor. The preparations for the launching ceremony are about complete and everything points to a large crowd being on hand to witness the schooner's maiden dive.

The auxiliary schooner Mabel Brown, the first of the fleet building for the Canada West Coast Navigation Company at the Wallace Shipyard, North Vancouver, has already been given her first engine tests and the results are declared to be most satisfactory. The Mabel Brown will have her sail trials in the Gulf this week, after which she will go on berth at Chemainus to load lumber for Australia.

### WIRELESS REPORTS

March 21, 9 a. m.

Point Grey—Clear; N. W. strong; 29.70; 35; sea rough. Passed in str Admiral Schley, 7.30 a. m.

Cape Lazo—Clear; N. light; 29.75; 35; sea moderate.

Pachena—Clear; N. strong; 29.74; 49; sea rough.

Estevan—Cloudy; N. W. strong; 29.58; 35; sea rough.

Alert Bay—Clear; calm; 29.67; 30; sea smooth.

Triangle—Snow; N. W. light; 29.90; 32; sea moderate.

Dead Tree Point—Snow; calm; 29.64; 24; sea smooth.

Keda Bay—Snow; calm; 29.36; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Snow; calm; 29.59; 32; sea smooth. Passed in str Prince John, 12.05 a. m., northbound; spoke str Admiral Evans, 6.45 a. m., off Lucy Island, 7 a. m., southbound.

Noon.

Point Grey—Clear; N. W. strong; 29.60; 49; sea rough.

Cape Lazo—Clear; N. moderate; 29.83; 29; sea moderate. Spoke str Venture, 8.19 a. m., north of Cape Mudge, southbound; str Norwood, 9.15 a. m., ten miles north of Seymour Narrows, southbound; str Camosun, 9.15 a. m., off Campbell River, northbound.

Pachena—Cloudy; N. W. fresh; 29.92; 17; sea rough.

Estevan—Cloudy; N. W. light; 29.65; 40; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; 29.67; 35; sea smooth. Passed in str Coquilham, 11.15 a. m., northbound.

Triangle—Cloudy; S. W. light; 29.82; 27; light swell. Spoke str Chelohsin, 10 a. m., due Ocean Falls, 1 p. m., southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Snow; S. E. light; 29.50; 32; sea smooth.

Keda Bay—Snow; calm; 29.28; 36; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Cloudy; S. E. light; 29.50; 35; sea moderate. Passed in str Prince Rupert, 11 a. m., northbound, spoke str Dolphin, 11.45 a. m., six miles south of Ketchikan, southbound.

### SANTA ANA GOES ASHORE

Alaska Steamship Company's Freighter Strikes on Prince of Wales Island.

The Alaska Steamship Company's freighter Santa Ana, 1,200 tons, which sailed from Seattle March 10 for the North, is reported ashore at Klawak, near Craig, on the west coast of Prince of Wales Island, Alaska. According to reports from the North, the Santa Ana is not in a dangerous position, but it is considered likely that the cargo will have to be lightened before the vessel can be hauled into deep water. The Santa Ana struck on a soft bottom and is not taking water.

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### MARINE INQUIRY

Rehearing of Prince Rupert-Cleeve Case Scheduled for Saturday.

The re-hearing of the Prince Rupert-Cleeve collision case will be held at Vancouver at 3 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, following the arrival of the steamer Prince Rupert from the North. The case will be heard by Capt. Charles Eddie, assisted by Commander J. T. Shenton and Commander Holmes, as assessors.

### PREFERRED CALIFORNIA.

Several seamen recruited in California for the voyage of the liner Minnesota to the Atlantic coast have returned to San Francisco. Following the delivery of the ship at New York the men had a chance to stay with the vessel and brave the perils of the war zone at large salaries and bonuses with the option of returning to the Pacific coast at the company's expense. The majority of the seamen decided that it was safer in California.

### TALTHYBIUS LEAVES.

After discharging 1,150 measurement tons of general Oriental cargo the Blue Funnel liner Talthybius, Capt. F. W. Cullum, left port early this afternoon for Seattle.

### MONTEAGLE DEPARTS.

Carrying a light list of cabin passengers and a 4,000-ton cargo, the C. P. O. S. liner Monteagle, Capt. A. J. Halley, R. N. R., left port at 5.30 o'clock last night for Yokohama and Hongkong.

"George Washington was never guilty of deception." "Maybe not. I don't believe he ever looked like his pictures on postage stamps. But, of course, he wasn't responsible for them."—Washington Star.

### WERE BADLY SCALDED

## BY ESCAPING STEAM

Three Engineers Injured When Pump Cover Burst Aboard Liner Panama Maru

Three members of the engineers crew aboard the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Panama Maru were more or less seriously injured by a burst of steam which trapped the unfortunate men in the engine-room following the breaking of a steam pump cover. The accident occurred when the liner was four days steaming from this port on the voyage from Japan. The second and third engineers and an apprentice happened to be in line with the scuzzing rush of escaping steam and they were badly scalded about the body. First aid was given the injured men by the ship's doctor. One of the engineers suffered terribly and upon the arrival of the liner here last night a telegram was dispatched to Seattle to arrange for his transfer to hospital.

Capt. Yamamoto, master of the Panama Maru, reported fine weather during the run across the Pacific. One stiff gale was experienced when crossing the meridian, but with this exception the conditions were most favorable. During the height of the storm, which broke on March 11, the antennae snapped aloft, but a repair crew soon put the wireless apparatus in commission again.

The Panama Maru arrived with a total of seventy-nine passengers, all Japanese with the exception of five Russians and a Norwegian seaman. Twenty-five were landed here, while the remaining 53 proceeded to Seattle.

The liner's holds were bulging with Oriental freight. The total cargo aboard amounted to 6,519 tons, weight and measurement, there being 172 tons consigned here, 142 tons for Vancouver, 2,063 tons for Seattle and 4,142 tons for Tacoma and overlaid. The highest shipment unloaded here was 4,006 tons of rice. The largest items in the through cargo were 4,630 packages of rubber, 7,224 slabs of tin, 11,776 mats of rice, 1,825 bales of raw silk and 624 cases of silk goods. The silk cargo was valued at nearly a million dollars.

According to Capt. Yamamoto, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha service between Japan and South America is now well established. Extensive alterations have been effected aboard the liner Tacoma Maru, which was formerly in the trans-Pacific trade, and she is now plying in the new trade. The captain says that the liner Seattle Maru is making one more trip to this coast before being placed on the South American route in conjunction with the Tacoma Maru.

### LESS WORK FOR THE

## UCLEULET LIFEBOAT CREW

Milder weather on the West Coast in the past winter has given the life-saving crews less work, according to F. Tyler, coxswain of the Ucleulet boat, who is in the city with Mrs. Tyler. There have been no exciting experiences like the Carlemapu wreck of the previous winter.

Mr. Tyler anticipates a fairly busy fishing season in the Barclay Sound district, stating that the Ucleulet cannery will divide its attention between salmon, halibut and herring. On account of changing conditions halibut is coming into favor, only small quantities having been treated in the past.

Around Ucleulet the effects of the war have been materially felt, most of the men being away at the front, and if the rule of only employing men over 45 on the life boat had not been made, circumstances would have compelled the manning of the craft with older men necessarily.

### MARINE INQUIRY

Rehearing of Prince Rupert-Cleeve Case Scheduled for Saturday.

### PREFERRED CALIFORNIA.

Several seamen recruited in California for the voyage of the liner Minnesota to the Atlantic coast have returned to San Francisco. Following the delivery of the ship at New York the men had a chance to stay with the vessel and brave the perils of the war zone at large salaries and bonuses with the option of returning to the Pacific coast at the company's expense. The majority of the seamen decided that it was safer in California.

### TALTHYBIUS LEAVES.

After discharging 1,150 measurement tons of general Oriental cargo the Blue Funnel liner Talthybius, Capt. F. W. Cullum, left port early this afternoon for Seattle.

### MONTEAGLE DEPARTS.

Carrying a light list of cabin passengers and a 4,000-ton cargo, the C. P. O. S. liner Monteagle, Capt. A. J. Halley, R. N. R., left port at 5.30 o'clock last night for Yokohama and Hongkong.

"George Washington was never guilty of deception." "Maybe not. I don't believe he ever looked like his pictures on postage stamps. But, of course, he wasn't responsible for them."—Washington Star.

### SAD CIRCUMSTANCE

## PREVENTED VOYAGE

Capt. Dunn, Now With Senator; Lost His Son on Artist

The vessel succeeding the Engineer in the Harrison Direct Line service between Liverpool and Victoria will be the Senator. This vessel is coming out to this coast under the command of Capt. Dunn, who, it will be remembered, was skipper of the Statesman when that vessel collided with the schooner John D. Sporekoff of the California coast about four years ago when bound from San Francisco to Victoria.

It was a sad circumstance that prevented Capt. Dunn from sailing aboard the Engineer on the occasion of her departure from the United Kingdom. Just as the Engineer was about to leave the Mersey the Harrison steamer Artist was sunk, and it was then that Capt. Dunn learned that his son was among the officers who lost their lives when that vessel was sent down. The owners immediately granted Capt. Dunn leave of absence, despite the fact that the ship was on the point of sailing, and Capt. McMillan, who had been standing by the Senator, took over the command of the Engineer.

The Senator is a new freighter of the same type as the Spectator, which has already been out to this coast. She was built to replace the old Senator, which was sold some time ago by the Harrison people. It is understood that this line is building ships as rapidly as possible to replace the large amount of tonnage lost by the activities of submarines. Out of a fleet of 47 vessels owned by the Harrison Line at the outbreak of war no less than thirteen ships have been destroyed. It is a peculiar fact that the "C" ships have suffered most, the Centurion, Candidate, Chanceller and Counselor being among them.

### CANADIAN SOLDIER

## SPEAKS IN SEATTLE

Co. Sgt.-Maj. Manning Appeals for American Contribution to War Fund

Wide publicity was given in the Seattle papers to an address on Friday last by Company Sgt.-Major Manning, of this city, who spoke to a joint gathering of the Canadian Club and the Canadian Women's Club in the Washington Annex. Sgt. Manning is a non-lawyer of Mrs. R. B. McMicking, of Victoria, and holds the recruiting-office record for the Dominion. He was at one time attached to the 102nd Battalion, later invited to one of the eastern battalions to help with recruiting, and discharged more recently on account of defective eyesight. The idea of the gathering which he addressed in Seattle was to enthrone the members of the two mentioned organizations with the necessity of subscribing to the Prince of Wales fund for the relief of dependents of the British lost in battle.

"You as a nation stand on the brink of war," he challenged. "Canada has been at war for nearly three years, and we know what it means! From the rock-ribbed shores of her eastern coast to the sunny Pacific Canada has sent hundreds of thousands of her men to fight—what for? Not for Canada alone, but for the upholding of the honor of Britain and the right of the weak when assaulted by the war-machine and the Machiavellian policy of the Hun!"

"You have the Hun within your gates; the Hun is murdering your sailors, who are your citizens upon the sea; are you not sick of the prevarications of Bernadotte? The one great protection you have had and still have and can rely on having in the British fleet, while Britain is mistress of the seas, you are safe from invasion in this war. What then can you do for Britain? Put men in the trenches? No! You have not enough Springfield rifles to put a division on the Somme. You have not enough trained officers to take such a division into battle."

"In 1915 you made a contract to supply the Entente Allies with five million rifles within two years, and the two years is nearly up and but fifteen per cent of your contract is fulfilled. As a nation you have, relatively speaking, no fleet, no submarines, no undersea work, no aeroplanes for the air!"

"What then can America do? On a basis of your comparative national wealth and income you can issue war bonds at the rate of ten billion dollars a year, thereby keeping the Entente Allies in the financing of the war. Canada with her seven million population has just subscribed fifteen million dollars to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, and America with 110 millions of population should therefore be enabled to subscribe 240 millions of dollars, to a similar fund to help those dependents of the heroes who are at the front fighting for you."

"Big figures you say! Just about half what America pays out every year for moving pictures—what will you pay for the ghastly moving figures of the Marne and the Somme, Ypres, Feutbert and Givenchy. Shall little Canada outdo you? Shall 'Watchful Waiting' still be your response to her wholehearted response to the call of the Motherland—which, after all, is your Motherland too?"

"Start now! Subscribe liberally to the duly authorized funds to help the dependents of those heroes who are fighting those heroes who have died for civilization!"

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### NATIVE OF COPENHAGEN

## JOINS ARTILLERYMEN

Louis Christensen Served in U. S. Regular Army; Wants to Fight Germans

"I could not do anything better than fight for the Allies, and so I came up to Canada and became a soldier again," said Louis Christensen, who is one of the latest recruits for the Artillery draft now being raised by the 5th Regiment for overseas by Lieut. Finnick at the Willows Camp. Christensen is a Dane. He was born at Copenhagen twenty-seven years ago and from his earliest recollections, he says, there has never been any love lost between his family and the Teuton neighbor to the South.

"The present war, with its opportunity to fight for Great Britain against the Germans, was too good to miss," said Christensen, whose memory took him back to old scores. He was referring to the record of continual strife between the Danes and Germans with regard to Schleswig-Holstein, always favoring the latter until the provinces became part of the Confederation. "If I can assist in the dispatching of a good large shell every few minutes into the German trenches I shall at least know that I am doing what my late father would have wished me to do," continued this sturdy Dane.

The new recruit is by no means strange to military life and its general routine. For eighteen months he was with the Third United States Engineers in the regular army, from which he obtained his discharge at the end of last year. Christensen left his native land in the early days of 1912 and came out West quite alone, the wanderer taking him to the United States. He has mastered the language thoroughly and is now well on the way to a complete mastery of the saddle under the expert tuition of Sergeant Olegate, the crack riding master of the Artillerymen.

Gunner Christensen has no relatives in this part of the world, and he is hoping that if he goes through his period of active service safely to be able to see his aged mother who is still residing in Copenhagen.

### RIDING INSTRUCTION

## FOR AN ARTILLERYMAN

Is Carried Out at Willows on Common Sense Lines; No Rough Work

"My fixed opinion is that there are a number of young men who would join the Artillery draft were they not required to go through a course of horsemanship," said Lieut. Finnick to the Times yesterday. "By that I mean to infer the general conception of a military riding school mainly centres around the idea that a recruit is placed on the back of a horse and expected to be shot round the ring like greased lightning, and if he should chance to fall off he would be called on the carpet for dismounting without orders."

Lieut. Finnick wished it to be understood by intending recruits that the riding lessons given to the "green un" are conducted under the common sense plan, and if it were considered 30 years

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EDWIN C. SMITH, Treasurer and Collector of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C. City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 16th March, 1917.



## 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; Best lump coal—Parliament Buildings, Victoria, 100 tons; Government House, Victoria, 120 tons; Court-house, Victoria, 100 tons; Provincial Normal School, Victoria, 100 tons.

The above-mentioned quantities are not guaranteed; the quantities 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, made payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works and 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 tenderers 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 signatures of the tenderer.

J. E. GRIFFITH, Deputy Minister and Public Works Engineer. Department of Public Works, Victoria, B. C., 18th 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 39,985 shares in the Lucky Jim Zinc Mines, Limited, standing in the name of G. Weaver Loper, 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 19th, 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 of Monday 26th day of March, 1917, for supplying the following desks:

Single Desks: Size No. 1, 25; Size No. 2, 25; Size No. 3, 25; Size No. 4, 25; Size No. 5, 25. Single Benches: Size No. 1, 10; Size No. 2, 10; Size No. 3, 10; Size No. 4, 10; Size No. 5, 10.

The desks are to be quoted at a price per desk. The name of the desk and maker to be mentioned in tenders. Delivery at Victoria or Vancouver on or before 31st day of July next.

The successful tenderer will, free of any additional charges, store the desks in a 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.

Department of Public Works, Victoria, B. C., 18th March, 1917. J. E. GRIFFITH, Deputy Minister and Public Works Engineer.

## ILLEGAL PAYMENTS MADE TO COMPANY

D'Arcy Tate Examined About Moneys Over-Paid to the P. G. E.

The first touch of a night sitting was felt by the eight members of the House who are members of the P. G. E. investigation committee, to-night, when the inquiry went on for two hours.

As the committee cannot sit in the afternoon when the House is in session, and as it is necessary that it should get in more work in the course of the day than can be done by holding morning sittings alone, it was decided by the committee to sit every morning at 10 o'clock, sitting for two hours and a half or three hours, and then to sit again in the evening for a couple of hours.

The examination of the witnesses will be carried on chiefly by S. S. Taylor, K. C., who is a skilled questioner and who has a clear grasp of the lines of inquiry which ought to be followed. In his hands the examination of witnesses will proceed with little loss of time.

The exhibits are already piling up, nearly 30 being filed to-day, and they threaten to swamp the committee with their volume before the hearing of testimony is concluded.

D'Arcy Tate Continues. D'Arcy Tate, K. C., general counsel of the P. G. E., was still under examination by S. S. Taylor, K. C., counsel for the Minister of Railways. He was questioned about the contract with Pat Welch, awarded at a directors' meeting on September 22, 1914. He was satisfied that though it bore date on that day he had probably prepared it shortly before on instructions from J. W. Stewart, president of the company. There were pencil figures on it, supposed to be Stewart's, and ink figures, which were in the hand of Mr. Thomas, secretary of the company.

Mr. Taylor—"Can you produce anything in writing with Welch as to prices on his contract prior to September 23?"

"Nothing in writing, as I said this morning."

Can you produce anything in writing showing that there were any specifications in existence before September 23?"

"Not unless the chief engineer would have them. I have none."

The share book was put in, showing the number of shares each man got. Mr. Tate getting one-fifth, which proportion of \$40,000 would be \$8,000. Mr. Tate declined to say from memory how much he had paid in, but knew there had been a settlement as to the amount each should pay as between Foley, Welch, Stewart, and himself, and that the money was paid into the Dominion Bank in Vancouver, as the bank-book would show.

Put Up His Share. Mr. Taylor took witness over each item in the bank-book, \$10,000, \$15,000 and \$15,000, but Mr. Tate was unable to say who paid these respective items. It was probably Welch, as he himself was in Winnipeg, Stewart was on the move and Welch was probably charged with the duty of seeing that the money was paid up. As a director cannot qualify on "gift" shares Mr. Taylor probed as Mr. Tate's payment of his share, \$8,000. Mr. Tate was quite satisfied that either in cash or by contract between himself and the others he honestly and bona fide stood by his contract and made full payment.

Mr. Taylor—"Was Welch's price in any particular varied?"

"No—well—I have only a general impression that there was conference between Welch and Callaghan from time to time, and prices were varied. There were letters between them, and probably some came through me."

"Did it come about in this way in any case, that Welch gave you the price, you passed it on to Callaghan and Callaghan fixed that as the price?"

"No, they were fixed between Callaghan and Welch."

Coming back to the matter of the Foley, Welch & Stewart plant, turned over from the G. T. P. operations for use on the P. G. E., spoken of this morning, Mr. Taylor asked further questions about it; whose it was, how Welch got it, how it was turned over or hired out.

Mr. Taylor—"Do you mean to say that this plant, the property of Foley, Welch & Stewart, was turned over to Welch to be used on a contract for his own profit without his paying anything for it?"

"It was charged to the P. G. E. at a figure."

"Is it any feature of the railway company's contract with Welch that you have to supply him with machinery and plant?"

"No, but it is a feature of the Government's contract with Foley, Welch & Stewart that they were to help build the road and that was part of their contribution."

"You don't mean that?"

"Yes, I do; I have correspondence to show that."

"Why should you have got a credit for 250,000 shares with this plant as part of the consideration?"

"Because that was part of the consideration and part was the contribution of money."

## INTRODUCES A SPLENDID MEASURE



HON. WILLIAM SLOAN, Minister of Mines.

November 7, 1912, with a capital of \$200,000. The directors are Foley, Welch, Stewart and Tate, the latter owning twenty per cent.

Mr. Taylor—"And it has taken all the lands given by the Crown to the P. G. E. Railway Co.?"

"No, we have not got them yet. We have applied for them but they have not been conveyed by the Crown yet."

"But the lands mentioned in the schedule of the railway company's act are those which the Development Company claims as its assets?"

"No; we simply applied to have them conveyed but if the Government does not see fit to do so we have no claim on them."

"You have an agreement there regarding lands to the value of \$588,000 which Foley, Welch & Stewart sold the railway company. Where did those lands come from?"

"They were lands which the Development Company had purchased from private parties, as at Squamish and Williams Lake—at Williams Lake we have three thousand acres—and we have sold to the railway company, for railway purposes, parts of these lands."

The Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company had issued debenture bonds to the total of \$20,140,000, being on an estimated total mileage of 480 miles from North Vancouver to Prince George, at \$42,000 a mile, Mr. Tate said. The actual mileage was 474.1 miles.

Mr. Taylor—"Then there was an over-payment for 3.9 miles?"

"Yes, there would be."

"What was the amount of that over-payment?"

"\$163,500."

"Raised on guarantees on that excess mileage and paid over to the company?"

"Well, it was paid to the bank."

"But your company got the benefit of it. Has your company taken any steps to pay that back?"

"Yes, but we have been taking care of that when we repay the Union Bank loan."

"But have you paid it back?"

"No."

"Have you made any effort to pay it back?"

"No."

"Have you written any letter of intention to pay it back?"

"I don't know."

Mr. Taylor then took up the matter of deductions made in London from the proceeds of the bonds, to a total of \$231,444.83, instead, counsel claimed, of paying into the bank the total net proceeds of the bonds. There had been refunded to the Government \$139,207.36 and Mr. Taylor wanted to know why the railway company did not refund the balance, \$92,437.77.

Mr. Tate's explanation was contained at length in a letter which he wrote Hon. John Oliver late in January after receiving a copy of the Price, Waterhouse & Company auditors' report. This was read by Mr. Taylor. Mr. Tate informed the Minister that the \$231,444.83 was made up of four items. The first was \$2,498.30 interest which, with the principal, \$200,000, was paid out of proceeds of bonds to the London Counties and Westminster Bank to secure the release of other bonds pledged. The second item was one of \$4,123.24 disbursements at London keeping the London registry of guaranteed securities. The third and fourth items, of \$144,860.37 and \$80,048.92 respectively, amounting to \$224,729.29 were for interest paid on bonds out of the proceeds of other bonds. There having been refunded to the Government on this account \$139,207.36 the balance left owing to the Government was \$85,521.93, which was being repaid out of the retentions held back from the contractor in the hands of the Government.

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By examining samples and applying such tests as may be possible on the ground or in his office and advising as to the nature of any mineral and as to the best available methods of analysis, sampling, assay and test.

By forwarding samples to the Minister of Mines for further examination and test whenever in his opinion such course is necessary or expedient.

By reporting to the Minister of Mines the location and approximate cost of such roads, trails and bridges as in his opinion are reasonably necessary in order to render possible the development of any mineral resources.

Generally, by giving such advice, information and directions as may be of assistance to miners and prospectors within his district.

To Develop Mining Properties. Resident engineers are forbidden, either while holding office or during three years thereafter, to locate any mineral claim or become directly or indirectly interested in any claim, mine or mineral property. The Minister of Mines is given power to acquire, maintain, operate and use upon any lands in any mineral survey district diamond and other rock drills and Keystone and other placer drills for the purpose of ascertaining the existence and location of mines and minerals. Such work may be done in any of the following ways:

Upon the application of any free miner, including an incorporated company or mining partnership, being an owner or lessee.

Upon the recommendation of a resident engineer, setting forth a description of the claims, mines, lands, or properties to be benefited, and the proportion of cost to be charged against any lands or against each claim, mine, or parcel or tract of land, or mining property, or property, as the case may be.

Upon the terms that the cost of all the drilling or boring, as the case may be, together with a bonus equal to the total amount of the cost and interest at six per cent. per annum, computed annually, shall be payable to the Minister of Mines by the respective owner or owners or lessee of the claim or mine or land, or claims or mines or lands, or properties or mining property, upon which the work is done as

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# CIVIL SERVICE ACT INTRODUCED

New Measure Shows Careful Consideration by the Ministry

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Faithful Servants Will Receive Their Due Reward According to Merit

Legislative Press Gallery, March 21.

The civil service bill was introduced by the Premier this afternoon, and an examination of it shows that the Government is carrying out its pledge of establishing the service upon a strictly non-partisan and business basis.

For the purposes of the act the term "civil service" is declared to mean and include all persons employed by or holding office under the Crown in all departments, branches and institutions, and who are paid a yearly salary voted by the Legislative Assembly. This includes the employees of the Assembly itself, the act considering the Speaker as a minister and the clerk of the House as a deputy minister for these purposes.

**Under Commission.**  
The service is to be placed under a commission, consisting of one commissioner, who shall rank as a deputy minister, will be removable only by the Assembly, and shall not hold any other office or engage in any other employment.

Among the duties of this commissioner will be the testing and passing upon the qualifications of candidates for admission to or promotion in the service, to obtain the assistance of competent persons to prepare examination papers and conduct examinations, to report upon the organization and any reorganization of any branch of the service and to institute any investigation of his own motion or by request of any head of a department. Must Be British.

Candidates must be British subjects by birth or naturalization and have resided in Canada for at least one year before being admitted to competition in any grade of the service, except that technical officers may be appointed without limitation as to birthplace or age.

**Classes.**  
The division of the service into classes is as follows:

Deputy minister, who shall be appointed by the Lieut-Governor-in-Council, at such maximum and minimum of salary as may be fixed, and who may receive annual increases not exceeding ten dollars a month until the maximum is reached.

**Technical Officers.**  
Technical officers, consisting of such classes of persons possessing professional or other technical knowledge and experience as may be specified by order-in-council, by which salaries are also to be fixed.

First class, consisting of administrative and executive officials, in grades "A" and "B," members of which must be at least twenty-five years old before they can be admitted to examination, and who shall be paid from \$2,400 to \$3,900 in grade "A" and from \$2,100 to \$2,400 in grade "B."

Second class, consisting of those having administrative, executive or technical duties of the same nature as, but of less importance and responsibility than, those of Class One, also divided into two grades. To enter candidates must be over eighteen and less than forty-five, and the salaries will run from \$1,800 to \$2,100 in grade "A" and from \$1,600 to \$1,800 in grade "B."

Third class, consisting of clerks performing duties of minor importance and of a routine character, including stenographers and typewriters, who can enter from seventeen to thirty-five and be divided into three grades. The salaries will run from \$540 to \$720 in grade "C," from \$720 to \$1,080 in grade "B," and from \$1,080 to \$1,500 in grade "A."

Fourth class, which may be entered between sixteen and forty, and which will consist of constables, gaoi guards, game wardens, fire wardens, messengers, janitors and others whose duties are not clerical, and with salaries running up to a maximum of \$1,200.

**Skilled Employees.**  
There will be a special grade of skilled employees whose services are of a permanent nature but whose duties and remunerations cannot be classified properly under any of the above, which will include permanent

employees with special skill and experience, such as foreman, inspectors and clerks of works, laboratory assistants not having standard technical qualifications, junior draughtsmen, photographers, electricians, machinists or operators of intricate mechanical apparatus which may be required in the public service, but not including ordinary laborers or artisans, whether skilled or unskilled, such as those employed in the building trade, the printing trade, road construction, transportation or any work of a purely temporary nature.

**Open Competition.**  
The persons to be included in this grade shall be selected by open competition, with or without written examination, as the commission may determine, but chiefly on the basis of their training and experience with respect to the special duties to be performed. The appointment will be by order-in-council, accompanied by a certificate of qualification from the commission, and remuneration, which shall not be subject to annual or periodic increases, shall be as nearly as possible the standard for that or similar service in the district where the men are to be employed.

**Increases of Salary.**  
In the matter of annual increases it is provided that on report of good work and conduct by the deputy, concurred in by the Minister, there may be given, until the maximum of the grade is reached, an annual increase of \$60 in the two lower grades of the Third Class, of \$72 in grade "A" of the Third Class, of \$100 in the two grades of the Second Class and of \$120 in the two grades of the First Class.

**Promotion.**  
Promotion shall be by merit on the recommendation of the Minister, based on a report in writing from the deputy, accompanied by a certificate of qualification from the commission. No person shall be promoted unless he is to do work of greater importance and responsibility than he has theretofore done, or unless the duties of his office are such as to justify the promotion. There will be no promotion from the Third or Fourth Classes, and no initial appointments shall be made to grade "A" of the Third Class, that grade being reserved for promotions from grades "B" and "C" of that class. Every person appointed to the service will go on a six-months period of probation, after which he goes into the service, but during it he may be rejected or given a chance to try in some other position for which he may be eligible.

**Reorganization of Service.**  
There will be a reorganization of the service after the passage of the Act, and every person retained in the discharge of his present duties shall be graded irrespective of age and according to the salary he is receiving at the time of the passing of the Act, and nothing shall prejudicially affect such salary so long as he continues in office.

**Filling Vacancies.**  
Vacancies in the higher grades are to be filled, as far as consistent with the best interests of the public service, by promotions from the Second or any higher class. From time to time the commission is to make a computation of the number of competitors to be selected at the next examination, from which number shall be deducted the number of any successful candidates at any former examination who has not yet received a position. Persons who have successfully passed the competitive examinations may be given temporary employment, if extra assistance is at any time needed, but they must first secure a certificate of qualification from the commission, and no temporary employee can be so employed for more than six months in any fiscal year.

**Age Limit.**  
The age limit in the service is fixed at sixty-five, but an official may be retained for a year longer if in the interests of the public service. The present system of retiring allowances is continued. The widow of an official who dies after being in the service for two years will be entitled to a gratuity equal to two months' salary.

An important section in the Bill cuts out all chance of political patronage or influence which might be exercised on behalf of successful candidates or even before examination. This reads:

No Outside Influence.  
"No person shall, directly or indirectly, solicit or endeavor to influence the commission with respect to the appointment of any person to the service, or with respect to the promotion of or an increase of salary to any officer, clerk or employee in the service."  
"Any person who, directly or indirectly, solicits or endeavors to influence the commission in favor of his appointment, promotion or increase of salary shall be deemed to be unworthy of such appointment, promotion or increase, and it shall not be accorded him; and if he is employed in the civil service he shall be liable to immediate dismissal."  
In the preparation of this Bill, the Government has had the able and experienced assistance of Dr. Adam Shortt, head of the Dominion Civil Ser-

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vice Commission, who has made two visits to the city to consult with the Government and draft the Bill, coming out last week to revise the draft and explain its provisions to members.

Who was the first Food Controller? No, it wasn't Lord Devonport. Economists have never quite settled the point. Some declare that the honor falls to Joseph, when he filled the granaries of Egypt against the seven years' famine. Others are inclined to favor Calus Gracchus, who distributed corn to Roman citizens at the time of the civil strife in 129 B.C., while others, again, give first place to Louis XIII, when, in his famous Code Michaud he fixed the number of dishes to be served at table.—London Chronicle.

Though money talks, it doesn't always make a satisfactory financial statement.

## FORESTRY DRAFT NOW PACKING FOR JOURNEY

Captain Sargison and His Men About to Leave for Forests of France

Forestry Drafts, whether they be raised in the interior or on the coast, fill up with remarkable rapidity. Captain A. G. Sargison, who has raised the local draft in a wonderfully short time, is now on the eve of departure with his men. He will be accompanied on his journey to the other side by Lieutenants A. S. Burgess (Acting Accountant), J. B. Howes, and C. Baxter. The men have undergone their training at the Willows and this afternoon all is hurry and bustle at their quarters, preparatory to departure for services in the woods of France. The men are a fine, sturdy company. Many of them are woodsmen of a considerable amount of experience, while others who have seen too many summers to permit them for service in the trench, appear to have the happy knack of swinging an axe with best.

Office Closed.  
Lieutenant Howes, at the recruiting headquarters on Government Street, has this afternoon closed the office and it will remain closed until authorization to raise another company is given, which is altogether likely in view of the continued success in enlistments for this branch of the service. If a new draft mobilizes it will probably be commanded by Major Montisambert.

It is to be understood, however, that men may be enrolled for departure with this draft almost up to the moment of marching to the wharf. In that case application should be made to the orderly room at the Willows this afternoon.

New Draft Authorized.

Major Wolfenden, who is raising a Forestry draft, and recruiting from territory in the Dry Belt, reports excellent progress and the latest figures on the roll at the headquarters of the draft at Kamloops give the total, in about fourteen days, as nearly fifty men. This is considered to be excellent work in view of the fact that over five thousand men have passed through the local Drill Hall since the commencement of the war. Recruits for the reinforcing company in connection with the 102nd Rocky Mountain Rangers, under the command of Captain John Quinlan, are approaching the two hundred mark.

Colonel Duff Stuart states that the Forestry Draft which has been raised by Captain Mallandaine with headquarters at Creston, B. C., is now so near completion that with the addition of a few more men orders will be issued for departure overseas. Following on the heels of their departure still another draft will be authorized for the Kootenay districts, whose command will go to Captain Hanbury, formerly of the Eighth Battalion, of Winnipeg. The captain has lately returned from the front and will be able to give his men the benefit of first-hand knowledge, as well as to instill into his recruiting officers the need for foresters at the front. That need has been emphasized by the recent advance in the matter of supplying a never-ending amount of timber in the construction of artillery "roads" in the new areas.

It has not yet been decided as to whether the headquarters of the new Kootenay draft will be at Creston or

whether at another locality farther north.

## NEW REGISTRAR IS APPOINTED TO-DAY

E. E. Wootton Retired Through Ill-Health Succeeded by J. C. Gwynne

To succeed E. E. Wootton as Registrar of Titles in Victoria, the Executive Council have decided to promote J. C. Gwynne, District Registrar of Titles at New Westminster.

To replace Mr. Gwynne at New Westminster the appointment will be made of T. O. Townley, a practising barrister of several years standing and resident in Vancouver.

Mr. Wootton, who has unfortunately had to retire owing to ill-health, has been Registrar-General of the province for many years and has been one of the most efficient, painstaking and courteous officials the province has ever had in any position.

Mr. Townley was an Independent Conservative candidate in Vancouver at the recent General Election, but retired before polling day.

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## RETAINS ATTITUDE ON PARK EXEMPTION

### Saanich Council Is Convinced of Justice of Past Policy

"We have the beaches, they have the people," said Reeve Borden in Saanich Council yesterday afternoon, in dealing with the invitation to seek a settlement between the City and Saanich with regard to exemption of parks sites in the two municipalities.

The argument naturally drifted into the question of beaches' control, etc. This led Councillor Henderson to point out the distinction between parks under city control, and the beaches under direct Saanich responsibility. The Saanich authorities would be held responsible for the sanitary conditions at the beaches whatever happened, he said, in the coming summer.

Councillor Diggon declared that the Council was committed to spend the amount of taxes levied on city parks on the improvement of the beaches, which were used to the greater extent by Victoria people.

The clerk pointed out that last year

the City had never shown the slightest disposition at all to meet the Saanich point of view, and in his opinion the council had reciprocated by refusing to pass the resolution adopted in 1915 to give exemption. In 1914 the taxes were returned, to spend the money on the City Market, so that the City had not suffered.

Councillors Jones and Carey objected to the principle of control by the City of Saanich beaches. The City had no right to say how the money should be spent, nor had Saanich the right to say how contributions to the Library, for instance, should be expended.

The Reeve and Councillor Somers objected to surrender of the principle of taxation of parks.

Councillor Carey observed that the Saanich beaches were occupied by City residents, which entailed expenses, and at least the City should contribute enough to the beaches fund to offset loss on taxation of parks.

The inter-municipal committee was appointed, with directions to retain the same attitude as heretofore.

#### Water Questions.

Two matters arose out of the report of the sewers and water committee of some interest. The City Water Commissioner will be asked to allow the North Dairy road main to be tapped, in order to lay a service on Doncaster drive for residents near the City at that point. A report is to be obtained on the reasons why the repairs to the water meters are so high, and to receive suggestions from the superintendent of works as to how the cost can be curtailed, and whether the repairs now in hand will be effective.

The City Council asked the council's opinion with regard to the joint scheme of lighting Harriet Road. In August, 1915, Saanich Council objected because the lighting company would have the revenue, and it was felt to be unfair for the municipalities to contribute.

The Council will not participate in the question until some lighting scheme has been adopted in the municipality, embracing such streets.

#### School Matters.

Arising from the suggestion of the Saanich School Board for participation by the Council in the engagement, in conjunction with the Victoria Order of Nurses, of part of nurse's time for school work, Councillor Diggon asked if the society had been able to get a nurse at all? No one was able to answer him; however, a committee was appointed to consult the school board on the subject.

The Board also offered, free of cost, rock on the site of the Cloverdale School, near Quadra and Cook Streets intersections. It was decided to take advantage of the offer as opportunity needs. Reeve Borden said the removal of considerable rock would be necessary before building could be proceeded with.

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## NO CORPORATE ACTION ON LOT CULTIVATION

### Saanich Council, However, Endorses City's Scheme to Help Cultivators

Saanich Council yesterday afternoon discussed the question of cultivation of vacant lots in the municipality. At the works committee last week an invitation to participate in this stimulus to production had been declined.

The subject was talked over in all its bearings, but it was soon clear that no municipal action would be taken beyond the policy already reached to give prizes for cottage garden allotments.

The members were sympathetic to the question, and will individually help, but no corporate action will be taken to stimulate production in the municipality, for the reasons stated below.

#### Mayor Todd's Letter.

The subject was brought up in the reading of Mayor Todd's circular letter, which has already been published in the Times, inviting various organizations to support the movement.

Councillor Carey: "The action is not only a patriotic one, but a splendid one, and one that has been well thought out." He argued that the proposal was most desirable to be supported. The area of Saanich was so vast, however, that whatever could be done would have to be on a different scale to that of the city, which was more self contained. He believed, however, if it was true that the Saanich teams were idle, some opportunity to use them might be found, by individual councillors urging cultivation on their neighbors.

While sympathizing with Victoria's proposal, Councillor Diggon thought they must go about the question in another form. The Council did not want to enter into competition with the farmers' teams, and thereby cultivate the vacant areas at the expense of the taxpayers.

Councillor Jones hoped no difficulty would be put in the way of carrying out the scheme, and he believed it would be best to show the city they were sincere in co-operating.

Councillor Diggon promised "to spread this gospel of spud setting," as he graphically described it, and said the Council was willing to do anything to aid the scheme.

#### The Resolution.

Councillor Tanner, while recommending the scheme, stated that it would be well to endorse the question, and to indicate that the Council was helping the cottage garden movement, and he moved a resolution to that effect.

"I think the Mayor's spirit is good," observed the Reeve. He added: "It has been a thing which has been very much lacking in Victoria and district for many years. Anyone who lives on a trunk road, as I do, would be surprised at the amount of produce which goes out, instead of into the city, in the form of food stuffs." He declared that produce can be grown to advantage in Saanich.

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erty, at least in the way of securing redress by damages.

#### Motions Passed.

Later Councillor Henderson said it was unfair to expect that every cultivated plot of land must be fenced with a legal fence to protect the property.

Councillor Tanner did not think the Council was justified in any assistance, except in the way of prizes for allotment cultivation.

Councillor Tanner's motion was adopted unanimously at this stage.

Later Councillor Henderson moved a resolution, which was similarly carried, to obtain a legal opinion as to the powers of the council to deal with infounding of stray animals on unfenced lands.

#### TERMS OF APPROVAL

City Council insists on Fulfillment of Original Resolution of 1887 for Harbor Crossing.

As a result of the special private meeting of City Council yesterday on the Johnson Street Bridge proposal of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway, the Mayor subsequently wired to the Board of Railway Commissioners as follows: "Referring to your letter of March 8, concerning the application of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway, to construct a bridge across Victoria Harbor, the plan forwarded by you shows few details and is a skeleton plan only. Please forward copies of the detailed plans, floor plans, profiles, and specifications. It is impossible to understand from the plan forwarded whether any highway facilities are provided or not."

"The City Council insists that the railway must fulfill the conditions of the resolution of the Council on June 25, 1887, which recited the understanding then arrived at with the railway, namely, that the bridge was to be a railway, foot, and vehicle bridge, free to the public forever. Copies of this resolution were forwarded to the railway, Provincial Government, and Ottawa, on July 8, 1887. This was confirmed by an Order-in-Council of August 26, 1887, for the Order-in-Council recited the railway's application for the bridge to accommodate the railway and highway traffic, and referred to the city's resolution, and granted permission to the railway to construct a railway and highway bridge.

"Any reconstruction must be adequate for modern railway and modern highway conditions. The city asks that application for traffic rights on the existing bridge be dealt with before the board considers the railway's present application."

#### NO DECISION

Further Consultation With Regard to Future of Children's Aid Home Necessary.

Pending consultation with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Knott with regard to their offer to take over the Children's Aid Home, to conduct it in future, the conference yesterday afternoon between a committee of aldermen and representatives of the society as to the future of the institution made little progress.

The aldermen present were met by Mrs. McPhillips, Rev. Dr. Clay, ex-Aldermen Porter and McNeill on behalf of the society.

It appeared from what Alderman Andros said, the deficit of \$600 will have to be met by the city, as a first step.

Alderman Cameron stated that the officials at present in charge of the

Children's Aid ought to be able to conduct it satisfactorily in the future. He added that the city would demand from the officers a monthly detailed statement of all expenditures and receipts, as well as a detailed report on the number of children in the institution and a report on everything done by the officers during each month.

The proposal of J. A. Howard Chapman, who attended, to have the work carried on by the Salvation Army, was objected to by members of the society.

#### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of License Commissioners for a transfer of the license held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors on the premises known as the Panama Hotel, situated at 258 Douglas Street, to William A. Gatt, of the said City of Victoria.

(Signed) SIDNEY MITCHELL.

Dated the 19th day of March, 1917.

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