

Royal—Elsie Ferguson.
Dominion—Norma Tajnadge.
Fantasia—Vandeville.
Columbia—The Destroyers.
Variety—Jack Pickford.

Victoria Daily Times

WEATHER FORECASTS

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Thursday:
Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong
southerly winds, unsettled and mild, with
rain.
Lower Mainland—Easterly and southerly
winds, unsettled and mild, with rain.

HOLLAND'S REPLY ON SHIPS
IS EXPECTED IN CAPITAL
OF STATES BEFORE NIGHT

Netherlands Government's Answer is Now on the
Cable; Allies May Not Insist Dutch Vessels Taken
Over by Them be Armed Against U Boats

Washington, March 20.—Holland's reply in the shipping
negotiations is on the cable, the Government was advised to-day, and is
expected to arrive before night.

London, March 20.—The conditions laid down by the Dutch
Foreign Minister for the acceptance of the demands of the Allied
Governments as regards the taking over of Dutch ships are not likely
to be acceptable to the Allied Governments, according to a Reuter
dispatch from The Hague filed yesterday. It adds, however, that a
concession may be made to the extent that the arming of the Dutch
vessels may not be insisted upon.

JUDGES MUST NOW
PAY THEIR SHARE

Provincial Income Tax Appli-
cable to Federal Officers,
is Ruling

With his eye constantly trained on
the requirements of the Treasury the
Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance,
is ever on the alert for new and legi-
timate sources of revenue. A ruling
from the Attorney-General this morn-
ing will prove of much interest to those
concerned who have been regularly
paying their taxes and in particular
the income tax.

Henceforward the Attorney-General
decrees that all people in the service
of the Dominion of Canada and resi-
dent in this Province, such as judges,
and employees of the various
Federal departments generally, shall
be amenable to the ruling. Hitherto
these classes of officials have claimed
exemption in the matter of Provincial
taxation. They will now have to pay.

To Speed Up.
Instructions have been issued to the
assessors and collectors throughout
the Province to act on this ruling and
also to see that all others who are
liable for income tax are called upon
to pay. In the matter of arrears of
taxes of all descriptions collectors are
now being instructed that where their
frequent calls have failed to elicit a
response in cash, procedure to legal
recourse under the provisions of the
Taxation Act must be instituted. This
does not apply to collectors serving over-
seas or who may have returned to
Canada from active service.

The Minister stated to a representa-
tive of The Times this morning that
it is the intention of the Department
to proceed with the collection of in-
come tax vigorously, and at the same
time to insist on the payment of ar-
rears of this as well as of all provin-
cial taxes. During the last eight or
nine months there has been close on
half a million dollars collected by
the special collectors working under
the supervision of the Department of
Finance. The greater part of that
amount represents arrears, some of it
owing for years, while the remainder
is for poll-tax.

Collection Cost Low.
Collection cost of this large amount
is understood to be well under three
per cent., a figure which affords Mr.
Hart considerable gratification. With
the same low cost continued in the
collection of arrears the policy of appoint-
ing special collectors, which the Min-
ister inaugurated, will have been
abundantly justified.

Three of Bolshevik
Commissioners Were
Murdered on Monday

London, March 20.—A Petrograd
message received here to-day carries
the report that on Monday night three
of the People's Commissars, names
not given, entrusted with the organiza-
tion of a Red Revolutionary navy,
were mysteriously murdered.

STATES AND JAPAN
SUPPORT STATEMENT
OF ALLIED COUNCIL

Paris, March 20.—In official circles
here it was pointed out to-day that
the declaration issued in connection
with last week's sittings of the Su-
preme War Council of the Allies in
London concerns only European terri-
torial questions and hence it was logi-
cal that the United States and Japan,
although fully informed of all details,
sympathy with the statements made,
should not have taken formal part
in the issuance of the declaration.

MR. O'CONNOR URGES
BREAD BE WRAPPED

Holds Food Board Made Mis-
take in Prohibiting Wrap-
ping of Loaves

Ottawa, March 20.—Cost of Living
Commissioner O'Connor urges that the
practice of wrapping bread be restored
in Canada. He concludes his report on
the production cost of bread through-
out the Dominion during January, is-
sued to-day, as follows:

"Since I issued my last statement
concerning Canadian bread conditions
the Canada Food Board has put into
force a regulation which prohibits the
wrapping of bread. This regulation,
whether or not sought by the bakers,
was welcomed by them and they seem
quite content therewith, but in my
judgment it conduces to waste and
contributes to make higher the cost
of living. I therefore respectfully sug-
gest that it should be rescinded.

No Cheaper.
If the object of its being made was
a reduction in the cost of bread to the
consumer I was not consulted, so I
do not know that object already has
signally failed. Some bakers have
raised their prices, and I know of none
who have reduced them. If the object
was the prevention of waste, that ob-
ject was worse than failure, for the
evil of waste has been accentuated.
The wrapped loaf kept fresh and sweet
at least forty-eight hours longer than
does the unwrapped loaf. All stale
bread does not go to waste, but a very
large percentage of stale bread does
go to waste. As the unwrapped bread
goes stale much more quickly new
bread is bought to replace it. The
baker does not object, but apart from
the matter of conservation, which is
not my business, all this costs the con-
sumer more money.

Worth Paying For.
"Meanwhile, notwithstanding all our
hard-earned provincial sanitary laws
the one article necessarily and univer-
sally used at our tables is delivered
there under conditions which we have
been taught to regard with disgust,
if not with disgust. I submit that
sanitary precautions are worth paying
for. The sanitary requirements which
surround the supplying of meat and
milk add very materially to their cost,
but these laws remain unimpaired.
Why favor one or more species of bac-
teria? Let us have them all. Why
have clean meat or milk but dirty
bread? Why not dirty water as well?
Thus could we save money and con-
serve supplies.

"I think wrapped bread should be
made compulsory. I think so, as I may
lawfully and properly think, and think
in this open fashion, because wrapped
bread costs less than unwrapped bread,
with such matters I am concerned"

SUBMARINE DIANE,
OF FRENCH NAVY, NOW
IS PRESUMED LOST

Paris, March 20.—The French sub-
marine Diane, not having been heard
from for a long time, is considered as
lost, it is officially announced.

The submarine Diane was a seagoing
type and was built at Cherbourg in
1914. She displaced 620 tons. Her com-
plement was 35 men.

AIR RAIDS CAUSE
MANY CITIZENS OF
VENICE TO LEAVE

Venice, March 20.—The exodus from
Venice has been resumed in conse-
quence of the recent air raids. Out-
going trains are crowded and gondolas
are busy transporting household
goods to points outside the danger
zone. The residential and business
quarters present a deserted appear-
ance.

Punitive Measures
in Baluchistan by
British Forces Now

London, March 20.—Uprisings on
the part of natives in Baluchistan
recently resulted in fighting in
which many casualties were in-
flicted, the India Office announces.
The natives attacked British posts
and were repulsed completely. Pun-
itive measures are being under-
taken.

Eight Trains Move
West Across Canada
With Returned Men

Winnipeg, March 20.—There are
eight special trains en route west
bearing returned soldiers for Win-
nipeg and points in Saskatchewan,
Alberta, and British Columbia. The
first is expected to reach here some
time to-day. It is thought that the
first train is a through special for
the Pacific coast, carrying returned
men for Calgary, Vancouver and
Victoria.

PORTUGUESE FOIL RAIDS
AND BELGIANS RECAPTURE
TRENCHES NEAR NIEUPOORT

London, March 20.—"Raids attempted by enemy troops last
night in the neighborhood of Fauquissart were successfully repulsed
by Portuguese troops," says to-day's official communication. "With
the exception of some artillery activity on both sides in the Passchen-
daele sector, there is nothing further to report."

"On March 19 a British seaplane patrol flying in the Heligoland
Bight encountered two enemy seaplanes ten miles northeast of
Borkum," says an Admiralty statement. "The enemy machines
were engaged and one of them was driven down in flames. Our machines
returned safely."

Paris, March 20.—A Belgian official
report issued here last night said:

"All the advanced elements of our
trenches where German troops gained
a footing yesterday in the region of
Nieuport have been reconquered by
us. The enemy is now without any
part of the positions which he pen-
etrated. Numerous bodies of Germans
were found in the trenches which we
reoccupied."

"After preparations on a large scale
the enemy attempted to seize advanced
positions near Beverdyk, but our bar-
rage fire defeated his efforts."

German Idea.

Zurich, March 20.—Another of the
reports of an impending German blow
in the West appears in the Koel-
nische Zeitung. It says the German
headquarters staff is organizing a series
of conferences to be held at Col-
ogne, Berlin, Karlsruhe, Hanover and
Leipzig with representatives of the
leading newspapers for the purpose
of preparing the German press for op-
erations on a great scale on the West-
ern front.

True Bill Against
Commander Wyatt
Is Found at Halifax

Halifax, March 20.—The grand
jury here has returned a true bill
against Commander Wyatt, R. N. R.,
chief examining officer in the
harbor here at the time of the great
explosion. He is charged with
manslaughter.

Yesterday Mr. Justice Russell,
the presiding judge, told the grand
jury there was nothing in the evi-
dence to justify it in bringing in a
true bill against Commander Wyatt.

DUNCAN BOY LOST
WITH SUBMARINE

Lieut.-Com. W. Maitland-
Dougall in Command of Ill-
Fated Craft

Duncan, B. C., March 20.—After
a short but brilliant career, Lieut.-
Commander William Maitland-Dougall,
R.N., has met a gallant death while
serving his country in the capacity of
a commander of a submarine in Brit-
ish waters. The sad news reached his
parents, Government Agent and Mrs.
C. Maitland-Dougall, of Duncan, this
morning, the cablegram from the Ad-
miralty briefly stating that the young
officer had perished when the subma-
rine with all aboard was sent to the
bottom.

Lieut.-Commander Maitland-Dougall
was the last surviving son, his only
brother, Hamish, having been killed in
action at the battle of Vimy Ridge
last year. The young officer was
twenty-three years of age, and was
born at Duncan, receiving his early
education at the Quamichan Lake
School for Boys. After leaving the
school he entered the Royal Naval Col-
lege at Halifax, attending the first
cadet class held there about seven
years ago. He quickly showed a nat-
ural aptitude for matters nautical and
was the first boy of his class to gradu-
ate from the school. He was attached
to the Naval Station at Esquimalt and
when the two submarines purchased
by the McBride Government arrived at
that port, was stationed for duty with
one of them.

Soon after the outbreak of war he
was transferred to the British Naval
service for the duration of the war, and
in spite of his youth, made rapid progress
and achieved quick promotion. He took
special courses of instruction in tor-
pedo work, and in the examinations
held in this connection passed with
flying colors, coming out ahead of all
his fellow-students, many of them
older and more experienced of-
ficers. For a time he was on a sub-
marine commanded by Capt. Johnston,
of Vancouver, and his many letters
home, though of necessity vague as to
time and place, contained vivid ac-
counts of his thrilling experiences with
these underwater craft. On one occasion
Capt. Johnston's "sub" had paid a visit
to German shores, but was espied by
the enemy and a chance shot hit her
in such a way as to fill the vessel with
gas. In spite of the terrible difficulties,
however, Capt. Johnston, with the as-
sistance of the then Lieut. Maitland-
Dougall, managed to navigate the little
craft across the many intervening
miles into the safety of home waters
and finally into port.

ANOTHER AMERICAN
AIRMAN IS KILLED
AT CAMP IN TEXAS

San Antonio, Tex., March 20.—First-
Lieut. Walter J. Johnson, twenty-two
years old, of Belleville, Ill., was in-
stantly killed at 7.45 o'clock this morn-
ing when the Canadian Curtiss plane
which he was driving fell 1,500 feet at
Kelly Field.

Rome, March 20.—There will be no
consistory until the war is over, Pope
Benedict said to-day upon hearing
that a report had been published that
he intended to call a consistory
shortly.

OUTSIDE INFLUENCES
AFFECTED DECISION

Is Statement Made at Board of
Inquiry on Shipyards
Wages Dispute

LIST OF SALARIES PAID
HEAD OFFICE OFFICIALS

The Board of Inquiry, over which
Mr. Justice Murphy is presiding, to
ascertain conditions in regard to the
shipyards dispute as to wages was al-
most wholly "convinced" at this morn-
ing's session with the reading, by the
chairman, of an immense mass of ex-
hibits handed in, these having refer-
ence to the notices posted in the yards,
the salaries paid to head office of-
ficials, and the transactions, during the
past twelve months, which took place
between the Cameron-Genoa Mills
Shipbuilding Company and organized
labor.

The notices posted in the shipyards
were handed in as arranged with Mr.
Butchart at the previous session, and
from letters produced it appeared that
the cost for material of a completed
hull was \$105,000, while the cost of la-
bor on the same was \$155,000. A fea-
ture of the evidence given yesterday
afternoon was the statement that the
attitude of the Imperial Munitions
Board at Ottawa in refusing to agree
to the increases asked was due to
"outside influences."

Material Cost vs. Labor Cost.

This morning the session started by
the chairman reading the notices which
had been posted in the shipyards, and
which, it had been arranged, should
be sent in by Mr. Butchart. These in-
cluded a list of the salaries paid to the
inspectors, office and other staffs,
and superintendents, and also copy of
letters sent by the purchasing agent
here to the Metal Trades Association,
Vancouver, enclosing tender forms and
specification as to mud boxes were
handed in as additional exhibits.

A statement from Mr. Butchart was
put in showing that the average cost
of wooden hulls, when placed in the
water, was \$265,000, made up of \$105,000
cost of material, and \$160,000 cost of
labor. In addition there was to be added
the seven per cent. profit of \$15,000 per
hull. Also handed in was a letter from Mr.
Butchart to the Western Canada Ship-
yards, Ltd., False Creek, Vancouver,
requesting the formal deletion of the
clause as to the grant of the proposed
bonus of \$200 per day for each hull
properly completed ahead of time.

Other exhibits read were a letter
from Mr. Butchart to the same Com-
pany fixing a lump sum of \$2,500 a
month for the overseer's department,
a copy of the full contract between the
Munitions Board and the Company,
and a Progress Report as to construc-
tion, over one hour being occupied in
the reading of the various documents.
Mr. Russell, of the Munitions Board,
attended to give an information re-
quired as to details relative to the Pro-
gress Report.

Executive Staff Salaries.

Mr. Russell, it was arranged, would
send in a list of the total number of
men working in the various B. C.
yards, the chairman considering this
information would be useful. In reply
to a question from Commissioner J.
H. Tonkin, Mr. Russell said the men of
the Board's executive who were work-
ing gratuitously were R. P. Butchart,
Capt. Troup, J. H. Tonkin and H. A.
Ross. The attendance of the latter
gentleman, it was suggested, would
be appreciated at the afternoon ses-
sion.

The salaries paid to head office em-
ployees of the Imperial Munitions
Board in the Wooden Shipbuilding De-
partment, were stated to be as fol-
lows:

Purchasing department—Per month:
Assistant, \$200; clerks, \$100 to \$150;
stenographers, \$55 to \$85.

Engineers and drafting department—
Per month: General superintending
engineer, \$400; marine engineers and
draftsmen, \$125 to \$200; machinery in-
spector, \$100; machinery inspector as-
sistant, \$75; clerks, \$50.

Lumber purchasing department—
Per year: Chief lumber buyer, \$3,500;
per month, assistant (Victoria), \$175;
assistant (Vancouver), \$175; inspec-
tors, \$125 to \$175; clerks, \$50 to \$110.

Accounting department—Per month:
Accountant, \$300; book-keepers,
clerks, etc., \$55 to \$150; stenographers,
\$45 to \$80.

Salaries paid to officials at assem-
bly plant, Odeon Point, Victoria—Per
month: Superintendent, \$500; assist-
ant superintendent, \$250; foreman as-
sistant, \$200; foreman electricians, \$150;
foreman storekeeper, \$140; timekeep-
ers and clerks, stores assistants, \$55
to \$100.

The Assembly plant, it was stated,
was under the jurisdiction of the
general superintending engineer.

Transactions Reviewed.

J. H. Price, president of the Camer-
on-Genoa Mills Shipyards, was then
re-called to the witness stand. He hand-
ed in another large quantity of docu-
ments, all dealing with the transac-
tions which had taken place between
his company and organized labor dur-
ing the last twelve months.

The first read was a letter from the
Carpenters and Joiners' Brotherhood
to the Company dated March, 1917, fol-
lowed by that of a draft agreement of
(Continued from page 1.)

MARINE LOSSES AND
ACQUISITIONS TO BE
STATED IN BRITAIN

Geddes Promises Regular Statements on Building and
Sinkings; 6,000,000 Tons Sunk by Enemy During
Past Twelve Months, First Lord Announces

London, March 20.—Figures on the shipping output and tonnage
losses of Great Britain will be published regularly hereafter, it was
announced in the House of Commons to-day by Sir Eric Geddes, First
Lord of the Admiralty, during the debate on the shipbuilding bill. It
would not be in the national interest, however, to give the tonnage of
losses up to date, the First Lord added.

The world's tonnage, exclusive of enemy ships, had fallen 2,500,000
tons from the beginning of the war to the end of 1917, Sir Eric
stated.

The amount of tonnage sunk in the last twelve months was
6,000,000, said Sir Eric, instead of 9,500,000 as the Germans claim.

Food Official Says
Meatless Days Are
Failure in States

Washington, March 20.—The
meatless days observed throughout
the United States have not con-
served the meat supply, Joseph P.
Cotton, head of the Food Adminis-
tration's meat division, to-day told
the Senate Committee investigating
food supplies. He believed there
had been more meat consumed on
those days than usual.

Many persons had observed the
meatless days, but others who pre-
viously had not used much meat
were enabled to do so by the high
prices they were receiving, and this
had resulted in a net increase of
consumption rather than a saving.

MENACE MOSCOW AS
WELL AS PETROGRAD

Teutons Continue Their Ad-
vance in Russia; Bolshevik
Government May Move

London, March 20.—German troops
are reported in a Reuter dispatch from
Petrograd to have reached the vicinity
of the Don station, 150 miles south of
Petrograd. The Austro-German ad-
vance in Southern Russia continues.

The enemy had occupied Soumy, five
hours march from Kharkov, the dis-
patch says.

Various reports from Russia also in-
dicate the greatest anxiety over what
appears to be an enveloping move-
ment of the Austro-German forces are
carrying out against Moscow. There
is talk of moving the Government, ac-
cording to these advices, to Sarjoff,
(probably Saratoff, 430 miles south-
east of Moscow) or to Nizhni Novogorod
(265 miles northeast of Moscow).

Other reports from Petrograd state
that the Council of the People's Com-
missioners has ordered the arrest of
M. Bibenko, the Commissioner of
Marine, for opposition to ratification
of the peace treaty. (Petrograd dis-
patches filed on March 13 reported
that M. Bibenko had been missing for
several days.)

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of January 70,979 barrels of flour at an
average cost of \$10.47. The total quan-
tity used figures out at 71,991 barrels
at a cost of \$10.76, showing that stocks
received just about equalled the
amount used and at practically the
same cost.

Freight traffic has been resumed on
portions of the railway lines near the
Baltic held by the Germans.

The Russian Orthodox Church has
presented a demand that the Russo-
German peace treaty prescribe its
authority over the orthodox population in
the territories lost through the peace
treaty.

The Austro-German advance north
of the Black Sea recently has been in
the provinces of Poltava, Tchernigov
and Kharkov. Parts of these provinces,
which lie east of the province of Kiev,
are not included in the Ukraine, al-
though the boundaries of the new
country have not been fixed definitely.

COST OF BREAD IN
CANADA IN JANUARY

Production Cost About Same
as in December, O'Con-
nor Reports

Ottawa, March 20.—Cost-of-Living
Commissioner O'Connor has issued his
report for the month of January in
the cost of bread produced in the
larger cities of Canada.

An examination covering twenty-
three cities and groups of cities shows
thirteen cities with all-increase in the
cost of bread, six with decreases
and four with the same figures as in
the preceding month, while the total
average for the Dominion was a slight
increase of one-fifth of a cent a
pound. Thus the cost of producing
bread in January as compared with
the previous month was practically
stationary. The figures for Montreal
were about the same, while Toronto
showed an increase of one-tenth of a
cent a pound, Winnipeg the same as
December and Calgary a very slight
increase. Ottawa showed an increase
of one-seventh of a cent a pound. Van-
couver and other British Columbia
points showed one-third cent a pound
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Trotsky's Commune
Says Russians Must
Be Prepared to Rise

London, March 20.—A Reuter dis-
patch from Petrograd dated March 19
reports the Patriarch of the Russian
Church to have sent a message to the
orthodox population declaring that the
church cannot regard as binding a
peace which dismembers the country
and places it under the domination of
a conquering foreign power. In this
connection the Patriarch is quoted as
declaring that the Russian proletariat
cannot make further concessions but
must be ready to rise, at any moment,
irrespective of preparedness.

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HONORS IN LONDON FOR MORE CANADIANS

London, March 20.—The investiture took place yesterday of the following Canadians:
Companion of St. Michael and St. George—G. Armstrong.
Distinguished Service Order—Colonel E. Williams and Major R. Burnham.
Lawrence, D. O'Donoghue and J. Eyer.
Victoria Cross—Sergeant George Mullin.
Military Cross and Bar—Lieut. Gerald Gilou.

RUSSIAN CONSUL AT VANCOUVER PROTESTS ON FLAG INCIDENT

Vancouver, March 20.—C. Ragoine, Russian consul at this port, took exception yesterday to the removal from the City Hall of the Russian flag, decided upon by the aldermen of Monday evening. Mr. Ragoine declared the Council had better drape the Russian flag with mourning, and otherwise, instead, the red flag of Bolshevism. Russia had not made peace with Germany, he contended.

RESOLUTIONS AND QUESTIONS AT OTTAWA

Members on Both Sides Want Variety of Subjects Discussed

Ottawa, March 20.—Notice of proposed resolutions, questions, etc., in the Commons indicate that Opposition members will display the usual curiosity in regard to the activities of the Government, while members of both sides of the House propose to have a number of matters which interest them particularly discussed.

J. E. Armstrong, Unionist, East Lambton, has given notice that he will move a resolution setting forth the desirability of the deposits of coal located in Eastern and Western Canada being more fully utilized, for the benefit of the residents of the central provinces; and that the peat and lignite deposits be developed.

Mr. Armstrong also will propose that the Order-in-Council governing the manufacture, importation and sale of oelomargarine be amended and more strictly enforced, "in order that the great dairy industry of Canada should be more adequately protected."

J. H. Burnham, Unionist, West Peterboro, will move a resolution declaring that Parliament should provide that the Postmaster-General shall have power to revise rural mail contracts not yet fully executed in order that the service may not suffer from conditions arising from sudden rises in prices.

Mr. Burnham also will propose that it should not be necessary for soldiers' dependents to show total disability in order to obtain aid from the allowance branch of the Department of Militia.

Fuel Situation.

Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux will move a general resolution dealing with the fuel situation. It will call upon the Government to take immediate action to prevent the possibility of a fuel shortage next winter.

Mr. Lemieux also wants the Government to establish a refrigerator car service on the Intercolonial Railway to

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promote the distribution of fish to the Canadian markets. He will ask for the production of correspondence between the Prime Minister and the Civil Service Federation concerning certain appointments in the Post Office and Customs Departments. He will ask if the Government has received any petition praying for the removal of the duties on farm implements and whether it is the intention of the Government to meet the demands of the Western farmers on this question.

Mr. Lemieux also will inquire as to telegrams exchanged between the Food Controller and the Winnipeg authorities regarding cold storage conditions in Winnipeg.

Food Control Cost.

E. B. Devlin, Liberal, Wright, Que., is inquisitive as to the cost of the Food Controller's office and the Military Service Council.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier will move for all Orders-in-Council with respect to the admission free of duty of farm tractors and other agricultural implements. He also will seek information as to letters or communications of any kind, either asking for or opposing the importation into Canada of coolie labor.

TONS OF BOMBS ON GERMAN CENTRES

British Accounted for Twenty-Eight German Machines Monday; Lost Twelve

London, March 20.—Field-Marshal Haig reported last night: "A party of the enemy attempted to approach our lines this morning northeast of Armentieres but was driven off with losses.

"The activity of the enemy artillery against both the forward and back areas in the Ypres sector continues. There was some hostile artillery activity southwest of Cambrai, in the neighborhood of Vermeles and against a number of localities between La Bassée Canal and Armentieres.

"Aerial—Nine tons of bombs were dropped Monday on enemy rest billets and ammunition dumps, and also on the Busigny railway station and two aerodromes, one of which was occupied by large bombing machines.

"Aerial fighting was exceedingly intense, encounters occurring between large formations. Nineteen German aeroplanes were destroyed, and nine were driven down out of control. Twelve of our machines are missing.

"Many bombs were dropped during the night on aerodromes used by enemy fliers and on ammunition dumps and billets. All our machines returned."

Mannheim Bombed.

An official report issued earlier in the day yesterday said that British aeroplanes had dropped a ton of bombs on the German city of Mannheim on Monday.

French Report.

Paris, March 20.—An official report issued here last night said: "The artillery activity was heavy on the right bank of the Meuse, in Lorraine, between Bures and Badonviller and at some points in upper Alsace.

"On the Macedonian front gain prevailed."

Raid by French.

On the French front in France, March 19.—Via London, March 20.—A raid into the German lines at Malancourt Wood, northwest of Verdun, on Sunday French troops found the German shelters full of troops waiting to make a counter-attack. The shelters, with all their occupants, were destroyed by bombs. A large number of trench mortars were demolished and many machine guns were brought back by the French.

While the prisoners taken in the raid were going to the rear the German artillery fired a large number of shells which killed twelve Germans among the captives.

American Medals.

With the American Army in France, March 19.—Via London, March 20.—(By The Associated Press)—General Pershing, the American Commander-in-Chief, has approved the awarding of the first new American Military Crosses for extraordinary heroism. The recipients are Lieut. John O. Green, Sergeant William Norton and Sergeant Patrick Walsh.

Shell Near Baker.

While Secretary of War Baker and his party were returning to-day from the American front line trenches, a German 105-millimetre shell burst along the roadside within forty yards of their automobile. The occupants of the car were not injured, nor was the car damaged.

Secretary Baker remained for an hour and a half in a front line trench on a certain sector under a brick-venny shell fire. He also visited an advanced listening post and talked with the officers and men.

A German aeroplane, both last night and this morning, flew over the American sector northwest of Toul and dropped rubber balls eighteen inches in diameter filled with liquid mustard gas. This is the first time, so far as is known, that an aeroplane has been thus employed.

Aviator's Success.

Paris, March 20.—David E. Putnam, of Brookline, Mass., a descendant of Isaac Putnam and a member of the Lafayette flying squad, has just brought down two more German aeroplanes. Putnam also has been promoted to the rank of sergeant in the French army. He already has the War Cross with Palma.

On the afternoon of March 14, Aviator Putnam attacked three Albatross monoplanes, bringing down one and putting the others to flight. The next day he attacked two two-seated machines, one of which crashed to the ground in flames. In each case Putnam was alone on patrol duty.

This makes four machines with which Putnam is officially credited, although he brought down a fifth machine on a German aerodrome. This was not seen by French observers and therefore was not officially credited.



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HOTEL AT LAMONT, ALBERTA, BURNED

Edmonton, March 20.—The Windsor Hotel at Lamont, Alberta, was burned at midnight Sunday with practically all its contents. There were sixty persons asleep in the hotel at the time, including transient guests, lodgers and the staff and all barely escaped with their lives. A few articles of furniture from the lower floor were saved, but nothing of importance was saved.

The fire apparently caught in the basement, around the furnace, and was not discovered until the lower story of the structure was well ablaze. In a short time the whole building was a mass of flames and quite past saving. The other buildings in the neighborhood which were threatened were saved by a bucket brigade, there being no fire department in the town.

The loss is estimated at about \$10,000 and there is insurance of \$5,000. The proprietor is A. L. Eashor, who says that he will rebuild at once.

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WINNIPEG BOARD OF CONTROL GOES AFTER HOARDERS OF FOOD

Winnipeg, March 20.—The Winnipeg Board of Control has decided to assume responsibility for prosecuting all cold storage houses and other food handlers in Winnipeg found to be hoarding food. Machinery to inspect establishments in which foodstuffs are stored and to prosecute owners who violate the Food Board's regulations has been set in motion. The law department, the chief of police, the crown prosecutor and the health department will co-operate in dealing with food hoarders.

NOT FOR A RACE.

Quebec, March 20.—Judge Belleau ruled to-day that an individual cannot prosecute before the courts in the name of a whole race, an individual alleged to have attacked the race involved, in dismissing the case of Germain vs. Ryan. Germain alleged that Ryan had attacked the French-Canadians.

AUTOMOBILE EMBARGO.


Saskatoon, March 20.—Acting on advice from Ottawa that the Dominion Government is considering absolute embargo on the importation of automobiles, the Saskatoon Automobile Club, the Motor Trades Association and Board of Trade wired Hon. J. A. Calder and James R. Wilson, M. P., protesting on the ground that such action would greatly hamper farming operations in the West this year, as ninety per cent. of the spring orders for cars are going to farmers.

OPPOSED ARMY DRAFT.

Burlington, Vt., March 20.—Ray, Clarence H. Waldron, of Windsor, was found guilty last night by a jury on a charge of urging opposition to the army draft. The jury deliberated eleven hours.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, March 20.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.

Killed in action—Lieut. W. H. Bate, Ottawa.

Reported dead from Burns—Lieut. W. J. Laidlaw, Lion's Head, Ont.

Missing—Lieut. H. B. Boyce, North Battleford, Sask.; Lieut. J. A. Conner, Calgary.

Wounded—Pte. E. Cook, Alert Bay, B. C.; Lieut. J. B. Clark, Medicine Hat.

Passed—Lieut. R. L. Malins, New Westminster; Pte. W. J. Higgins, Victoria; Pte. B. B. Conlin, Bradford, B. C.; Pte. J. R. Allison, Vancouver.

Mounted Rifles.

Died of wounds—Lieut. K. I. Somerville, London, Ont.

Passed—Pte. E. Champion, Victoria.

Wounded—Lieut. A. Morrissey, Montreal.

Gas Burns—Pte. C. Lock, Victoria.

Artillery.

Gassed—Gnr. C. Kent, Marpole, B. C.

Ill—Sapper E. McLennan, Victoria.

Engineers.

Gassed—Sapper L. S. Wheadon, Vancouver.

Wounded; burns—Sapper W. H. Dunlop, Fernie.

MILDER WEATHER ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

Headquarters of the Italian Army, March 19, via Rome and London, March 20.—The snow along the mountain front has been reduced considerably by mild weather recently, but the amount remaining is sufficient to retard extensive operations. Military activity is confined chiefly to patrol actions and aerial reconnaissance.

The Piave front also is affected by spring freshets having made the stream too wide and deep for crossing by considerable bodies of troops.

The head of the American Military Mission to Italy is making a tour of the mountain front and Piave front, visiting each army corps and examining the organization and equipment of the troops.

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A BOOTLEGGER AT MOOSE JAW SENTENCED

Moose Jaw, March 20.—John Pickle, found guilty of being a bootlegger, was sentenced yesterday by Magistrate Lemon to the full penalty of the law—\$200 fine and six months' imprisonment, and in default of the fine an additional month in jail.

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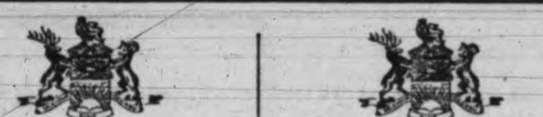
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The above-mentioned quantities are not guaranteed; the quantity actually required may be under or above the figures stated.

Tenders to be based on ton of 2,240 lb. Each delivery must be accompanied by an official weighmaster's certificate. Weighing charges borne by Department. 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 Finance, which will be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into the contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the contract.

Cheques of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned upon signing of contract. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JAMES PATERSON,
Purchasing Agent,
Victoria, B. C., March 13, 1918. mh14

Notice to Owners of Dogs

All owners of dogs within the City of Victoria are hereby notified that unless the taxes on dogs belonging to or harbored by them are paid on or before the 15th inst., proceedings will be taken against delinquents for an infraction of the provisions of "The Dog By-law."

EDWIN C. SMITH,
Treasurer and Collector,
Victoria, B. C., March 8, 1918.

Police Uniforms Wanted

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, March 25, 1918, for the supply of 50 Police Uniforms. Specifications can be obtained at the office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed and marked on outside of envelope "Tenders for Police Uniforms." A marked cheque for five per cent. of the amount of the tender, made payable to the City Treasurer, must accompany each tender. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. GALT,
City Purchasing Agent,
CORPORATION TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

Notice is hereby given that the Sewer Assessment Roll for the year 1918 has been filed in the Treasurer's Office, Esquimalt, and may there be inspected. Any person dissatisfied with his assessment as shown on the Roll may file a petition against such assessment with the Council not later than April 1, 1918.

G. H. PULLEN,
C. C.
Dated at Esquimalt this 1st day of March, 1918.

ESQUIMALT DOG TAX.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the above Tax is due and payable at the Municipal Office, Esquimalt, on or before the 31st day of March, 1918. Owners who have failed to pay by the above date are liable to legal proceedings without further notice.

G. H. PULLEN,
Treasurer,
Esquimalt, March 14th, 1918.

DEBATE ON ADDRESS ENDED IN COMMONS

Murphy Accused Rowell of Conspiracy Against Sir Wilfrid Laurier

LATTER ATTACKED CABLED SOLDIERS' VOTE RETURN

Ottawa, March 20.—The debate in the Commons on the address in reply to the speech from the Throne came to a sudden and unexpected end at 10 o'clock last night with a speech by Hon. Charles Murphy, the feature of which was a vigorous attack on Hon. N. W. Rowell. The ex-Minister asserted that Mr. Rowell had commercialized Christianity, and that previous to his entry into the Union Government he had entered into a conspiracy to supplant Sir Wilfrid Laurier as Liberal leader.

The day's sitting opened with an address by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in which he attacked the legality of the Government's course in having the members of the new House seated on a cable return from England of the soldiers' votes cast overseas. To this Sir Robert Borden replied, showing the urgent necessity of the course, and his speech was followed by that of Mr. Murphy referred to above.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

On rising to address the House Sir Wilfrid Laurier referred to the Union Government. He saw no difference between the old and new Governments. As long as there was no change in the Premiership there was no change in the Government. But while there had been no change in the Government, there had been a change in its complexion. There had been not only an alteration but an improvement in the administration. There had been infused into the Government a rosy red color which was pleasing to the eye. The former Government, he said, had decided that unless a copious drink of rich red blood were infused into its decrepit system things might go badly with it.

The Opposition leader alleged that the constitution and the electoral law of the Dominion had been violated by the passage of the War-time Election Act, which had created a special electorate by granting the franchise to some and denying it to others.

Cabled Reports.

He also declared that it was illegal to accept the cabled reports of the soldiers' balloting in England and France.

Sir Wilfrid had been told that an Order-in-Council had been passed authorizing the General Returning Officer to accept telegraphic reports. If so, he was at a loss to know under what authority such an Order-in-Council had been issued unless the Government had once more resorted to the War Measures Act of 1914.

"The War Measures Act," Sir Wilfrid added amid the applause of his followers, "put there a limit to the Government's power. So I put it seriously: Is it within the power of the Government to pass an Order-in-Council to override the positive provisions of a statute passed last session? If it be so, it is only further proof of what I said a moment ago, that we are sitting to-day by direct violation of the law of the land."

Number of Soldiers.

The Leader of the Opposition turned his attention to the soldiers' vote, which he admitted had proved very favorable to the Government. "But," he said, "let me draw the attention of the House to some very interesting facts. In the month of November I had the pleasure of listening to an address by the Minister of Militia in the city of Ottawa, during the course of which he stated that there were 35,000 soldiers in Canada. On the 17th of December 54,200 soldiers voted.

"In less than one month the number of soldiers in Canada increased by about 20,000. Where did they come from? Was a certain number of men put into uniform not to win the war, but to win the election?"

Poster in Booth.

As to the soldiers' votes in Europe, Sir Wilfrid drew the attention of the House to a picture which he said was a photograph of one of the London polling booths on December 2. This photograph, showing the interior of the booth and soldiers voting, was interesting because the wall of the booth displayed a poster which read 'A vote against the Government is a vote for the Hun.' Such a poster in such a place was a violation of the law, said Sir Wilfrid. If the law could thus be violated, it was easy to understand how much liberty the soldiers felt in casting their votes, he said.

War Situation.

Toward the close of his remarks Sir Wilfrid referred to the present state of the war. Although it was the fourth year of the conflict, he said, the situation probably was more serious than ever before. He would be a bold man who would predict that the campaign of 1918 would result in a decisive advance by the Allies. It was becoming evident that the food question might become the most important factor in connection with the winning of the war. The Government doubtless was in possession of information in regard to the matter. Sir Wilfrid repeated that in regard to the war the Opposition stands just where it did when the struggle began.

Sir Robert Borden.

In replying to Sir Wilfrid, Sir Robert Borden agreed that a touch of red had been introduced into the administration, but that was the intention when the Government was formed. It was intended that Liberals and Conservatives should be equally represented,

and insofar as this had not been accomplished, it would still be carried out.

Sir Robert then dealt with the Opposition Leader's charge of a violation of the electoral law. Here Sir Robert read the text of the Order-in-Council empowering the General Returning Officer to accept telegraphic returns of the military vote cast overseas. What was the position before the Government? Sir Robert went on. Parliament had been summoned for March 18, the latest date to make necessary provision for the pay and maintenance of the men fighting overseas. There was the submarine menace. It was known that in the ordinary course of events statements prepared in London and Paris perhaps would not reach Ottawa until May 1. The Government therefore took cognizance by telegrams of the certificates already signed overseas, and upon these telegrams the General Returning Officer made a preliminary return of members. Provision was made that as soon as the mailed statements reached the General Returning Officer a further return would be made and this would supersede the preliminary return. That had been described by the Opposition as an outrage, but, Sir Robert added, had the Government neglected to make provision for the maintenance of the soldiers overseas its action would have been an outrage not only to the men but to the people of Canada.

Votes For Women.

Dealing with Sir Wilfrid's statement that the vote had been taken away from some, Sir Robert said: "We did not take the vote away from anyone. We gave it to some women, and we hope this session to give it to all."

Mr. Murphy.

In his address Hon. Charles Murphy accused the Government of having raised the racial and religious cry in order to win the election.

He asserted that Hon. N. W. Rowell had sent an agent to London to offer to a prominent Liberal of that city, as a bribe to desert the Liberal candidate, the chairmanship of the War Purchasing Commission, and that he had deputed G. G. S. Lindsay, of Toronto, to interview Liberals to see if they would stand for the appointment of a member of the present Government to the Ontario Supreme Court bench, and that he had induced Robert H. Mulholland to make way for himself as candidate in Durham by offering him a seat in the Senate.

Mr. Rowell was not in attendance in the House when Mr. Murphy spoke.

In the Senate.

The debate on the address was commenced in the Senate yesterday after Senator W. H. Bennett and Senator Robert Mulholland had been introduced.

Senator L'Esperance, in moving the address, said that after four years of effort Canada was determined to continue in the war to the end. In the last election, he did not know of a single candidate who had raised the flag of surrender or held that Canada should withdraw from the war, though there had been differences of opinion as to the manner in which the efforts of Canada in the war should be applied.

Great Problems.

Senator Michener, in seconding the address, declared that not since Confederation has a Canadian Parliament been faced with the duty of solving more serious problems than confronted the present Parliament. Of the people at home there was demanded almost as much courage and steadfastness as was required on the front line in Europe.

Senator Bostock.

Senator Bostock, Opposition Leader, congratulated Sir James Loughheed on his decision to accept the newly-created portfolio of Soldiers' Civil Establishment and declared that Sir James had earned the honor.

Senator Bostock said that food control was exercising the minds of the people, many of whom did not appreciate the difficulties of transportation. He warned the Government to take care that eventually hog products were not confronted with lack of markets owing to the greater production in localities that were without facilities to move pork.

Senator Bostock congratulated the Finance Minister on the success of the Victory Loan. He noted that a portion of the money subscribed was being applied to the subsidizing programme of the Imperial Munitions Board. For that reason he asked the Government to intervene and either directly or by representations to the British Government end a condition that was being criticized on the Pacific coast.

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AUSTRIA'S VOICE NOT HEED, SAYS VIENNA SOCIALIST NEWSPAPER

Zurich, March 20.—Contrasting the utterances of Field-Marshal von Hindenburg and General von Ludendorff with the speech made in the Reichstag late in February by Chancellor von Hertling, the Arbeiter Zeitung, the Socialist organ of Vienna, asks whether the latest Berlin conference led to the adoption of a new policy. The paper argues that neither France nor Great Britain will accept a weak peace and says the peace which Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister, promised, and doubtless honestly desired, is now scoffed at everywhere as a weak peace offer.

"Nothing more," the paper adds, "is heard of Count Czernin's offer to President Wilson to enter into negotiations.

It continues: "Count Czernin has become quite dumb and modest, while the greatest decisions are being taken in Berlin, London and Paris."

FISH AND MEAT IN MONTREAL DESTROYED AS UNFIT FOR FOOD

Montreal, March 20.—Great quantities of fish and meat, valued at many thousands of dollars and held in various cold storage plants throughout Montreal, were ordered destroyed during the last thirty days as being unfit for human consumption, according to extracts from the records of Food Inspector Boucher, made public yesterday.

The food destroyed included 12,775 pounds of fish valued at \$2,540 and oysters to the value of \$2,957. The greater portion of the meat destroyed was immature veal. Some of the fish destroyed, it is stated, was brought to Montreal upward of a year ago.

BIG RANCH PURCHASE.

Calgary, March 20.—The largest farm land transaction of the season in Alberta was put through yesterday when O. W. Malmberg, of High River, Alta., purchased the 11,500-acre ranch known as the Eldridge Brothers' Ranch in the Cardston district. Mr. Malmberg landed in the Blackie district thirteen years ago with his family, a farming outfit and \$20 in cash. He now operates 3,100 acres of wheat land in the Blackie district and intends to put a large part of the half township purchased yesterday into wheat.

FIRE IN LETHBRIDGE DID \$10,000 DAMAGE

Lethbridge, March 20.—In a fire which did damage totalling over \$10,000 the Acadia Block here was almost completely destroyed last night. The fire broke out in the basement, and owing to inflammable material stored there gained great headway and was fanned by a forty-mile gale which was blowing at the time, making it almost impossible for the firemen to check the flames.

The losers are C. B. Bowman, owner of the block, \$20,000; Clarke & Company, \$20,000; Red Cross Drug Store, \$20,000; Johnston & Ritchie, barbers, \$10,000; A. J. Blackburn, \$1,000; C. B. Bowman Agency, \$1,000; Henderson & Company, \$1,500; Patriotic and Red Cross offices, \$500. The losses are well covered by insurance.

DEPOSITS LOST.

St. John, N. B., March 20.—Sheriff Wilson has received the full return of the recent federal election in King's Albert, where E. W. Wigmore and Stanley Elkin won. The soldiers' vote makes both Dr. Broderick and Dr. Emery lose their deposits. Wigmore leads the poll by seventeen votes over Elkin.

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GRAIN TO SWEDEN FROM THE ALLIES

London, March 20.—It is understood that an agreement is impending by which the Allies will supply Sweden with 100,000 tons of wheat and maize and 50,000 tons of oats, the shipment of wheat to be made during April and May and that of maize and oats later. Provision also will be made for subsequent purchases of cereals by Sweden, it is stated.

TWO YEAR SENTENCE.

Nelson, B. C., March 20.—For failing to appear for medical examination after he had registered in Saskatchewan for military service, Richmond L'Heureux has been sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. His medical category is "C," which would indicate that had he submitted to medical examination he would not have been called.

ROBBERS GOT \$5,000.

San Francisco, March 20.—Three bandits, masked and armed, held up the Yokohama Specie Bank Ltd., here late yesterday and escaped with approximately \$5,000 after locking up more than twenty of the bank's employees in an office room.

143rd Battalion B. C. Bantams

Notice is hereby given that Messrs. J. S. H. Matson, Griffith R. Hughes and R. E. Brett have been appointed Trustees of funds of the above-named Battalion.

Any dependants having claims on such funds are requested to communicate in writing with R. E. Brett, 623 Fort St., Victoria B. C.

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THOMAS B. MACABE.

Thomas B. Macabe, who passed away last night following an operation, was one with whom it was difficult to associate the idea of mortality. He was a big, able, energetic and strong-minded man in whose power of body and intellect appeared to rest the assurance of many more years of usefulness on this earth.

Mr. Macabe had been a resident of Victoria for thirty-four years, being associated with The Colonist for the whole of that time, chiefly as head of its Job Department. In that capacity he came into constant contact with the business life of the city and was everywhere highly esteemed for his fine qualities.

THE PREMIER'S ADVICE.

There was plenty of sound, common-sense in the Premier's advice to the deputation which urged upon him yesterday the enlargement of the taxation machinery of the municipalities, although it would have been just as fully recognized and better appreciated if it had been differently put.

have to cut out every expenditure which is not absolutely necessary. It must be precisely what the municipalities are expected to do, that is to say, reduce its expenditure before imposing fresh taxation.

But when all is said and done there is a limit beyond which neither can go in meeting the consequences of the mistakes, recklessness and incompetence of the past. That limit will be reached more quickly by the municipalities than by the Province.

PREPARING THE SUGAR.

According to The Koelnische Zeitung the German staff is organizing a series of conferences at Cologne, Berlin, Karlsruhe, Hanover and Leipzig with representatives of the leading newspapers for the purpose of preparing the German press for operations on a great scale on the Western front.

The Koelnische Zeitung did not put it quite accurately. It should have said that the conferences were being organized to prepare the German people for the results of operations on a great scale on the Western front.

THEIR TALK BARRAGE.

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provincial authorities to restore "law and order" and so forth. It is doubtful if this elaborate farce is necessary, for there is nothing to indicate that the German people have any more compunctions about a war of conquest than their leaders have.

Press Comments

THE PASSING OF A MAN.

(By Lancelot, the Great War Veterans Weekly.) The "Last Revellie" summoning the soul of the late, Hon. Sir James MacCallum to appear before its Maker, sounded with startling suddenness.

The returned soldiers have lost a friend who had their cause at heart. Before leaving for Ottawa he requested full data concerning the soldiers' views, and expressed himself as firmly convinced of the soundness of many of his ideas, readily acknowledging his mistake, and that of other political leaders, in the various plans under discussion to solve this difficult problem.

OUTSIDE INFLUENCE AFFECTED DECISION

(Concluded on page 4) March 12, 1917, every line being read aloud by the chairman, who mentioned, that, as the day before, there had been a reference made by witness to "violated agreements," witness might be asked if any of the agreements to be read were violated.

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by anyone at all, he averred, except by J. H. Price. As to the November meeting, Chairman Murphy asked witness whether he left that conference with the idea that if they succeeded in their protest they were to get the increased wages, whatever it might be.

LABORERS' AGENTS.

The next to give testimony was Wm. Hardy, business agent for the shipyard's laborers and helpers, Vancouver, to whom the chairman pointed out it was clear, in regard to the proposition said to have been discussed on October 3, that words in that document must have been written by somebody who knew of the Macy Award of November 17, which was a matter he would like to have explained.

THE FINISHED MYSTERY.

To the Editor,—In reference to your correspondent "F. W. U." in Saturday's Times, re above, suppose we agree that the "expert" in question has miscalculated the cost of the book referred to.

Did Not Agree to Accept.

Commissioner Tonkin: "If the finding was not satisfactory you claim you had the right to strike at any time?" "Yes." "So you did not absolutely agree to accept the finding of the United States Board?" "No," admitted the witness, who said that if the findings were unsatisfactory he was prepared for any emergency. That was the general position they took.

IRON AND STEEL AID.

To the Editor.—The newspaper reports of the conference of the Iron Committee with the Provincial Government Executive on Tuesday, 19th inst., report that I supported the suggestion that the Provincial Government pay bounty upon production of iron and steel.

for the National Government, in our anxiety for an early start in the development of our iron ore deposits let us not repeat the mistakes that we made in connection with our railways, the province undertaking obligations, etc., that should have been undertaken by the Dominion.

The Dominion Government have paid out millions of dollars upon bounties for iron and steel production in the East. Let us insist that the Dominion now arrange to expend a similar sum in similar bounties payable upon tonnage of actual production of iron and steel in Western Canada.

RE FOOD PRODUCTION.

To the Editor,—In a letter from G. E. Bonner in a recent issue of The Times the writer states that at a meeting at the Bench School, Cowichan district, he hoped to hear of some action from the farmers to increase crop production.

RE FOOD PRODUCTION.

Come, Mr. Bonner, be fair. You were at this meeting almost from the very start, and the business, before the report of the convention was given, was taken up entirely with the question of food production, particularly the purchasing of grain and grass seed for the coming spring.

RE FOOD PRODUCTION.

To the Editor,—Having ploughed up my lawn last year and planted vegetables thereon, with very indifferent results as I am no gardener, but hoping for better luck this year with the experience gained, I have formed the habit of noticing the work of others in similar capacity.

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—Silks, Main Floor

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—Dress Goods, Main Floor

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To-morrow we shall offer a range of good, serviceable Undergarments at the special price of \$1.00 each. These garments are well made and finished, and will appeal strongly to women who need good serviceable articles at a reasonable price.

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—Upholstery Dept., in Drapery Section, Third Floor

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—Waists, First Floor

A Big Sale of Slightly Damaged Enamelware Kitchen Utensils Thursday About Half-Price

—A shipment of Enamelware got badly shaken up causing many pieces to get slightly damaged or chipped. Our instructions from the factory are "clear the lot out at about half-price." Hence, we place this lot on sale to-morrow morning at prices within a shade of half.

—This lot contains Diamond Blue Enamelware with white linings—the best quality on the market, also a good grey Enamelware.

—Represented are large and small size Tea Kettles, straight Saucepans in all sizes, Lipped Saucepans, Dish Pans, London Kettles, Convex Kettles, Tea Pots and Coffee Pots, in practically all sizes. Impossible to give individual prices, but we have grouped the lot as follows:

- Reg. \$1.25 values, to go at..... **70¢**
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- Reg. \$1.00 values, to go at..... **60¢**
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- Reg. \$3.00 values, to go at.... **\$1.75**
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It will be essential for you to shop on time for best selection—also to save disappointment.

—Hardware, Second Floor



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Eiderdown Comforters, quilted, panelled and ventilated, at prices lower than we can buy at from the mill to-day; selling from **\$5.00** each to as high as **\$30.00** each.

Pillow Cases, both plain and hemstitched ends; made from strong cotton, at **25¢** to **40¢** each.

—Bedding Dept., Main Floor

Men's New Neckwear for Easter

—Here's the Neckwear you need, men, for wear with your New Easter Suit; smart snappy styles in the very latest patterns and colors, with a splendid variety to choose from. Well made and finished in good shapes and from splendid wearing quality silks. A variety of values, but particular attention is drawn to the assortment of wide-end Silk Ties at **50¢**

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—Neckwear, Main Floor



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—Boys' Sweaters, Main Floor

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A BEDTIME STORY UNCLE WIGGILY AND THE MAPLE SAP

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(By Howard R. Garis.)

The day after the maple tree had saved Uncle Wiggily from the bad Copy-cat, the nice old rabbit gentleman started out from his hollow stump bungalow to see if he could have another adventure.

"And on your way home," said Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy, his muskrat lady housekeeper, "you might stop at the three and four cent store and bring a pound of sugar."

"Oh, yes—if," said Uncle Wiggily. "Oh, yes, if you please," quickly said Nurse Jane with a polite bow. "I forgot to say that."

"I didn't mean that," spoke Uncle Wiggily with a laugh. "I meant if I can get it, Janie. You see sugar is still rather scarce. But I'll bring some if I can."

So Uncle Wiggily started off, over the fields and through the woods to look for an adventure, and, at the same time, get some sugar if he could. He had not gone very far before he came to the maple tree, in the bark of which were some holes, made by the sharp horns of Billie Wartall, the goat boy. Out of one of the holes was still dropping some of the white sap, which the tree had sprayed on the Copy-cat, like water, making the bad animal let Uncle Wiggily alone.

"Oh, my!" cried the bunny, when he saw the sap still dripping from the tree. "That's too bad. Can't you stop it?"

"No," said the tree. "I can't—that is just now. The sap must run from my bark for a little while longer, but if you were to take a pail, and let the sap run into that, it would be a good thing for you, and it wouldn't hurt me."

"How is that?" asked Uncle Wiggily. "First catch the sap in a pail, and then I'll tell you," said the maple tree. So Uncle Wiggily gnawed some bark off a white birch tree, and from that he made a little pail. This he set under the holes in the bark of the maple, and the tree let its sap run in the birch pail.

"When it is nearly full carry home the pail of my sap," said the maple tree.

"What shall I do with it?" asked Uncle Wiggily. "Keep it until Mr. Stubbitt, the father of Neddie and Beekie, the two bear children, comes to see you," said the maple tree. "He'll tell you what to do with the sap you got from me."

So Uncle Wiggily waited until the birch pail was nearly full of the white sap, that looked like water, and then he started back with it towards his hollow stump bungalow.

"This is certainly strange," thought the bunny. "One day the tree sprays a lot of white sap, like water, over the Copy-cat, and scares him away so he can't copy what the Skeeziks is always trying to do, and get some off my ears. The next day the maple tree gives me a pail of sap. I wonder if I am going to meet the Copy-cat again?"

But nothing like that happened, and soon the rabbit gentleman was at his hollow stump bungalow. No sooner had he entered than Nurse Jane called to him: "Did you bring the sugar, Uncle Wiggily?" "Oh, no, I didn't!" cried the bunny. "I forgot all about it. I'm so sorry!" "So am I," said Nurse Jane. "For

I haven't a drop of sweetening in the bungalow for your tea. I don't know what you'll do."

"Well, I guess I'll have to go back to the store and get the sugar," said Uncle Wiggily. "Still, it is rather late now, and they may be closed. Oh, dear! If it hadn't been that I stopped to get a pail of sap from the maple tree, I would have thought to get the sugar. Oh, dear me, hum suz dud, and a basket of soap bubbles!"

"What's that?" cried Nurse Jane. "Did you bring home a pail of maple tree sap?"

"That's what I did," answered Uncle Wiggily. "But now I'll go back and get the sugar."

"No, you don't need to," said Nurse Jane. "Why not?" asked Uncle Wiggily, surprised like.

"Because that maple tree sap is sweet," said Nurse Jane. "Taste it and you'll see!"

So Uncle Wiggily tasted, and, surely enough, the sap was sweet. Not quite as sweet as sugar, perhaps, but sweet enough for war times.

"It will be fine in your tea," said Nurse Jane, and so it was. Once more Uncle Wiggily thanked the tree, and he wondered what else Mr. Stubbitt was to tell him about the sap, for there was plenty of it left after the tea was sweetened.

And if the fish horn doesn't blow so loudly that it wakes up the polliwog sleeping in the canary bird's bath tub, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and the maple wax.

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KINKAID KILTIES

LEAD ON NEW BILL

Ten Lads and Lassies of Highlands Top Vaudeville Programme at Pantages

Melodies of Auld Scotland—the jigs and flings and reels which feature the dancing of the lads and lassies of the land of the heather and the skirt of the pipes, will be offered by the Kilkaid Kilties, the feature act on the new bill of Pantages vaudeville which opens with this afternoon's performance. The turn is filled not only with lively music of the Scots, but a lot of comedy, headed by that wonderful comedienne, Rose Maura, tall, thin, and laugh producing. Those who like rapid fire music and incidental true vaudeville comedy, will be satisfied with the quaint humor of the Scots and their delightful "burrs."

There will be an unusual amount of muscular activity, with the big closing act of the Five Metzetts, one of the dressest and most finished of the acrobatic offerings. This quintette of expert athletes present many seemingly impossible stunts.

Bob Albright, a real favorite, and probably the best of any of the soprano voiced men in singing power, will be sure to be well liked by Pantages' patrons. He is known to the vaudeville stage in the East, where he has been tremendously popular during the past three years, as "The Male Melba." Particularly his yodling is a delightful part of his performance.

Among the remaining top-notch acts of this unusual bill the Zara Carmen Trio will offer a combination of manipulations of batons, hoops, devil sticks and boomerangs. June Mills and company will amuse with a number that is novel as well as meritorious. Elinore and Tyler are artists on the string instruments, and will entertain with some very good classical and popular selections, and the seventh episode of "The Hidden Hand" will contribute its own brand of thrills to the programme.

"MYSTERY OF PETER GOD" SHOWN IN PICTURE

"Then I shot Lawlor and ran out. I wrote a letter to my wife telling her that I would hide under the name of Peter God—and here I am. Now, Curtis, you know all. Will you go back to Josephine and tell her that she must not come here, as I am dying, and when I am gone, if she loves you, I—I wish you lots of luck together."

That was the way the mystery of Peter God was cleared up in the lonely cabin retreat on the snow-covered expanse of the Canadian Northwest, as shown in the feature picture, "The Destroyers," which is being shown for the last time at the Columbia to-day.

ELSIE FERGUSON, STAR AS EMOTIONAL HEROINE

If you were a beautiful young woman and your first husband had been a dashing army officer who had died a hero; and your second husband was an old man of title and wealth, but stupid and conceited, whom you had married in a moment of weakness; and you found your love for your dead husband growing stronger, until you could not bear the presence of your second husband, and, to complicate matters, if your first husband's best friend fell in love with you—what would you do?

These are some of the problems that Elsie Ferguson battles with in her latest picture, "Rose of the World," in which the lovely star does some remarkable emotional acting. Miss Ferguson has won most of her laurels in heroic roles, and as "Rosmond," the heroine of the film story, she has a part well suited to her talents. The picture is at the Royal Victoria Theatre to-night.

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Social Personal

Miss Helen Clay, of Victoria, is spending the week in Vancouver, the guest of Mrs. Leslie G. Henderson, Haro Street.

Mrs. Bedwell, of Victoria, accompanied by her daughters, the Misses Grace and Browne Bedwell, are at present visiting in New York.

Mrs. R. C. White and her son Ross have been visiting friends in Vancouver for the past few days, en route from Winnipeg to their home in this city.

Mrs. Robert Drummond was elected president of the Vancouver Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E. at the annual meeting held in the Mainland City on Monday.

Mrs. Brown, secretary of the Women's Canadian Club, returned to the city on Saturday last, after spending the past three weeks visiting friends in Kamloops.

Mrs. Douglas Wright, of Vancouver, has arrived in the city to be with her daughter, Mrs. Wynne Heath, who is ill, and will remain here until Mrs. Heath has recovered.

Richard Currie, William Lambert and John Ross, recently elected to the eldership of St. Paul's Military and Naval Church, will be ordained to that office on Sunday morning.

Miss Starrett, of Victoria, is spending a few days in Vancouver with her mother, Mrs. T. D. Starrett, who has been the guest of Mrs. Murray, Victoria Drive, for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pridham, of Kelowna, who have been visiting in this city for the past month, have returned to their home in the Okanagan, after spending the week-end in Vancouver.

Sergt. T. D. W. McVicar, M. M., late of the 52nd Battalion, and his sister, Miss Irene McVicar, of Weyburn, Sask., are visiting in the city as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dill, 1919 Richmond Avenue.

Sergt. McVicar was awarded the Military Medal in June last year for his bravery, described in the official records as follows: "During the advance on the enemy's front lines, Sergt. McVicar went forward alone, though severely wounded, and killed two snipers who were harassing his platoon."

The "500" tournament which was held on Friday evening last, by the Red Cross Branch of the Lake Hill Women's Institute, was most successful. Though the attendance was not so large as usual, as the evening was very stormy, the games were much enjoyed. The prize winners were: Mrs. Yarwood, Mrs. R. Mercer, Mr. Spencer and Mr. McIntosh.

The cancellation prizes were awarded to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stagan, Miss Denham and Mr. Yarwood. The committee has announced that all is in readiness for the masquerade to-night. Prizes have been donated for this occasion by J. Rylands, C. King, A. Lowe, Phil Walsh. The music will be provided by Heaton's orchestra and light refreshments will be served during the evening. Fancy dress is optional.

The dance given last evening by the Hollywood Auxiliary of the Red Cross Society was an exceptionally attractive event. The large assembly hall of the Margaret Jenkins School, with accommodation for about seventy-five couples, was packed to its capacity with merry-makers. Despite the fact that the floor was being used for dancing for the first time, by the unanimous verdict of all present, filled all requirements to perfection. Much of the success of the dance must be credited to the music rendered by the Misses Simpson and Albright and Messrs. Newett and Vinnal. A very popular resort of the evening was a particular portion of the hall where several members of the auxiliary served delicious and refreshing lemonade. From the financial standpoint, too, the dance was a great success, as it is estimated that considerably over

fifty dollars will be cleared. This sum in addition to seventy dollars which was realized by the sale of shamrock on Saturday will augment materially the auxiliary funds for the month. The executive wish to thank all those who so generously donated shamrock for the sale and co-operated with the entertainment committee in making the dance such an enjoyable event.

Ether Cleveland, daughter of the late Grover Cleveland, president of the United States, was married in Westminster Abbey, London, last Thursday, to Captain W. E. B. Bosanquet, D. E. O., of the Coldstream Guards, and son of Sir Albert Bosanquet. Miss Cleveland was born in the White House at Washington, in October, 1893, during the second administration of her father. Her mother, Mrs. Thomas J. Preston, of Princeton, N. J., formally announced the engagement of her daughter to Captain Bosanquet last December. Miss Cleveland went abroad in June of last year to engage in war relief work and was assigned as a nurse to St. Dunstan's Home for Blind Soldiers, London. She first met Captain Bosanquet three years ago in Switzerland.

NUMEROUS VISITORS AT HOSPITAL SHOWER

Many Gifts Received at St. Joseph's Yesterday; Delightful Function

The interior of St. Joseph's Hospital presented a festive appearance yesterday afternoon on the occasion of the tenth annual linen shower, when a large number of the friends of the institution made donations of towels and other useful articles for use in the hospital. The main corridor was effectively decorated with a profusion of spring flowers, artistically combined with Oregon grape vines and greenery, while the recreation hall, in which the gifts were received, was adorned with potted plants, flowers and ivy.

The visitors were welcomed by the Sister Superior and Miss Mayer, the secretary, who has directed the annual shower since its inception, ten years ago, assisted by the reception committee including Mrs. J. D. Carlin, Mrs. W. I. Barrett, Mrs. A. C. McDermott, Mrs. J. Hart, Mrs. J. Hunter, Mrs. F. Sehl and Mrs. W. Sweeney. Mrs. Charles E. Wilson received the gifts of linen.

Musical Programme. During the afternoon an excellent programme of vocal and instrumental selections was rendered by the following artists: The Misses Howard, Mrs. H. Briggs, Mrs. W. I. Barrett, Mrs. R. H. Foley, Mrs. A. J. Gibson, Miss Lillian Haggerty, Mrs. D. M. McCann, Mrs. W. G. Barton, F. Sehl and D. C. Hughes. Mrs. A. J. Gibson accompanied the vocalists at the piano.

A number of the returned soldiers who are patients at the hospital were present at the festivities and heartily applauded the various numbers on the programme.

The big assortment of gifts of towels, etc., were presented to the Sister Superior and staff by Mrs. Charles E. Wilson, who made a happy little speech, expressing the pleasure of all who attended the function, and the hope that an ever-generous public would not, in the midst of the many demands made by the various war causes, forget the need of the hospital for continued support.

On behalf of the sisters, Dr. J. D. Helmcken responded, expressing their appreciation of the generous gifts sent by friends of the institution.

Afternoon Tea Served. The formal part of the proceedings concluded, the visitors were entertained informally at tea, in the east sun-room, which was transformed into a lovely flower bower, Mrs. S. Moody and Mrs. P. Teeter poured tea at a table centered with a vase of fragrant spring violets effectively combined with daffodils. In the west sunroom, attractively arranged with hothouse blooms and at a table adorned with pink carnations, tea was poured by Mrs. G. Jay and Mrs. Carlin. The Misses Fraser, Bannerman, Carlin, Sweeney, Sehl, May and MacDonald were very charming servers.

"GHOSTS OF YESTERDAY" STORY OF BAL TABARIN

"Ghosts of Yesterday," adapted from "Two Women," by Rupert Hughes, and featuring Norma Talmadge, may be seen to-night at the Dominion Theatre. It depicts the change of heart of a fast-living cabaret singer through the influence of true love which comes to her as she poses for the completion of the portrait of an artist's dead wife. She feels, however, that he does not care for her and so she returns in her pride to the gay life of the Bal Tabarin, where she queens-of-yore, after slashing into shreds the painting which she thinks stands between them.

Her departure brings the artist to realize his love for her too, and he follows her to Paris, where he reclaims her from the empty life of its gayest set. Although he loses his eyesight from a wound received in the scrimmage at the Tabarin, when he comes for her, he finds the greatest treasure which every man seeks—a true helpmeet, a wife to cheer and inspire the rest of his life.

The new household was, in most respects, quite satisfactory, but the mistress had observed that Bridget, in her dusting operations, always appeared to miss a beautiful model of Venus.

"Bridget," cried the mistress at last, "why don't you dust this figure? See—"

and she touched it with her fingers—"she is quite covered with dust."

"Belabera!" replied Bridget, "I have been thinking for a long time, ma'am, that she should be covered with something."

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GUILTY OF FRAUD ON LEADING HOTEL

Young American Will Be Sentenced To-morrow; a Dog's Fatal Curiosity

Robert J. Riley, who had registered at the Empress Hotel as R. J. Smith, with his wife from Portland, pleaded guilty in the City Police Court to-day to defrauding the hotel by leaving without paying his hotel bill.

Formal evidence was given by Manager C. E. Calza, and C. W. Bradshaw, for the defence, stated that the man used the assumed name for a family purpose. He had a relative at Shannigan Lake whom he had come up to visit. He was enlisted in the American flying corps and has to report for an examination shortly.

Magistrate Jay stated that he should impose sentence to-morrow.

\$15.00 For Speeding.
Adam McBeath was fined \$15 for speeding in an automobile, it being shown that a dog that went out to investigate from the King George Hotel was turned into a corpse. Defendant, who has had six and a half years driving a street car in Vancouver, argued that having stopped at the corner of Government and Johnson Streets for a street car, he could not have got up speed to twenty-five miles an hour in half a block. He and his witness estimated the speed at from ten to fifteen miles an hour. He did not know he struck the dog, though he saw it dart off the sidewalk towards the car.

The Magistrate said this was another case of drivers who had to wait several times on a street for street cars stopping, at last losing patience and speeding up to get ahead, whereby accidents were often caused.

Ten Dollars For Curtains.
Me Wo Lung, warned four times by the Sanitary Inspectors to remove the curtains of his laundry facing Chatham Street, was fined \$10 and \$2.50 costs. It was stated he had moved the curtains once, and then replaced them. His excuse was that he did not understand the directions of the inspectors. This is the first conviction of this kind under the Laundry By-law, a former prosecution having ended by the disappearance of the defendant.

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TRUMPETER FOSTER

Son of Walter and Mrs. Foster, of this city, is certainly one of the youngest, if not the youngest Victoria soldier overseas. Joining the B. C. Horse at the age of fourteen, he has now just gained his two years' good conduct service badge. Before enlisting and leaving with the 103rd Battalion he was a member of Troop 3 of the Victoria Boy Scouts.

OBITUARY RECORD

The death occurred at the St. Joseph's Hospital this morning after a brief illness, of Alfred John Steele, the fourteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Steele, of 1841 Chestnut Avenue. The boy was born in this city and attended the St. Louis College, and the news of his death after such a brief illness will come as a severe shock to his schoolmates, amongst whom he was a genuine favorite. He leaves to mourn his loss his parents, one brother and three sisters. The funeral will take place on Saturday morning at nine o'clock from the family residence, 1841 Chestnut Avenue, and fifteen minutes later from Our Lady of Lourdes (Willows) Church.

The funeral of Pte. George Brand, the returned soldier who died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on Saturday, will take place from the Sands Funeral Chapel on Thursday morning at ten o'clock. Full military honors will be observed. Deceased, who was invalided from overseas in November, had been in the hospital since his arrival in the city. He leaves to mourn his loss four motherless children in the city, the eldest being fourteen.

The death occurred this morning of Ellen Hedley, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hedley, of 309 Mary Street. The remains are reposing at the Sands Funeral Chapel and funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Many Applications.—It is stated that about 300 separate applications for lots have been lodged with the Secretary of the Increased Production Committee, some of the applicants wanting more than a single lot. Statistics on the matter will be available in a few days' time.

MUNICIPAL ACT WILL WAIT TILL NEXT YEAR

Delegation and Attorney-General Agree on Procedure This Morning

Legislative Press Gallery, March 20.
Apart from one or two minor changes to the present statute there will be no important amendments to the Municipal Act during the present session of the Legislature. At an interview this morning between the Hon. J. W. deB. Farris, Attorney-General, and a delegation representing the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, it was agreed that no matter how much amending was undertaken the only means of securing a permanent cure to the many defects of the present Act would be to "kill" it altogether and draft an entirely new measure.

Between now and the annual convention of the Union in September the Attorney-General has promised to draft an entirely new Bill. The draft will be submitted to the Convention and every opportunity given for full discussion in order that the varied conditions in the several municipalities may be taken care of insofar as any one statute may apply. On the approval of the Union it is hoped that a Bill acceptable in every respect may be submitted and passed at the next session of the Legislature.

At this afternoon's sitting of the House the Attorney-General will introduce a Bill to amend the Pool Rooms Act. The Bill will provide for a change in the license fees as applying to pool rooms, which at present stands at the flat rate of \$50, irrespective of whether there may be one or more tables. It is now provided in the proposed measure that the license fee for one table shall be \$25, and \$10 for every additional table, thus bringing about a more equal distribution of expense.

DUAL POSSESSION OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR

Wife Not Held Responsible When Liquor Kept in Joint Premises

A case concerning the possession of liquor by husband and wife occupied the attention of the Police Magistrate to-day when John C. Smart and his wife, Lillian, of the Gordon Rooms, were charged under the Prohibition Act. So far as Smart was concerned the offence was not denied, but while it was admitted that the liquor had been in the living quarters of the accused, R. C. Lowe maintained that the wife had no control over it.

The parties went into the premises last month and in the bar some whiskey was found in a jug. This was removed to the rooms of the couple by Smart.

Detectives Carlow and Macdonald called at the rooms about one o'clock to-day when they found several persons drinking in the private quarters of the accused. The bottles were seized.

Magistrate Jay in giving judgment against the man said it was a peculiar thing that they should have been drinking at that hour with men and women who were merely casual acquaintances. He was particularly surprised to learn that a sergeant from a convalescent hospital, who should be under special care, was one of the party. He imposed a fine of \$100 on Smart and dismissed the information against the wife.

Left Two Bottles.
Another liquor charge was heard against a returned soldier, Peter Borwick, who operates a jitney. Sergeant Fry and Constable Adamson one morning shortly before daylight found the car without occupants but two bottles of whiskey were revealed when the flashlight was turned on the back seat. The officers hunted for the owner, who denied knowledge of the bottles, and Magistrate Jay accepted his statement in the box that he had been driving people round that night, and someone must have left the bottles behind. The case accordingly was dismissed.

City Police Commissioners.—The City Police Commissioners have a considerable amount of routine business before them at a meeting which is in progress this afternoon. A letter from the local branch of the Lord's Day Alliance is to receive consideration and the estimates have yet to be concluded.

To Visit Mount Douglas Park.—The Victoria-Saanich Benches and Parks Committee will resume the adjourned meeting to-morrow afternoon, and will on the conclusion of business pay a visit to Mount Douglas Park to decide what work shall be done on the park this week. The second message refusing the grant of a ten cent fare on the Canadian Northern Railway to Cordova and Sayward, has been received by the Mayor from the General Passenger Agent at Winnipeg, and under the circumstances the Committee will probably go ahead with its building plans irrespective of the attitude of the company. At any rate this will be before the committee at its meeting. There cannot be any further delay if the building is to be of service for the public holiday on May 24. The refusal of the company to reduce the fare is undoubtedly a great disappointment, after the encouraging attitude shown when Mr. Creelman was here.

COMMITTEE PASSES A SALMON ARM BILL

Will Validate All Acts of an Illegally Constituted Council

Legislative Press Gallery, March 20.
The trials and tribulations of the Corporation of the Municipality of Salmon Arm have engaged the attention of the Private Bills Committee for two days past and were finally disposed of with all points satisfactorily settled at noon to-day.

The city was incorporated in the year 1905 and the whole of the records covering the years 1905 to 1908 have been lost while from 1907 onwards more members have been elected to the Council than allowed by letters patent, rendering all acts done by them illegal. As if this were not enough it transpired that all assessment rolls and by-laws up to the beginning of 1917 did not comply with the Municipal Act in one respect or another.

In the year 1917 J. E. Lacey was appointed Clerk to the Municipality and stumbled into a state of virtual chaos, taking unto himself, however, the task of rectifying matters. At the same time Fulton, Morley and Clark, of Kamloops, were appointed solicitors to the Municipality and were instructed to take the necessary steps to apply for a Bill to cure the general situation and validate the illegal Acts of the Council.

Ernest Clark, of Kamloops, appeared before the Private Bills Committee as counsel in charge of the Bill at each sitting of the Committee this week and after several stormy passages with counsel opposing the Bill succeeded in securing the desired approval, subject to one or two minor amendments as recommended by the Committee. The Bill itself will be introduced to the House by F. W. Anderson, the member for Kamloops, at an early date during the present session.

Card Party.—A military five hundred party will be held in the Red Cross Rooms, Cloverdale, at 8 o'clock to-morrow night.

Chinaman Located.—Arising out of the case of attempted suicide by a Chinaman reported yesterday, the man was eventually located at Keating, behaving in a strange manner. Chief Little brought him into the city with some difficulty. Confinement at the Mental Hospital will be necessary.

Comrades of the Great War.—The newly-organized association of returned soldiers—Comrades of the Great War have completed arrangements for the holding of a mass meeting at the Belmont House to-night, when the aims and objects of the organization will be explained. A cordial invitation has been extended to ladies.

Farmers Meeting.—The monthly meeting of the "Victoria Farmers' Institute" will be held at Royal Oak on Friday evening next. Deputy Minister W. E. Scott has promised to attend to explain more fully the recent movement of organizing "Soldiers of the Soil" or boy labor for farm work.

H. O. English, chief soil-and-erog instructor, will give an address on Commercial fertilizers with special reference to whale fertilizer, a carload of which the Government has purchased to sell to the farmers. All persons, including ladies, interested in the questions, are invited to attend.

CHILD KILLED BY AUTO IN WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, March 20.—Norris, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Strachan, of Winnipeg, was accidentally killed last evening by an automobile driven by John Watts, mechanic for a local garage. The boy was playing on the boulevard near his home and ran in front of the vehicle, it is stated. The boy's father is overseas.

RUSSIANS CONTINUE FRIENDS OF ALLIES, SAYS TCHITCHERIN

Moscow, March 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—Russia's relations with the Entente are unchanged, Mr. Tchitcherin, the Bolshevik Foreign Minister, declared in an interview with an Associated Press correspondent here to-day. More friendly relations were being established with the United States, he added, and he commented upon President Wilson's message to Russia as showing that the United States would not take aggressive action against her.

MINOR ACTIONS ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

Rome, March 20.—"West of Lake Garda," says to-day's War Office statement, "there occurred frequently a harassing fire by the opposing artillery. From Lake Garda to Montello there were desultory artillery actions. Along the Piave exploring parties exchanged rifle fire across the river and a patrol encounter took place. Our artillery carried out effective bursts of fire against hostile positions on the left bank of the river between Noventa and Grisolan.

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Canada Should Not Be Put on Rations

It Would Be an Insult to Canadian Women.
By Isabel M. Ross, of Educational Department, Food Controller's Office, Ottawa.

"Why can't we have compulsory rationing?"
No sooner does one shibboleth wear out from too much usage than new ones rise. There must always be a popular cry of some kind. Usually it's against the man on top. It's like the Irishman who was shipwrecked and landed on a desert island. The natives clustered around him.

Pat had travelled in many lands. He knew some native jargon.
"Is there a Government on this island?" he enquired. Yes, there was. "Well, I want to register right now that I'm agin' it!"

This reactionary sentiment is not peculiar to the Irish. It is human nature. It crops up in the most virulent form in war-time because people are living at high tension. Big things are happening right over their heads. They feel that they are being led—somewhat in the dark.

Men and women want to see where they are going. If there is any doubt about the direction they get restless. They chafe. They imagine things.
England has come to the verge of compulsory rationing. Quite suddenly, a tempest in a teapot has arisen in Canada and people are asking themselves: "Why can't we, too, have compulsory rationing?" It's the kind of question that is thoughtless, unreasonably asked. It gives rise to dissatisfied murmurings, to fanciful surmises, to impossible imaginings.

People scarcely know what they are asking when they say: "Why can't we have compulsory rationing?" Men and women are repeating it like parrots. It is as if they had got hold of some new toy that had to be wound up and shown off to all their friends and acquaintances. What is good for England is not necessarily good for Canada. England has reached a stage of necessity such as we in this country have not dreamed of yet. Nevertheless, in Canada there are numbers of people who are asking insistently for the most drastic measure that any food administration could inaugurate.

Let them consider for a moment—and the women especially. It affects the first and foremost. According to the last census there were approximately 1,251,468 married women in Canada. The great majority of these are homemakers with a family to feed and clothe and care for. There is nothing that they resent more than any interference with their domestic arrangements and whether it comes from their husband or from the State

drop of British blood in her veins bear that such a slur should rest on her sex? It would be the kind of blot that she could never live down. It would lower her before the eyes of the whole world.

The situation in Canada is not analogous to the situation in Britain. The fact that compulsory rationing is now considered necessary in the brave little Motherland is simply the outcome of dire necessity. It is no reflection on the willingness of the people. Every pound of food-stuff that is landed on the shores of England is either owned by the Government or is absolutely under Governmental control. This simplifies the question of rationing. Moreover, food is short in England. There is no great abundance to choose from.

Compulsory rationing has come because it is the fairest way of meeting conditions in England, and at the same time it can be readily carried into execution from the very nature of the country and its population. It means the equitable distribution of supplies where they are most needed. Rationing for Europe is one thing—for the North American continent it is another. Think of the vast area of Canada and ask yourself if it is reasonable to suppose that a rationing card system could be successfully conducted all over the Dominion. It would entail a stupendous amount of machinery. The game would not be worth the candle. Money would be wasted. Energy would be wasted. Money and energy are things we need to conserve during this and succeeding years. Does any reasonable person imagine that it is as simple a matter to put Canada under the rationing system as it is to put Britain on this basis?

It is true that the law might be enforced in large centres such as Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg. What then? How about the huge expanses of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan? Even at the present time there is often unfortunate misunderstanding between the urban and rural populations. The impression of many people in the cities is that the farmers are getting the best of it. This feeling, and the dangers which Germany's experience has shown to be involved in it, would be accentuated to a marked degree with the suggested rationing system. A nice outcry there would be about Mrs. Townley having to keep her family on so many pounds of sugar and butter and tea, while Mrs. Hodgins has a fine old time with her dairy produce and everything else!

It would be the most unpopular measure ever introduced in Canada, and it would divide the women of the country at a time when they most need to be united.

The world at large knows that Canada has a surplus supply of food-stuffs over her own requirements. What would it indicate if it were announced that Canadians were to be put on rations? Simply that the people were not unselfish enough to give up eating certain foods in larger quantities than they needed, and that the coercive power of the State had to be invoked to keep from them that which

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Every normal woman prides herself on her ability to look after her own house, and to do it without outside interference. How would she like it if she had no longer any say as to how she should run it? Compulsory rationing deadlocks initiative? She would be caught in the web that she had spun for herself. If a woman cannot so alter her household arrangements that food-stuffs necessary for overseas will not be practised, and that conservation is only fit to come under the rationing system. She is a being without the intelligence or the capacity to realize what the war means. She is living unto herself and her family at a time when the whole world is in a ferment, when men are giving up their lives in the thousands, when women are suffering the agonies of bereavement and hunger, when even the little children cannot get enough food to keep them alive.

If it comes to compulsory rationing—it will be because the women of Canada could not, would not, do the little things that were asked of them voluntarily. Will they be glad then? Or proud of what they have brought on themselves?
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A Bicycle Thief.—The vestibule of a church should be a safe place for a person to leave a bicycle during service time! A young woman has found it otherwise, a number of pairs of her cycle having been removed from the vestibule of the First Presbyterian Church while she was within.

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While You Can at These Prices

The next few months will certainly see a sharp advance in prices. On many brands we have already been notified. Here are some values well worth noting:
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County Court.—Judge Lampman reserved judgment yesterday afternoon in the case of Williams vs. Mitchell.

Another Date Suggested.—On account of a clash of dates the Navy League has now asked for the tag day, which had been suggested in the summer, to be deferred until September 7. The matter will come before the City Council at the next meeting.

Special School Board.—A number of routine matters were dealt with at a special meeting of the City School Board yesterday. Most of them concerned building repairs. They were chiefly subjects left over from the monthly meeting.

Spring Flowers.—The wild lily known as dog tooth violet, erythronium or curly lily may now be found in bloom on the warm exposures not far from the sea. A number were picked on Sunday last on the slope of Gonzales Hill. The red flowering currant is also coming in bloom and may be found in south exposures. Other flowers will follow quickly. For weeks past the modest flower of the oso berry has been seen in the woods.

South Vancouver's Finances.—A. E. McNeill, of the Comptroller-General's Department, was in consultation with Municipal Clerk and Treasurer Riley at South Vancouver yesterday, examining the books, and going thoroughly into the whole question of Municipal Finances. It will be recalled that the Government has undertaken to safeguard the financial future of the Municipality, and that legislation during the present session will provide for the appointment of an administrator.

English Skylarks Heard.—Those people who are interested in the song birds will be interested to know that English skylarks may be heard almost any day and any time of day in the fields between the Jubilee Hospital and Mount Tolmie. The favorite resort is the field adjoining Richmond Avenue just beyond the city limits on the left hand side going in the direction of Mount Tolmie. There the birds soar and sing almost incessantly. Those who do not know the birds must not confuse the skylarks with the meadow larks. The skylarks sing as they soar high in the air, often almost out of sight. They have a continuous song. The meadow larks have a short song more in the nature of a call and usually sing when sitting on a tree or fence post.

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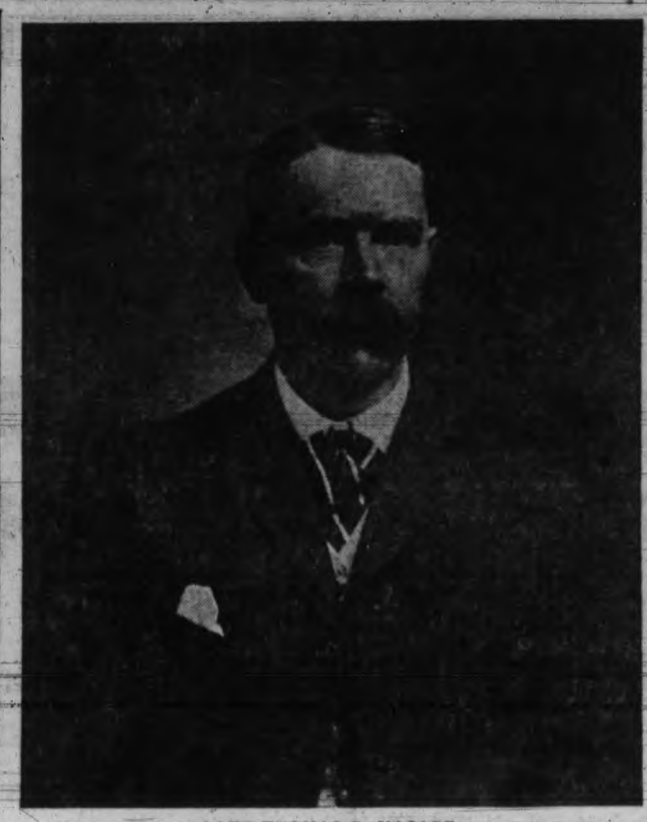


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LATE THOMAS B. MACABE

THOMAS B. MACABE CALLED BY DEATH

Manager of Colonist Job Department Dies Following Operation

Another of Victoria's well-known old-time residents passed to his long rest last evening in the person of Thomas B. Macabe, of 406 Simcoe Street, whose death occurred at the St. Joseph's Hospital, following an operation. Mr. Macabe, who had been a resident of the city for over thirty years, had enjoyed exceptional health until he was suddenly taken ill with appendicitis a week ago last Monday. The operation disclosed the serious nature of the malady and further operations were performed in the hope of saving his life, but in spite of every care and attention his system failed to rally after the shock and he passed away quietly at 9 o'clock last night.

Here Many Years.
 A native of Hamilton, Ontario, where he was born fifty-five years ago, the late Mr. Macabe began to learn the trade of a printer in his home town at a very early age with Mackay Brothers. There he served under such men as G. C. McKay, C. Bingham, J. Dodge and other widely-known printers. He afterwards transferred his connections to Southam & Brierly, of London, Ont., and subsequently moved to Winnipeg, securing a position in the job department of The Winnipeg Free Press. On the departure of the foreman to California Mr. Macabe was promoted to the position, which he held until 1884, when he was brought to Victoria by the late D. W. Higgins, then proprietor of The Daily Colonist, to take a position in the job department. At that time The Colonist offices and plant were on Government Street, on the site now occupied by the Hibben-Bone Building. On the transfer of the then foreman of the job department, W. H. Ellis, to the business department, Mr. Macabe was given charge of the department, in which position he continued until the time of his death.

In length of service he was the second oldest employee at the Broad Street office, and was known for the meticulous care with which he carried out his duties, and maintained the high standard of the department of which he had charge. He will be sorely missed by his colleagues.

Devotee of Sport.
 In his younger days the late Mr. Macabe was a keen devotee of all branches of sport, an interest which he retained in less active measure up to the time of his death. Unmistakable evidence of the interest in which he was held by a wide circle of friends throughout the community, has been shown during the past week, by the continual enquiries which were made as to his progress while at the hospital.

He was for long a prominent member of Victoria and Columbia Lodge, A. F. & A. M., a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and for many years was a member of the Knights of Pythias.

COTTAGE GARDEN ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Cottage Garden Association of Ward Four was held in the Garden City Women's Institute rooms on Monday night.

Pamphlets have been printed and are to be distributed and it is hoped that every inhabitant of the ward will consent to the conditions and help in the Greater Production Movement.

WILMOT GOODWIN IN RECITAL TO-NIGHT

Talented Trio to Appear at King's Daughters' Concerts at Alexandra House

To-night at the Alexandra House, the first of the two concerts arranged by the King's Daughters, will be given by Wilmot Goodwin, the eminent baritone, assisted by Florence Austin, violinist and Lee Cronican, pianist.
 Mr. Goodwin appeared here in recital under the same auspices two years ago, and those who had the pleasure of hearing his delightful voice on that occasion, will welcome his reappearance. Miss Austin has earned the highest encomiums from eminent critics for her playing, and was the first American to win the Premier Prize at the Royal Conservatory of Music at Liege, Belgium, while Lee Cronican has a wide reputation as a pianist of power and brilliancy. Attractive programmes have been arranged for to-night and to-morrow night, and the event has aroused so much interest in musical circles as well as among the general public that it is anticipated that the accommodation of the ballroom will be taxed to the utmost.

GRAND OPERA NIGHT BY LADIES' MUSICAL



MRS. MACDONALD FAHEY

Mrs. Macdonald Fahey is the convenor for the monthly concert of the Ladies' Musical Club, which is to be given at the Empress on Friday evening, March 22, and she has prepared an attractive programme of grand opera selections for the occasion. The vocal soloists will be Mrs. Fahey, Miss Lagrin, M. C. Reynard and James Hunter. J. D. A. Tripp will be the solo pianist, and Mrs. A. J. Gibson will officiate as accompanist.

The following is the programme:
 Rigoletto—Quartet from last Act
 L'Enfant Prodigue—Lia's Aria
 In which she mourns the loss of her son, Assel
 Pagliacci—Nedda sings of the flying birds
 Hungarian Fantasy—For two Pianos
 Madama Butterfly—The Flower Duet
 Azor and Zemerá—Candida Rosa
 Les Huguenots—The Page's Song, Lieta Signor
 Theme and Variations—For Piano
 Dinorah—Dinorah sings to her shadow
 Faust—Trio from last Act
 Dead Horse Incinerated.—The City Health Department was called on Monday evening to send to the incinerator a horse which dropped dead on the street, at the corner of Quadra Street and King's Road.

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Everyone in Victoria and vicinity who is interested in music will be interested in the vast assemblage of music and song pieces assembled at this old-established music store. Our pianists are only too pleased to run over any number you wish to hear.

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"FIRST CONTINGENT" MEN

Victoria and Island Veterans on Furlough Now on Way Home.

The Provincial Returned Soldiers' Commission has been advised that the following Victoria and Island "First Contingent" men have left Halifax, and should reach Vancouver on their way home on furlough on March 25:
 Victoria—R. Gilchrist, 526 Michigan Street; R. P. Cooney, 457 Quebec Street; Cloverdale—H. Greer, R. R. No. 1.
 No address—J. Drummond.
 Alberni—S. C. Bennett, Box 22.
 Ladysmith—J. E. Brenton.
 Others Returning.
 The following men, accompanied by wives and families, no addresses given, left Halifax on special train on morning of the 18th instant: J. Bruce, J. Douglas, K. Liddell, R. Leadbetter, John McLeod, F. Ricketts, Donald Ross, Thos. Turner, H. Wilson.

Water Turned in Again.—After three months' interval water has again been turned into the concrete flow line from Sooke Lake to Humpback Reservoir, temporary repairs and the flume having been constructed. In the meantime the citizens have used water from the Reservoir. There will not be further work done near Sooke Lake until the summer season sets in.

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CAPT. W. H. HARDY

BACK FROM ORIENT

Was Member of Commodore Perry's Expedition Sixty-Four Years Ago

Following the delivery of a message of peace and good will from the United States to the Japanese people, Capt. W. H. Hardy, of Portland, eighty-two years old, who was a member of Commodore Perry's expedition to Japan sixty-four years ago, arrived from the Far East aboard the O. S. K. liner Chicago Maru.

WIRELESS REPORTS

March 20, 3 a.m. Point Grey—Cloudy; calm; 29.82; 46; sea smooth. Cape Lazo—Cloudy; calm; 29.60; 41; sea smooth. Spoke str Princess May, 12.05 a.m., leaving Campbell River, southbound.

Table with columns for location, time, and weather conditions. Includes entries for Point Grey, Cape Lazo, Triangle, Dead Tree Point, Ikeda Bay, Prince Rupert, and Seymour Narrows.

Houses Built at \$16 per Month and Upwards

FOR SALE—New 7-room modern home, waterfront, Oak Bay district. Half-price. Own it.

TYPE OF ENGINE FOR I. M. B. SHIPS

Propelling Force Provided by Triple Expansion, Surface Condensing Engine

VESSELS ARE EQUIPPING AT OGDEN POINT PLANT

The engines that are now being installed in the Imperial Munitions Board hulls at the Ogden Point assembling plant are of the triple expansion surface condensing type.

These engines are equipped with three cylinders each working on separate cranks placed at angles of 120 degrees. The cylinders are 20-inch, 33-inch and 54-inch diameter, with 40-inch stroke.

The reversing engine is of the direct steam-driven type, with floating valve motion exhausting to the condenser, and operated from the engine working platform.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Table showing sunrise and sunset times for various dates in March 1913. Columns include Date, Sunrise (Hour Min), and Sunset (Hour Min).

The Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B. C. An aged Jew who sold second-hand clothes in the market place in a Welsh town was accosted by an Irishwoman who asked him the price of a certain suit of child's clothes.

SPRUCE LOGS AT NITINAT LAKE



The boom of logs shown in the picture is from the limits of the Nitinat Logging Company, and is to be used for aeroplane manufacture. It is consigned to the Imperial Munitions Board, and is part of a contract for the delivery of spruce for this important branch of the service.

RECONSTRUCTION OF ISLAND PRINCESS NOW WELL UNDER WAY

C. P. R. Has Not Yet Arranged Schedule for Gulf Islands Steamer

Nothing definite has yet been decided upon by the C. P. R. regarding the schedule to be maintained by the steamship Island Princess between Victoria and the Gulf Islands. This much was learned this morning at the local offices of the British Columbia Coast Steamship Service, where not a little amusement has been created through the persistent efforts of public-hodies of the Island districts in arranging and approving of schedules to suit a particular route.

INCREASED CLASS RATES

Washington, March 20.—The Interstate Commerce Commission approved today the application of Canadian carriers for increased class rates on hauls from eastern points in the United States to the western part of the Dominion.

C. N. R. EARNINGS

Toronto, March 20.—Canadian Northern Railway gross earnings for the week ended March 14, 1913, were \$723,000, as compared with \$734,300, a decrease of \$11,300; from July 1, 1912, to date, they were \$25,665,500, as compared with \$23,230,000 for the corresponding period for the present year, an increase of \$2,435,500.

TIDE TABLES

Table showing tide times for March. Columns include Date, Time of High Water (h. m. ft.), and Time of Low Water (h. m. ft.).

MANUFACTURERS ASK INCOME TAX CHANGES

Deputation Will Come From Vancouver to Lay Views Before Government

Vancouver, March 20.—A special committee of the B. C. Manufacturers' Association will go to Victoria and lay before the Government the desires of the Association for alterations in the new income tax law, according to a decision arrived at here last night following the recommendations of a committee composed of J. W. Curran, F. A. Brodie, James Ramsay and John Hanbury, which reported at considerable length on federal, provincial and civic taxation.

The report stated that the Provincial Government had amended the income and personal property tax in such a manner as to inflict serious hardships on the taxpayers and that a burden would be imposed on the manufacturers of this province which it would be impossible for them to carry.

Mining News and Notes

That there will be a revival in the Yukon after the war all the mining men agree who have visited Victoria recently. They are now preparing to go back to the territory after being out for the winter. Until hardy, strong men come back from the war, the Yukon is likely to be crippled badly for adequate labor.

MORE WRECKAGE FROM BATISCAN WASHED UP

Halifax, March 20.—Hope that some members of the crew of the Batiscan saved themselves when the collier was dashed to pieces on the ledge of the Nova Scotia coast was revived yesterday when the following message was received from the Yarmouth agent of the steamer: "More wreckage, hatches and lifeboats coming ashore in the Tusket Islands from the Batiscan. There is a remote chance of survivors being on Seal Islands. Rescue steamers will be on the scene to-day and will return to-morrow."

FEARS FOR CANNERY TENDER OREGONIAN

Seattle, March 20.—Officers of the Sockeye Salmon Company fear recent heavy seas off the Alaska coast swamped the company's cannery tender Oregonian, which left here February 29 for Morzhovka Bay, near False Pass, Western Alaska. The Oregonian carried a crew of seven men.

TIMES SUBSCRIPTION RATE IS ADVANCED

The rapidly-increasing cost of everything that goes into the make-up of a modern daily newspaper has compelled The Times to increase its city subscription rate from 50c to 60c per month. This will go into effect on April 1.

THE TIME BALL

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

DAY STEAMER TO SEATTLE

THE S.S. "Sol Duc" Leaves C. P. R. Wharf daily except Sunday at 10 a. m., for Port Angeles, Dungeness, Port Williams, Port Townsend and Seattle, arriving Seattle 1.15 p. m. Returning leaves Seattle daily except Saturday at midnight, arriving Victoria 4.30 a. m. Secure information and tickets from E. BLACKWOOD, Agent, 1234 Government St. Phone 65.

PRIMARY ELECTION IN STATE OF WISCONSIN

Milwaukee, March 20.—Outstanding features of yesterday's primary election in Wisconsin were a fourfold increase in the Socialist vote, the overwhelming victory of Joseph E. Davies for the Democratic Senatorial nomination and the close race between Irving Lenroot, known as the loyalist candidate, and James Thompson, who carried the banner of the La Follette Republicans in the Senatorial race of that party.

LEAVES TO SUPERVISE SALVAGE WORK ON STEAMER UMATILLA

Bound for the Orient in connection with the salvage operations on the American steamship Umatilla, which on March 4 drove ashore near Cape Imbobe, Japan, while on passage from Victoria to Hongkong, H. K. Laidlaw, general purchasing agent for the Pacific Steamship Company, left port last night aboard the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Madia Maru.

PRIVATION IS SEVERE NOW IN GERMANY

Anaemia in Children Increases Fifty Per Cent.; Dwindling Meat Supply

The eagerness with which the German Government accepted the Bolshevik invitation to enter into pourparlers for peace is partly, no doubt, to be explained by the growing economic tenaion, more especially in the highly unsatisfactory, almost threatening, conditions of the food supply.

SMITH CURTIS FORMER MINISTER OF MINES

Smith Curtis, former Minister of Mines, is arranging for active development of the Homestake mine on Adams Lake. The late Dr. Drysdale made a favorable report on this property, the values of which are mainly silver and gold. Considerable barites occurs in the countryrock.

Transport Breakdown

Leather is no longer obtainable for either love or money. Not only for boots, but also for such articles as machine-gun slings, paper yarn is used as a substitute.

THE GERMAN PEOPLE HAVE CERTAINLY BECOME HIGHLY RESTIVE UNDER THE STRAIN OF THESE PRIVATIONS

The German people have certainly become highly restive under the strain of these privations, and their moral fibre has been visibly affected. The papers are full of complaints of the growth of petty crime, such as thefts of food and forgeries of food tickets. Even burglaries have become so frequent that the insurance companies have been compelled to raise their premiums 50 per cent. and the courts are busier than ever in dealing with such cases.

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"See-odd down dye ut thee yorgorn. Ay was aweery and tel ut case." No, this does not happen to be Esperanto. It is, according to a musical critic, how many amateur singers "render" the first two lines of "The Lost Chord."

OF VICTORIA THE NORTHWEST OF THE WORLD

SENIOR BASKETBALL ON-BOARDS TO-NIGHT

Sunday School Association Teams Will Battle at Y. M. C. A. Gym.

Senior League basketball has a big card in store for followers of the game this evening, when two matches will be played on the gymnasium floor of the Y. M. C. A.

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The second game on to-night's schedule should materialize into the genuine type calculated to place the league in A1 rating.

SWIMMERS ENJOYED SECOND SESSION

V. I. A. A. Members Were Present Last Evening in Large Numbers

For a couple of hours last evening at the tank of the New Drill Hall a lively scene was presented, when the second spring swimming session of the Victoria and Island Athletic Association was held.

CONDITION IMPROVED.

Atlantic City, N.J., March 20.—Improvement in the condition of Pinky Gardner, of Schenectady, N.Y., who sustained concussion of the brain in a bout for the middleweight wrestling title with Mike Yonel, of Salt Lake City, the champion, has permitted his removal to his home.

LOST ON HARD LUCK.

Barrie, Ont., March 20.—By the hardest kind of luck the Barrie Colts lost the O. H. A. junior championship to De La Salle, of Toronto, here last night.

ALLAN CUP RECEIPTS.

Kitchener's share of the Allan Cup receipts amounted to about \$2,400 and will be divided among the local benevolent and patriotic institutions.

JUNIOR TEAMS TO PLAY FOR TITLES

HERE MARCH 30

Provincial Championships at Stake in Three Basketball Classes

As the date approaches for holding the Junior Basketball championships of British Columbia, an event which this year is scheduled to be staged in this city, every detail of organization is receiving the attention of James Thomas, physical director of the local Y. M. C. A.

While discussing the matter yesterday Mr. Thompson stated that the project was one requiring considerable supervision in the way of arranging details in advance.

ALEXANDER SIGNED WITH CHICAGO CUBS IS LATEST REPORT

Pasadena, Cal., March 20.—Grover Cleveland Alexander, pitcher, who came to Pasadena last Friday with the Chicago Cubs, yesterday affixed his signature to a contract and will be out in uniform to-day for practice.

LADIES' TEAMS WILL PLAY GAMES TO-NIGHT

Two basketball games in the ladies' division of the Sunday School Athletic Association Leagues will be played this evening in the gymnasium of the First Presbyterian Church.

WON BY A SHADE.

Cleveland, March 20.—Matt Brock, of Cleveland, had a slight shade over Willie Jackson, of New York, according to the majority of newspapermen, in a ten-round bout here last night.

BASKETBALL PRACTISE.

Basketballers of the Victoria West Brotherhood will assemble in the Athletic Hall of that district on Thursday for a practice game scheduled to commence at 8 o'clock.

COAST HOCKEY MEN CREATE FAVORABLE FANDOM IMPRESSION

First of World Ice Hockey Series at Toronto Arena To-night

Toronto, March 20.—The first game in the Stanley Cup series will be played to-night, under N. H. L. rules and with two Toronto officials, Marsh and Vair, referee and judge of play, respectively.

It is a funny and exasperating thing to handle most of the time, and for that reason I try to use my efforts in making it as easy as possible by a few simple rules which have helped most.

An unfortunate accident occurred during the practice of Toronto yesterday when Harry Holmes, goaltender suffered a badly discolored eye when struck by the puck.

NUMBER 3 COMPANY LEADS IN SPORTS

Takes Win at Basketball From Quintette of Number Four Last Night

Number Three Company of the Second Depot Battalion had a comparatively easy time last evening in disposing of their opponents of Number Four in a basketball game played in the large pavilion at the Willows Camp.

MILITARY TRANSFERS

The following transfers are authorized in military orders: From No. 11 Casualty Unit, C. E. F., to "J" Unit, M. H. C., Sgt. J. Sharpe, Ptes. W. Holloway, H. Topley, J. Watson, M. Tamashire, A. Desfoux, G. B. Martin, P. A. Hole, R. P. Forrest, W. Fogarty, N. Phinney, G. C. Eggo, F. W. Ross, R. H. Stoope, J. Ryan.

THE WEATHER

Victoria, March 20.—5 a. m.—Another ocean low barometer area is crossing this province to Alberta and rainy, mild weather is general on the Coast, and southerly gales have occurred. Snow is again becoming general in the prairie provinces.

GOOD JUDGMENT IS ASSET TO GOLFER MUST BREAK DOWN BARRIER OF SILENCE

Francis Ouimet Tells of Practical Experiences on the Links

Many things can turn a game into a thrilling victory or an exciting defeat, and it is always worth much meditation to know exactly what to do.

It is a funny and exasperating thing to handle most of the time, and for that reason I try to use my efforts in making it as easy as possible by a few simple rules which have helped most.

There are times when the player lacks the necessary confidence to such a delicate proposition as placing his drives. This requires much confidence and assurance that it is the best idea and course to pursue.

It is not always the longest drive that counts. At times I put every ounce of power into my tee shots, but these times are few and far between.

RED CROSS WORK

The report of the Victoria and District Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society from March 1 to 15 is as follows: Cash Receipts.

Table with columns for Sub-Committees, Cash Receipts, and various amounts.

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THE WEATHER

A college graduate was walking down the street, one evening with a friend of Irish descent, and pausing to look up at the starry sky, remarked with enthusiasm: "How bright Orion is to-night!"

Dr. Ernest Hall Indicts Policy of Hiding Facts From Young People

Speaking at a meeting conducted by the Life Conservation League in the First Presbyterian Church last night, Dr. Ernest Hall strongly contended that the barrier of silence, behind which certain diseases were defiling the land, must be broken down, and held that it would only be by educating children to the awfulness of the situation that the Anglo-Saxon race could be saved.

No one but a medical man, said the speaker, could form any estimate of the almost unbelievable manner in which these diseases had spread throughout Canada and the United States during the last few years, and he quoted statistics showing the great mortality resulting from such diseases every year.

There are scores of people dying every year, said Dr. Hall, "from what you think are other complaints, but we as doctors know differently, but we must let you go on believing. We are starting a crusade of education to teach the people how rampant these diseases are and try to save the children unborn. As long as there is one case in the city you have a worse plague to cope with than leprosy or smallpox. And we want you to know it."

Dr. Ernest Young, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, Dr. M. Raynor and Dr. Paul Higgins also addressed the meeting, the latter contending that Government legislation was needed on the matter making it compulsory that all with these diseases report them, the same as is now demanded from those having smallpox or other infectious diseases that might be a serious menace to the community.

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A. O. F.-Court Northern Light, No. 588, meets at Foresters' Hall, Broad Street, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. W. F. Fullerton, secretary. m2-12

CANADIAN ORDER OF FORESTERS-Court Columbia, 521, meets 4th Monday, 5 p. m., Orange Hall, Yates St. R. L. Central, 524, meets 4th Monday, 8 p. m., Res., 129 South Turner St. Phone 1211H. m2-12

COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 2, I. O. O. F. meets Wednesdays, 8 p. m., in Odd Fellows' Hall, Douglas Street. D. Dewar, R. S., 129 Oxford Street. m2-12

DAUGHTERS OF ENGLAND R. S.-Princess Alexandra, 2nd Thursday, K. of P. Hall, Mrs. F. Bridges, Sec., 77 Cowichan. m2-12

DAUGHTERS AND MAIDS OF EMG-LAND R. S.-Lodge Primrose, No. 23, meets 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 8 p. m., in A. O. F. Hall, Broad Street. Pres., Mrs. C. H. Hardie, K. R. S., 100 Government. m2-12

SONS OF ENGLAND B. S.-Fride of the Island Lodge, No. 11, meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 8 o'clock in 1216 Wharf and 1408 Store Street. President, Griffiths Donna, 1216 Pandora Ave. Secretary, A. E. Brindley, 1217 Pembroke Street. m2-12

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR-Queen City Chapter, No. 5, meets on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 8 o'clock in K. of P. Hall, North Park St. Visiting members cordially invited. m2-12

DETECTIVE DEPARTMENT
The ad. this morning was the very easiest of them all. The winner described it perfectly, and all the assembled crowd, with one accord, agreed that the description fitted exactly. m2-12

We will give another, which may or may not be easy to find. This will be the last puzzle given by this department and will run until Saturday. If not found, a dollar added each day, making the value on that day \$5. If not found on Saturday, it will be still further increased, and without further advance in the reward, until found. m2-12

Come in strong now, and get this last easy detective puzzle. For instance, "meet" might mean to "meet" a friend or "meet" as a food. But, of course, this word has nothing to do, with the described ad. We also claim the privilege to use a part of a word. m2-12

KEY TO AD.
Used in calculations. One who took part in a very, very old tragedy. m2-12

PASTE OR PIN ANSWER HERE
Name m2-12

Address m2-12

THE CORRECT AD.
DANCING - Mrs. Simpson's classes. Monday night, young students. Friday night, children, Saturday afternoon. Hippodrome Hall, View St. m2-12

THE WINNER.
Mrs. G. Hughes, 266 Carroll Street, had the first correct answer, brought to this office personally by W. R. Elliot, 822 Commercial Avenue. She had the only other correct answer, sent in by mail. It is understood, of course, that the mail answers are not eligible until 5:30 in the morning. m2-12

DESCRIPTION.
Caused regret, and is still causing regret, though at the time many believed otherwise. m2-12

Naming a companion; referred to in a popular work of fiction. m2-12

EXPLANATION.
The loss of "Saturday afternoon" by the clerks of the city at a half-holiday has, in truth, caused much regret, etc. Robinson Crusoe's man "Friday" was certainly a very acceptable companion to Robinson. The winner personally described her answer the same as here given. m2-12

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PROVINCE TO HAVE GIRL FARMERETTES
Y. W. C. A. to Undertake Registration of "B. C. National Service Girls" in April
Coinciding with the introduction of the movement known as the "Soldiers of the Soil" is the step which has been taken to enlist the women and girls of the community in the corps known as "The B. C. National Service Girls." This latter has been organized by the Provincial Department of Labor, in conjunction with the Y. W. C. A., for the purpose of supplying the farmers and fruit-growers of the province with competent assistants during the coming season. The movement embraces a somewhat wider scope than was carried out by the fruit-picking organization last year, inasmuch as many of the farmers have asked for female assistance in general farm labor as well as in the later harvesting and gathering of crops.
The Provincial Government through its Department of Labor is negotiating with the farmers in the matter of rate of pay, but the registration of would-be agriculturalists and fruit-pickers is to be carried out through the Y. W. C. A., and will open on April 1. Girls of sixteen years and upwards will be engaged for the work, and it is anticipated that the 2,000 who are needed in the province will soon be found.
Tentative Plans.
Arrangements are being made for the care of the girls while on the farms, and the Y. W. C. A. plans to send to each rural district a secretary who will act for both the girl and the farmer, and to whom either may go with any little difficulty which may need smoothing out. Tentative plans are also afoot

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Ottawa Government Will Introduce Bill Providing for New Post

Ottawa, March 20.—The Government has given notice of a number of resolutions covering proposed bills to be introduced. One will provide for the appointment of a Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Another bill of which Sir George Foster has given notice provides for the inspection and grading of hay. Importation Control. Control of the importation of goods into Canada is provided for in the following resolution: "That it is expedient to provide that the Governor-General-in-Council may, until the expiration of a period of three years after the termination of the war, make regulations prohibiting the importation or exportation of goods of any class, description or origin, or produced or manufactured in whole or in part in any country or place specified in the regulation, either generally or from or to any country or place named in the regulation subject to such exceptions, if any, as may be specified in the regulation and to any license the grant of which may be authorized by the regulation."

The Harbor Commission, of Montreal, is to be authorized to pay off debentures amounting to \$300,000 out of the sum of \$3,000,000 advanced by the Government to the Commission.

BANK OF MONTREAL PLUS BANK OF B. N. A.

Negotiations in Progress for Purchase of Latter by Former

Montreal, March 20.—The Montreal Star to-day will announce the pending purchase of the Bank of British North America by the Bank of Montreal. The following statement was given out to-day in this connection: "The rumors heard in financial circles to the effect that negotiations are taking place for the purchase of the Bank of British North America by the Bank of Montreal evidently are founded on a reliable basis. When the purchase is completed the branches of the Bank of B. N. A. will continue their existence as heretofore as branches of the Bank of Montreal for an indefinite period; no changes in the management of these branches are contemplated at present."

"It is evident from the fact that the Finance Minister already has given his consent to the change presumably as being equitable to the shareholders of both institutions and in the best interest of the public that there is every reason to expect the purchase will be consummated. Also, the absorption will eliminate the anomalous position under which the Bank of B. N. A. operates in the Dominion under a British charter and its board of directors meeting in London. "The paid-up capital of the Bank of B. N. A. is \$4,866,666 and the reserve \$3,017,333. The Bank of Montreal is \$15,000,000 and the reserve \$15,000,000. It was founded in 1817."

2,000 MORE RETURNED MEN REACH HALIFAX Halifax, March 20.—A steamship with about 2,000 invalided Canadian soldiers arrived here from an English port late this afternoon.

GERMANS REPULSED BY FRENCH TROOPS Paris, March 20.—Attacks were made by German troops at several points last night, the War Office announces. In Lorraine there was violent hand-to-hand fighting. Everywhere the French repulsed the enemy.

THEY'RE ALL "FROM MISSOURI"

Referring to the Candidates in the Contest—Cause, Why, Because They Require to "Be Shown"—This is Purely Personal

The Times Want Ad Contest candidates naturally meet very often in the headquarters office. They generally happen around about the time the paper "comes out." The very first thing they all do is to look over the new business appearing for that day. Then speculation is rife as to the particular candidate who secured "this ad," "that ad" and so on. Each one blames it on the other, and the camouflage passed back and forth is very rich to hear. The contest is getting remarkably keen, and much comment is made on the contract business that has been signed up to start at a future date. It is understood by all that it is permissible to accept contracts that will be inserted at a later date. This plan allows candidates the privilege of getting much business that they would otherwise miss. Many people are more or less conservative and do not wish to have their ad in two papers at the same time. The Times covers the field and is bringing the finest kind of results for Classified advertisers. To-day an advertiser phoned to this office asking that an ad inserted for three days, which had run only one day, be discontinued, as satisfactory result had been secured on the first day of publication. Therefore, join The Times Classified advertisers—and be satisfied.

I. W. W.'S. ARE TO BE TRIED IN CHICAGO

Law Officers Culling Excerpts From Their Literature to Use Against Accused

Chicago, March 20.—Details of how the "Sab Cat" and the "Wooden Shoe" were being marshalled by a vast "rebel army" in opposition to the United States Government and the war will be revealed, it is said, at the coming trial of members of the I. W. W. under indictment here for conspiracy and disloyalty. "Sab Cat" and "Wooden Shoes" are I. W. W. slang for sabotage.

Federal attorneys were busy to-day examining specimens of I. W. W. literature seized by the Government in the country-wide raids last fall. Following are some extracts from "Solidarity," an I. W. W. publication which will be used, it is said, as evidence at the trial: "The rebel who does not put his pet to work these days is guilty of criminal negligence." "We need in Rockford at the present time about 4,000 rebels to go on the job at the cantonment 'de yellow leg, so come on, you rebels.'" "An ounce of sabotage is worth a ton of explanation."

In Idaho, St. Mary's, Idaho, March 20.—Six men suspected of being leaders in the I. W. W. organization were brought here to-day by members of the home guard from Branson's camp near Fernwood and placed under guard. Altogether seventy-two men are being held in a paint shop and in the county jail by the home guard, which is making a roundup of I. W. W. in Benewah County. Adjutant-General Murray announced that as soon as possible charges of criminal syndicalism will be preferred against most of the men. No disturbance was caused last night by the men in the paint shop and to-day they will be given two meals. Yesterday because they yelled the night before they were given but one meal. The United States army soldiers who have been here since Saturday continue to patrol the city.

GERMAN STAFF TRYING TO CONFUSE ALLIES ON WESTERN FRONT

Washington, March 20.—The present renewal of the German talk of a great German offensive on the West Front this spring is ascribed in an official dispatch from Switzerland to-day as due to the desire of the German general staff to confuse the Allies as to Germany's real intentions.

REORGANIZATION POWERS ARE ASKED BY WILSON

Washington, March 20.—Retaining substantially the legislation asked by President Wilson to give him broad powers to reorganize and co-ordinate the Government Departments and agencies in prosecuting the war, the Overman Bill, advanced as an administration substitute for the Senate Military Committee's war cabinet and munitions director measures, was ordered favorably reported to-day by the Senate Judiciary Committee by a vote of eleven to seven.

WILL NOT BE HANGED

Ottawa, March 20.—The sentence of death passed on Felix Letaine at Dauphin, Man., has been commuted. Letaine previously had received a reprieve from February 21. He was to have been executed to-morrow.

AMERICAN CONSUL SAYS GERMANS ABOUT TO TAKE PETROGRAD

Washington, March 20.—German occupation of Petrograd within a week was predicted by American Consul Tredwell in a dispatch dated March 18 reaching the State Department to-day. The report came through Ambassador Francis, at Volodga.

BILL WOULD GIVE VOTES TO WOMEN

Measure Introduced by Sir Robert Borden is Read First Time

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BILL INTRODUCED

Ottawa, March 20.—When the House of Commons met this afternoon Sir Robert Borden introduced a bill to give the franchise to women. The bill was read a first time. Sir Robert also introduced a bill to further arrangements and transfer of duties in the public service. The latter bill, Sir Robert explained, was to authorize the Governor-in-Council to change any Department or branch from the direction of one Minister to the direction of another. This bill also was read a first time. A daylight savings bill along the lines of the bill presented last season was introduced by Sir George Foster and read a first time. The first reading of the bill was seconded by Mr. Carvell.

At question time Mr. Lemieux asked if the Government had received any petition for the removal of the duty on farm implements, and if so, what course the Government intended to take. Sir Robert replied that communications had been received and any necessary announcements would be made later.

Records Office. Replying to Mr. Devlin as to whether any money had been paid to Lord Beaverbrook by Canada, and what was the nature of Lord Beaverbrook's services, Sir Robert replied that Lord Beaverbrook had given his services as Canadian Record Officer and officer in charge of the Canadian War Records Office without pay. The expense of this office had been paid partly out of the war vote and partly out of profits derived from the sale of publications, photographs and moving picture films produced under the auspices of the office. The total grant for this purpose had been \$25,000, of which only a portion was expended. Sir Robert Borden further sketched the work of Lord Beaverbrook as Canadian Record Officer and the operations of the Canadian Records Office.

INQUEST FOLLOWS AUTOMOBILE SMASH NEAR MURRAYVILLE

Murrayville, B. C., March 20.—An inquest on the body of Henry James Smith, killed in an automobile accident on Saturday afternoon, was opened here yesterday. After the body had been viewed by the jury, the coroner adjourned the inquest until Wednesday, March 27, when it is expected that Alex. McPhee will have recovered and give evidence. The body was removed to Seattle, where it will be cremated, and the urn sent to his relatives in Berlin, Conn.

ALLIED AND NEUTRAL TONNAGE 42,000,000

That is Present Figure, Geddes Says; Pirrie Made Shipping Controller London, March 20.—The merchant tonnage produced in the United Kingdom in the fourth quarter of 1914 was 42,000, and it had fallen steadily since, Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty, told the House of Commons this afternoon. The total Allied and neutral tonnage now was 42,000,000, the fact that it was at this figure being largely due to the new construction by the United States and the seizure of German ships.

A SPY CHARGE IN STATES EXPLODED BY A LOVE AFFAIR

Washington, March 20.—Investigation has convinced the Department of Justice that the two women and two men claiming French citizenship recently arrested in New York on suspicion of connection with the German spy ring can only be classed as undesirable citizens rather than as spies. On this conclusion they will be deported. Suspicion that the four were a band of spies was exploded when Government agents found that a love affair between one of the women and a neutral diplomat in Washington was the real basis of the activity of the four which brought them under the observation of the Department of Justice. The full disclosure is withheld by the Government out of consideration for the neutral diplomat and his associates.

EMPLOYERS REQUESTED TO ASSIST WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BOARD

Vancouver, March 20.—An earnest appeal to the employers of British Columbia to co-operate with the Workmen's Compensation Board in the administration of the Compensation Act was made to the members of the B. C. Manufacturers' Association last evening by E. S. Winn, chairman, and Parker Williams and Hugh B. Gilmore, members of the board, during the course of brief addresses. Parker Williams said in referring to the report that an amendment to the Act was contemplated so as to make it possible to appeal from the Board in some cases to a judge, that such change would be "viciously backward." Mr. Gilmore declared many of the employers in B. C. had been discovered by the Board to be very dilatory in making their reports of accidents.

GERMANS MOVING IN RUSSIA FOR PEACE

Washington Officials Think Peace Effort May Be Based on Advance

Washington, March 20.—The continued advance of the German army into Russia despite the peace treaty signed at Brest-Litovsk is no surprise to the Government officials here, who all along fully expected the German high command to prosecute its demands in Russia to the fullest extent regardless of any consideration of good faith under the peace agreement. No explanation of the motives that are impelling the Germans to press their advance to Petrograd and Moscow is available here, but it is known officials regard the situation as filled with sinister possibilities.

Enemy Peace Effort. There have been many recent hints at another peace effort by the Germans in the near future, and if the predictions are fulfilled it is pointed out that a vast section of Russia, captured by German hands and furnishing enormous though undeveloped mineral and other resources for employment in the German war machine, might well serve as a foundation for the enemy upon which to erect a compromise peace proposal. It has been suggested that with these resources in her possession, Germany might offer even to restore Alsace-Lorraine to France, hoping thereby to be left in undisturbed possession of the Eastern field. With such a proposal could go agreement to evacuate France and Belgium, and the whole would constitute an alluring prospect to the war-worn peoples of France and Great Britain if they should not look deeper and see the threat their statesmen point out in the sacrifice of Russia.

Given time to develop the Russian resources, many officials here believe the Germans could well afford to surrender all they hold in the West with perfect assurance of both their economic and military future. Forced Recruiting. Some officials here even expect recruitment of the Russian peasantry into the German army. Others, however, believe the Russian people are so thoroughly imbued with the spirit of the revolution that no great movement of that sort is to be expected. The rapid advance of the German forces through Russia, it is admitted here, is serving to cut off a great part of the Russian population from any effective means of counteracting the German propaganda. Already all representatives of Allied thought and purpose have been forced to abandon the field or be captured by the advancing Germans.

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NEW YORK SUGAR

New York, March 20.—Raw sugar steady; centrifugal, 9.05; molasses normal, refined steady; fine granulated, 8.6.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

A QUIET DAY ON NEW YORK MARKET

U. S. Industrial Alcohol Featured in Session With Three-Point Gain (By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.) New York, March 20.—The stock market here was dull to-day almost to the point of stagnation. The political situation both as regards Europe and the moves of Washington in connection with the industrial organization of the country is the all-absorbing topic. The motor stocks were weak to-day. General Motors lost two points. There was a certain amount of activity in U. S. Industrial, which advanced three points with ease.

Table of Montreal Stocks with columns for High, Low, and Last prices for various companies like Ames Holden, Canadian Traction, etc.

TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, March 20.—Cash oats was in good demand, with spreads unchanged to 1 cent higher. Offerings were light, with holders showing little disposition to sell. Offerings of cash barley were much heavier, but buyers were scarce and indifferent. Prices made a drop of from four to five cents. Very little business was reported in cash flax. Demand was poor, offerings small and spreads unchanged.

GRAINS SOLD OFF AT CHICAGO TO-DAY

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.) Chicago, March 20.—There was a marked falling off in the demand for cash grains to-day. The weakness in the cash was reflected in the options and losses of about one cent were made. There was an absence of the seaboard buying which has been responsible for the rapid absorption of offerings since the break. The weather is reported to be all that could be desired.

FIRE CAUSES DEATH OF MAN IN BUTTE

Butte, Mont., March 20.—Trapped in an upper corridor, one man lost his life early to-day when fire destroyed the Wolfstone Block lodging house here. Fifty other guests, dazed by the smoke, were led or carried out of the building by firemen. Five women improvised ropes from bedclothing and lowered themselves to safety.

MR. FARRIS WILLING TO TAKE HIS SHARE

Either Middle Through Law-suit or Grab All P. G. E. Possessed

THREE MORE SPEECHES ON MISERABLE SUBJECT

Government Faced a Poor Deal From Long Court Proceedings

Legislative Press Gallery, March 19.

When the Prime Minister explained why the question of ratifying the settlement entered into between the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company and the province should be discussed by the House in committee as a whole, he gave as his reason that the extra latitude would remove all restraint on debate and enable full play to be given to every member desirous of airing his views on the matter.

G. G. McGeer, member for Richmond; J. S. Cowper, fifth member for Vancouver; and Attorney-General Farris were to-day's speakers, the latter of whom gave a clear exposition of the legal aspect of the case and showed to the House how circumstances had conspired to convince the Government that the present settlement was a good deal better for the province as a whole than the long and dreary journey through the courts, the still longer and somewhat uncertain future ahead of the railway as a Government enterprise notwithstanding.

In the opinion of Mr. McGeer there was no more clouded issue before the Province of British Columbia than that of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway. He had always objected to the policy of the Company and deplored the fact now that whether the people desired to turn their back on it or not, there was no alternative but to face the music. But, he said, in the endorsement of the settlement as obtained by the Government it was only right and proper that the people of the province should clearly understand that still a good deal more money would be re-

quired before the enterprise could become operative on sensible lines. He wished to remind the Leader of the Opposition, however, that it was not good enough for him to tell the Legislature that he would take no responsibility in the ratification of the settlement. He is common with other members of the House who have to take an equal share of the responsibility that would devolve upon the Government in straightening out the miserable angle which had resulted in an obligation for the province of more than twenty millions of dollars.

Troubles Now Commencing. The member for Richmond took no pains to obscure his idea of what sort of treatment should be meted out to the promoters of the Pacific Great Eastern, because, look at it any way he would, the Government was only getting back the money paid out by the people, or at least the assets of the three companies which were supposed to make up the amount less the "incidental." Mr. McGeer's spectacles were of no rosiest hue as he began to look ahead for the future of the line, for he said right out that the troubles of the province in its association with the P. G. E. were only just commencing.

He had been told that during the last two years of operation the line had gone on the wrong side of the ledger to the extent of half a million dollars each year. Taking his cue from this information he said the taxpayers would meet the new obligations with no small amount of grumbling. The acquisition of the line by the Government was not such a Godsend as the member for Newcastle had sought to make out and he still clung hopefully to the idea that the matter of dealing with the persons who were responsible for the payments to the defaulting company would not wholly be lost sight of.

Would Support Settlement. Briefly appraising the merit of the various speeches on the same subject, J. S. Cowper, the next speaker, said that although he was not in the councils of the Government he had made up his mind in this matter and would support the settlement, with the terms of which all members of the Legislature and the general public were by now familiar. He intended only to touch the high spots and promptly squared away with the suggestion that if the present administration were to be dragged down the cause of the fall would be the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

The Government had entered into office under the most unfortunate circumstances, not the least of which was the depleted state of the Treasury, while if the settlement now before the House had not been consummated the people of the Province would have cried aloud and with the fact that the settlement had been possible, there still remained that point of the two-horned dilemma which might easily puncture the Governmental tire. Personal Profit. He contended that the settlement

had to be regarded as merely a temporary affair disposing of the law suit. Later on there would be a glorious opportunity for statesmanship to save something from the general wreck. As to the origin of the line he could hardly agree with the Premier when he said the enterprise had been conceived in iniquity and shapen in sin; but he did agree that it was launched for personal profit under the guise of a public benefaction. The thing had started off badly, added to which was the refusal on the part of officials to give evidence and their flight to the sanctuary of a friendly neighbor. But since the settlement was as reasonable a one as could be expected under the circumstances he had made up his mind to support it.

Contractors' "Cocky" Attitude. Looking for a minute on the legal aspect he had gone to some trouble to ascertain the status of the case from the point of view of the contractors and, buttressed by a number of legal opinions, he ventured to say that the Province was standing on very delicate ice. He did not wonder that the contractors had taken a somewhat "cocky" attitude and had said to the Government: "come along and bring on your lawsuit." And here Mr. Cowper discussed the validity of the original contract on the general lines already made public and upon which eminent counsel had already pronounced their views.

Yes, Why? At this juncture Mr. McGeer—whose address had been referred to on several occasions by the speaker—asked the fifth member for Vancouver why, if the contractors had such a good case, they were ready to fork out \$750,000 in cold cash as well as the assets of the three companies. Mr. Cowper, in reply, threw out the suggestion that the thought of criminal proceedings had no small amount of influence in governing the action of the company by settling insofar as civil process was concerned.

Premier Oliver cleared that up immediately by stating that the settlement in no way affected the right to take criminal proceedings. The question of indemnification against criminal proceedings was never discussed, neither did the province possess the power to enter into the subject of such indemnification.

Not an Economic Crime. In spite of it all the Pacific Great Eastern was not an economic crime, said Mr. Cowper. It certainly called for the very highest brand of statesmanship; but with the line under Government ownership there was a great future ahead and out of the wreckage there might be erected a fabric worthy of the people as asked at the polls. Mr. Hawthornthwaite dryly observed that the speech of the fifth member for Vancouver was full of generalities and beautiful platitudes.

Mr. Farris. "The settlement of this lawsuit does

not unload the troubles of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway from the shoulders of the province of British Columbia. We have had and will have a very serious problem on our hands in respect of the future of this road. With that declaration as a starting point, the Hon. J. W. deB. Farris told in simple fashion the story of the settlement from the legal point of view. He constructed his talk for the understanding of the layman and told very much, in extended form, of the narrative, which from time to time has appeared in these columns, both from himself and the Premier.

When Liability Started. There was no denying the fact that the money that had gone into the road had been unquestionably provided by the people of this province. "And," went on the Attorney-General, "whether you like it or not you have got twenty millions of dollars in that road. It now resolves itself into a question as to whether the province should go ahead and place confidence in the future or whether it should cut its loss, tear up the rails and quit."

If the bargain of dollar for dollar had been insisted upon and Foley, Welch & Stewart made to live up to their agreement the province would not have been in the condition in which it found itself to-day. But, continued Mr. Farris, the liability of the Government of that day, however, had fallen to insist upon the fulfillment of the contract and lost its hold. "That being the case the only course open to a settlement was for the province to grab all it could, get the road and title and look ahead for the future and prepare for its problems."

Worth Something. "You must decide whether under all the circumstances you will take the money and the assets—which mean the road. We know—perfectly well," continued the Attorney-General, "that we shall not reap the profits to which the contractors were accustomed, but we shall get something and having the satisfaction of knowing that the contractors are not getting any more money from the people. Coming to the point in the narrative where it was shown to the province by its counsel, S. S. Taylor, K. C., that the company found a great deal of difficulty in raising money, Mr. Farris told the House that it was therefore advised to settle to attempt a settlement on as good a basis as possible rather than run the risk of a poor show with a law suit."

Right or Wrong? With a considerable amount of detail Mr. Farris dealt with the more intricate phases of the situation and passed on to the opinion given by Mr. Lafleur to the Railway Company in respect to the Company's contract—both Mr. Lafleur and R. T. Elliot, K. C., giving fairly emphatic views to the effect that the contract was not good in law. Mr. Farris said Mr. Lafleur would be the last man in the world to stultify his own standing by giving an opinion which he knew to be wrong. The Attorney-General pointed out, however, that this was the opinion given to the opponents of the Government and brought to the Government without any ulterior motive. He would not guarantee to say that Mr. Lafleur's advice was the last word, but he certainly would not take upon himself its dismissal as worthless. It would nevertheless remain in doubt until the final arbiter in wig and gown had made his last guess.

Not the First Case. Mr. McGeer had said that the Government was merely getting back the money the people had paid. That was perfectly true; but Mr. Farris directed the attention of the House to the fact that the legal history of Canada contained many instances where the people had by no means got their money back.

Mr. Cowper had hinted at possible criminal proceedings and their effect on the settlement. In reply, the Attorney-General stated distinctly that any suspicion of a suggestion of criminal proceedings being used as a sort of lever to a settlement must be divorced from the minds of every member of the House. No such hint or suggestion of that kind entered into the matter of settlement.

Ready For His Share. In conclusion, and in final appeal to the House, Mr. Farris said: "Are we to grab all that these people had and out of which they had hoped to make a large profit, get the title and secure for ourselves some hope of the future, or are we to muddle through with this bill and trust to the proverbial luck? For my part I am ready and willing to shoulder my share of the responsibility for the settlement, both as a member of the Government and as a representative of the people." The resolution was again left in the Committee stage and will be further discussed to-morrow.

SOON GOT IT PAID.

"I don't suppose that I shall ever get this bill settled," sighed Mr. Sandy, the local bootmaker, looking ruefully at a small piece of blue paper.

"Why not?" asked his partner of his joys and sorrows, though not of his business details. "Whose is it?" "It's the account of Mr. Goodman, the deacon. I've asked him for it ever so many times, but I can't get it. I don't know how to bring him to the point. It is such a big-wig in the place. I suppose he won't pay till he wants another pair—in about twelve months."


"Give me that bill," cried his wife, with an air of determination. "I'll get it settled."

That was Saturday evening. On the Monday morning the bill and the cash were sent to Mr. Sandy.

"How did you manage it, my love?" asked the bootmaker, in amazement.

"Oh, it wasn't much trouble," said Mrs. Sandy, quietly. "You were not at church yesterday, or you would have understood. When he brought round the plate for the collection, I just put that bill into the plate, folded so that everybody could see the name and other particulars—the date and so forth. I thought you would have the money to-day. When you want any more debts collected, pass the bill on to me, Henry."

Unselfish Service



Soldiers Of the Soil

Men may go to the front and fight but boys can go to the farm and help raise the food for the fighting men.


You see the war is a circle of duties. It is the duty of the fighting man to fight, but he must have food or he cannot fight. And it is the duty of the farmer to grow crops and produce the food but we must help to do it.

So Canadian boys have a chance to do their part to help the farmer who grows the food to feed the fighting men. The Canada Food Board has organized this army of boys, and it calls for 25,000 sturdy, clear brained Canadian lads from the cities and towns, from the villages and the farms to join this army of food growers.

Every boy of 15 to 19, inclusive, is eligible

It is a national army just as truly as that of the soldiers who go to France. The young Soldiers of the Soil who serve their country on the farms of Canada this summer will be presented by the Dominion Government with Bronze Badges of Honour, just the same as the soldiers who go to the front are decorated with service medals.

Enrollment in the Soldiers of the Soil begins on March 17 and will continue for a week following. By March 25, Canada wants an army of 25,000 boy Soldiers of the Soil. Enroll with High School Teachers, Y. M. C. A. Secretaries, Boy Scout Masters, and others in your neighborhood.



CANADA FOOD BOARD

Ottawa J. D. McGregor, Director Agricultural Labour

HOW TO SAVE SEEDS FOR HOME PLANTING

Professor Stevenson Gives Some Advice to Growers This Season

In the March number of the bulletin of the Experimental Farms of Canada (Eastern and E. C. edition), Professor Stevenson, of the Sidney Experimental Station, writes on "Try Seed Growing for Your Own Needs." He says:

Shortage of Supply. "The short supply of garden seeds and the indifferent stock offered in many instances have been an unpleasant experience to many gardeners. The gardener who grows his own seeds did not need to worry about poor germination, high prices, shortages or crop failure, and in now planning to grow all the high-class seeds that he requires for next year. Why not get busy now and do likewise?"

Biennials—Select or obtain from your neighbor choice specimens of one variety of garden beet, carrot, parsnip and turnip as mother roots for seed production. Plant in well prepared soil, one root for each four ounces of seed required. Cover the roots completely with soil and Nature will awaken the seed stalks which you must care for as you would any plant that you desire to be either attractive or productive. When the seed stalks have grown high, bank the roots with earth or support the stalks with stakes that the wind may not cast them over. When the seeds ripen gather them, put carefully away where ripening may be completed and where damage from mice and fungi is not probable. During what would be idle hours on stormy days, thresh these seeds heads out and prepare the seeds for the coming of spring of 1913.

Onion Seeds. "Annals—Onions—Select choice onions, firm and ideal in shape, about two inches in diameter, plant by covering two inches deep in well-prepared garden soil, one onion for each ounce of seed required. Weed and hoe during the growing season and stake the seed stalks up before the heads become heavy. Gather the seed heads when the seeds are beginning to fall and put away on trays or in thin cotton sacks that ripening may be completed. Threshing and seed-cleaning may be done at any convenient time. Onion sets are grown by sowing seeds thickly in rows but one inch apart; so thickly must the seed be sown that the little plants will crowd one another so closely that growth to greater dimensions than one-half inch is not probable. When the leaves of the little onions wither and die it is time to harvest the crop. This is done by pulling and spreading in shallow trays to dry. When dry the leaves are plucked off and the little sets stored in a dry, cool place, free from frost danger.

Lettuce and Radish. "Lettuce—Choice lettuce plants of your most favored variety should be saved and permitted to seed. When the seed heads are ripened the entire plant may be cut, placed in a paper bag and hung up to dry, after which the threshing may be done when convenient.

"Radish—Secure choice seed, sow early in the season, thin the plants out to a distance of 12 by 12 inches. Cultivate and keep free from weeds during the entire season. When the roots are well developed the seed stalks appear, following with blossom and seed pods. When the seed pods are fully ripe the plant may be cut and the seed threshed at any time. Many other garden plants may be used in home seed production by employing methods just as simple as those enumerated. Spinach, cabbage, celery, parsley, peas, beans, are all easily produced. To thresh many of the seed heads, rubbing them over a coarse screen is both quick and effective.

"Seeds grown under home conditions will almost invariably give better results than will commercial seed. Try it this season, but don't try to seed more than one variety of each kind of garden plant."

To Stop a Persistent Hacking Cough

The best remedy is one you can easily make at home. Cheap, but very effective.

Thousands of people normally healthy in every other respect, are annoyed with a persistent hacking or bronchial cough that makes life disagreeable. It's so needless—there's an old home-made remedy that will end such a cough easily and quickly.

Get from any druggist "2 1/2 ounces of Pinex" (50 cents worth), pour it into a 16-oz. bottle and fill the bottle with plain granulated sugar syrup. Begin taking it at once. Gradually but surely you will notice the phlegm thin out and then disappear altogether, thus ending a cough that you never thought would end. It also promptly loosens a dry or tight cough, stops the troublesome throat tickle, soothes the irritated membranes that line the throat and bronchial tubes, and relief comes almost immediately. A day's use will usually break up an ordinary throat or chest cold, and for bronchitis, croup, whooping cough and bronchial asthma there is nothing better. It tastes pleasant and keeps perfectly.

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LIVING ON THREE FARTHINGS A WEEK.

Byron set a bad example in some respects, but in war-time his example as a food-economist might be followed with advantage and the certain approval of Sir Arthur Yapp. "Don Juan" was said to be written on "gin and water," and while at Athens he lived on a little rice, and vinegar and water as his drink. For a whole year he limited himself to six biscuits a day, sometimes fasting for forty-eight hours at a stretch. During another twelve months he fixed his daily ration at one slice of bread for breakfast and a vegetable dinner. He kept down his hunger by chewing tobacco.

Some years ago a wealthy American citizen boasted that he existed on two ounces of rice a day. And millionaires have often grown tired of their millions and gone in for the simple life. Lately a New York paper described a millionaire's banquet, to which four sat down who represented a capital of a hundred million dollars, and their meal cost them sixpence each. It was lighted by candles stuck in bottles, and the chief dainty was shrimps.

But the most consistent dietarian on record was Roger Crab, who reduced his diet methodically till it nearly disappeared altogether during forty years. From vegetables, chiefly roots, he got to a vegetable broth, and finally

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These are Anxious Days

NEVER in the history of this old world have the people lived under such tremendous nervous strain as to-day. Millions awake each morning in fearful dread of what the day may bring forth, and live each hour with nerves at highest tension.

Nothing breaks down the nervous system so quickly as worry and anxiety, and this is why so many people are suffering from nervous headaches, sciatic and neuralgic pains, nervous indigestion and general failure of the vital organs to properly perform their functions.

When you get so nervous that you do not rest and sleep well nights it is time to be alarmed, for it is very much easier to prevent nervous prostration, paralysis and locomotor ataxia than it is to cure these dreaded diseases.

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SCHOOL AMALGAMATION

Meeting Called at Methosin to Discuss Better Educational Facilities in Western District.

"A meeting of much importance is to be held in the Methosin Hall on Friday next at 8 p.m. to discuss the feasibility of consolidating the schools of the surrounding district and also the formation of a High School. The trustees from all the districts adjoining Methosin are expected to be present and the residents, from the interest already shown in the movement, should turn out strong to hear the case presented. Mr. Bruce, of the Department of Education, is to attend, and Leonard Tait, of Esquimalt Municipality, and George McGregor, of Saanich, will give addresses in connection with the proposed reform in the schools system in this section.

The parents are particularly asked to attend this meeting as the occasion is a very important one and a proper

support to the movement may bring about the much desired changes, meaning that the children here may secure the same privileges educationally as enjoyed by those in the cities and municipalities. Location of school and transportation problem will be gone fully into and the speakers who have offered to come have had considerable experience in school affairs and their advice and help should be taken full advantage of by the district."

DESPONDENT WOMEN

Nature intends every woman to be cheerful, light-hearted and happy, but when dragged down with pain and suffering from female ills, will power alone cannot overcome a nervous, despondent condition. Multitudes of American women, however, have found that there is one tried and true remedy to restore health under such circumstances, and that is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from herbs and roots. This old-fashioned medicine is now considered the standard American remedy for such conditions.

In a New England town a local celebrity was charged with stealing chickens. The prisoner was noted for never telling the truth when he could help it, and consequently there was general surprise when he pleaded guilty.

It evidently staggered the justice. He rubbed his glasses and then scratched his head. "I guess I'm afraid, well, Hiram," said he, after a thoughtful pause, "I reckon I'll have to make some evidence before I sentence you."

ARTHUR HEMINGWAY

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2 p.m.

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DOMINION LECTURER

ON FOOD RATIONING

Mrs. Muldrew Does Not Think It is Practicable in Canada

Mrs. Jean Muldrew, Director of Domestic Economy for the Canada Food Control Board, speaking at a meeting last evening at the High School under the auspices of the increased Production Committee, declared that rationing was impossible in Canada owing to the practical, even break of fifty per cent. of consumers to fifty per cent. of producers. It would also be practically impossible to carry out the regulations in the scattered, thinly populated sections of the West, she said.

In introducing Mrs. Muldrew to the audience, J. W. Gibson said Canada possessed a unique position in that with the exception of the Argentine Republic, it was probably the only country in the world with an excess of foodstuffs.

Mrs. Muldrew dealt at length with the various phases of food production in the Dominion, and the conservation and transportation of surplus supplies to the seaboard for shipment to the Allies.

She emphasized the statement that in order to encourage the prosecution of offenders under the food regulations direction had now been given at Ottawa that the authority initiating the prosecution would obtain the fine, whether it was the municipality or the Provincial Government. She believed that would stimulate the interest of the municipalities in securing enforcement of the law.

Cause of Anxiety.

Mrs. Muldrew first sketched the serious situation which had arisen owing to the gradual exhaustion of the food reserves of the world, a situation which was fully realized by June, 1917. The only available trade route for supplies capable of being protected from the submarine menace was the North Atlantic one, and consequently every thing depended on the supplies from this continent. This circumstance forced the United States and Canada to adopt drastic steps. The appointment of food controllers occurred at Washington and Ottawa at about the same time. Since that time full co-operation had existed between the administrations in the two capitals. The public had expected price control, but that was not the object mainly, the real object of the existence of the organization being to release food to feed the armies and civilian populations in Great Britain, France and Italy. The first limitation had come in the way of saving wheat, beef and bacon, with pork now added as a proper corollary. It was not so much the amount saved by the public restaurants as in the homes of the people which had brought about a total saving of about fifty to sixty per cent. in the consumption of these articles.

Licensing of Industry.

Mrs. Muldrew next took up the question of licensing of factories and stores of certain classes and dealt at length with the milling and baking businesses. It was a long time before by experiment had been ascertained a standard flour which would make wholesome bread and, that, having been obtained, baking according to it would become imperative. She could assure them that the bread would be as wholesome as that made from the patent wheat flour. Standard flour contained forty-five per cent. No. 1, forty-five per cent. No. 2, and ten per cent. low grade wheat.

The lecturer took up the milk situation, and explained the details necessary to prevent the waste in distribution and in loss of bottles. She passed on to treat of the sugar situation, entirely with regard to Cuban sugar, explaining that the remarks did not apply to British Columbia. The Cuban crop was divided between Great Britain, the United States and Canada.

Price Fixing.

Mrs. Muldrew deprecated the idea of price fixing by the Board, showing that it could not be done in the majority of industries without affecting a wide range of other industries.

She had intended to speak on producing of foodstuffs and canning, but finding these phases so well advanced in British Columbia, she did not think it necessary. Of new foods she strongly recommended honey and poultry-raising.

Mayor Todd and Alderman Sargent, who presided, both spoke briefly. An excellent musical programme was provided by boys of the Central School, under the direction of Miss McKillop.

Mrs. Muldrew spoke at the Normal School this afternoon, and other engagements in this city include tomorrow afternoon at the Empress Hotel, and Friday to the Victoria West Brotherhood.

AN AMBITIOUS SCHEME

Japanese City is Establishing Citizens' Museum, and Applies for Data.

A British or American city, even of a million inhabitants, would hesitate to send broadcast invitations to collect data and exhibits of all kinds about the cities of the world, but this ambitious project is contemplated in Osaka, the second greatest city of Japan.

A letter has been received by the Victoria and Island Development Association from Mayor Ikemami, outlining the proposal, and containing a list of suggestions for data and exhibits which would stagger a British Museum catalogue. The object is to establish a citizens' museum in Manchester of Japan. It is proposed to locate it at the Tennold park, a well-known place of interest in the south end of the city.

The Development Association will endeavor to supply in some small way the ambitious requests with data about the city.

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Women's New Spring Suits

Distinctive Models Which Have Just Joined the Spring Fashion Gathering

They add an entirely new chapter to the absorbing story of Spring fashions. And what a brave showing they will make in the Easter parade.

A smart model of Wool Serge is made in slightly flared effect with tab, belt and braid trimmings. Pretty collars with champagne silk over-collar. Skirt is plain and medium full. Price **\$17.50**

Another becoming model comes in Bottle Green Serge, with small pleats and belt; small collar; pearl buttons are the only trimmings, making a very stunning **\$29.50** suit. Price.....

Novelty Suit of fine Wool Serge, made in Gibson style, with pleats and small button trimmings; satin lined. Price is **\$35.00**

Bustle style, fashioned of Navy Serge, and braid and button trimmed; made with china red novelty collar; pretty skirt with novelty belt. Price **\$37.50**

An attractive Suit of fine Wool Serge, made with ripple back, belt all around, novelty collar, and braid and button-trimmed. Plain gored skirt. Price **\$22.50**

A very handsome model of fine Brown Serge, cut in semi-tailored lines, trimmed with fancy lining. Pretty skirt, with side pleats; braid and button trimmings. Price..... **\$25.00**

200 Yds. of Silks, Satins, Ninons, Silk Crepes and Poplins, Thursday at 63c Yd.

—An unusually fine range of beautiful colorings in these materials—brown, grey, sky, mauve, saxe, blue, Nile green, cerise, and Russian green. Be sure to shop early, as these are sure to be snapped up at this price; widths, 18 to 36 inches. Regular 75c and 85c values. Thursday, yard **63¢**

—Silks, Main Floor

D & A Self-Reducing Corsets, Thursday \$3.98

—D & A Self-reducing Corsets; made of heavy English coutil, with everlastic straps in back and over thigh; very long hip and medium bust; spoon steel and four everlastic hose supports; embroidery trimmed top. Every feature of this corset is to insure wear and comfort. Sizes 26 to 36. Regular \$5.75 values, Thursday, pair... **\$3.98**

—Corsets, First Floor

Smart New Tub Waists at \$2.50 and \$3.50

In these practical times the waist-of-all-wear is more important than ever, and so you will find here the cleverest waist fashions developed of white wash silks.

At \$2.50—Two pretty styles are shown. One is made with convertible collar, the other has the tuxedo collar. Nicely tailored models in all sizes. **\$1.50**

At \$3.50—These are made of heavier quality silk, with shawl collar forming pretty tie; all sizes **\$3.50**

—Waists, First Floor

Fashionable New Dresses at Popular Prices

Becoming models for dressy and general wear in a host of newest designs, developed from Serge and Silk Poplins, showing many new trimming effects.

One pretty style for misses and small women is made with pleated skirt and Eaton waist effect, with silk embroidered and white satin collar. Price **\$15.00**

Another model is made with pinched back, wide patent leather belt, side pockets and shawl collar finished with braid. Price **\$18.00**

A Springlike Dress of Brown Silk Poplin, made with long silk collar forming pleat in front; wide belt. Skirt is full and has handsome embroidered design around bottom; also touches of embroidery on waist. Price **\$17.50**

An attractive Navy Serge Dress, made in long waist effect, with pleated skirt and belt; collar and cuffs are trimmed with mustard silk. Price is **\$22.50**

The Aviation Model is a very shining frock in navy with grey trimmings; made with high collar and buttoned in back. Price **\$25.00**

—Dresses, First Floor

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Showing of Lovely Spring Silks

Hirashike Silk—This is a new production, which is similar to pongee but is much finer in weave. Good weight, with bright finish. Shown in white and navy grounds, with coin spots and figure designs in blue, green, wine, pink, purple and navy; for separate coats, dresses and skirts; 36 inches wide. Per yard **\$1.95**

Britannia Silk—The latest for sweater coats and suits, very durable and washing. Shown in the newest sports colors, gold, American beauty, saxe, dark green, emerald, strawberry and pale pink; 31 inches wide. Per yard **\$1.35**

Beautiful Striped Taffetas—A splendid selection of these washing silks, extra heavy quality; white grounds with stripes of navy, black, strawberry, rose, pink, green, gold and sky; also many other colors and color combinations which have very pretty effects; 36 inches wide. Per yard **\$1.50**

Fuji Silk—This silk is manufactured especially for underwear and washing waists, being very strong and fast color. Shown in pink and cream only; 39 inches. Per yard **\$1.50**

—Silks, Main Floor

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These goods are without exception the finest and best weave made from the highest grades of cotton, and absolutely pure finish. They are quoted at ECONOMY prices, which should prove an inducement to immediate buying.

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175 yards only, pure finish Longcloth, especially suitable for ladies' and children's whitewear; less than mill price; 36 ins. wide. Reg. 20c yard. Yard. **17¢**

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Horrockses fine Nainsooks, 42 ins. wide. Per yard **50¢**

Exceptional Value in Madapollam—This is a somewhat heavier weave than nainsook, and is much in demand for ladies' and children's garments where a stronger fabric is desired; 36 and 40 ins. wide. Yard, 25c, 30c **35¢**

Exceptional Value in Longcloths—These goods are quite pure and made from a high-grade yarn, 36 ins. wide. Yard, 17½c, 25c, 30c and **35¢**

Exceptional Values in Cambric Longcloths—These are made from a fine grade of yarn, cambric finish; quite pure; 36 ins. wide. Yard, 20c, 25c, 30c and **35¢**

Horrockses Longcloths—Special value in this cloth. A splendid longcloth for hard wear; quite pure; 36 ins. wide. Yard, 25½c and **35¢**

Unusual Value in Nainsooks—We have a fine stock of this favorite material for ladies' wear and babies' wear, in a variety of grades; 36 and 42 ins. wide. Yard, 20c, 25c, 30c and **35¢**

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