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MORE GROUND TAKEN FROM GERMANS IN CHAMPAGNE DISTRICT

Capture of Wood North of Perthes Followed by Further Advance; Trench Taken From Enemy Between the Argonne and the Meuse; Germans Suffer Heavily in Attack in Alsace.

Paris, Feb. 22.—The official statement given out to-day by the French war office says:

"There is nothing important to add to the official communication issued last night.

"Between the Argonne and the Meuse, at the outskirts of the wood of Cheppy, we carried one of the enemy's trenches and extended our positions.

"At Les Eparges we won some ground at one point and fell back slightly at another.

"Infantry fighting in which the enemy had three regiments engaged occurred in Alsace, on both banks of the Fecht. Our advance posts fell back on our main line, which we are strongly occupying. The enemy attacked in serried deep formations and as a result he suffered losses."

Paris, Feb. 22.—The following official communication was issued by the war office last night:

"There has been intermittent cannonading from the sea to the Aisne, with a very effective fire by our artillery.

"In the Champagne region a counter-attack by the enemy, which was brilliantly repulsed, was followed by a vigorous pursuit which made us masters of the whole of the German position to the north and east of the wood captured by us yesterday.

"On the rest of the front two other counter attacks were repulsed, and we made fresh progress, particularly to the north of Les Menils. We captured two machine guns and 100 prisoners.

"The enemy delivered his seventh counter attack at Les Eparges, with a view to recovering the positions gained by us during the last two days. It failed as completely as its predecessors."

"The war office yesterday afternoon gave out the following statement:

"In Belgium there was more infantry action. Near Ypres we took a portion of some trenches which the enemy had occupied temporarily. It is contended that the Germans left several hundred men on the field. Our losses were slight.

AUSTRIANS FIRE ON ITALIAN FISH BOATS

Torpedo Boats Disregard Flag of Italy on Craft at Antivari

Bari, Italy, Feb. 22.—The fishing boat Geu arrived yesterday from Antivari, Montenegro, and the members of her crew said that the Geu and the fishing boat Saturno, when flying the Italian flag, had been fired upon by two Austrian torpedo boats. This report has caused great excitement in Rome.

Members of the crew of the Geu said that the vessel was anchored near Antivari, with the Saturno, when the torpedo boats appeared. The captains of the fishing vessels ordered the crews of the fishing vessels to land. At the same time the fishing vessels hoisted the Italian flag.

The Austrians, according to this report, fired on the crews and then on the vessels, while Austrian aeroplanes dropped bombs.

No one on either vessel was injured, but the Saturno was damaged so badly that she was unable to sail home.

LIEUT. BELL-IRVING WAS KILLED IN ACTION

Mother and Sisters of Dead Officer Live on Denman Island; Well Known on Coast.

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—The name of Lieut. K. Bell-Irving appears in the latest casualty list of officers issued by the British war office as among those killed. No particulars are given, but it is assumed that he fell in action at the front in France, where he was fighting with the East Surrey regiment.

Lieut. K. Bell-Irving, who held a commission in the British army in India, previous to the outbreak of the war, left with his regiment for France soon after the declaration of hostilities. His mother and sisters live on Denman Island, and he had often visited this city, although he had never been a resident here. He was a son of William Bell-Irving, who has extensive interests in British Columbia, and a nephew of Dr. Bell-Irving, H. O. Bell-Irving and other members of the same family resident in Vancouver. He was 23 years of age.

AMERICAN SHIP SANK AFTER STRIKING MINE

Evelyn Was on Way to Bremen With Cotton; One Man Perished

MET WITH DISASTER OFF BORKUM ISLAND

Secretary Daniels Orders the Naval Attache at Berlin to Investigate

Berlin, Feb. 22.—The American steamer Evelyn, which sailed from New York on January 23 with a cargo of cotton for Bremen, struck a mine off Borkum Island, in the North Sea, on Saturday. The vessel sank. Her captain and 27 of her crew were saved. It has not been learned of what nationality was the mine which destroyed the Evelyn.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Secretary Bryan announced the receipt of a telegram last night from the American consul at Bremen, reporting the loss of the American steamer Evelyn. The cause was not stated. The crew was saved.

American Consul Fee's telegram as given out by the state department, was as follows:

"Steamer Evelyn, Captain Smith, agents Bull & Company, New York, blown up early Friday at Borkum; crew saved; ship and cargo lost."

Secretary Bryan requested the American consul's telegram immediately to Ambassador Page, at London, and Ambassador Gerard, at Berlin.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The sinking of the American steamer Evelyn off the German coast, presumably by a mine, although the crew was saved, brought vividly before official Washington the dangers to which American vessels are exposed in the waters adjacent to the belligerent coasts of Europe.

The American note to Germany, warning that country against attacks on American vessels in the war zone, applied only to submarines. Since the outbreak of the war the North Sea has been mined by both Germany and Great Britain, and an added warning was given to neutral commerce by the German reply to the American note last week, which announced that mines would be strewn in the waters surrounding Great Britain and Ireland and in the English channel.

Hitherto, in the notification of areas mined, pilots have been offered for neutral vessels. Whether the Evelyn had an opportunity to obtain a pilot or whether she struck a mine with a pilot aboard were questions on which officials expected to receive definite information to-morrow from Ambassadors Page at London and Gerard at Berlin, to both of whom the state department directed inquiries. The only message before the department early to-day was from American Consul Fee at Bremen.

The prevailing opinion in administration circles to-day was the United States would stand firmly on its warnings to Great Britain and Germany, respectively, concerning the misuse of neutral flags and possible attacks on American vessels or lives by submarines. This policy was regarded as significant of a possible critical turn of affairs, should any violations of the warning ensue.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Secretary Daniels' to-day ordered Commander Walter R. Ghafari, American naval attache at Berlin, to investigate and make a full report on the destruction of the American steamer Evelyn.

Berlin, Feb. 22.—Further reports concerning the sinking of the American steamer Evelyn yesterday off Borkum Island in the North Sea, show that only one man of the crew lost his life. This man was frozen to death in a small boat after the sinking of the steamer.

The Evelyn struck two mines, but the crew had time to get into the lifeboats. Some of the vessel's crew were taken by a German ship to Heligoland, while the others were landed in Holland.

GOVERNMENT MAY ALTER ITS RULING ON COTTON

London, Feb. 22.—The British government may reconsider its ruling permitting the entrance of cotton into Germany. This was intimated in the House of Commons this afternoon by Harold J. Tennant, under secretary of war.

Mr. Tennant stated that when the decision was reached not to make cotton contraband, the government believed that the requirements of Germany were already satisfied, but he added, "this attitude must be revised from time to time."

ALLEGED THAT BRITISH TROOPSHIP WAS SUNK

Berlin, Feb. 21.—The report of the sinking of a British transport with troops, and the accompanying steamer, reached Berlin too late for comment by the morning paper.

CAPTURE HEIGHTS IN THE CARPATHIANS

Russians Take Positions to Southeast of Dukla and Northwest of Senatchow

DESPERATE STRUGGLE BEFORE VICTORY COMES

Czar's Forces and Turks Are in Touch in Trans-Tohoruk Country

Petrograd, Feb. 22.—Capture of heights southeast of Dukla and northwest of Senatchow, after a desperate struggle, is described in an official communication on the progress of operations, issued here last night. The statement follows:

"During the past two days we have made prisoners of about 1,000 Germans. In Galicia on February 19 and 20, after an extremely vigorous preparatory bombardment, the enemy made an offensive movement north of Zakliczyn but was repulsed after three attacks. The fighting between Meso Laborca and the Upper San rivers continues, consisting of alternate offensive and defensive actions.

"Fresh attacks by the Germans upon the heights of Myto Kozioruka and in the region of Neurozanka all have been repulsed.

"After a desperate struggle our troops captured heights southeast of Dukla and northwest of Senatchow.

"In south Galicia the enemy has occupied Stanislaw."

Petrograd, Feb. 22.—Headquarters of the army of the Caucasus, in an official communication issued last night, says:

"During the day just passed there have been collisions between the Russian and Turkish troops in the Trans-Tohoruk country."

BRITISH SHIPS MOVE FREELY AUSTRALIAN BOAT ESCAPES

London, Feb. 22.—Germany's submarine blockade continues to be the chief topic of interest in the United Kingdom, although British shipping apparently is moving with its usual freedom. The Scandinavian neutrals, however, are showing much alarm over the situation, a great sensation having been caused in those countries by the torpedoing of the Norwegian steamer Beldringe off Folkestone last week.

Representatives of the Scandinavian governments are holding another conference to-day, the outcome of which is awaited with much interest by neutral shippers.

The question of a naval convoy, it is understood, is being considered seriously at the conference, but the guarded comments of the newspapers show that it is clearly recognized that such a step might lead to war.

The question of the rights of the crews of five Danish ships to refuse to sail for British ports is now before a court, which is considering their request that Germany is not likely to respect a neutral flag.

Following precedent, which seems to have made Sunday a popular day for such raids, a lone German aeroplane flew over several east coast towns last night, dropping bombs which did little slight material damage and caused little alarm.

No Deaths Resulted From Visit of German Aeroplane to England

London, Feb. 22.—A Braintree dispatch to the press association says that at about 8.30 o'clock last night a hostile aeroplane dropped missiles, supposed to be incendiary bombs, on the fields close to Braintree, but that did no damage. At 8.40 o'clock an aeroplane passed over Colchester, which lies about fifty miles northeast of London. It dropped a bomb which buried itself in a garden, where it exploded, doing damage to the rear of a house and smashing the windows of other houses. No one was hurt.

The aeroplane also dropped bombs at Marks Territory, fifteen miles west of Colchester, and near Coggeshall, but no serious damage resulted. The machine was last reported as making off to sea.

RUSSIA'S TREASURY BILLS.

London, Feb. 22.—An imperial ukase, according to a Petrograd dispatch to Reuter's, orders the issuance of two new series of five per cent treasury bills.

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GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS. LIEUT.-GEN. VON WROCHEN DIES AT GERMAN CAPITAL

Amsterdam, Feb. 22.—A dispatch from Berlin to the Amsterdam Telegraaf says that Lieut.-General von Wrochen, commander of a German army division, who recently was awarded the Iron Cross, is dead at the German capital.

According to the same telegram, Lieut. Count von Bassewitz-Levitow, a son of the premier of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, and brother-in-law of Prince Oscar, fifth son of Emperor William, has been killed in the eastern theatre of the war.

FOUGHT STUBBORNLY DURING RETIREMENT FROM EAST PRUSSIA

Russian Forces Overcame Tremendous Difficulties and Inflicted Severe Losses on Germans, Says Official Statement; Lack of Railway Facilities Made it Impossible for the Russians to Concentrate Rapidly Forces of Sufficient Size to Meet German Rush.

Petrograd, Feb. 22.—Explanation of the Russian retirement from East Prussia is contained in a communication given out last night by the general staff. Success of the German coup is attributed largely to the lack of strategic railways which prevented the Russians from concentrating "with necessary rapidity on our Eastern Prussian front, forces indispensable to ward off the drive of the enemy."

The general staff asserts that the massing of German troops in East Prussia was revealed to the Russians on February 4, but that the magnitude of the concentration did not become known until several days later. Because of these conditions, it is stated, withdrawal of the tenth Russian army from East Prussia toward the frontier was decided upon. This was followed later by a further retirement toward the Niemen and the Bobv rivers.

The communication follows:

"The Germans, after a series of exceptionally obstinate and tenacious attacks which cost them innumerable victims, became persuaded of the impossibility of dislodging us from the left bank of the Vistula and proceeded at the end of January to put a new plan into operation.

"Having finished the formation in the interior of their country of several new corps and deciding to continue the transportation of troops from their west front in order to make a supreme effort against us, profiting by their network of railroads, the Germans were able to launch an overwhelming force against our tenth army, which occupied strongly organized positions along the Angerapp river and the Masurian lakes.

"To assure the success of this coup, the Germans transported also part of their contingents from the fronts on the Rawka, the Baura and the right bank of the Vistula. This gathering of Germans in East Prussia was revealed to us on February 4, but the magnitude of the concentration was not determined until several days later.

"Not being able, through lack of rail-road facilities, to concentrate on our East Prussian front with the necessary rapidity forces indispensable to ward off this drive of the enemy, our chiefs decided to withdraw the above-mentioned army from East Prussia toward the frontier, and further retirement toward the Niemen and Bobv has followed.

"In these movements the right wing of the concentration was not great numbers of the enemy and threatened with being surrounded on the right flank, was compelled to make a very sharp turning movement in the direction of Kovno. This manoeuvre exposed the flank of the corps, following which, owing to this fact, found itself in an extremely dangerous position and only broken and disorganized portions succeeded in escaping from this district. Other corps of the tenth army, fighting continuously and stubbornly, slowly retreated in the direction marked out for them by their commanders.

On taking up these positions, the Russian troops bravely repulsed the attacking enemy, inflicting upon him severe losses, and overcoming incredible difficulties caused by the deep snow which covered all the roads. The roads being impassable, automobiles were not able to run and trains were delayed, frequently not reaching their destination.

"Retreating slowly, step by step, one corps, forming the left wing of the tenth army, held the enemy for nine days on lines which are ordinarily traversed in four days.

"On February 19 these corps fell back through Augustowo, retired from the battle at Spohc and assumed the fortified positions indicated for them.

"At the present moment actions on the German front continue before Oasowetz, on the roads from Lomza to Edwabno, and north of Kadzidly, on the road between Plotak and Pionak.

"In some places the fighting is very stubborn.

"On the right of the Vistula, on the roads from Plotak, Austrian detachments have been relieved by German troops."

WOULD DEAL WITH ALL IN ONE BILL

Measure Proposed to Make Handling of Railways' Applications More Brief

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—In order to facilitate the passage of railway legislation, Hon. C. J. Doherty proposes to introduce a bill to amend the House of Commons Act.

The proposed change will make it possible for the government to introduce a general railway bill giving an extension of time of one year to complete all unfinished lines. This will do away with the necessity of dealing with the numerous bills seeking extension of time owing to the practical impossibility of securing the capital with which to proceed with construction. There would not be any disposition on the part of the committee to refuse applications for extensions of charters, and hence the decision to dispose of them all until after the war with one general piece of legislation.

With the bulk of the private bills disposed of, the committee, if the session is a short one, will have some time to deal with the bills of general importance which have been referred to it, notably J. E. Armstrong's bill to place steamship companies under the control of the railway board, and W. F. Maclean's bill to put the capitalization of railways under that body.

The manufacturers and buyers of tobacco, responding to a request made of them by Hon. W. T. White, minister of finance, will be here to-morrow to answer to the charge that a combine exists in the tobacco trade. The accusation was made last week when a large deputation of tobacco growers came to Ottawa to ask for increased protection.

SWISS SOLDIERS BRING GERMAN AEROPLANE DOWN

Berne, Feb. 22.—Swiss soldiers opened fire yesterday on an aeroplane, said to have been German, which flew over Bonfal. The machine was struck by nine bullets and the pilot was forced to descend at Farrette, after hovering over the positions at Rechesy.

SUBMARINE SINKS A COASTING STEAMER

Germans Gave Crew of British Ship Downshire, in Irish Sea, Five Minutes to Leave

London, Feb. 22.—The small Irish coasting steamer Downshire was sunk on Saturday night by a German submarine off Calf of Man, an island in the Irish Sea. The Germans gave the crew five minutes in which to leave their ship. The crew landed last night at Dundrum, County Down, Ireland.

The submarine which sank the Downshire was the U-12. The Germans fired three shots at the steamer before her captain dove to. After the crew of the Downshire had taken to the boats, the German placed a bomb amidships and exploded it, and the Downshire sank in a few minutes.

The German submarine U-12 is of the class built in 1910-11. She is of 250 tons displacement and has a maximum cruising radius of 1,200 miles. The vessel has a complement of twelve men. Her armament includes three 18-inch torpedo tubes and two one-pounder high-angle guns. She has a speed of 13 knots above water and eight knots submerged.

FEWER TRAINS.

Rome, Feb. 22.—To conserve the coal supply, the management of the state railway systems has decided to decrease the number of passenger trains operating, beginning February 25.

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SUGGESTS NEUTRALITY OF ITALY BE BOUGHT

Frankfurter Zeitung Urges That Territorial Concessions Be Made by Austria

London, Feb. 22.—The Frankfurter Zeitung in a leading article suggests that Austria make territorial concessions to insure the latter's neutrality, according to the Amsterdam correspondent of Reuters. The paper is quoted as saying: "It is not conceivable that the correction of the frontier should be in any way prejudicial to the position of Austria-Hungary as a great power, seeing that she has recently so brilliantly displayed her strength against mighty Russia."

"The article suggests the holding of a conference by Germany, Austria and Italy to discuss their grievances. A dispatch from Geneva via Paris says: 'Austria will follow Germany's lead in its treatment of neutral shipping in the Adriatic, although possessing few submarines, says a dispatch from Innsbruck.' It is reported that Emperor William of Germany and Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary, with their staffs, soon will hold a conference at some town near the frontier between the two countries. The rulers have not met since the war began.

Venice, Feb. 22.—The appeal issued to farmers on Thursday by the Austrian minister of agriculture, in which he urged them not to leave a single plot of ground anywhere uncultivated, has been followed by a peremptory decree by the Austrian government ordering landowners to sow immediately, local authorities are empowered by the decree to provide labor for this work and to recover from the sale of crops the expenditures incurred. Failure to comply with the edict is punishable by heavy fines or imprisonment.

MISSIONARY DEAD.
Prince Rupert, Feb. 22.—Rev. R. N. Gurd, for thirty years Anglican missionary in northern British Columbia, is dead at Methakata.
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WEPT AS THEY SAW THEIR SHIP GO DOWN

Captain and Crew of Ville de Lille Took to Boats; Towed by German Submarine

Charbourg, Feb. 22.—The story of the sinking of the French steamer Ville de Lille, by a German submarine off the Barleur lightship, east of Charbourg, last Tuesday, was told by the boatswain of the vessel. "The submarine which sunk their vessel, he said, was the U-16, which pursued the Ville de Lille some distance and manoeuvred in such a way as to prevent her escape. Then the German hoisted the signal, 'Stop or we fire on you,' after which the steamer stopped and the submarine came alongside.

"I will give you ten minutes to leave the ship," said the German commander, according to the boatswain's story. The crew complied with the order and took to the boats, pulling toward Barleur. "Meantime two men from the submarine went aboard the steamer and placed two bombs, one in the captain's room and the other in the forecastle. Ten minutes later there were two explosions and the ship began to sink stern first. The captain and crew went as they saw their ship go down.

After the bombs had been placed aboard the vessel, the submarine stopped a Dutch ship, which was allowed to proceed after the Germans had satisfied themselves there was no contraband aboard. The submarine then returned to the Ville de Lille's boat when it was seen what desperate efforts the sailors were making to row to the coast, and took them in tow until Barleur was in sight.

The captain of the steamer did not have time to dress fully before he left his ship and injured his chin in climbing into the boat. The German commander, observing the captain's injury, took him aboard the submarine and gave him first aid treatment. The Germans also supplied the master of the steamer with a fine pair of seaboots, as he had been compelled to leave his own behind.

SUBMARINE COMMANDER CONVERSED WITH CREW

Told Men of Downshire, Which He Had Sunk, That He Was Not Seeking Fishing Boats

London, Feb. 22.—The chief engineer of the Downshire, small Irish coasting steamer sunk on Saturday night by the German submarine U-12 off Calf of Man, an island in the Irish Sea, gave the following account of the sinking of the vessel: "The submarine was sighted two miles away by the lookout and the captain thereupon ordered me to push my engines all it was possible. He steered a zigzag course, but the pursuer had superior speed and overhauled us in a short time and fired three shots. The aim was good and we stopped immediately.

"The submarine drew up, fully above the surface of the water, a hundred feet away. Its captain hailed us in good English and told us to get into our boats with haste. "Then the waste steam began to blow out of our exhaust pipe. The German captain got excited at this, thinking we were trying to signal for help, and ordered us to shut off the steam, saying that otherwise he would open fire.

"I counted nineteen men on the submarine's deck. When our boats came alongside the submarine we waited there while five German sailors boarded one of our lifeboats carrying a bomb, which was in a hollow brass canister about eight inches long and four inches wide. This they placed in the water under the side of the boat amidship. The canister floated nicely, and the German lighted a fuse and rowed back toward the submarine.

"Suddenly there was an explosion. In the dark it seemed to have done little damage, but three minutes later the ship began to settle and then went down head first.

"Before the submarine departed we talked with the captain who was most affable. "Why do you trouble about a little boat like ours? we asked him. "Why do you make war on us? he responded. "Why don't you tackle those fishing boats? we asked, indicating trawlers just visible on the horizon. "We don't interfere with fishing boats; it is commercial craft we are seeking," said the German captain.

GOEBEN HAS LOST MANY MEN; HER SPEED IS LESS

London, Feb. 21.—The Morning Post publishes the following Constantinople message: "Turkish warships are coming to port minus funnels and with canvas over their damaged sides. The Goeben has three guns out of action, and since the beginning of the war she has lost about 200 men, killed and wounded. Her speed is now only about seventeen knots and she rarely goes out. "There is bubonic plague in the Caucasus. There is no bread and no other provisions. Enver Bey has returned to form a new army, the old one being all cut up. There are no modern rifles for reserves, only a few Martinis."

TURKEY WANTS CHANCE TO WORK OUT DESTINY

Grand Vizier Endeavors to Explain Why She Went to War

Constantinople, Feb. 22.—Prince Said Salim, the grand vizier of Turkey, in the first interview he has ever given, has outlined to the Associated Press Turkey's reasons for entering the war. "We have rejected the Triple Entente's offer to guarantee Turkey's integrity for thirty years," said the grand vizier, "because acceptance would have been detrimental to Turkey's sovereignty. Turkey's experience with the promises made by the countries forming the Triple Entente, Great Britain, France and Russia, has not been favorable to the promotion of confidence.

"Turkey knew that to enter into relations with Great Britain, France and Russia would have been a harmful factor in respect to the country's interests. Russia, moreover, is our hereditary enemy, from whom we could not expect lasting effects of a change of heart. Had the past actions of these powers been different, the page of history which is now being written might have read differently.

"We are tired of the hypocrisy actuating the powers of the Triple Entente when dealing with Turkey, so we did what provocation forced us to do—went to war. "Turkey was made the object of many falsehoods by the Entente. Now the allies assert that the government lacks the support of the people. Could we make such a good military showing, after the recent war and other troubles, if the government had not obtained the hearty co-operation of all Ottomans?"

"The fact is, the present war shows Turkey even more united than we had expected. The assertions that we would be unable ever to force the many racial elements into a strong whole have been completely refuted. That Turkey is capable of developing the highest form of national solidarity is a demonstrated fact.

"The Turkish people want a chance to work out their destiny. Only a start six years ago was good. Much has been accomplished already everywhere in material and intellectual progress. We have initiated many measures promoting the well-being of the people in Constantinople. To-day we have electric traction, telephones, street lights, good police, clean, well paved streets, public schools, and a university admitting women. Public health has been conserved; vice has been curbed.

"I realize that there is much to do, but the world should not forget that our means are limited and that we have heretofore been much hampered by the captulations. "We are not a barbaric people, not savage, not black, not brown, not yellow, but white, with every right of the other white races, a people willing to invest its wealth and blood in the opportunity to make good, as Americans say.

"Turkey has been misrepresented and misunderstood; hence she is lacking the sympathy to which she is entitled. Heretofore we were the pawn in Europe's politics and our interests were wholly unconsidered. We were tired of this and now are fighting for the chance to have Turkey exist for the sake of Turkey.

"The claim that Turkey is bound to pass under the sway of Germany is absurd. Have Austria-Hungary and Italy passed under the sway of their powerful ally in the alliance? "The matter of foreign schools is simple enough. We propose to give these institutions the status enjoyed by them in the United States, the management continuing to be independent.

"The time has come when Turkey is anxious to extend to all within her borders the protection and guarantees given by other governments. Apprehension in that respect would be equivalent to denial of all we have accomplished in the past six years. Our critics overlook the obstacles which have been met with success by the strong, rejuvenated Turkey."

SERBIAN GUNS DID DAMAGE IN SEMLIN

Paris, Feb. 22.—A telegram from Nish, Serbia, to the Havas agency, says that severe damage was inflicted during the recent fighting near Belgrade. The town of Semlin, across the river from Belgrade, was damaged badly by Serbian artillery during an attack on an Austrian monitor. The monument erected in Semlin to Hunyadi, the famous Hungarian military leader, which was being used by the Austrians as an observation tower, was damaged. Several houses were burned.

MANY WERE WOUNDED AT MEETING IN ROME

Rome, Feb. 22.—A general fight in which many persons were wounded occurred yesterday at a meeting called by the parties favorable to Italy remaining neutral in the war and those desiring the government to intervene, at which it was intended that speakers should give the respective views of the parties. The police finally charged the crowd and dispersed it.

V. C. FOR CANADIAN.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Colonel Fortescue, comptroller of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, confirmed the dispatch from London that Michael O'Leary, who won the Victoria Cross by rushing, single-handed, two German trenches, was in the Mounted Police, securing his discharge last September to rejoin the colors. He is the first soldier leaving Canada to win the much coveted honor.

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MAYOR OF BRUSSELS WRITES FROM PRISON

Paris, Feb. 22.—Mayor Max of Brussels, now a prisoner in Germany, says in a letter to an old friend, the singer, Marguerite Sylva, that he has been confined in the inner fortress at Glatz since October 12. "I can say nothing about the causes of my arrest," the mayor writes, "or my letter is likely to be stopped. I was warned to-day that the tone of my correspondence was too free and had given offence. It was stated that henceforth nothing would be passed.

MEASURE WILL RESTORE RIGHT OF TRIAL BY JURY

London, Feb. 22.—The attorney-general's bill to amend the defence of the rest act, which arises from Lord Farmoor's action in the house of lords, will restore to civilians the right of trial by jury. It provides that a British subject, charged with an offence under the defence of the realm act, can, within four clear days, of court-martial. The right of trial by jury may, however, be suspended by proclamation in the event of an invasion or other special emergency arising from the war.

ARE WEARY OF EMPTY PROMISES; DESIRE CHANGE

Prince Rupert, Feb. 22.—Fred Stork, A. M. Manson and H. F. McEneaney are back from a tour of the Skeena and Bulkley valleys in the interest of the Liberal party. Meetings were held at the chief centres all along the route and the greatest interest was shown by the settlers. "They found that the people in the sections visited had been strong supporters of the government in the past but had received nothing but fair promises. Now they are determined to try a change, and from end to end of the district there is the greatest enthusiasm in favor of the Liberal party, which is pledged to solve these problems speedily.

TROOPS FROM JAPAN WILL REPLACE THOSE ON DUTY

Tokio, Feb. 22.—A representative of the war department is quoted as saying that the Japanese troops now in service in Manchuria will be replaced by fresh forces from Japan. This, perhaps, explains an unexplained report that two divisions of Japanese troops would be mobilized to proceed to China. It is explained that the negotiations now in progress between Japan and China have not resulted in a strained situation such as would require military movements.

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LACK OF RAILWAYS MAKES ADVANCE SLOW

Fresh German Attempt on Warsaw Will Not Be More Successful Than Before

Petrograd, Feb. 22.—Information transmitted by Grand Duke Nicholas, commander-in-chief of the Russian forces, concerning the action in the neighborhood of Osowetz, does not bear out reports that the situation there is sufficiently serious to be taken in any sense as a siege. It is felt that the success of the Russians in that vicinity, as reported yesterday, effectively removes whatever menace the situation contained previously.

The district commanded by the fortress of Osowetz is very large in area, and offers the best possible facilities for defense. Numerous lakes, as well as small tributaries of the Niemen river which are overflowing their banks, offer serious hindrance to the operations of the Germans. Referring to the supposition that the German offensive within Russian territory is again being drawn to Warsaw, military critics say there is nothing to indicate that German attempt in this direction will be any more successful than their other attempts.

The slowness of the German advance in Russian territory is explained here as due to the diminished effectiveness of the German war machine when deprived of the railroad facilities which proved so helpful when the campaign was being conducted on German soil.

WILL CONVOY SHIPS ACROSS NORTH SEA

Armed Trading Schooners Will Accompany Scandinavian Merchantmen

London, Feb. 22.—The Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily News has learned that the Scandinavian conference which is now in session will provide for the furnishing of convoys to all Scandinavian merchantmen through the German war zone. The recommendations will urge the Scandinavian government to purchase thirty large trading schooners and arm them as auxiliary cruisers for this purpose. If the recommendation is adopted Scandinavian steamers will cross the North Sea in little fleets, at stated intervals, several times weekly.

Christiania, Feb. 21.—Indignation at sinking of the Norwegian tank steamer Belridge by a German submarine near Folkestone is intense here. The Norwegian Journal of Commerce and Shipping says:

"The torpedoing of the Belridge is an event which it is unnecessary further to characterize. The ship was bound from one neutral port to another. She had been ordered to paint the word 'Norway' in large letters on her sides, which surely was done. A repetition of the case may easily raise the greatest obstacles in the way of good relations with Germany. Needless to say, we shall not abandon the right of Norwegians to sail the open sea."

QUESTION OF BREAD IN BERLIN MOST SERIOUS

Berlin, Feb. 22.—Bread flour will not be obtainable here after to-day, except upon presentation of bread tickets, the distribution of which has been ended. Proprietors of the largest popular-priced restaurants in the city, with dozens of establishments, announce that they have succeeded in making bread, containing neither wheat, oats nor barley flour, which can be served their customers without the necessity of presenting bread tickets. The ingredients used in baking these loaves have been kept secret but they are believed to be mainly rice flour and potatoes.

PORT ALBERNI SALARIES.

Port Alberni, Feb. 22.—A report from the finance committee, recommending specific reductions of the salaries of civic employees, was unanimously adopted, without discussion by the city council, at the regular weekly meeting. The financial report of the electric light department of the city for the month of January shows a cash surplus, over and above operating charges and the cost of street and porch lighting, of \$91.19.

ARGUING IN FRENCH.

An officer in the Royal Engineers, in the course of a letter home, says: "It is quite extraordinary how interesting jobs become which appear at first rather dull. For the last week or so we have as a company been doing nothing except supervise civilian labor at digging trenches, and one gets quite fascinating problems, not only in the sitting of the trenches but in getting an ever-increasing amount of labor working to the best efficiency, by varying rates of pay, task work, etc., settling disputes, arranging card schemes, etc., for insuring that each man is paid properly. Arguing in French is a delightful occupation, as your opponent's stream of words puts a machine gun to shame; his comrades vie with each other in explaining simultaneously and ever more loudly what the complainer is complaining about, till when you have had just as much as you want of the pandemonium, you pay him half what he wants, and let him gradually simmer down."

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LIVERPOOL SCOTTISH STORIES.

Private J. S. M. Tombs, of the Liverpool Scottish, in a letter which he has written to the Liverpool Post, to which paper, and Punch, he is a regular contributor, says most of our stories are invented or exaggerated, and that they may be, for all I know, common to every regiment at the front, but I will inflict one or two of them upon you all the same. Perhaps the most absurd is of a certain popular officer who, on taking his company to the trenches, was misled by the guide and lost his way. After floundering about in the slush for half-an-hour he came to a solid wall of mud and peered over in the darkness at the men below. "Are you Scottish?" he asked, breathlessly. "No," came the reply, tinged with a foreign accent, "we are the Bavarians." Then after a moment's pause, politely, "The Scottish are opposite."

There is a grim sense of humor that makes some of us see the funny side of real disasters. One wet and miserable night a company of the Scottish were splashing up a road to the trenches, and came to a point where two shells had cut enormous holes in the roadway, leaving a narrow rough path between. It was pitch dark, and somebody slipped and fell in—up to his neck in muddy water. After a great struggle the poor fellow was hauled out, and stood spluttering and shivering on the brink. He gasped a few words of thanks to his rescuers and then toppled over into the pit on the other side. You cannot say anything in seriousness that will help on these occasions, can you?"

GOOD-HUMORED GUARDSMEN.

A private soldier of the Coldstream Guards writes:—
We are billeted here for our time out of the trenches. Nearly all the houses are knocked down by shells; there are holes in the roof of this one. We have a fire in the middle of the room, and the smoke goes out of the roof; the people are living in it, and they don't seem to be very happy. They have three children. But they find us different to the Germans, as we don't touch anything. We stored all his things away for him, so he is all praise for the "Onglies," as he calls them.

There are trenches just in front of this house which we drove the Germans from. They are about half a mile from where I am writing this. They don't show themselves much in the trenches. All you see is a helmet now and again, and I let drive at that. I don't know if I hit them or not, but just pull the trigger and wish. Our guns keep sending them a few over. Every time they come over our chaps say, "Share that between six of you," and when it bursts, "Hark at them scramble for that." We are cheerful enough, I can tell you. The night before last, when we were going in, one

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of our chaps, was carrying a tin with some holes in—to make a fire. We had to go over a ditch to get into the trench, and he went over head and ears, but he stuck to his tin all the time. We were supposed to be silent, but we all burst out laughing, and then we "copped it."

UP TO THE NEW ARMY.

An officer of the Royal Field Artillery writes home to a friend: "The only tricky job I have to do is observing fire; one crouches in the attic of a house some 600 yards from the Germans and peers through a broken tile, trying to pick up digging or movement in their trenches or flashes of their guns, or, in fact, anything for the battery, 2,000 yards back, to fire at. It is precious seldom one does see anything to fire at, and if one does the telephone usually breaks down. However, one has always the excitement of an occasional German shell somewhere near or the frequent ping of a bullet. Other days one sits peacefully in an underground hole lined with straw, near the line of guns, far from the stress of battle, and occasionally a few shells are loosed off into the blue at targets no one but the observing officer can see. . . . When you get into the firing line, put bullets into the attics of all the high houses in the German lines distant up to 1,000 yards from your trench. You will very likely bag the eye of a German battery. German aeroplanes fly over every day and are fired at with rifles. Field guns cannot check up high enough to reach them. . . . The regulars have given you fellows breathing space and time to train, but it will be up to the new army to beat the devils."

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THE WAR.

Petrograd has issued a full and frank statement of the operations in East Prussia which resulted in the Russian retirement to the Niemen and Narwa. It clears up a great deal that was in doubt. Profiting by their railroads the Germans concentrated an overwhelming force behind the Masurian lakes and broke through their enemy's line, thereby outflanking the tenth Russian army and inflicting serious losses.

Southeast of Dukla, in the Carpathians, the Russians have made some progress and captures, but in southern Galicia have withdrawn to the Dniester, as the Austrians have occupied Stanislaw. This is on the road to Lemberg, the capital of Galicia. Elsewhere the situation is unchanged.

The allied offensive in the west continues with marked results. The French record very decisive progress in the Champagne district and hot fighting in the Vosges. It is clear that the Germans withdrew troops from the west for their coup in East Prussia, and in view of the slackening of their activities in connection with that conflict it is safe to assume that they are hurrying men back again or are about to do so.

The torpedoing of a Norwegian ship by the Germans off Folkestone has caused great indignation in Norway. The vessel was distinctively marked and undoubtedly her identity was known to the crew of the submarine. Germany is attempting to terrorize the only neutral country in which there existed a sentiment friendly towards her. Yesterday a small Irish freighter was sunk in the Irish Sea after her crew had been allowed time in which to save themselves. The freighter saw the submarine and tried to escape, but she was overhauled. As the speed of the submarine is only thirteen knots the freighter must have been a very slow tub. This particular submarine was "U-12," which has a steaming radius of 1200 miles. The point near which the incident occurred is nearly a thousand miles from Zeebrugge, Belgium, so it would appear that the Germans have located a base somewhere in the Irish sea or they are receiving supplies from some trawler or other ship.

A Berlin dispatch contains a cryptic reference to an alleged sinking of a British transport, together with the steamer which accompanied it. We do not take any stock in that report. According to the New York Sun, British troops are not being dispatched in the ordinary transports but in small detachments on swift steamers. Kitchener is not likely to subject large numbers of men to the risk of destruction by sending them in big shiploads. Britain has plenty of ships and can convey as many men to France in small contingents as in large ones. Were she to suffer a shortage of vessels she

could utilize the German ships interned in her ports. A German mine sank an American steamer bound for Bremen with cotton. Germany's practice of promiscuously distributing mines has worked both ways more than once during this war. One of her armored cruisers, the Yorck, was sunk in this way. A considerable number of Danish and Scandinavian vessels have met with the same fate.

THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Although the legislature has been in session a month, the public accounts committee has not held a meeting. There is an abundance of work for the committee to do, the last public accounts volume containing scores of items which should be investigated.

In other legislatures and parliaments the public accounts committee is regarded as secondary in importance only to the main deliberative body. It is presumed to be one of the chief safeguards of the public in regard to the expenditure of the country's funds. Here it seems to be looked upon as a mere formality which really ought to be dispensed with. For seven years it did not meet at all, and at the time the Attorney-General in a speech in this city excused the omission by declaring that so perfect had been the administration of affairs in this province that there was nothing to investigate. That was before he paid out \$280,000 for an Indian reserve the title to which still remains with the vendors. Were the present public accounts committee to inquire into every mysterious item in the report submitted recently it would be busy for the next six months.

THAT INSPECTION.

On Friday the member for Nanaimo made a number of inquiries of the government relative to the Dominion Trust. One of his questions was: "Did the Inspector of Trust Companies make or cause any inspection to be made on behalf of the government of the Dominion Trust Company's affairs in 1912, 1913 and 1914? If so what are the approximate dates of such inspection?" The reply, which was made by the Premier, was interesting. It was that the inspection began July 28, 1914, and was continued up to the time the company closed its doors. In other words, the inspector did not inspect the affairs of this company until he had reason to suspect that something was wrong. But while he was inspecting, the company continued to take people's money even up to within a day or two of its collapse.

The Inspector of Trust Companies was appointed under the Trust Companies Regulation Act passed on March 1, 1911. Apparently no inspection of the Dominion Trust was made in 1911, 1912, 1913 and until the end of July, 1914. Were any trust companies inspected in that period? If not, why did the government create the office?

THE WAR HELPED.

Although the field crops of Canada in 1914 were considerably less than in 1913, their value was much larger owing to the enhancement of prices caused by the war. The value in 1913 was \$522,771,500, but last year it was \$638,580,300, a difference of nearly \$116,000,000, so that although the farmers produced less, they have profited very substantially. Were it not for the war their condition would have been very unfavorable.

The falling off in the wheat production in the prairie provinces was very marked. Last year the production was 140,958,000 bushels compared with 208,262,000 in 1913, a difference of almost 70,000,000 bushels. Oats dropped from 242,413,000 bushels in 1913 to 150,843,000 bushels in 1914, and barley showed an even greater relative decline. Thus the war, disastrous in all other respects, has been almost a life-saver to farmer and manufacturer alike.

A JONAH.

The battle-cruiser Goeben is the Jonah of the German navy. Shortly before the Kaiser sprang his war this crack vessel, with the smaller cruiser Breslau, was sent to the Mediterranean to co-operate with the Austrian fleet against France, the cocksure Berlin assumption being that Great Britain would not take a hand in the impending conflict. When the outbreak occurred the British and French fleet cooped the Austrians up in the Adriatic; and, not wishing to share in that predicament, the Goeben and Breslau fled up and down the Mediterranean, at one time being chased by the small cruiser Gloucester. Finally they sought shelter in the Dardanelles and when Turkey became involved they changed their flag. Venturing into the Black sea, the Goeben, which ought to have been able to sink any three of the antiquated Russian ships in those waters, was put out of action by a twenty-year old battleship of half her size, and, according to information received by the London Morning Post from Constantinople, she has been irreparably damaged. Her speed has been reduced to seventeen knots and three of her guns have been ren-

dered useless. Her visits into the Black Sea are few and far between. The only outstanding facility shown by the German sailors on the surface ships in European waters so far has been that of running away. The Goeben exhibited the cleanest pair of heels in the Mediterranean and her sister, the Moltke, sustained the tradition when Beatty's squadron appeared on the horizon in the North Sea a few weeks ago, but did not get off so easily. The best fighting men of the German navy went down with the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau. They had been overseas with their ships for some years and had learned how to handle them.

GIVE THEM A LIFT.

Is it not possible for the government to devise some land-clearing scheme similar to that adopted by the authorities of Ontario as a partial solution of the unemployment problem? If, as it is frequently stated, there is plenty of money in the treasury, it is the duty of the administration to undertake works which will not only relieve a serious economic situation but prove distinctly beneficial to the country. What Ontario can do in this respect, British Columbia can do.

The task of dealing with the unemployed problem should not be thrown entirely upon the municipalities. They are struggling along with burdens enough as it is. Cut out some of the potlatches and devote the money to services which will benefit the community as a whole. We have squandered enough on royal commissions in the last two years to maintain a small army of needy workmen on works of a really beneficial character.

Discussing the situation created by Germany's paper blockade, the New York Sun says: "War, zone or no war zone, neutrals have a right to sail the seas about the British coast. If Germany had not made the blunder (a blunder if there was not method in the act) of ordering the confiscation of grains and certain foods, Germany would not have to complain of what she calls England's disregard and defiance of international law. Having placed a weapon in England's hands, Germany is set off from complaining of the use of it. The note presented to the state department does not strengthen Germany's case, clear up any misconceptions or affect in the least the determination to hold Germany strictly accountable if American ships are destroyed or American lives lost, or both, through the mistakes of her naval officers."

The officers and men of the Fifth Regiment will give an entertainment in the horse show building at the exhibition grounds to-morrow evening which will be worth of generous public patronage for two reasons: In those days of war and rumors of wars anything that partakes of a military character is of great public interest and the proceeds are to be devoted to a worthy cause, the Protestant Orphanage.

THE NEW SUBMARINES.

From the Boston Advertiser. Armament is to be deployed, but no one is asserting that one nation can disarm while the powers about it continue to build dreadnaughts and organize army corps. Disarmament must be universal. Therefore, although our military requirements, through the very influence of geographical location, are not so great as those of the other powerful nations, it is still essential that whatever of an army and navy we do have should be efficient. To this end the new submarine has been designed. It is over twice as large as any now in use in the war, and it has a greater speed. In addition, it is fitted with a powerful wireless apparatus, and ables a vessel of this type to stay under water safely for a longer period than those of the other nations. The important part of the submarine has played in the present conflict shows what an importance the little vessels of destruction may have in any conflict of the future. The American navy can perfect the submarine at a cost far less than that entailed by the construction of the super-dreadnaughts, and the new type of submersible is a decidedly forward step toward the ends of both economy and efficiency.

BUSINESS PHENOMENALLY GOOD.

In spite of the cutting off of most of the continental trade and of the severe but not irremediable depression in the cotton industry and the luxury furnishing trades, the business outlook is not merely good, but phenomenally so. The orders placed in this country by the allied governments, the demands that are beginning to pour in upon our manufacturers for goods hitherto made in Germany, the requirements of the army and navy that absorb from \$300,000 to \$1,000,000 every day, the government's disbursements in wages for its employees and in pay for the soldiers and sailors and in allowances for their dependents—all these items are steadily counteracting the dislocation of commerce caused by the war, and are converting a period of anticipated depression into one of actual and increasing prosperity.

WHAT WE ARE MENACED WITH.

London Telegraph. There is no mistaking the mood into which modern Germany has been worked by a generation of such internal teaching as has produced this war. We are menaced with something as near annihilation as a people can suffer, something far worse than has been attempted against any modern state in modern warfare.

SURRENDERS.

Chicago News. As the Turks are already on the water wagon, there is nothing for them to give up except cigarettes and polygamy.

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Water Commissioner Would Have Footbridge Connection and Service Pipe.

With the early rearrangement of the Sooke waterworks service, by which the present offices on Douglas street will be closed at the end of the month, Water Commissioner Rust says to-day that the records will be moved to the city hall. Boyd Ehle, the engineer in charge of the work, expects to leave shortly, but Mr. Young, the resident engineer, will remain till the concrete flow-line is finished in May. Very few men will be required to be retained, the engineering work having all been finished, and only supervision being necessary till the completion of the contract.

At the meeting of the finance committee this afternoon, Mr. Rust says he intends to take up with the aldermen the proposed sale of the two pipe-lines from Elk Lake into the city, to the municipal council of Saanich. He feels that the city had no further use for them, but should they be used again some provision could be made in the contract for an easement. Elk Lake's future being merely as a reservoir for irrigation purposes, the further value of the mains is now discounted. To Saanich the mains would be of value in connection with the distributing system shortly to be installed.

While the city is under a pledge to the Dominion government to remove the temporary trestle across the Gorge as soon as the permanent supply is in from Sooke Lake, Mr. Rust thinks that some arrangement should be perpetuated with the Esquimalt Waterworks company for a connection with the service from Goldstream, as a relief supply in case of a breakdown in the Sooke pipe-line. Such a connection in his opinion could not be better made than at a point near the present temporary trestle, as the Gorge narrows at this point. It should be made by way of a footbridge connecting the north and south shore, which could be built cheaply, be a great convenience, and having the pipe-line carried underneath the floor. The advantages to the city of this connection are obvious, and he thinks it could be made so to the Esquimalt Waterworks company, as the city would be a potential consumer in case of an emergency. As the banks are steep at this point, there would not be much difficulty in convincing the department of marine that such a footbridge would not be a menace to navigation.

WILL MEET NEXT MONTH

Annual Meeting of Victoria and Island Development Association to Be Held on March 11.

The annual meeting of the Victoria and Island Development Association will be held in the board of trade room on March 11. The practice of the Vancouver Island Development League was to meet in the early spring, and the present association, in its reorganized form, has only been in existence for nine or ten months. However, the year's work ends with this month, and the date will synchronize with Commissioner Cuthbert's return from his tour in the interior.

With the opening of the Panama Pacific exposition, the movement of people to the coast is expected to commence, and although the numerous conventions will not be held till the weather becomes more settled, still some extra travel should be moving to North Pacific ports at once as a result of the great show. To show the little notices which many of the bodies would pay to Victoria without their attention being drawn to its attractions, the association is receiving letters from various bodies stating that they propose to stop off two hours between the Victoria and Seattle steamers, thus assuming the continuance of the schedule which formerly prevailed. Northbound there is only three-quarters of an hour, and southbound one hour between the steamer sailings, so that it is valueless to anticipate that the short time in Victoria under this system would be any assistance in seeing Victoria. An agency in Georgia, which organizes tours every 15 days, writes in a communication received this morning that this is the scanty period which it proposes to devote to Victoria during this summer.

Out of a great pile of communications which have accumulated in the last six months on the Panama Pacific exposition, the association looks particularly to the great Real Estate convention in Los Angeles, and the insurance congress in San Francisco to divert a considerable traffic this way.

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May Tax Diamonds.—In view of the necessity for war revenue at the present time, the Dominion government is considering the advisability of placing an import duty of 20 per cent on diamonds. Hitherto diamonds have been admitted duty free into Canada.

Fuziliers' Band Concert.—Again numbers were turned away from Pantheas' theatre on the occasion of the Sunday evening concert by the 88th Fuziliers' band. Miss Gladys La Mar, a pleasing mezzo-soprano, sang "When You're a Long, Long Way From Home" in a manner which pleased her hearers; Miss Ernestine Didier, a contralto, was also encored after "Thora"; and Mrs. L. W. Hargreaves was recalled after her delightful rendering of "Tarrantelle" on the cello.

Fifth Regiment Band.—A very attractive programme was presented last evening at the Royal Victoria theatre by the Fifth Regiment band and a number of other artists. One of the favorites of the evening was Trooper B. Newton, a lyric tenor whose every appearance is welcomed by these audiences. His rendering of "The Lost Chord" was peerless and he was given a tremendous ovation at its conclusion. Miss L. Drinkle was heartily encored after singing "The Flight of Ages," and G. F. E. Brown, who has a pleasing baritone voice, gave a pleasing version of "The Bugler," Master W. Balagoo won a big part of the plaudits of the evening with his finished performance of the introduction to Saint Saens' "Rondo Capriccioso" for the violin. This extraordinarily clever young player was accompanied at the piano by his brother, Charles Balagoo. The band was at its best in the selection from "The Choccolate Soldier," the Scotch Fantasia, "Echoes of Scotland," and the air varia, "Eventide," by Rimmer. R. H. Rimes was an able accompanist.

Soldiers.—All "Jitneys" and Willow cars stop at the Skene Lowe Studio, corner Yates and Douglas. Hear quarters for Sepias.

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W. C. T. U.—The Central Union will hold a union meeting on Thursday next at 3 o'clock in the Y. W. C. A. when papers will be given on the life of the late Francis Willard. A hearty invitation is extended to all. Refreshments will be served.

First Baptist Church.—This evening's meeting of the Y. P. U. will be the first of a series of literary nights. Papers will be read on Sir Gilbert Parker and Dr. Drummond. The night is to be given up to the study of Canadian authors. Each member is expected to bring a quotation from any writer. A large attendance is expected.

American Society.—The regular meeting of the American society will be held this evening at 8 o'clock at the Knights of Columbus hall, 724 Fort street. This being George Washington's birthday, it will be in the nature of a celebration. Hon. Dr. Young will address the meeting. Refreshments will be served. Members and persons desiring to become members are invited to be present.

Illustrated Lecture.—To-night the Rev. Dr. J. H. White, superintendent of missions for British Columbia, will give an illustrated lecture entitled "Summer Trip to the Yukon" in the Sunday school room of the Wesley Methodist church commencing at 8 o'clock sharp. The entertainment is to be given under the auspices of the Epworth league, and the young people expect a large turnout.

Concert Postponed.—Owing to injuries received by Mr. Semple, one of the principals in the comedy-drama, "Among the Breakers," which was to have been produced in aid of the Men's mission, Store street, the entertainment has been postponed until some future date which will be announced later. The play was to be presented by the Western Star Amateur Dramatic society on Friday night.

Daughters of St. George.—Two presentations were made on the occasion of the last meeting of the Victoria lodge, No. 32, Daughters of St. George, District Sister Rivers on behalf of the order presenting Sister Copchenour, W. F. secretary, and Sister White, W. R. secretary, with badges. These were presented as a mark of appreciation of three years' faithful service. A social and dance concluded the evening, refreshments being served in the interval.

Replies to Message.—The United States secretary of state, Hon. W. J. Bryan, has replied to Mayor Stewart's message to President Woodrow Wilson, on the centenary of peace, as follows: "On behalf of the president, I beg to extend to you and the people of the city of Victoria deepest thanks for your very cordial message on the occasion of the signing of the treaty of peace between Great Britain and America. The sentiments expressed by you are most highly appreciated and are heartily reciprocated, and on this memorable occasion be again assured of our earnest desire and hope that the spirit of friendship and goodwill now prevailing among the people of our great countries may continue for very many years to come."

Lectures to Be Given.—Lectures will be given at the musical evening to be held in the Orange hall, Yates street, on Wednesday commencing at 8 o'clock. L. Tait will speak on "The Story of the Union Jack" and J. L. Hackett on "The Relationship of Fraternal Societies to the Empire." Mayor Stewart will preside, and an admission fee of twenty-five cents will be charged.

Lecture To-night.—A most interesting lecture will take place this evening in the schoolroom of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at 8 o'clock, when H. Charlesworth, organist of the First Presbyterian church, will deliver a lecture on "Music, Its History and Development," illustrated with piano selections, etc. As this will be a most instructive lecture a large attendance is expected.

Agricultural Committee.—The legislative committee on agriculture met this morning and discussed the question of agricultural fairs in the province. The committee and the deputy minister of agriculture, W. E. Scott, were agreed that the value of these shows cannot be over-rated, and the committee were of opinion that greater assistance from the province might very well be given in the shape of grants.

Vancouver's Bill.—The private bills committee met this morning and disposed of the Vancouver city bill, dealing with charter amendments. The board of control sections were struck out, with a view to replace the present provisions for a board of control, which the city authorities claim are not workable. The committee took the view that the city had better let the matter alone until it has conferred with the Union of B. C. municipalities and agreed upon a form of section which will meet all needs of the cities in the province. The qualification for alderman is amended so that the possessor of property and being an elector in any ward shall be sufficient to qualify for candidacy. Heretofore an aldermanic candidate must hold property in the ward where he runs.

Patriotic Aid Fund.—Among the recent contributions to the funds of the Victoria Patriotic Aid society are: Employers Victoria-Phoenix Brewing Co., Ltd., \$12.50; Messrs. Acton Bros. and employees, \$22.50; Captain and crew of steamer Restless, \$6.25; employees of B. Wilson company, \$49.50; staff and employees of Sir John Jackson (Canada), Ltd., \$124.45; employees of Dixie H. Ross & Co., \$26.50; employees of chief engineer's department, navy yard, \$100; B. C. Dredging (coast district) war fund—Dredge Ajax and tug Point Hope, \$30.75; dredge Victoria, \$113.50; Lognitz Rock Breaker No. 1, \$39.50; drilling plant, \$59.00; diving plant, \$12.25. R. F. Tolmie, chairman of the sub-committee of the B. C. provincial government officials turned in the sum of \$1,546.05, being their monthly contribution.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

The power house was the scene this afternoon of the opening of the street railway company's plant. Lieut.-Governor Nelson started the plant. The four cars were occupied by the Lieut.-Governor, members of the legislature, and Mayor Grant, with a number of citizens.

Mr. James Dunsmuir, president of the Union Colliery Company, paid a visit to the Union colliery on Wednesday, and examined minutely the extensive operations going on at Union. The coal is turning out excellently and the prospects are said to be of the brightest character.

A. A. Stewart, chief of the Columbia and Kootenay railway survey, arrived from the mainland last evening. It has been decided by the directors of the Royal Jubilee Hospital to invite the Duke of Connaught when he arrives here to open the new building. There will be a meeting at the city hall to-night to make arrangements for the reception when the Duke arrives.

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EQUALLED RECORD

Member of H. Company, Gordon Highlanders, Only Dropped Two Points Over Three Ranges.

The H company of Gordon Highlanders, which was formed last week by members from the reserve battalion, carried on the Saturday afternoon practice at Clover Point range, which has been maintained throughout the entire winter.

The principal feature of the afternoon was the magnificent shooting of E. W. Ismay, who tied the range record for any organized practice, making possible at the 200 and 300 yards and 23 at 500 yards, thus dropping only two points over the three ranges. It is also worthy of note that in making this record score the marksman had no less than nineteen consecutive bull's-eyes, which is believed to be a unique performance for a Clover Point range. Several other members of "A" class who shot at 500 yards completed scores of over 50.

E. W. Ismay won the gold button for the fourth time in "A" class, in "B" class S. Hodgkinson won the silver button, while R. V. McKie took the bronze button in "C" class with an excellent score of 65.

S. Hodgkinson qualified for "A" class by making his second score of 82 points or over out of a possible 70, and R. V. McKie and E. J. Lindsay qualified for "B" class.

The following are the scores: "A" Class. E. W. Ismay 70 Mr. Williams 68 Mr. Mayhew 62 L. E. Cowan 62 G. H. Geddes 62 F. F. Pickard 59 Capt. Gillespie 59 E. F. Cooks 59 J. Hibberson 58 E. H. List 56 G. H. Walton 55 "B" Class. S. Hodgkinson 64 J. Wright 59 H. A. Ismay 59 A. B. Morkill 58 C. R. V. Bagshaw 58 F. R. Curtis 57 L. Crease 57 R. J. Beatty 56 J. D. Hallam 55 G. H. Peddon 55 H. C. Elliott 55 R. Sheriff 52 J. Mason 48 "C" Class. R. V. McKie 65 E. J. Lindsay 60 W. J. Pomeroy 58 J. Holt 57 Sergt. Hunkin 52 S. Hunkin 52 G. T. Livingstone 51 J. Wood 50 J. C. Gillespie 47 H. V. Mills 45 F. Caneolier 42 W. W. Duncan 39 G. J. Faltton 29 Honorary. H. Burton 62 Capt. D. McIntosh 61 R. S. Greig 60

SAW DEATH COMING

Vancouver Soldier Had Premonition of Death: Only One of Trio of Friends Now Alive.

A Vancouver soldier's strange premonition of impending death at the battlefield is told in a letter received to-day by a local resident. Corporal Salt, of Pitlochry, Scotland, was one of the trio from the same district who all emigrated to Vancouver after their time of service in the Black Watch expired. On the outbreak of hostilities the three were among the first called from Vancouver.

Of the trio only one is now left. Corporal Salt was killed at the battle of the Aisne. Private McIntosh died on December 23 at Ypres, and Lance Corporal Rushford was rendered unfit for further service as the result of a wound received on November 11.

Before he fell, mortally wounded, Corporal Salt appeared to have a premonition that he would not come through, for he gave a gold watch that had been presented him to one of the officers, with instructions where to send it. Corporal Rushford had a remarkable escape at Ypres when the British trenches were attacked by the Prussian Guards. He was wounded by a bullet fired at a range of forty yards, and it was the doctor's opinion that it was the velocity of the missile which saved his life. It entered the chest, glanced downward, and passed out at his back.

Oak Bay W. C. T. U.—The regular monthly meeting of the Oak Bay W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. Nicholas, Byron street, to-morrow.



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J. Endgal, of Sooke, is at the Dominion hotel.

A. Armstrong, of Merritt, is at the Dominion hotel.

Joseph Seley, of Seattle, is a guest at the St. James hotel.

D. C. MacPherson, of Waldo, B. C., is at the Dominion hotel.

A. T. Wilson, of Seattle, is registered at the St. James hotel.

W. A. Pratt, of Vancouver, is at the St. James hotel to-day.

R. Fiddick, of Nanaimo, is staying at the King Edward hotel.

H. E. Walker, of Vancouver, is staying at the Empress hotel.

H. J. Haffner, of Nanaimo, is staying at the Empress hotel.

W. M. McLean, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

Ray Lawrence, of Dawson, is staying at the St. James hotel.

C. E. Sherwood, of Cowichan Lake, is staying at the Dominion.

L. R. Lockard, of Cumberland, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

D. W. Beandler, of Brandon, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.

E. M. Martyn, of Toronto, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

E. E. Potts is registered at the King Edward hotel from Vancouver.

Mrs. Edwin Smith, of Duncan, is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

E. McCadden, of Vancouver, is stopping at the King Edward hotel.

Henry Wilson, of Toronto, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

Miss B. A. Levy, of Vancouver, is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

W. G. Grundy arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday from Toronto.

D. Smith and F. G. Evans, of Saskatoon, are guests at the Empress hotel.

J. P. Palmer and D. Morine, of Cowichan Lake, are at the Dominion hotel.

A. A. Blandy is registered at the King Edward hotel from Hamilton, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Drake, of Hilliers, V. I., are registered at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Rolston, of Vancouver, are registered at the Empress hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Cotton, of Vancouver, are registered at the Empress hotel.

Mrs. P. de Noe Walker is entertaining Mrs. J. W. MacFarlane, of Bella Coola.

Stewart S. Reed, of Phoenix, Arizona, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

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At St. Andrew's cathedral a pretty wedding was solemnized last Tuesday morning when Miss Felicia Fitzpatrick and Alfred C. Carlin were joined in marriage by Rt. Rev. Mgr. Leterme.

The bride wore white satin messaline with bodice and tunic of old Venetian lace, and carried a bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. She was attended as matron-of-honor by Mrs. M. McDonald, who wore pink champagne with overdress of ninon, and carried a sheaf of pink roses.

Frank P. Carlin was best man. During the service Benedict Bantly played the Mendelssohn Wedding March, and Mrs. Bantly sang "Ave Maria." After the ceremony a delicious breakfast was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Carlin, 299 Cadboro Bay road, the tables being effectively decorated in a color-scheme of white and pink.

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MAJESTIC THEATRE.

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ALLEN PLAYERS.

"Fine Feathers," to be produced by the Allen Players to-night at the Princess theatre is one of the finest dramatic plays in America to-day. The strength of the play lies in the absorbing interest of the plot and the character development. It tells the story of a young couple leading a happy existence on twenty-five dollars a week, when the young husband is given the opportunity to "graft" \$40,000 by the simple means of passing an inferior grade of cement to be used in the construction of a great dam. The young fellow refuses the opportunity, but his wife declines to overlook this opportunity of gratifying her love for "Fine Feathers."

Miss Felton will appear as the wife who indulges in fine feathers, one of the finest roles she has ever essayed in its comedy and intense emotionalism. Mrs. P. R. Allen will have a splendid comedy role as a garrulous lady with decided views on everything in general. As the title indicates "Fine Feathers" will give opportunity for the wearing of some very smart costumes by the ladies of the company. Seats may be reserved by telephone without extra charge.

PANTAGES.

The biggest and best show of the season is the way Manager Rice characterizes the performance which opens the week at Pantages this afternoon. Perhaps the most exceptional feature and the one that will be most appreciated is to be the appearance of the famous Marco Twins, known as the Mutt and Jeff of vaudeville. These comedians have a style all their own, and have been for years favorites on the stages of this and foreign countries. Another tremendous feature will be the Five Musical Nosses in their beautiful act called "A Gala Day in Old Seville." In this tabloid comic opera these talented musicians produce, in a true atmosphere of ancient Spain, an attraction that cannot be too highly recommended to all lovers of music.

The Three Arleys will present the most daring Act in vaudeville and will thrill audiences to the fingertips at every performance. They are among the greatest of living acrobats. Francis Le Clair will mystify all on "I Wonder." The Abrams & George company will appear in their comedy scream, "When Hubby Realizes." There was never a funnier sketch written. This feature of the coming show alone is worth the price of admission. There will be some good comedy pictures by the Pantagescope.

PITHY PARAGRAPHS

Nephew—"I'm reading a very interesting book, Aunt. called 'Germany and the Next War.' Aunt—"Well, my dear, I should have thought they had their hands full enough with the present one."—Punch.

"Beg pardon, sir," observed the tough-looking waiter suggestively, "gentleman at this table usually—remember me, sir." "I don't wonder," said the customer cordially. "That mug of yours would be hard to forget." And, picking up his bill, he strolled leisurely off in the direction of the cashier.

At a cavernous excavation stood an Irishman gazing down into the pit. Suddenly he espied a friend among the workmen, and sung out: "Hello, Clancy, phew! are ye doin' down there?" "Working on the subway," answered Clancy. "Well, will ye have it finished this afternoon?"

Sammy was not prone to over-exertion in the classroom; therefore his mother was both surprised and delighted when he came home one noon with the announcement, "I got 100 this morning." "That's lovely, Sammy!" exclaimed his proud mother, and she kissed him tenderly. "What was it in?" "Fifty in reading and fifty in 'rithmetic."

"The waiter tells me, sir," said the manager, "that he has given you three plates of soup, none of which you could eat." "He has given you the plan facts, sir," quietly replied the diner. "This is very unusual," responded the manager anxiously. "May I ask why you can't eat the soup?" "Certainly," was the easy rejoinder of the diner. "I have no spoon."

The following dialogue took place recently at the War Office between an official of the dreadnought class and a young man in search of a commission, says the London Daily Dispatch. Whether wisely or not, the young man had been having a riotous time the night before the interview, and he appeared, quite erroneously, that his face bore signs of his evil progress. The official was anxious to know what was the candidate's civil occupation, to see whether it gave him any marked qualification for a particular branch of the service. So he stung out the following query with a stern look—"What were you doing before you came here?" The candidate was flabbergasted. His bewildered past rose up, and pointed at him with a whole handful of accusing fingers. At last he found his voice. "D—d—you mean last night, sir?"

Cyclist—"I have a dispatch for the officer in command. Can I see him?" Sentry (a raw one)—"Yus. Shall I fetch an cut to 'ee?"—Punch.

Mabel had been waiting for her lover's return for what seemed an age. Her heart turned to bloodstone as she thought of him, young, slender, but brave to rashness and recklessness, closeted alone with her stern father in the grim old library. The door opened at last, and he stood before her, a flush on his cheeks and an expression in his eyes. "Did you see papa, Richard?" she asked with trembling eagerness. He held her in his arms for a moment without speaking. "Yes, dearest," he said at length. "And what did he say? Tell me what he said, Richard. He refused you? Oh! your eyes tell me! He will not give me to you? But I will be—I am yours—I do not fear his harshness—we will fly." But Richard looked down into her eyes and shook his head slowly like a man in a dream. "Tell me, then, for a cannot wait! What he brutal and cruel to you? What did he do? What did he say?" Richard drew a long breath and again looked at the face turned up to meet his troubled glance. He sighed and whispered slowly: "He only said 'Thank heaven!' and went on reading."—Weekly Telegraph.

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At both entertainments Mr. Robert A. Bowley, of Boston, and Miss Marguerite LeGrande, of Winnipeg, will demonstrate a number of new dances, also many pretty old dances.

SPORTING NEWS

PORTLAND EXPECT TO WIN TO-MORROW

ROWE TO REPLACE SKINNER POULIN

Vancouver Releases Kenny Mallen; Mackay and Taylor Lead Goal-Getters.

Bobby Rowe will replace Skinner Poulin in to-morrow night's game at the Arena, when Portland make their final appearance of this season against the local septette. The Victoria management will send a greatly rearranged team into the conflict, and Manager Patrick has high hopes that his new team will prove a winner. Bernie Morris is sure of a berth at centre, while Dunderdale will drop back to rover. George and Rowe will be on the wings, Kerr and Patrick holding down the defence positions. This arrangement worked well at Vancouver, until Poulin's thumb forced him out of the game, and the local fans will be given a glimpse of Kerr as a defence man, where he will likely play in future.

Victoria has a chance to settle the P. C. H. A. race for good and all against the Rosebuds, as a win for the champions will just about hand the title to Vancouver. The latter team is playing by far the best hockey in the P. C. H. A. right now, while Portland appears to have slumped after their initial burst of speed. Victoria whipped Portland in overtime upon the occasion of their last meeting at the Willows Arena, and the champions feel confident that they will turn the trick once more to-morrow night. There has been a steady demand for tickets at the Pit-Rite, and a good-sized crowd is anticipated. Phillips and Ions will likely handle the game.

Vancouver has released Kenny Mallen, the veteran forward whom they secured in a trade with Fred Harris, of the Portland club, last fall. Mallen has not been showing the stuff expected of him this year, and his failure to

turn out regularly with the club for practice resulted in his release. Mallen is a very speedy player and he possesses a wicked shot, but he spent a great deal of his time on the fence this season. When Barney Stanley, the Edmonton recruit, made good right out of the box, Mallen's release was only a matter of a few days.

This fellow Stanley is almost a dead ringer for Lloyd Cook, and he handles himself nicely while on the ice. He is very aggressive and also has a nice turn of speed. Stanley was hailed as a phenomenal hockey player on the prairies, and he will likely be a fixture with the Vancouver club.

P. C. H. A. Standing.	Goals	Won.	Lost.	For.	Agst.
Vancouver	10	4	7	67	62
Victoria	8	10	46	54	44

Next match, Tuesday, Feb. 23, at Portland at Victoria.

Individual Scoring Record.	Games.	Goals.	Assists.	Pts.
Mackay, Van.	14	24	12	30
Taylor, Van.	13	18	4	22
Oxtman, Port.	13	14	7	21
McDonald, Port.	13	14	7	21
Dunderdale, Vic.	13	11	9	20
Throop, Port.	13	13	7	20
Kerr, Vic.	13	14	2	17
Nighbor, Van.	12	9	6	15
Harris, Port.	12	8	3	11
Patrick, Vic.	14	8	3	11
Cook, Van.	14	8	3	10
Tobin, Port.	13	5	2	7
Johnson, Port.	13	5	2	7
Rowe, Vic.	8	6	1	6
Poulin, Vic.	13	3	2	5
Small, Vic.	11	3	1	4
Morris, Vic.	6	2	1	3
Patrick, Van.	7	2	0	2
Stewart, Van.	7	2	0	2
George, Vic.	1	1	0	2
Griffis, Van.	1	1	0	2
Stanley, Van.	2	1	0	1
Matz, Van.	1	1	0	1
Totals	190	79	270	

VETERAN STEPS DOWN



PUG BENNETT

Vancouver veteran, who will not return to the Northwestern League this season. Brown has released Bennett and the latter intends to finish his baseball days in the south.

SOOKE BEATEN BY WEST SENIOR FIVE

James Bay a Surprise in the Sunday School Basketball League; Saturday's Scores

Victoria West senior basketballers handed Sooke a severe wallop on Saturday night at the West hall, defeating the invaders 29 to 13. From the commencement the outcome was never in doubt, the green shirts playing their opponents off their feet.

James Bay Methodists sprung another surprise Saturday night in the Sunday school basketball league by defeating Congregationals by the one-sided score of 29 to 12. Throughout the opening period the play was close, the Bays leading 9 to 5. Soon after the interval the Bays notched basket after basket, as well as playing a good game on the defence. Their victory was the greatest surprise of the season. Credit is due to Stewart, late of Vancouver, who is now playing centre for the Bays. He was responsible for both of their victories this season. The team: Congregationals—Noble and Wilkerson, forwards; Erickson, centre; Smith and Locke, guards; James Bay—Stenson and Davie, forwards; Stewart, centre; George Leeming and Gordon Leeming, guards. Stewart scored 17 points for the winners, Stenson 6 and Davie 4, while for the losers, Erickson got 9 and Noble and Wilkerson 2 each. Dan Young refereed.

Only one league game was played, the other match scheduled was postponed owing to the engagement of the Fairfields had with Duncan. Knox, who were scheduled to play Fairfields, played a picked team and won 24 to 16. The champions of the Sunday school league at Duncan Saturday night, 29 to 12. The game was played in a dance hall, and was too slipshod for the local boys to do themselves justice.

S. S. League Standing.	Won.	Lost.	Pts.
Fairfields	9	0	18
Metropolitans	7	3	14
Centennials	6	3	12
Congregationals	5	10	10
Baptists	3	6	6
Knox	2	7	4
James Bay	2	7	4
Belmont	1	7	2

Mr. Hill refereed.

A meeting of the Victoria Rugby Union will be held at the Camosun club to-night, when a game between the University school fifteen and an all-star intermediate team will be chosen for Saturday next.

University school has scored 172 points this season to 10 registered against them.

MAINLAND ELEVEN FOR FIRST GAME

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—Officials of the Vancouver Football League Saturday night selected the following team to play the Victoria All-Stars on Saturday, March 6, in the first game of the inter-city series:

Goal, Worrall, Coquitlam; right back, McNaughton, Coquitlam; left back, Miller, Westminster; right half, Drybrough, Coquitlam; centre half, Bruce, Westminster; left half, Butchart, B. C. E. R.; right wing, Elbin, Coquitlam; inside right, McKinnon, St. Andrew's; centre forward, Forgie, St. Andrew's; inside left, Runcio, St. Andrew's; wing, Doull, B. C. E. R.; McEwen, of St. Andrew's, is reserve half, and Husband, of Kitsilano, reserve forward. The selection committee is comprised of the following: Messrs. D. Leith, C. R. Samson, C. S. Robertson, J. Miller and W. Wilson.

COLLEGE BEATEN.

High School won a majority of the inter-school matches with the Columbia College on Saturday. In the soccer match in the morning Victoria High School won by 3 to 2. In the ice hockey match, the Columbias were victorious by 4 goals to 1; in the basketball games, High School "A" team won by 19 to 13, while the "B" team was beaten by a much heavier and older team by 13 to 5.

THISTLES WINNERS IN EASY FASHION

Senior Clubs Victorious in Saturday's Jackson Cup Fixtures

Jackson Cup Results. Thistles, 6; C. P. R., 0. Wests, 2; Fifth Regiment, 1. Jacksons, 6; Wests "A", 1.

Standing of Clubs.	Goals	P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.				
Thistles	2	2	0	0	3	4
Jacksons	2	1	0	1	0	3
Wests	2	1	0	1	2	3
Navy	2	1	0	1	2	3
Fifth Regt.	2	0	1	1	2	4
Fairfields	2	0	1	1	2	3
Civic Service	2	0	1	0	1	3
Wests "A"	2	0	2	0	1	1

Thistles took the lead in the race for the Jackson cup by white-washing the strong C. P. R. eleven at Central park on Saturday, the Scottish club scoring six goals, while the railwaymen could not locate the net once. Wests handed the Fifth Regiment their first defeat of the season, while the Jackson eleven walked all over the Wests "A" team, the final score being 6 to 1. Donald, the clever full back of the soldiers, sustained a broken collarbone, and his loss weakened the chances of the fighting Fifth. Navy and Fairfields played a drawn game, both clubs scoring a goal.

A big crowd was on hand to witness the West-Fifth Regiment clash, the soldiers putting up a game fight. Wests fielded the same team that held the Jackson to a draw, while the artillerymen, on account of their unbroken record, were looked upon as strong contenders. The score was one all at half-time, but the Wests clinched the game with two goals from Hines' foot with but ten minutes to play.

Joe Dakers made his appearance with the C. P. R. team, but he could not hold out the whole Thistle forward-line, the Scotsmen running up six goals because of their never ceasing attack upon the C. P. R. net.

The presentation of the O'Neil and Pedon cups featured the Jacksons' win over the West "A" eleven at Beacon Hill, the City League champions receiving the trophies for the cup tie series and V. F. A. schedule. The result was never in doubt, Jacksons running up a big score in the second half, while the West second team melted before the strong Jackson defence. Jacksons scored four goals in the final period, adding another tally that was called back because of a foul.

Saturday's Teams. Fifth Regiment—Hewitt; Donald and Davis; Green, Harrison and Kroeger; Smith, Newbigging, Haywood, Sumner and Cull.

Wests—Robertson; Whyte and Cowper; Prevost, Moseley and Sherratt; Baker, Hines, King and Youson.

C. P. R.—Craig; Castle and Davidson; Gould, Dakers and Hafford; Peacock, Steele, Cummins, Carroll and Cummins.

Thistles—Shrimpton; Greig and Taylor; Braden, Adams and Muir; Castle, Howden, Fillmore, Inglis and Whittaker.

Wests "A"—Davis; Ore and McKenzie; Mesher, Davis and Brown; Carmichael, Petticrew, McLeod, Merryfield and Grimes.

Jacksons—Thorburn; Sherriff and Tunnicliffe; Niven and Allen; Kerley, Nichol, Green, Douglas and Clarkson.

Y. M. C. A. defeated the Civic Service juniors 15 to 6, the losing club playing nine men at the start of the game.

SPORTING GOSSIP

Terminals now have a big lead. Portland will prove a hard team to beat with Poulin out of the game.

A handicap billiard tourney starts this week at the Elks club.

If Percy Raymond keeps up his present form he will be started from scratch.

Uppercut Hicks, the former Victoria favorite, is back at Esquimalt.

He may enter the next tourney against another sailor.

Bob George should prove a sensation on the forward line next season.

Joe Dakers will play half back for the C. P. R. eleven for the Jacksons cup games.

Sheppard, the great New York runner, is now a pro, coach.

Ban Johnson says that Seattle should be in the Coast league.

Dugdale thinks different after the costly experiment ten years back.

Bayley is picked to again beat Burns should they fight next month.

Dubbie Kerr looks a fixture on the Victoria defence.

Dunderdale is getting back into form; he had two goals Friday.

ALASKA RACE TO-DAY.

Nome, Alaska, Feb. 22.—The Solomon Derby, for dog teams, which was to have been run Saturday, was postponed until Monday, because of the extremely cold weather. It was 20 degrees below zero to-day. The race will be run over the snow trail from Nome to Solomon and return, a distance of 64 miles.

JIM JOHNSON LOSES.

Havana, Feb. 22.—Sam McVey was awarded the decision over Battling Jim Johnson of Galveston, Tex., at the end of their twenty-round bout here Saturday night. They were negro heavyweights.

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- Sandown Suiting, very fast to light and washing. It comes in a variety of new Spring colors, 36 inches wide. Price, yard, 25¢.
- Fancy Flowered Voiles in a splendid assortment of colors; 40 inches wide. Price, per yard, 40¢.
- Tobralco. We have 25 new designs for you to choose from at, yard, 25¢ and 30¢.
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THIRD ROUND FOR ASSOCIATION CUP

London, Feb. 22.—The following are the results of Saturday's games in the English football association cup games, third round, played on the grounds of the first-mentioned club:

Manchester City, 0; Chelsea, 1. Bradford City, 1; Norwich City, 1. Southampton, 2; Hull City, 2. Sheffield, Wednesday, 1; Newcastle, 2. Birmingham, 2; Oldham Athletic, 3. Sheffield United, 1; Bradford, 0. Bolton Wanderers, 2; Burnley, 1. Queen's Park, 1; Everton, 2.

(First league)—Tottenham Hotspurs, 2; Notts County, 0. Sunderland, 5; Blackburn Rovers, 1. West Bromwich, 0; Manchester United, 0.

(Second league)—Blackpool, 0; Arsenal, 2. Bristol City, 0; Wolverhampton Wanderers, 0. Clary, 0; Glossop, 0. Derby County, 1. Burton Orient, 3. Grimsby Town, 6; Stockport County, 1. Huddersfield Town, 2; Fulham, 2. Lincoln City, 0; Leeds City, 1. Notts Forest, 1; Leicester Fosse, 3. Preston Northend, 5; Barnsley, 0.

(Southern league)—Gillingham, 1; South End, 0. Brighton and Hove, 1; Swindon Town, 3. Cardiff City, 2; Portsmouth, 2. Exeter, 1; Luton Town, 2. Westham, 1; Millwall Athletic, 1. Plymouth, 3; Bristol City, 0. Watford, 2; Croydon, 0. Northampton, 2; Reading, 1.

EASTERN HOCKEY

N. H. A. Results. Wanderers, 5; Ottawa, 1. Canadiens, 7; Toronto, 2. Shamrocks, 19; Quebec, 6.

Standing of Clubs.	Goals
Ottawa	12
Wanderers	11
Quebec	9
Toronto	7
Shamrocks	6
Canadiens	5

Games on February 24. Wanderers at Quebec. Ottawa at Canadiens. Shamrocks at Toronto.

Teams. Quebec—Moran, Mammery, Hall, Smith, Crawford, Malone. Shamrocks—Lesueur, Harold McNamara, Ronan, C. Denenny, Corbett Denenny, George McNamara.

Toronto—Holmes, Carpenter, Cameron, Goyson, Wilson, Walker. Canadiens—Veina, Dubeau, Corbeau, Pitre, Lavolette, Fournier. Ottawa—Benedict, Merrill, Shere, Daragh, Broadbent, Gerrard.

Wanderers—McCarthy, E. Coghlan, Rodgers, Hyland, O. Coghlan, Roberts.

DILLON A WINNER.

New York, Feb. 22.—Jack Dillon, of Indianapolis, easily defeated Frank Mantell of Pawtucket, R. I. in a ten-round bout here Saturday night. They are light heavyweights.

The landwehr is that part of the German army which has completed the term of service with the colors required by the conscription laws. Its position is somewhat similar to that occupied by the militia in Great Britain before the passing of the territorial act. The landwehr is Germany's second line of defence.

VICTORIA BOY WILL JOIN CARDINALS

KAYLOR SENDS IN SIGNED CONTRACT

Bobby Steele in Fine Shape for Big League Tryout; Calvo Turned Back.

Bobby Steele, the Victoria southpaw, left on Saturday for the St. Louis Nationals training camp in Texas. Steele will go from Seattle to San Francisco to take in the big fair on his way to Miller Huggins' camp. The Victoria boy has been working out all winter at different sports, and states that he is in the best of shape to make a bid for a big league berth. Steele has a particularly fine chance to make good with the Cardinals, as the club has lost several of their crack twirlers to the Federals, while they only drafted a few players last year.

The signed contract of Outfielder Ted Kaylor reached the capital this morning. Kaylor has been playing in the Imperial Valley league, and he should top this circuit in hitting this season. Kaylor is a reliable outfielder and very fast on the bags. Reid and Rose and already signed up, so that Victoria, with another outfielder in prospect, looks assured of a solid hitting outfield. Word has been received from

UNIVERSITY RUGBY TEAM CHAMPIONS

Fifth Regiment Unable to Stand the Pace; Final Score 27 to 0

University school captured the intermediates rugby championship on Saturday when they defeated the Fifth Regiment 27 to 0, in a game that was replete with brilliant rugby. The scholars excelled themselves in the final, while the artillerymen did not appear to put up as strong a game as they have shown in the past. A good sized crowd witnessed the game, the University fifteen running all over the soldiers in the second half, when they registered 21 of their points.

At the opening the Fifth Regiment held their opponents well. They tackled well, and their scrum work was equally as good as that of the school. Norris was hurt shortly after the start of the game, and his absence broke up the Fifth Regiment defence, the winners starting the score almost as soon as Norris retired. Stanley and Helmcken registered tries in the first half, Kilpatrick converting one of the tries. In the second half MacKenzie, Stanley and Balcolm added points to the University total. Fifth Regiment forced the University team to touch down several times, but were unable to score.

John Virtue presented the Virtue cup to the winners, congratulating the winners for their fine display. The teams: University school—Jackson; van Val-

kenburg, Kilpatrick, Stanley and Helmcken; dePencier and MacKenzie; Hodson, Henderson, Balcolm, Berigny, Garrard, Tolmie, Thomas and Calder.

Fifth Regiment—Knox; McBrady, Finland, Diespecker and Casey; O'Callaghan; Anderson and Llewellyn; Kroeger, W. T. Taylor, D. B. Taylor, T. Norris, G. Norris, O'Keefe and Mulcahy.

Mr. Hill refereed.

A meeting of the Victoria Rugby Union will be held at the Camosun club to-night, when a game between the University school fifteen and an all-star intermediate team will be chosen for Saturday next.

University school has scored 172 points this season to 10 registered against them.

ARENA Hockey

PORTLAND AT VICTORIA Tuesday, February 23 8:30 P.M.

Seats on sale at Fit-Rite Parlors, Government Street.

"LITTLE ENCOURAGEMENTS."

The Rev. W. K. Griffin, chaplain to the forces, writes to a friend in Sandgate: "I have not been able to do much in the way of services lately owing to constant moving about; and the C. O. is keen on open-air services. I got the C. O.'s permission to say a few words and to give the Benediction to each company separately as they start for the trenches. I stand at a certain place on the road to the trenches. Each company as they come up stand at ease, and then I speak. I saw the first poor fellow who came back wounded. He was in the field hospital among fifty other wounded fellows from other

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RUSSIAN SHIP HELD UP

San Francisco, Feb. 22.—The Russian steamer Yaroslavl is lying here in port unable to proceed to the Sound and Vladivostok because of lack of funds to pay her bills. She has been libeled by Balfour, Guthrie & Co., her agents, and her departure is indefinite.

TIMES SHIPPING CHART

Table with columns: Steamer, Master, Tonnage, Agents, From, Due. Includes entries for Crown of Saville, Tacoma Maru, Chancellor, Indo Maru, etc.

DEEP-SEA DEPARTURES

Table with columns: Steamer, Master, Tonnage, Agents, From, Due. Includes entries for Tamba Maru, Tacoma Maru, Onfa, etc.

SAILERS COMING

Table with columns: Steamer, Master, Tonnage, Agents, From, Due. Includes entries for Columbia, Expansion, etc.

FERRY SERVICES

Table with columns: From, To, Service. Includes entries for Victoria to Seattle, Victoria to Los Angeles, etc.

Along the Waterfront Shipping News from Day to Day

TACOMA REPORTS SHE

WILL DOCK ON TIME

Osaka Liner to Arrive From Orient Thursday; Indo Expected Any Time

Providing weather conditions do not alter for the worse, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Tacoma Maru, Capt. Hamada, will arrive in port on Thursday. The master had a radiogram flashed to the local agents yesterday giving the information that he would be in on schedule time.

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BLUE FUNNEL OFFICIAL IS INSPECTING PORTS

Seattle, Feb. 22.—C. Sydney Jones, of Liverpool, a managing director of the Blue Funnel line, one of the world's greatest shipping corporations, is in Seattle on an inspection tour in the interest of his company.

MISSING QUARANTINE

BY FIFTEEN MINUTES

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MUST CARRY ENOUGH BOATS ON EACH SIDE

Radical changes are to be made in the life-saving appliances carried by all coasting and deep-sea vessels. Notices have been sent out by the steamboat inspector of Victoria to steamship companies informing them that no certificates of inspection is issued to a steamer after December 5, 1914, unless the life-saving equipment is in accordance with the new rules.

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BY SALVAGE STEAMER

Salvor Reports Pacific Coast Vessel a Total Loss; Recovers One Pump

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Astoria, Ore., Feb. 21.—Arrived: Str. Rose City, from San Francisco; str. Breakwater, from Coos Bay; str. Thomas L. Wand, from San Francisco; str. Roanoke, from San Francisco; str. Daisy, from San Francisco; Italian schr. Combermere, from Lyttelton, New Zealand; French schr. Grenada, from Seattle; Norwegian barque Clan Galbraith, from Portland, for United Kingdom. Sailed: Str. San Ramon, for San Francisco; str. George W. Elder, for Coos Bay.

DEEPLY ABANDONED

After being thoroughly examined by officials of the B. C. Salvage company, the wrecked Pacific Coast steamer Delhi has been declared a total loss. This news was received this morning by H. F. Bullen, manager of the salvage company, in a telegram from Capt. W. H. Logan, who is on board the steamer Salvor, which was attempting to float the ship.

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Immediately after the news was received here that the Delhi has piled up on the reef, the Salvor was dispatched to float her. The salvors were interrupted a great deal by stormy weather and one day the steamer went to Wrangell, about 40 miles distant.

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WILL NOT USE DANFA IN PACIFIC SERVICE

TO LOAD FOR LIVERPOOL; Ixion, Talthybius and Proteilaus for This Run

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This announcement shows that the Blue Funnel officials have decided to pay particular attention to the trans-Pacific trade. The ships to be employed are large-carriers, and the fastest freighters in the world. The Talthybius and Ixion are the two finest ships of their type launched for Alfred Holt & Co. They have only been in service for a year or two, and formerly operated between Liverpool and Victoria. The Proteilaus is exceptionally well-known, her wonderful speed having gained an enviable reputation for her. This ship, which is at present under the control of the admiralty, is the fastest on the Pacific, with the sole exception of the C. P. R. Empresses.

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Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, March 1, 1915, for 1 Chief's, 1 Assistant Chief's, 4 Captains', 9 Lieutenants' and 60 Firemen's Uniforms. Specifications may be seen at the office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on the outside of the envelope, "Tenders for Uniforms."

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Sealed tenders, marked "Tenders for Materials for Waterworks," will be received by registered post only by the undersigned at the Municipal Hall, Royal Oak, B. C., up to noon, March 12, 1915, for the supply of materials, including cast iron pipes and special castings, valves and hydrants. Specifications, Schedules of Quantities and particulars may be obtained from the Municipal Engineer's Office, upon making a deposit of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which will be returned on receipt of bona fide tenders.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their next sitting for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me in respect of the Ritz Hotel, situated at 710 Fort Street, in the City of Victoria, to George Fortin and Henry Fortin, both of the said City of Victoria.

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Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their next sitting for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me in respect of the Westholm Hotel, situated at No. 1017 Government Street, in the City of Victoria, to Edward Bonner, of the said City of Victoria.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1910

NOTICE is hereby given that, on the first day of January inst., application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for renewal of license for the sale of liquor by wholesale in and upon the premises known as Radger & Janion, Ltd., situated at 1313 Wharf Street, in the City of Victoria, B. C. Dated this 21st day of January, 1915. (Sgd.) E. F. RADIGER, Applicant



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MT. TOLMIE CAR SERVICE.

To the Editor, - May I venture to suggest that the electric street railway... The publication of the rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor.

CAUSE OF AGRICULTURAL STAGNATION.

To the Editor, - I would appreciate the opportunity of addressing you in the matter of the agricultural development of this province, and particularly in reference to the manner in which it is affected by the various provincial heads of departments in Victoria.

I propose to lead off by making what will, no doubt, strike you as a strong and extravagant statement, but I believe that if you will read my statement while you wait for my article in the fact that that statement is in my opinion the greatest obstacle in the way of agricultural development and progress in the province of British Columbia to-day is the government.

I wish at once to remove from this discussion any suspicion of politics - it is neither my wish nor my intention that this remark should be interpreted in any political sense whatsoever - for I believe that the obstruction referred to is altogether unwitting, though nevertheless serious and real.

Now the department of agriculture, under the administration of the Hon. Price Ellison, has - I think we will all agree - endeavored to ascertain, recognize and deal with the many and vexatious problems which confront the farmer of this province. We admit that a genuine and conscientious effort has been made by this department, and a considerable sum of money expended in an educational campaign, involving the Farmers' Institute and its speakers, fruit and orchard inspection, lectures, bulletins, subsidies for fall fairs, the importation of dairy stock, distribution of seeds, etc.

So far, so good; the agricultural industry of this province is worthy of all this effort and much more. The department of works - no doubt with the best of good intentions and faith - have also been anxious to do their share, and by the expenditure of vast sums of money through the agricultural districts in the building of roads, sought, by the aid of a large scale of wages, to aid the farmer in a twofold way: firstly, by providing him with good roads, and secondly, by putting the money so spent directly into his pockets. In neither case has the results sought been obtained. Not only has the expenditure thus made been unjustified, but the road work application has proved both detrimental and mischievous - if not actually poisonous - to the development of the agricultural industry. It is here that the road work of the department of agriculture has been largely, if not wholly, dissipated; it is here that the harm lies.

In the guise of "helping the farmer," colossal expenditure has resulted at once in placing an almost insurmountable obstacle in the path of legitimate agricultural progress; it has resulted in leading the incoming settler - that class of immigrant who, above all others, is most needed in this country, and in the securing of whom great sums of money have been expended - with an intolerable yoke, and has worked an injustice on the established settler and old-timer, in that it has gone far towards paralyzing all sense of his individual initiative and enterprise.

unwarranted competition, is removed from his path, there can be no real progress in legitimate agriculture. Other questions of inefficiency and inexpediency resulting from this system are those which place the road construction of the province in the hands of altogether inexperienced men, opening the door to political preferences and prejudices, which make for anything but economy. There is also the consideration that to a very large extent the lavish expenditure of these funds falls utterly to reach the object for which it was designed. From the very fact that the legitimate energetic farmer is, or certainly should be, too busy on his own land at the time of year when most of the road work is done, it follows that by far the greater portion of this public expenditure finds pockets other than those for which it was, no doubt, primarily intended.

The proof of the pudding is in the eating. The real worth and effect of the present government system of "helping the farmer" is now, during hard times, only too apparent in the comparative distress amongst many of the ranchers in the agricultural districts - districts often of many years' standing. The only true system of "help" is to help a man to help himself. Any system of works in the nature of a circumstance it is withdrawn leaves the recipient destitute and worse off than if he had never availed himself of it, is undoubtedly a false one.

These facts are, I believe, incontrovertible. The grounds for discord and dissatisfaction as here outlined would appear to arise from a lack of proper sympathy and understanding between the department of agriculture and the department of works in Victoria. Now as to remedy. There is one system to which, for economy, dispatch and efficiency, the mind immediately turns. This is the contract system. I pay no attention whatever to local criticism against such a system, for I submit it as a principle that five miles of good road built in any young agricultural district in the province is of more permanent value and benefit to that district than five thousand dollars promiscuously scattered amongst the residents. I see no reason why arrangements could not be made whereby the local settlers would still have the opportunity of employment on such contract work. At a more reasonable figure it may be certain that the individual who seeks employment under this system is genuinely in need of funds and does not merely seek to take advantage of a disproportionate scale of wages at the public expense rather than by employing himself in the development of his farm. Results would quickly show 100 per cent greater mileage for every \$1,000 expended and at the same time what is of even greater importance, an immediate improvement in the agricultural status of the district.

The argument has been advanced - and is to-day persisted in by many - that without this thriftless government expenditure in agricultural communities it would be impossible for the settler to develop his farm at all. The reply to this criticism is that the present system of administration of government funds has been practiced and enjoyed for the past five and twenty years, and what is the result? We have neither roads nor farms; nor, I submit, are we likely to have, as long as the present procedure is in vogue.

RICHARD KING. AN OFFICER'S STORY. An officer of one of the vessels which took part in the raid and is home for four days' holiday has been interviewed at Dover by a representative of the "Daily Telegram."

"We started," said he with a smile, "somewhere off the coast, and although our actual destination was not known to many on board, we had an idea that we could make raids upon their country quite as easily as they had done upon England. We had for company our sister ships, three light cruisers, a flotilla of torpedo vessels, and submarines. It was just before daylight when we arrived off Heligoland, but to our surprise, without let or hindrance, round the island we went, skirting the mine field, and in some cases actually crossing it, but so admirably was the course kept that there was 'nothing doing.' When we were approaching Cuxhaven we hoped we should sight some of the much-vaunted fleet of the enemy, but no such luck.

"We slowed down and quickly slung the water-planes overboard, and lowered them to the surface of the sea. In the still morning air and a fairly calm sea the planes took to the water like ducks, and soon got under way. From our ships we dropped Flight Commander Hewlett, one of the most popular officers in the naval air service. Having performed our duty, our vessels dropped away under the shelter of the cruisers and watched the airman getting ready to deliver their Christmas greeting to the enemy.

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Some Leading Rotarians Here Saturday.



From left to right the following are the gentlemen shown: Roger Pinneo, Seattle; C. V. Cooper, Portland; A. F. S. Steele, Spokane; Rev. E. Leslie Pigeon, Vancouver; Frank Higgins, Victoria. On the right hand panel is a separate picture of Mr. Pinneo with the banner of Seattle Rotary Club, and Charles V. Cooper, wearing the rose which is the badge of the Portland Club. The convention of Rotarians will long be remembered by those who took part as one of the brightest and most interesting functions which ever took place in this city. About 400 representatives from Victoria, Vancouver, Spokane, Tacoma, Calgary and Seattle took part in it.

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JUDGE FINDS DIVORCE CHARGE NOT PROVEN
Mrs. Le Roy Gives Evidence at Continuance of Trial To-day
Mr. Justice Murphy, after hearing the evidence of Mrs. Frank Le Roy in the Smith divorce suit to-day, came to the conclusion that the petitioner's charge against his wife had not been proven, and he dismissed the petition and the counter petition. His lordship said that while the case had not been proven he could not, nevertheless, give the parties interested in the trial a clean bill of health. The evidence left some taint behind it.

Under the auspices of the Dominion Department of Agriculture a meeting was held at the Alexandra club this afternoon commencing at 2 o'clock, the speakers being Mayor Stewart, who presided, Professor Klinck, Dr. S. F. Tolmie and W. H. Hayward, M. P. E. in connection with the "Patriotism and Production" campaign. The mayor introduced the subject by saying that the least townspeople could do was to cultivate their gardens, in fact that Mr. Handy, who had a nursery at Cloverdale, offered to give any instructions in vegetable culture necessary to beginners. Mr. Hayward then entered into the subject of Patriotism and Production in its abstract sense, contributing the Napoleonic war with that of to-day, and not only in the way of improvement of weapons but on the manner of handling of foodstuffs. The object of the "Patriotism and Production" addresses which are being given throughout Canada at this time, and which commence, so far as British Columbia is concerned here to-day, is to stimulate the primary producer to produce more than he does at present on account of the European war. As the minister of agriculture says: "It is difficult for us to realize what will be the effect on food production through the withdrawal of several million men from all the great agricultural countries of Europe. These millions cease to be producers; they have become destroyers of food." The object of the gatherings is to show that the man who joins in an effort to keep up an adequate supply of foodstuffs in time of war is rendering service to his country; second, only to that of the man on the firing line. The improvement in the methods of soil cultivation, care of live stock, and the elimination of much of the waste which has come to be associated with pioneering farming, are all objects sought in the present proposal. Great Britain naturally turns to the agricultural portions of the Empire to assist her in supplying the wants of her people. Already in Great Britain the importance of food supplies has become one of the dominating factors in the struggle, and assistance can be given thus to Britain in other ways than by bearing arms. Even after the war there will be a greater demand than ever for agricultural products, because the area where hostilities are being carried on will not produce next year the five hundred million bushels of fall wheat that it has annually yielded. To-night there will be a meeting at Saanichton of the same speakers, at which Reeve McGregor will preside. Gatherings on the Island in connection with the campaign are: Courtenay, Mayor Kilpatrick, chairman, Tuesday; Duncan, Mayor Smith, Wednesday; Chemainus, Thursday; Nanaimo, Mayor Planta, Thursday.

Twenty-four Chinese arrested in joint assault-at-arms to aid orphans' home. The B. C. Horse will present a special feature programme as "Skill at Arms," and in addition to all these will be a number of the usual feats. The 5th Regiment band will be present, and will furnish music throughout the evening. Among those who have kindly consented to be present are His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Colonel Ogilvie, D. O. C., and officers of the garrison. The event will be of a most attractive nature, and it is hoped that a big crowd of spectators will attend and help in this way to swell the funds of the Orphans' home, in behalf of which the exhibition is being given.

Money owing province. Parker Williams wants Detailed Statement of the Several Sources From Which Arrears Are Due. Parker Williams has a motion on the order paper for to-day asking for an order of the house for a return showing the total sums due, including interest, to the treasury, to December 31, 1914, from the following sources, showing each item separately: (a) the sale of townsite lots; (b) the sale of agricultural land; (c) the sale of other land; (d) timber licenses; (e) timber leases; (f) pulp leases; (g) the purchase of coal and petroleum lands; (h) the lease of coal and petroleum lands; (i) the lease of range or grazing lands; (j) the rental or lease of foreshore, sea, or other water areas; (k) timber royalties. J. T. Place has an amendment he is going to move to the help license bill, to provide that nothing in the act shall limit the right of any bona-fide farmer to remove or reduce or otherwise use help in his agricultural operations. The object of this is to ensure that farmers living near the sea may not be shut out from the utilization of this valuable form of fertilizer by reason of the fact that some company has been granted a license to take the help along a stretch of foreshore. Mr. Place has also an amendment to the section to the Master and Servant Act amending bill which W. H. Hayward brought in, which will permit of any contributory to a medical fund securing a copy of the semi-annual statement of the employer's account from the provincial secretary for twenty-five cents. Mr. Williams is re-introducing his

OBITUARY RECORD
Charles Setterfield, aged 44 years, passed away to-day at Kamloops after a lingering illness. The deceased was late proprietor of the Horseshoe Saloon here, and went to Kamloops for his health. He is survived by a wife at Kamloops.
In the Millennium.—The Wife to the Husband—"John, here are ten shillings out of my allowance that I didn't spend this week. Buy yourself something with it."—"I don't wonder that you won't wear that necktie I bought you. It isn't nearly as pretty as those you get yourself."—"Don't pay so much attention to me, Harry. Make yourself agreeable to some of the other ladies."—"Company coming? Why, no, dear. I put on my best gown and had my hair dressed just for you."—"I won't ask if you love me as much as you used to do, Charlie. I know you do."—"I don't care a snap for clothes. I see women with lots better things than I can afford to buy, but it doesn't worry me any."

REGIMENTAL ORDERS
NATIONAL RESERVE OF CANADA.
Victoria Volunteer Guard Imperial Veterans. Lieut.-Col. Gregory commanding. Orders for week ending Feb. 27: Parade—Tuesday, 8 p. m. at headquarters, recruit drill; Wednesday, 8 p. m. drill hall, manual exercises and battalion drill, commanding officer's parade; Thursday, 8 p. m. headquarters, ambulance corps. All citizens can sign on at headquarters daily from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. By order. CAPTAIN S. WADE, Adjutant. PERSONAL. Mrs. C. A. Steele, 57 Howe street, will not receive to-morrow. Mrs. Eric Colbourne left for England yesterday to join her husband, who has obtained a commission in the 3rd Battalion Royal Berkshire, at present stationed at Southsea.

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OIL USERS OBJECT TO TARIFF ON FUEL
Strong Representations Made to Premier This Morning by Influential Deputation
Last week representatives of communities which are dependent upon the coal mining industry waited upon the executive council to ask for the backing of the government and the legislature in a request which is being made to the federal government, demanding a duty on fuel oil. This now comes in free. It was represented by the members of the deputation that it is displacing coal to such an extent as to menace the prosperity of the towns interested. This morning the other side of the case was presented to the premier by an influential deputation representing several of the large users of fuel oil in the province. Among those in the party which saw Sir Richard McBride in his office were F. W. Peters, general superintendent of the C. P. R.; Captain J. W. Troup, superintendent of the B. C. Coast Service; A. T. Goward, B. C. Electric Railway company; Edwin Tomlin, Associated Cement company, Bamerton; Capt. C. Gardner Johnson, Capt. C. H. Nicholson, manager of the G. T. P. Steamship company; H. H. Duncan, B. C. Refining company, Vancouver; D. D. Brooks, Powell River Paper company; E. H. Beasley, superintendent of the Island division of the C. P. R. Capt. Troup stated that in addition to the large investment in oil-burning equipment for the company's steamers, which would have to be scrapped and coal-burning apparatus installed at high cost, the Alaska run would have to be abandoned, as at present it was not paying. Mr. Peters strongly urged full consideration before any steps were taken to cause the loss of such large investments as represented in railway and steamship equipment and plant for storage and burning of fuel oil. Mr. Duncan said it would put his company out of business, and it had 500 shareholders, all resident in B. C. The 1 1/2 per cent. war duty was quite a burden as it was with the keen competition and close margin in the fuel oil supply business. All the buildings which had installed oil-burning apparatus and there were many of them—would lose the investment and would be put to additional cost in installing coal burning apparatus. An incident of two or three years ago was recalled when frost hampered the Vancouver Power co. at Lake Buntzen. The steam plant was put in commission for generating electricity, and there was no coal supply to be had. The company used fuel oil, and had it not been for that, the city of Vancouver would have had a period of total darkness. Mr. Tomlin said it was not making money even with using oil, and it put to greater cost would have to shut down. The deputation was a unit in urging that no action be taken which would have so far-reaching an effect on so many active concerns in the province. Sir Richard McBride advised the parties interested to reduce their views to the form of a memorial, and he would be very glad to forward it to the Dominion government, as he had done with the views submitted by the representatives of the coal-mining towns.

OUTBREAK OF FIRE DAMAGES THREE HOUSES
Frame Buildings on Chatham Street Damaged Beyond Repair
Fire this morning caused considerable damage to three houses, 517, 513 and 509 Chatham street, near the corner of Store street. The glare in the sky drew the attention of Sergeant Walker, and the department was quickly on the spot in response to the alarm. The frames had already got so firm a hold that the interiors of three houses affected were soon gutted, and also destroyed. The other two houses on the Store street corner were saved. All those gutted appear to have been unoccupied, although there was some furniture in each of the rooms, the mattresses forming good fuel to feed the flames. Firemen state that inflammable material was found in the buildings, and ascribe the fire to an incendiary. The buildings belonged to Lorenzo Reada, of the Palace hotel, North Vancouver, for whom E. Zarelli of this city acts as agent. The extent of the insurance is unknown till the owner has been communicated with. They were all one-story frame buildings, and being in the fire limits, it will be impossible to repair them, permanent structures being required when rebuilding takes place. So great was the heat that cordwood piled in an adjoining wood-yard was scorched. If the department had not arrived the whole of the group of buildings would have been completely destroyed, as the heat was terrific. The department also had a run to 631 Esquimalt road to premises owned by D. MacKenzie, and occupied by W. J. McNeill, through a defective fire place. The loss here was small.

ORGANIZING STAFF FOR NEW BATTALION
48th to Be Mobilized at Willows Within Week or So
Colonel Holmes, commanding the 48th Battalion, is at present busy organizing the staff of the new unit which is to be mobilized at the Willows within the next week. In few days everything will be anticipated, be in readiness to bring in the men (about 600 in number) from the outside points when men who have enlisted with the 88th Fusiliers and 50th Highland regiments for active service will be drafted to the new battalion. An event of military and general interest will take place to-morrow evening at the Horse Show Building, the Willows, under the auspices of No. 3 Company, 5th Regiment. This will be an "Artillery Assault-at-Arms" which will contain many interesting features. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Colonel Ogilvie, D. O. C., and officers of the Garrison have kindly consented to attend the proceedings, and it is hoped that the public will give their patronage to an event, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the Protestant Orphans' Home. Lieut.-Col. Garnet B. Hughes, who is attached to the staff of the First Canadian Contingent, called last week to his wife, Mrs. G. B. Hughes, that he had arrived in the north of France and was well. Gen. Despecker, who volunteered from the 5th Regiment at the outbreak of the war and left with the first contingent, has written to Mrs. Despecker stating that he expected to be in the north of France a few days after the time of writing, which was February 5. His address, he stated, would probably be Canadian Artillery, First Canadian Contingent, British Expeditionary Force, Divisional Artillery, 1st (or whatever brigade it may be) Brigade, Devizes, Wiltshire. Friends of some of the boys who went from Victoria early in January with the Princess Patricia contingent, have just received letters stating that some of them are already in France and on their way to the fighting-line.

RAINFALL YESTERDAY.—Between midnight Saturday and yesterday noon 23 inch of rain fell in Victoria. The temperature recorded to-day are high for the time of year at noon 49 degrees being recorded at the meteorological observatory on Gangesia heights.

DIED
AGNEW.—On the 21st inst., at the family residence, 1222 Gladstone avenue; Margaret Elizabeth Agnew, aged 84 years 3 months, beloved wife of William Agnew, who is survived by her husband and one son, Gordon Leslie Agnew. Friends will take place from the family residence, 1222 Gladstone avenue, on Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 2.30. Rev. William Stevenson officiating. Friends kindly accept this intimation. No flowers, by request. Arrangements with Hanna & Thomson, GORDON ACRE.—On the 20th inst., at the family residence, 2610 Cook street, Sam Gordon, aged 81 years, a native of Lenton, Nottinghamshire, England. Friends service will be held at the family residence, 2610 Cook street, Tuesday, Feb. 23, at 2.30. Interment at Ross Bay cemetery. Arrangements with Hanna & Thomson. Funeral by motor.

FOR SALE—ACREAGE.
FORCED TO SELL, on account of sickness, 3/4 acres with clear title and lake frontage, 4 roomed house, furnished, outbuilding, etc. Apply Box 1538, Times.
TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY
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PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRY and eat Esquimaux oysters, fresh from the boat daily. For sale by all dealers.
FOR SALE—Ford, five-passenger, just overhauled and painted, also 1912 Overland. Phone 2481.
WANTED—English baby carriage, in good condition, must be cheap. State price to Box 1531, Times.
FOR SALE—Cheap, pair counters, 2x7 tops, veneer panels, swing door between, suitable for office or small store; about 30 yards red brick building, suitable for office, store or rooming house, White Sewing Machine Store, 1221 Douglas St.
TO RENT—James Bay, close in, 9-room house, to perfect condition, rent moderate; must be careful tenant. Phone 63, owner.
WANTED—A thoroughly experienced nurse girl for a lady's care, in a family. Write with copy of references, to Mrs. William Todd, Wilmar, 94 St. Charles street.
WANTED—Tenders for clearing a small piece of land in Gordon Head district. Apply Parfitt Bros.
SIDNEY—Five acres of choice land, cleared, will trade or sell. Phone 4373, Times.
WANTED—Salesman to represent Monarch Life Assurance Company, liberal contract offered. H. J. Knott, 506 B. C. Permanent Loan Building.
STEWART ROOMING HOUSE, 539 Esplanade, for sale by owner, desirable, going concern, cheap rent, good business.
WANTED—Gentleman to give lessons in making short speeches. Apply Box 1528, Times.
FOR SALE—Auto, in first-class shape, tires new, just overhauled and painted, suitable for passenger service; or exchange for smaller car. Apply Arthur H. Hastings, 1884 Oak Bay avenue, Phone 434.
FOR SALE—Ford truck, just overhauled, tires all 3 spare, \$150. Arthur H. Hastings, Oak Bay avenue, Phone 418.
TO LET—Five-room cottage, all modern conveniences; rent reasonable; corner Edmondson and Cedar Hill. Apply 1222 Denman street.
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LOST—Airedale pup. Return 300 Sunrise Avenue, Shoal Bay, Reward \$20.
WANTED—A gramophone; must be cheap. Apply Box 1529, Times.
FOR SALE—Five-passenger Overland, fitted with extra large tires, just the car for the busy man; price \$500; will take small car as part payment. T. Pimley, Johnson street.
FOR SALE—Five-passenger Studebaker, just overhauled and re-painted; price \$700. T. Pimley, 739 Johnson street, city.
FOR SALE—Seven-passenger Royal, just overhauled and new gears fitted; price \$250; will take small car as part payment. T. Pimley, 739 Johnson street, city.
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EXCHANGE—A good agreement of sale for small grocery stock, Northwest Real Estate, 1212 Douglas street. 724
LOST—Corner of Clara street, Oak Bay avenue, or towards Beach Drive, black satin bag containing eyeglass case with spectacles, book and small purse. Finder will be rewarded on returning same to Mrs. P. T. Johnston, care of Mr. H. P. Hewitt, 1500 Beach Drive. 723

STOCK FLUCTUATIONS COVERED SMALL AREA

Only Local Influences Ruled on Victoria Stock Exchange for Day's Session

Only minor changes one way or the other characterized prices on the Victoria stock exchange this morning. Wide sections with eastern markets were broken owing to the American holidays. B. C. Copper, Granby and other less active issues which are traded in extensively on the other side of the line were subject to local influences only for the day. No disposition was shown to tender support of consequence in the list, and generally price recessions first seen Saturday were not made up, while, owing to lack of leadership, both Athabasca and Coronation showed a backing tendency to levels of a month since. Standard Lead action was a nominal affair and the widening margin between bid and offer prices was well indicative of the stock's present quietness.

Stock	Price	Stock	Price
Blackbird Syndicate	12.00	25.00	
B. C. Refining Co.	45	75	
B. C. Copper Co.	85	1.30	
C. N. P. Fisheries	30		
Coronation Gold	0.21	0.06	
Lucky Jim Zinc	0.02	0.03	
McIntyre Coal	1.04	0.25	
Nugget Gold	0.22		
Portland Canal	0.01	0.02	
Rambler Cariboo	0.10	0.17	
Red Cliff	0.01	0.07	
Standard Lead	1.50	1.40	
Stowstrom	0.20	0.28	
Stewart M. & D.	0.01	0.01	
Slocan Star	0.01	0.01	
S. S. Island Creamery	7.50	7.50	
Stewart Land	0.01	0.01	
Glacier Creek	0.02	0.02	
Island Investment	0.01	0.01	
Union Club (deb.)	50.00	33.00	
Athabasca	0.01	0.01	
Portland Tunnel	0.02	0.05	

GOVERNMENT BODY TO CONSIDER DIFFERENCES

London, Feb. 22.—There comes to-day an announcement that the government has concurred in a committee report, that, with the view to preventing loss of production by labor disputes, no stoppage should take place on work for government purposes, but that differences should be referred to an impartial tribunal nominated by the government. Virtually this means that the government has placed an interdict on strikes at the present time.

LETTER FROM TORONTO PUBLISHED IN BERLIN

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Chief Justice Mulock reduced the high treason charge against Emil Nerlich, a prominent merchant in Toronto, and his wife, Ludwig Nerlich, to conspiracy to commit an indictable offence, thus removing the possibility of the death penalty if they are found guilty. Crown counsel outlined the case to the jury. He spoke of Mrs. Nerlich as an enthusiastic German sympathizer who wrote letters to Germany, one of which was printed in a Berlin paper. In replies received by her, inquiries were made as to the number of soldiers Canada had to send to the front.

SHIP WITHOUT A COUNTRY

Seattle, Feb. 22.—The steamer Rio Pasig, now in port from Manila, has proved herself a ship without a country. Although flying the American flag and owned by citizens of the Philippines, one of Uncle Sam's possessions in the Pacific, the vessel has only a certificate of protection from the United States, no change in registry having been made. The Rio Pasig was operated under the British flag until the European war began, when she went under the Stars and Stripes. In accordance with the policy of the government, the vessel was given a certificate entitling her to fly the American flag while her application for change in registry was being acted upon. She had discarded the British colors, but as the American government had not granted her American registry, she now lies in Seattle harbor practically a ship without a flag and without a country. The predicament of the Rio Pasig became known on Saturday when the United States customs department levied upon the vessel for tonnage dues. As a change in registry of the vessel had not been made and she had never been at this port before, the same rate was charged a foreign steamer was assessed, approximately \$2,000. This procedure on the part of Uncle Sam, in view of the fact that the Rio Pasig flies the American flag, has been followed by a protest on the part of Madrigal & Co., of Manila, owners of the vessel, and an appeal to Washington has been taken over the decision of the local customs. The Rio Pasig is under charter to the shipping firm of Frank Waterhouse & Co. and is loading on the Sound for Vladivostok, Siberia.

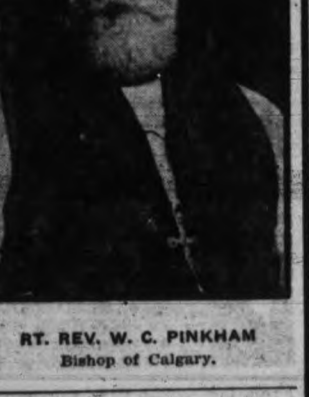
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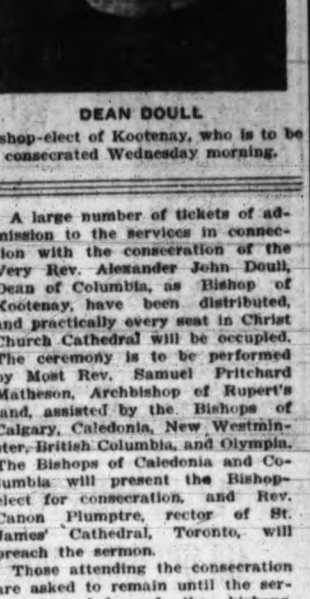
RT. REV. W. C. PINKHAM
Bishop of Calgary.



DEAN DOULL
Bishop-elect of Kootenay, who is to be consecrated Wednesday morning.



RT. REV. A. U. DEPENCIER
Bishop of New Westminster.



RT. REV. J. C. ROPER
Bishop of Columbia.



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A large number of tickets of admission to the services in connection with the consecration of the Very Rev. Alexander John Doull, Dean of Columbia, as Bishop of Kootenay, have been distributed, and practically every seat in Christ Church Cathedral will be occupied. The ceremony is to be performed by Most Rev. Samuel Pritchard Matheson, Archbishop of Rupert's Land, assisted by the Bishops of Calgary, Caledonia, New Westminster, British Columbia, and Olympia. The Bishops of Caledonia and Columbia will present the Bishop-elect for consecration, and Rev. Canon Plumtree, rector of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto, will preach the sermon. Those attending the consecration are asked to remain until the service is ended and the bishops, clergy, and choir have left the church.

GERMANY'S CRUSHING BLOW FALLS SHORT

Efforts of Enemy at North End of Eastern Battlefront Slacken

London, Feb. 22.—The crushing blow which Germany hoped to deliver against the Russians from East Prussia has fallen short, telegraphs the Daily Mail's correspondent from Petrograd. "The Russians have extricated their main body from the German pincers," says the dispatch, "and the Germans, instead of attacking, are being attacked constantly in large numbers. A fierce attack from the direction of Lomza compelled the Germans to bring troops from the north and abandon for the moment their advance toward the river Niemen, where only their cavalry is operating in small bodies. The German movement toward the fortress of Novo Georgievsk continues, but less energetically. All along the line, in fact, there is noticeable slackening of effort." A Petrograd dispatch to the Times says that the Russian counter move to the German advance from East Prussia has begun along a front of 100 miles to the north of the Bobv and Narvew rivers. With East Prussia cleared of invaders, General von Hindenburg is now directing his efforts towards another advance on Warsaw from the north with the force which advanced across the border line south of the Masurian Lakes region. This army is now fifteen miles from Novo-Georgievsk and twenty-five miles from Warsaw. The first conflict will come before Novo-Georgievsk which is the strongest of the four heavily-fortified positions in Poland that form the base of the Russian defensive work. Unless General von Hindenburg has detailed an enormous number of men for this effort, it is doubtful if he can

CHOICE OF SEELY SUBJECT OF QUERIES

Under Secretary States Qualifications of Officer to Lead Canadian Cavalry

London, Feb. 22.—Questions regarding Colonel Seely's qualifications and general fitness to command the Canadian cavalry brigade were directed to H. J. Tennant, under secretary for war, this afternoon in the House of Commons. The questioners were Lord Charles Beresford, Sir Clement Kinloch Cooke and Donald McNeill. Answering them, Mr. Tennant said that Colonel Seely had been appointed to command, with temporary rank of brigadier-general, the cavalry brigade consisting of the Second King Edward's Horse and two regiments of Canadian mounted troops, with a brigade of artillery. Colonel Seely had served in command of mounted troops in South Africa and commanded a yeomanry regiment of which he had been an officer twenty-two years. Mr. Tennant added that Colonel Seely had been six months on Sir John French's staff, during which time he had acquired a unique knowledge of the conditions under which the present war was being fought. His appointment was recommended by the field marshal commanding, added Mr. Tennant, and was confirmed by Lord Kitchener. Lord Charles Beresford asked if it was possible for the secretary of war to know anything about Canadian opinion in this matter. "Has the censor stopped publication of Canadian opinion upon the subject, and is the house to understand that this country does not want to know Canadian opinion on a subject which creates interest in the Dominion?" Mr. Tennant, replying, said he was unable to say what the censor had done, but the only Canadian officer with whom he had discussed the matter, had not only accepted this appointment, but had informed him that it was highly popular.

SHOULD BE NO JINGO SPIRIT SAYS W. H. TAFT

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Morristown, N. J., Feb. 22.—The United States is threatened with a serious invasion of its rights as a neutral by the warring nations of Europe, and in preserving its commerce with these nations is face to face with a crisis, in the opinion of former President William H. Taft. "In the solution of the crisis, should it arise, no jingo spirit must be allowed to prevail," Mr. Taft declares. "Neither pride nor momentary passion should influence our judgment." VISITOR IN PULPIT Big Congregations at Congregational Church Listen to Rev. Charles A. Sykes. Very large congregations, characterized by the numbers of both elderly and young men, were present both morning and evening at the First Congregational church yesterday when Rev. Charles A. Sykes, of Toronto, occupied the pulpit. In the evening, speaking from the text, Matthew 11:1-4, Mr. Sykes took leprosy as the type of sin, and pointed out the manner in which Jesus Christ had treated the leper who came to Him. This, the speaker emphasized, was an illustration of the way in which Jesus would treat the sinner: "And Jesus put forth His hand and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed." In the morning the preacher took his text from the gospel according to St. John, chapter 1, 33: "And I knew him not; but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, 'Upon whom thou shalt see the spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.' Taking as an example the baptism of Jesus Christ on the banks of the Jordan and the utter sympathy with which Jesus entered into the working out of God's purposes and plans, Mr. Sykes pointed out how the Christian of to-day could, in the same way, work for the fulfillment of the Divine order. There was special music at both services, among the assisting soloists being Mr. Locke and Mr. Collins. "It's the Climate."—Three young men amused the visitors to Victoria Arm on Sunday morning by a swimming match, and the date was February 21.

GERMANS LAY CLAIM TO MANY PRISONERS

Allege That Seven Generals and Over 100,000 Russian Soldiers Were Captured

Berlin, Feb. 22.—The German official statement issued to-day announces that the captures in the battle of the Masurian Lakes district of East Prussia have been increased to seven generals and more than 100,000 men. The pieces of cannon taken numbered 150. The text of the statement reads: "In the western theatre—Another hostile trench was taken by us yesterday to the east of Ypres (in Belgium). The enemy's counter attacks on the captured positions remained unsuccessful. The enemy made an unsuccessful attack on our positions to the east of Verdun during the night. "In the Vosges, the villages of Noehrad and Stossweiler were taken by us after a short engagement. Otherwise nothing of importance occurred. "In the eastern theatre—The pursuit after the winter battle in the Masurian Lake district has come to an end. During the clearing up of operations to the northwest of Grodno and in the battles reported during the last few days in the Bobv and Narvew districts, one commanding general and four other generals and approximately 40,000 men have been taken prisoners up to the present. Seventy-five cannon and some machine guns, the actual number of which has not yet been ascertained, and much other war material, has been captured. Total booty taken in the winter battle in the Masurian district as a result of these additions has been increased to date to seven generals, more than 100,000 men, upwards of 150 cannon and quantities of other material of all descriptions, the amount of which cannot be approximately estimated. "Cannon of a heavy calibre and ammunition frequently are buried by the enemy or sunk in the lakes near Loosen and in the Widmer See. Eight cannon of heavy calibre were dug up or pulled out of the water yesterday. "The tenth Russian army, under General Baron Sievers, is considered as having been destroyed. "No whistles appear to be developing at Grodno and to the north of Selzchawolas. It is reported that the battles to the northwest of Osnowitz and Lomza, as well as those at Prasnay, are taking their regular course. "There is no news from Poland to the south of the Viastula river."

SARAH BERNHARDT UNDERGOES OPERATION

Condition of Eminent Patient Satisfactory After Amputation of Limb

Bordeaux, Feb. 22.—The right leg of Mme. Sarah Bernhardt, the famous tragedienne, was amputated to-day at the St. Augustine hospital at Arcaehon. The operation, made necessary by an affection of the knee which had caused much suffering for several years, was performed by Professor De Nunce of the Bordeaux University. Professor Pozzoli was to have conducted the operation yesterday but he was called to the colors to serve at the Val-de-Grace hospital in Paris and found it impossible to leave his duties for several days. Mme. Bernhardt refused to submit to a delay of what she courageously called her release from bondage, and it was decided that Professor De Nunce should perform the operation to-day. A bulletin issued immediately after the amputation of Mme. Bernhardt's leg said: "The operation was decided upon at a consultation on February 13 of Professor Pozzoli, of Paris, and De Nunce and Arnoz, of Bordeaux. It took place on Monday morning and was endured under the best conditions. After the operation Mme. Bernhardt's condition was as good as possible. "Signed DE NUNCE."

SUBMARINES MISSING

London, Feb. 22.—A dispatch from Amsterdam to the Exchange Telegraph company says reports from the German frontier state that much uneasiness exists at the German fortified seaport of Cuxhaven concerning two large submarines, which have not returned to their base. The under-sea boats are said to be two days overdue and it is feared they have been destroyed.

SIR EDWARD'S STATEMENT

Washington, Feb. 22.—Sir Edward Grey has sent to the state department through the British embassy here, a statement characterizing as a falsehood a recent statement from Berlin attributing to the British the intention to destroy an American ship in the naval war zone and charge it to a German submarine with the expectation of precipitating a crisis between the United States and Germany. HAS MODIFIED HER VIEWS. Rome, Feb. 22.—Reports received by the secretary of state of the vatican, says the Giornale d'Italia, show that Germany, although maintaining excellent military positions, feels seriously the consequences of the war, and therefore has modified materially her views on peace conditions to be imposed.

STATEMENT ON EQUIPMENT LEFT BY TROOPS AT CAMP

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—In the House of Commons to-day Premier Borden, answering for Major-General Hughes, promised a detailed statement on the military equipment left at Salisbury, particularly the motor trucks.

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FIRST TRAIN INTO TOWN OF LILLOOET

Legislative Excursion Over P. G. E. Goes as Far as North Fraser

The trip taken by the members of the legislature over the line of the Pacific Great Eastern railway as far as Lillooet, from which they arrived back in the city this morning, was a success in every way. The weather was brilliantly fine, the scenery through which the line passes was found to be magnificent, and the arrangements made for the comfort of the guests of the company were perfect. The hospitality extended to all was truly Irish in its nature, and the officials of the company were unobtrusively active in seeing that everyone was looked after.

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ROTARIANS BANQUET AND MAKE SPEECHES

Convention Heard Principles and Ideals of Rotary From Prominent Members

Rotarians banqueted in the Empress hotel on Saturday night where there was much speech making, singing of club songs and general jollification in which all who were there took some part. There was a prevailing light-heartedness about the room, and it was only at moments that the more seriously inclined speakers were allowed to follow their train of thought.

man could profit, but what he could do to help his fellow men. He had heard the work and aims of Rotary expressed at this, his first convention, as he had never heard them before. W. E. Burns, of Vancouver, said his delegation had begun to grow since they went to the Tacoma convention last year. He said rotary as the universal asset of which he wanted to speak, could not be covered in five minutes. He said rotary contained large and capable minds and great developing power, had many distinctive features, and represented every calling the world over.

Mr. Burns gave way to Mr. McFarlane, who spoke of the vital importance of rotary as an example to those brought together by business. He advised consistent service and undeviating honesty. He asserted that people were crying for a house-cleaning in business and that everyone was reaching out for something better.

Following other songs President Higgins thanked the newspapers for their help in assisting rotary, and called on C. H. Lugin to speak.

The Victoria president then thanked all the visiting clubs for their attendance, and the banquet adjourned to the ball room, where dancing went on until midnight. The convention ended the day with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

Rotarizing the World. At the Rotary convention on Saturday afternoon Frank Higgins, president of the Victoria Rotary club, spoke on Rotarizing the world, referring to the immense possibilities there were in rotary when it had grown to circle the world. Its possibilities for good were untold, he said, and it could spread such an uplift for the benefit of mankind that it might eventually become such a power as to offset the plans of those who control the manufacture of armaments. In that way it might act as a preventive against war.

Mr. Higgins spoke briefly, having undertaken to put his subject into ten minutes. He added that when they realized the proper conception of Rotary, they realized a mighty human agency and one of the most potent forces extant. It was the manifestation of the better part of human nature, and Rotarians created that force by honesty in dealing.

Other brief addresses were made by N. G. Pike, of Portland, who spoke on "What is Rotary?" A. F. S. Steel, of Spokane, on "Is Rotary Merely Theoretical or has it Practical Use?" H. R. King, Seattle, on "Rotary in Relation to Civil Life"; Rev. E. L. Pidgeon, Vancouver, on "Does Rotary Sustain and Inspire Optimism?" Secretary Howland, Calgary, "Should Rotary Clubs Combine Nationally or Internationally?" And Mr. Case, of Tacoma, spoke on "Fixed Ideals of Rotary."

These addresses were delivered in the ball room of the Empress hotel, which had been turned into a conference room. The speakers had a representative audience, many of the ladies who accompanied the delegates, and many ladies of Victoria occupying seats in the room. The topics all were toward awakening a larger outlook on life, and the advocacy of true service to others.

Following the speeches members were entertained by the delegates from Portland, who gave a demonstration of how roses should be planted; then E. L. Steel, from Seattle, spoke on "Greater Rotary." He advocated a radical change in the organization, to

the effect that more than one member from each line of business should be admitted. He thought that if the change was made it would open Rotary to the world, and make it the greatest instrument for the building up of business.

Yesterday afternoon there was a great automobile parade in which all Rotarians joined. The visiting delegations were taken to the Saanich peninsula, and were entertained at tea at the Brentwood hotel. Following a stay of two hours there, where the Rotarians sang some of their songs and had an enjoyable house party under Mr. White's care, the local Rotarians drove them back to Victoria.

IMPORTANT EFFECT ON LOCAL COUNCILS

Municipal Amendment Bill Would Alter Plan of Valuation

Many of the clauses in the Municipal Act Amendment bill introduced in the legislature on Wednesday, have a special interest for the city and surrounding municipalities. Allusion has already been made to the applications of Saanich for greater freedom in assessment for its waterworks, distributing system, and for fire protection service (the latter a situation which also affects Esquimalt). Another matter which raised considerable discussion last summer as between the city and Saanich was that having reference to the taxation of city parks (the Gorge and Mount Douglas) within the limits of the Saanich municipality. The municipal council, proposed after returning the taxes for 1914, to pass a by-law to exempt the city in future. However, under the bill the municipal council is given power to do this by resolution of at least two-thirds of the members.

Very full powers are given to the municipalities for the licensing of jitneys, including that of bonding the owners. This is a new phase of transportation which had not become a factor when the Municipal act was passed last year.

At a time when the whole question of taxation is under discussion, owing to the uncertain value of land in the province to-day, an important change has been made with the question of valuation. The present act says in this regard: "For the purpose of taxation land and improvements shall be estimated at their value, the measure of which as to land shall be the actual cash value, and as to improvements shall be the cost of placing at the time of assessment such improvements on the land, having regard to their then condition." The bill proposes: "For the purpose of taxation land shall be assessed at its actual value and improvements shall be assessed for the amount of the difference between the selling value of the whole property, and the selling value of the land if there were no improvements."

Matters which have arisen during the past year with regard to barbers and bartenders are covered in the general powers clause.

The limitation on the mill rate which school boards may levy is withdrawn, the new clause which formerly covered that limit having been substituted without reference to the school boards. The bill does not appear to clear up the anomaly as to when police commissioners shall meet, which is obscure at present, there being no statutory dates such as are laid down for the license commissioners.

Parishioners of Christ Church, St. Mary's, Oak Bay, and of Fowl Bay mission have been notified by the church wardens and church committee of the cathedral that there will be a farewell gathering this evening in Christ Church schoolroom in honor of the Very Reverend and Dean Doull, bishop-elect of the Kootenay, who will be presented in this occasion with a set of bishop's consecration robes and a gold cross. There are no formal invitations being issued, but it is hoped that parishioners and friends of the dean will take the opportunity to bid farewell and Godspeed to the bishop-elect. A cordial invitation is also extended to visiting bishops, clergy and laymen in the city.

A patient in hospital had been kept on low diet for a couple of weeks, and naturally he longed for a square meal. One morning the doctor found him so much better that it seemed his appetite could at last be safely appeased. "Do you think you could eat a small chicken to-day, Tim?" asked the doctor. "Faith, an' I could, sor," eagerly responded the patient. "And what would you like to have it stuffed with?" queried the doctor. "If it's all the same t' yer," answered Tim, "O'd loik t' have it stuffed with another chicken, sor."

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