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ERIOUS PROBLEMS ARE CONFRONTING MEMBERS OF NEW LEGISLATURE

Opening of 14th Parliament Took Place This Afternoon in Usual Form

Interest of Public in Function Shown by a Very Large Attendance



HON. FRANK S. BARNARD
Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia.

There was more than usual interest in the opening of the legislative session to-day, since it was not only the first of a new parliament but the first in which a Liberal Government sat to the right of the Speaker. Every inch of space on the floor of the chamber which was not occupied by the desks of members was filled with invited guests, including many of the bench, consular service, and other commercial workers were all present. The ladies' gallery and public galleries had every seat occupied and many were standing. The gallery has never seen as many representatives of the city and county as were present to watch the opening of the proceedings of this session.

Naturally there were hundreds of people disappointed at being unable to gain admission, but the accommodation is limited, and it was greatly crowded to-day in every part of the chamber. Those who could not get in looked on from the grounds and watched the arrival of the Lieutenant-Governor.

The speech from the Throne was a far more than usually long document, and covered to the many matters of importance which are facing the government and people of this province. It opens with references to the change of government, the war and the position of the Canadians who are giving their lives for the Empire, and the death of the late Hon. Ralph Smith. In spite of the marked improvement in business conditions, the speech says, the condition of agriculture is very unsatisfactory, the benefits obtained from working of the Agricultural Credits have not been as great as were hoped for, and the problems in connection with irrigation are very grave. The mining industry is in a good position, thanks to the demand for fuels due to the war, and the production of smelting facilities will have to be considered by the House.

The continuation of the policy of aid to shipping will call for earnest consideration, in view of the position of the Province. Credit matters call for a good deal of attention in the speech and a thorough study into the construction of the B. E. is considered advisable. Legislation in regard to the civil service, the equal guardianship of children, fortnightly payment of wages and other matters are mentioned. It is announced that technical education facilities will be provided, and vocational training arranged as much as possible. A new Provincial Elections Act will be brought in, and in the matter of the grant of franchise to women the speech stresses the importance of the franchise to women. The speaker stresses the importance of the franchise to women. The speaker stresses the importance of the franchise to women.

A brilliant staff of the House was received at the entrance to the Parliament Buildings by a guard of honor from the 88th Victoria Fusiliers, under command of Major W. E. Olive and Lieut. Kirk, guard standing at attention as the speaker of the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., led the National Anthem.

The speaker of the House in the main was the naval and military matters, in which were Admiral Storr, R. N. Commander Hore, R. C. N. J. Duff Stuart, D. O. C. of the 1st District No. 11, Lieut.-Col. E. Coley, Lieut.-Col. Angus and Major Wilson and Major Ridgway-Wilson, Regiment, C. G. A.; Lieut.-Col. the 50th Gordon Highlanders of the 1st; Capt. W. E. Oliver, O. C. 88th Victoria; Major E. A. Seely-Smith, G. O. C. 1st; Capt. G. Sisman, D. A. A. and Lieut.-Col. C. Tweeddale, D. I. O.; G. A. B. Hall, C. A. M. C. and other officers, all in service uniform.

The speaker entered the Chamber behind the double rows of officers, accompanied by Major Roger Monteith, went away with the 4th Battalion and is home on a short leave, as Lieut. A. D. C. and H. J. S. Muskett, private secretary.

As he had taken his seat the

STATES MAY SEND INQUIRY TO MEXICO REGARDING INTRIGUE

Washington, March 1.—No message or statement of any kind will be sent or has been sent by this government to Germany regarding the Zimmermann instructions, it was said officially to-day.

As yet, officials said, there has been no communication between this government and Mexico, but it is possible that there will be.

BRITAIN ALLOWING HADFIELD'S TO MAKE SHELLS FOR STATES

Washington, March 1.—Great Britain has withdrawn her objection and made known her permission for Hadfield's, Ltd., an English munitions concern, to contract with the United States Navy Department for armor-piercing shells of the 14 and 16-inch type.

Merely a Mob, Turks Flee From Region of Kut Towards Bagdad

Forces Shattered Completely by Maude's Troops, British House of Commons Learns; Fall of Bapaume Before Haig's Forces Looked for at Any Moment

London, March 1.—The remnants of the Turkish forces retreating from Kut-el-Amara have been shattered completely, according to information given in the House of Commons to-day. The Turks, it was said, would reach Bagdad only as a disorderly mob.

GERMAN "BLOCKADE" IS ANOTHER FAILURE

People of Havre Not Deceived by It; Hunger of Germans

Paris, March 1.—A dispatch from Havre says that the German submarines have not at all modified the intensity of the situation in the English Channel. From the first to the 23rd of February 65 vessels entered the port of Havre, as compared with 65 in 1916 during the same period, 50 in 1915, 113 in 1914 and 111 in 1913. Practically the situation at Havre has not appreciably changed, and it is felt there that the submarine war to the knife and the so-called German "blockade" is a complete fiasco.

LIKE DROWNING MAN WHO GRASPS STRAW

How Japanese Official in Washington Describes Germany's Latest Intrigue

Washington, March 1.—Japan would instantly spurn any proposal looking to a coalition with Germany and Mexico against the United States, as suggested by Zimmermann, the German Foreign Minister, it was stated authoritatively at the Japanese Embassy here to-day. The embassy here for the time being will issue no official statement or take any official attitude on the disclosures, "that being, it was stated, a matter entirely in the hands of the Tokyo Government. All the facts in the case as they are known here had been transmitted to Tokyo, and would be left for the officials there to handle as they see fit, it was added.

But the Japanese attitude in the entire matter was outlined to-day by one of the higher officials of the embassy here.

In the Dark.

"We do not for a minute doubt the truth of the charges," he said. "We believe that the proposal was made blindly—that Zimmermann merely struck blindly in the dark in the hope that he might strike something that would give aid to the fast-wakening Central Powers. It is Germany's propaganda, promulgated partly to inspire fear of foreign intrigue in this country, and partly to hold out a straw to the peoples of the Central Powers. Germany is the drowning man, and this is the straw."

"For some time there has been an insidious idea spreading throughout Germany that the relations between the United States and Japan are in a critical position. This is absolutely untrue. Never have the relations between the two countries been more cordial."

"Mr. Otsu, the secretary of the Japanese Legation at Mexico City, is a warm friend of the United States. He was in Washington himself for three years. As for Baron von Schoen, we only know him slightly here."

ALLIES WOULD WELCOME THE STATES IN FIELD AND IN CONFERENCE, SAYS FRANK SIMONDS, BACK IN NEW YORK

New York, March 1.—(By Frank H. Simonds.)—"It is the most important thing for the Allies' cause since Verdun."

These words of Joseph Reinach on the morning when Paris first knew that the United States had severed diplomatic relations with Germany are a fair index of the French view of the American action.

For France the action of President Wilson was accepted as tardy but complete vindication of the universal French view that the war is one between barbarism and civilization, and all France felt that the last of the great nations of the world had finally set its seal of disapproval and condemnation upon German militarism.

The course of the United States has not influenced French or British opinion as to peace. The decision on this point had already been made. It had been reached before Mr. Wilson made his first peace gesture. In both nations, as I shall endeavor to point out in subsequent articles, there had been a careful taking of stock weeks before President Wilson sent his first note. Both nations had taken measure of themselves and of their future, and both had decided that there could be no peace without victory and no life, either for themselves or the civilization which they believed in, before Germany had been defeated.

On the other hand, when President Wilson severed diplomatic relations the effect was enormous.

I do not think that it would be possible to calculate the moral effect of President Wilson's action in France. It was a German defeat in French eyes.

GERMAN AEROPLANE DROPPED BOMBS ON BROADSTAIRS TO-DAY

London, March 1.—A German aeroplane dropped bombs to-day on Broadstairs. It was announced officially in the following report:

"To-day a hostile aeroplane bombed Broadstairs. One woman was slightly injured."

Broadstairs is a watering place on the Isle of Thanet, off the Kentish coast. It is one of the towns shelled by German destroyers Monday.

EXPOSURE OF INTRIGUES OF BERLIN SPURS CONGRESS OF STATES TO QUICKER ACTION

ANY SUCH GERMAN ATTEMPT HOPELESS

Japan Values Place in Entente and Relations With States

STATEMENT BY JAPANESE EMBASSY AT WASHINGTON

Washington, March 1.—The Japanese Embassy made the following comment to-day:

"With regard to the alleged German attempt to induce Japan and Mexico to make war upon the United States, made public in the press to-day, the Japanese Embassy, while lacking information as to whether such invitation ever reached Tokyo, desires to state most emphatically that any invitation of this sort would under no circumstances be entertained by the Japanese Government, which is in entire accord and close relations with the other Entente powers on account of former agreements and our common cause, and moreover on account of our good friendship with the United States, which is every day growing in sincerity and cordiality."

CANADIAN HOSPITAL SHIP BROUGHT 600; HER FIRST VOYAGE

Hull, March 1.—Nearly 600 returned and invalid soldiers arrived here to-day from England. There are 22 cot cases and a number of amputation cases.

This is the first trip of the hospital ship which General Biggar, Director of Transports, stated at Ottawa would be used to bring back wounded and ill. The ship is painted white with red crosses on the sides and a green stripe above the hull and below the funnel.

AUSTRIA'S ANSWER TO UNITED STATES IN ABOUT A WEEK

Vienna, Feb. 28.—The American Ambassador, Frederick C. Fenfield, informed the Associated Press to-day that he expected the reply of the Austrian Government to the American memorandum concerning the new submarine warfare regulations in about one week.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee Reports Lodge Resolution Favorably; House of Representatives Votes on Bill After Three Hours of Debate; Washington Talks of Nothing Else

Washington, March 1.—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee to-day ordered a favorable report on the Lodge resolution after changing only a few words.

The committee struck out the provisions asking the President for information as to when the Zimmermann letter came into possession of the United States.

Senator Hitchcock reported the resolution as amended by the Foreign Relations Committee to the Senate at 3 o'clock and asked unanimous consent for its immediate consideration. There was no objection.

Senator Stone's amendment would add to the end of the resolution these words: "and also to inform the Senate as to whether the information in his possession respecting the letter signed 'Zimmermann' originated with any government or the official of any government engaged in the present war, and if so to inform the Senate of the facts."

JAPANESE NOT SORT TO BE INFLUENCED

Washington Knows They Can Not Be Reached by German Intrigues

Spurred by the developments the House to-day took up the bill to clothe the President with authority to deal with the German submarine menace under an agreement to vote after three hours of debate.

LANSING SPEAKS OF JAPAN AND MEXICO

Washington, March 1.—Secretary Lansing this forenoon authorized this statement:

"We do not believe that Japan has had any knowledge of this (the intrigue whereby Germany hoped to unite Mexico and Japan against the United States), or that she would consider any proposition made by an enemy."

As to Mexico, the secretary said:

"We have confidence that Mexico would not be a party to any such agreement in view of the friendly relations existing between the United States and the De Facto Government of Mexico."

Secretary Lansing took great care, it will be noted, to exonerate both Japan and Mexico, and said this Government had no knowledge that the proposals had been conveyed through Mexico to Japan.

In view of the fact that the plan was not to be presented until "it is certain that there would be outbreak of war with the United States," it was not certain, Secretary Lansing said, that the matter had been presented officially to General Carranza at all.

Reached Bernstorff.

It is known definitely, officials said, that Zimmermann's instructions reached Count von Bernstorff here in Washington, that he forwarded them to Mexico City, and that they reached the German minister there. At this point the trail of official certainty is lost to view.

Secretary Lansing flatly refused to give any indication of how the information came into possession of the United States Government, on the ground that it would endanger the lives of those concerned. For obvious reasons, which he could not amplify, he refused to discuss the source in any way.

AMERICAN SENATE TOLD REVELATIONS CORRECT

Washington, March 1.—On the floor of the Senate it was announced, shortly after the sitting opened to-day, that Democratic Senators had been authorized to state that the revelation of Germany's plan to unite Mexico and Japan against the United States, including the text of the instructions from German Foreign Minister Zimmermann to German Minister von Eckhardt, at Mexico City, were correct.

"It is time," said Senator La Follette, "that we should know how long the President or any branch of the Government has had the document in his or its possession."

Representative Bennett, of New York, read to the House a notice to a House Democratic whip which will be at Congress.

Washington, amazed by the many attempts to unite Mexico to war upon the United States Congress to-day forgot its different of opinion and began swinging in line behind the President.

Senate Republicans abandoned their general filibuster and gave the Democratic leaders assurances of their support to the President in a national emergency.

In the House, without a roll-call and under special provision for its immediate consideration, Representative Flood's bill to clothe the President with authority to deal with the German submarine menace by arming ships, was taken up under an agreement for a vote after three hours of debate.

President Wilson, however, will insist on being empowered to use "other instrumentalities," as proposed in the bill pending in the Senate.

Full official confirmation of Germany's move as revealed by the Associated Press was given at the White House, the State Department and on the floor of the Senate.

The magnitude and astounding character of Germany's proposal completely overhauled all other considerations in the Government to-day.

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DISCLOSURE OF GERMAN INTRIGUE AGAINST STATES SHEDS NEW LIGHT ON MANY MOVES BY TEUTON AGENTS

Washington Stirred to Depths by Exposure of Teutons' Designs Against the Republic; Public Now Aware of Germany's Real Attitude Toward States While Wilson Trying to Preserve Peace

Washington, March 1.—The revelation of how Germany, expecting war with the United States as the result of her submarine campaign of ruthlessness, plotted to unite Mexico and Japan with her for an attack on the United States, has stirred the Capital to its depths.

Members of Congress, many of whom had been hesitating before President Wilson's request for full authority to deal with Germany in the present situation, went to the Capitol to-day reading the documentary evidence of intrigue which proposed to separate Japan from her allies and add the United States to the list of nations which Germany hopes to see conquered in her dream of world domination. How Germany, believing that unrestricted submarine warfare is the instrument by which she will bring Britain to her knees, proposed a triple blow is revealed in a set of instructions from German Foreign Minister Zimmermann to German Minister von Eckhardt in Mexico City, which was transmitted through Count von Bernstorff, late German Ambassador here.

To Keep States Busy.
At one sweep, Germany proposed to weaken the Entente Alliance by the defection of Japan, strike a crushing blow at Britain's naval power by cutting off the vital supply of Mexican fuel oil, and thoroughly engage the attention of the United States by an invasion, which Japan was to be invited to join, and for which Mexico should be rewarded by reconquering her "lost provinces," Texas, New Mexico and Arizona.

This astounding document, dated Berlin, January 19, 1917, the contents of which have for some time been in possession of the United States Government, shows plainly that Germany, while making repeated protestations to the United States that she had no intention of resuming her sea campaign of ruthlessness, was making the final

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New York, March 1.—United States Senator-elect Frederick Hale, of Maine, who arrived here yesterday from Liverpool on the S. S. Finland, during three weeks spent in England and France, met many of the leading men handling the affairs of the Entente Powers.

"I talked with Mr. Lloyd George in London and he told me he hoped the United States would get into the war," Mr. Hale said. "He added that he wanted to see the United States take a prominent part in the peace negotiations at the end of the conflict."

Ottawa, March 1.—It is announced through the Chief Press Censor's office that the following troops have arrived safely in England: The 228th Railway Construction Battalion of St. John, the 257th Railway Construction Battalion of Ottawa, Toronto and the Maritime Provinces, the 143rd Railway Construction Battalion of Victoria, and the 218th Railway Construction Battalion of Edmonton.

"I also saw Premier Briand in Paris and he said the entry of the United States into the war against the Central Powers would have a great moral and physical effect toward bringing about peace."

"The prevailing sentiment among leading officials in both countries was that we could help with convoys and with credits, and the opinion was expressed that were the United States to send over even a small fighting force under the American flag it would have a great moral effect."

Officials here of the International Mercantile Marine Company said that reports brought by passengers on the Finland of a suspension of passenger sailings from the United Kingdom

OFFICIALLY REPORTED BANTAMS IN ENGLAND

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Zimmermann's Orders.
The text of the document, addressed to the German Minister at Mexico City by the German Foreign Minister, is as follows: On the first of February we intended to begin submarine warfare unrestricted. In spite of this it is our intention to endeavor to keep neutral the United States of America.

"If this attempt is not successful, we propose an alliance on the following basis with Mexico:

"That we shall make war together, and together make peace. We shall give general financial support, and it is understood that Mexico is to conquer the lost territory in New Mexico, Texas and Arizona. The details are left to you for settlement.

"You are instructed to inform the President of Mexico of the above in the greatest confidence as soon as it is certain that there will be an outbreak of war with the United States, and suggest that the President of Mexico, on his own initiative, should communicate with Japan, suggesting adherence at once to this plan; and at the same time offer to mediate between Germany and Japan.

"Please call to the attention of the President of Mexico that the employment of ruthless submarine warfare now promises to compel England to make peace in a few months."

(Signed) "Zimmermann,"
New Light.

To American officials the startling disclosure throws new light on Germany's real attitude toward the United States. It shows that while the administration has been going to the utmost lengths to avoid an armed clash with Germany, even to the extent of repeatedly enduring flagrant violations of American rights on the seas and breaches of neutrality on American soil, Germany with the diplomacy so suddenly revealed by the outbreak of the European war has been numbering the United States among her enemies and making provision to meet such a situation.

The documentary proof of Germany's plot to unite Japan and Mexico against the United States has been in the hands of the United States Government while German statesmen have been pleading that President Wilson's action in breaking off relations was "brutal" and harsh, and that they had been informed of no "authentic reasons" for his action. While the German Chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, was making his celebrated speech in the Reichstag in which he deplored the break and protested that Germany had promoted and cherished the friendship of the United States, "as Bismarck put it, as an heirloom from Frederick the Great," the documents here showed that Germany was plotting an attack on the United States by a triple alliance.

No Reconciliation.
American officials wonder how, in the light of these disclosures, German officials will reconcile their plea that the United States put an interpretation on the new submarine orders "not intended by Germany" with the organized disabling of German merchant ships in American ports at a pre-arranged signal from the German Embassy here—some of them even before the break was an accomplished fact.

American officials are equally interested in knowing what reception the startling disclosure will meet in Germany, and what will be the effect on the German people if they are permitted to know about the matter. The evidences at hand are that if Mexico, as Germany suggested, communicated to Japan the proposal for an attack on the United States it met with a reception in Tokio which was quite contrary to what Berlin had expected. It is thought here that Germany's announcement that she intended to withdraw from the Pacific, as part of the making of peace, was carefully planned long ago to attract Japan to Germany's schemes with the prospect not only of occupying the German possessions in the Pacific, adding to her domination of that great ocean, but of settling the long-standing friction with the United States.

Observers here believe that the breakdown of the scheme so far as Japan was concerned was signalled when the Mexican Government suddenly reversed its attitude and announced that it had no intention of cutting off the British supply of naval fuel oil, as had plainly been indicated in General Carranza's proposal to make peace in Europe by cutting off exports of food and munitions from neutrals. Aside from the plan to alienate Japan from the Entente and turn that country against the United States, the plot to embroil Mexico in a war against the United States, which was to have general financial support from Germany, commands chief attention because it is regarded as proof of long-standing suspicions of German activities to stir up trouble elsewhere in the western hemisphere, where the United States, by the Monroe Doctrine, is morally obligated to maintain order.

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THE PRESIDENT'S TRUMP CARD The United States at last realizes the actual import of the war. It knows now on evidence of its own discovery and production that the conflict is not a private affair of Europe's...

THE PRESIDENT'S TRUMP CARD

The United States at last realizes the actual import of the war. It knows now on evidence of its own discovery and production that the conflict is not a private affair of Europe's, a clash between two sets of effete systems in which it has no concern. It knows now that when Germany drew the sword her objective was world domination; that in her march to her "place in the sun" she intended to walk roughshod over the United States...

that she might violate her treaty obligations and get into the same boat with such a barbaric crew, she will remember that practically the same proposal has been made to every other member of the Entente. After the President's disclosure it will be a bold Congress, indeed, that will refuse to grant him any authority be constitutionally may seek for dealing with the Hun. The publication of the Zimmerman letter should put a quietus on that monumental blather-shite William Jennings Bryan and his organization of noisy peace-at-any-price agitators who have foolishly allowed themselves to become German tools for the undoing of their own country.

B. V. PAUME ABANDONED?

News of the occupation of B. V. paume by the British may come any moment. This place, a short time ago of vital importance to the enemy line in the Arras salient, has been abandoned. Its evacuation was dictated by the progress of the British troops on both sides of the Ancre following the flattening of the Beaumont-Thiepvall angle in the latter part of last year, notably the capture of the ridge extending from Serre to Miraumont a few days ago. Nor can there be any question now, that the Germans are methodically withdrawing from the entire salient.

The chief question arising from the German retirement is, how far is the line being withdrawn? Where will the enemy make his next stand? A Paris dispatch reports the reorganization of the German front behind B. V. paume, running due south through Peronne, where it curves into the great Roye salient. In that case the German line would extend slightly southeast from a point just east of Arras, joining the present front opposite Le Transloy, now in British possession.

If the Germans straightened their line from Arras south to Peronne, Sir Douglas Haig would derive more advantage from it than the enemy would. He would strike on a much wider front and we should be entitled to expect very early after the resumption of operations on a large scale, the abandonment of Peronne and the evacuation of the Roye salient just as the Germans appear to be evacuating the Arras salient.

President Wilson's disclosure of the plot to embroil Mexico with the United States confronts the people of the republic with the mark of the beast in all its repulsiveness. It shows that those who sincerely believed in the possibility of continued friendly relations with Germany were dwelling in a fool's paradise, for unquestionably the whole precious scheme was formulated long before the date of Zimmerman's instructions to the Hun Ambassador in Mexico City.

The disclosure, of course, surprises nobody in the Entente countries at all familiar with Germany's methods. More than two years ago The Times predicted that before this struggle was over Germany would show her hand in Mexico. That she should offer as a bait the restoration of Mexico, Arizona, Texas and California was to her the most natural thing in the world.

It was wholly in accord with the record, however, that she should import into the Mexican plot a piece of thick-headed stupidity. This was the proposal that Mexico should entice Japan from the Entente group. When Japan kicked the Hun out of Kiaoo Chiao she squared a good many insults suffered by her at Germany's hands, but this is a fresh one which she no doubt will take into account.

the Arras salient now because they have to; not because they want to. The weather and ground conditions favor them, but these may not favor their next backward trek. It is because of these advantages that we believe the present movement will extend much farther than just behind Baupenne. They are bound to try to make their strongest line while the going is good. We prophesy that they will stand on the Cambrai-St. Quentin line.

A "DISORDERLY MOB."

Unless the Turks have been able to divert large reinforcements to Bagdad and prepare exceptionally formidable lines of defence either at Ctesiphon or at some other point in the vicinity the Union Jack will be waving over the ancient capital within the next ten days. According to information disclosed in the House of Commons to-day the Turkish forces which disputed the possession of Kut will not play much of a part in the defence of Bagdad. They have been completely shattered, losing the bulk of their equipment, and will reach their haven only as a disorderly mob.

It is now doubtful if there will be another stiff fight for Bagdad. In that case the fate of the old capital was decided in the fighting for Kut, which in fact was the outer defence of the main Turkish base in Mesopotamia. The bulk of the Ottoman troops in that district were employed on both banks of the Tigris and at one time they were reported to number 100,000. Some of these may have been diverted to Armenia or Syria or even may have formed part of the Turkish division operating in Galicia.

Should Bagdad fall Berlin can bid an affectionate farewell to her dream of an outlet on the Persian Gulf. German prestige will vanish in that part of the world and probably the whole of Arabia will fall under the sway of the Sheriff of Hejaz, now exalted to the dignity of ruler of a new sovereign and independent kingdom on the shores of the Red Sea. As we pointed out yesterday, Bagdad is a long way from the main Turkish bases; its communications are extremely precarious, for the railroad has not been completed. The river transport is easily liable to interruption, especially from the operations of British airmen.

SIR WILLIAM'S CARD.

When Sir William Mackenzie was in Victoria a few days ago he was well aware that the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway was about to be transferred to the control of the Dominion Railway Commission. He, however, kept the knowledge to himself. It was a card he preferred to hold up his sleeve, for he came seeking concessions, as usual, and anticipated a doubly emphatic refusal if the Government knew that the control of the freight rates on a road for which the province had guaranteed \$47,000,000 with interest for thirty-five years was about to be taken away from it.

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defences as they retreat, and Germany is burning her bridges behind her. The "Central Empire," as they delight to call themselves, have not a friend left in the world, with the possible exception of a band of brigands in Mexico.

At last President Wilson probably has a clear perception of the principles involved in the war, of what the allies are fighting for and what the aims of the Germans are or were. Hyphenated Americans henceforth had better hold their peace. The patience of the real American citizen must be nearing the point of exhaustion.

The Turks are on the run, and the Huns are at least backing up. The first effects of the great spring drive are manifest already.

Von Bernstorff was such a "slick feller" that American statesmen were mere children in his deft hands.

Louisville Courier-Journal: We must take her (Germany) at her word. The chief interest of that notification, in so far as it concerns us, is not its proof of the desperation of Germany's cause, or her despair of winning the war by legitimate warfare, or her last hope against defeat by resort to the last resort of savagery left her. It is not even her virtual defiance of the civilized world by her open proclamation of her recourse to that policy.

TO EXHIBIT TROPHIES

War Relics to Be Shown for Whole Week in Belmont Block. An exhibition of war trophies is to be held the last of this month in the Belmont Block. Such an exhibition should be of the greatest possible interest to relatives and friends of men who are or have been "up against the Hun," and it is anticipated that a big crowd will be attracted to the rooms for the week during which the articles are displayed.

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OFFICIAL CHANGES EFFECTIVE TO-DAY New City Health Officer Installed; Accountant W. B. Fisher Withdraws. OFFICIAL CHANGES EFFECTIVE TO-DAY New City Health Officer Installed; Accountant W. B. Fisher Withdraws.

Public Market Day (To-morrow) Means Money in Your Pocket By Buying Here

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SAVE THE CHILDREN URGES CONFERENCE

Majority of Speakers at Concluding Local Council's Session Plead Conservation

The third provincial conference of the Local Councils of Women of British Columbia adjourned late yesterday afternoon after a very successful and helpful two-days' session. The majority of the papers cast for the conference were read at the final session, beginning with Mrs. R. S. Day's splendid paper on "The Conservation of Child Life."

It is the vital question of the hour, affirmed the speaker, who showed how some of the nation's best thinkers had turned aside from the problems of how to produce material wealth to the greater problem of how to conserve the human life of the nation.

The progress which was being made in various parts of the Empire in the study of the question was referred to. The National Institute of Mothercraft was ready to complete its preliminary organization in London, England, at the present time. Its primary object was to furnish a central place for treatment in prevention of pre-natal and maternal mortality.

The excellent paper which the meeting knew was in store for them from Mrs. J. D. Gordon had to be cut short owing to the lateness of the hour. Her subject, "Women in Industrial Life," gave a very useful survey of the numerous occupations into which women have and are now entering.

Referring to office women, Mrs. Gordon specially mentioned the more recent occupation of girls in banks. In this capacity they had proved their value, and the innovation was probably a fixed and permanent thing.

Mrs. MacLachlan's paper on "Dental Clinics" dealt largely with the subject of medical clinics in the schools. At the present time medical inspection was carried out in the schools. This was not enough. They must have clinics which would deal with the prevention and cure of children's ailments.

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amendments to the constitution, and the recommendations sent up by the National Council were confirmed. Only two or three amendments were passed upon.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

A. E. Beebe, of Seattle, is staying at the Dominion Hotel. G. H. Linder, of Hotham Sound, is at the Dominion Hotel. H. Gartley, of Wrangell, Alaska, is at the Dominion Hotel.

The Rev. James Caruthers, of Alberni, is a guest of the Dominion Hotel. Mrs. O. K. Vernon is over from Seattle and has registered at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mrs. M. Dougall and Miss C. McKenzie, of Kamloops, B. C., are guests at the Strathcona Hotel. Edw. Hemmingsen and Mrs. Hemmingsen are down from Cowichan Lake and are at the Dominion Hotel.

Mrs. H. W. Hudson, 863 Empress Avenue is entertaining at the tea hour this afternoon in honor of Mrs. D. C. McLellan, of Prince Albert, Sask., who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Matheson, 242 Linden Avenue.

Arrivals for the opening of the session include J. W. deH. Farris and A. I. Fisher, M. P. P's. They reached here on the afternoon steamer yesterday.

REORGANIZING HERE

The Victoria Auxiliary of the Women's Educational Club, an auxiliary of the Metropolitan Club, New Westminster, is being reorganized at a meeting which convened at 3.30 this afternoon at the Metropolitan schoolroom.

This is a facsimile of the package bearing portrait and signature of A. W. Chase, M.D.

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VOTES FOR WOMEN

This is the day on which the women's suffrage amendment to the Elections Act were projected, and there is no doubt that the grant of the suffrage to women will be included in these and all pass in the one bill.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA'S BUSINESS CABINET

SERIOUS PROBLEMS ARE CONFRONTING MEMBERS OF NEW LEGISLATURE

(Continued from page 1.)

It gives me pleasure to state that there has been a marked improvement in business conditions throughout the Province during the past year. The depression always following an era of speculation reached its lowest point, and a recovery based upon actual productive values confidently may be expected. As a prudent, precautionary measure my Government is taking an inventory of the entire situation and is ascertaining, in authoritative form, the actual financial position of the Province. For this purpose a firm of chartered accountants of international reputation has been engaged upon a thorough audit of the finances of the Province, and their report will be submitted in due course.

I regret that the agricultural production within the Province still is in a very unsatisfactory condition. The continued necessity for the importation of these products constitutes a heavy drain upon our financial resources. My Government will present for your consideration a measure designed to open up and assist in the settlement of many of the fertile areas of the now unproductive parts of the Province, and to provide homes and employment for returned soldiers and other desirable immigrants who may elect to engage in agricultural pursuits. By this means it is hoped, also, to relieve the unfortunate situation brought about by the system of scattered settlements which now obtains. The benefits obtained from the administration of the Agricultural Act have not been as great as had been hoped, and a measure intended to strengthen this act and widen the scope of its operation will be placed before you.

The problems in connection with the irrigation of lands in the interior of the Province, increasing in their gravity, call for immediate attention, and legislation dealing with this question will be introduced.

Legislation Promised.

The increase in the demand for metals caused by the war has given new impetus to mining operations, and legislation will be introduced providing assistance for systematic prospecting of the mineral-bearing districts of the Province.

To meet the growing demand of the mining industry you will be asked to consider the advisability of providing additional smelting facilities.

You will be pleased to learn that there has been a marked increase in the demand for timber in the various branches of manufacture, including wood-pulp. This industry now may be regarded as upon a permanent producing basis.

Under an Act of last session the building of wooden ships within the Province has been undertaken. How far the finances of the Province will permit the continuance of the policy inaugurated will be one of your serious consideration. The report of the Shipping Commission will be laid before you.

I regret that the policy of aiding the construction of railways by means of Provincial guarantees of bonds has resulted in the Province having had to provide for the payment of large sums of money on interest account. The re-



HON. H. C. BREWSTER
Premier, Minister of Finance and President of the Council.

down which it is believed will place the Government service on a more satisfactory basis, remedying many of the evils heretofore complained of.

Additional facilities for technical education will be provided and vocational training encouraged as much as possible.

A measure providing for the equal guardianship of children will be introduced.

I rejoice that the electors of British Columbia, by so large a majority, decided in favor of extending the right of the franchise to women. A new Provincial Elections Act embodying provisions for this and other reforms will be laid before you.

A Bill providing for the payment of wages fortnightly in certain industries will be laid before you.

In view of the large amount of money which will require to be raised to meet Sinking Fund and interest liabilities it will be necessary to increase the revenue. In this connection the most competent expert advice available will be secured with a view to equalization of assessments and the adoption of the most modern and scientific methods of taxation.

Confidence in Future.
The Public Accounts for the past

years with a keen appreciation of your responsibility I have no doubt.

I leave you with an expression of confidence and the fervent prayer that Almighty God may inspire and guide your deliberations.

After His Honor had retired and the Speaker had returned to the chamber and taken his seat the routine proceedings of opening day were gone on with. The public accounts for the year ending March 31, 1916, were laid on the table by the Minister of Finance, Hon. Mr. Brewster, and some other returns and reports were also brought down.

The debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne will be commenced to-morrow, when Henry C. Hall (Victoria), will move and John Keen (Kaslo) will second the motion on which the first debate of the session will take place.

Last evening the nine opposition members who are here met in caucus and elected W. J. Bowser, fifth member for Vancouver, as the leader, L. W. Shatford, Similkameen, was elected as chairman of the caucus, James H. Schofield, Trail, chief opposition whip, and J. W. Jones, South Okanagan, deputy whip. The other members of the opposition are Capt. W. H. Hayward, Cowichan; Archie McDonald, Lillooet; W. R. Ross, Fort George; R. H. Pooley,

IS SAID GERMAN CONSULATE ROBBED

Report Has Its Official Papers at Juarez, Mexico, Disappeared

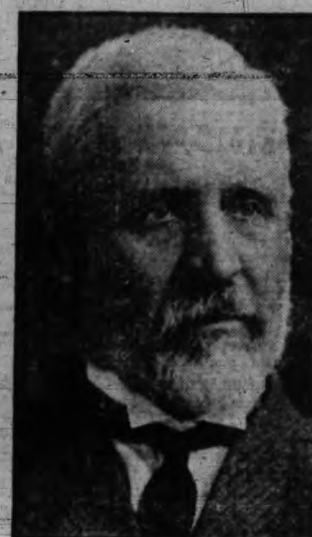
Juarez, Mex., March 1.—The German consulate here was robbed late last night and a number of important official papers are reported to have been taken from the files of Consul Max Weber, who has been in charge of consular and diplomatic affairs for the German Government in Northern Mexico.

A typewriter and other office supplies also were taken.

The office of the American Smelting & Refining Company, across the hall from the German consulate, also was entered. Two boxes were opened, but nothing was taken. Consul Weber is ill at his home.



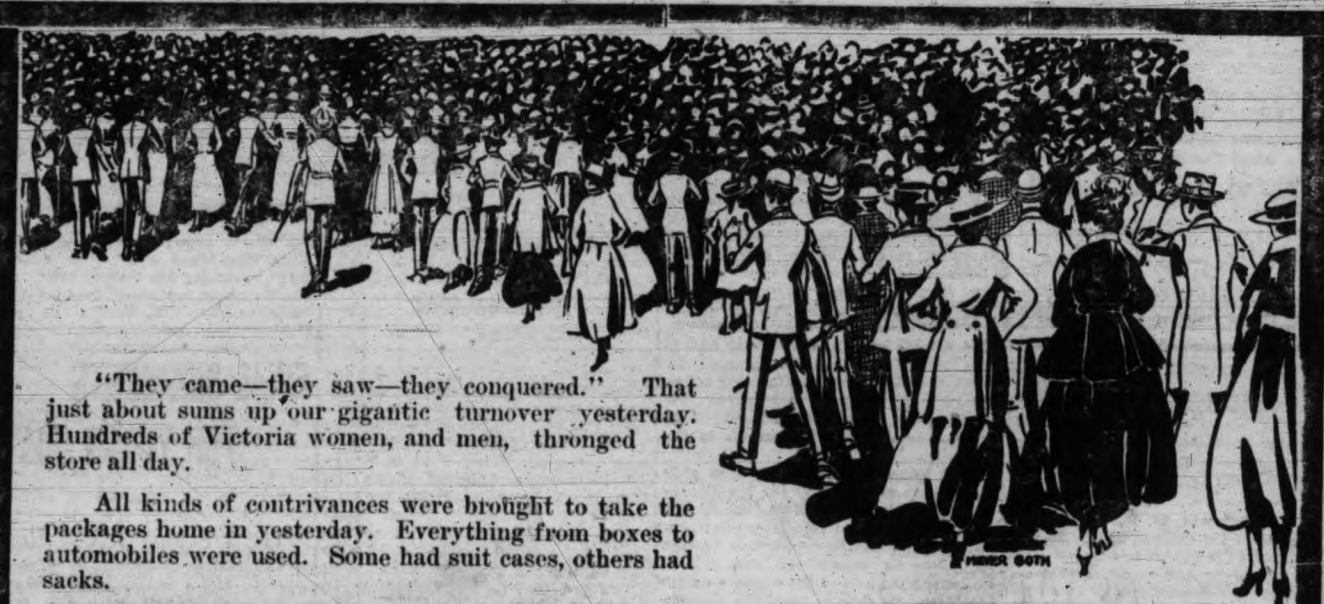
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HON. JOHN OLIVER
Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Railways.



HON. M. A. MACDONALD
Attorney-General.



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New-Laid Eggs. Reg. 45c doz. Non-delivery price, dozen. 42c	Golden Russet Apples, small but nice. Reg. \$1.25 box. Non-delivery price. 95c	Heinz Tomato Catsup, reg. 30c bottle. Non-delivery price. 23c
Blueberries (splendid for pies). Reg. 15c tin. Non-delivery price. 9c	Shirriff's or Pure Gold Extracts, large bottle. Reg. 60c. Non-delivery price. 47c	Aylmer Pure Jams, 1-lb. glass jars. Reg. 25c. Non-delivery price. 20c
Clark's Fluid Beef Cordial, 20-ounce bottle. Reg. \$1.25. Non-delivery price. 98c	Lipton's Orange Marmalade, 1-lb. glass jars. Reg. 25c jar. Non-delivery price. 17c	Victoria Cross Cocoa, in tins. Reg. 10c. Non-delivery price, 3 for. 25c
Liquid Veneer Furniture Polish. Reg. 50c bottle. Non-delivery price. 41c	Prunes, extra large size, 25-lb. boxes. Reg. price \$3.25. Non-delivery price \$2.98 , or in bulk, 2 lbs. for. 25c	Shirriff's Jelly Powders, assorted flavors. Reg. 3 for 25c. Non-delivery price, 4 for. 25c
Heinz Cream Tomato Soup. Reg. 2 tins 25c. Non-delivery price, tin. 10c	B. C. Granulated Sugar, 20-lb. cotton sack, reg. \$1.70. Non-delivery price. \$1.62	Navel Oranges, small but nice. Reg. 15c dozen. Non-delivery price, 28 for. 25c
Empress Black or White Pepper, in 1-lb. tins. Reg. 50c tin. Non-delivery price. 37c	People's Favorite Creamery Butter, extra quality. Reg. 45c lb. Non-delivery price. 41c	Sunlight or Ivory Soap, reg. 5c bar. Non-delivery price, 6 for. 25c
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HON. J. H. KING
Minister of Public Works.



HON. J. D. MACLEAN
Provincial Secretary and Minister of Education.

port of the Minister of Railways will be laid before you.

My Government considers it advisable that a thorough inquiry should be made into all matters relating to the construction of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

The estimates will contain provision for continuing the work of development of the former Songhees Indian Reserve, and also for assisting in the construction of a bridge across Victoria Harbor as a necessary part of such development work.

A measure will be submitted providing for the disposal of those portions of the reserve not required for public purposes, and for a grant of a parcel of land to the City of Victoria for park purposes.

New Elections Act.

Careful study will be made of the fishing industry, and steps will be taken to conserve the industry and to extend its scope.

A Civil Service Bill will be brought

year and the Estimates for the coming year will be laid before you.

While it would be unwise to minimize the task of rehabilitating the financial position of the Province, the natural resources capable of conversion into wealth, by their judicious, courageous, and capable administration, afford the best and most rational assurance that we may look to the future with reasonable confidence.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of this Assembly—You are called upon to conduct the affairs of this Province at a time when both the moral tenets and the material economy of the whole world are in process of rapid evolution. In the face of seeming contradictions, emerging from the world-embracing conflict of established convictions and practices, the all-surviving principle of human brotherhood revives and takes on new form and fresh vitality. That you will approach your duties at this critical juncture of af-

Esquimalt, and Dr. W. O. Rose, Nelson, P. J. A. Mackenzie, Delta, is absent on service.

AMERICAN FREIGHTER ROCHESTER REACHES FRANCE IN SAFETY

Bordeaux, March 1.—The American freighter Rochester has arrived at the mouth of the Gironde.

The Rochester and the Orleans were the first American ships to leave the United States for Europe after the breach of relations with Germany.

TORONTO BANK CLEARINGS.

Toronto, March 1.—The bank clearings for the week ended to-day were \$45,238,788. For the corresponding week last year the clearings were \$43,492,725, and \$34,425,497 in 1915.

APPLES, ORANGES, FIGS AND PRUNES

Are The Four Fruits Used in Making "Fruit-a-tives"

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WOMEN MUNITION WORKERS IN CITY

Victoria Machinery Depot Makes Successful Experiment With Female Labor

FORCE AT LOCAL PLANT IS TO BE INCREASED

Girls Show Wonderful Adaptability in Various Branches of Shell Manufacture

Emulating the example of their overseas sisters many Canadian girls are now "doing their bit" by devoting their time and talents in the production of munitions.

Much has been heard of the splendid effort of the womenfolk of Great Britain and France, who for many months past have been employed in thousands in the munition factories, assisting in the manufacture of ammunition of every description in order that the forces of the Entente might have an unlimited supply of shells with which to batter down the defences of the enemy in this most herculean struggle of all ages.

The women of Great Britain responded nobly to Lloyd George's appeal for munition workers, and they are now to be found in the majority in the gigantic plants that have sprung into being since the outbreak of the war.

Canada is doing her share in providing a huge expeditionary army and in the manufacture of munitions, and now that the shortage of male labor is beginning to be felt in this country, the Canadian women are coming forward to do their part in the service of the Empire.

SADO NOW PLYING IN KOBE SERVICE

Master Taken Ill in Orient is Succeeded by Capt. R. Shimidzu

NATIONAL RESERVE SHOULD BE CREATED

Thomas Deasy, Indian Agent for Queen Charlotte Islands, Favors Plan

The claims of the Queen Charlotte Islands to be declared a national park, to be used as a great game preserve, are urged by Thomas Deasy, Indian Agent for the Islands, well known in this city during many years' residence, and former chief of the fire department.

Mr. Deasy bases his argument on the absence of wild animals which would be a menace to conservation of mountain goats and sheep, as well as other game which frequent the recesses in the Rockies, and points out that with the miles of sea which separate the group from the mainland, there is never any fear that the situation would change.

OFFICERS OF JOHN ARE EXONERATED

Marine Court Commends Conduct of Master and Crew After Stranding

FINAL SHIPMENTS FOR YUKON BOATS

Princess Sophia Taking North Additional Material for Steamer Atlinto

RODE OUT HEAVY GALE

WHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

PRIZE SCHOONERS AGAIN

ABOUT TO LEAVE PORT

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Canadian Pacific Railway B. C. COAST SERVICE S. S. Tees Leaves for Holberg March 2, 11.45 p.m. VANCOUVER, daily at 2 and 11.45 p.m. SEATTLE, daily at 4.30 p.m.

SIXTEEN CUNARDERS BUILDING IN STATES Four Ships Under Construction at Portland Said to Be Purchased; Other Contracts

DAY STEAMER TO SEATTLE THE S.S. "Sol Duc" Leaves C. P. R. wharf daily except Sundays at 11.20 a.m. for Port Angeles, Dungeness, Port Williams, Port Townsend and Seattle.

Pacific Steamship Co. ONLY DIRECT ROUTE WITHOUT CHANGE TO SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES AND SAN DIEGO

WIRELESS REPORTS 8 a.m., March 1. Point Grey—Cloudy; N. W. 30.40; 29; sea smooth.

THE TIME BALL The time ball on the Belmont Building will be raised half-mast high at 12.45 p. m. to the top at 12.55 p. m. and will be dropped at 1 p. m. daily.

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VITAL QUESTIONS Member for Victoria Will Attend Board of Trade Meeting on Port Improvements. G. H. Barnard, M. P., will attend a meeting of the Council of the Board of Trade at 10.30 o'clock to-morrow morning to answer any questions that may be advanced respecting the new ocean docks, harbor improvements and the proposed graving dock at Esquimalt.

STEWART BUYS YOUR OLD SHOES Leather has been going up by leaps and bounds lately, and many new uses have been found for even the smallest scraps of upper stock. Now, we know that there are thousands of half-worn-out shoes that are simply thrown on the scrap-heap when they could be profitably utilized, and to save this vast waste we offer to every person buying a pair of shoes, value \$3.00 or over, the privilege of selling us their old pair.

There is no lack of applicants, over 150 already being on the waiting list. Owing to the number registering the Victoria Machinery Depot closed its application list last week, and no more names are being taken. Applicants already employed elsewhere or not actually needing the work are not looked upon with favor, as they are likely to replace more deserving inquirers.

On his initial inward voyage in the Kobe service of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha the Japanese liner Sado Maru, Capt. R. Shimidzu, reached port at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon with 154 passengers and 5,360 tons of cargo.

Another shipment of material for the new river boat, Atlinto, which the White Pass & Yukon Route will operate between Caribou and Taku this summer, is being shipped north by the C. P. R. steamer Princess Sophia, posted to leave here to-morrow night for Skagway.

The whalers Blue and Black are the first of the fleet of the Victoria Whaling Company to be hauled out this year. These vessels are now occupying the marine railway at the Victoria Machinery Depot, and others will be hauled out when the work on these vessels is completed.

Following on the recent proceedings in prize in connection with the Leonor and Oregon, and the revoking by the Lords Commissioners of the warrant of Mr. Justice Martin in regard to purely prize matters, W. H. Bullock-Webster has received notification this morning that an application will be shortly made to Mr. Justice Cassels in Ottawa for an order remitting to a Prize Court in England the proceedings so far as they relate to the ship Oregon.

Str El Segundo, San Francisco; str Admiral Evans, San Francisco; str Lansing, Port San Luis; str Lalouche, Boat Harbor, B. C.; bge Palmyra, Tacoma, in tow of tug Pioneer, sailed: Str City of Seattle, Southeastern Alaska; str Baja California, Tacoma; str Governor, Tacoma; Batin Curzon, Eagle Harbor, Iowling.

Str Gray, from Victoria, sailed: Str Santa Alicia, for Valparaiso; str Umaltia, for Seattle; Mex str Jose Fina, for Salina Cruz; str Eithu Thomson, for Seattle.

Capt. Raumbit, master of the Chilean barque Guaytecas, has ordered a tug to tow his vessel across the Straits to Bellingham, and expects to get away this week-end for his loading port. The Guaytecas will carry a full cargo of lumber to Antofagasta.

Portland, Ore., March 1.—Four of the large steel steamers being built jointly by the Northwest Steel Company and the Willamette Iron & Steel Works are about to be sold to the Cunard line. The vessels are designated as Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 7. They also are referred to as the yards as the Vester Yards, Vester Flood, Vester Land and Vester Ltd.

Philadelphia, March 1.—Announcement was made yesterday that the Sun Shipbuilding Company at Chester, Pa., has received a contract from the Cunard line for two standard 10,000-ton cargo boats.

Baltimore, March 1.—The Bethlehem Steel Company at Sparrows Point announced that it has received contracts for two cargo ships of 10,000 tons each from the Cunard Company.

Seattle has contracts to build eight cargo steamships for the Cunard line, the Seattle Construction & Drydock Company having six and the J. F. Duthie Shipbuilding Company two. The total value of the Seattle held contracts is in the neighborhood of \$8,000,000.

The whaling tender Gray is reported to have reached San Francisco yesterday with a cargo of fertilizer from the West Coast stations and a consignment of line loaded at Blubber Bay. The Gray had a rough passage south from this port but rode out the gale without damage.

The whaling Blue and Black are the first of the fleet of the Victoria Whaling Company to be hauled out this year. These vessels are now occupying the marine railway at the Victoria Machinery Depot, and others will be hauled out when the work on these vessels is completed.

Seattle, Feb. 28.—Arrived: Str El Segundo, San Francisco; str Admiral Evans, San Francisco; str Lansing, Port San Luis; str Lalouche, Boat Harbor, B. C.; bge Palmyra, Tacoma, in tow of tug Pioneer, sailed: Str City of Seattle, Southeastern Alaska; str Baja California, Tacoma; str Governor, Tacoma; Batin Curzon, Eagle Harbor, Iowling.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 28.—Arrived: Str Willamette and Klamath from San Francisco, sailed: Str Beaver, for San Francisco; str Despatch, for Seattle.

Str Gray, from Victoria, sailed: Str Santa Alicia, for Valparaiso; str Umaltia, for Seattle; Mex str Jose Fina, for Salina Cruz; str Eithu Thomson, for Seattle.

Capt. Raumbit, master of the Chilean barque Guaytecas, has ordered a tug to tow his vessel across the Straits to Bellingham, and expects to get away this week-end for his loading port. The Guaytecas will carry a full cargo of lumber to Antofagasta.

DIVING GIRLS ARE BIG ATTRACTION

Spectacular Exhibition of Berlo Sisters Creates Interest on Current Pantages Bill

The Six Berlo Girls, appearing at the Pantages this week with their sensational aquatic spectacles, are from a family of nine, all girls and famous swimmers and divers, born and raised at Revere Beach on the Atlantic Coast where many renowned swimmers and divers live. Each one of the girls is the holder of some American record, and two of them hold two world's championships in various water sports. Madeline leads the list for style, grace, figure and fancy diving.

Recently she has been swimming instructor in Dr. Sargent's Physical Culture School, which is located on the campus of Harvard University, Boston, and at the age of 18 she was declared to be of perfect form for her years. This fact she attributes to having been a keen swimmer since the time she was little more than six years old. There is no form of exercise, she contends, so well adapted to the perfect development and good health. For three years she was with the "Neptune's Garden" Company playing in the Keith houses of the East.

Florence is the only girl that ever succeeded in swimming out to the Loston light house from the coast line, a distance of twelve miles against a head current and choppy sea. Lillian accomplished the feat of doing a head-first dive of seventy-nine feet at the Texas state fair last fall. This dive was made into the same tank that the girls are using on the Pantages stage this week. This little girl had never before done more than sixty-six feet. She says that she does not take on any more speed from the higher dive and only has to watch that she hits the water correctly and at the right time



MARY MILES MINTER, AMERICAN-MUTUAL STAR.

Seen for the rest of the week at the Columbia Theatre.

throw herself into the proper curve to break the fall.

On the same bill is Frank Fogarty, The Dublin Minstrel, and the king of Irish laughmakers; the Mystic Bird, presented by Master Paul, the boy violinist, in a novel and very entertaining feature; Grace Edmond, the story song girl in a repertoire of up-to-date and original numbers delivered in a most pleasing manner; Mack and Volant in "The Act Unique," present a conglomeration of quiet comedy, sweet singing and polite comedy; Dix and Dixie offer a pot pourri of singing, dancing, juggling, wire walking in great style; the fifteenth and last episode of the "Shielding Shadow" completes a very amusing and entertaining programme of unequalled vaudeville that radiates class all over. It is a programme that everyone should make a point to see, as better entertainment

has never been provided anywhere as there is this week at the popular Pantages Theatre, where the crowds daily congregate.

DULCIE'S ADVENTURE STORY OF INTRIGUE

"Lovely Mary" in Southern Plot at Columbia Theatre

Mary Miles Minter, in "Dulcie's Adventure," presents little "Lovely Mary" in one of those delightfully simple southern plots in its beginning and a modern story filled with modern intrigue, in its ending.

If there is anything in heritage, Miss Minter was born with an understanding of her role in this picture. The little girl star was born in Louisiana and her childhood associations were such as to make her appreciate with intimate knowledge the atmosphere of the story of "Dulcie's Adventure."

Dulcie lives at the old family home in the south with her two spinster aunts, Aunt Emmie and Aunt Netta. Hedged about by southern caste, Dulcie grows to young womanhood, imaginative, sensitive and tender-hearted. What wonder then, that Harry Spencer, son of the village storekeeper, falls in love with Dulcie at first sight and presents her with his pet squirrel. The aunts prohibit Dulcie's taking the squirrel as a gift, but she is permitted to "buy" it. Young Spencer is forbidden the house.

Then Aunt Emmie dies, Aunt Netta borrows \$1,000 from Harry's father, Dulcie is provided with fashionable clothing of the civil war period and taken to the seashore at Santa Barbara. There wealthy fashionables of the modern type copy Miss Randolph's gowns.

Stephen Rocco, notorious adventurer, is visiting Santa Barbara hoping to marry an heiress. Dulcie's aunt labors to convince her that Harry Spencer no longer loves her. Rocco pays court to Dulcie.

Dulcie's marriage is about to be celebrated when Harry reaches Santa Barbara, just as detectives from Chicago have arrested Rocco. Of course Harry and Dulcie are married and Rocco goes to jail.

It is a story that abounds in pretty little love scenes wherein lovely Mary appears at her best.

DOUBLE ATTRACTION AT ROYAL VICTORIA

"Fighting With Allies" and "The Honorable Algy" at Red Cross Show

Commencing to-night and for the balance of this week, the Royal Victoria will have a double attraction, and it might be stated here that all the profits from the same will be handed over to the Red Cross Society. "Fighting With Allies" is a series of official pictures filmed at the front by military camera men with the allied staff, which will be the feature attraction, but in addition to this there will also be shown a full Triangle programme, the feature in this case being Charles Ray in "The Honorable Algy."

This play is constructed with a great deal of bright and entertaining ingenuity, and its characterizations are admirable. Charles Ray has done his best piece of work as the cadet of an old and patrician family in financial straits. Dearly loving a sweet girl at home, he is sent forth on an adventurous trip in America to save the family fortunes by marrying in that great hoiress mart of the world, our own society.

His adventures begin aboard ship on the way, and from this on the action of the play not only holds the attention of the audience, but radiates to them many tears and smiles. As is stated above, the whole of the proceeds from the showing of these pictures will be handed over to the Victoria Red Cross Society, and there is no doubt that the double attraction throughout will be well worth a visit.

ROYAL VICTORIA

To-night, Friday, Saturday

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Margery Wilson
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IN

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TO-NIGHT, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

MARY MILES MINTER

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TO-DAY, TO-MORROW AND SATURDAY

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Romano Theatre

Jady Raffles is clever, but can she outwit

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"THE WAX MODEL" AT VARIETY THEATRE

Actor 'Learns Respect' for Glass Makers' Art in Filming Play

It is the general impression that glass is more or less a fragile thing, but this common belief was set at naught during the filming of the Pallas-Foxmunt production, "The Wax Model," which will be seen at the Variety Theatre to-day, to-morrow and Saturday, with the charming Vivian Martin in the stellar role.

During the taking of the picture, Thomas Holding, Miss Martin's leading man, in a fit of jealousy, is supposed to smash a plate glass window with his cane and destroy the wax model of his sweetheart. The window and its equipment had been placed in the Pallas studio, the camera set and Mr. Holding stepped forward to smash the glass. The first blow made no impression—the second one broke the cane. A new cane was brought forth and Mr. Holding tried again, only to break the second cane without even inflicting a scratch on the window. Anxious to make sure of the job in the next attempt a replica of the cane was made out of gas pipe and with a mighty swing Mr. Holding was finally able to shatter the glass. Ever since then he has had a great deal more respect for the glass maker's art.

"FOOLISH VIRGIN" COMING

Clara Kimball Young is Star in Fine Film. Clara Kimball Young, the screen star supreme, will appear in her second Selznick-Pictures offering, an adaptation of "The Foolish Virgin," Thomas Dixon's striking novel at the Variety Theatre all next week. This production is expected to prove a worthy successor to Miss Young's first venture at the head of her own

producing company, "The Common Law," the story offering even greater opportunities in intense dramatic situations than did Robert W. Chambers's novel.

In "The Foolish Virgin" Miss Young will be seen in the role of the girl whose ideas of life are confused with the romantic stories of the days of chivalry which she is fond of reading. Knowing nothing of realities, the heroine is deceived into marrying a man who turns out to be a criminal. The girl exerts her influence toward the redemption of the man she loves and it is during this process of character building that the tense dramatic scenes in which the story abounds, develop.

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JUNE CAPRICE



"LITTLE MISS HAPPINESS"

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GIRL FROM FRISCO AGAIN AT MAJESTIC

Jealousy is Motive in "The Web of Guilt," Now Playing

The big attraction at the Majestic for the last three days of this week is the ninth episode of the girl from Frisco, entitled "The Web of Guilt."

situations occur in this play, which is ably portrayed by that great emotional actress Luise Vale, two excellent comedies complete the bill.

JUNE CAPRICE IS SEEN HERE AGAIN

In "Little Miss Happiness" Famous Star Takes Part of Lucy White

Once again June Caprice forges to the front in a picture of country life. Her newest film for William Fox, "Little Miss Happiness," which is seen to-day and the rest of the week at the Dominion Theatre, overflows with the quaint humor and spirit of the fields, with the innocence of a little girl who has passed her days among the daisies.

ALLIES WOULD WELCOME THE STATES IN FIELD AND IN CONFERENCE, SAYS FRANK SIMONDS, BACK IN NEW YORK

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immediate, and I think far less considered. Like the French, the British had given over attempting to understand Mr. Wilson's policy. I think there is no question so frequently asked of an American in Europe as that which seeks an explanation of President Wilson's policy—nor is there any question which so defies answer from Americans abroad.

Intrigue Ended. I do not think the majority of British statesmen or publicists share his views. I do not think there is any large enthusiasm in Britain for American intervention as an ally. Rather, I think that the mass of thoughtful Britons feel, and felt, that the break in diplomatic relations with Germany was a good thing because it probably put a term to German intrigues in America—that is, intrigues which several times have threatened to involve the United States in difficulties with Great Britain and her allies and make the States in fact an ally of Germany.

Among the officers in the British armies in France I found a considerable belief that the United States would come in. But the first question that was asked me by Sir Douglas Haig, by Sir Henry Rawlinson, by General Horne, indeed by all the officers that I met, was: "When will the United States come in?"

On the other hand, Senator-elect Hale, with whom I visited the British front, was greeted with the pressing invitation "Come back in khaki." I think the reason for the general feeling that the United States must come in, so far as it exists in Britain—and no one expressed it to me more emphatically than Gen. Sir William Robertson, Chief of the Imperial General Staff—was the recognition of the seriousness of the German submarine campaign. Far more clearly than the French, the British have perceived the deadly menace of the submarine campaign for the Allies, and perceiving it, they are satisfied that no respect for American lives will deter the Germans from carrying their campaign to the extreme limit.

To Allies' Cause. I found no belief in Britain that it would be possible for the United States to organize equip and train armies to the European front in time to contribute to the decision, although, again, it was the British Prime Minister who expressed the conviction that thousands of American volunteers would flock to the Allies' cause and serve either in the British or French armies under the American flag, but commanded, as to higher officers, by the British or the French army chiefs.

Ships and Credit. What the British felt was possible was that the United States would be able, by seizing German ships in American ports, to contribute to mitigating the severity of the German submarine campaign, and by giving the Allies credit to simplify and accelerate the finances of the war. Some slight help in the shape of conveying for merchant ships sailing under the American flag but carrying munitions and foodstuffs also was suggested. But in the main, I think, London has few illusions as to the material benefits to flow from American participation in the war, and there is a profound suspicion that in some way or other a method will be found by the President to avoid coming in—that is, effectively.

TURN ABOUT. Smith got married and the evening of his pay day he gave his bride \$14 of his \$15 salary and kept only a dollar for himself. But the second pay day Smith gave his wife \$1 and kept \$14 for himself. "Why John," she said passionately, "how on earth do you think I can manage for a whole week on a paltry dollar?" "Darned if I know," he answered in calm tones. "I had a rotten time myself last week. It's your turn now."

England, Britain, the Empire expect to win the war by fighting, by killing Germans on the western battlefield. The British are making their preparations not for one but for several years of war. If Russia, or Italy, or even heroic France, whose contribution and devotion find only praise and admiration, are able to contribute much or little, so much the better; if the United States joins and contributes, still better. But these things will be as they may be—the main thing is for Britain to prepare to do all that Britain can.

For every British subject the American policy all through the war remains incomprehensible. Submission to murder, to piratical blockade in defiance of all international law—these are things beyond the understanding of a seafaring nation. I shall long remember the stark incredulity of every British subject from the Prime Minister to the least official person. "How can you submit to such piracy, to such murder, to such humiliation?" These are the questions on every lip.

A Landmark. And yet, I think, even in Britain the

breaking off of relations with Germany will remain a landmark in the history of the war. All thoughtful Britishers at the front and back of the front recognize that Germany still is strong, and I think the best opinion in Britain is that the present year will hardly see an end of the struggle or bring that peace with victory which Britain means to have.

Such being the case there is bound to be peace talk next autumn. There is bound to be something akin to the Copperheadism which cropped up in the American Civil War. There is bound to be some people, not a majority, not an influential fraction, who will agitate. Britain also has her Bryans. And if such an agitation should find support in new gestures from Washington the task might be made harder for those men who direct Britain's policy and, backed by the solid, if inarticulate, majority of the people, mean to go forward.

Now that the United States has broken off relations with Germany and is submitting to murder, to which she may conceivably cease to submit in due course of time, it is hardly likely that the Government of the United States will make any new appeals to the Allies to stop fighting the Germans, and thus, at the very least, the peace question is well out of the way. This is a solid gain.

One fear, I think, prevails fairly generally in France and in Britain, and that is the entrance of the United States into the war should be followed by an embargo upon munitions. Should this come the United States might actually help Germany to win the war by declaring war upon her. Without American steel, France would be terribly, if not fatally, crippled. An embargo upon arms and munitions would seriously injure Russia.

There are those who believe that the German course was dictated by this consideration, but I think they are few. On the other hand, there are not a few who are anxious lest this thing happen, since it would have such deplorable results. Both Would Welcome It. I have said that Mr. Lloyd George told both Senator-elect Hale and myself that he would welcome the entrance of the United States into the war and the appearance of the United States in the councils of the Allies. I believe that M. Briand expressed the same view to Mr. Hale, but I saw the French Premier at an earlier date, before relations were broken off. Then he talked about France and the peace proposals, and I shall refer to his comments later, when I come to discuss the question of peace as France, and Britain discussed and dealt with it.

Disaster for Germany. In sum—and I think this is by all odds the most important aspect—the severance of relations with Germany was a moral disaster for Germany. It silenced the busy, if inconsiderate, groups of pacifists in Britain and France. It gave new determination to men—the millions quite as much as the few leaders—who are determined to fight the war to victory because they see no other way to abolish German "terribleness" and protect generations which are to come from the tragedy that Germany has brought upon them. "I have known over many long and bitter months what Germany has meant to the world; but even the United States sees it now." So the masses of Frenchmen and Britishers said. And with this American act the last thought of peace vanishes. The decision had already been made, but the

American action had the value of an omen, of a sign. Herein lay its chief injury to Germany. Even the United States, in spite of all her efforts, did not live on terms of amity with Germany—and this very greatness of the effect magnified the importance of the result.

GIGANTIC PUBLICITY SCHEME INAUGURATED

Southern California Believes That the Tourist is Converted Into Investor

Rooted to the belief now that publicity of the right kind is the real means by which capital, industries and travel may be attracted for the lasting development of the country, the largest publicity plan ever conceived in the United States has been launched in Southern California. A board has been appointed to raise, and success is now assured, no less a sum than two and a half million dollars to be devoted purely to publicity purposes.

One of the primary stimulating factors of the movement lies in the conversion to the belief that the spending of large sums of money each year as a means of attracting the tourist has borne fruit, inasmuch as the forerunner of commercial investment is the use of beneficial information gained while the intending investor is holidaying. For twenty years past approximately one hundred thousand dollars annually has been spent in the promotion of tourist travel in Southern California, that programme has now been superseded by the broader scheme mentioned above.

Movement Widely Supported. The bankers, commercial organizations, and the press are behind the movement, for they, too, recognize that not only has the work already done been highly beneficial, but it is recognized that the birth of many future enterprises will follow the eastern guest as he comes to know of the opportunities afforded him on the Pacific Coast, whether that be in California or British Columbia. The more the publicity, the more the tourist traffic and enhanced possibility of greater industrial expansion, which has been striven for by the Vancouver Island Development Association and the kindred organizations on the Pacific slope over the border.

Victoria Interested. Commissioner Cuthbert became interested in the great Californian project and he wrote to the president of the board to get full particulars of the scheme, which were accompanied by a letter the terms of which follow hereunder: "I have your very interesting letter of February 15th, enclosing clipping about the Pacific Northwest Tourist Association, which is doubly interesting, owing to the fact that we have been working along similar lines."

The remarkable petition that melted away under the scrutiny of a Select Committee of the House of Commons recalls the fate of the Chartists "National Petition" in 1848. A cursory glance reduced the number of signatures from five million to about a million and a half. Many of these were the work of practical jokers. The Duke of Wellington's name was attached to it 17 times, there were many repetitions of the signatures of Lord John Russell, Sir Robert Peel, Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, while a large number of apparent signatures turned out to be cant phrases and street sayings.—London Chronicle.

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IMPRESSIVE RITES FOR CHINESE FUNERAL

Obsequies of Late Yuen Qui, Prominent Freemason, Buried Yesterday

Elaborate ceremonies marked the obsequies for the late Yuen Qui, a prominent Chinese Freemason of this city who passed away on Saturday, February 10, at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, and whose funeral was held yesterday afternoon. The obsequies were deferred more than the usual time pending the arrival here of leading Chinese Freemasons from San Francisco, Portland and other more distant cities, and over 500 local Chinese were also present.

The rites were of a very impressive character, both on account of the distinguished place which the deceased occupied as a Freemason and on account of his advanced years. He was 72, and came to British Columbia over 50 years ago. The traditional Masonic funeral rites were observed. The remains were removed at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the Thomson Funeral Parlors to the Chinese Freemasons' Temple, Flagard Street, lying there in state for about an hour while the Masonic rites were carried out, members of the order first and, later, the public, being permitted to view the remains.

The casket was then borne to the waiting hearse, and the funeral procession was formed. Over sixty vehicles were in the cortege, in the vanguard a high dignitary of the Masonic order, mounted on a horse and attired in gorgeous silk robes, bearing the standard on which was inscribed the name of the deceased and appropriate Masonic passages. Funeral music was furnished by the brass band which immediately followed, and behind this came Masonic officers, pallbearers in

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Member for South Vancouver and Speaker of the Fourteenth Legislature.

richly-colored garments walking and escorting the flower-laden hearse. Then followed the mourners, including the widow and two small children, the former in the Chinese mourning robes of light color. Supporting her were a number of Chinese women. Behind walked officers of the Masonic order, then a motor-car carrying a band of musicians who played cymbals, horns and stringed instruments. Between this and the procession of carriages and motor-cars were about two hundred Chinese dressed in white and carrying white banners. The procession moved slowly, and did not reach the Chinese burial ground at Fowl Bay until after four o'clock. Here the simple rites of burial were carried out, a horseman leading the way to the grave. The Masons still were the chief officiants in the rites. Crowding round the coffin they waited in silence while the mourners went through part of the observed ceremonial. Before the remains were placed in the grave the top of the casket was removed and those present permitted to view the remains. A final rite was the throwing by the son of a handful of earth on the casket. The mourners placed part of their regalia and their standards on the pyre which was burnt later.



W. J. BOWSER, K. G.
Fifth member for Vancouver, who has been chosen by his colleagues of the Opposition as their leader.

BOOKS FOR WOUNDED

Rotarians to Conduct "Shower" for Tommy at Next Thursday's Luncheon.

President Abell, at the Rotary luncheon at the Empress Hotel to-day made an appeal to the club on behalf of the Military Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., to take part in a book shower for the benefit of the wounded soldiers who are confined to the three local military hospitals. All those members who had books on their shelves, either finished with or never used, were asked to bring them to the weekly gathering next Thursday for the purpose named.

Personal

Mrs. A. N. Miller is in the city to attend the opening of Parliament, and while here will be the guest of Mrs. John Oliver.

W. J. Scott, of Tennyson Avenue, has gone to the mainland to make his home, having received an important position on the staff of one of the largest western construction company's works.

Dr. Butchart, of Hibbing, Minn.; P. J. Butchart, president of the Great West Land & Coal Co., Edmonton, and Mrs. Stewart, of Crystal City, Man., are visiting their sister, Mrs. R. S. Thompson, at the Gorge.

The marriage of Miss Winnifred

GEN. CURRIE WRITES BEREAVED PARENTS

Mrs. Durham Receives Letter of Sympathy Regarding Her Son's Death

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Durham, 2612 Douglas street, have received a letter from Brigadier-General Currie referring to their son, Pte. Robt. Durham, who left with the 30th Battalion, and was transferred to the 15th Canadian Scottish in France, and who has since lost his life in serving with the colors. The letter is as follows:

"Dear Mrs. Durham,—Since receiving your letter I have made full enquiries concerning your son Robert, and I am very very sorry that I cannot send you good news. I fear you will see your gallant boy no more on this earth, as he was killed in battle on September 28. On that day the men of our 2nd and 3rd brigades left their trenches at 12.35 p. m. and attacked the Germans on the high ground to the north of Courcellette. They crossed the valley and sunken road with irresistible dash and gallantry, taking the trenches at the point of the bayonet.

An officer of the British army who saw the attack, told me that he saw the attack of the guards at Loos the year before, and it was no finer than the attack of our men. A Flying Corps officer, who was watching the attack from the air, indeed especially to tell me that it was the finest sight he ever saw. The men in four lines on a front of 2,200 yards were as steady as if on parade. After crossing the valley they pressed on and took the hill, but it was here the most of our casualties occurred. When we got to the top of the hill we came under terrific machine-gun and artillery fire. We secured our objectives and held them, but our casualties were heavy. Here it was, I think, that your son fell. His officers speak in the highest terms of his soldierly qualities and bravery. Although he won't come back to you you have the comfort of knowing that he made the supreme sacrifice in a noble cause, and that in the world beyond you will meet with him again. May God grant you some measure of consolation. I wish I could give you better news, but alas I cannot.

I am dear Mrs. Durham, ever yours faithfully,
(Signed) A. W. CURRIE.

City Labor Bureau.—The registration of labor at the city bureau, which was to be completed by the end of the month of February, shows that about 200 men and over 200 women are on the register as a result of the registration, and investigation of names already on the list.

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