

WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT
 Royal Victoria—Marguerite Clark.
 Pantages—Vanderbilt.
 Dominion—"The Honor System."
 Variety—"Eternal Treason."
 Columbia—William Hart.

Victoria Daily Times

WEATHER FORECASTS
 For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday:
 Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to high
 northerly and easterly winds, cloudy and
 colder, with sleet or snow.
 Lower Mainland—Northerly and easterly
 winds, fresh to strong on the Gulf,
 unsettled and colder, with snow.

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SUCCESSFUL RAID MADE BY BRITISH IN BELGIUM; FRENCH SCORED IN RAID

Lancashire Troops Took a Few Germans Near Ypres-Staden Railway and French Got Some Near La Vacquerie; A Gas Attck on Americans

London, Feb. 16.—"A successful raid was carried out by Lancashire troops early last night in the neighborhood of the Ypres-Staden railway," says to-day's War Office announcement. "Eleven prisoners were taken by our troops. Our casualties were slight. The hostile artillery was active in the course of the night north of Lens and opposite La Basse and Wytschaete.

Paris, Feb. 16.—French troops last night made a successful raid near La Vacquerie and repulsed German reconnoitring parties in the Champagne and upper Alsace, the War Office announced to-day.

German aviators again dropped bombs in the vicinity of Nancy.

The statement reads:
 "In the Champagne, in the region of Ville-sur-Tourba, and in upper Alsace, south of Burnhaupt-le-Bas, French troops repulsed German raiding parties. French troops carried out an enterprise in the vicinity of La Vacquerie and brought back prisoners.
 "Elsewhere the night was calm.
 "Enemy aviators last night dropped several bombs in the region north of Nancy. It is reported that some civilians were killed or wounded."

American Front.
 With the American Army in France, Feb. 15, via London Feb. 16.—(By the Associated Press).—The Germans opposed to the Americans early to-day made an unsuccessful bombardment with gas shells. German aeroplanes in large numbers were driven off by the American machines and anti-aircraft batteries.

No American Casualties.
 London, Feb. 16.—A dispatch received here from France says that American position east of St. Mihiel were subjected to a bombardment of gas shells yesterday which lasted two hours. The poisonous fumes remained over the American trenches three hours, but there were no casualties. Large numbers of enemy airmen sought to cross the American lines, but could make no progress against the aerial and artillery defences.
 American gunners have bombarded the German lines and communications with good effect.

**PROFITTEERING NOT
 POPULAR IN STATES**
 Senator Says People Want None of It in Railroad Affairs
 Washington, Feb. 16.—Early enactment of the Administration's railroad bill was urged by Administration leaders to-day in the Senate. Majority Leader Martin declared Director-General McAdoo was much embarrassed by lack of necessary legislation. Chairman Smith, of the Interstate Commerce Committee, said he would ask on Monday for unanimous consent to fix the time for a vote.
 "There will be no unanimous consent agreement for a vote," declared Senator Cummins, Republican, "until there has been a free opportunity to debate the bill."
 "It introduces into governmental railroad operating the same abominable profiteering that distinguishes other fields of governmental activity. The people will not tolerate the general practice of creating fortunes out of the war. There is universal indignation against it."
 Senator Kellogg, Republican, of Minnesota, said he was advised by the railroad managers that the compensation proposed in the bill is a maximum provision and that President Wilson intends so to regard it, reducing compensation when it would be excessive.

**BRITAIN'S FOOD NEEDS
 POINTED OUT AGAIN**
 Message From London to Canada Food Board Also Mentions Italy
 Ottawa, Feb. 16.—A cable message received to-day by the Canada Food Board from the British Ministry of Food places emphasis on the imports into Great Britain and upon the extreme need of cereals in Italy. The message reads:
 "Home meat production in the United Kingdom was very low in January, falling to about one-half the normal production. Drastic reduction in the proposed rations have been necessary. By the end of February most districts will have adopted rationing schemes. Supplies of fats and bacon are low. Increased imports are urgently needed. In Italy also there is extreme need for cereals, and, secondly, of meat, dried fish and fats. For some time past sugar and bread have been rationed in Italy and severe restrictions have been placed on the consumption of meat."
 In States.
 Washington, Feb. 16.—All hotels, restaurants, dining cars, steamships, boarding houses and other public eating places in the United States, including clubs, which use three barrels of flour a month must hereafter serve "victory" pies, pastry, cookies, griddle cakes, waffles, etc., as well as "victory" bread, under a ruling announced by the Food Administration to become effective at once.
 All pies, pastry, cakes, etc., served by such places must contain a third of wheat substitutes at all times and butter, cakes, griddle cakes and waffles must contain three-quarters of wheat substitutes.
 "The new regulation," says the announcement, "has been put into operation for the protection of those public eating houses which desire to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Food Administration."

**FIGHT IN QUEBEC
 BETWEEN VOLUNTEERS
 AND DRAFTED MEN**
 Quebec, Feb. 16.—A fight broke out here yesterday afternoon between the men of a draft battalion and a volunteer overseas battalion. They mixed up in the fray very freely and as a result a number were taken to the military hospital. The trouble is said to have been caused by slighting remarks made by the volunteers.

**BULGARIA IS DEALING
 DIPLOMATICALLY WITH
 SOMEBODY IN RUSSIA**
 Amsterdam, Feb. 16.—Bulgaria has resumed diplomatic relations with Russia, according to a Sofia dispatch published in German newspapers.

**BEER OUTPUT IN
 AUSTRIA REDUCED**
 Berna, Feb. 16.—The output of beer in Austria has been reduced to 8 per cent of the peace-time production under an official order.

**KRUPPS CUT DOWN
 ANNUAL DIVIDEND**
 Copenhagen, Feb. 16.—The Krupp Company has reduced its annual dividend and is paying only ten per cent. Last year it paid twelve per cent. The annual report of the company says that the increasing demands of the army have necessitated the spending of a large share of the profits on new plants.

**772 RETURNED MEN
 ARRIVE AT HALIFAX**
 Halifax, Feb. 16.—A hospital ship with 772 officers and men of the Canadian Expeditionary Force arrived here to-day and is landing her passengers, the majority of whom, including a number of cot cases, will go forward to-day by rail to their homes or their military districts.
 The Western officers who returned on the ship included Captain Mills Stepler, C.A.M.C., and Lieut. C. G. Midgall, both of Calgary.

**RUSSIAN POLES NOW FEEL
 BITTER AGAINST TEUTONS;
 DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED**
 London, Feb. 16.—There is much feeling against the Central Powers in Russian Poland, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen. The workmen are said to be planning demonstrations. The streets are being patrolled by soldiers and policemen.
 Much feeling has been aroused in Russian Poland over the Ukrainian peace terms, by which the province of Cholm, formerly contained in Poland, was ceded to the Ukraine. A Stuttgart newspaper, according to a Zurich dispatch Thursday, declared that the Polish Ministry at Warsaw had resigned in protest against the peace terms.
 A dispatch from Amsterdam Friday reported a Berlin newspaper as saying the Polish members of the Austrian Parliament were embittered against Austria because of the peace arrangements. In addition to losing Cholm, Poland was to be stripped of Lodz and Dombritza and access to the sea was refused to the Poles.

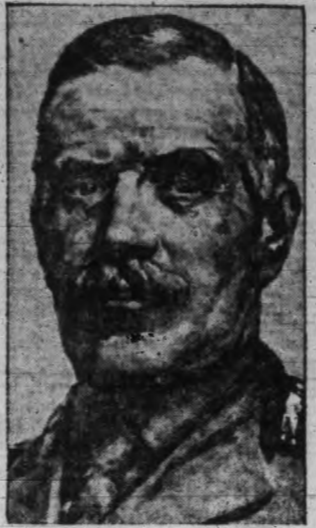
Kaiser Calls Heads of Navy of Germany for a Conference

Amsterdam, Feb. 16.—Kaiser Wilhelm has summoned the heads of the German navy to his headquarters for a conference, and it is announced that Von Payer, the Vice-Chancellor, will make an announcement shortly in the Reichstag on the Government's future submarine policy.

Austria Not Ready to Fight Russians If German's Move

Amsterdam, Feb. 16.—A Vienna telegram ascribes to a "well informed source" the statement that if Germany should resume military operations against Northern Russia, the attitude of Austria-Hungary would not be influenced thereby. A full agreement on this point is said to have been reached by the Central Powers.

CEASES TO DIRECT BRITISH ARMY STAFF; SIR WM. ROBERTSON



GEN. ROBERTSON RESIGNS AND WILSON MADE HEAD OF BRITISH ARMY STAFF

London, Feb. 16.—General Sir William Robertson, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, has resigned, it was officially announced this evening. General Wilson, Sub-Chief of Staff, will take the vacated place.
 General Robertson was unable, the statement says, to accept the post of British military representative on the Supreme War Council at Versailles or to continue as Chief of Staff with limited powers.

PROCEEDINGS FOLLOW RECENT POLICE RAID

Possession of "Finished Mystery," Prohibited Book, Made Subject of Prosecution
 A summons returnable in the Victoria Police Court on Tuesday was served this morning on Iwan C. Edwards, local secretary of the International Bible Students' Association, in charge of the book stall of the society on Yates Street.
 Proceedings are taken in pursuance of the Consolidated Orders respecting Censorship, dated January 17, 1917, passed under the provisions of Section 6 of the War Measures Act, 1914. This regulation gives power to the Secretary of State to declare certain newspapers, periodicals, books and publications to obtain objectionable matter, and prohibit the possession within Canada of any issue or copy thereof.
 The Canada Gazette of February 9 contains among other matters the following as a prohibited book under this Consolidated Order: "Studies in the Scriptures—The Finished Mystery," a book published by the association, copyright by the People's Pulpit Association, of Brooklyn, in the State of New York, one of the United States of America (Warrent of Jan. 30).
 The summons deals only with the book "The Finished Mystery," which formed part of the material seized in Thursday's raid. An interview with Mr. Edwards on the subject of sales appeared in this paper on that date.

AFTER-WAR TRADE PLANS IN AUSTRALIA

Hughes Outlines Scheme to Combat Germany's Efforts When Peace Comes
 London, Feb. 16.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—A dispatch from Melbourne says that Mr. Hughes, Prime Minister of Australia, was given a warm reception in addressing a meeting of employers. He emphasized the necessity of organization in industry and referred to Germany's vast preparations for after-the-war trade. He outlined the following organization scheme:
 The formation of an association representing each industry, primary and secondary.
 A general council of commerce and industry comprising representatives from the various associations.
 A department of industry and commerce.
 A permanent science and industrial bureau.
 The appointment of trade representatives to the principal overseas markets.
 Mr. Hughes, in conclusion, said that the British Empire's wealth, with its unaccountable resources, was illimitable. If organized it could control the world. If not organized it must fall victim to a more efficient nation.
 A deep and lasting obligation rested on the Dominions and they would require to play well their part in the Empire organization.

BREAD RATIONS IN BRITAIN MAY BE EARLY REGULATION

London, Feb. 16.—The cereal situation is beginning to cause some anxiety and it may ultimately become necessary to institute bread rations. Although Chancellor Bonar Law said in the House on Wednesday that at the end of last year the total stocks of wheat in this country were greater by 2,000,000 quarters than they were at the end of 1916, it must be remembered that Great Britain is taking a generous share in helping to stave off starvation in France and Italy. The supplies of meat are somewhat better at this week-end.

GRAIN EXPERT DIES.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Edward M. Higgins, a grain expert with an international reputation, died at his home here last night. He was fifty-eight years old and a son of one of Chicago's first packers.

CHILD IN DOVER KILLED BY U BOAT

Shore Batteries Drove Raiding Enemy Craft Away This Morning

ATTEMPT LASTED FOR ABOUT FOUR MINUTES

London, Feb. 16.—A German submarine bombarded Dover early this morning, it is officially announced. The submarine was fired upon from the shore and ceased the bombardment after some thirty rounds had been fired. There were fewer than a dozen casualties. The official statement reads:
 "Fire was opened upon Dover by an enemy submarine about 12.30 this morning for three or four minutes. Shore batteries replied and the enemy craft ceased fire after discharging about thirty rounds.
 "The casualties were: Killed one child; injured, three men, one woman and three children.
 "Slight damage was caused to house property."

FUNERAL TO-DAY OF SIR C. SPRING-RICE

Conducted in Ottawa by Bishop Roper; Service in Washington
 Ottawa, Feb. 16.—At the funeral of Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, which took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church here, the Government of France was represented by Commander de Biancpre, naval attaché of the French Embassy at Washington, who had been specially deputed by Ambassador Jusserand to attend.
 J. P. Morgan, who was a personal friend of the dead diplomat, arrived in Ottawa at noon to-day with the members of the British Embassy at Washington, and Frank L. Polk, counsel of the State Department at Washington, sent to represent President Wilson.
 Owing to the limited capacity of the church, tickets were issued to the members of the Dominion Cabinet and a few personal friends of the late Sir Cecil Spring-Rice. The Right Rev. John Roper, Bishop of Ottawa, officiated at the obsequies.
 Among the numerous telegrams of condolence received by Lady Spring-Rice are two from former British Foreign Secretaries, under whom her late husband served, the Marquis of Lansdowne and the Earl of Rosebery. Sir William Peterson, principal of McGill University, from which the late Sir Cecil Spring-Rice received an honorary degree a year ago, sent a message on behalf of the governors and faculty.
 The Ambassadors of the Allied and neutral powers in Washington also sent messages, as did Madame Melba, the Bishop of Quebec and Lord Cunliffe, Governor of the Bank of England.
 At Washington.
 Washington, Feb. 16.—A memorial service for Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, late British Ambassador here, was held to-day at the Episcopal Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul at the same time the funeral services were being conducted at Ottawa. President Wilson and many members of the diplomatic corps attended here.
 At Ottawa the President was represented by Counsellor Polk, of the State Department.

SWEDES FIND BODIES OF SAILORS OF A WAR CRAFT OF GERMANY NEAR COAST

Discovery of Bodies Where Skagerrack Joins Cattegat Leads to a Report There May Have Been a Naval Engagement in That Region
 London, Feb. 16.—The belief that a naval engagement has occurred is expressed in a dispatch received in Stockholm from Gothenburg and forwarded by the Stockholm correspondent of The London Post. The dispatch reports the recovery of a large number of bodies of German sailors who apparently belonged to a warship.
 Gothenburg is on the western coast of Sweden, near the Skagerrack, one of the bodies of water connecting the North and Baltic Seas and the one nearest the North Sea. The North Sea in the vicinity of the Skagerrack has been the scene of previous naval encounters, the great Battle of Jutland having been fought there.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT TO TAKE ALL FRENCH MERCHANT FLEET

Paris, Feb. 16.—A decree published in the official journal this morning provides for the requisitioning of the entire merchant marine of France on March 10.
 Government commissioners will confer with the shipowners as to the conditions under which the Government will take over the vessels.
 London, Feb. 16.—France is to requisition her entire merchant marine, taking over the ships on March 10. This official announcement in Paris follows close on the heels of the action of the Government at Washington in making the entire foreign commerce of the United States subject to control by license in order to conserve tonnage for the transport of troops and war supplies. The French action presumably is taken with the same end in view in pursuance of the co-ordinated policy of the nations at war with Germany and Austria-Hungary.

Agents of Teutons Left Petrograd; Now Back Among Germans

Berlin, Feb. 16.—The commissioners representing the Central Powers left Petrograd yesterday and crossed the German line this morning, it is announced officially.

NOW REGULATING NEWSPRINT PAPER

\$2.50 a Hundred Pounds Ordered by Ottawa as Price to Manufacturers
 Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The Government, on the recommendation of a sub-committee of the Cabinet, over which Hon. A. K. Maclean presided, has passed an Order-in-Council approving the order of Commissioner Pringle fixing the price at which newspaper paper is being supplied to the newspapers throughout Canada by the manufacturers from February 1 to May 1, 1918, subject, however, to the following:
 That instead of the price of \$2.85 a hundred pounds being paid to the manufacturers, \$2.50 a hundred pounds, being the price fixed by prior orders, is to be paid to the manufacturers and 35c. a hundred pounds, making up the total of \$2.85, is to be paid to the credit of the Commissioner in such chartered banks as may be designated until such time as the Commissioner's final report is approved by the Governor-General, when the same shall be refunded to the publishers or to the manufacturers or part to one and part to the other as the case may be.
 The sub-committee recommended that the investigation into the actual cost of production of particular companies be limited, and unless otherwise directed, to four companies. The committee further recommended that the inquiry should be proceeded with forthwith and be completed before April 8, 1918.
 The deliberations will extend over until the early part of next week.

MONTREAL JUDGE SEES PEACE SIGN

Montreal, Feb. 16.—When Mr. Justice Guerin yesterday granted exemption from military service to Anatole Lavery because he was a munitions worker, Mr. Millette, the military representative, asked for and was given leave to appeal to Ottawa. He claimed that the need for munitions workers was not so great as some people would like to have others believe. "They are getting smaller every day," he remarked with reference to contracts for munitions.
 "Then it is a sign that peace will come soon," said the judge.
 W. L. AGNEW DEAD.
 London, Feb. 16.—William Lockhart Agnew, head of Thomas Agnew & Sons, art publishers, of London, Manchester and Liverpool, died in London on Friday. He was sixty years old.

MONTREAL CITY AND THE PATRIOTIC FUND

Montreal, Feb. 16.—The fourth Montreal campaign for the Patriotic Fund was fixed for next September at a meeting of the Finance Committee of the local branch. The financial statement showed that approximately \$7,000,000, a fifth of the total subscriptions collected in Canada, has been collected in Montreal. Of this \$2,500,000 has been spent in this district, and the rest sent to Ottawa.
 The total calls on the fund for 1918 were estimated at Ottawa to be \$12,500,000. The remainder on hand on December 1 last was \$9,546,000, and with the result of recent campaigns and unpaid subscriptions should now total \$12,000,000.

OTTAWA CONFERENCE CONTINUED TO-DAY

Calder Says Report of Proceedings Will Be Handed Out Later
 Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The Provincial Premiers and members of the Dominion Government were again in conference this forenoon, adjourning shortly before 1 o'clock to meet again this afternoon. Immediately after this forenoon's meeting, Hon. J. A. Calder, Minister of Immigration and Colonization, who is acting as chairman, stated that he had no information to give out with regard to the proceedings. An official statement would be handed out for publication later, he said.
 A photograph of those attending the conference was taken after the session this forenoon.
 The discussions throughout the sessions yesterday covered practically all the subjects on the order paper with the exception of the transfer of natural resources to the prairie provinces, colonization and immigration and the sale of school lands.
 Consideration of the subjects before the conference—increased production, supply of farm labor, care of returned soldiers and fuel production and distribution—was not closed, but put forward.

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MAINTENANCE OF WAY EXPENDITURES OF C. N. R.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—At the C. N. R. arbitration yesterday W. H. Coverdale, a reorganization expert, was again on the stand. He pointed out that the expenditures on the C. N. R. maintenance of way had been far greater in 1916 and 1917 than previously. The total expenditures by the road for this item had been as follows: 1915, \$3,900,000; 1916, \$5,829,000; and 1917, \$7,100,000.

The money spent per mile of track for maintenance of way in the last five years had been as follows: 1913, \$750; 1914, \$700; 1915, \$646; 1916, \$733; 1917, \$752.

Mr. Tilley asked for the expenditures on the C. P. R. for a five-year period, and the witness supplied the following figures showing expenditure per mile of track on maintenance of way: 1912, \$1,543; 1913, \$1,471; 1914, \$1,254; 1915, \$795; 1916, \$1,018.

The average for the C. N. R. was \$700 a mile and for the C. P. R. \$1,109.



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PREPARATION OF CIVIL SERVICE BILL

Sub-Committee of Dominion Cabinet Will Work on Measure

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—A sub-committee of the Cabinet, which, it is understood, will include Hon. F. B. Carvell, Hon. E. A. Calder and Hon. Martin Burrell, will be named by the Government to deal with the legislation to be introduced at the next session of Parliament to place the inside and outside civil service on practically the same basis. A bill providing for the abolition of patronage and the introduction of the competitive and merit systems will be drafted by the Civil Service Commission, of which Hon. W. J. Roche, former Minister of the Interior, is the chairman. This bill will then be considered by the sub-committee of the Cabinet in connection with the Commissioners. It is realized that there are many practical differences in the way of applying the merit system to the outside as well as to the inside service on account of large numbers of laboring men and temporary employees in the outside service. In regard to the former, it is probable that a system of registration will be adopted, as is done in the United States.

BOLSHEVIKI ARE HARD ON GERMAN RESIDENTS OF LIVONIA REGION

Amsterdam, Feb. 16.—The German residents of Livonia are being harassed by the Bolsheviki there, it is asserted by The Lokal Anzeiger, of Berlin. Members of the German nobility there are declared to be under suspicion and liable to arrest and courtmartial. At Revel 3,000 Germans have been arrested and the same conditions prevail at Dorpat and in other cities. The Lokal Anzeiger demands that the German Government take similar action in retaliation against the Russians.

GERMAN-BOLSHEVIKI BREACH IS WIDENING

Teutons Say Their Agents Have Difficulty Seeing Lenine and Trotzky

Amsterdam, Feb. 16.—Complaint is made in a semi-official note received here from Berlin that the German commission in Petrograd is experiencing considerable and increasing difficulty. Conventions between members of the committee and the Bolsheviki leaders are impossible, it is said, because the Bolsheviki authorities, especially Premier Lenine and Foreign Minister Trotzky, declare they are occupied with other urgent business and make excuses to retard the discussions. After the grave incidents of the past few days, the note adds, the Austrian Government has abrogated the recent decision regarding military and civilian prisoners of war. The question seriously arises whether it is wise in the present circumstances for the German commission to remain in Petrograd, the note says.

NO MORE CANNERY LICENSES THIS YEAR

Existing Plants Can More Than Take Care of Prospective Catch

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The following official statement with regard to the salmon fisheries of British Columbia was handed out yesterday by the Minister of the Naval Service:

"After a conference with his officials with regard to the regulations and policy to govern the salmon fisheries in District No. 2, British Columbia, during which the whole matter was thoroughly considered, Col. Ballantyne, Minister of the Naval Service reached the following decisions:

"1.—That no licenses for salmon canners in addition to those already authorized will be granted this year. This decision was reached because it was found that the existing canneries can more than take care of all the salmon that may be allowed to be caught. It is recognized that if the privilege is thus restricted, those engaging in canning should be required to pay into the public treasury a fair proportion of their profits. As the system of accounting amongst the canners is so diversified, it is impossible now to determine what this should be, but during the present year a satisfactory system of accounting to be used by all the canners will be worked out, and each will be required to give full and uniform returns to the Department of the Naval Service of his operations, so that after this season an adequate license fee can be required.

"2.—That as the runs of salmon and the conditions on the spawning beds do not warrant a greater amount of fishing than is now permitted, no licenses for additional fishing privileges will be authorized this year.

"These two decisions do not apply entirely to the Queen Charlotte Islands, where the conditions are different from those now existing on the Mainland.

Motor Boats Barred.

"3.—That as evidence of the canneries managers, the canners and the fishermen, submitted to the special commission which last year investigated the salmon fisheries of this district was nearly unanimously opposed to the use of motor boats in salmon fishing operations, such boats will not be allowed this year.

"4.—That to enable proper arrangements to be made for the using of gill net licenses independently of all canneries, licenses will be granted this year on a similar basis to last, but hereafter no attached licenses will be issued.

Rigid Enforcement.

"5.—That rigid enforcement of the fishery regulations will be carried out, and the protective force will be sufficiently enlarged to enable this to be done.

"6.—On his return to British Columbia in the next few days, the Chief Inspector will call together those applying for new licenses in different portions of the Province where such may be safely granted, and each applicant will be required, in the presence of the others, to show why he considers his application should be favored. Immediately following such investigation, a decision on the different applications will be reached by the chief inspector.

"The Minister made it clear to his officials that no political or other outside interference will be given any consideration."

COMBING-OUT PLAN IN THE MOTHERLAND

London, Feb. 16.—A notable improvement in the last two or three weeks in what he calls the "combing-out atmosphere" is remarked by the labor correspondence of The Times. The combing-out of men from the protected operations under the Military Service Act is now in progress.

Nevertheless the correspondent says that the last week was the first in many months in which there was not a stoppage of work in any part of the country in consequence of grievances among the workers. Moreover large numbers of young engineers are coming voluntarily to the recruiting office and are not waiting to be summoned.

The correspondent, while not admitting that all trouble has been ended, states that events show that recent accusations of disloyalty against the workers in the engineering shops were unfounded.

PLAN TO REGISTER CANADA'S MAN-POWER

Government's Proposals to Organized Labor and Labor's Reply Thereto

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—In further explanation of the Government's plan to take an inventory of the man-power of Canada, a memorandum was given out yesterday afternoon by the Prime Minister. It is understood that the plan to be followed has not yet been definitely decided, but that it will be worked out in the course of a short time. It is one of the matters for consideration at the conference between the Dominion Government and the Provincial Premiers.

The statement issued yesterday is as follows:

"The Government submitted to the representatives of organized labor the following confidential memorandum dealing with the organization of the man-power and woman-power of Canada:

"To give effect to the declared policy of the Government to mobilize the man-power and resources of Canada for the vigorous prosecution of the war in all its phases, the Government believes that an inventory of the man-power and woman-power of Canada should be taken. The inventory to include all those of sixteen years of age and upwards. This inventory and mobilization is required in order that Canada may more fully co-ordinate and concentrate her war efforts to meet both the urgency of the present military situation and the imperative needs of greater production, conservation, increased labor and production in essential industries, and other pressing problems which face the nation. Among the specific purposes sought to be gained by the inventory are:

Army Act.

"1. To ascertain the numbers, residence, nationality and occupation of all persons who have evaded registration under the provisions of the Military Service Act.

"2. To facilitate the operation of the Military Service Act by requiring that all registered shall carry a certificate of registration.

"3. To ascertain the numbers, residence and occupation of those who, though not now engaged in agriculture, have had experience in farming, and are qualified to assist in agricultural production.

"4. To ascertain the numbers employed in various occupations or lines of industry so as to ascertain the labor supply which might be rendered available by closing or curtailing less essential industries and diverting labor to more essential industries.

"5. To ascertain the supply of woman labor available to supplement the work of men or to take over the work of men who could thereby be released for other services of national importance.

"6. To ascertain the number, residence, nationality and occupation of all persons resident in Canada who are not British subjects by birth or naturalization.

"7. To be able to utilize with the least inconvenience and to the best advantage the services of all men and women in the employment to which they are fitted by special training and experience.

Voluntary Labor.

"8. To secure all such information

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London, Feb. 16.—Field-Marshal Haig reported last night: "Early this morning one of our patriots surprised a German working party east of Loos, which was dispersed by machine gun fire. On other parts of the front the patrols again brought back a number of prisoners. "The hostile artillery has been more active than usual during the day between Gouzeaucourt and the Scarpe River, and also in the Lens sector. Some activity also was shown last night and again to-day north of Ypres.

French Report.

Paris, Feb. 16.—The War Office here reported last night: "On both sides of the Meuse, in the Woivre region, and in the Vosges Mountains there have been spirited artillery engagements. Two raids on our lines along the Chaume Wood sector were arrested by our fire. "Eastern theatre, Feb. 14.—West of the Varang two raids upon our positions were defeated. West of Ochrada a French reconnoitering party dispersed Austrian detachments and captured three prisoners. There were reciprocal artillery actions north of Mommast."

German Claim.

Berlin, Feb. 16.—An official statement issued here said: "During January the enemy lost on the German front twenty captive balloons and 151 aeroplanes, sixty-seven of which fell behind our lines. The remainder were seen to fall within the enemy's positions. In aerial fighting we lost sixty-eight aeroplanes and four captive balloons."

ONTARIO JAIL-BREAKER TAKEN AT KITCHENER

Kitchener, Ont., Feb. 16.—George Marsling, a notorious jail-breaker who knocked out a turkey and escaped from the county jail at London recently, was arrested here yesterday and is being held pending the arrival of police from London. When arrested he had a loaded revolver on his person and among his

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GERMAN DESTROYERS USED A DARK NIGHT

Crews of British Patrol Boats Sunk Near Dover Acted Heroically

Dover, Eng., Feb. 16.—The weather was thick and the night was very dark when German destroyers dashed upon British patrol boats in the Strait of Dover early Friday morning and sank eight of them. The patrol vessels, being equipped only with light armament for anti-submarine work, did not have a chance once the German craft got among them. The risk thus taken is shared by great numbers of trawlers and drifters operating in all kinds of weather and at all hours. Yet the proportion of losses has been remarkably small.

On the latest occasion the crews braved themselves with the same coolness and courage that drifter men have shown in innumerable cases of danger and difficulty. One noteworthy incident was as follows: A drifter was shelled at close quarters by two German destroyers, whose thirty-pound shells killed all of the crew except two and set the drifter afire. The two survivors, seeing their craft ablaze and believing she would sink, launched a boat. They had not rowed far when they saw the vessel was still afloat and the enemy retiring. They returned, put out the fire and brought the drifter into port.

German Version.

Berlin, Feb. 16.—The Admiralty today made the following statement:

"On the night of February 14 some of our torpedo boats under command of Captain Heintze made a surprise attack on strong forces guarding the English Channel between Calais and Dover, on the north, and Cape Grisnez and Folkestone, on the south. A large guardship, numerous armed fishing steamers and several motor vessels were forced to give battle, the larger part of them being destroyed. "Our torpedo boats suffered no losses or damage. All returned."

A statement from the British Admiralty yesterday said seven drifters and one trawler had been sunk by German destroyers which returned to the northward before they could be engaged.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The following casualties have been announced:

Artillery.

Wounded—Gnr. S. S. Saunders, Vancouver.

Railway Troops.

Ill.—Pte. Peter Bereher, Vancouver.

Infantry.

- Died—Pte. E. Canniff, Madoc, Ont.; Pte. C. C. Ferguson, Burkton Junction, Ont.; Pte. J. E. MacManus, Edmonton, S. Alta.; Acting-Serjt. F. Reeve, Toronto, Ont.; Pte. J. Thompson, Glenlivet, N. B.; Acting-Corpl. W. A. Touchette, Barrie, Ont.; Pte. M. Wilson, Brantford, Ont.; Lieut. M. MacK. Winchester, Toronto, Ont.; Pte. E. F. Jump, England; Pte. N. Labrecque, Ottawa, Ont.; Pte. R. H. Larden, England; Pte. A. Leach, England; Pte. M. Levesque, Montreal; Pte. D. Loudon, Scotland; Pte. J. E. McDougall, Halifax, N. S.; Pte. F. D. Moon, England; Pte. W. R. Jennings, Ireland; Pte. R. Parrish, England; Pte. A. Pearce, England; Pte. F. E. Phillips, England; Pte. G. Phillips, England; Pte. C. Robb, Scotland; Pte. F. A. Rothrie, Scotland; Pte. E. Davis, Tilsonburg, Ont.
- Died of wounds—Pte. A. Rogers, Macleod, Alta.; Pte. E. W. Trembath, Rosser, Man.
- Gassed—Lance-Corpl. B. W. Oulmette, Huron, S. D. U. S. A.; Pte. W. H. Kristanson, Mogart, Sask.; Pte. W. R. McCorrieh, Selkirk, Man.; Pte. D. McNeill, Delmore, Sask.; Pte. R. Moore, Winnipeg, Man.
- Wounded—Pte. A. Lord, St. Norbert, Man.; Pte. J. R. McFadden, Carleton Place, Ont.; Pte. E. Gallop, England; Pte. A. J. Byford, Boharm, Sask.; Pte. J. Clark, Broadview, Sask.; Pte. W. W. Cutbush, Manor, Sask.; Pte. G. F. Chapman, Edmonton, Alta.; Pte. W. O. Muirhead, Khedive, Sask.; Pte. S. W. Clark, Winnipeg, Man.
- Ill.—Pte. F. O. Reid, Harrowsmith, Ont.
- Mounted Rifles.
- Died—Pte. F. Rowe, England; Pte. E. Pitchford, Calgary, Alta.
- Artillery.
- Died of wounds—Pte. A. C. Falkner, Toronto, Ont.
- Wounded—Dvr. J. A. Burrows, England; Gnr. J. A. McGeer, Vancouver; B. C.; Lieut.-Col. A. G. L. McNaughton, D. S. O., England.
- Gassed—Gnr. C. Burrehill, Sydney Mines, N. S.
- Railway Troops.
- Wounded—Acting Co.-Q. M.-Sergt. R. C. Hennessey, Ireland; Pte. R. Friend, England.

CHARGES AGAINST MONTREAL POLICE

Montreal, Feb. 16.—Commercialized prostitution and professional gambling are tolerated in Montreal by the police department, a report from the bureau of municipal research to the City Council made public yesterday alleged. The report announces that the system in force in Montreal of periodically raiding vicious establishments and fining people found therein really amounts to the collection of money for revenue purposes. It contends that the lessees of vicious premises are not punished as the law provides. Further reports purport to show that the discipline of the force is interfered with by political partisans and quote instances of where men charged by the chief for serious misconduct were reinstated, one man having been re-employed five times.

LORD ROBERT CECIL'S SCHEME FOR LEAGUE

His Plan Includes International Consideration of Disputed Matters

BRITISH MINISTER OF BLOCKADE OPTIMISTIC

London, Feb. 16.—Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of Blockade, who announced in the House of Commons the other day that he himself had prepared a plan for a league of nations, discussed the whole problem yesterday. While declining to give a detailed outline of his plan, which, with others, is now engaging the consideration of the British Government, he indicated a number of conclusions to which his study of the problem had led him.

"The first and most important matter to be insured by any league of nations," said Lord Robert Cecil, "is that no nation shall go to war until the matter in dispute has been submitted to international consideration. If at first the league of nations gets no further than this it will be worth while, and a beginning would be made from which wider development would be possible in due time."

A second point he emphasized was that, while for an ideal league it would be necessary to have all nations of the world as members, it might be found necessary to begin with a more restricted membership.

Supported by Britain.

In reply to a question he declared that even the members of the present Entente group, with a few additions, would form an adequate nucleus, although he hoped for a wider membership. He declared that Great Britain could be counted as a firm supporter of any adequate scheme for a league of nations, and the wider its scope the better it would please him.

Lord Robert Cecil declared himself convinced that the economic weapon would prove a most useful arm for the enforcement of the league's decrees. Asked regarding disarmament, he said that disarmament was difficult to envisage at present, but he was certain it would follow as a natural sequence of the successful formation of a league of nations. One thing that greatly promised success for the league of nations idea, he said, was that the world for the first time in history was prepared to give it favorable consideration. Until the outbreak of this war public opinion, internationally speaking, was not favorable. That now had been changed, and there would be an insistent desire on all sides at the close of this war to consider seriously every proposal that promised to prevent any such struggle occurring again.

Decreases.

"Every student of the league of nations idea," he continued, "finds certain differences at the outset. One of these is how the decrees of such a league can be enforced. It is natural to draw an analogy between the growth of international law and order within individual countries, and what I am sure that such an analogy must not be carried too far. I find much that is instructive in the development of our English common law from the state of anarchy which existed over long periods after the Wars of the Roses, when great barons waged intermittent warfare on each other for many years, just as intermittent international warfare might conceivably follow in Europe after the present war ends."

"How did a strong British king finally gain ascendancy and control over the warring barons?" Lord Robert Cecil asked. "He instituted a central body which enforced decrees on the barons largely by economic means. I am convinced that is the lineup on which a league of nations may hope to proceed effectively. My experience in the war has taught me the great power of the economic weapon. How would a league of nations use it? Well, for example, if any nation went to war with another without submitting its dispute to international consideration it would forthwith have to break off from all commercial intercourse with every member of the league of nations. That would be a tremendous weapon and one that few if any nations would care to defy."

Simple Laws.

"The first thing to be done is to decide definitely what laws we shall have to enforce through our league of nations, and since we are starting from the beginning we should have these laws as simple as possible. Now, even to-day, I doubt whether it is yet possible to induce the nations of the world to put themselves completely under control of any international organization. The nations would still, consciously or unconsciously, reserve

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the right to defend for themselves interests they regard as vital to their existence.

"I do not believe that feeling would be found to have completely vanished with the end of this war. I am disposed, therefore, to aim at the rather moderate and cautious step, and will consider that we have done well if we feel that we are moving more freely and soundly than if we advanced too rapidly. It may be that we shall be unable to go further at first than to lay down the decree that nations shall engage in no wars until the matters under dispute had been submitted to international consideration. Even that would be a great advantage."

"You see that for the beginning I rely more on international conference than on international tribunals dealing with the larger international disputes. The most desirable step, in my opinion, is to get nations into the habit of settling their own differences by other means than war—to accustom themselves to discussion, debate and conference as the normal recourse in disputes and to lay down such regulations as will enforce this habit."

Too Elaborate.

"If a prolonged international consideration of the league of nations idea shows we can go still further, nobody will be rejoiced more than I, and there is no limit I would place on an advance in that direction, except the limits of possibility and purpose. But I am a little afraid when I see some of the elaborate schemes which have been arranged in various quarters. They will be found open to many objections when they come to the international table for examination, and I am afraid that the enemies of this great reform, who will not dare to oppose it directly, will try to destroy it by nibbling at it with objections to details. Therefore, I say to those who have this project really at heart as the statesmen of Britain and the United States have, 'do all you can to have the details of your proposals carefully worked out and be ready for all criticisms. And finally do not be ill-content if we eventually make a definite and appreciable advance toward the goal, but less than we wish.'

"Finally, I would say that although a league of nations, to be perfect, should embrace all the nations of the world, it may have to begin with a more restricted membership, so as to insure, that only those nations which sincerely favor it shall be partners."

Questioned with regard to disarmament, Lord Robert Cecil declared it to be his belief that disarmament would naturally follow the development of a successful league of nations as the nations began to feel that they were safe in relying on the league's power to protect them. He said he could not believe that agreements for disarmament were practicable at the present time because it was impossible under the present circumstances to place credence in the signatures or written words of certain nations.

"Disarmament will come in its own time," Lord Robert declared. "A hundred years ago no man in England went into the streets at night without arms. To-day no one man in a thousand carries any weapon. The disarmament of nations will come similarly as soon as they were able to regard themselves safe in the world's highways."

STREET CAR MEN IN WINNIPEG WANT RAISE

Winnipeg, Feb. 16.—Employees of the Winnipeg Street Railway Company have made application to the company for an increase in wages of from two to three cents an hour, to take effect May 1. There are practically 1,000 men who would benefit by such an increase and the annual additional cost of operation of the system in consequence would be more than \$60,000 a year.

The present scale of wages to employees of the company ranges from 28 cents an hour for beginners to 35 cents an hour in the third year.

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Canadian Army Headquarters in France, Feb. 15.—Via London, Feb. 16.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent)—A few days ago the first batch of married non-commissioned officers and married men of the original force which landed in France from Canada left the front on a three months' furlough to Canada. Altogether nearly 700 married men have applied for this special veterans' leave, which Canada has made possible by the striking support of her forces in the field.

BIG TORONTO HOTEL IS CHANGING HANDS

Toronto, Feb. 15.—Frank A. Dudley, president of the United States Hotel Company of America, is in this city completing arrangements to take over the King Edward Hotel. The Royal Connaught Hotel, Hamilton, was the first property to be acquired by the \$10,000,000 corporation.

The amount involved in the purchase of the King Edward Hotel property, representing land, buildings, furniture and proposed improvements, is \$1,500,000. It is proposed by Mr. Dudley to expend at least \$300,000 in making additions and improvements to the property which will make it a thoroughly modern institution.

BRITAIN'S TRADE.

London, Feb. 16.—The figures of the Board of Trade for January show an increase in imports as compared with the corresponding month last year of \$8,456,000 and a decrease in exports of \$5,194,000. Imports of raw materials, metal manufactured articles and miscellaneous commodities increased by \$13,000,000, but food imports decreased by \$6,000,000. The December imports were mainly manufactured goods.

DEPOSED CONSTANTINE CONTINUED TO PLOT

London, Feb. 15.—Many compromising letters from those who surrounded ex-King Constantine of Greece have been found in a search of the houses of many persons arrested in Athens recently, says a dispatch from the correspondent of The London Times in Athens dated Wednesday. It is now certain that active and regular correspondence has been carried on for months between the royal exiles and Constantine's partisans in Greece. It appears that the channels of this illicit intercourse were the consulates of two neutral powers whose names are withheld. Doubtless steps will be taken to stop it, adds the dispatch.

EXPLANATION DEMANDED.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—A special cable to The Toronto Mail and Empire from Rome says that the statement that the secret treaty concluded before her intervention in the war by Italy with the Entente Powers contained a clause that any peace initiated by the Pope would not be tolerated, nor should his interference in the war, was denied officially by the Roman Catholic deputy, Signor Deputy Longinotti.

The treaty has now been read in Parliament, including the clause the existence of which was denied. An explanation of that denial now is demanded.

"JITNEY BARS" TO GO.

Winnipeg, Feb. 16.—A special committee of the Provincial Legislature is considering an amendment to the hotel accommodation act which will put the jitney bars out of business in Manitoba.

A license will be necessary for the sale of all fermented drinks, even two per cent. No barmaids may be hired for the sale of such drinks, and no singing or similar form of amusement will be permitted on premises where such drinks are sold.

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THE PATRIOTIC FUND CAMPAIGN.

The Victoria Patriotic Aid Society is about to launch a campaign for \$250,000 to cover disbursements to the dependents of soldiers for the current year. As the statement issued by the campaign committee shows, the sum distributed from the fund last year was \$356,000, of which \$175,000 were raised in this city and district, the remaining \$181,000 coming from the Central Committee at Ottawa. Fourteen hundred families, comprising 3,588 dependents, received assistance from this source, the monthly average per family, therefore, being \$20. It is urgent that Victoria District raise \$250,000 this year, for the drain upon the resources of the Central Committee, which is meeting the deficits between the amount required and the amount raised in various parts of the Dominion, has become exceptionally heavy, and were it not for the local Government and municipal aid which supplements private subscription in some of the other provinces, the financing of the whole outlay, which now calls for many millions a year, would be a difficult problem. Special campaigns have been conducted in the principal eastern cities from which, of course, we will indirectly benefit. But this district certainly should do more than to raise less than half the amount required to keep the dependents of our soldiers from privation.

The Victoria Patriotic Aid Fund is entirely a local institution. It has no connection with the Provincial organization which has to do with the fund raised outside this city and district and Greater Vancouver. The services of its officers are given without charge, stenographers and a collector-a returned soldier-along being remunerated. For three years R. H. Swinerton, the secretary, has devoted virtually all of his time, a world of patience and unweariness, energy, purely from a sense of patriotic duty, to the administration of the fund which at times presents many difficult problems. He has been indefatigable not only in rectifying and adjusting such anomalies as have come to his attention, but in tracing and rebutting numerous complaints and rumors-with little or no basis-which float around from time to time. In many quarters it is contended that the national Government should collect and administer the fund; we have little hesitation in saying that if it did there would be a constant storm of complaint over the inequalities and other deficiencies which, as usual, would develop under such auspices.

The Government, however, is not going to take over this function, and the dependents of our soldiers must be looked after. They are entitled to it without grudging. We owe it to them for the sake of the men who are prepared to make sacrifices alongside of which material wealth is nothing. All the gold that ever was agnored is as mud in the scale with the humblest life lost on the battlefield. A country or a people or a person hesitating to acknowledge responsibility for the welfare of the dependents of the men who are forming a living rampart between their liberties and the "hellishness of the Hun," as Harry Lauder describes it, is beyond the pale of decency. Victoria has responded generously to various movements, calling for funds, in connection with the war, but if it could get one glimpse of the ruins of countless French towns and villages, or of communities on the eastern coast of England bombed from the air, if it could see the trail of murder, rapine and desolation of the brutal foe as our soldiers are seeing it every day, it would not hesitate to do much more than it has done out of sheer thankfulness for its own fortunate lot.

WOULD RESTORE THE CZAR.

Like calls for like. We may be sure the Kaiser has registered a solemn vow to restore one Nicholas Romanoff to his late station as "Autocrat of All the Russians," and the process of restoration will include all the survivors of the Junta of Prussian instruments whose activities were so fully exposed in the trials of the Stürmer, Prottopoff, Soukhomlinoff and Company during the Kerensky regime. According to the evidence of Alexieff and other soldiers, the Kaiser certainly owes the former bureaucracy that much. The transmission to Berlin beforehand of the plans of Samsonoff's invasion of East Prussia which culminated in the Russian disaster in the Mazurian swamps should have been worth something. The dispatch of a German prisoner to Archangel and other munition stations so that they

might blow up the material intended for the Russian armies; the deliberate dilapidation of the transportation and supply facilities which compelled the Russian soldiers in the great retreat to fight with nothing but their bayonets for a fortnight; the betrayal of Roumania, and finally the attempt of Minister Prottopoff to deliver the separate peace arranged at Stockholm with Warburg, the German Embassy, by fomenting strikes and discord in Russia, all ought to appeal to the Kaiser's sense of gratitude. But if they do not, then surely the reflection, that-as the world now knows-his dynastic confederates in Petrograd, through pressure upon the Entente, maintained Constantine on the Throne of Greece from which he was persistently stabbing the Allies in the back, will convince him of his obligation to put "Nicky" and his entourage where they could be of so much service to Germany-for instance in a revival of the Russo-German alliance proposal-the advantages of which so profoundly impressed Bismarck for the opportunity it would provide for challenging the British Empire. But whether the Kaiser can deliver the Russian Crown now in the gutter back to "Nicky" or not, he must set up an autocratic dynasty somewhere in Russia. It would be harrowing to be wedged between republican France and a republic or a series of republics on his other side. And it would be decidedly dangerous.

RANK DISCRIMINATION.

Yesterday we published a report of an interview with Mr. Neild, the manager of the Victoria Machinery Depot, in which he charged the Dominion Government with discriminating against Victoria firms in awarding contracts for the construction of steel ships to be owned and operated by the country. He declared that if the Government would give to its contractors on the same conditions as those which governs his firm was prepared to handle the work at once and complete it as rapidly as any other plant. No doubt this is true of other concerns on the Island.

Mr. Neild produced evidence to show that nearly a year ago, when the first Government steel shipbuilding programme was announced, he expressed the readiness of his firm to handle a contract for seven steel vessels up to 10,000 tons each and to enlarge the existing plant if necessary. At that time he had an opportunity of securing the prompt delivery of 1900 tons of steel plates. Then the Government abandoned the programme. A short time ago the Minister of Marine and Fisheries announced the present policy of devoting \$25,000,000 to the development of a Canadian mercantile marine with the construction of forty steel ships, ten contracts to be awarded on this coast. Early this month the local firm wired Dr. Tolmie, M. P., who is now in Ottawa, urging him to take up with the Minister the awarding of some of the contracts to Victoria establishments, which had plants capable of doing the work. Now comes a message from the Deputy Minister of the Department stating that the contracts were being confined to yards "now engaged in constructing steel ships."

This is rank discrimination and nothing else. If the policy represented in the message of the Deputy Minister be pursued, the shipbuilding industry of this Island will be hopelessly handicapped. The fact that our yards have not been constructing steel ships is not due to their lack of facilities. It is due to their lack of pull, through the absence of intimate affiliation with certain powerful financial interests to whom some of the yards on the Mainland owe what contracts they have had. And we are confident that the same influences are behind the present discrimination. What other reason can there be for it? The programme is not a temporary, emergent affair. The keels are not to be laid down until the summer of 1919, and the policy announced by Mr. Ballantyne is a permanent one, undertaken and financed by the Dominion with a special eye to developments after the war. Even if it were a case of emergency certainly the long-established Victoria firms could meet the need as readily as mushroom establishments on the Mainland-which were not in existence beyond a year ago.

Both Dr. Tolmie and Mr. McIntosh, whose constituency also is vitally interested in the matter, should fight without gloves for fair-play for this Island, and behind them should stand all our public bodies, who should take up the question without delay. We should show that we do not propose to allow the matter to be disposed of as cavalierly as the Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries has tried to dispose of it in his curt response to the representations of Dr. Tolmie, the flimsy pretext in which furnishes the strongest proof of Mr. Neild's charge of gross discrimination. If our members can obtain no satisfaction from the Department, then they should ventilate the subject on the floor of Parliament. In this they have a better weapon than they probably imagine. A public discussion of the circumstances under which some of the yards to be

avored happened to be "engaged in constructing steel ships" might be unusually enlightening.

YESTERDAY "DER TAG."

Yesterday was the day supposed to have been set for the commencement of the enemy's much-advertised offensive on the West Front, but nothing unusual developed. As a matter of fact, the setting of the day was merely a punctuation mark in the German propaganda launched for the double purpose of stimulating the war-spirit of the German people and depressing that of the Allies. An officer who has just returned from the front says that a prospective German offensive is less talked of there than among the public at home and that whenever its possibility is mentioned it is received with general satisfaction.

If we judged the operations of the early future by the number of raids taking place and the activity of the respective air services we should have looked for an offensive by the Allies rather than by the Germans. The British are paying frequent nocturnal visits to the hostile lines in Northern France, while the French have conducted a number of particularly successful raids, one of which got as far as the enemy's fourth line.

The German campaign against Verdun began on September 21, 1916. It was not advertised in advance. Preparations for it had been made so stealthily that while the French knew an attack was coming on some part of their front they were not certain that Verdun was the objective until after the fighting had been in progress for several days. Hence, the burden of defence fell upon the heroic vanguard which was pressed back ten or twelve miles, while Douaumont was taken. Then the Germans began to advertise. Berlin celebrated the fall of Verdun. War artists, descriptive-writers and moving picture operators were sent to the scene to depict the entry of the Crown Prince into the great French stronghold. Meanwhile-Pétain and Nivelle had developed the marvelous transport service from Bar-le-Duc over which reserves and material were rushed to the fighting-front, and Verdun was saved.

Weather conditions were against the enemy then but he could not afford to delay the campaign, for his purpose was to strike France down before the British were ready. If his object now is to try to gain a decision against the British and French before the Americans are ready he again must attack before the winter is over.

BRITISH LABOR MAKES GIFT TO LABOR OF U. S.

London, Feb. 16.-King George, Queen Mary, the Prince of Wales and Princess Mary yesterday inspected a bronze panel "The Triumph of Labor," which is to be sent to the United States as a gift from the organized workers of Great Britain to the organized workers of the United States. The Royal party remained for nearly an hour inspecting the work, King George evincing great interest in the relationship of the workmen of the two countries. He asked especially about Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, whose career and work for the cause of labor he said he greatly admired. Queen Mary asked the sculptor, Lieut. I. P. Roodyn, of the Royal Flying Corps, to send her a photograph of the panel for a keepsake.

MANITOBA DOCTOR BURNED TO DEATH

Larivière, Man., Feb. 16.-The charred body of Dr. F. Dykes was found in his home here on Thursday following a fire, the origin of which is a mystery. Dr. Dykes had sent his wife to Winnipeg for an operation.



REV. E. A. HENRY, D.D. (of Vancouver)

Dr. Henry will preach in First Presbyterian Church to-morrow. He is well known to Victoria audiences as one of Canada's foremost public speakers. The services to-morrow will celebrate the fifth anniversary of the induction of Rev. Jno. Gibson Inker into the pastorate of First Church.



TAXATION RELIEF.

To the Editor.-Re joint committee report and tax delinquency. It is submitted that it is a very academic report and in proportion as it is academic it is impractical.

What are the conditions for which a remedy is sought? (a) An ever-increasing payment of taxes; (b) an ever-increasing inability or unwillingness to pay.

What is the cause, initial and prevailing? (1) Ill-advised legislation in Local Improvement Act; (2) municipal administration of same; (3) cost of improvement outrageously excessive; (4) terms of repayment of loans on account of it too short. It is submitted that items a, b, 1, 2, 3, 4, are a fair statement of situation.

What is the remedy? Legislation to prevent a recurrence, and provide alleviation of this ilk; also those responsible for the changes in the Land Registry Act, comprised in subsections B and C of Section 22, Chapter 127, B. C. Statutes 1914, which came into force June 1, 1914, which practically relegates a first mortgage to become a second, giving the debenture holder a prior claim over millions of British, other outside, and local money invested in first mortgages, which had no voice in incurring or resisting the indebtedness, depreciating their security to a dead loss in many cases, besides permitting the enlargement of the city's borrowing powers over \$8,000,000 to date, aggregating in all a sum-out of all proportion to our status.

It is submitted that the effect of above subsections has brought the province and city into more discredit than any extension scheme could possibly do, the extension would tend to improve the status of a first mortgage.

The more one dwells on this problem in all its various phases, the more complex and intricate it develops. A just and equitable settlement cannot be arrived at because most of the persons contracting, contributing, or participating in the financial middle cannot be made responsible on account of their financial status, the great divergence of interests and equally numerous divergent opinions, certainly require an entirely outside, independent arbitrator to pass upon the adjustment of the load for the ultimate benefit of all concerned.

Without interference with the necessary steps being taken for an extension, I venture to suggest that Dr. Adam Shortt, by reason of his long experience in all the subtleties of financial tangles, possesses the qualities required to report on and advise us how to restore an equilibrium. As an earnest of my belief, I will be one of, say, fifty ratepayers to pay the cost of his services within a reasonable limit.

JOHN DEAN.
Pacific Club, Victoria, B. C., February 14, 1918.

FINANCE.

To the Editor.-The proposal of Mr. Flumerfelt regarding Provincial and Municipal debts is worth careful consideration. As I understand it, the suggestion is made that the debts of the province and municipalities, including intermunicipal debts for dyking or sewage, shall be consolidated, and the consolidated debt shall be financed and controlled by a commission or board. Presumably the province and each of the municipalities would in proportion to their indebtedness bear their share of the interest and sinking fund required.

For the debts already incurred and financed one may fairly ask what good will this accomplish? It is certain that for the major portion of this indebtedness any fresh borrowing or consolidation will be at a far higher rate of interest than the loans at present bear. It is inconceivable that if the Dominion Government consented to float its Victory Bonds at a rate equal to 5% per cent. interest, any better rate could be obtained by the province and municipalities combined. It will be noted that the Provincial Government floated some of its loans at 4% per cent., and portions of Victoria municipal indebtedness bears but 4 and 4 1/2% per cent. Hence it is clear that any conversion of these debts at the present time would be disastrous, nor is there any probability that the immediate future will show any relaxation of the financial magnates' demands. Is it not, therefore, useless to discuss proposals that suggest as a basis the floating of bonds bearing interest at 2 or 2 1/2% per cent.?

No amount of coining, re-arrangement or consolidation would induce holders of bonds to exchange their present rates for lower rates. Nor is it probable that any Government would legislate at the present time to interfere with the rights granted to lenders under legislative statutes or by-laws of municipalities. It is quite possible, if this province is faced with a financial cataclysm, that heroic measures may yet be resorted to, but the time is not yet. In this I do not detract from the value of Mr. Flumerfelt's exhaustive analysis, deductions and suggestions; I simply suggest that the remedy proposed is not practicable.

Nor am I greatly concerned with the debts of the past. Like many other things, we shall "worry through them somehow." I do feel concerned with the financial problems of Victoria, and feel that the City Council have not yet arisen to the magnitude and seriousness of the situation. It appeared to me-as also to many others-that the suggestions offered by Alderman Sargent should have been judiciously considered, and data gathered as to the probable effect of his proposals upon the by-laws affected thereby.

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a tendency to aggravate them, as there is no relief on taxes accruing.

The suggestion offered rests on a Provincial Government guarantee, as the best and fairest way out, or, as a last resort, the city securing a long term loan.

The last refuge of a politician, when brought to task for mischievous legislation, is, the people wanted or asked for it; or, we had the "mandate" of the people for it, and as the best remedy for his mistakes his advice is to get "back to the land." Now, in order to know what the people want in this case, as they are the ones who have to pay, and know best what their ability to pay is, why not have a referendum on alternatives clearly set out and published for a week before being voted on, arranged so that a property owner could indicate his first, second, third, or fourth choice, as the case might be.

It is noted that a representative of the Dominion Securities Corporation appeared before the Council with the joint committee, making suggestions, and doubted the legality of Alderman Sargent's proposal for extension; and others have touched on the sanctity of the city's credit being sustained.

I would respectfully refer to their consciences on all these points, also those responsible for the changes in the Land Registry Act, comprised in subsections B and C of Section 22, Chapter 127, B. C. Statutes 1914, which came into force June 1, 1914, which practically relegates a first mortgage to become a second, giving the debenture holder a prior claim over millions of British, other outside, and local money invested in first mortgages, which had no voice in incurring or resisting the indebtedness, depreciating their security to a dead loss in many cases, besides permitting the enlargement of the city's borrowing powers over \$8,000,000 to date, aggregating in all a sum-out of all proportion to our status.

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city as a whole. I see no impropriety in accepting a three-year term of valuation, but at the time when such assessment is made, the true value of each property assessed, alone should be taken. Fictitious values, whether higher or lower than the true values, are self-condemnatory. On the one hand if too high, they invite plunging into greater indebtedness; if too low, they compel an abnormal high rate of taxation.

Of course any system of taxation that is not enforced is rendered nugatory. The screening farce enacted by successive City Councils in allowing the go-as-you-please system to taxpayers has brought about the colossal tax delinquencies which crowd the books of the City Hall. Legislation which should declare any tax upon real estate uncollectable after three years should long ago have been enacted, and the treasurer or tax officials of a municipality should be statutorily compelled to offer for sale property in arrears. Childish incompetence could not go farther than it has gone in respect of tax delinquencies in this city.

W. MARCHANT.

RENT TOO HIGH.

To the Editor.-I am at present living within two miles of the city of Victoria and have been renting a house, or, rather, a six-roomed bungalow, for over twelve months. Last December I was called upon to pay an increase of \$3 on the rental of the bungalow, making \$15 in all, which I duly paid. Now I have received a letter notifying a further increase of \$7.50 per month, or \$22.50 in all.

My opinion of this is that it is a most unreasonable and unfair demand, and all it leaves me to do is to vacate the house, as I am in no position to pay \$22.50 rent.

The owner of the house is a Rotarian, and I always understood they had the interests of Victoria at heart, but it seems there is one that has not.

The garden was in a very disgraceful state of neglect when I entered and I went to the trouble of cultivating and raised about six sacks of potatoes last season, besides other kinds of vegetables. Now after all that trouble I shall have the pleasure of seeing someone else benefit this year.

Does this sort of thing encourage home production when such landlords exist? Is this a patriotic thing to do?
NIL DESPERANDUM.

Feb. 15.

SATISFIED.

To the Editor.-I am only a ship carpenter and, of course, know about some of our men talking about striking for higher wages. As one I am satisfied with my pay. Do our men ever think that their fellow-men at the front, doing their duty to the Empire, and risking their lives every hour of the day, are only getting \$1.10 a day, while we are living in perfect security with our families and getting good pay? I have a son in France, but should not say so, as no doubt my mates would know me and call me a scab. We have lots of bosses, called foremen, who get \$200 a month and do nothing.

SHIPWRIGHT.

Feb. 13.

LORD'S DAY ACT.

To the Editor.-I see by a statement of the officers of the Lord's Day Alliance that the Lord's Day Act was framed mainly to give employees one day's rest in seven. I would like to ask our Police Commissioners if they have instructed the police to take the names of employers that are working their employees seven days a week without giving them the twenty-four consecutive hours off which the Act calls for. If not, why not?

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

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A. S. Going, C. E., who is directing the work of the British Pacific survey parties working south from Duluth, is in the city. He states that the line has been located for twenty-two miles.

Conditions of the competition of the proposed Protestant Orphans' Home are now published for architects.

Dr. Davie, the Provincial Health Officer, who has been in Ottawa attending a conference of health officers with the Government in regard to quarantine matters, has returned to the city.

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—This lot includes both front and back fastening styles, also the new Bandeau Brassiere in allover lace. Several different styles in lace and embroidery trimmed. Sizes 34 to 44. Shop early for these on Monday at 95c —Corsets, First Floor

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—A most serviceable quality Shirt and a nice weight for Spring wear; well made and finished in coat shape and turned down reversible collar; band cuffs and pocket; in smart blue and white, grey and white and fancy stripes. Sizes 14 to 17½. Special value at \$1.75
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- 3 ft. 6 in. Brass Bed, one only, handsomely decorated. To clear at \$23.75
- Full Size White Enamel Bed, massive 2 in. posts, with fancy brass caps; ¾-inch fillers. A splendid bed. Regular \$19.50. Clear at \$15.00
- Massive 2-inch Continuous Post Bed, with seven ¾-inch fillers and stout cross rails; well finished in white enamel; full size. The old price \$18.00. Rare Bargain at \$15.10
- 2-Inch Pillar Bed, in white enamel, neatly finished with four brass caps; seven stout fillers; full size. The old value at \$20.25. A Great Bargain at \$16.00 Shop early for best choice. —Furniture, Fourth Floor

Full Size White Enamel Bed, continuous post style, with five fillers. A very neat style. Clear at \$8.75
Continuous Post Bed, stands extra high, finished in white enamel; full size. To clear at \$10.50

Another 100 Dozen Cups and Saucers To go Monday at 6 for 98c —Crockery, Second Floor

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—The very newest designs and effects, and a very fine quality. A little under 300 yds. to go at this special price. —Drapery, Third Floor

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50 Dozen Thin Glass Tumblers To go Monday at 3 for 24c —Crockery, Second Floor

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"Dear me! I'm very sorry to hear that! Very sorry, indeed," spoke Uncle Wiggily Longears, the rabbit gentleman, just as he opened the front door of his hollow stump bungalow to go in one afternoon. He had been for a little walk in the woods, looking for an adventure, but had not found one. "That certainly is too bad," he went on, as he put his key in his pocket and closed the door after him. "Excuse me for inquiring, but what is too bad?" asked Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy, the muskrat lady housekeeper, who stood in the hall, wiping her paws on her apron. "Oh, dear!" said Uncle Wiggily. "I do not want to seem inquisitive," went on Miss Fuzzy Wuzzy, "but I could not help hearing what you said, and if anything is too bad, perhaps I can help make it better." "That is very kind of you to offer," Uncle Wiggily said. "Just as I came along I met Mr. Whitewash, the polar bear, and he told me that Uncle Butter, the goat gentleman, is quite ill with horn fever." "Is that so? Well, that is too bad, and I am very sorry to hear it," said the muskrat lady. "My remarks exactly," went on the bunny rabbit gentleman. "And I know just what to do," went on Nurse Jane. "What?" asked Uncle Wiggily. "I'll send him over a jar of carrot jelly," said the muskrat lady. "That will make Uncle Butter feel better, even if it doesn't make him worse." "Oh, I guess it won't make him worse!" spoke Uncle Wiggily, with a laugh. "Your nice jelly could never do that. And, Nurse Jane, if you will kindly wrap up the jar of jelly in a napkin, so it won't get my fur coat all sticky, I'll take the little treat right over now to Uncle Butter." "No sooner said than done. In a little while Uncle Wiggily, with his red, white and blue striped barber pole rheumatism crutch stuck gaily in the top of his tall silk hat, for he had no rheumatism pains that day, Uncle Wiggily, as I mentioned before, took a hop, skip and a jump over the fields and through the woods towards the home of Uncle Butter, the goat gentleman, with the jar of jelly in his pocket. Uncle Wiggily was thinking how nice it was to do little acts of kindness for his animal friends, and how nice Nurse Jane was to think of the jelly, when, all of a sudden, as the bunny passed a hollow log, he heard a noise like: "Wunk-wunk!" "Hut! Hut! Hut! It is a very funny sound, indeed!" thought Uncle Wiggily. "It didn't seem to be made by the fuzzy fox, the skilley-scaley alligator nor yet the ouse-biting Skeenicks. I wonder what it was?" "Well, you needn't wonder any longer!" exclaimed a cross and unpleasant voice like a nutmeg grater, slicing down hill on the ash sifter. "You needn't wonder a bit more! I made the 'wunk-wunk' noise." "Why did you make it?" asked Uncle Wiggily, politely. "I always make that noise when I'm hungry," went on the voice, "and I'm so hungry now I'm going to bite you!" and out from the hole in the log crawled a Spoonbill. "Now, a Spoonbill is an animal with a beak like a duck, only much larger, and, in consequence, it takes larger bites, and this Spoonbill was not at all a nice animal. Its feathers were all matted up, and the fur on its tail was tangled in knots, while the fish scales on its sides looked as though they needed combing, or weighing or something like that. "Wunk-wunk!" grunted the Spoonbill again, and it opened its mouth as wide as it could and made a grab for Uncle Wiggily. The bunny gentleman jumped back, and, as he did so, the jar of jelly-Nurse Jane had given him for Uncle Butter fell out of the fur coat pocket and the top came off the jar. "Ah, ha! What have we here?" cried the hungry Spoonbill. "Oh, dear! That's for Uncle Butter," said Mr. Longears. "I think it's for me, now!" barked the Spoonbill, and with that, being, I am sorry to say, a greedy chap, he stuck his beak as far down in the jar of jelly as it would go. "Now the carrot jelly-Nurse Jane made was very sticky and stiff jelly--altogether a proper sort of jelly for one to eat a little of on one's bread and butter. But when one sticks one's beak away down in a jar of such sticky jelly, why, naturally, one can't expect to open one's beak or pull it out very easily again. And that's just what happened to the Spoonbill. His beak was away down deep in the jar of sticky jelly, and he couldn't get it loose or open his mouth to bite Uncle Wiggily. "Oh, K! K! K!" was all the Spoonbill could say, this being the last part of his grunt-ward "Wunk!" And while he was trying to pull out his beak the bunny ran safely away, hurried back to his hollow stump bungalow, got another jar of jelly for Uncle Butter and took it to the goat gentleman by another road. And Uncle Butter said Nurse Jane's jelly was very good, and it soon made him well. So if the rag doll doesn't trade her diamond ring off for a piece of coal to wear to the moving pictures, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and the pot of jam. Grip Follows the Snow. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets taken in time will prevent Grip. E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 25c.

Social & Personal

F. Albright, well-known musician of the city, has recently been appointed organist at St. Luke's Church, Cedar Hill.

Mr. Chancellor, late of the C. P. R. at Prince Rupert, accompanied by Mrs. Chancellor, has arrived in Victoria from the northern city.

F. Saunders, a member of the staff of the Prince Rupert branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, is spending a short vacation in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Moore, of East Burnaby, are visiting with relatives in the city. Later Mr. Moore expects to leave for the East for military duty.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Atkins, who, with their little son David, have been visiting in the city for the past two months, have returned to their home at Fenticton, B. C.

Mrs. C. E. Ray, whose ill-health necessitated her spending some time at Tranquille, near Kamloops, has returned to her home in this city much improved in health.

Capt. W. H. Logan, local representative of the London Salvage Association, accompanied by Mrs. Logan, is on a trip to Seattle and they are among the guests at the Savoy Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Green and family are returning to Duncan to again take up residence after spending the past eighteen months in Vancouver. Mr. Green, who is the eldest son of Ashdown F. Green, of Rockland Avenue, has been appointed accountant to the Cowichan Merchants, Ltd., at Duncan.

A music club for boys or girls up to the age of twenty, has been organized and is to be known as "The Cloverleaf Music Club." The following officers have been elected: President, Miss Naomi Plow; secretary, Miss Miriam Marshall; treasurer, Miss Margaret Harris; organizing secretary, Mrs. F. McHugh.

Mrs. D. B. McConnan was among the "star turns" at a concert given at Duncan on Tuesday night under the auspices of the Cowichan Women's Institute. In chronicling the event, the Cowichan Leader says in part: "When D. B. McConnan of Victoria, is a favorite with a Cowichan audience, and her excellent and vivacious singing carried the house."

Among the Mainland visitors to the city are Flight-Lieut. J. V. W. Sampson and Mrs. Sampson, whose marriage took place in Vancouver recently. The groom is a member of the Royal Flying Corps and is under orders for overseas, expecting to leave shortly for England. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Campbell, of Vancouver.

A wedding of interest to the friends of the groom in this city took place in London, England, recently, when Lieut. Geoffrey Murray Dowling, M. C., of the Canadian Machine Gun Corps, third son of the late Rev. Henry Murray Dowling, vicar of Hoxne, and of Mrs. Dowling, of Hall Hills, Diss, England, was married to Miss Winifred Heather Jackson, youngest daughter of Mrs. Charles T. Jackson, of The Nunnery, Leitt, Downton is a member of the British Columbia Surveyors' Corporation, and left Victoria as a private in the 47th Battalion. He earned his commission in France, and early last year was awarded the Military Cross for distinguished gallantry and devotion to duty.

LAST OPPORTUNITY TO SEE HONOR SYSTEM

To-night will be the last opportunity to see the big ten-reel film, "The Honor System." The picture has been well attended here in spite of the numerous counter attractions.

In the story Gladys Brockwell, with her delicate, fine features brought out by no artificial aids, is the cautious, modern, plausible vampire to the life. Only by an occasional Mona Lisa gleam in her eye during her conversations with her lover and exploiter does the mercenary spirit in her soul reveal itself. She has introduced the Plink method of repression into an emotional role that the average player would "act all over the shop."

Miriam Cooper, leading lady, is a film luminary, who is "different." Miss Cooper is not only a star without a doubt, but also without a prout.

R. A. Walsh, director of "The Honor System," served in the British Aviation Corps during the year following his graduation from Seton Hall College in South Orange, N. J. Walsh himself drove the aeroplane, to which three cameras were lashed, to get a bird's-eye view of the marauders sweeping down on the border village in the cinema spectacle.

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D.D.D., the liquid wash, has become a household word. It has proved itself a remarkable remedy. If you are a sufferer from skin diseases, including pimples, scales, crust or Eczema in any form, this remedy will not disappoint you. It has stood the test and to-day is the master preparation for all skin diseases. Try D.D.D. We guarantee it. G. H. Bowes & Co., Druggists, Victoria.

D. D. D.

The ex-Czar of Russia and Liszt once crossed swords, so to speak. While the latter was playing on one occasion the former began to converse with someone. Liszt stopped playing. When asked why he stopped the musician answered: "When majesty speaks we must all be silent." The Czar did not talk any more but was indignantly annoyed for Liszt was never invited back to the Russian court.

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"SCHOOL OF METHOD"

Mrs. Ralph Smith, M. P. P., Among Speakers to Address Conference Arranged by Central W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Ralph Smith, M. P. P., is to speak on "Awakened Womanhood" on Thursday evening, February 21, in connection with a School of Method being organized by the members of the Central W. C. T. U. This school is a new departure for Victoria and will be really a conference at which earnest practical people meet to consider moral, social and civic measures of interest to the community. The speakers are the teachers, the audience assuming the role of learners.

A series of short talks will be given on such live topics as Conservation, The Aftermath of the War, The Girlhood of Canada, The Drug Habit, Civic Problems, etc., and the speakers will include Mrs. Spofford, president of the Provincial organization, Miss Crease, Mrs. Boyden, Miss Wark, Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. R. S. Day, Miss Frame, Mrs. A. H. Rogers, and Mrs. A. E. Mitchell. Vocal solos will be rendered by Mrs. Jessie Longfield and Mrs. Kyves.

The meetings will be held on the afternoon and evening of next Thursday in the hall of the First Presbyterian Church.

STILL KNITTING.

They write up in the papers
 About the girls who knit
 They snigger and they tease us
 The way our garments fit.

They say we knit in street cars
 To make the people stare;
 At theatres and movies,
 In fact, just anywhere.

They say that some knit loosely
 While others knit too tight;
 And knots abound profusely,
 And no one knits just right.

They picture wifey's wristlet
 A hanging on the tub;
 That hubby thought a wash rag,
 And used it for a scrub.

But we are not discouraged,
 We know the heartfelt joy
 That every knitted garment
 Will bring some soldier boy.

And when it's cold and sleety
 And hard the north wind blows
 He will not look for stitches
 That dropped between the rows.

Nor will he say: "It's beastly
 The way these garments fit."
 And use one wristlet as a sock,
 The other as a mitt.

He'll hug the sweater fondly
 And smile with pure delight,
 Then--don't the socks and wristlets,
 And draw the muffler tight.

And 'tho' he may not say it,
 He'll think it just the same:
 "God bless the little woman
 From whom these garments came."

So just keep up the teasing
 About the way we knit,
 We're very much in earnest
 And don't intend to quit.
 Amanda Mathes, in Cincinnati Times-Star.

WAR COOKERY POPULAR

Household Science Department at Normal School Not Yet Taxed to Full Capacity.

The classes for instructing adults in war cookery, instituted at the Provincial Normal School are now in full operation. The purpose of these classes is to encourage the use of substitutes for wheat, beef and bacon. In the homes, and excellent instruction has already been given on the many and varied uses that may be made of rice and corn meal.

Miss Denne, household science instructor, has been much encouraged by the enthusiasm shown by the large number attending. In spite of the fact that the Mount Tomlie Red Cross organization holds its weekly meeting on the same day, between forty and forty-five have attended each class. The commodious kitchen of the Household Science Department can accommodate even a much larger number than this, and those who wish to avail themselves of the remaining classes are invited to attend. The classes are held each Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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UNRULY FLIVVER.

Roping an unruly broncho from a "flivver" is William S. Hart's latest accomplishment and was performed while he was in Calexico, on the Mexican border, filming scenes for the Triangle drama, "Wolf Lowry", by Charles Turner Dazey, in which he is presented as star by Thomas H. Ince. This play is shown this week at the Columbia Theatre.

SYLVAN COMEDY IS PLAYED WITH TASTE

High School Students Successfully Present "As You Like It"

"As You Like It" is an exceedingly suitable comedy for amateur performance and the production by the Matriculation Class of 1918 at the High School Auditorium last evening under the direction of Miss Helen Badgley, showed an honest endeavor to sustain the fresh woodland sentiment which makes the play an eternal favorite.

The true Shakespearean atmosphere was obtained by an avoidance of the use of "scenery," real pine trees and plants conveying the idea of the Forest of Arden, while quaint rustic furniture formed a charming setting for the scenes in the hut. The costuming was excellent, and it was a picturesque group which received the hearty applause of a large audience when the curtain finally fell on this most charming of Shakespeare's pastoral comedies.

An orchestra, directed by John Darbyshire, supplied the musical numbers, and Miss Nora Neidien, as Amiens, gave a delightful rendering of the two beautiful old songs, "Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind," and "Under the Greenwood Tree."

The Principals:
 Of the actors themselves perhaps the honors of the evening fell to Charles H. Tall, who, as Touchstone, the court jester full of "quips," and cranks, and "wanton wiles," approached most closely to professional perfection. J. Harrington McIntosh as Orlando, invested the part with the ardent proper of the lover of Rosalind. Miss Gladys M. Thorpe, who made a charming Rosalind, was at her best in the later scenes in the forest with Orlando. Miss Florence E. McMillan, as Celis, was admirable, particularly in the early scenes where that charming comeliness of maidenhood, which Shakespeare knew so well how to portray, has its fullest opportunity for display. Don C. Dickinson, as the old servant Adam, played capital the part always appealing as traditionally the one taken by Shakespeare himself. F. S. Childwick, as the melancholy Jacques, made the most of a difficult part.

Others in the cast were: Oliver, Jacques, sons of Sir Rowland De Boys, Harry J. Copas and Thomas H. Davies; Duke Frederick, the usurper, Vernon A. Jones; Duke Senior, his banished brother, Guy S. Wright; First Lord, Second Lord, Third Lord, attending on the banished Duke, Robert F. Bainbridge, George H. Finland, William E. Williams; Le Beau, a courtier attending on Frederick, Miss Nora C. Drury; Charles, wrestler to Frederick, Lawrence W. Wyles; Corin, Silvius, shepherd, Leslie K. Bickel and C. Cecil Uphall; William, a rustic in love with Audrey, Miss Margaret E. Beckwith; Jaques, attending Duke Frederick, David B. Ryall, H. S. Levings and Helen Colpitts; Phebe, a shepherdess, Miss E. C. Corrance; and Audrey, a country wench, Miss Grace D. Beckwith.

Miss Badgley, had the assistance of Miss Belle Eilers, as assistant director; W. Bruce Hutchison as stage manager; E. Knappan as assistant and Campbell and Rowlands as a business committee. To them she publicly paid tribute, as also to the orchestra. The performance will be repeated this evening.

"MAN'S WOMAN" COMES TO PANTAGES THEATRE

Pantages Theatre patrons will see on Monday and Tuesday of next week one of the most gripping screen dramas of the year in "Man's Woman."

It is a World Picture, Brady-made, with Miss Ethel Clayton as the star and with Rockcliffe Fellows playing opposite her. The story is of modern times and involves a sensational raid on a gambling house. Scenes showing the exact manner in which such houses are run and the desperate efforts made by the gamblers to escape when the raid takes place, add much to the tense interest of the film. The picture is replete with startling situations, and, although it is an attraction that those who are seeking the very best in entertainment cannot afford to miss.

Violent Gallopsy, whose character is portrayed by Miss Clayton, is a young girl reared in a home of refinement and wealth. She is married to Roger Kendall, the petted nephew of two rich maiden aunts. Roger takes his bride to his old home and Violet soon finds that she is anything but his mistress. The two ladies proceed to run her as they always have her husband. They repeat the same tactics when little Miss Kendall arrives, and finally, believing that Violet has become involved in a scandal, attempt to take her child away from her. Aroused at last to open rebellion, Violet seizes her baby and leaves the house. Roger learns that she has risked her reputation to save his life, and a happy ending is provided for without delay. This attempt on Roger's life, together with the realistic raid, forms the dramatic moments of the play. An under-plot, in which local politics figure, has a considerable bearing on the story.

ROYAL VICTORIA TO-NIGHT

Marguerite Clark

in "Bab's Matinee Idol"

If you saw "Bab's Burglar" you won't need any urging to come to "Bab's Matinee Idol." This is the last Bab story.

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 Admission to non-members, 35c. Tickets may be obtained at the Heintzman piano store. Soldiers and sailors free.

LARGE HERDS OF CATTLE SEEN IN "WOLF LOWRY"

In the new Triangle-Ince production "Wolf Lowry," starring William Hart, now at the Columbia Theatre, the scenario called for the showing of large herds of cattle. Hart, who appears as a ranchman for the first time in his career, accompanied by Cliff Smith, his assistant, and Camera Man Joe August, spent a week on the Mexican border, the point nearest to Los Angeles, raising cattle in large numbers.

VARIETY

Lina Cavalieri
 as the **Eternal Temptress**
 ALL THIS WEEK

WHIMSICALLY FUNNY BOARDING SCHOOL STORY

Marguerite Clark is the attraction at the Royal Victoria for the last time to-night in the Paramount version of Mary Roberts Rinehart's story "Bab's Matinee Idol," which appeared in The Saturday Evening Post some time ago. "Bab's Matinee Idol" is a whimsical funny story of a boarding school girl's first affair du coeur, as Bab grandiloquently calls it herself, and will appeal to girls of all ages who will recognize themselves in Miss Clark's winsome screen portrayal of Bab.

Shakespeare's Comedy "AS YOU LIKE IT"

Under the Direction of HELEN BADGLEY Will be presented by the Matriculation Class in the **HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**
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 23 Characters. Fully Costumed
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"I asked her to kiss me, without avail." "You were right to stipulate that. Kissing through a veil spoils half the fun."--Kansas City Journal.

ROYAL VICTORIA TO-NIGHT
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THE HONOR SYSTEM
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COLUMBIA TO-DAY
Wm. S. Hart
 IN **Wolf Lowry**
 COMEDY AND WEEKLY

\$95,000 WANTED FOR HOT DRINKS FOR MEN

Y. M. C. A. Work With the Soldiers Growing Daily, Says Secretary Graham

Secretary Graham, of the local Y. M. C. A., returned to the city to-day after an absence of four weeks, during which time he attended the annual meeting of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A. of Canada, held recently at Montreal.

The great move to which the Associations of Canada are looking forward at the present time is the campaign that will be launched, possibly about the first week in May for the raising of a \$2,500,000 budget that was adopted by the annual council meeting.

Of the Canadian two and a quarter million budget, \$100,000 has been allotted by the annual session for the National Council's regular home work; \$200,000 as Canada's part for the priorities of war work which was started some months ago by the United States and \$150,000 for special educational work with the Canadian soldiers overseas.

One very significant budget, which Mr. Graham called on to was a sum of \$95,000 which will be used by the Canadian Y. M. C. A. overseas during 1918 in distributing free drinks to the boys in the trenches. Tea, coffee, cocoa for the men in the fighting line.

BOYS' ACTIVITIES

In conjunction with the war activities of the Association the work at home was also considered in the fullest detail, especially the work among the boys, continued Mr. Graham.

The chief cause of poor health is our neglect of the bowels. Waste matter, instead of passing from the lower intestine regularly every day, is allowed to remain there, generating poisons which are absorbed by the blood.

FOUGHT THE GOEBEN

Late Lieut.-Commander G. S. White, R. N., Was Son of H. H. White, of Duncan.

Lieut.-Commander Geoffrey Saxton White, R. N., who was in command of E 14 submarine, which was lost on the night of January 27 when sent to complete the destruction of the Goeben in the Dardanelles was the second son of W. H. White, of Cowichan County Club, Duncan, who captained the Admiralty and received the reply that "Lieut. Commander White missing, feared killed, names not yet known."

G. Saxton White was educated at Bradford College, of which Dr. Gray was then headmaster, and passed into the Britannia thirty-eight out of upwards of 300 candidates. His first ship was the "Il-fateh" Aboukir. He was subsequently on the China station during the Russian-Japanese war.

On the outbreak of war he was in the Monarch and eventually he was detailed for his old job of submarine, in which he saw much service. Last year he was sent on special duty to Malta. His brother, Lieut. Ronald Saxton White, R. F. C., gave his life in France, October 27, 1917.

GHOSTS AT THE FRONT

One of the most mysterious happenings on the Western front during this autumn has been the appearance there from time to time of what our Tommies have christened the "family ghost."

It has been described by a close observer as being perfectly straight and apparently rigid as far as the top, where it sprays round into a knob of celery.

Much speculation has arisen as to how the family ghost is produced, and

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for what purpose. One theory is that the giant pillars are intended to poison the atmosphere with some new kind of gas, and this is borne out by the fact that, where they have been observed during daylight, they have appeared to windward of our lines.

PROPERLY CLASSIFIED

The women bus conductors of London generally hold their own with their would-be facetious customers. A young man gave a halt, and when the vehicle pulled up he inquired:

GOVERNMENT STANDARD FLOUR SELLS AT \$2.90

Feed Prices Show Changes During the Past Week; Other Markets Quiet

With the advent to the local markets of the new Government Standard brand of flour any variance of prices will disappear. The figure quoted for the new brand is \$2.90 and the well-known mills will now deliver the one Government standard.

Feed prices have changed somewhat during the past week. Oats have gone up from \$35 to \$38 per ton, crushed oats from \$58 to \$60 and straw from \$14 to \$15.

The following are price quotations on the local retail markets:

Table with columns for Vegetables, Fruit, Sugar, Dairy Produce and Eggs, and Fish. Lists various items and their prices.

THE DEVIL'S OWN

By James Boylen. The Ninth Platoon was going soon. Said one, "I know before we go, to play the game, we need a name."

PRAIRIE TRAVEL WELL MAINTAINED

Earlier Apprehension With Regard to Cancelled Excursions Was Not Warranted

The apprehension which was voiced when the announcement was made last month that the C. P. R. had cut out the excursion rates to the coast from the prairies does not appear to have been warranted.

The month is now sufficiently advanced to show that the current of prairie travel this way was scarcely checked. The hotels have done almost as much business as in January.

Several people who did stay the winter have dropped in to the Victoria and Island Development Association to state that they are more than satisfied with the climatic conditions and there has been a run on literature to send to other places.

One clear proof that the prairie travel has shown no appreciable diminution is found in the fact that there has not been any material reduction in the occupancy of furnished apartments, etc., which are well occupied in the four winter months.

The promotion of Admiral Wemyss brings the army and navy under the control of two Scotsmen, Sir Douglas Haig, of course, being a real Knight of the Thistle. It tempts one to look around at the small number of high offices now held by Englishmen.

We've packed our kits to do our bits. A' throwin' fits at "Strafe 'em" Fritz; To fuss with lance bloodstained France; And bringin' back the Union Jack; So a bit o' bread an' a sheet o' lead Across the foan for "The Devil's Own."

"I didn't know he was that hard up." "What's the matter? He isn't hard up." "He must be. I see by the papers that he's working for the Government for a dollar a year."

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CINEMATOGRAPH STUDY OF WALKING

A well-known German professor states that the designer of artificial legs for invalid soldiers must rely only on what he is told by the patient and on what his own eyes tell him.

To say whether the limbs are really suitable requires a study such as the cinematograph enables the expert to conduct. Following the examples of Otto Fischer when first studying the walking of man, he fastened, by means of straps, Geissler tubes to the outside of the legs of the subject, one along the thigh and one along the calf of the leg.

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PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN ANNUAL MEETING

Miss Cronkhite Designated for Missionary Service at Evening Meeting

The annual meeting of the Victoria Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, Mrs. H. A. Brown presiding.

Delegates from Alberni, Nanaimo, Ladysmith and Duncan, as well as a good representation from Victoria auxiliaries, were present.

The address of welcome was presented by Mrs. (Dr.) McLean and responded to by Mrs. Greenshields, of Nanaimo. In the report of Miss Small, the corresponding secretary, evidence of an increased interest in the life of the auxiliaries was manifest, not only in the finances, but in the spiritual tone of the meeting.

The treasurer's report showed receipts totalling \$1,623 for missionary purposes.

Library Work. The Presbyterian, through its library secretary, distributes books and other suitable literature to needy families in isolated districts.

Mrs. S. Miller gave her reports as mission band secretary, followed by a ten minutes talk by Mrs. D. A. Smith, of St. Aldan's, who urged the importance of prayer and the study of the Bible taking prominent place in the monthly meetings of the bands.

Mrs. H. Pillor and Mrs. W. J. White, president and recording-secretary of the provincial board, Vancouver, rendered valuable aid in the carrying out of the programme.

Chinese Work. Notwithstanding the fact that a very large number of the ladies are deeply interested and actively engaged in the work of the Red Cross and Patriotic Societies, there was evidence of progress in every branch of the work of missions. In her address Mrs. R. A. Brown, Presbyterian president, voiced the opinion that had all Christians been more faithful to their convictions the present tragic calamity of war would never have taken place. She made reference also to the visit of Mrs. Steele, of Toronto, in August, through which a lady missionary was secured for the Chinese women and children in Victoria, and a Chinese student, Miss Victoria Chung, sent to Toronto where she is taking the university course in medicine preparatory to becoming a medical missionary in China.

Home Missions. Mrs. Pillor's address on "Enduring Hardness" was full of helpful suggestions and inspiration.

Mrs. N. J. White, of Vancouver, gave a strong paper on "The Home Mission Problem in B. C." This was followed by a short address by Miss Cronkhite on her work amongst the Chinese in this city.

The ladies of St. Paul's Church served luncheon to the delegates and their friends at the close of the morning session, when a social hour was enjoyed by those present. Invitation was given by Miss Morrison on behalf of St. Columba Church to meet there at the annual meeting of 1919.

Votes of sympathy, appreciation and thanks were passed respectively to those who had lost loved ones at the front, or otherwise had been called upon to mourn, while those who had contributed to the success of this meeting were thanked, including the session and congregation of St. Paul's Church, for the use of their building, and especially the ladies who had rendered such valuable assistance, and for the excellent luncheon.

Evening Meeting. The evening meeting opened at 8 o'clock and was a continuation of the Presbyterian combined with the designation service of Miss Cronkhite, presided over by Rev. H. N. Maclean, Ph.D. This was according to the arrangement of the Foreign Mission Committee of the Presbytery. The opening services were conducted by Dr. Maclean, Rev. D. A. Smith, of Mt. Tomie, and Dr. MacRae.

J. G. Brown and Mrs. Beasley rendered solos in their own excellent and pleasing manner. Rev. J. K. Unsworth, D.D., of Nanaimo, gave a splendid address on "The Missionary Spirit," emphasizing

the optimism and love which must be characteristic of every true missionary. As presiding officer and representing the Foreign Mission Committee of Presbytery, Dr. Maclean addressed the questions to the missionary meet, and satisfactory answers having been received Rev. Dr. Clay offered the dedicatory prayer.

Mrs. Pillor, on behalf of the Women's Board in Toronto, presented Miss Cronkhite with a Bible. Afterwards Rev. W. L. MacRae in her chosen words addressed the missionary, and Rev. Joseph McCoy spoke briefly and suitably to the people. Rev. Dr. Campbell and Rev. Mr. Inkster sent letters of regret at not being able to be present at the meeting owing to other engagements, and expressing sympathy with the appointment and deep interest in the work. A very successful meeting was brought to a close by the pronouncement of the benediction by the Venerable Dr. MacRae.

NEWS OF THE MINES

Mining legislation and taxation promises to play an important part in the business of the Legislature in the session just beginning. The taxation of mines has already been the subject of representations from those who are interested in their operation. There should not be any difficulty in finding precedents for an equitable system ultimately to be adopted. Doubtless the Haig report will deal extensively with this subject, as Professor Haig asked a number of questions with regard to local conditions when the Taxation Board met in November. There will be some modification of the Mineral Survey Act of last session, looking to make it more workable, is regarded, as an assured fact, the relief probably taking the course of cheapening the operations of diamond drilling.

The statement of B. L. Thane, of San Francisco, to the Vancouver Chamber of Mines on the establishment of a steel plant in British Columbia, must have been disappointing reading to a good many persons, who had been led to connect blast furnaces as a natural association with steel rolling mills. He explained that a thorough investigation had been made to ascertain whether the ores of Alaska and British Columbia would mix with those of Mexico and California in the proportion of two tons to one. That investigation had been satisfactory. One important matter to be remembered was that there must be uniformity in the steel manufactured, otherwise the industries using the steel would be up in the air. If they could not guarantee uniformity of steel they might as well not start. With the base of two to one they could absorb all the variations that existed in the ores. The coke had to be sufficiently porous, strong enough to bear the burden, and possessing sufficient heat calories to melt the ores. All these things had to be brought to a strategic centre so as to make the pig as cheaply as possible, or another company might come in and make it cheaper.

Having dealt with the merits and demerits of coal from various parts of the province, Mr. Thane went on to speak of the markets which existed, and then spoke of the shipping problem. Had it not been for the fact that in normal times the imports to Canada were larger than the exports therefrom they might have been receiving pig iron from India and China, but the space was taken up by freight which paid higher rates, while pig was, really, ballast, and therefore carried at a low rate. It was no use their thinking of rolling structural steel for many years to come, for the plants in the east had millions of dollars invested in mills that rolled that class of product 365 days of the year, for they had the world for their market, while, if they established such a plant on this coast they would roll all the requirements for the district in three days and the rest of the year the plant would have to be idle.

The Copper Producers' Association, of Australia, has been organized to have the entire control of the shipping and selling arrangements for all the principal producers in the Commonwealth on the same lines as that adopted by the Zinc Producers' Association. The object of the association is to protect the mutual interests of all the copper producers, and to carry out the shipping and sale of the copper on a co-operative basis. It is probable that the industry will be further extended by the association. The Australian production of copper amounts to a, approximately 40,000 tons a year, valued at \$5,000,000. The membership of the new association will be confined to producing or treatment companies. It will be controlled by a board of directors in Melbourne, on which the Commonwealth Government will have a representative, while the Imperial Government will have the right to appoint a representative to the London board. The association will have power to enter into contracts for the sale of all descriptions of copper ores, matte, and unrefined and refined copper. The association, after satisfying Australian requirements, will sell as much copper as possible to consumers in Great Britain. The entire proceeds of the sales will be returned to the producers, less only the actual cost of administration and realization.

A resolution is to be submitted at the meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade of Eastern British Columbia shortly, urging that the Boards oppose the taxation on mines which would have the effect of preventing the operation of existing mines, or interfere with the investment of foreign capital. The Canada Copper Corporation, owner of the British Columbia Copper Company, is speeding the advance of a tunnel that is to become the avenue of removal for enormous assets in copper-bearing ore developed in the upper horizons. The tunnel will tap the ore at a depth of 1,800 feet below the highest outcrop, said Oscar Lachmund, general manager in Spokane. Operations were started October 10, 1917. The

total length of the tunnel on January 21 last was 2,067 feet and the total length timbered was 200 feet. The dimensions of the tunnel are nine by eleven feet. The average rate of advance was eighteen and one-third feet a day. This includes timbering. Manager Lachmund made no claim for a record in that advance of the tunnel, but mining men recall no rate that comes within a long distance of equalling it in a tunnel of its dimensions driven in British Columbia. It is considered probable that the achievement covers a field of much greater area than the province. The cost, which enters into the matter of records, can be determined when the work is completed.

The Highland Valley mine, near Ashcroft, has been closed temporarily, pending some developments in the way of increasing the capacity of the mill, and some improvements in the milling operations.

The Lucky Mike mine, near Nicola, has been bonded by the owners, O. Schmidt, et al, to the Northwestern Mines, Limited, a Spokane company, who propose to commence mining operations about the first of March next.

ANNUAL MEETINGS

Stockbreeders, Farmers and Entomologists Will Gather in City Next Week.

Three Provincial Associations will gather in annual meeting in this city next week. On Tuesday, February 19, the B. C. Stockbreeders' Association will hold its sessions at the Empress Hotel and will be immediately followed by the first annual gathering of the United Farmers of British Columbia.

On Saturday next, February 23, the British Columbia Entomological Society will convene in Room 218, Belmont House, for morning and afternoon sessions, commencing at 9.30 a. m. Two of the features of the morning session of the Entomological Society will be the report of the year's work by Williams Hugh and the presidential address of E. H. Blackmore, while papers will be given on technical subjects by other well-known members of the society.

The afternoon session will be similarly devoted to the discussion of subjects within the immediate purview of the Association. The final business of the session will be the election of officers for the present year.

FINANCING HOSPITAL DIFFICULT MATTER

Increased Grant to Be Asked; New X Ray Plant Being Installed

The question of a Provincial grant to the Royal Jubilee Hospital was again discussed at the regular monthly meeting of the Hospital Board last night, when Chairman R. E. Day presided. Copies of resolutions favoring appealing to the Provincial Government for increased hospital grants in view of the ever-increasing cost of operation were received from both the Vancouver General and Hazelton Hospital Boards for endorsement. On the motion of Mr. Mara, the Board decided to render every possible assistance to obtain the desired grants. Mr. Fraser announced that the Jubilee Hospital Board's request for an interview with the Government along the same lines would be accepted in the course of the next week, the Provincial Secretary having promised to make an appointment. It was reported that negotiations were practically settled with Dr. S. F. Stanier for the installation of his X-ray plant in the Jubilee Hospital, he to take charge of the work at the Hospital once the plant was installed. Space had been found under one of the wards, and an estimate had already been submitted covering the cost of necessary excavation and laying of concrete floor. This would amount to about \$265, it was stated. The President announced that Dr. Black, one of the two interns doctors, was leaving the institution to accept a position at St. Joseph's Hospital. The matter of appointing his successor was left in the hands of the executive. Owing to the fact that medical graduates are being largely drafted into the C. A. M. C. upon graduation, it is exceedingly difficult to obtain the services of young doctors, according to letters received from the Medical Council and other bodies and Andrew Wright made the suggestion that a woman graduate be asked to undertake the work. The absolute necessity of seriously

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considering the appointment of a pathologist if the hospital wished to hold ground with other up-to-date institutions again caused some of the members to urge the matter. This, too, was left to the executive, with Dr. Leeder, Boak and Wasson as additional advisers.

INHERITING MUSICAL ABILITY

"Neither me nor the missus has any ability in the musical line; so there's no use spending any money to give Mary music lessons," is the reason a father recently gave to a friend of the family who enquired how their daughter was getting on with her school work and if she were taking music lessons. But that reason does not hold water. If a musical education were left to those who inherited their musical ability, the number of people studying music would be almost too small to bother reckoning. A man who has taken the pains to be observant in this direction tells that he has watched cases innumerable where children of quite unmusical parents were given good musical training under a competent teacher and become proficient in the various branches of music.

He states without hesitation that the investigation of the results of faithful work under good instruction of the part of children from supposedly unmusical families reveals such a small proportion of failures that it proves the rule. Occasionally one comes across the child of a father who perhaps plays the piano or violin exceptionally well, the mother also a talented musician and the child shows such a lack of interest in music that he is considered away below the average.

Hereditarily has about as little to do with one's musical ability as has the question of his being a direct descendant of the monkey tribe. Every normal child is born with a capacity for musical development and it is the parent's duty to see that his children are given a musical education if it is at all possible, even to the point of making sacrifices in other things of less vital importance to the child's future. The fellow who doesn't expect some day to better his best has lost all ambition.

SIR AUCKLAND'S STORY.

A good story is told by Sir Auckland Geddes concerning an interfering public-house loafer and a Canadian soldier who bore on his shoulder-strap the initials "C. E." which stands for Canadian Engineer.

The soldier, his face a study in concentrated wrathfulness, had the civilian by the scruff of the neck, and was apparently just on the point of giving him a thrashing when a belated policeman put in an appearance. "Now, then, what's all this about?" demanded the constable. "What's it about?" replied the Canadian, giving the wretched loafer an extra shake to emphasize his words. "Why, he called me a conscientious objector. Now watch him being ejected." -Tit-Bits.

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The Pythian Club will hold a dance on Monday evening, commencing at 8.30.

The Annual Meeting of the Agnes Deans Chapter, I. O. D. E., will be held Monday at 8 p. m., at the I. O. D. E. headquarters, Arcade Building.

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CIVIC ASSESSMENT

Some Decision Must Be Reached With Regard to Unrevised Roll Already Filed.

The City Council will have to decide on Monday, or on some day prior to March 10, what course will be taken with the assessment roll of 1918, as returned to the late Council on January 10.

As a sequel to the latest tax delinquency proposal, discussed with some warmth last Monday, and still unsettled, the Council is asked to throw overboard the unrevised assessment and appoint a board to make a revision for 1918 and 1919, and optional to continue in 1920. There has been no division on the subject, concerning which opposing views are held.

However, it is necessary to set a date for the first sitting of the Court of Revision within two months of the roll being returned and the Council's attention will be called to the situation. It is recommended as a course to be adopted that a date should be set and the situation covered in the proposed private act, assuming that the assessment clauses are not deleted therefrom. Then if the private act was still before the Legislature when the Court of Revision sat, an adjournment could be taken from time to time until the matter was straightened out.

There is a precedent for this course, as the Court adjourned while the Silcock amendment fixing the percentage reduction annually was going through.

As a sequel to the bill carried through the Legislature on Monday at the special request of City members, the Council will be asked to pass a Treasury Certificate Renewal By-Law, to meet the situation which occurs next month. The object of the special legislation was to enable this course to be adopted.

Lenten Course of Sermons.—

During Lent, Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick will deliver a special course of sermons in St. John's Church. The series on Sunday mornings will be on "Our Lord's Passion," and the subject of the Sunday evening series will be "St. Paul."

Returned Soldiers.—

The party of returned soldiers which reached the city this morning from overseas was composed of Sgt. R. Lawrence and Ptes. G. Ford, P. C. McNaughton, J. Lashmore, A. Hoyer, J. Malone, J. A. Hole, C. Mortimer, Mulhoney and Gibbs.

For Overseas.—

The congregation of St. Paul's Church, Victoria West, will bid farewell to-morrow night to another member of the choir who is leaving Sunday night for Vancouver. William Sloan is the second youngest son of Elder Wm. Sloan and brother to David Sloan, who left with the 67th, and was wounded in action.

Found Guilty.—

Mrs. Edith Lillian Morris, formerly Stalker, who yesterday afternoon, was brought before Judge Lampman, charged with stealing articles from a house she rented on Hampshire Road, was found guilty, and will be brought up for sentence on Tuesday morning.

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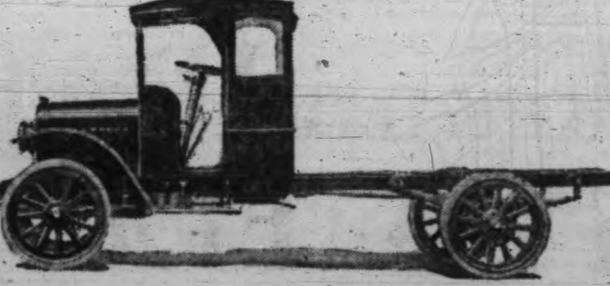
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Engineer and Fireman on E. & N., No. 2, Jumped When Engine Was Ditched

Jumping to save their lives when the engine of E. & N. train No. 2 was derailed by the track caving in near South Wellington station yesterday afternoon, Harry M. Austin, engineer, and James Droob, fireman, were severely but not dangerously injured. Both men are Victorians, Austin residing at 230 Robert Street, and Droob at 812 Russell Street. On being extricated from the wreckage caused by the derailment of the engine and mail and baggage cars, the two unfortunate men were removed to the Nanaimo General Hospital.

None of the seventy-five passengers bound for Victoria were injured. These came through on a special train, reaching the city last night. The derailment was caused by the road bed subsiding near a long abandoned coal mine. The locomotive had passed the spot before the road-bed caved in, the tender slid back and left the track, and the mail and baggage cars followed it, being fetched up in the ditch.

The morning train left on time and the noon train will arrive at 3.30 p. m. The afternoon train is scheduled to leave at 4.15 p. m., instead of 3.30 p. m., and the evening train is expected to arrive here about 11 p. m.

The delay is caused by the transfer of passengers and mail at South Wellington.

SEVERE CONNECTIONS.

Robert E. Shaw, Late of Bradstreet Company, Will Continue to Reside in Victoria.

Robert E. Shaw, superintendent of the local office of the Bradstreet Company, has severed his connections with that organization. This announcement was made to a representative of "The Times" this morning. Mr. Shaw made no definite statement as to his business relationships for the immediate future but stated that it was his intention to continue his residence in Victoria.

Mr. Shaw, who is very well known to a large number of local people, came to this city a little over a year ago to assume charge of the local branch of the Bradstreet Company. Prior to receiving the appointment here, he had been with the same organization at its offices in Vancouver for a period of about nine years.

SMOKING CONCERT

Army and Navy Veterans Executive Meets and Makes Plans.

A meeting of the Army and Navy Veterans' Executive Council was held yesterday afternoon at the club, with Col. Andrew Haggard, D. S. O., in the chair. Among those also present were Col. Cunliffe, Major Harty, Major Rawlinson, Capt. Shenton, Capt. Taylor, Lieut. Tunnard, Warrant Officers Hadley and Cross, Petty Officer Pomerooy, Sgt.-Major Birch, Beaumont Boggs, Capt. Craddock, hon. sec., and R. S. Wicks, assistant secretary.

Arrangements were made for securing the Alexandra Club to hold a big smoking concert Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 8 p. m. A splendid musical programme is being arranged, refreshments will be served, and Col. Haggard will announce the program made by the club. Commodore Capt. Taylor and Sgt.-Major Birch were elected officials to represent the club at the ceremony of decorating the Paardeberg Memorial in the new drill hall by the British Columbia Campaigners' Association on January 18, at 7 p. m.

The secretary announced the membership roll as totalling 280, whilst 307 applications for membership were approved and passed. A general meeting, it is understood, will be held in the near future, when important policies pertaining to the club will be submitted for consideration. It was decided to hold the weekly meeting of the executive council in future on Wednesday, at 4.30 p. m.

LOCAL WILLS

Probates Issued During the Present Week in the Supreme Court Registry.

The following probates of the wills of deceased persons were issued during the present week in the Supreme Court Registry:

William Gerrie and John Pitcairn Elford, both formerly of Victoria; Charles Hugh Pearson Lipscomb, late of Duncan and Victoria; Peter Bradley, formerly of Sooke, and Anthony Robert Margesson, late of Westholme.

Letters of administration were issued in the estate of Edwin Noble, late of Victoria, and letters of administration, with will annexed, in the estate of the late Otogiro Ise, of Victoria.

CAMPAGNERS' ASSN. WILL HOLD CEREMONY

Paardeberg Will Be Remembered by Usual Decoration of Tablet

In accordance with the custom which has prevailed for several years past, the Victoria branch of the British Campaigners' Association will assemble at the new Drill Hall on Monday evening next for the purpose of decorating the tablet, erected by the 5th Regiment in memory of Victorians who fell at Paardeberg during the days between February 18 and 27, 1900.

All members of the Association are asked to assemble at the Drill Hall at 7.45 p. m., while a special invitation is also extended to members of the Great War Veterans' Association and similarly to the Army and Navy Veterans of Canada.

In addition to the usual ceremony Bishop Schofield has consented to be in attendance and will address the veterans. The band of the 5th Regiment will render appropriate selections and, following the placing of the wreath on the tablet by Major-General R. G. Edwards Leckie, the bugles will sound the last post.

If arrangements can be made in time it is possible that the Rev. Dr. Matthews, of Seattle, who addressed the members of the Masonic Order last night, may be induced to be present also and deliver an address on the war.

PASSENGERS IN TROUBLE

Minister of Railways Receives Plaintive Appeal From Stranded Travelers at Squamish.

The troubles of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company are not confined to negotiations between their own officials and the Provincial Government. Late yesterday afternoon the Hon. John Oliver received a wire from one of a quintette of would-be passengers who had arrived at Squamish only to find no prospect of any train to points up the line.

The plaintive note to the Minister is sounded by a Mr. Patch, who says that the five had purchased tickets over the P. G. E. from Squamish to Pemberton Meadows. He says there is some snow on the track, but no more than could be easily moved by a plough and the company's official at Squamish had refused them any sort of transportation.

The message asked the Minister to advise the stranded passengers what they should do.

So far as the information in the hands of Mr. Oliver went, he stated that the company had run but two trains from Squamish to D'Arcy in the past month, and despite the fact that the line from idewater through to Anderson Lake was reported as clear, the company appeared to be making no determined effort to keep up operation.

The Minister was at a loss to know what he could do for the stranded passengers.

DR. MATTHEWS ON PEACE

Eminent American Divine Speaks at Opening of Anniversary Celebrations at Presbyterian Church.

The three-day celebration of the fifth anniversary of the induction of the Rev. J. Gibson Inkster to the pastorate opened at the First Presbyterian Church yesterday afternoon with a meeting at which the chief speaker was the Rev. Dr. Matthews, of Seattle.

The eminent divine gave a stirring address in which he scolded those who sought peace before the downfall of the Master Hun. "Every once in a while you hear talk of peace. They tell you that Germany is torn to pieces with internal troubles, and that the embers of intestinal dissension will soon break into flame and that this will mean the disruption of Prussia. I don't want peace of that kind. I fervently pray that she will not fall under her own weight, but by the stroke of democracy. I don't want peace. What I do want is liberty, and as long as that arch-fiend is on the throne of Prussia I can't find it."

He declared that the world would not find a lasting peace until Christ had come to reign. The present was the time of the fulfillment of the prophecy expressed in the twenty-fifth chapter of Luke, and Dr. Matthews declared that the consummation of the prediction would be the return of the Jews to Jerusalem, when the remnant of the tribes of Israel would begin preaching the gospel.

THE FIFTH REGIMENT BAND

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2. Overture—Rosamunde..... Schubert
3. Vocal Solo—Selected.....
4. Inflammatus from Stabat Mater..... Rossini
5. Selection—Kalinka..... Primi
6. Vocal Solo—Selected.....
7. Clarinet Solo—Cavatina from Ernani..... Verdi
8. Selection—The Quaker Girl..... Monckton

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LEGAL AND OFFICIAL NOTICES

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Treasurer and Collector of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 4th February, 1918.

LAND REGISTRY ACT

Section 56.

In the Matter of Part of Sub Lot One, Fernwood Estate, Victoria City, Map 85.

Proof having been filed of the loss of Certificate of Title No. 1822A, issued to Thomas Sinclair Gore on the 15th day of July, 1914, I hereby give notice of my intention, at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof, to issue to the said Thomas Sinclair Gore a fresh Certificate of Title in lieu thereof.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 27th day of December, 1917.

J. C. GWYNNE, Registrar-General of Titles.

LAND REGISTRY ACT

Notice Under Section 36.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Elsie Munro as the owner in Fee-simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Collector of the Corporation, of the Township of Esquamit

in the course of an interesting sermon, address at St. Luke's Church, Cedar Hill, this week, and spoke of the difficulty in teaching the 5th Indians, with whom his work chiefly lay—owing to the paucity of means of expression. Their everyday vocabulary comprised only about eighty to one hundred words.

Speaking of the work among the white people, he designated as the elite of the country those who had lived there before 185; the middle class were those who had settled there since, while the less honored strata of society in the Yukon were the business men, workers, and others, who simply went there for a few months of the year, and then got out. Mr. Swanson had many good things to say of the trappers and prospectors—real men—who underwent extraordinary hardships in their pursuits, and paid a tribute to the great work of Archdeacon Macdonald, who was in the Yukon prior to '98.

When the Bonnie, Bonnie Heather Is Blooming

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SHIPYARD WORKERS OUT AT NEW YORK

Fifty Per Cent. of Men Strike to Secure Pacific Coast Wage Scale

PRESIDENT WILSON IS ASKED TO INTERVENE

New York, Feb. 16.—An appeal to President Wilson to intervene in the strike of shipyard workers engaged on Government contracts will be made today by the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, it was announced by officials of the organization here this morning.

Approximately fifty per cent. of the shipyard workers in the New York district are on strike to-day, according to claims made by the Brotherhood officials, including T. M. Guerri, member of the Executive Committee.

The strike would spread from New York to other cities along the Atlantic coast, they said, unless wage demands were granted. The number of men out here was declared to be between 7,000 and 8,000.

Scale is Lower. The new wage scale is not so high as the Pacific coast rate, nor so high as the New York strikers demand, but it will be the model for settlements in other districts of the South Atlantic and Gulf coasts.

A. C. Wilkie, assistant district officer of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, in charge at New York, said reports showed only five yards engaged in Government shipbuilding were affected, and that none of these was tied up.

At the plants of the Standard Shipbuilding Company, Downey Shipbuilding Corporation and Staten Island Shipbuilding Company, all constructing steel vessels, a total of 400 men had quit, he said, and at those of the Johnson Shipyards and the Foundation Company, building wooden ships, 625 men. Virtually none were reported out at other yards.

Increases Agreed To. Washington, Feb. 16.—The Shipping Board's Wage Adjustment Board today agreed on an increase in wages, definite working conditions and overtime pay for all shipyard workers in the so-called Delaware yards comprising about sixty per cent. of shipyard workers on the Atlantic coast. It does not include the striking carpenters, but is expected to affect their strike.

Many of the striking carpenters, however, despite the advice of their union officials, have signified their intention of accepting the award.

Board's Decision. The Board's decision was perfected after a conference to-day between Acting-Secretary Roosevelt, of the Navy Department; Chairman Hurley, of the Shipping Board; General Manager Piz of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, and Chairman Macy, of the Adjustment Board. It does not take in the striking carpenters in New York, it was said, because they have insisted on being dealt with as a special class which the Shipping Board has been unwilling to do. The strikers, however, are perfectly free to avail themselves of the increases and improved conditions which the adjustment Board proposes.

Formal announcement of the details will be made later.

CRACK GERMAN SHIP PRINCESS ALICE IS REPAIRING IN JAPAN

The former German Nord-Lloyd steamship Princess Alice, one of the finest passenger liners which the Germans sent out to the Far East before the war, is now being operated in the trans-Pacific trade by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company under the name of Princess Matoika.

After war broke out in August, 1914, the Princess Alice took refuge in a Philippine port and on the entry of the United States was seized with a large number of other interned vessels.

When starting out under the American flag as the Princess Matoika the vessel met with an accident and she was taken to a Japanese port for repairs. At Nagasaki her boilers were repaired, which may take considerable time, and she will then load 3,000 tons of coal before resuming her voyage to San Francisco.

The Princess Matoika is a vessel of 10,321 tons gross register and was built at Stettin in 1909.

UNION-LINE GRANTED EXTENSION OF CHARTER

Vancouver, Feb. 16.—The Union Steamship Company which flies a service of seven steamers in the British Columbia coast service, has been granted an extension of charter powers by Chief Justice Hunter on an application made by C. E. McNeill, K.C., counsel for the company.

LAUREL WHALEN IS DUE FROM SOUTH

The auxiliary schooner Laurel Whalen, the second vessel completed by the Cameron Genoa Mills Shipbuilders, Ltd., for the H. W. Brown company, is shortly due to touch here en route from San Francisco to Vancouver. She is to load another cargo of lumber at Chemainus for the Antipodes.

FIRWOOD BROUGHT SALT.

The steamer Firwood was in port all day yesterday discharging cargo from San Francisco which included a big shipment of salt consigned to R. P. Rithet & Co.

LEFT LAST NIGHT.

One of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liners left port last evening on her return to the Far East. She carried a number of passengers and a capacity of 5,000 tons.

WAR PUGET LAUNCHED AT LYALL SHIPYARDS

Mrs. E. H. Bridgman Sponsored First I. M. B. Ship Floated at N. Vancouver

North Vancouver, Feb. 16.—The ambitious city, which did so much in 1917 to set the pace for shipbuilding, to-day launched its first wooden steamer for the Imperial Munitions Board. The War Puget was sent down the way at the Lyall shipyard this morning, and is the first of six vessels to be launched here, and which are part of the fleet of twenty-seven vessels building at British Columbia shipyards.

Mrs. E. H. Bridgman, wife of Reeve Bridgman of the district of North Vancouver, christened the vessel and there was a large attendance of North Vancouver and Vancouver people.

The vessel bears a historic name, for Peter Puget was second lieutenant with Captain George Vancouver when that sturdy sailor explored and charted these waters in 1792.

The dimensions of the War Puget are: Length, between perpendiculars, 250 feet; beam extreme, 43½ feet; beam moulded, 32½ feet; depth moulded, 25 feet; depth over keel, 27 feet; draught over keel, 21 feet; deadweight capacity on 20 feet maximum draught to Lloyd's summer freeboard, 2,500 tons; deadweight on 21 feet maximum draught, 2,500 tons.

The hull is divided by four bulkheads in addition to deep tank bulkheads. She has a topsail and foremast, a combined poop and bridge, two masts, derrick post with cargo gear, four hatches, five steam winches, steam windlasses, deep water ballast tank for 400 tons of water, and every modern appliance.

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SHIPYARD SITUATION STILL INDEFINITE

No Developments Are Expected Before Beginning of Next Week

An inquiry through labor channels this morning elicited the information that matters relative to the shipyard situation were still at a deadlock. Last night the regular meeting of the Metal Trades Council was held at the Labor Union when the report of the Executive Committee was taken up covering the recent conference with the director of the Imperial Munitions Board. It is not expected that there will be any further negotiations with R. P. Butchart until the men's representatives are ready to present their ultimatum.

The situation is regarded as serious and in some quarters it has been expressed that it may be necessary to strike. Some definite information regarding the attitude of the labor organizations will be available early next week, it is anticipated.

In spite of the telegraphic reports from Ottawa that the Government has suggested that a conciliation board or an adjustment commission be appointed with a view to bringing about a settlement between the Metal Trades Council of Victoria and Vancouver and the Munitions Board, the labor representatives who took part in the conference with Mr. Butchart declare that they have had no such proposition put up to them and in any event it is improbable that it would be entertained as the men are of the opinion that the negotiations have reached such a stage that there is nothing left to arbitrate.

TILLAMOOK TO RESUME.

The power vessel Tillamook, which for some months has been operated by the G. T. P. between Prince Rupert and Ketchikan in the passenger and cannery service, has completed extensive alterations at Seattle and will sail from the Puget Sound port on February 25 to resume in the Alaska trade.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
Feb. 16	7:44	5:10
Feb. 17	7:43	5:11
Feb. 18	7:42	5:12
Feb. 19	7:41	5:13
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Feb. 24	7:36	5:18
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Feb. 27	7:33	5:21
Feb. 28	7:32	5:22
Feb. 29	7:31	5:23
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Feb. 42	7:18	5:36
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Feb. 47	7:13	5:41
Feb. 48	7:12	5:42
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Feb. 50	7:10	5:44
Feb. 51	7:09	5:45
Feb. 52	7:08	5:46
Feb. 53	7:07	5:47
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Feb. 55	7:05	5:49
Feb. 56	7:04	5:50
Feb. 57	7:03	5:51
Feb. 58	7:02	5:52
Feb. 59	7:01	5:53
Feb. 60	7:00	5:54
Feb. 61	6:59	5:55
Feb. 62	6:58	5:56

THE TIME BALL

The time ball on the Belmont Building will be raised halfpast high at 12.45 p. m., to the top at 1.55 p. m., and will be dropped at 1 p. m. daily. The Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B. C.

ON INSPECTION TOUR



W. E. DUPEROW

On his first visit here, since his appointment as general manager of G. T. P. western lines and the G. T. P. Coast Steamship Service, W. E. Duperow is due in the city from Winnipeg. Mr. Duperow, who was formerly the company's agent in Victoria, has seen a rapid advancement in the service.

PRINCE RUPERT NOW JOINS IN THE CHORUS

Would Have Steel Plant Established in Province as Government Undertaking

That the Prince Rupert Board of Trade and the district generally is maintaining a keen interest in the subject of establishing a steel industry in British Columbia is suggested by the terms of a resolution submitted to the Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands, for his earnest consideration.

The resolution passed at the last meeting of the Board follows in part: "Whereas, in view of the tremendous tonnage, during the present war, it is in the highest interest of the Empire that every assistance possible should be given by the Government to the building of ships;

"And whereas, in view of the revival of that industry in British Columbia and the consequent demand for steel and steel ship plates and the impossibility of securing them from Eastern steel plants in sufficient quantities to allow the building of ships to be proceeded with continuously; and the consequent hampering of the industry by reason of the limited supply of these commodities, the time has arrived when a steel plant should be established in this province to supply the demand occasioned by the said industry, and that in order that such a plant be established, that inducements by way of bonus or guarantee of debentures should be granted by the Dominion Government.

"Be it therefore resolved that the Prince Rupert Board of Trade place before the Provincial and Dominion Governments the urgent necessity for the immediate establishment of such a plant within the province, and that the Dominion Government be asked to give aid by way of bonus, subsidy, or guarantee of debentures of companies establishing such plants, and that the same be placed before the Provincial Government and it be requested to urge upon the Dominion Government the necessity of such a plant being established; failing in this, to make arrangements being made with a private company, that the Dominion Government at once proceed with the erection of a plant as a Government undertaking."

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RAILWAY DISPUTE IS NOW ADJUSTED

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—A satisfactory adjustment of the differences between the G. T. P. and its maintenance of way employees has been effected, according to word received by Hon. T. W. Crothers, Minister of Labor. The dispute concerned matters connected with wages and working conditions, and negotiations have been in progress for some weeks from the settlement of the dispute between the C. P. R. and its maintenance of way employees.

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NAVAL ATTACHES SECURE RELEASE

Four Japanese Officers Allowed to Leave William Head by Special Permit

Following the receipt of instructions from Ottawa, four Japanese naval attaches who were first-class passengers aboard the quarantined Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner making port on Monday last, were yesterday released by the quarantine officials at William Head. The four released officers came on to Victoria at once and are now on their way to London, where it is understood they are to be attached to the Japanese Embassy.

In the case of the development of an infectious disease of the nature disclosed by the quarantine regulations call for the detention of passengers for a period of two weeks to be kept under the observation of the quarantine doctors with a view to checking any possibility of further infection.

No doubt the quarantine doctors were fully satisfied that there was no chance of the contagion spreading beyond permitting the departure of the Japanese officers. The rest of the passengers, however, lacked the necessary influence and it is presumed that they will be detained until the expiration of the regulation period.

These people are naturally irritated at the enforced detention, but everything possible is being done by the Government and steamship officials for their comfort and enjoyment. The housing quarters are of the very best and the cuisine would do credit to the average first-class hotel. There is a well stocked library and on fine days the passengers can indulge in tennis and other outdoor pastimes within the confines of the compound. The enforced confinement is undoubtedly irksome, but in other respects the resort is made as pleasurable as possible.

SWEDEN IS PLANNING TO OPERATE STEAMERS IN AUSTRALIAN TRADE

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Sweden is planning a line of steamships to carry food from Australia to the United States, Sigurd Goos, the new Swedish consul-general in Chicago, declared last night at a dinner in his honor. Mr. Goos, who took over his post here yesterday, was stationed for some years in Sydney, Australia.

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VICTORIA THE NORTHWEST AND THE WORLD

Seattle Plays Combination and Had "Bad Man" of Game

Vancouver, Feb. 16.—Seattle fans may regard Norman Fowler as the world's greatest living goalkeeper, but he's only so-so when it comes to guarding his nets against "Cyclone" Taylor, Vancouver's prize centre player.

Mets' Play Best. The Seattle Mets are playing the best combination game. They are credited with thirty assists. Vancouver is a close second with twenty-six.

Giving Tommy a Race. It looked for a long time as if Tommy Dunderdale would have a runaway race of it for the "bad man" title, but Cully Wilson, the diminutive winger of the Seattle Mets has been stirring things up—and is tied with Dunderdale in the matter of minutes spent on the penalty bench.

The Vancouver and Seattle teams have been furnishing all of the excitement in the Coast League this season, with Portland breaking in with an upset now and then. The leaders are to mingle here again next Monday and the fans are looking forward to another of those nerve-racking, strenuous combats.

Official statistics follow:

Individual Scoring. Player. Goals. Points. Taylor (Vancouver) 20 26. Morris (Seattle) 13 21. Roberts (Seattle) 16 18.

Individual Penalties. Player. Mins. Off. Dunderdale (Portland) 44. Wilson (Seattle) 44. McDonald (Vancouver) 32.

HENSHAW THE WINNER.

Kansas City, Feb. 16.—The National Amateur Wing Shot handicap yesterday's feature event of the 14th annual mid-winter trapshooting was won by Elmer Henshaw, of Spirit Lake, Ia., from a field of forty-six marksmen.

TO RESUME MEETS.

New York, Feb. 16.—By an almost unanimous vote the United States National Lawn Tennis Association decided at its annual meeting here last night to resume championship meets, the proceeds to be turned over to the War Department's Commission on Training Camp Activities.

DANDRUFF KILLS THE ROOTS OF THE HAIR. A Victoria lady was losing all her hair. It came out in clumps—her head was full of Dandruff—her scalp was itchy—she tried all advertised remedies but they failed—she became despondent—a barber suggested TONIFOAM—she knew its merits—the Dandruff disappeared—the itching stopped—the hair grew to her waist and is still growing. She recommends every man, woman and child to use TONIFOAM.

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FISTS IN ACTION AT PORTLAND GAME

Seattle's Number Found Last Night by Rosebud Hockeyists

SCORE OF 4-2 MADE AGAINST THE LEADERS

Portland, Feb. 16.—Punctuated by two fist fights in which Capt. Rowe and Dunderdale, in one goal, and Fowler and Goal Umpire Herman in the other were the participants, the Seattle team last night lost a hard and fiercely fought battle to the Rosebuds by the score of four to two.

It was in the second period that Dunderdale, Portland's peppery centre, clashed with Capt. Rowe, the Portland man alleging Rowe had been laying for him. Referee Irvin ruled both boys off the ice. Rowe received a slash over the head with Dunderdale's stick in the melee and then Dunderdale used his fists. Irvin and players of both teams separated the men.

The second fight followed quickly on a thrilling play, when Tobin rushed the puck down the ice, shooting for the goal fully twenty feet distant. The puck hit wide, but Umpire Herman thought it was a goal and so called it. Quick as a flash Fowler whirled on his toe and crashed one over the head of Herman with his stick. Fowler was correct in his contention that no goal had been made by Portland, but the fight was uncalled for.

Portland outplayed the Mets last night from start to finish, and won four to two. Bernie Morris and Cully Wilson were the Met point-setters. Morris sank the rubber disc into the net on an accurate pass from Wilson in the second period. Wilson was not to be denied and zigzagged his way past the Rosebuds' second line of defence in the third frame for Seattle's second and last score.

Twenty-five hundred fans saw the game. Lineup: Seattle: Position. Portland: Fowler, Goal. Murray. Rowe, Cover Point. Johnson. Foyston, Cover Point. Barbour. Noris, Centre. Dunderdale. Wilson, Right Wing. Tobin. Roberts, Left Wing. Outman. Substitutes—Portland: Marples for Dunderdale; Dunderdale for Marples. Seattle: Riley for Roberts; Patrick for Riekey; Roberts for Rowe; Riekey for Riley; Rowe for Riekey. Scorers—Portland: Barbour (2), Tobin, Dunderdale, Seattle: Morris, Wilson. Assists—Portland: Tobin, (2), Outman, Seattle: Wilson. Officials—Referee, Irvin; timekeeper, Judge Dayton; goal umpires, J. J. Herman and J. T. Pierce. Penalties—Seattle: Morris, three mins.; Rowe, ten mins. Portland: Dunderdale, twelve mins.

SOCCER SEMI-FINALS PLAYING TO-DAY IN VANCOUVER LEAGUE

Vancouver, Feb. 16.—The semi-final games to decide who will meet in the final for the Mainland soccer trophy are being played this afternoon, and two very interesting matches should be witnessed. Coughlans and Cedar Cottage, Junior Alliance champions, are scheduled to meet at Athletic Park, while Horris and Kitilano battle on the Cambie Street grounds.

GROOM IS BOUGHT.

Cleveland, Feb. 16.—Pitcher Bob Groom has been bought by the Cleveland Americans from the St. Louis Americans, according to a telegram received here from President James C. Dunn.

CLOSE BILLIARDS.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Bob Cameron, of St. Louis, won from Pierre Maupome, of Cleveland, in the ambulance fund three cushion billiard tournament yesterday fifty to forty-nine. Both men are challengers of Augie Kleckhefer for the title.

CONTINUES WINNING.

Corvallis, Ore., Feb. 15.—Before a crowd of 1,500 the Oregon Agricultural College basketball team continued its winning streak by defeating the University of Washington team forty-one to nine.

WINTER MEETING.

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 16.—The annual winter meeting of the Great Western Trotting Association will be held in Chicago Tuesday, February 19, it was announced here by Secretary W. H. Smollinger.

DEBATING AT V. H. S. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

High School Pupils of Portia and Beta Delta Societies Energetic

"Resolved that the Government should provide technical education" was the subject debated by the Portia Society of the Victoria High School at its meeting held on Wednesday afternoon last. Miss Gretha Klein and Miss Gladys Spencer upheld the affirmative against Miss Nora Staneland and Miss Helen Bennett, who championed the cause of the negative.

A novel procedure was adopted following the debate to decide the winning side. Ballots were passed to those members of the Society who were present and by a small margin it was decided that the affirmative side had presented the better arguments.

Beta Delta Society. Last Thursday the meeting of the Beta Delta was attended by an unusually large number who anticipated the continuance of the exciting discussion of last meeting on the subject of whether the Sign Designer should be on the executive. However, as President McIntosh was unable to attend, the matter was laid over. The regular programme consisted of three short speeches. The first was a well-delivered and very interesting description of submarine mines, their history, construction and uses, given by L. O'Brien. Sprout then spoke on the whales of B. C., treating the subject in a capable manner, while W. Whiteley told the meeting something of the life and character of Lloyd George, which showed due appreciation of the wonderful qualities possessed by Britain's leader. Then followed a demonstration of entirely different character by Boulton, assisted by Edgerton, entitled "Bunkum Magic," which was much enjoyed by the audience. This act consisted of fake strong man "stunts," and similar demonstrations of mind reading.

THAT'S HOW IT WORKS!

While a village blacksmith toiled manfully over an old farmer's ploughshare, the owner of the share recounted at some length the wonderful success he had had with three liters of pigs he had marketed that day.

"Them pigs was less than eight months old," the farmer said, "and they brought me twice as much as they would have done a few years ago. I tell you, the farmer is having his harvest now!"

The smith, having finished sharpening the share, handed it to his customer. From a well-worn purse the farmer took out the usual price for the job, and dropped it into the smith's hand.

"You'll have to give me more," said the smith, still holding the money in his outstretched palm. "I charge double now for sharpening that size ploughshare."

"Why, how now?" the farmer exclaimed, testily. "That's an outrage! Why have you raised the price on me?"

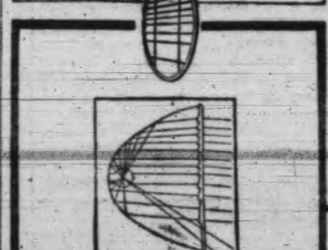
"To buy some of that high-priced pork you was telling me about!" was the smith's calm reply.—Tit-Bits.

"Was it muscular rheumatism that attacked you?" "I should say it was muscular. It threw me on my back and kept me from getting up for a month."

Automobile Drivers' Notice

Fit your car with a modern lens and control your headlights. Don't sacrifice the eyes of your families and friends.

The headlight demonstration here proved Lens Number 4 to lead all others.



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The above diagram shows how the New Osgood Lens throws all the light outward and downward—74% more light on the road compared with a plain lens—91% more road light compared with a globe lens.

Beam always below waist-height. No glare. No need for dimming. Sold at ordinary lens prices.



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Times Want Ad Contest

Will likely officially start next Tuesday. There is room for at least three more avowed candidates. It is time to act—the "thinking about it" period is past. You remember the early bird story.

No one has done any active work in the contest. Receipt books will be given out Monday Afternoon to all enrolled candidates.

THE INCENTIVE

Prizes offered to candidates in The Times Want Ad Contest total \$800 in cash. The work required is simply soliciting advertising for the Want Ad pages. Every candidate stands an equal chance to win. Prizes will be awarded according to the number of votes secured.

The candidate securing the largest number of votes will receive a prize of \$500 in cash; the candidate with the second largest number will receive \$200 in cash, and the candidate having the third largest number of votes will receive \$100 in cash.

The contest will close Monday, April 8—just seven weeks for active work. Some one will win \$500 in that time, another will be ahead \$200, and still another will get \$100. No investment required—prizes will be won upon work alone.

Candidates who have enrolled are urged to call for supplies Monday afternoon. Prospective candidate should not delay longer in entering the contest.

The Contest Office is in Room 306, Times Building. Hours from 9 to 12.30 and 1.30 to 6 o'clock. Hurry!

Easy Money for Times Readers

The twenty-third answer, brought in by Master Ernest Robinson, of 2544 Fifth Street, at 9.40 o'clock this morning, won the dollar bill, and the young man left the Contest Office all smiles.

THE WINNING AD. EXPLANATION. FOR SALE—Large lot 59x120, with two houses and store, near car, low taxes. Apply 316 Steele Street. m18-25

KEY TO AD.

Very good style; a word, a synonym of which is a composite part of a range of mountains. NOTE—In order to "spread" the prize money, winners are not eligible to win the second time until the lapse of two weeks.

\$1 WILL be paid to the person bringing the first correct answer to the Contest Manager, Room 306, Times Building, between 9 and 11 o'clock Monday morning. If the correct ad is not found, \$2.00 will be paid Tuesday and so on \$1.00 per day will be added until solution is found. Then a new ad will be described and the same procedure followed.

The described ad has been placed in a sealed envelope and handed to the Advertising Manager of The Times.

THE WEATHER. Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department. Victoria, Feb. 16, 5-5 a.m.—An ocean storm area now centred off Tatoosh is moving southward and is being followed by a general cold wave over this Province. Snow is falling in Kootenay and this may extend to the Coast. Zero temperatures prevail in Cariboo and in the prairie provinces they range from 20 to 28 below.

perature, minimum yesterday, 18; wind, calm; weather, clear. Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.78; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 36; wind, 4 miles S.; rain, .52; weather, raining. Seattle—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 35; wind, 38 miles E.; rain, .84; weather, clear. San Francisco—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, maximum yesterday, 59; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, clear.

MITT AND JEFF—ANYTHING THAT FLOATS MUST GO IN THE NAVY—BY BUD FISHER



Victoria Daily Times ADVERTISING Phone No. 1090

Rates for Classified Advertisements Situations Vacant, Situations Wanted, To Rent, Articles for Sale, Lost or Found, Business Cards, etc., 1c. per word per insertion. Contract rates on application. No advertisement for less than 1c. per word. In computing the number of words in an advertisement, estimate groups of three or less figures as one word. Dollar marks and all abbreviations count as one word. Advertisers who so desire may have notices addressed to a box at The Times Office and forwarded to their private address. A charge of 10c. is made for this service. Birth, marriage, death and funeral notices, 1c. per word per insertion. Classified advertisements may be telephoned to The Times Office, but such advertisements should afterwards be confirmed in writing. Office open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Help Wanted—Male

DIGONISM—Words may be more wind, but they're a tornado." Diggon Printing Co., 706 Yates St. The writing paper specialty. 715-9. DOMINION EXPRESS foreign cheques are accepted by Field Cashiers and Paymasters in France for their full face value. There is no better way to send money to the boys in the trenches. 715-8. WANTED—Boy for delivery. Apply 1066 Stanley, or Phone 758. WANTED—Reliable youth, age about sixteen, to work on small ranch near city. Box 56, Times. 715-4. WANTED—Platen press feeder. Apply The Diggon Printing Co., 706 Yates St. 715-8. BICYCLE REPAIRMAN wanted, experienced. Pimley's Cycle Store, 611 View Street. 715-4. INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOLS, 122 Douglas St., Tel. 1520.

Help Wanted—Female

BILLS WANTED, for candy wrapping, for factory on Fort Street. Inquire 1833 Crescent Road. 715-9. WANTED—A cook and house-parlor maid. Apply Mrs. E. Crew-Baker, 719-9. Gorge Road. WANTED—Immediately, nurse for two children aged 2 and 3; young girl or married woman without children; experience unnecessary; other help kept. 127 North Hampshire Road, Oak Bay. 715-9. LADIES WANTED to do plain light sewing at home, whole or spare time; good pay; work sent any distance; charge prepaid. Send stamp for particulars. National Manufacturing Company, Montreal. 715-9. WANTED—Cook, general servant. Apply telephone 31891. 715-9. WANTED—Smart girl, willing to learn waiting. P. O. Box 2818. 715-9. SALERWOMEN wanted for Dollar Day, Gordons, Limited. 715-9. COMFORTABLE HOME for middle-aged woman, to assist with children and house duties. Apply Mrs. Mason, 1012 Hillside Avenue. 715-9. WANTED—Girl for general house work in small family. Phone 25767, Mrs. D. D. McTavish, 1022 Pendergast Street. 715-9. WANTED—Mother's help: references. 1141 Rockland Ave. Phone 2103X. 715-9. WANTED—Girl, for general office work; one used to the retail grocery trade preferred. Apply Box 8, City. 715-9. CAPABLE BUSINESS LADY desired position. Apply 15, Times. 715-9.

Situations Wanted—Male

A TEAMSTER, with good heavy team, wants work. Phone 26311. 715-10. ON HING & BRO., 225 Fisgard Street. Chinese Employment Agency. Prompt service. Phone 27. 715-9.

Situations Wanted—Female

WOMAN of 31 seeks occupation as nursery governess or companion to old lady. Hart, Marquand P. O., B. C. 715-11. CAPABLE BUSINESS LADY desired position. Apply 15, Times. 715-11. WANTED—Dressmaking or sewing of any kind, reasonable terms. Apply 611 Superior Street. 715-11. EXPERIENCED WOMAN, 24, wishes to take charge of house and children for widower; good references. Hart, Marquand P. O., B. C. 715-11. LADY desires position in office, knowledge of stenography. Tel. 106, Times. 715-11.

Exchange

FARMS and city property for exchange. Chas. F. Eagles, 617 Bayward Block. Phone 511. 715-9.

Housekeeping Rooms

VERNON HOTEL, Douglas St.—Small housekeeping suites, also single rooms. 715-11. DELMET HOTEL—Centrally located. Furnished housekeeping rooms, gas range, moderate rates. Phone 1964-O. 715-11. SUPERIOR APARTMENTS—Double beds and single suites, also a few rooms for lodgers. 715 Yates. Phone 5630. 715-11.

For Sale—Miscellaneous

WE PAY SPOT CASH FOR FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS. In all quantities. All business strictly confidential. Orders taken for best dry fir and hemlock. Prompt delivery guaranteed. Call at or phone 1419 Douglas Street. Phone 1073. FERRIS SALE AND COMMISSION ROOMS. 1419 Douglas Street. Phone 1073. FOR SALE—A good holly tree, with berries, cheap. Phone 2251. 715-11. FOR SALE—Prismatic field glass and case. \$35; Besson slide trombone, \$30; Bosch magnet, \$15; Presto tank and two lights, \$15; Bristol steel fishing rods, \$4.50; new Hudson motorcycle, 3-speed, in perfect running order, only \$75; large braising torch, \$30; motor Yale, high-grade, tandem seat, \$17.50; Nala motorcycle, 2-cylinder, Bosch magnet, \$65; bicycle, with new tires and mudguards, \$12.50; tires, outer, any make, \$2.50; inner tubes, \$1.50; modern bicycle electric lamps, \$2.50; all lamps \$1.25; wrenches, \$5; playing cards, the pack or 3 for 25c. We stock parts to fit any bicycle. Jacob Aronson's New Victoria, B. C. Phone 1747. ESQUIMALT—Freshwater slabwood, length 12 ft., 4 cord, \$1.50; and 12 ft., 2 cord, \$1.00. Phone 2818. 715-11. CITY MART, 706 Fort Street. If you are looking for bargains in second-hand furniture, carpets, etc., see and inspect all descriptions. Phone 1433. 715-8. EVERBEARING strawberry plants, for March and April delivery. Superior Progressives, Pedernis, \$4.50 per 100; special price on quantities. Ordinary varieties, Kellogg's Big Late, \$1.50 per 100; Exquisite, \$1.00; Phone 6267, or Suite, 204 Cedar Hill Road, C. O. D. City, cash with country orders. Also State of Canada, m.p. SOUTHALL, for stores and ranges. 822 Fort Street. Cols made and connected; exchanges made. Phone 4239. FOR SALE—Seven-drawer Singer sewing machine, practically new; will accept \$15 for quick sale. Apply 2317 Blanshard Street. Phone 2362. 715-11. REPAIRS AND ACCESSORIES for all makes of sewing machines, expert work, delivered in city. Windows, 605, 610, 615, 620, 625, 630, 635, 640, 645, 650, 655, 660, 665, 670, 675, 680, 685, 690, 695, 700, 705, 710, 715, 720, 725, 730, 735, 740, 745, 750, 755, 760, 765, 770, 775, 780, 785, 790, 795, 800, 805, 810, 815, 820, 825, 830, 835, 840, 845, 850, 855, 860, 865, 870, 875, 880, 885, 890, 895, 900, 905, 910, 915, 920, 925, 930, 935, 940, 945, 950, 955, 960, 965, 970, 975, 980, 985, 990, 995, 1000. A DOMINION EXPRESS money order for five dollars costs three cents. 715-11. A VICTORIA AND YATES RECORDS for sale at a snap. 723 Fort Street.

Umbrella Works

UMBRELLA WORKS—Umbrellas repaired and re-covered neatly and quickly at reasonable prices. 627 Fort Street. 715-9.

DR. HALL'S "Sexual Knowledge"

DR. HALL'S "Sexual Knowledge," 729 pages, illustrated; price \$1. Box 14, Times. 715-10.

A RANCHER'S LIFE IN CANADA

A RANCHER'S LIFE IN CANADA and Guide to Rural Industries, expert work, the poultry, keeping, canning, ducks, geese, turkeys, guinea, pigeons, hares, goats, bees, flowers; 25 cents, post paid. By C. H. Frovan, Langley, Fort, B. C. 715-12.

WHITE AND SINGER MACHINES

WHITE AND SINGER MACHINES for rent, 718 Yates. Phone 632. 715-12. GARDEN TOOLS, new and second-hand; cabbage plants, outdoor grown, 60c. per 100; tap paper shingles for cutwaters, 25c. per 100. Eastern Stove Co., 848 Fort. 715-12.

FOR SALE—A semi-English pram

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MALLEABLE and steel ranges

MALLEABLE and steel ranges, \$1 per week. Phone 628, 2001 Government St. 715-12. FOR SALE—35-hp. launch, 7 h. p. heavy duty engine, \$475; 23x33 fishing boat, 19 h. p. heavy engine, \$750; 18 ft. rowing and 14 ft. canoe. Causeway Boat House, Phone 346. 715-12.

DROP FOOT SEWING MACHINE SPECIAL

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Room and Board

WANTED—Two young ladies to share room and board in private home. Phone 4171. 715-12. GENTLEMAN, very fond of gardening, wants room and board where there is a fine large kitchen garden. Address Mr. B. Watson, 1209 Blanshard Street, Victoria. 715-24. ARMADALE CASTLE, JAMES BAY—High-class boarding-house, now open for business; terms reasonable? Apply telephone 428. Phone 2571. 715-24. THE BON-ACCORD, 46 Princess Ave. Room and board; terms moderate; ladies or gentlemen. Phone 2571. 715-24. ROOM AND BOARD, home cooking. Phone 4841. 715-24. ROOMS, 18 and up, board if required, near shipyards—Western Hotel, 725-24. THE GROVE—First class, 10 minutes Oak Bay car. 906 Bank. Phone 2435. 715-24.

Furnished Houses

VERMONT AVENUE, handsomely furnished, 10 rooms, \$18. HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO., 608 View Street. Phone 55. 715-11. FERN STREET, fully furnished, 7 rooms, \$25. Possession February 1. HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO., 608 View Street. Phone 55. 715-11. AN EXTRA WELL FURNISHED home in Fairfield. BURDICK BROS. & BRETT, LTD., 623 Fort Street. 715-11. TO LET—Well furnished, 6 roomed house, \$40. Dalby & Lawson, 615 Fort. 715-11.

Unfurnished Houses

TO RENT—Four roomed bungalow, on Eldon Place, modern, full basement, kitchen house, etc.; \$10. Phone 2438. 715-11. FOR RENT—Charming, 5 roomed, Oak Bay bungalow. Phone 2091. 715-11. MICHIGAN STREET—Modern, 7 roomed dwelling, gas, electric light, basement, furnace, etc.; \$15 per month. SUPERIOR STREET—Seven roomed, modern dwelling, close to Government Bldg.; \$17.50 per month. B.C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY. 715-11. TO LET—Eight roomed house, Fort Street, near Cook, in good repair. \$15. Harman, 704 Fort. 715-11. UNFURNISHED HOUSES TO LET. 124 HILLSIDE AVE., 5 rooms, \$12.50. CRAIGFLOWER ROAD, 3 acres, dwelling, stable, etc.; \$25. 123 KING'S ROAD, 5 rooms, \$10. 142 FORT STREET, 5 rooms, modern, \$15. 706 WILSON STREET, Victoria West, modern, \$15. 569 VICTOR STREET, 5 rooms, modern, \$10. 124 LADYSMITH STREET, 4 rooms, \$8. AND MANY OTHERS. P. R. BROWN, 1112 Broad Street, Phone 1073. Motley to Loan. Fire Insurance Written. 715-15. TO LET—Six-room house, close in, garden, 743 Market Street. 715-15. A COUNTRY COTTAGE, with water free, to responsible couple, in return for a few services. Box 124, Times. 715-18. TO LET—UNFURNISHED. FAIRFIELD—Corner house, large lot \$90 by 160, 5 rooms, fine garden, chicken house, etc.; all in good condition. Possession February 21. SHAKEPEARE STREET—Nice, 5 roomed bungalow; possession February 24; rent \$15. HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO., 608 View Street. Phone 55. 715-11. FOUR-ROOM COTTAGE for rent. Furniture for sale. Apply, Monday morning, Imperial, 743 Fort Street. 715-15. FOR RENT—Houses, furnished and unfurnished. Lloyd-Young & Russell, 1013 Broad Street. Phone 432. 123 RICHARDSON STREET, 4 rooms, large garden, \$20. 508 FISGARD STREET, 4 rooms, \$15. 600 PINE STREET, Victoria West, 4 rooms, \$12. Possession March 1. 425 ELLICE STREET, 5 rooms, \$5.00. Possession March 15. 623 ELLICE STREET, 5 rooms, \$5.00. 627 ELLICE STREET, 5 rooms, \$5.00. 628 JOHN STREET, 5 rooms, \$5. 2223 SHAKEPEARE STREET, 6 roomed bungalow, \$15. 550 BEACH DRIVE, 7 rooms, \$25. HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO., 608 View Street. Phone 55. 715-11. EIGHT-ROOM HOUSE, with 1 acre in garden and fruit trees, \$20. BURDICK BROS. & BRETT, LTD., 623 Fort Street. 715-11.

Warehouses, Offices, Etc.

115 MOSS STREET, small grocery store and fixtures, \$10. 724 YATES STREET, small stand, \$10. 918 FORT STREET, store, \$10.50. 102 FORT STREET, store, \$10.50. GARAGE, opp. Russell's Station, Equilmalt Road, \$15. 60 YATES STREET, large store, \$20. 1112 Broad Street. Phone 1073. 715-11. TO LET—Store, corner of Burnside and Douglas, fine location, \$25 per month. Dalby & Lawson, 615 Fort. 715-11.

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VERY NICELY FURNISHED 4 roomed apartment, \$5. Immediate possession. HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO., 608 View Street. Phone 55. 715-11.

Livestock

WANTED—Any quantity chickens or ducks, cash paid at your house. Phone 4181, or write 615 Elliott Street, City. 715-11. JERSEY COW for sale, four years, fresh, in April. Apply Wylder, Cobble Hill. 715-11. FINE Rhode Island Red cocker for sale, or will exchange for pullets. Phone 4072. 715-11. POULTRY, Pigeons & Petcock Journal, 621 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C. Send dime for sample copy. 715-21. SEND YOUR POULTRY and other goods for sale to City Market Auction. Sales Tuesdays and Fridays; also sales arranged. Arthur Hemmingsway, 102-21. 715-21.

Miscellaneous

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FURNISHED ROOMS, \$10, \$12 and \$15 weekly; modern. Borden Hotel, 525 Broadway Street. 715-15. FURNISHED ROOMS, near sea, 412 Menzies. 715-15. TO RENT—Nicely furnished bedrooms, single or double, centrally located, 100 Dalby St., P. O., 444 50c. box. No. 633 & 50c. box. No. 559 & 50c. box. Call for prices at Hamerley Farm Store. Lucky bags issued all the time, to every purchaser. 715-15. BRUNSWICK HOTEL—50c night and up; \$1 weekly and up; best location; first class, no bar; few housekeeping rooms. Yates and Douglas. 715-15. LUCKY WINNERS of prizes holding Hamerley Farm lucky paper bags given out this week at Hamerley Farm Store, corner Bastion and Government Streets, Bag No. 45, wins 20 box of chocolates, No. 2070 & \$1 box. No. 423 & \$1 box, No. 688 & 50c. box; No. 626 & \$1 box, No. 444 & 50c. box, No. 633 & 50c. box, No. 559 & 50c. box. Call for prices at Hamerley Farm Store. Lucky bags issued all the time, to every purchaser. 715-15. SEND a Dominion Express money order. Five dollars costs three cents. 715-25. CUT THIS OUT FOR LUCK—Send birth date and 10c. for wonderful horoscope of your entire life. Prof. Raphael, 94 Grand Central Station, New York. 25c.

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Wanted—Miscellaneous

BACON CUTTER wanted, good condition and low price. Box 154, Times. 715-20. WANTED—Home for well-bred Alredale. Apply Box 154, Times. 715-20. WANTED—Horse manure; will pay 75c per month for each horse and take it away. State how many horses you have. Apply Marine Iron Works, 615 Pembroke St. 715-13. KITCHEN RANGES wanted, fairly large. Phone 631. 715-13. COOK STOVE or range wanted; no dealers. Box 73, Times. 715-13. WANTED—Ten good steel ranges, any size or make. We pay cash. Jack's Stove Store, 105 Yates Street. 715-13. WANTED—Glass showcases for wall or counter; give size and lowest price. Box 157, Times. 715-13. HIGHEST CASH PRICES PAID for shotguns, rifles, carpenter's tools, clothing, trunks, valises, boots, machinery, diamonds and jewelry, etc. Jacob Aronson's New and Second-Hand Store, 621 Johnson Street, Victoria, B. C. Phone 1747. 715-13. WANTED—Furniture and stoves, etc.; highest cash price paid. Phone 4461. 715-13. FRANCIS, 825 Yates St. (opposite Dominion Theatre), always open to buy good class and antique furniture, carpets, etc. Phone 1113. 715-13. WANTED—Any class of old metals; any class of junk; good prices paid for bottles, sacks, auto tires, carpenters' tools, etc. Ring up 125, City Bank Co., 125 Park Street, or call on Mr. J. W. House, 6641. 715-13. HOUSE OF FURNITURE wanted for cash. Phone 272. 715-13.

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Houses for Sale

FOR SALE—Six roomed cottage, close to new High School, only two years of local improvements to date; price \$1500; \$600 cash, balance on easy terms. Dalby & Lawson, 615 Fort (upstairs). 715-11. EIGHT-ROOM, MODERN HOUSE, Burr-st Avenue, with reception hall, den, drawing room, dining room, 4 good bedrooms, furnace, full cement basement, lawn back and front, front walk to city; snap price \$4,300. SIX-ROOM, MODERN HOME, well built, with extra good finishing, 5 minutes from Mt. Tolmie car; all city conveniences, 1 1/2 acres, in garden, fruit and lawn, barn, chicken houses, etc.; one of the best homes in city; snap price \$5,000. CLOSE IN Cloverdale car, 6-room, modern home, on high situation; can be sold on your own terms at \$1,000. TERMS can be arranged on all the above. BURDICK BROS. & BRETT, LTD., 623 Fort Street. 715-11. FRAIRIE MEN—An ideal spot for future retirement at steady increasing value. Lot 300 x 22 x 50, and small buildings, waterfrontage in choicest bay around Victoria, Mortara's Bay. No. 25, wins \$10 and give me \$750 for this homestead snap; or exchange anything useful. Assessed at \$10,000. \$1,000 offers been refused. Apply Owner, Box 188, Times. 715-25. HOUSES AND REALTY BARGAINS. 8 ROOMS, modern, furnace, half mile circle, good locality; taxes low; value, \$4,500; price, \$3,800, terms. 7 ROOMS, modern, furnace; mile circle; low taxes; value, \$3,900; price, \$3,000, terms. FIVE ACRES FARMS, Sooke River, close to C. N. R. station, road and river frontage; water laid on; partly cleared; \$100 per acre, terms. HIGH-CLASS RESIDENCE, 8 rooms, about half acre in tennis lawn and garden; best locality; value, \$24,000; price, \$16,000, terms. CARE "Nag" Farm, Ltd., 1302 Wharf Street. 715-25. LOOK AT THIS—Two level lots on corner, all cultivated, each 130 feet in depth, Fowl Bay, close to Fowl Bay Street, small frame house; only \$500. Swinerton & Musgrave, 60 Fort Street. 715-25. SIX ROOMS, modern house, including furnace, about minutes from Douglas Street car, about 1 acre, 40 fruit trees, garden, etc., chicken house; snap price \$3,500. CAMOUSIN STREET—Six-room bungalow, in Oak Bay, modern, well built, beam ceiling and built-in buffet, 10 minutes from city; price \$3,300. SIX-ROOM, MODERN HOUSE on Belmont Avenue, lot 50x120, with low taxes, large, light rooms and basement; sold for mortgage at \$2,800. BURDICK BROS. & BRETT, LTD., 623 Fort Street. 715-25. FOR SALE—A charming country residence, water system, phone, electric light, furnace, as well as open fireplaces, C. C. Electric company car service at end fence, 10 acres, all improved and fenced, extra good garden, fruit trees, strawberries, ornamental shrubs, garage and outbuildings, paved road, half hour's run by motor from Victoria, good sea fishing, and shooting. This is quite first-class and property in perfect order. Apply owner. Box 667, Times. 715-25. GENUINE SNAP—Five roomed bungalow, in Oak Bay, modern, well built, light taxes. It will pay you to look in to this snap. Price \$2,100; cash \$700, balance easy at 7 per cent. Dalby & Lawson, 615 Fort (upstairs). 715-25. PERNWOOD ROAD—Near High School, 5 roomed cottage and lot 34x110; price only \$1,500; cash \$200, balance \$1,300, any reasonable terms for balance. SIX ROOMED DWELLING on Niagara Street and lot 17x115; this property is close in, built prior to 1914, which includes furniture; terms, \$300 cash, balance arranged to suit. MICHIGAN STREET—One block from Parliament Buildings, 7 roomed, modern house, 100 ft. x 120 ft., which includes furniture; terms, \$500 cash and assume mortgage of \$2,000. CORNWALL STREET—Comfortable, 5 roomed, modern cottage and lot 65x20, improved street and taxes reasonable; price \$1,500, any reasonable terms. DAVIS STREET, OAK BAY—Seven roomed, modern dwelling and lot 65x120; price \$2,500; terms, say, \$500 cash, balance at 7 per cent. B.C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY, LTD., 222 Government Street. 7151-11.

Houses for Sale (Continued)

FOR SALE—Large lot 50x150, with two houses and store, near car, low taxes. Apply 3116 Steele Street. m15-25. FOR SALE—Homes that appeal: Eight-room house, fully modern, near sea, park, etc., good locality, corner lot; 5-room house, fully modern, one acre ground, fine situation, etc. Hodgson, 112 Government Street. m15-25. HOUSES FOR SALE. 1822 NORTH HAMPSHIRE ROAD, bungalow of 5 rooms, practically new, basement, garage, \$12,500. 3185 HARRIET ROAD, close to Burnside Road; modern cottage, double frontage, \$2,000. 1709 LEE AVENUE, modern cottage, 5

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COMMUNITY ACTION ASKED TO INCREASE PRODUCTION

Resolution Passed This Morning and Forwarded to Ottawa, Requesting Fixing Price on Foodstuffs and Government Control of Canneries, Evaporators and Freight Rates

The real push was given to Victoria's increased production campaign this morning. At a large and representative meeting held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, constructive action was taken in the launching of a city-wide move to meet what is considered to be the demands of the hour in respect to the feeding of the nation and the Allied armies.

Among the most important moves taken by the gathering, was the adoption of a resolution asking the Federal Government to set a minimum price to the farmer on all foodstuffs for which an appeal for increased production has been made; the appointment of committees that will organize locally each branch of the production campaign; and the calling of a series of four meetings in the city at which the public will be addressed along educational lines by officials of the Department of Agriculture with respect to local cultivation.

Alderman Sargent, chairman of the increased production committee, in calling this morning's meeting to order, laid stress on the urgent need for action in view of the world food situation. He referred to the good work accomplished last year but pointed out that greater things would be expected during 1918. He referred to several citizens who had set the pace by offering the city the use of large numbers of vacant lots.

Mayor Todd emphasized the fact that community action was necessary. He looked for co-operation among the school children, the Y. M. C. A. and other organizations. Last year Victoria ranked fifth in the Dominion with respect to the amount of land under cultivation; there was no reason why in 1918 Victoria should not hold the premier position. He hoped that there would be no attempt on the part of individuals to place obstacles in the way of those who were furthering production. The Mayor continued by saying that he expected before long to introduce a resolution for presentation to the Provincial Government giving the city the power to cultivate lots not being used by the owner for this or other purposes.

George Bell, M. P., expressed the opinion that the move for increased production had the hearty support of the Minister of Agriculture. Noting the presence of the Minister's deputy, W. E. Scott, M. P., he asked if it would be feasible to plan for the meeting to send a resolution to Ottawa asking the authorities to set a minimum price on their produce to the farmers. Mr. Scott's reply was unmistakable and at present the farmers practically did not know "where they were at." They were told there was a surplus crop in some cases last year and this year was willing to produce extensively with no guarantee of price.

The resolution of the chairman a committee composed of Messrs. Bell, Scott, J. G. Inkster and E. C. B. Bagshaw retired to draft a resolution, which was subsequently unanimously adopted and will be forwarded to Ottawa. It read as follows:

"Whereas the necessity for increased production of foodstuffs for the successful prosecution of the war is a matter of vital importance to our Empire, and whereas farmers in order to produce to the utmost must be assured of a price that will give them a fair and legitimate profit for their labor, and whereas a minimum price has already been fixed on wheat, and it is therefore resolved that this meeting is strongly of the opinion that a minimum price should be fixed by the Federal Government on all foodstuffs for which an appeal for increased production has been made.

"Further be it resolved that the Federal Government exercise control over all canneries, evaporators, freight rates and transportation, thus avoiding loss and congestion, and that this resolution be forwarded to the conference of Premiers at present assembled at Ottawa."

Continuing the discussion on the purely local end of the campaign the Mayor moved that a series of four public meetings be held, at the Victoria High School, the dates fixed to be February 26 and March 5, 12 and 19. The Mayor suggested that in view of the fact that definite instruction was needed by many residents in respect to the proper means to be pursued in local cultivation that experts from the Provincial Department of Agriculture be requested to address the meetings. This suggestion met with the full support of Deputy Minister Scott, who indicated that some of the officials might be in a position to follow up the educational talks with a practical demonstration, to which those interested would be invited.

Various Requests.

Further resolutions were then adopted in accordance with action taken last year asking owners of vacant lots who are unable to cultivate them to offer their use to the city; also requesting persons who are willing to cultivate available lots to communicate with the central committee. It was also moved that the City Council be again asked for a grant of \$500 to be placed at the disposal of the committee, as was done in 1917. In view of a great diversity of opinion expressed by the representation of citizens with respect to water rates this question was left over for future consideration. Ploughing rates that prevailed last season will once again be applicable, and the following ploughing committee was appointed to deal with the special work: Alderman

RAILWAYS MINISTER EXPLAINS THE OFFER

Hon. John Oliver Tells of the Other Pacific Great Eastern Considerations

THE HALF MILLION WAS ONLY ONE PART OF IT

The Hon. John Oliver, acting Premier and Minister of Railways, takes strong exception to a certain editorial reference in one of the mainland dailies in connection with the affairs of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company and the attitude of the Government to that vexed matter. In discussing the subject with a representative of The Times this morning, the Minister declared that the editorial in question—after referring to an allegation that the contractors for the railway were offering to compose their differences with the Government by the payment of \$500,000 and that the Government was willing to accept \$1,000,000—contains the suggestion that neither Mr. Oliver nor his colleagues had much faith in their ability to prove that the Company had received from the sale of bonds \$5,000,000 more than had been expended on the work.

One or the other.

The argument, says the Minister, inclines him to the belief that either the situation is not understood or there is an attempt to create an impression contrary to the facts. Another interpretation in the mind of the Minister is that of an inference that he and his colleagues have made statements irresponsible of proof, and the Minister challenges the weight of the inference. "Without presuming to know everything that some of my colleagues may have said, I think that I have probably made as strong statements as any of them," stoutly emphasized Mr. Oliver. "And I have stated that the Railway Company has received six or seven millions more than they were entitled to receive under their contract with the Government, and that statement has been proven to be true. Price Waterhouse & Co. found the overpayment to be \$5,794,316."

Welch's Own Figures.

In support of his argument the Minister refers to the statement of Patrick Welch, placed in evidence by himself, showing the total receipts as \$18,475,630.42 with total payments as \$13,387,738.65, leaving a profit of \$5,117,891.77, while Mr. Welch's auditor's report showed a balance of \$1,647,563.02 still owing to him. Mr. Oliver further went on to say that the contractor's offer of a settlement, in addition to the \$500,000 referred to, mentioned other considerations to which the contractors attached a value amounting to \$4,155,456. There is no reference to add four millions of the Company's valuation in the newspaper comment under review by the Minister.

Government Justified.

"Without committing myself to placing an estimate on the real value of the other considerations—sundry equipment, etc.—I think that the fact that the contractors make such an offer for settlement, sooner than face a court decision, is ample justification for the position taken by the Government so far. I do not forget, however," continued Mr. Oliver, "and the public should not forget that the P. G. E. deal has received certain newspaper support since its inception, and that the newspapers in my mind have failed to give this Government any assistance in its efforts to salvage something from the wreck for the benefit of the province. The public should also know, if they do not already, that one Vancouver paper is reputed to be controlled by those directly interested in procuring a settlement favorable to the contractors involved."

Must Be Settled Right.

The Minister assured the people of the province that the Government realizes the advisability of settling this troublesome question as quickly as possible. He, however, suggests that it is necessary to bear in mind that no question is settled until it is decided right.

In connection with the situation at Squamish, to which reference is made elsewhere, the Minister has received a telegram this afternoon from the secretary of the Vancouver Board of Trade, asking that pending a settlement with the contractors, everything be done to keep the line in operation. Mr. Oliver has replied that he is asking Manager Sperry to give him a full report on the situation.

In a wire received by the Minister later, Manager Sperry says that it is impossible to operate the line on account of rock slides and that he will refund the cost of transportation paid by the five passengers stranded at Squamish. Secretary Blair, of the Vancouver Board of Trade, suggested that the line had closed down. This phase of the situation is evaded by Mr. Sperry.

Public School Magazine.—The second number of the Public School Magazine, just out, teems with bright little articles of much interest to the general public as well as the scholars. A splendid article, by Don A. Fraser, entitled "Animals That Help" is illustrated with a series of photographs of Victoria's famous animal collectors. In addition, there are several instructive articles dealing with "Things to Make" book-binding, and especially for girls—a war-time cookery page. Altogether the magazine, in a new little publication which deserves every encouragement.

DAVID WHITESIDE IS FAVORITE FOR DEPUTY
 John Keen's Successor Will Be Named Shortly, Chief Whip, Too

Although no official statement is as yet forthcoming there seems to be a fairly general opinion that David Whiteside, member for New Westminster, will be chosen for the position of Deputy Speaker when the House re-assembles on February 26.

It will be recalled that Mr. Whiteside, who, by the way, is a lawyer by profession, was one of the three members of the House of Commons appointed as a Royal Commission to go to England in connection with the scandal surrounding the taking of the soldiers' votes on the Prohibition Referendum. He was chairman of that Commission, and his memorable speech on the floor of the House, in support of the report submitted, will be long remembered by the crowds of interested spectators who thronged the galleries on the day in question.

There is still some doubt as to whom the honor of Chief Whip will fall. The position naturally possesses some advantages in that its incumbent is usually au fait with everything that is going on. At the same time a good deal of work attaches to the role.

Fredek W. Anderson, member for Kamloops, who succeeded the Hon. John Hart on the latter's elevation to a portfolio, is generally mentioned as the permanent successor to the post.

PROVINCIAL SCHEME HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL
 Education in Hog Raising Warmly Received; Good Results Assured

One of the features of the annual meeting of the British Columbia Stockbreeders' Association, which convenes at the Empress Hotel on Tuesday next, will be a report on the success which has attended the provincial hog-raising campaign. That is to say, G. S. Harris, who has just completed his tour of the Lower Mainland, will tell something of his unique mission and the encouragement he has received on all hands.

Opportunity will be taken by Mr. Harris to deal with the more salient factors in the scheme, already detailed in these columns, so that the farmers present may also know what the Government is doing at the request of the Federal authorities in this connection.

Mr. Harris will commence a further tour as soon as the annual meetings of the Stockbreeders and United Farmers are concluded, visiting all rural communities on the main line of the C. P. R.

As well as treating the subject on the broad issue of increased production, Mr. Harris includes in his process of enlightenment suggestions for the growth of forage crops as a means towards cutting down the expense of feed. Stimulation of sales also comes within his purview by placing farmers in touch with each other, with a general consolidation of interest as the result.

Soldiers Returning.—The following returned men reached the city this afternoon by the boat from Vancouver: Ptes. McNamara, Martin, Hall, Hansen, Carahale and Milner-Jones.

BRIG. GEN. HELMER ON OFFICIAL VISIT

Director-General of Musketry Says New Men Are a Revelation

Brig. Gen. R. A. Helmer, Director-General of Musketry and acting Director of Training, arrived in the city this morning from Vancouver, which city he reached on Thursday to inspect the training arrangements at Hastings Park, following similar duties carried out by him at Calgary and other points since leaving Ottawa.

Speaking of the calibre of the new men received at the training camps throughout the country, he has recently visited, General Helmer stated the new men "were wonderful, and indeed a revelation."

"I cannot say too much to their credit, for they deserve it," he said. "They are men any officer might be proud to command under any conditions, and indications are that they will measure up to the best men who have gone overseas."

Conditions Very Good. From the keen, cheerful and able way the new men are settling down to their work, General Helmer was apparently convinced many of them had evidently been eager to join up before, but, through family ties and the wishes and needs of employers, had previously delayed doing so.

This is not the first or the second official visit of General Helmer to the city, as he was here in January and in April last year. He is visiting the different districts in the West and on the coast to discuss matters in connection with training, ability of the instructors and organization generally. He is a member of the Small Arms Committee, and was commandant of the Canadian School of Musketry, Ottawa.

RED CROSS WORK

Oak Bay Branch. A meeting of the committee of the Oak Bay Branch was held at the Municipal Hall on Friday evening, February 15, at 8.15, with P. F. Curtis, president, in the chair.

Table with financial records: Receipts, Expenditure, Balance in hand, etc.

MILITARY ORDERS

The following Military Orders are issued by Major-Gen. R. G. Edwards Leckie, C.M.G., G.O.C.:

- Transfers. The following transfers are authorized: From Forestry Depot, C.E.F., to 1st Depot Batt., B.C.R., C.E.F.—Pte. I. H. Bingham, Pte. P. M. Cole, Q.M.S. D. C. Atkins, Act. Sgt. J. W. Daulton, Act. Sgt. J. H. Gould, Sgt. R. J. Grant, Sgt. G. Jarrett, Sgt. W. Mudge, Pte. J. Threlfall, Pte. C. Tomlinson.

CERTIFICATES

The following infantry certificates are granted: For the rank of sergeant—Pte. J. B. Black, 1st Depot Batt., B.C. Regt.; Pte. N. H. Morris, 1st Depot Batt., B.C. Regt.; Pte. B. Gould, 2nd Depot Batt., B.C. Regt.; Sgt. C. N. Filmon.

LOCAL NEWS

Victoria Unionist Association.—The meeting of members, to receive the report on the constitution and other business outlined at the preliminary meeting, will be held on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the Alexandra Hall.

Sanich Works Committee.—It is hoped to complete consideration of the estimates at the meeting of the Works Committee of the Sanich Council in progress this afternoon, and also to clear up the arrears of work which have collected in the past few weeks.

BEACHCOMBING

Impending Prosecutions Will Impress Necessity of Leaving Logs Alone.

An important case to beachcombers will shortly come up in the City Police Court, proceedings being taken under the section of the code which deals with the wrongful detention of marked logs en route to a sawmill.

PUBLIC MARKET

At the City Market this morning there was a large demand for local produce, with the result that some of the stallholders cleared out their stocks in the morning. Eggs were in good demand at 50c a dozen. The following were average prices: Fruit—Apples, eight, ten and twelve pounds, 25c; apples, per box, from \$1.25.

CITY CHURCH SERVICES

ANGLICAN. CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—Holy communion, 8 and 10 a.m.; matins, 10 a.m.; prayer, 11 a.m.; Sunday School and Confirmation classes, 7.30 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

FIRST SPIRITUAL CHURCH meets in St. John's Hall, Herald Street, 3 p.m. Mrs. Hest, 129 p.m., F. E. Plummer, psychic messages.

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ASKS GRANT TO AID PREVENTIVE WORK

Social Service Commission Doing Useful Work in Protecting Young Women

After hearing a deputation from the Social Service Commission the aldermen in Civic Streets Committee yesterday decided to recommend to the Estimates Committee a vote of \$150 to help the organization in its preventive work among girls.

The case was put by the Rev. H. T. Archbold, others accompanying him being Revs. A. de B. Owen and A. S. Colwell. Rev. H. S. Osborne introduced the deputation.

A statement based on a report which he handed to the committee was made briefly by Mr. Archbold. The organization held it to be essential that facilities should be provided for keeping a permanent and continuous record of cases and suitable central quarters for their social workers, Miss Wark.

Rev. A. de B. Owen appealed for support on the ground that the organization was not only humanitarian in helping the girls, but was giving practical assistance to the city and saving money to it in the long run by reclaiming cases which otherwise would become police charges.

Alderman Peden, as Chairman of the Health and Morals Committee, strongly supported the City grant to the organization, which was now growing beyond the lines of a church preventative body.

The Report

In part the report said: "The work carried on is constructive and valuable. It involves the welfare of children, girls who are in danger of falling, or who have fallen, and also the well-being of whole families. The need of such work in our city is clearly proved by the statistics given here-with; indeed, the need is so great and so pressing that the board must always exert considerable self-restraint to keep its work within the bounds of its ability to give efficient help.

"Juvenile problems have occupied much of the workers' time. In dealing with cases of neglected and incorrigible children, every effort is made to preserve the integrity of the home by improving conditions or by giving a helping hand. But in cases when this is impossible recourse has been had to the Children's Aid and the Industrial School.

"The problems arising from the work among girls are many, varied, and often complicated. Each case presents its own peculiar difficulties and must be dealt with separately, according to its individual requirements. Many young girls, usually under twenty years of age, have been shielded and protected of help out of difficulties into which their ignorance and foolishness have brought them. Lonely and hardworking girls, whose life was drear and homeless, have been introduced to healthy companionship and wholesome recreation.

Possible Danger

"It is not sufficiently realized yet how large a problem is presented to us by these girls and how easy it is for them to make grievous mistakes which may lead to disastrous results. If Miss Wark had done nothing else than help large numbers of these girls, her work would have been more than justified.

"Then there are the different cases of girls who are witful and uncontrolled or who came from undesirable homes."

Two hundred and eighteen cases, ninety-eight of them new ones, were dealt with during last year and sixty police court sittings were attended to. "What is needed," says the report, "is an institution under the Provincial Government of such a kind as may meet all the requirements of the mental deficiencies as follows: Proper methods and facilities for their education, proper methods and facilities for vocational training and care and oversight of those older cases which are now a problem on our hands."

GARBAGE CANS

Residents Will Have to Hire Them in Future Collections in Business District.

The aldermen in Civic Streets Committee yesterday afternoon decided in future to impose a charge of \$2 per can for the first can issued, and the second and subsequent cans \$2 each, such charges to become immediately operative when new cans are in demand for garbage disposal.

Alderman Andrews strongly supported the proposal, saying that the majority of cities make the full charge for the can, which is now in Victoria \$2.75 per can. Alderman Walker foresaw there was trouble brewing when the cans now in use came to be replaced, as it would be difficult to decide when the can was worn out.

Alderman Sargent pointed out that the system having been inaugurated with free cans, it might entail some expense and disappointment to people in making the change now.

To Be More Careful. Alderman Dinale observed that the householders would take more care of the cans in future than had been the experience in the past.

Alderman Porter said the present system was adopted at a time when cans were cheap. Conditions were now greatly changed.

Alderman Peden asked some questions with regard to the supply of cans to apartment houses. Alderman Harvey pointed out that often different cans were returned to those collected, and the householders should have some assurance that their cans would be returned.

Alderman Andrews observed that the estimates provided for \$5,000, but the vote had been cut down to \$3,000 in the

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Business District.

Proposed abolition of the charge of eight cents per can for collection of cans in the business district, at a cost of about \$2,000 was next debated. It was proposed to drop the amount collected, about \$11,700 per annum, on the ground that discrimination between the residential and business districts now existed. Formerly private scavengers did the work in the centre of the city.

Mayor Todd said the conditions in the city were such that not only would they have to charge for garbage collection service, but for all direct services rendered by the city, in order to raise revenue. He reviewed the circumstances under which the present district collections were made. The area being charged for should, in his opinion, be extended to cover the whole of the business district.

The aldermen considered that the best course would be to have the recommendation referred back to the Engineer for a report, enlarging the collection area in which a charge will be made.

ADVOCATES SUNDAY WORK ON VACANT LOTS

Committee of Board of Trade Discusses Increased Production

Members of the Board of Trade's Agricultural Committee, with Prof. W. T. McDonald, Provincial Live Stock Commissioner, presiding, yesterday afternoon discussed the matter of increased food production in the City and district, and in connection with his suggestion that the committee should ask the local clergy to adjourn Sunday morning services and, instead, encourage their parishioners to cultivate the land. Alfred Carmichael mentioned that Dr. Winnington Ingram, Bishop of London, approved and advocated congregations' absence from church on such occasions, so long as they were engaged in farm work in the war-time interests of the country.

"There are," commented Mr. Carmichael, "just as good spiritual lessons to be learned from weeding and hoeing crops in this time of war as there are in listening to sermons on Sunday morning," and he suggested vacant lots should be agriculturally cultivated on the day of rest, outward profession of religion, in the way of the Lord's Day Act and church and chapel-going to the contrary notwithstanding.

Eat Less Meat

In reference to the statement made by H. B. Thomson, chairman of the Food Board, that the Dominion had reached the position where the meat supply of the troops was endangered, and that it was the imperative duty of every man, woman and child in Canada to abstain from meat as far as possible, Mr. Carmichael related his own successful personal experience in the city, with a cow, some hares and a few chickens. Similar personal food production could, he stated, reduce family meat bills by many hundreds per cent.

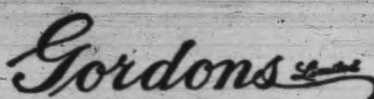
The committee, which considered that the adoption of the plan could not do otherwise than effect a great and needed reduction in fish prices, also briefly discussed the question of urging the City Council to follow the lead of Seattle and establish a municipal fish market in the City.

WAGERS.

A soldier boy from Clay County, now in training, wrote a letter to his sweetheart, and on the flap of the envelope, he wrote these words: "I'll bet, kiss you don't find this."

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