

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m., Thursday: Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate northerly winds, generally fair and mild.

Victoria Daily Times

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Premier Works to Find Solution of Municipal Crisis

To Spend All Saturday Conferring With Representatives of Cities; House Hears That Municipalities Are On Verge of Bankruptcy.

Premier Oliver and as many members of his Cabinet as can be present will meet a committee of the Union of B. C. Municipalities on Saturday morning and try to evolve a solution for the present municipal finance problem.

The Premier agreed to confer at length with municipal representatives after he had met the members of the Legislature had heard the representations of the Municipal Union at an informal meeting yesterday afternoon.

PRESENTED CASE AT BAR OF HOUSE; COUNCILLOR J. LOUDET

There is no use laboring the question of the need of the municipalities. The big question for consideration is the remedy to be applied.

Provincial Finance First. "I have told you before of the financial situation of the Province, and I am still of the opinion that it is more important to keep the Province from bankruptcy than to keep municipalities from bankruptcy."

What is the remedy you offer? asked the Premier. "The remedy I have heard suggested is a service tax to be levied on all persons in the Province at the rate of \$15 a year."

MURDER CHARGE AGAINST YOUNG MAN. Manchester, N. W., March 23.—A country-wide search is being made for Lloyd Schuler, twenty-one years old, who Sunday night, it is charged, shot and instantly killed William Matusek, thirty years old, his brother-in-law, on the latter's farm near here.

FULLEST AUTONOMY AS NATION'S RIGHT. Quebec Provincial Secretary Speaks of Canada.

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BRITISHERS GIVE SPEAKER'S CHAIR TO CANADIAN COMMONS

London, March 23.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The Prince of Wales to-day visited the Houses of Parliament and inspected the replica of the Speaker's chair which is to be presented to the Canadian House of Commons by the United Kingdom branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association.

COMMUNISTS IN HAMBURG SEIZED SHIPYARD TO-DAY

Berlin, March 23.—Communist workers to-day seized the administrative buildings of the Blohm and Voess shipyards in Hamburg and hoisted red flags, says a dispatch from Hamburg to-day.

PART OF B. C. AND YUKON AS PROVINCE

Proposal Made in Commons By Peck. Dividing Line at the 52nd Parallel.

Ottawa, March 23.—(Canadian Press)—The formation of a new province of Canada consisting of "all that portion of British Columbia which lies to the north of the 52nd parallel, north latitude, and including the Yukon Territory," subject to the approval of a majority of the electors of all the territory mentioned as determined by a plebiscite, is being moved in the House of Commons by Lieut.-Colonel C. W. Peck, V. C., member for Skeena, and seconded by Dr. A. Thompson, Yukon.

BAVARIANS SAY THEY WILL NOT DISBAND TROOPS

Paris, March 23.—Unanimous decision by the Bavarian Government not to dissolve militia organizations or citizens' guards in Bavaria has been reported, says a Berlin dispatch to The Journal.

RUSSIAN DELEGATES UNPOPULAR IN ROME

Rome, March 23.—Feeling against the Russian commercial delegation at present in this city is running high at the hotel where the members of the party are staying. At dinner last night a French engineer who for many years was a resident of Russia, asked M. Vorovsky, head of the delegation, in a loud voice how the Russians had got the treasures found by the customs authorities in their baggage when they arrived.

BLACKIE, ALBERTA, HAD \$72,000 FIRE

Lethbridge, March 23.—Blackie's business section was almost wiped out last night by a \$72,000 fire which started in a Chinese restaurant. The Blackie Trading Company and Blackie Hardware Company were the heavy losers. Insurance to the extent of \$40,000 was carried on the buildings and stocks consumed.

DESSERTERS LEAVING SOVIET ARMIES

London, March 23.—Newspaper reports from Riga state that the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Soviet Armies, stationed in the vicinity of Pskov, are in open disorder and deserting in crowds, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen to-day.

ONLY AS APPROVED BY DOMINIONS

London, March 23.—(Canadian Associated Press)—Questioned in the House of Commons last evening regarding the free passage to the Dominions issued by the Overseas Settlement Committee, Colonel L. S. Amery, Colonial Under-Secretary, reiterated that no free passages were granted without the approval of the representatives of the Dominions.

DEATH RESULTED FROM HOCKEY GAME

Midland, Ont., March 23.—Elmer Birne, aged eighteen years, who was injured in the Ontario Hockey Association junior game between Midland and Parry Sound in the latter town on February 1, died to-day.

TWO SEATTLE GIRLS MISSING

Seattle, March 23.—Two young Seattle girls who left their homes to attend a motion picture theatre Sunday afternoon are missing under mysterious circumstances. It was announced by Sheriff Matt Starwick, the sheriff's deputies and the police are conducting a search.

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Yarrows Get Contract To Overhaul Warships

Contract for the refitting of H. M. C. S. Aurora and the destroyers Patriot and Patrician, it is understood, has been awarded to Yarrows, Ltd., of Esquimalt.

NEW ATTITUDE TOWARD RUSSIA

Washington, March 23.—Early consideration is to be given to relations between the United States and Soviet Russia, it was indicated to-day at the State Department.

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ANCIENT RUINS ARE UNCOVERED

Beirut, March 23.—Important discoveries of ruins of a highly developed Greek-Roman civilization have been made at Palmyra, about ninety-five miles east of Homs, by the High Commissioner's archaeological service.

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TELLS HOUSE OF B.C.'S CAPITAL DEBT

Net Debt on March 1 Set at \$46,616,000. Facts about the capital liabilities of British Columbia have been presented to the House by the Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance, in reply to questions from Mr. Bowser.

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# RETRENCHMENT IS URGED IN VANCOUVER

## Ratepayers' Association Gives Council Its Views

Vancouver, March 22.—That there should be no increase in teachers' salaries; that the City Council should retrench wherever possible; that the services of any "unnecessary" high-salaried officials should be dispensed with, and that the City Council should compile a budget which would make any further increases in taxation unnecessary, was the general opinion of the Central Ratepayers' Association meeting last night.

# FOUND GERMANS GOING TO WORK

## Impressions Given By Sir Harry Brittain

London, March 22.—Sir Harry Brittain, a member of the British Parliament, who has just returned from a tour in Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia, was much impressed by the contrast between the two former countries.

# URGE WOMEN BE APPOINTED

London, March 22.—British women are beginning to demand the appointment of members of their sex to diplomatic posts in foreign countries. The diplomats in foreign countries are not asked to be made Ambassadors or Ministers but there is no knowing how soon they may. At present they seem to be contented with suggesting that women be appointed as Secretaries, one in each British Embassy.

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# AID FOR JAPANESE SILK INDUSTRY

Tokio, March 22.—Projects contemplating an advance of \$3,000,000 yen by the Government to assist the silk industry were debated in the House of Peers to-day, members of that body questioning the practicability of the plans being considered.

# LONDON COMMENTS ON G. T. R. SITUATION

London, March 22.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The financial edition of The Times, again alluding to cable dispatches to his paper from Toronto suggesting that the Canadian Government may abandon the project of taking over the Grand Trunk Railway, emphasizes his opinion that the stockholders of the company would be unwise to pay too much attention to the idea that the Government is too deeply committed to the scheme to be able to retire now.

# ABOUT 3,000,000 WAR ORPHANS IN GERMANY

Berlin, March 22.—There are 3,000,000 war orphans in Germany, according to official figures. They are being given state and local care but it is said they form a large percentage of more than 1,000,000 children in Germany being aided by foreign relief workers.

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## Mrs. Fels Aids the Work of Reconstruction

London, March 22.—Sir Alfred Mond, First Commissioner of Public Works, speaking at the Palestine Foundation Fund, which proposes to raise \$25,000,000 for the reconstruction of the Jewish national home, announced that the widow of Joseph Fels of Philadelphia, had donated \$600,000 to the work.

Sir Alfred declared he intended to devote the remainder of his energies to building a great edifice which stood the Temple of Solomon.

# ARGENTINE COTTON AREAS INCREASE

## State Railways Giving Aid to Farmers

Buenos Ayres, March 22.—The cotton harvest in Argentina has quadrupled in importance in three years as a result of aid given to the farmers by the state railways. In 1915-16 approximately 12,000 acres were planted while the 1920-21 crop embraces an area of about 50,000 acres.

# WOMEN REPLY TO DRAYTON'S STATEMENT

## Views Regarding Importation of American Goods

Toronto, March 22.—Toronto women are quoted in interviews in The Globe as airing rather uncompromising views on the statement of Sir Henry Drayton, the responsibility for the shrinkage of Canadian gold in the United States could be laid on the shoulders of Canadian housewives.

# NOT SO GOOD

Mrs. A. H. Beaton, president of the Women's Liberal Association of Toronto asked: "Does Sir Henry Drayton know that the quality of many Canadian-made articles is not so good as the quality of the same articles from the United States? Does he know that American aluminum wire will last six times as long as Canadian aluminum?"

# MUCH STARVATION IN CONSTANTINOPLE

Geneva, March 22.—The Secretariat of the League of Nations received a copy of a resolution adopted by the fifty-two-year-old council, starting Constantinoles, setting forth that half a million women and children are condemned to death from privations. This applies to all classes of the population, including the formerly wealthy, who have sold everything to obtain bread. The mosques and public edifices of Constantinople are overcrowded with the starving and sick and child mortality is increasing alarmingly.

# TO ACT FOR GREECE IN UNITED STATES

Toronto, March 22.—In connection with the referendum campaign in Ontario, branch of the Dominion Alliance has arranged for an address by W. E. "Pussyfoot" Johnson in Massey Hall on April 19, and on April 17, Dr. G. Smythe, London, Eng., chairman of the British Government Birth-Right Commission and a distinguished authority on eugenics, will speak.

# WHEAT PRICE REDUCED.

London, March 22.—A Melbourne dispatch to The Times reports that the board controlling prices of wheat exported from Australia has reduced the rate for East Africa and certain islands from nine shillings to seven shillings eleven pence per bushel. This reduction, according to the dispatch, was made to meet North American competition.

# MR. KING ASKED MORE INFORMATION

## Moved Commons - Be Given Facts About Railways

Ottawa, March 22.—The first skirmish over the National Railways was fought in the House yesterday afternoon and last evening. An amendment to a motion to go into supply moved by Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Leader of the Liberal Opposition, led to five hours of debate, and a vote which gave the Government a majority of 38, the division being 117 against the amendment and 79 for it.

The amendment read: "Subject to the reservation that in exceptional cases there may be documents of a confidential character, which, in the public interest, may properly be withheld from publication, the House declares that it is undoubtedly the right of Parliament to demand and receive copies of all reports, accounts, correspondence and papers in relation to the management of every department of the public service, including the affairs of the Canadian National Railways, whether operating directly under the control of the Government or under corporate form."

Without Responsibility. Supporters of the amendment claimed that since the National Railway had been placed under the control of an independent corporation it had been impossible to secure complete information. "It is Government ownership without Government responsibility," remarked Mr. King, his followers cheering.

Mr. Meighen. The Prime Minister and the Leader of the National Progressives were in opposition to the amendment. Both emphasized that the National Railways should not be required to disclose information which might prove of value to their great competitor, the C. P. R.

Mr. Meighen. "If," said Mr. Meighen, "the directors of the Canadian National Railway are compelled to answer innumerable questions, they will be placed under a severe handicap."

# BELIEVED DEAD, BUT REAPPEARS

## American Inventor Turns Up; Body Was Buried

New York, March 22.—Mourning as dead for fifteen months, after his "body" found in his motorboat awash on the Brooklyn shore, had been identified and buried, Paul Gesmer, fifty-two-year-old inventor, starting acquaintances in Stapleton, Staten Island, yesterday by driving into town in a bright yellow motor car and telling them he was \$45,000 richer. His friends were puzzled over the identity of the man who had been buried. Gesmer disappeared November 15, 1919.

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Athens, March 22.—Dr. Alexander Vouros, who has been named Greek Minister to the United States, will have the status of Charge d'Affaires, according to the passports issued to him by the Greek Government. The American Legation here declined to give Dr. Vouros' passports as Minister, pointing out that President Harding has not established relations with King Constantine. Following this action, the Greek Foreign Office has amended the passports issued to the diplomat.

# STOLEN STATUETTE WAS RECOVERED

Rotterdam, March 22.—A Benvenuto Cellini statuette, valued at approximately \$20,000, which was shipped from Britain to an art dealer in Holland, and stolen en route, has turned up here, having been sold in the first instance, for the equivalent of about \$2. Its purchaser, recognizing its value, tried to dispose of it for a large sum but was detected.

# CASTORIA In Use For Over 30 Years

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"The best I can say for Tanlac is not as good as it deserves, for it relieved me of a case of stomach trouble that I thought would be the end of me, and built me up fifteen pounds in weight, besides," was the statement made by Matthew Mitchell, well known farmer residing near Brandon, Man., while in Brandon recently. Mr. Mitchell formerly lived in London, Ontario, where he was very well known as a horseman and trainer for many years.

# PEKING GETS SUM OF MONEY

## Legations Release Amount for Northern Government

Peking, March 22.—Funds allotted in the past to the Southern Chinese Government, but withheld since the collapse of that regime, were released by the consent of legations in Peking. These funds were intended for use of the Peking Government. The amount of money released was approximately 13 per cent of the surplus, or 2,400,000 taels in gold.

# EVIDENCE GIVEN AT DOUGHTY TRIAL

## Witness Swears Accused Man Mentioned Kidnapping

Toronto, March 22.—Testimony that John Doughty, on trial here for the alleged theft of Victory Bonds valued at \$105,000 from Ambrose J. Small, who disappeared December 2, 1919, had suggested the kidnapping of Small several months before his disappearance, was given by Fred T. Daville, a printer.

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## "MERCHANT OF VENICE" TO BE PLAYED BY DUNCAN PUPILS

Duncan, March 23.—The students of the Duncan High School are to present "The Merchant of Venice," April 8 in the Duncan Opera House. Great preparations are under way to make this a successful entertainment. The proceeds will go to swell the funds of the school library. A ten-piece orchestra is being arranged to provide incidental music, under the leadership of Ronald Maclean. Mrs. Reid, of Cowichan Station, and Dr. Black, principal of the Duncan High School, are training the pupils who are taking part in the play.

**"Boys' Class.**  
A special meeting of the junior boys' class of the Duncan Methodist Sunday School was held, with Albert Dirom, the teacher, in the chair. The purpose was to organize the class so

that it would be as far as possible a self-governing body. To this end the following officers were elected: Melvin Harris, president; Raymond Woodward, secretary; Gavin Dirom, treasurer. It is the desire of the boys to take up the Trail Ranger programme. This will be done as soon as the group is recognized by the Boys' Work Council.

Albert Dirom is to be congratulated upon his efforts to advance such a worthy cause among the young boys of this district.

Jack, how is it that you never bring any good marks home from school?" "Oh, papa, there are such a lot of us that when my turn comes there are none left."

# Eight-Hour Bill Before House With Other Labor Acts

## Female Work at Night to Be Restricted; Provision Is Made For Safeguarding Mothers In Industry; Child Labor Is to Be Regulated.

The "Eight-hour" bill was introduced into the Legislature yesterday by Hon. J. W. deB. Farris, Attorney-General and Minister of Labor.

It provides that working hours of persons employed in any public or private industrial undertaking, other than an undertaking in which only members of the same family are employed, shall not exceed eight in the day and 48 in the week. This does not apply to persons holding positions of supervision or management, nor to persons employed in a confidential capacity.

Where half-holidays are provided an agreement may be reached between employers and employees to work nine hours per day to make up for the hours of the half-holiday, but the total for the week shall not exceed 48 hours.

Where persons are employed in shifts it shall be permissible to employ them for a longer time per day than eight hours, provided the number of hours over a period of three weeks or less does not exceed and average of eight per day or 48 per week. The limit is placed at 56 hours per week where process work is carried on continuously by shifts.

**Other Labor Bills**  
Five other bills relating to labor in British Columbia, and arising out of the findings of the Peace Conference at Versailles, have also been introduced by Hon. Mr. deB. Farris. They are: An act to limit the hours of work in industrial undertakings; an act concerning the night work of young persons employed in industry; an act concerning the employment of women before and after childbirth; an act fixing the minimum age for admission of children to industrial employment, and an act concerning the employment of women during the night.

**Female Night Work Cut**  
The fifth provides that women, without distinction of age shall not be employed during the night in any public or private industrial undertaking, except where members of the same family are employed. Exceptions are made in the case of where there have been interruptions of work, impossible to foresee and such work was not completed, and in cases where the work has to do with raw materials or materials subject to rapid deterioration, where night work is necessary in order to save the materials from loss.

Young persons under 18 shall not be employed during the night, except in the case where members of the same family are employed. Power to suspend the prohibition of night work is left in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.

**Protecting Mothers**  
Provision is made that women may not work in a public or private industrial or commercial undertaking for six weeks after confinement, and a woman shall have the right to leave her work if she produces a medical certificate stating that her confinement will probably take place within six weeks. She shall, if she is nursing her child, be allowed half an hour twice a day during her working hours for this purpose. Protection against discharge for absence owing to pregnancy is provided.

Another act provides that male children under 14 and female children under 15 shall not be employed in any public or private undertaking, except where members of the same family are employed. This shall not apply to work done by children in technical schools.

Employers are required to keep a register of all persons employed by them under 16 years of age.

## MAJOR BURDE AGAIN ENTERTAINS HOUSE

Most of Night Session Taken Up By Talk by Alberni Members

Major R. J. Burde, Independent member for Alberni, monopolized the Legislature for most of the night session and entertained the members with personal sallies that sometimes called for the Speaker to interfere.

"I want to tell the member for New Westminster that I think he is bearing a grudge and if he were just as sincere as he is trying to make us believe, he would pick up his desk and come over and sit beside Tom

Uphill and the rest of us," said the Major, addressing himself to David Whiteside through the Speaker. "I want to tell him that he is not to come on the floor of this Legislature and impute to my honorable friends that they are lurking back in the bush."

**Not Much Chance.**  
Referring to the Minister of Finance and his budget and the criticism the House is going to subject this budget to, Major Burde said that "the King with a lean and hungry look and without a shave is waiting outside this building wanting to know whether the Legislature is going to vote him much money to pay his stenographer and for the P.G. E. and all that stuff."

He went on to say that as far as he was concerned the King would have as much chance of getting his budget passed as it is, as a certain member of the House has "of getting that \$10 I borrowed from him the other night."

**Attacks Overseas Parson.**  
The Major attacked Capt. Whittaker, called "the Premier's parson" whom he said came back from overseas wearing a wounded stripe, until he was fagged to take it off because he had never been in the front line and his wound consisted in an ankle he sprained in a brickyard.

He criticized the Speaker for not seeing that British Columbia cigars were offered for sale in the Legislative dining-room instead of imported brands only, especially because "the Government had loaned \$29,000 to returned soldiers to carry on a cigar factory in Vancouver."

**Gets Letters From Women.**  
The Major also criticized people who have been criticizing him. "If you could watch the private conduct of some of the members of this House and if it will measure up to the public conduct of the member for Alberni, I want to know," he went on. "I am the recipient of forty or fifty anonymous letters, intended to be insulting letters. If the Local Council of Women or any of the other old sanctimonious women want to criticize my conduct on the floor of the House, why do they not sign their names? Can I be subjected to forty or fifty letters a day as to my conduct on the floor of this House?"

**Speaker Interferes.**  
When Major Burde declared that the "reason why the Prince of Wales did not come to Port Alberni was that he was soured," the Speaker called him to order, quoting the rules of the House that no member shall speak disrespectfully of the King or the members of the royal family, but only confine his remarks to the position that they represent.

When the Prince has done things I have done, I think he has done this country an honor, Mr. Speaker," the Major replied. "I am of the opinion that the Prince of Wales, and the member for Prince and Dick Burde are of the same blood."

**Against London Expenditure.**  
The Major criticized the expenditure on B. C. House in London, where he said \$80,000 is being spent each year to keep Fred and William in a good job. He also criticized the increase in the cost of repairs to furniture at Government House, Victoria.

"I am going to challenge every vote and if the Government will have to answer as the Premier no longer has the brute majority he did have," the Major went on.

**Some Members "Tettering."**  
He warned the Premier that on the right of the Speaker were three members "with tottering minds who might cross the floor of the House and so place Mr. Premier that he will be back on his farm in the Delta." He declared that there were six or seven members with him who were ready to stop two or three weeks longer to prevent the affairs of the House being rushed through by the Premier.

He said that he would never have sought re-election this time if the Government had kept its promise to bring in eight "F" resolutions and had kept faith on the liquor issue without playing politics.

**Charges "Double-Crossing."**  
After asserting that the campaign fund of the Vancouver Liberals was subscribed to by brewers and hotelmen, he said there was "so much double-crossing in the Legislature that some of the people who took tainted money are afraid to come across and deliver the goods and give the returned soldier and workman his drink of beer."

The Major said that the Minister of Lands if he would talk to settlers throughout the country, would do something to assist people already on the land before trying to get more people on the land.

**Wants Income Tax Co-operation.**  
He urged co-operation between the Dominion and the Province in the collection of income taxes "so that we won't have two sleuths following us around instead of one."

In reply to a question from the Major, the Hon. John Hart replied that he had approached the Dominion with suggestions along these lines, but without success.

**Likes Man, But Not Principle.**  
The Major criticized the Premier for allowing Major Martyn to resign the Commission of the Department of Industries to run as a Liberal candidate and then when he failed in the election to be re-appointed to his office.

"That act of mine is something I cannot nor will not compromise with," he went on. "But I am pleased Major Martyn is back there although I don't approve of the principle. I have had dealings with him and his department and I can testify that he is painstaking."

## PREMIER WORKS TO FIND SOLUTION OF MUNICIPAL CRISIS

(Continued from page 1.)

of our source of revenue to you I wish you would point out some way the Province is going to meet its liabilities.

"From the Liquor Act, rightly or wrongly, it is estimated that some profits will be approximately \$3,000,000, one-half of which will go to the municipalities. I don't know why, as you say you have come to the conclusion that this money won't help you this year because it is proposed to strike a balance sheet twice a year and I am inclined to think that some profits would accrue to the municipalities before the end of the present year but if you want to put that out of your consideration what is your proposition?"

**Propose No Tax Increase.**  
"We don't propose to increase the taxation burden at all," Mr. Loulet explained in describing the proposed \$12 school and hospital tax. "We want to distribute it more equitably and

lighten the load on the land, which is unable to bear it longer."

Mr. Loulet suggested also that the provincial income tax might be increased to provide financial assistance for the municipalities. The Union, he said, was suggesting the Dominion hospital tax simply for the Government's consideration and not as an arbitrary plan.

"We think it is really the duty of the Government to provide a remedy," he added. "We ask the Opposition not to make political capital out of the efforts of the Government to solve the situation should those efforts not prove successful. I would ask all members of the Legislature to unite on the situation as the Municipal Committee has done regardless of politics. Surely they can do it once for the sake of the Province in the Legislative Chamber!"

**No Politics, Says Premier.**  
"I don't think for a moment that party politics will enter in consideration," the Premier assured the Union Executive. "It certainly won't have consideration from me and I don't believe from any member of the House."

Mr. Loulet reviewed at some length the present condition of British Columbia municipalities which, he said, was not the result of extravagance on the part of the municipal authorities, but the result of the Government's protection against the plan to create a reserve fund for school purposes

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"We don't want assistance for next year, but for this year," Mayor J. J. Johnston, of New Westminster, told the members.

"We're almost afraid to ask people to come into our municipalities because their presence will increase school expenditures," Reeves, Mayor of Coquitlam, stated. "By 1922, when we will get our first liquor money this Province may be broke dry. I don't want that, but there is a danger of it and then we would get any money at all."

Williams, the footman, who had master up by telephone, "I want to inform you, my dear, that the phone, 'What a terrible situation! But my wife and I are going to get out among the first, and our daughters—are they all right?' "I said, 'My wife was with them, mother.' "And what about my mother-in-law?" "That is what I want to speak to you about, my mother-in-law is asleep in the chair, and I want your report on her condition. I want to know if I ought to disturb her or not, and

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SOMEWHAT ASTRAY.

In the course of a criticism of Mr. David Whiteside's speech in the Legislature yesterday our morning contemporary says:

Mr. Whiteside is unduly perturbed about the price of paper charged by the pulp companies in this Province. These more nearly connected with its purchase are probably in a better position to judge what is a legitimate price than he is. It may be said that for years past the price of such paper, as produced by British Columbia mills, has been cheaper here than on any other part of this continent. It is the question of profit, however, that is at issue, and Mr. Whiteside is in earnest in his plea for the control of profits he should direct his attention first to a matter over which the Legislature, of which he is a member, has absolute control. Under Prohibition the Government of British Columbia has made profits ranging from 40 to 100 per cent. on the sale of liquor for medicinal purposes. No pulp company in this Province has ever profiteered to this extent.

According to The Vancouver Sun, which is making an issue of the paper question, the cost of producing a ton of newsprint, as shown by the statement of one of the B. C. mills, is \$40.83. The present price of paper to newspapers is \$130 per ton at the mill. If our Vancouver contemporary's figure of the cost of production is correct the profit per ton is more than 200 per cent. The Colonist's further statement that paper is cheaper here than on any other part of the continent is equally inaccurate. Paper is controlled by a combine and the price is the same generally throughout the Dominion. Until recently, however, users of paper in Ontario and Quebec always have been able to obtain supplies much more cheaply than the newspapers of British Columbia.

GERMANY REFUSES.

Germany has written another chapter into her book of default. She has refused to pay the sum of one billion gold Marks which fell due for payment under the provisions of the Treaty of Versailles to-day. She has also informed the Allies that she does not intend to permit them to collect the balance of the amount due on the first of May under the same provision of the pact.

No surprise has been occasioned over this new development. It was expected that she would continue her attitude of defiance. The German note scarcely complicates the issue inasmuch as the occupation programme is an act of constraint for two hundred and twenty-six billion Marks. It is merely an intimation to the Allied peoples that the German Government intends to cut the painter and let the Treaty of Versailles take care of itself. Unless there should be an early demonstration to the contrary the Allied Supreme Council will be compelled to fashion its distraining process as conditions may dictate from time to time.

Continued obstinacy and flagrant violations of a solemn undertaking on the part of the debtor nation will not accomplish her object in driving a wedge between Entente opinion in respect of the coercive plan. Only by showing some signs of reason can she hope to limit Great Britain's support to the French policy which is ready for expansion upon the slightest provocation.

In the meantime the seizure of Hamburg and a few other ports might provide some indication of the mental processes employed by German statesmen at this juncture and what they expect to gain by organized default.

THE UNIVERSITY.

British Columbia has committed itself to a University policy and the responsibility for the maintenance of the institution rests with the Government of this Province. It may be argued that the Oliver Administration is complying with the conditions involved in the general plan by repeating its financial grant of four hundred and forty-five thousand dollars. But it may also be argued with equal truth that the University has automatically increased its obligations and requires additional support in proportion to the greater financial demands of the Province in respect of the administration of its own public affairs.

The University cannot stand still. It cannot be allowed to go back. The Province must guarantee that it progresses with the rest of the activities over which the Government yields a controlling influence. But unless the Legislature agrees to come to its aid it will have to go out that this Province lacks either the will to keep abreast of the times or the ambition to maintain its educative competition with the rest of the Dominion. The University authorities are faced with a very definite condition. Unless the Government is prepared to go on with the project and provide additional accommodation and equipment the Board of Governors will be compelled to restrict the number of students to the present roll. In other words the aspirations of the younger generation must be governed and dictated by the ability of the Provincial Treasury to supply the wherewithal.

Under ordinary circumstances, and in the absence of a really good case at a time when the finances of the Province are at a low ebb, the cry of parsimony could not be levelled at the Government. But the Province owns an area of three thousand acres adjoining the site at Point Grey which it should be able to sell and apply the proceeds to the retirement of a loan for which it already has the authority to raise. On that account the University is in a class by itself and demands a totally different treatment from a number of other expenditures that do not appear to strain the Provincial till in the same proportion.

THE FEARFUL TOLL.

During the year 1920 five hundred and fifty-three people in British Columbia died of tuberculosis. Twenty-one years ago the annual death rate from the same cause did not exceed ninety. For more than fifteen years the Anti-Tuberculosis Society of this Province has performed a magnificent work in behalf of the unfortunate victims of the disease. But the task has grown to such a proportion as to compel a more generous and practical attitude on the part of the people as a whole. The mortality figures, to which the Opposition member for Nelson referred in his congratulatory reference to the course which the Government has taken in acquiring Tranquille for the Province, speak for themselves. They dictate the necessity for a policy such as no semi-private organization could hope to initiate unless it could count upon that measure of interest and financial support which the Government of the day should be in a position to guarantee by the use of its authority and administrative prerogatives.

A LOCAL INDUSTRY.

It may not be known to many people in this city that Vancouver Island wool is no longer a creature of the imagination. The enterprise and creative genius of Mrs. Dennis Harris have provided a tangible proof that this part of British Columbia may make a name for itself in the manufacture of a commodity which will always command a large and lucrative market. The many examples of the local product are now open to the public gaze at a Government Street store. And as the passer-by inspects this magnificent display he may take consolation in the fact that the fleece used is Vancouver Island fleece; that the spinning wheels were manufactured in Victoria; that the natural dyes also were made here. The exhibition

should be a good omen for the "Made in B. C." campaign which is about to be inaugurated in this city.

THE HOTEL ROOM.

Hotelmen in British Columbia should welcome the amendment to the Liquor Control Bill which is intended to provide that no person may consume liquor on hotel premises who is not a registered guest in every sense of the term. This is the remedy for an abuse which existed under an anomalous provision in the Prohibition Act and conforms to the original suggestion of this newspaper when it contended that the hotelman should be protected. There ought to be no opposition to the proviso.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Among the news items of yesterday were the following: Greek troops are preparing to move forward in Asia Minor; another capital warship was launched in the United States; Great Britain is building great naval fighting seaplanes; Mandatories must not put natives in armies. On the top of this to-day Nicaragua says she must withdraw from the League of Nations because it is costing her too much, and because she is twelve months behind in her dues. Such is the cause of peace!

Some people are losing sleep o' nights because they believe the Anglo-Russian trade pact will lead to political recognition of the Soviet. And what if it does? Recognition for diplomatic exchange does not imply that the British or any other Government condones the black chapters with which the Bolshevik regime may never dissociate itself.

Sir Philip Gibbs told a New York audience the other day that he would always say: "Whatever else happens in this world, we two peoples must stand together." This is just the sort of sentiment that should prevail on both sides of the Atlantic. When it has grown thoroughly popular Bolshevism, or any other "ism," will not get a ghost of a chance to disturb the peace of the world.

HOROSCOPE

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This should be a favorable day until after sunset, according to astrology. The sun will exert a beneficent aspect during the busiest hours, but later turns to evil power. It is a day to be employed wisely by all who expect political appointments. The hour of the day may make the difference between success and disappointment.

As the end of Scorpio is rising at Washington and Jupiter is close to the meridian in opposition to Uranus at the beginning of the Spring quarter, there may be many serious problems presented to the President of the United States. Labor disputes are likely to be numerous and will be continued through the winter months. Foreign relations are to be more satisfactory than they have been and there is a happy prophecy for diplomacy.

Seismic troubles again will be disturbing in places not hitherto affected by earthquakes. Scandals regarding the expenditure of public money are again foretold and one of these will be of an unusual character. Persons are threatened in many public places. Schools and places of amusement should be especially safeguarded. Women will come under a government of the stars in making for severe criticism of one another and those in public office should be especially careful to avoid arousing antagonisms. Sickness among children may be prevalent at this time, when the sanitation of cities should command special attention.

CRAWLED TO SAFETY THROUGH WINDOW

Seattle, March 23.—Aroused to find their one-story frame dwelling in flames at 2:30 o'clock this morning, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Weigel, 2030 1/2 Forty-third Avenue North, grasped their two sleeping children and crawled out of the smoking building through the bathroom window. The house, with its contents, was completely destroyed.

SHIP REFOLOATED.

San Francisco, March 23.—The sailing ship Golden Gate, owned by Major James Tolph, which was reported ashore in the Manchester Canal, England, has been floated and is in the harbor of Runcorn, Cheshire, England. It was reported here today. Little damage was suffered by the ship.

CASH GRATUITY IS NOT PLANNED

Attitude of Committee on Re-Establishment

Ottawa, March 23.—The special Parliamentary Committee on Soldiers' Civil Re-Establishment has reaffirmed its stand, taken last year, not to re-open the question of further cash gratuities for the re-establishment of soldiers. This decision was taken at an executive meeting of the committee yesterday and stated in the following resolution: "That in view of the letter from the Dominion secretary-treasurer of the Great War Veterans' Association of Canada, calling attention to the resolution in favor of cash re-establishment bonus, passed by the association at their annual convention held a year ago, and inquiring whether this Committee intended to deal with the matter, the committee reaffirm the conclusion on this question reached by the special Parliamentary Committee at last session as set forth in its annual report to Parliament dated June 18, 1920. It is stated in the 1920 report referred to: 'Your committee decided against reopening the question, and, therefore, makes no recommendation thereon.'

CHANGES URGED IN OIL REGULATIONS

Edmonton Men Want Northwest Situation Investigated

Ottawa, March 23.—An immediate reconsideration of the new oil and gas regulations now in force in the Northwest Territories is desired by the Edmonton Board of Trade and the Dominion Government will be asked to appoint a committee to investigate the entire question with a view to recommending revised regulations better fitted to the development of a northern oil industry.

CONCLUDE ARGUMENTS ON DRUGLESS HEALING

attempted to prove to the committee that it was absolutely impossible for chiropractors to manipulate the vertebrae so as to effect a cure. In the case of certain diseases, he said, it would be dangerous for chiropractors to "fool with a man's spine." "We claim, in the first place, that their theory is absolutely untenable," Mr. Robertson said, summing up his case. "In the second place, all cases they treat, with the exception of a few, are of a neurotic condition. Thirdly, they say they are as anxious as we are to have a standard and that at their schools, they teach nearly all subjects taught at medical schools, so we submit to you, while not opposing the bill in the ordinary sense of the word, that in the public interest they should pass the same examination as is passed by medical men and osteopaths. Let anyone who can pass these examinations practise chiropractic and so on."

NICARAGUA TO DROP OUT OF LEAGUE

San Salvador, Republic of Salvador, March 23.—Nicaragua has begun negotiations to obtain permission to resign her membership in the League of Nations because the expense attached to the membership is considered excessive, says a dispatch from Managua. It costs Nicaragua \$4,000 a month, and the Government owes the League \$48,000, having been a member for a year.

ARTIFICIAL LIMBS.

Albany, N.Y., March 23.—Artificial limbs should be provided at least every three years by the state to members of the militia who have lost legs while in the service of the state, Assemblyman Joseph A. V. McKee believes. He has placed before the Legislature for its consideration a bill carrying an appropriation of \$5,000 so that the artificial limbs can be given to disabled men.

MOVIE AS CLUE-GIVER.

Pittsburg, March 23.—The disappearance last August of a seven-year-old Pittsburg high school girl has been partly solved. Her mother, Mrs. J. A. Watkins, has reported to the police that she has viewed a motion picture in which the missing girl played the part of a stenographer.

A VANCOUVER DEATH.

Vancouver, March 23.—George Gale, who came here from Winnipeg as an assistant general claims agent of the Canadian National Railway, died suddenly to-day of heart failure.

DAYLIGHT SAVING.

Sherbrooke, March 23.—Daylight saving will be in force again in Sherbrooke on May 1, according to a decision of the City Council yesterday.

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THINKS WHITESIDE ECONOMY PLEAS IS SOMEWHAT NARROW

M. Perry Wants P. G. E. Pressed; Describes North's Resources

"Somewhat narrow," was the term used by H. G. Perry, Liberal member for Fort George, in the Legislature last night in describing David Whiteside's pleas for drastic reductions in public expenditures. "I can well understand that the member for New Westminster, which is so well endowed with public buildings, would criticize the erection of public buildings in places where there are none," Mr. Perry remarked in reference to Mr. Whiteside's speech on the budget Monday. "I would point out, however, that it is the production of the interior where it is proposed to erect public buildings that keeps such coast cities as New Westminster going. In the only city in my constituency—Prince George—the only public building is a jail which is a disgrace. I note in the estimates, however, that there is provision for a mental institution in New Westminster and I have a strong suspicion that the official rendered annual reports of their various departments. The district secretary reported that the circulation was as follows: English—Bibles, 2,151; Testaments, 2,877; portions, 2,558. Foreign—Bibles, 70; Testaments, 368; portions, 5,904; total, 13,748. The foreign circulation was in twenty-seven languages. Sales

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MR. BRIDLE'S REMARK.

To the Editor:—In your report of the Council's proceedings at Esquimalt on Monday night I am reported to have said, "and I was dragged into it by Jardine." In the excitement of the meeting it is very difficult to say what actual words were used. I have no recollection, however, of using this expression, and I most certainly had no intention of doing so, as it would not be true. I attended the Private Bill Committee of pure curiosity, but was amazed to find how little the committee evidently knew of the facts regarding the promotion of the bill. And when I was invited to testify I had no hesitation in doing what my conscience dictated to me—"To tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth." GEORGE BRIDLE, 548-Lampson St., Esquimalt, March 23, 1921.

120 STOWAWAYS.

Tokio, March 23.—During the month of January 120 stowaways went from Japan to ports in North and South America on board Japanese steamships, said a circular sent to Governments of Japanese provinces by the Home Department to-day.

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### FEW MEN WANTED FOR FARM WORK

#### Apparently Unreliable Report Comes From Regina on Situation

A story going the rounds to the effect that a Regina newspaper has published a statement that 5,000 men are needed by prairie farmers is very seriously questioned as to the reliability of the contention that this number of men is required.

The E. C. Provincial Labor Bureau has received word that 150 experienced men for seeding are required at Swift Current and Saskatoon and experienced farm hands of this class who desire to go to the prairies will be given the benefit of the reduced railway fares.

It is reported that as late as ten days ago the city of Regina was giving unemployment relief and a summary received from the Labor Bureau in Saskatoon reports that the situation is being somewhat relieved through the demand for farm help for the Spring seeding.

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## B. C. Running Wild On Expenditures, Mr. Bowser Charges

### "Even Conservative Administration Could Not Approach Recklessness of This Administration," He Declares; Liberals Have Increased Debt By \$30,000,000, Opposition Leader Asserts.

For two and a half hours late yesterday afternoon W. J. Bowser, Leader of the Opposition, castigated the Oliver Administration. Criminal negligence, shameful practices, political dodges, profligate waste and similar terms were hurled across the floor, and few phrases of political activity escaped the consideration of the Conservative chief.

The budget brought down by Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance, was a "fine sugar-coated pill," said Mr. Bowser, but for one thing it did give the members a chance to see the "political camouflage" with which the Finance Minister was deceiving the public.

"How long will this mad race go on?" asked the Opposition Leader. "Here are voting huge sums of money under 'blanket' votes, so that we have no chance of knowing what we are voting on. The Premier often speaks of the reckless expenditures which he says occurred under our Government, but never in our wildest dreams could we approach the recklessness of this administration."

"Smuggled In"

There was one vote in the estimates for \$4,750,000, said Mr. Bowser, a vote "smuggled in, with all sorts of opportunity for the Government to play favorites among the civil servants. He thought it much better for the estimates to show the individual salary votes.

Mr. Bowser referred to the position of Mr. Hepburn, mining picture censor, an employee of the Government, he said, who on December 23 last had received an increase of salary from \$180 to \$225 per month. This was no "reward," said Mr. Bowser, for Mr. Hepburn's part in displaying the famous oyster film. The "pliable" civil service commissioner, he said, had in hand it also.

**Dealing with financial matters, his Government had left \$16,000,000 of public assets over liabilities in 1916, while the amount had dropped in four years to a debit of \$10,000,000.**

"During the 13 years of office we had a total revenue of \$103,000,000," explained Mr. Bowser, "and 49 per cent of that went for public works. How about this Government? It has left \$10,000,000 of public assets over liabilities in 1916, while the amount had dropped in four years to a debit of \$10,000,000."

"Hundreds of farmers waiting to place orders for stumping powder, but no action on part of Government to complete bill granting rebates. Recommend they drop Moderation Bill long enough to get powder bill through. No one suffering for boots. It is district enough to run irrigation system for years."

**Criticized Loans**

Touching upon the recent flotation of a \$2,000,000 loan by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Bowser claimed that the Government was to invest the cost of the Province \$747,201 to carry this loan for the five years before its maturity, and instead of having made a good bargain, he claimed it would be found that the loan had cost 7.67 per cent.

"How could that be corrected?" he queried, and answered by advocating the flotation of a domestic loan, which had been promised by the Minister of Finance.

**Tax Increase Likely?**

"You would then keep your money at home and give the people of the Province—if you have any confidence in them—the opportunity to invest profitably in good securities," he added.

Turning to municipal taxation, Mr. Bowser drew attention to Hon. Mr. Hart's allusion to probable increases in taxation next year.

"And this will certainly come," he added, "and the burden will fall upon the municipalities."

**Change Toward Municipalities**

The Opposition Leader took some pleasure out of a reference to the Premier's position in 1908, when Hon. Mr. Oliver, then a private member in Opposition, was known as the hero of the municipal representatives. At that time (reading from old reports) Mr. Oliver had begged that the personal property tax be given to the municipalities.

"That was good practice then. Why is it not the same now?" asked Mr. Bowser. "The Premier wanted

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aid for the municipalities then, but how he says they can't have another cent."

**Liberal Bible Phrases**

Chuckling over what he termed were "gems" in reports of the Premier's dealings with the municipalities in 1918, the Leader of Opposition said Hon. Mr. Oliver had sold the people to "do off the broadcloth and don the overalls," to produce more and spend less.

"The 'Liberal' bibles and the 'Conservative' bibles are both very nice," said Mr. Bowser. "Sounded very nice."

**Need Surgical Operation?**

"Then here is another one," he went on. "The members of the Government haven't the power of the Almighty. I'll say they haven't" (laughter).

"Next, he (Premier Oliver) told the sheep—the municipalities—needed a surgical operation," proceeded Mr. Bowser.

Hon. Mr. Hart—Call a chiropractor. Mr. Bowser—The Premier may have thought he was a surgeon, among his other qualifications.

**The Report on Teachers**

Mr. Bowser found fault with the Government for not increasing grants to schools. Only a beggarly 25 per cent was granted, he said, whereas in the days of the old Government as much as 55 per cent was given. He spoke of the "teachers' commission" appointed recently, a body which went around the country enquiring into school affairs.

"But they didn't have decency to submit a report," he said.

**Municipal Wees**

Municipal matters occupied the attention of the speaker for consideration. He said the Government, under pressure had given the municipalities the poll-tax, which was not worth the cost of collecting it. He went on to say that the Government was to increase the poll-tax by ten per cent. Neither of these had been accepted, said Mr. Bowser, and now the municipalities were in desperate straits.

He recalled the promise of the Premier, made prior to the recent election, to meet the municipal representatives; but the campaign was over, and if elected, the Government would do everything possible to grant aid.

**How Promise Is Kept**

"What is the result as we find it to-day?" he went on. "Here we have the House adjourning in order that we may meet the municipal representatives, after they have done everything in their power to bring home to the Government the drastic action which must be taken. And I want to congratulate the honorable member for New Westminster, Mr. Whiteside, upon forcing the Government to grant this hearing. Perhaps, though, if the Government's majority were larger he would not have met with the same success."

Mr. Bowser said the Premier had informed municipal delegates that he would keep his promise to them, and no one had caught him breaking a promise if it was possible to keep it.

"But what do we find?" asked Mr. Bowser. "Not the Government, and his Minister, Hon. Mr. Hart, making broad pre-election promises which have not and will not be kept. Mr. Hart promised from the public platform to do the accounts of the towns which will remedy the problem."

**Oak Bay Deluded**

"I'd like to know what has become of those promises," he added.

"He told the people of Oak Bay, the poor, deluded municipal electors of Oak Bay, that they would be fixed up all right and placed in as good a position as the Government," went on Mr. Bowser. "But I hope they never get into 'as good shape as the Government."

**About Railway Premises**

The Opposition leader turned next to railway matters, recalling the promise he said the Premier had made to settlers in Pouce Coupe last Summer to the effect that the Government would endeavor to have the line completed from Spirit River to the British Columbia boundary. He read a telegram addressed by Premier Oliver to G. F. Hart, of Dawson Valley, in which the Premier said:

"Conditional arrangements made with Alberta; will extend to Pouce Coupe at once, and westward when permanent location is made."

Hon. Mr. Hart's Telegram

An altercation arose between Premier Oliver and Mr. Bowser, the Government leader claiming that a wrong interpretation was given by not reading Hon. Mr. Hart's wire, but he felt sure that the wire was clear enough, and he read it again. Mr. Perry, of Port George, asked for the date of the message, and was told it was November 22. Premier Oliver again insisted that he was being harmed by the reading of the wire, but Speaker Manson said the interpretation was a matter for individual members to make for themselves.

**Premises Influenced Election**

Mr. Bowser read the telegram again, in order to impress its contents upon the members, he said, and he then read from the election manifesto issued by the Premier last November. This contained a promise to the electors of Peace River to speed the completion of railway connection with the outside world. These promises, said Mr. Bowser, had influenced the electorates and been responsible for Mr. Perry's election. However, like many other promises, he added, this one had not been kept.

**"Oyster Film" Again**

Mr. Bowser again referred to Dr. A. R. Baker's use of the "oyster" film, a political propaganda dodge, he said, which was a reflection upon the Government.

He spoke of the abolition of the office of insurance inspector, a few years ago, and the \$8,000 placed in

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The superintendent of Education for the Province tabled a report that showed there were 72,999 scholars on the rolls of the schools of the Province, a gain of 2,400 in the year, but there was a shortage of teachers, numbering 150 and 200.

**ITALIAN CHAMBER.**

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**NOTED ACTRESS SEES CHANGE IN VICTORIA**

May Yohe, Appearing at Variety, Was Last Here in 1908

"Great changes have taken place in Victoria since I was last here in 1908," said May Yohe to the Times following her act at the Variety Theatre yesterday afternoon.

"There was no breakwater and no prohibition then, and the hotel where I stopped is now a Department Store," she remarked.

The well-known actress was married in London in 1913 to Captain Smuts, first cousin of General Smuts, and the pair are now making their way back to Johore Baru, where for three years they lived on a rubber estate. They will travel through Canada and the United States by easy stages, the voyage being one of combined business and pleasure.

Under the stage name of May Yohe, Mrs. Smuts is appearing all this week at the Variety Theatre in a little society skit of cleverness and originality. She has just recently completed a serial screen story of 11 reels entitled "The Hope Diamond Mystery," the Canadian and American rights in which have been purchased by David P. Howells. She is now writing the story of her life for United States newspapers.

The actress's romantic career and her stage successes are too well known to require detailed mention. She has traveled very extensively and has made a hit in every city where she has appeared.

For a time Mr. and Mrs. Smuts resided on a ranch in California and, needless to say, they spent a very interesting time among their friends of the motion picture world while residing there. They were invited to Vancouver at the termination of the present engagement at the Variety.

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**VARIETY**

"The Little Fraid Lady," one of the best comedy-dramas ever shown on the silver screen, was received with acclaim by a large audience at the Variety Theatre last night. Mae Marsh, the dainty emotional actress, who some time ago left the screen to play the role of a nurse, appeared in the stellar part of this interesting picture and scored heavily. The story of "The Little Fraid Lady" was taken from the widely read novel, "The Little Fraid Lady in the Woods," by Marjorie Benton Cooke. The screen production is a Robertson-Cole super-special directed by John G. Adolfi.

**PRINCESS**

To-night at the Princess Theatre will be presented "Kick In," a crook play by Willard Mack, and one of his greatest successes apart from the fact of its being a great play it affords excellent opportunity to all the players for splendid work, and altogether "Kick In" will prove the biggest of the "thrilliest" the most mysterious and powerful drama of all so far produced by the popular company. At the performance to-night a large framed portrait of Byron Alden will be presented to the one guessing nearest the correct number of words spoken by Miss Page. In "The Country Cousin" last week, it might also be well to warn patrons of the Princess that this great play, "Kick In," will no doubt turn many away at the week, as Saturday is usually a sell-out day and many are if this way disappointed, and it would be well to attend early this week. The management will possibly be able to repeat it on Monday and Tuesday, even if it should be requested, as there has been something said to the effect that the Army and Navy League may occupy the Princess Monday and Tuesday, March 28 and 29.

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Special Performances at Pantages Theatre Easter Monday and Tuesday

It will be welcome news to many people who were unable to see the production of "A Message from Mars," when presented by the Victoria Dramatic and Operatic Society at the Pantages Theatre some two weeks ago, to hear that the play is to be repeated on Easter Monday and Tuesday.

In response to a great many urgent requests the society has decided to again present this strong and very pleasing play. The same cast in its entirety will be maintained, in which there are no less than twenty-five speaking parts. The leading part is played by Major Phillip Pridoux who is also the producer of the play. Major Pridoux is the only person in Canada who has the right to present this play on the amateur stage, having obtained the right direct from the author Sir Richard Ganthony and the owner of the American rights, Chas. Frohman. At the time it was first produced this part was played by Chas. Hawtry and with such success that after the time of its run had expired it was found necessary to still continue it.

It is a very strong play, full of thrilling events, pathos and humor and appeal to every one alike.

"A Message from Mars" will be repeated at the Pantages Theatre for three performances only, Easter Monday afternoon and evening and Tuesday evening, March 28 and 29. Seats are reserved for the matinee as well as the evening performances and intending patrons should book early as there will no doubt be large houses. The box office opens Thursday morning, March 24, at 10 o'clock.

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**ROYAL VICTORIA**

William Lawrence, who plays opposite to Mildred Harris in "Habit," the feature attraction at the Royal Victoria Theatre again to-day, says he heard on the train the following conversation: "Where do you get this 'hootch' that I hear everybody talking about? The man just back from Alaska says it is made of the bonded ware-houses, for strictly non-beverage purposes, I believe," answered the New Yorker. "But if you get a drink, I'll give you the address."

"No, thanks, that isn't what I meant. Do you know where the word 'hootch' comes from? I'll bet you the round you don't. Well, it's the hoochico, or native rum with a kick like the Aurora Borealis, that the Eskimos distill from sugar and flour and potatoes or anything what happens to be left over from the damp supplies, or if there's nothing left over they take sea moss and walrus blubber and reindeers' stomachs."

**MORE GENEROUS TREATMENT FOR INJURED URGED**

Mr. Guthrie Suggests Government Paper Mill to Curb Profiteering

Drastic amendments to the Workmen's Compensation Act, abolition of "closed towns" and the establishment of a Government paper mill to curb profiteering in newspaper manufacture were the main proposals advanced by Samuel Guthrie, Socialist member for Newcombe, in a vigorous speech on the budget in the Legislature last night.

Mr. Guthrie read his proposed changes in the Workmen's Compensation Act to the House as follows:

- "1. Increase rate of compensation from fifty-five per cent. to seventy-five per cent. of earnings.
- "2. Where disability last ten days include the first three days.
- "3. Increase minimum compensation from \$5 to \$12.50 per week.
- "4. Pay all widows from inception of the Act \$25 per month and each child \$10, with authority to use Reserve Fund towards increase from \$20 to \$35 and from \$5 to \$7.50, balance, if any, to be deducted from Accident Fund.
- "5. That the widow be entitled, in addition to all other compensation, to the sum of \$100 immediately if it is shown that she is entitled to an award under the Act.
- "6. Foster Parents.
- "7. Where the deceased workman leaves no widow, or where the widow subsequently dies, and it seems desirable to continue the existing household the workman's sister or other suitable person may act as foster mother in keeping together the household, such person to be entitled to compensation in the same manner as if the widow were alive until the children reach sixteen.
- "8. That in the event of a mother or foster mother desiring to continue a child over the age of sixteen years at school, the regular monthly allowance be continued to the mother or foster mother for that child so long as it continues at school until the age of eighteen years is reached.
- "9. Where there are other dependents in addition to the widow provision should be made for compensation to other dependents.
- "10. Single Men's Dependents.
- "11. Where a single man is killed

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A well-known downtown druggist says it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears, and—after another application for two, it becomes beautifully dark and glossy.

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Goldwyn announces that Kathleen Norris, one of the most popular of women novelists in the country, has been signed to write original scenarios for that firm, also to contribute her work for production. Mrs. Norris, upon her return from Europe, will proceed to the Goldwyn studios at Culver City, Calif., to study the technique of motion picture writing on the ground and probably to aid personally in the preparation of the continuity, in the directing and photographing of her first scenario.

and leaves a parent or parents who are not dependent, that there be charged off against the class in which the employer is included the sum of \$1,000; this amount to be paid over to either parent or both upon such terms as the Board directs.

**Closed Towns.**

Mr. Guthrie urged the Government to wipe out the "disgrace of closed towns in British Columbia."

"I have worked in one of these miserable camps and I know what they are," he said. "The men are heeded in them like a bunch of chattel slaves. In fact, they are just as badly off as slaves chained to their work. The minute the men talk of organizing in these closed towns they are fired. That is the position and assembly the Government wishes it to continue. There is no intimation that the Gov-



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### MR. BURBIDGE WILL MOVE HERE

Retire as Store Commissioner to Supervise New Victoria Store

Herbert E. Burbidge, Store Commissioner of the Hudson's Bay Company, with headquarters in Vancouver, will resign at the end of next month, it was announced to-day, and will take up residence at his country home at Cordova Bay to supervise the opening in August of the Hudson's Bay Co. department store here.

Mr. Burbidge has been Store Commissioner for the past ten years. To Move Headquarters. With the retirement of Mr. Burbidge the Store Commissioner's office, which has been located at Vancouver for the past few years, is to be removed to Winnipeg, headquarters of the company in Canada. Half a dozen members of the staff will therefore remove shortly from Vancouver to the prairie capital. Coming to Canada in 1910, Mr. Burbidge has been singularly successful in building up the store business of the Hudson's Bay Co. The volume of business done has multiplied several times from the figure at the time he assumed management.

Before coming to Canada Mr. Burbidge was connected with the enterprising firm of Harrods, Ltd., of London, the largest department store in the British Empire, of which his father, the late Sir Richard Burbidge, Bart., was managing director for a quarter of a century, and other which his brother, Sir Woodman Burbidge, Bart., C.B.E., now presides. Very early in his business career Herbert Burbidge's resourcefulness and organizing ability were recognized, and when the Hudson's Bay Co. decided about eleven years ago to separate their departments of fur, land and stores in Canada the directors in London acquired the expert services of Mr. Burbidge to re-organize the company's chain of stores, which were then fifteen in number, stretching from Fort William to Victoria. Many of these were trading posts which had improved into small general stores, and the new Store Commissioner quickly grasped the opportunity to transform these small enterprises into a chain of modern, progressive department stores.

In addition to the modernizing of some of the existing posts, a complete new store was built at Calgary, which was far in advance of anything up to that time seen in the department field in Canada. Other important developments have been at Edmonton and Vancouver.

**A Great Development.** The ten and a half years during which Mr. Burbidge has been chief of the stores in Canada have been important ones in the development of the company's business in a general way. Apart from giving the public the very finest shopping facilities, purchasing arrangements had to be improved and modernized, with the result that buying agencies were established in Montreal, New York, London and Paris, as well as at Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama in the Far East. That the public have appreciated the services and values offered by the stores is fully evidenced by the huge turnover to-day as compared with the insignificant sales of 1909, the year before Mr. Burbidge took charge. His foresight and organizing ability have accomplished such results that to-day the company's store business is an important factor in catering to the retail trade of Western Canada and full justification of the action of the London board in sending out such a young man as Mr. Burbidge to develop their store business is seen in what has been accomplished under his guidance.

A firm believer in profit-sharing by employees holding executive or buying positions, Mr. Burbidge had not been in Canada many months before this scheme, extended also to give sales clerks an interest in their sales, was inaugurated throughout the company's services with most satisfactory results to the employees in general and to managers and buyers in particular, many of whom doubled their salaries during the first year.

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### MANUFACTURERS TO LAUNCH CAMPAIGN

Dinner To-night at Westholme to Talk Over "Made in B. C." Plans

The Manufacturers' Branch of the Chamber of Commerce will meet at the Westholme Hotel at 6 o'clock, where a dinner will be held and a number of addresses delivered in connection with the Made-in-B.C. campaign.

Among the guests will be Russel T. Kelley, past President of the Chamber of Commerce of Hamilton, Ontario, and E. L. Squire, both of whom are in Victoria on business connected with the Canadian Good Roads Association. It is likely that Mr. Kelley will be asked to speak on the "experiences of the Manufacturers' campaign in Ontario for the promotion of sales of Canadian-made goods."

The Hamilton manufacturers carry on an enterprising campaign which includes tours by special trains and lectures in the various towns and cities visited. This special train will leave the East for Vancouver, where it will arrive some time in June, carrying a large party of Hamilton manufacturers and an interesting exhibit of Hamilton products. It is expected that Victoria will be included in the tour of this organization.

It was in Hamilton that Mr. Kelley first met Captain Gordon Scott, secretary of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, at which time Mr. Scott was with the Canadian City Bureau. The Bureau's campaign in Hamilton resulted in increasing the Chamber of Commerce membership from less than 200 to over 1,200.

At the dinner to-night Bruce A. McKelvie, manager of the Made-in-B. C. campaign; Mr. Parsons and J. B. Thomson, members of the executive, will address the meeting.

### HOLY WEEK SPEAKER



REV. PRINCIPAL VANCE who is conducting special services at St. John's Church this week.

### ENCOURAGE HOMES IN SCENIC UPLANDS

Company Seeks to Promote Building in Victoria's Attractive Section

There is quite a stir in Uplands, Victoria's noted residential district, at the present time owing to the fact that attractive terms are being offered by Uplands Limited, the local concern handling the sale of residential lots in the scenic subdivision. It is the desire of the company to promote as much home building as possible in Uplands this Summer, and they are working on the basis that the more homes that are built the greater will become the value of all property in the section.

Local improvements have been carried out in lavish style as anyone who has visited Uplands knows, and, in fact, Uplands forms one of the big attractions for tourists visiting the city. The curving drives, asphalt and concrete road and avenue pavements, with the beautiful natural surroundings, and the beautiful homes make up a combination that it would be hard to beat in any city on the continent.

An erroneous impression has spread to a certain extent, regarding this classical home section of Victoria, to the effect that house holders are not permitted the ordinary liberties every free citizen wishes to enjoy. Rumors are even current that "the company does not allow laundry to be hung out to dry." Officials of the company refer to the absurdity of such statements, and they state that the few restrictions that do exist, are the very ones which assure to every owner those things which make for attractive and permanent surroundings. In fact they are a most valuable asset to every property owner within the boundaries of Uplands.

Officials of the company further state that home sites can now be purchased on all the improved roadways of Uplands, at prices which are ridiculously low, and the price includes the right to use, in common with other holders of lots in Uplands, the improvements effected—or which may hereafter be effected—by the company on the property. It is the belief of the management that no one who contemplates building a home in Victoria can afford to decide on the site without giving Uplands the most serious consideration.

### PHYSICAL TRAINING.

Paris, March 23.—The Chamber of Deputies adopted a bill yesterday making physical training compulsory for young people of both sexes in France.

Dr. Norah E. Dowell, formerly instructor in geology at Smith College, has been appointed assistant geologist in the United States Geological Survey.

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### The WEATHER

Victoria, March 23.—5 a.m.—The barometer remains high on the Pacific Slope and rain is falling in California. Mild weather extends eastward to Manitoba.

Reports.  
Victoria—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, .01; weather, cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, maximum yesterday, 52; minimum, 42; wind, 6 miles E.; rain, .12; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.14; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 30; wind, calm; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, maximum yesterday, 49; minimum, 20; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.94; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 36; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Tatooch—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, maximum yesterday, 59; minimum, 42; wind, 6 miles S. E.; rain, .20; weather, cloudy.

Penticton—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 47; rain, .09.

Grand Forks—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 45; rain, .51.

Nelson—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 35; snow, 6 in.

	Max.	Min.
Portland, Ore.	50	43
Seattle	54	43
San Francisco	54	43
Cranbrook	42	34
Kaslo	44	34
Calgary	44	34
Edmonton	44	34
Qu'Appelle	50	26
Winnipeg	54	34
Toronto	42	34
Ottawa	42	34
Montreal	36	26
Halifax	36	26

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OF STOCK AND FIXTURES. Sealed tenders, marked "Tender for the Purchase of Stock" will be received by the undersigned up to five o'clock p. m. of the 1st day of March, 1921, for the purchase, as a going concern, of the stock and fixtures contained in the general store now being operated by the Land Settlement Board at Merville, near Courtenay, Vancouver Island...

Announcements

Best Washed Nut Coal. Parliament Buildings, Victoria, 1,000 tons. Best Lump Coal. Parliament Buildings, Victoria, 110 tons. Government House, Victoria, 100 tons. Court House, Victoria, 40 tons. Provincial Normal School, Victoria, 200 tons. The above mentioned quantities are not guaranteed; the quantity actually required may be under or above the figures stated. Tenders to be based on ton of 2,000 lbs. Each delivery must be accompanied by an official weighmaster's certificate. Weighing charges borne by Department. Tenders must be made out on forms which can be obtained from the undersigned. Tenders shall be accompanied by an accepted cheque in the sum of \$100 on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, which will be forfeited if the party tendering declines or neglects to enter into the contract when called upon to do so. The cheques of unsuccessful tenders will be returned upon the execution of the contract. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders must be signed by the actual signature of the tenderer. JAMES PATERSON, Purchasing Agent, Victoria, B. C., March 16, 1921. No. 2461.

DEATH OF GRAND MUFTI ANNOUNCED

London, March 23.—The death of Kamal Russine, Grand Mufti, is announced in Jerusalem dispatch to The London Times under date of March 20.

PRINCE RUPERT COURT HOUSE.

Notice to Contractors. Separate Sealed Tenders, superintended by the Engineer in Charge, Prince Rupert Court House, will be received by the Honorable the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock on Friday, 1st day of April, 1921, for the erection and completion of a Court House at Prince Rupert and arrangements in connection therewith, in the Prince Rupert Electoral District. Plans and Specifications can now be obtained on application to the Government Agent, Court House, Vancouver; H. J. McMullin, Esq., Government Agent, Court House, Prince Rupert, or the Department of Public Works, Victoria, B. C. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. P. PHILIP, Public Works Engineer, Victoria, B. C., March 16, 1921. No. 2460.

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Announcements

Announcements under this heading will be inserted at the rate of 5c per word per issue.

Easter Fishing.

—What about a fishing picnic at Easter on beautiful Brentwood Bay. Brentwood Hotel boat-house.

S. O. E. Five Hundred Drive on Thursday, March 24, at 8 p.m., A.O.F. Hall, Broad Street. Admission 25c.

Seven Words of Christ—On Wednesday next at 8 p.m. the Dubois' sacred cantata, "Seven Words of Christ," will be rendered by a fine chorus of fifty voices, in the First Presbyterian Church. Programme will include Dvorak's "Blessed Jesus, Son of Mercy," "Inflamatus Rossini." Collection will be taken during the evening to defray expenses.

MacBean's Millinery, 614 View St.

Gonzales Chapter, I. O. E. D.—Children's flower ball, March 31, at 8-12 Tickets \$1.

Scotch Concert and Dance in Caledonia Hall on Tuesday, March 29, at 8 p.m., under the auspices of the Scottish Societies. Wallace's orchestra. Refreshments. Tickets: Ladies, 25c; gents, 50c.

I. O. E. Cabaret (Pot Pourri) March 30, Empire Ballroom. Dancing 9 till 2. Tickets \$1.50. Table plan, Fletcher's.

Meeting of Central W. C. T. U. on Thursday, March 24. Postponed on account of sickness.

EASTER SHIPMENT OF STRAWBERRIES

Few Changes in Wholesale Market; Lettuce Jumps Thirty-five Cents

An early shipment of strawberries is expected to be on the market by Easter. There is very little change in to-day's wholesale market. An increase of one cent on all brands of cheese except B. C. Cream and McLeod's Cream Cheese is noted. Head lettuce is back on the market while hot-house lettuce has jumped 35c a crate. To-day's local wholesale quotations are as follows:

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including New Zealand butter, Ontario solid, and various types of cheese.

CIVIL SERVICE BONUS IS CUT

Announcement Is Made by Premier Meighen
Ottawa, March 23.—(Canadian Press)—Premier Meighen announced in the Commons this afternoon that the Government had decided in view of increased salaries resulting from reclassification and deductions in the cost of living, to reduce the civil service bonus for the coming financial year twenty-five per cent.

NEWS AND NOTES OF THE MINES

Glebe Mine. Those connected with the big copper proposition of the Globe Mining Company at Skookumchuck, are not advertising to the world the work undertaken by the company since the discovery of the claim about two years ago. Dan McIntosh, the manager, is reticent as to giving the property much publicity, believing in the old maxim of "let the cat out of the bag."

Providence Mine

The Providence Mining Company has purchased a compressor for its mine near Greenwood, and it will be installed as soon as it arrives from St. Catharines, Ontario. It is expected that the mine will be reopened about the beginning of next month.

Custom Smelting

Custom smelting, as well as research to discover the best type of treatment for different ores, is the scope of the ore sampling plant that the Nelson Mining Company has just installed on the subject, will ask the Dominion Government to establish here. Under power given to it at the February meeting of the board, the mining committee has just drafted and forwarded to the Minister of Mines at Ottawa, the following resolution:

Nelson's Special Facilities

"Whereas, an appropriation was made some time ago by the Dominion Government for the establishment of a British Columbia refractory area of the Province; and

Whereas, a greater proportion of development of mines has been done in the Kootenays than elsewhere in the Province; and

Whereas, the interior of the Province, and more especially the Kootenays, produces most of these refractory ores; and

Whereas, a great many are now lying idle because of the want of facilities to have their ores tested and treated;

Resolved, that this board strongly urge upon the Dominion Government that steps be immediately taken for the testing and treating of refractory ores in the City of Nelson."

REFUSED INCREASE

Mount Vernon, N. Y., March 23.—Rev. Otto F. Bartholow, pastor of the First Methodist Church here, has refused a salary increase of \$1,000 a year. He explained that his \$4,000 salary was sufficient.

News of Markets and Finance

IMPROVEMENT TO-DAY IN STOCK MARKET

(By Burdick Brothers, Ltd.) New York, March 23.—The element believing in lower prices were actively engaged on the selling side of the market during the first hour, but their achievements were small, very little outside selling in the way of liquidation made its appearance on the early show of heaviness, and this was discouraging to those heavily inclined. A feature in the market was the stock advanced in several departments on light buying. As the second hour progressed the security of offerings in various issues caused early sellers to retard commitments and this coupled with an increase in the outside demand for stocks, occasioned an appreciable rally.

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EXCHANGE SUMMARY. New York, March 23.—Prime mercantile paper, 7 1/2 to 7 3/4. Exchange steady; sterling, demand, 1.31; cables, 2.91 1/2. French, demand, 8.51; cables, 8.57. Belgian francs, demand, 1.32; cables, 1.32. Gold and silver, steady; cotton, 14.47. Lard, demand, 3.57; cables, 3.59. Sugar, demand, 1.81; cables, 1.82. Wool, demand, 1.81; cables, 1.82. Argentine, demand, 14.80. Brazilian, demand, 14.80. Montreal, 21 1/2 to 22 per cent. discount.

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FIVE RURAL WARDS AGREE TO SUPPORT WARD SCHOOL RATE

Meeting at Royal Oak Supports Ex-Councillor Tanner's Scheme

A meeting of ratepayers of Wards One, Three, Four, Five and Six, Saanich, held last night at the Royal Oak School, with H. H. Grist in the chair, discussed at length taxation matters, and went on record as supporting ward assessment for all school purposes.

Councillor Kingwell suggested that the meeting consider the advisability of levying school taxes by school districts, making the proposal in order that the views of those present might be secured.

Ward Four Opinion. J. D. Gillie, of Ward Four stated that while a meeting recently held at the McKenzie Avenue school was opposed to any change in the taxation system, the ward was distinctly divided in its opinion, as the more rural districts further out were advocating a plan to relieve them, and saw merit in ward taxation for ward needs.

J. Chatham said the farmer paid nearly twenty times the taxes contributed by the city lot owner, and argued that taxing land alone was the main reason for present municipal difficulties. He declared the existing system was fraught with early disaster and the Council was blame-worthy for taking no action.

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In place of the land tax he suggested a citizen tax, every man paying an equal tax.

Fears Voluntary Candidates. "Before Saanich can secure tax revision the right men must be placed in municipal office," argued Mr. Chatham, warning those present against volunteers or practical politicians if they would secure a change. "The remedy is in our own hands; let us organize, and elect the right men to the office of Councillors."

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Improvement Tax Opposed. H. E. Tanner said under the present Act taxation of improvements would be of no relief to farmers, rather it would hurt them, as barns, tiling, non-bearing apple trees and so forth all would be taxable, thus producing no revenue. He suggested that to benefit farmers improvement taxation should not be collectable on farm improvements.

In the meantime, he argued that a lightening of the farmer's tax bill would be secured by charging school taxes by ward, the education of children being to his mind quite a different matter to the construction of streets and roads.

That education was no municipal affair, and should be paid for by the Federal Treasury, as all Canada benefited, was the argument of J. Poynter, of a Ward Two delegation present, who cited the child educated in Saanich who becomes a citizen of Winnipeg as a practical argument. He also claimed that party politics had too much to do with municipal candidatures, and said no Councillor, when sworn in, was at the beck and call of any ward association, pointing secondly to the meeting held on Saturday evening between the Council and the Central Ratepayers' Association, as an effort to avoid responsibility by placing the onus of decision upon the shoulders of the elected councillors.

Cinderella Ward. He claimed that Ward Two was being misrepresented and was somewhat of a Cinderella among the wards of Saanich, with Ward Six the scapegoat making a great disturbance in the family.

Ex-Councillor Tanner took up the parallel with alacrity, arguing that Ward Six was the Cinderella, working in dirt and discomfort to maintain for Wards Two school systems of spacious brick buildings at Talmie and Cloverdale, while Ward Six struggled along with a fifteen-year-old frame building. "The allegory is, I think, unappreciated by Mr. Poynter," he said.

Makes Striking Comparison. R. Pimlott said the meeting was specially called to enable "the outer wards to clarify their ideas before negotiating with wards Two and Seven for school expenditure costs. He maintained that Wards One, Three and Five had a genuine grievance on school questions, as Ward Two paid less school taxes than any of the other three, and received expenditures totalling more than all three wards combined, after school costs had been charged to each ward on attendance basis. He advocated the equal division of Government grants between the wards, and the

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Miss Nilsson's Beauty Secrets

Anna Q. Nilsson, the wonderful motion picture actress, who is writing a series of articles on beauty secrets soon to appear in this paper, says that the very best asset any girl or woman can have. She further states that the best and quickest way to obtain this is to use a simple toilet preparation, familiar to every well-known actress. It is called Derville and can be obtained at the toilet counter of any up-to-date drug or department store. This wonderful remedy is used by over five hundred thousand discriminating girls and women throughout the country and is rapidly becoming a regular. It takes the place of face powder, stays on better and its use cannot be detected. Perspiration does not affect it and it will not rub off on clothing. Derville is especially recommended for dark, yellow, rough skin, freckles, tan, wrinkles and many other facial blemishes. Be sure to read Miss Nilsson's next article. In the meantime get Derville and try it to-day, you are sure to be delighted. Agents: Owl Drug Co., and Vancouver Drug Co.

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Edmund, S. C.—I was run down with nervousness and female trouble and suffered every month. I was not able to do any work and tried a lot of medicines but got no relief. I saw your medicine advertised in a little book, and I bought it. I had not taken two bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound before I could see it was helping me. I am keeping house now and am able to do all of my work. I cannot say enough for your medicine. It has done more for me than any doctor, you may print this letter if you wish. Elizabeth C. Corley, care of A. P. Corley, Edmund, S. C.

Ability to stand the strain of work in the privacy of the strong and healthy, but how our hearts ache for the weak and sickly women struggling with their daily rounds of household duties, with backaches, headaches, nervousness and almost every movement brings a new pain. Why will not the mass of letters from women all over this country, which we have been publishing, convince such women that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help them just as surely as it did Mrs. Corley?

remaining costs of the schools in each ward be paid by separate ward taxes.

Secession is Hinted. "If the inner wards do not agree to some more equitable sharing of the schools burden, it will inevitably result in the outer wards forming their own municipality, a course I personally should regret," he said, maintaining he was issuing no threat, merely airing a warning.

Touching on the charging of paved roads against the areas traversed, Mr. Pimlott said the best suggestion that had been made was to charge the cost against the roads, and charging the cost against them was an insult to the outer wards.

Mr. Tanner attacked the levying of extraordinary school estimates over Saanich as a whole, pointing out that this year each ward was contributing \$2,500 towards schools in Wards Two and Seven, with no return for the payment.

All Felt Agrieved. Chairman Grist remarked that most of those present appeared in agreement that an injustice existed and asked for a resolution.

Mr. Pimlott amended an earlier suggestion by a proposal that a percentage, possibly twenty-five, of school costs, should be borne by the municipal assessment, and Mr. Grist made a heated suggestion that the other wards get together and "pinch Ward Two out of Saanich, its only little area, anyway."

Chairman Grist called upon the speakers to "cease throwing rocks and proceed some helpful resolution we can put before the Council, as the wish of the rural wards."

J. Patterson, of Ward Two, said the delegation had come with no intention of "pinching" Ward Two, but was present to tell Ward Two what really was transpiring and aid in securing an equitable adjustment.

J. Chatham moved that the Council be asked to assess agricultural land as such for school purposes.

Mr. Pimlott then moved that the meeting go on record as favoring school taxation being levied in accord with ward needs, and the Council be asked to take a referendum of the voters on the question.

Mr. Catterall demurred against a referendum, preferring the Council appeal to the Government. Mr. Pimlott maintained that a referendum should not be held before next election and gave ample time for education of the voters.

Dr. Francis said the trouble was that school taxes went up on agriculture in direct proportion to the influx of non-taxpaying prairie families into the inner wards, and that the growth of such population would result in an increase in school costs in the very near future.

Re-assessment Unworkable. J. Brydon objected to the proposal to assess agricultural land at its productive value, claiming its sales value is based on quite different conditions, which governed its assessment value. He maintained that Wards Two and Seven would see reason if the matter was put before them properly.

Mr. Tanner suggested that the rural wards should support the assessment of agricultural lands in the inner wards at its productive value, but Mr. Brydon declared such a course would result in a tremendous increase in the tax rate and retrogression. He maintained that irrigation was the key to land values.

When that time comes we are going to need the backing of the whole municipality to raise the money required," he said. Arguing that a referendum should be held before next election of the municipality would result in a tremendous setback.

Tax School Districts. Mr. Pimlott then moved that the meeting support the levying of school taxes by school districts, preferably with a system of consolidated schools. Mr. Catterall seconded this motion, this being the first suggestion to be seconded. Thereupon Mr. Chatham solemnly warned the gathering against consolidated schools, which he claimed efficient inquiry had shown to be less efficient than the three-room school now usual in rural districts of Saanich.

Mr. Tanner then secured a seconder in Mr. Grist for an amendment to be ward assessment for all school purposes, ordinary and extraordinary explaining that such would mean seven assessments while school districts would require four.

Mr. Poynter said ward assessment for schools would require seven sets of trustees "otherwise, I warn you, Wards Two and Seven will soak you every time." While Mr. Tanner replied that with ward assessment the agitation aims to secure ward trustees.

Mr. Tanner's amendment then carried by nine votes to eight.

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