

**WEATHER FORECAST**  
For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday:  
Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and cold.  
Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and cold.

# Victoria Daily Times

**WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT**  
Royal—German Fleet's Surrender.  
Pantages—Vaudiville.  
Dominion—The Reason Why. Chaplin.  
Variety—Hot Man.  
Columbia—Mrs. Pickford.  
Romano—Mrs. Irene Castle.

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TWENTY-TWO PAGES

## CANADIANS PROUD AS THEY CROSSED RHINE, STATES SIR A. CURRIE

### Message From Commander Which Has Reached Ottawa Says Dominion's Troops Marched Across German River With Bands Playing

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The following communication from Lieut.-General Sir Arthur Currie to Sir Edward Kemp, Overseas Minister of Militia, concerning the crossing of the Rhine by the Canadian First and Second Divisions, has been received here by the Director of Public Information:

"At half-past nine this morning I took up my position on the east end of the bridge spanning the Rhine to witness the march past of the Second Division, the First having crossed at Cologne, where it was reviewed by the army commander.

"It was raining hard all morning, a condition which continued throughout the day. The march began promptly on time and was one of the most inspiring and impressive things it has ever been my good fortune to witness.

## CHINESE PEACE MISSION IS HERE

### Distinguished Party, Headed by His Excellency Lou Tsing-Tsiang, Here on Suwa Maru

Headed by His Excellency Lou Tsing-Tsiang, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Chinese delegates to the Peace Conference at Versailles, arrived here to-day from the Orient aboard the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Suwa Maru. In addition to His Excellency the members of the party were Quang King Ki, counselor in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Chang-Hsuan Sun and Tchou Tsung Han, secretaries, and a retinue of servants.

The Minister is accompanied by his wife, Madame Lou Tsing Berthe, a Belgian lady, and their daughter.

The distinguished party of Chinese statesmen were met at the wharf by Kollang Yih, Consul for the Republic of China at Vancouver, and Lee Mong Kow, of Victoria, in honor of the visitors the flag of the Chinese Republic of China was flown at the foremast of the liner as she entered port.

His Excellency Lou Tsing-Tsiang declined to be interviewed on his arrival, Quang King Ki stating on his behalf that at no time since his departure from China had the Minister consented to be interviewed relative to the mission of the peace delegates or on matters affecting the internal situation in the Far Eastern Republic.

Quang King Ki stated that the party would possibly stop off at Washington to confer with the United States Cabinet en route to New York, where the mission would embark direct for France.

His Excellency J. R. Lou Tsing Tsing was born at Shanghai in 1870. He first studied at the Kiang-nan Arsenal College of Languages, and was afterwards, in 1890, sent to Peking to complete his education at the Tung Wen College. He was, in 1891, appointed.

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## RELIEF IS NEEDED NOT INTERVENTION

### Charles R. Crane Says Railway Repairs Essential in Russia

"I do not believe in Allied political intervention in Russian affairs, for in nine hundred and ninety-nine chances out of a thousand, such intervention would go wrong, as German intervention did. I believe that we should do all in our power to repair the Russian railway system, and carry on relief work," said Charles R. Crane, a personal friend of President Wilson, and one of the best known of American business men, who arrived in Victoria on the Suwa Maru this morning. Having been with the Root mission to Russia in 1917, and in the Orient again since that time, Mr. Crane is well qualified to speak on the situation in Russia.

Mr. Crane, who is internationally famous as former head of the Crane Company, of Chicago, has a son, Robert Crane, in the Department of State, under Secretary of Robert Lansing. His close and intimate relations with the administration and his wide knowledge of the Russian people and affairs in that country led to his selection on the Root mission.

One of the few Americans actively interested in enlarging the scope of American trade interests in Russia, Mr. Crane was head of a company which operated a factory in Petrograd, until operations were suspended because of the present war. After spending some time in Russia in the earliest days of the Bolshevik regime, he returned to his home in the United States. Last September he journeyed once more to the Orient with the purpose of traveling into Siberia in his personal interests. He was unable, however, to proceed further than Harbin.

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## Government Decides By-Elections to Be Held on January 25

At a meeting of the Provincial Executive this morning, January 21, was the date set for nominations in the vacant ridings of Alberni and Cowichan. Polling will take place on January 25, and thus afford sufficient time for the successful candidates to take their seats in the Legislature on January 30, the date set for the official assembly.

## PEACE CONGRESS CAN MAKE ITSELF INTO LEAGUE OF NATIONS, SAYS LORD GREY

London, Dec. 23.—Viscount Grey, former Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has written at the request of the research committee of the League of Nations Union, an introductory note to a pamphlet entitled "The Peace Conference and After." After urging the great opportunity afforded by the peace conference for taking a practical step in the direction of forming a League of Nations, Viscount Grey says:

"It is not necessary for the peace conference to create a League of Nations. The conference in itself will be a vital beginning of such a League. All that is absolutely necessary is that it should not commit suicide, but keep itself alive by adjourning and leaving a permanent organization, instead of dissolving itself and destroying its machinery.

"This is not all that is desirable, but it is all that is essential. A beginning that has in it vitality and power of growth is better than a more complete and more attractive creation that has no life. One is a living thing, while the other is a piece of furniture.

"Two more points I would especially commend to careful and sympathetic attention. One is the possibility of applying the principle of trusteeship to those vast tracts, especially Africa, where no independent national Government of the native inhabitants can be formed. The other is the earnest advocacy of the part to be taken by the United States in helping to give effect to the principle of trusteeship and in the councils of the world. Without the United States any council or League of Nations would soon be little better than the old concert of Europe, which was spoiled invariably by intrigues within it and split into opposing groups.

All Efforts Needed.

"It has required the united efforts of the Allies and the United States to win the war of right against wrong and to make peace. It will need the united and continuous though peaceful action of all of them to maintain peace.

"It would be as fatal to the future of the world for the United States to relapse into the old idea of strict isolation as it would be for any power to revive the German policy of conquest and domination. It is I believe in this spirit and for this purpose that the people of this country desire close and cordial relations with the United States. We think the people of the United States are conscious of the great and beneficial influence they exercised on the history of the world by the part they took in this war. We can not believe that they will let this influence abate or die."

## Luxemburg Has Sent Germany's Minister Back to His Country

Luxemburg, Dec. 21.—Delayed.—K. Von Buch, German Minister to Luxemburg since March, 1914, and his advisers have been expelled from the Duchy by the Grand Ducal Government. Three Luxemburg Ministers of State have left the capital for Paris.

## French Are Listing German Thefts in France and Belgium

Paris, Dec. 23.—(Havas)—The French Commission charged with the task of making an inventory of German thefts in Northern France and Belgium, has gone to Spa, Belgium, the headquarters of the various armistice delegations.

## Britain Will Send Supplies to Troops Through Holland

Brussels, Dec. 23.—It is reported here that Holland has been informed by Great Britain of her intention to send supplies to the British army of occupation in Germany by way of the river Scheldt and Dutch Limbourg.

## New Maritime Flag of Allies to Fly on Austrian Vessels

Paris, Dec. 23.—The Allied Maritime Council has decided that its new flag will be hoisted for the first time on Austrian merchantmen in the Adriatic besides the Italian flag.

## French Squadron Is Sent to Baltic on Armistice Mission

Paris, Dec. 23.—(Havas)—Announcement was made at the Ministry of Marine yesterday that a French naval division, composed of five units, of which the armored cruiser Montcalm is the flagship, was on its way to the Baltic Sea, having received orders to survey the carrying out by the Germans of clauses of the armistice.

The vessels also will visit German ports where French prisoners are assembled in order to insure the repatriation under the best possible conditions.

## BRITISH HAD DEADLY NEW DEVICES READY FOR USE IN FIGHTING NEXT YEAR

London, Dec. 23.—"When the firing stopped on the Western front we had reached the culminating point in the output of war materials of all kinds," said Rt. Hon. Winston Spencer Churchill, Minister of Munitions, in an address to representatives of trade unions. "We also had a whole series of terrifying novelties, some of a most intricate character, and weapons and devices of a most deadly nature, which were in readiness to be used by our troops in the 1919 campaign had it been necessary."

## Legislature to Meet on Thursday, Jan. 30, Says Premier Oliver

Premier Oliver announces this morning that the members of the Provincial Legislature will be called together for the third session of the fourteenth Parliament of British Columbia on Thursday, January 30, 1919. By-elections in the two vacant ridings of Alberni and Cowichan will take place on January 25 next.

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The condition of the former Kaiserin, the newspaper adds, has had a serious effect on her husband, who also is seriously ill. It is feared that his car trouble will spread to the brain. Also, his nervous condition is bad.

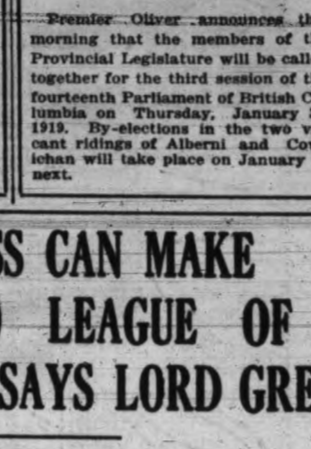
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## JELlicoe's TOUR WILL UNIFY NAVAL PLANS OF THE WHOLE EMPIRE

### Admiral Will Leave London Early in New Year For Australia; Will Visit All the Dominions; Some Time Will Elapse Before He Reaches Canada

London, Dec. 23.—(Special Cable from John W. Daffoe, Canadian Press Representative)—The announcement by the Admiralty of the early departure of Admiral Lord Jellicoe on a visit to the Overseas Dominions for the purpose of advising their Governments on naval matters is the result of an undertaking which was arrived at by the representatives of the Overseas Dominions at their meeting here last August, following the submission to them of a tentative scheme for the naval defence of the Empire by the chiefs of the Admiralty in conformity with a request to that effect made by the Imperial War Conference in March, 1917.

The proposal of the Admiralty was considered by representatives of the Dominions with the result that a memorandum was drawn up by Sir Robert Borden on behalf of Canada and subscribed to by all the Dominions, suggesting a permanent overseas naval policy on the basis of navies to be built and administered by the Dominions on a system which would permit close co-operation with the British navy. The memorandum on this point said:

"It is thoroughly recognized that the character of construction, armament and equipment, and the methods and principles of training, administration and organization should proceed upon the same lines in all the navies of the Empire. For this purpose the Dominions would welcome visits from a highly qualified representative of the Admiralty who by reason of his ability and experience would be thoroughly competent to advise the naval authorities of the Dominions on such matters. As naval matters come to be developed upon a considerable scale by the Dominions, it may be necessary hereafter to consider the establishment for the purpose of some supreme naval command upon which such visits of the Dominions would be adequately represented."

Admiralty Pleased.

At a meeting of the Imperial War Conference on Friday this memorandum was considered. Sir Eric Geddes reported that the Admiralty welcomed this expression of desire on the part of the Dominions to secure the greatest measure of uniformity that is possible in naval organization, training and types of materiel throughout the Empire. Sir Eric announced that with the approval of the War Cabinet, Admiral Viscount Jellicoe would be appointed to proceed early in the New Year to visit such parts of the Empire as expressed a desire to be included in his mission in order to confer with and advise the authorities of the Overseas Dominions on naval matters in keeping with the provisions of the memorandum.

To Australia First.

All the Dominions having through their representatives expressed their satisfaction at the appointment, Viscount Jellicoe will depart early in the New Year for Australia, which country he will first visit. All the Dominions and India will be visited in turn. The order of his journey has not yet been fixed, but it is presumed that he will reach Canada for some considerable period of time.

## AVIATION RULES WILL BE FRAMED BY ALLIED POWERS

Paris, Dec. 23.—(Havas)—Representatives of several Allied Powers will hold a conference in Paris early in the New Year to consider the future of international aerial navigation. The Echo de Paris announces. Great Britain, Italy, Belgium, France and the United States will be represented at the conference, which will study the questions of how to prevent aeroplanes of different nationalities from crossing customs barriers and how to prevent postal or commercial aeroplanes from being transformed into bombing machines within few minutes. The result of the deliberations of the conference, the paper adds, will have to be accepted by Germany and her former allies in the peace treaty.

## RESTRICTIONS ON EATING PLACES IN STATES REMOVED

Washington, Dec. 23.—Regulations restricting the use of bread, meat, sugar and cheese in public eating places in the United States which have been in effect since last October, have been rescinded as from to-day by the Food Administration.

## CHURCH WANTS FIFTH TERM AS MAYOR OF CITY OF TORONTO

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## JUDGE DIES

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## NEW CRISIS FACES THE EBERT CABINET

### Minority Members of German Government Resign; Gen. Groener Threatens Berlin

Zurich, Dec. 23.—(Havas)—The Ebert Government in Berlin is reported to be faced with another crisis through the resignation of the minority members of the Cabinet.

Political circles in Berlin, another report says, are agitated by a rumor that General Groener, who succeeded General Ludendorff as Chief Quartermaster-General, has threatened to seize Berlin with troops that have remained faithful, if order is not re-established there shortly.

Troops in Posen.

Zurich, Dec. 23.—Field-Marshal von Hindenburg, according to reports received here from Germany, has concentrated a large force of soldiers in Posen.

Posen is German Poland. The Polish Nationalists have claimed it as part of the new Poland and Polish troops invaded the territory, according to reports from Berlin, last week. The Polish Government has ordered elections to be held in several parts of Posen, Danzig, a Baltic port, was occupied by Polish forces last week.

Elections.

Paris, Dec. 23.—(Havas)—The first elections to the new German National Assembly are symptomatic of what the final results will be, says a dispatch from Bern. In the Duchy of Brunswick, where the minority party had assumed power, the defeat of the Bolsheviks was crushing. In Mecklenburg, where the majority party was in control, the bourgeoisie also came out victorious.

## NEW CANADIAN-U. S. FISHING AGREEMENT

### Pact Regarding Fishing in These Waters Expected to Be Ratified Soon

Seattle, Dec. 23.—The probability that an international agreement relative to sockeye salmon fishing in the waters of Puget Sound and British Columbia will be reached by the United States and Canada in time for ratification at the coming session of the Legislature of Washington is indicated in a letter received yesterday by State Fish Commissioner L. H. Darwin from Dr. Hugh Smith, at the head of the United States Bureau of Fisheries.

Ratification by the Washington Legislature is necessary in order that changes contemplated by the High Commission may be made effective during the 1919 sockeye salmon season.

Dr. Smith writes that the findings of the Commission were turned over to the State Department last September. The agreement is being framed into the form of a treaty to be confirmed by the United States Senate and the Dominion of Canada. After this is done the treaty, to become effective, must be ratified by the Washington Legislature, as the State of Washington exercises sole jurisdiction over its fisheries. Mr. Darwin recently wired Dr. Smith stating forth the necessity of action on the treaty by the Legislature of Washington at its coming session.

An Appeal.

Mr. Darwin has been notified that State Attorney-General W. V. Tanner has taken an appeal in the case of the state against Beckman. Dr. Smith held that the law prohibiting the marketing in the State of Washington of fish caught off the mouth of the Columbia River is inoperative. The State Fisheries Department holds that the catching of fish in the ocean fishing grounds is a menace to the industry.

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**AUSTRIAN ARCHDUKE NOW IS CHARGED WITH GREAT GRAFT**

Berlin, Dec. 22.—Via London, Dec. 22.—The newspaper Abend charges that the Austrian Archduke Leopold Salvator, former Imperial Master of Ordnance, cleared 20,000,000 crowns on army contracts. The Archduke, according to the newspaper, supplied the Government with dried vegetables, for which he was paid from 100 to 200 per cent. more than the market price. His contracts for three years, the newspaper says, totalled 45,000,000 crowns.

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**CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS**

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—The following casualties have been announced:

**Infantry.**  
Died of wounds—Pte. F. W. Perrault, Kamloops.  
Died—Pte. Charles Smith, Vancouver.  
Ill—Lieut. T. P. Elder, M. M., Kamloops.

**Prisoners repatriated—**Capt. T. G. Holley, Winnipeg; Capt. F. R. Henry, Edmonton; Lieut. H. Cotton, Paris, Ont.; Lieut. H. B. Boyce, North Battleford, Sask.; Lieut. A. S. Gourmou, England; Lieut. A. G. Dean, Chatham, Ont.; Lieut. K. R. Morrison, Scotland; Lieut. W. B. Mackay, Ingersoll, Ont.; Lieut. D. S. Weid, London, Ont.; Capt. H. E. Owen, Wales; Lieut. J. H. Wensley, Moose Jaw; Lieut. C. Wales, Arraprior, Ont.; Lieut. G. R. Longon, Ottawa; Lieut. J. P. McRae, Ottawa.

**Engineers.**  
Prisoner repatriated—Lieut. W. B. Hutcheson, North Bay, Ont.

**Artillery.**  
Prisoner repatriated—Capt. A. H. Copeland, Toronto.

**Railway Troops.**  
Prisoner repatriated—Lieut. L. Kert, Englehart, Ont.

**Services.**  
Prisoner repatriated—Capt. J. R. Law, Toronto.

**ABORTIVE ATTEMPTS TO RAID RESTAURANT MADE IN TORONTO**

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Three unsuccessful attempts to raid the New London Cafe here were made Saturday night by a crowd of several hundred persons. The trouble was caused by a complaint of James Bovarc, who, it is alleged, was struck over the head with a cup in the restaurant, and, upon being ejected from the place, told a small gathering that he was a returned soldier. The first attempt to raid the place was made at 9 o'clock, the second at 11 o'clock and the third at 2 o'clock Sunday morning. Bovarc disappeared shortly after starting the excitement outside the restaurant.

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**CATALONIANS WILL MAKE DECLARATION ON AUTONOMY JAN. 10**

Madrid, Dec. 23.—(Via London, Dec. 22.)—At a meeting of Catalanian Deputies and representatives of the various cities in Catalonia, it was decided, according to dispatches from Barcelona, to postpone action regarding

autonomy for Catalonia until January 10, when a declaration will be submitted. The Spanish Government has issued a proclamation stating that the law would be applied to all those disturbing the peace.

**INFLUENZA AT WINNIPEG.**

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—Over the weekend three deaths and 102 new cases of influenza were reported here.

**SOCIALIZATION IS REPORTED FAILURE**

Industries in Russia Crippled by Bolsheviks' Scheme, It is Said

Berne, Dec. 23.—Reliable information from Russia brings confirmation of reports that the socialization of industry there is a complete failure. Official statistics show that in almost all the 513 mills and factories controlled by the state, the expenses have considerably exceeded the receipts. During the first four months of 1918 the Government paid out over 400,000,000 rubles to cover these deficits, and has been obliged up to the present to advance over 1,000,000,000 rubles to the factories under its control. Technical experts assert that Russian industry has been crippled for many years to come by the Bolshevik regime.

**NORTHCLIFFE GIVES DINNER FOR AMERICAN WRITERS IN PARIS**

Paris, Dec. 22.—Lord Northcliffe, chairman of the London headquarters of the British Mission to the United States, on Saturday night gave a reception in honor of the American newspaper correspondents in Paris. He said the gathering of American newspapermen in Paris was the greatest ever seen in any European country. The speaker referred to the proposed League of Nations, which he said some people had regarded as something pretty to read about, but practically impossible of attainment. He gave it as his belief that this was the most important of the fourteen points President Wilson had laid down, and said he was hopeful that means would be found to make it practical.

**GAS KILLED TWO TORONTO CHILDREN**

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Robert Gooderham's two children, Lillian, aged four, and Bert, aged two, were killed by gas fumes that escaped from a coal range at their home here Saturday night. Mrs. Eva Gooderham, aged twenty-six, the mother, who was overcome by the fumes, was taken to a hospital and is recovering.

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**BRAKEMAN LOST LIFE IN CALGARY**

Calgary, Dec. 23.—R. J. Little, a C. P. R. brakeman, was very seriously broken up when caught between two freight cars in the Calgary yards on Saturday night. The car nearest his engine had caught fire and it was not until the fire had been extinguished that the injured man was discovered. He was rushed to a hospital, but died two hours later.

**NEW YORK JEWS REACHED MONTREAL AFTER DIFFICULTY**

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Coming to Montreal to address a meeting of Jews held under the auspices of the Jewish People's Relief Society against pogroms in Galicia and Poland, two well-known New York Jews, B. Superman and Max Pins, were halted off the train by im-

migration officers, and it was only by the use of much long distance telephoning and the ruling of higher immigration officials they were able to attend the meeting for which they had undertaken the journey.

**HOME FOR DEAF AND DUMB.**

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—A home for the deaf and dumb to cost approximately \$500,000 has been decided on by the Manitoba Government, and construction will be started as soon as suitable plans have been provided.

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**A COMMISSION OF BRITISH OFFICERS ARRIVES AT LEMBERG**

Stockholm, Dec. 23.—(Havas).—A commission of British officers, according to the Polish Bureau of Information, has arrived at Lemberg. It will investigate German affairs regarding Poland, and also the Jewish question.

**REPORT UKRAINIANS SHOT HEAD OF FRENCH COMMISSION DENIED**

Basel, Dec. 23.—(Havas).—Denial has been received here of a report that Lieut.-Colonel Henry Villane, chief of the French Commission sent to collect evidence concerning the conflict between the Ukraine and Poland, had been shot and killed by Ukrainian soldiers. The report originally came in a telegram from Lemberg to the Polish Bureau at Lausanne.

**ARTICLES IN PARIS MATIN ON LEAGUE OF NATIONS CENSORED**

Paris, Dec. 23.—The first column of the first page of The Matin yesterday was censored. Only the headlines of the articles were left. These read: "Yesterday's Utopia, to-morrow's reality." "Constitution of a Society of Nations under serious consideration." "Germany and her allies will be admitted only if they accept principles Entente Governments shall have agreed upon."

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—The content with four let on earth and prepare for the hereafter. Because this motto is alleged to be set forth by the members of the Winnipeg Ministerial Association, the Winnipeg Trades and Labor Council has cancelled the admission of the former body. This step is alleged to be in violent opposition to the interests of the Labor Council.

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**BEING FOUND OUT.**

Germany is now learning the truth about her casualties in the war. The Cologne Gazette estimates the total number of German soldiers killed, wounded and missing up to October 25 at 6,066,769, of whom 1,611,000 are dead. The number of missing is placed at 772,522, of whom it is reckoned 180,000 may be considered dead, so the German dead are believed to total nearly 1,800,000.

These statistics are likely to be an underestimate, for the German military authorities have been suppressing the casualty figures since 1915, or after the repulse of the first great onslaught convinced them that their losses were going to be very large. It is not improbable that the total losses of the chief enemy nation were nearer 7,000,000 than 6,000,000 and that the dead are considerably in excess of 2,000,000.

But even as they are, the Cologne Gazette's figures will be enlightening to not only the German people but to not a few of the pessimists in the Allied countries who appeared to be obsessed with the extraordinary idea that only the Allies were suffering heavily. The enemy, in their eyes, was possessed of supernatural resources in this important respect. When some commentators, notably Hilaire Belloc, estimated the German casualties at 4,000,000 eighteen months ago they dubbed him an "incurable optimist," and declared the enemy's losses were not more than 2,000,000, although it was well known that France alone had much more than that number.

Mr. Belloc, who always applied the inexorable rule and logic of cold mathematics to the manpower situation, was absolutely right. Indeed, the figures now given by the Cologne Gazette and his own tally almost perfectly. There never was any room for doubt that the German casualties on all fronts were much greater than the combined British, French and Belgian casualties on the West Front.

Another grotesque legend about Germany's manpower which found credence in certain quarters among the Allies was the estimate of the number of men Germany had for combatant service when the war began. The longer the war lasted the larger the total grew until after the struggle had progressed for three years the world was informed that she still had 10,000,000 men available for fighting.

We were solemnly told, also, that for years Germany had understated her population in her census returns, thereby deceiving the whole world. And we were told this even while Germany was issuing proclamations in her newspapers calling up her classes two years before they were due, including classes not yet out of school.

All this was the veriest nonsense. It was like the twenty-inch guns and other scaring wonders The Daily Mail dreamed it saw in the German navy, the navy which finally had to come to British waters to surrender itself and which, when it came, was found to be outclassed by the British navy in every particular, from its guns down to a navy which would have been annihilated if it had challenged the Grand Fleet and which knew it.

Then, we recall, Germany's scientists were performing marvels of invention and ingenuity. Not only were they practically galvanizing the dead to life but by waving their magic wands were conjuring up all sorts of "substitutes" for basic war materials better than the originals. But when the decisive moment came there were no surprises, and the Germans finally admitted they were out-fought, out-gunned and out-munitioned. Recently, out came the late Crown Prince with the admission that Germany lost the war at the first battle of the Marne, where, by the way, she exerted her full strength against a foe not one-quarter prepared.

**KEEP IT UP.**

The statistics compiled by the Provincial Department of Agriculture on vacant lot cultivation in British Columbia this year, and printed in The Times a few days ago show that this movement, inspired and stimulated by the exigencies of the war, has met with an unusual measure of success. Vegetables raised on a total small-lot acreage of 3,233 in the present year were valued at \$869,240. In Victoria out of 3,433 vacant lots 1,091, or nearly a third, were cultivated.

The cultivation of small lots is one of the war movements which will have a permanent place in the economic life of the country. It has become an important factor in the programme of more production, the aggregate output of the movement throughout Canada running into many millions. We do not anticipate that the ending of the war will diminish this form of cultivation. On the contrary, with a little encouragement it is likely to increase, for the demand for intensive development of this kind will be world-wide and insistent.

**NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.**

Certain elements in Canada appear to be very much annoyed over the report that the Dominions are not likely to be represented at the Peace Conference and are talking violently about "humiliating indignity" heaped upon Canada and the "sacrifice of Canada's rights" by the British Government. They would have saved themselves all this mental disturbance if they had used their heads a little in the first place. There never was any ground for the expectation that Canada or any of the other Dominions would have direct representation at the Peace Conference. No British statesmen ever gave such an assurance. Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Balfour and others said the Dominions would be "consulted"

on the peace terms, which is vastly different from their participation in the Conference itself.

The number of delegates to the Peace Conference is fixed by the Allies as a whole and must be chosen by the various recognized national Governments. The Dominion Governments do not enjoy that status. They have not the power even to negotiate with other Governments on anything except through the British Government. There are no foreign ambassadors at their capitals and they have no ambassadors of their own in foreign capitals. Up to this time the number of delegates allocated to each nation has not been made public, but it is known that the United States will have five representatives there. Probably each of the other great powers will have a similar number. No doubt the British Government is more than willing to appoint one of the Dominion ministers as a British representative at the Conference, but the difficulty of making the selection without creating trouble is obvious, and it would not be easy for the Dominion Governments to agree among themselves on this point.

The British Government cannot do the impossible, and criticism of it under this head is altogether unreasonable. It is doing the next best thing, that is, it is consulting the Dominion Governments through their Ministers in London regarding the peace terms, and the British delegates will go to the Conference charged with instructions based upon these consultations. There is no "humiliation" or "sacrifice of Canada's rights" in this arrangement.

**RECONSTRUCTION.**

In a speech before the Ottawa Canadian Club, Hon. A. K. MacLean, Chairman of the Reconstruction Committee of the Dominion Government, expressed the opinion that Canada would have no difficulty in coping with reconstruction. He based his confidence on the capacity of the country for absorbing large elements, as was shown in the absorption of 360,000 immigrants a year during the three years prior to the war, the assured expansion of the Canadian industry, the part to be played by the railroads and the prospect of the cities resuming construction programmes on their pre-war basis which alone, he estimated, would represent an expenditure of \$700,000,000. In short, he felt that Canada's problem was one of readjustment, not of reconstruction.

We like the Minister's optimism, but feel that he has not taken the full measure of the problem of reconstruction. The absorption of 275,000 soldiers into the civil life of the Dominion is more than a mere economic and social problem. It is a psychological problem as well. On the other hand absorption of immigrants involves no fundamental alterations in the nation's system and character. The several millions of them who came to Canada in ten years took pot-luck under existing conditions. The country gave them a home, they rustled for themselves and their rustling involved no structural changes in our political, social and economic conditions because they knew nothing about them and did not bother their heads about them.

But reconstruction following a war which has shaken the bottom out of civilization, as we frequently have pointed out, is largely a mental and moral problem. It means more than the absorption of people into the civil life of the country, providing employment, expending money and so forth. It involves the reconstruction of the national character, the development of a new national outlook, a new conception of citizenship and individual responsibility. If the Government does not appreciate this aspect of reconstruction it misses the vitals of the problem. It is not readjustment; it is reconstruction absolutely.

**CUTTING DOWN BLUE BOOKS.**

Those whose names have been on the distribution list for Federal Government publications may have noticed of late a marked diminution in the number of blue-books and similar volumes received by them from Ottawa. In fact, mail matter of that kind very rarely comes to hand these days, for which the mail carrier no doubt is duly thankful.

This circumstance is due to the activities of an Editorial Committee which was appointed at Ottawa in the fall of 1917 to improve the preparation of documents for publication, particularly with a view to securing uniformity and economy in this part of the public service. The Committee undoubtedly has done excellent work, and up to last March had saved \$175,000. As it had been appointed only in the previous October it is obvious that there had been a great waste of money in Government publications. The output of the various departmental reports was reduced by more than 45,000 copies while some of them were suspended altogether. The reports themselves were materially reduced in size, more than 2,700 pages being eliminated from the Auditor-General's bulky volumes alone.

Now comes a report from Ottawa that the Commission which has been investigating the administration of the Government Printing Bureau has discovered "amazing extravagance" in that branch, some of the publications costing sixty per cent. more than would have been charged by private firms, and that the bureau is over-manned. It always has, and probably always will, cost Governments more to do their printing than it costs private firms but an excess of sixty per cent. is out of the question.

William Hohenzollern is said to have desired Dr. Ernest von Dryander, former court chaplain, to come from Berlin to the ex-Kaiser's haven and preach a sermon at the Christmas Eve ceremony he is arranging. The Berlin Government is stated to have refused Dryander permission to leave Berlin. The former emperor might as well have sent for Beelzebub as for Dryander, who did as much perhaps as the most ferocious Prussian militarist in inciting the enemy to his long series of horrible outrages and who gloried in all of them. In apportioning responsibility for Germany's atrocities against humanity the Allies should not forget Dryander.

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**FREEDOM FOR CHRISTMAS.**

Washington, Dec. 23.—President Wilson has called Attorney-General Gregory to lift the barred zone and prohibited area restrictions upon enemy aliens on Christmas Day.

**RELIEF IS NEEDED,  
 NOT INTERVENTION**

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churian, and he came back once more on the Suwa.

**News Scarce.**

As regards the present political situation in Russia at present, Mr. Crane would say little, for it was impossible for people in Siberia to gain any accurate knowledge of what was going on in Europe Russia. As far as Siberia was concerned, local governments were springing up at many different points, and many little republics of purely local importance and no stability had been organized.

As the Trans-Siberian Railway had been daily deteriorating for two years, communication with central Russia was in the extreme, and travelers who did manage to come out were incoherent in their reports of conditions. They all agreed, however, that life was very terrible in the Empire. From what Mr. Crane gathered, it was certain that many millions of Russians would starve this winter.

The great trouble with Russia, says Mr. Crane, is the lack of an efficient railway system by which food and clothing could be distributed. It is upon the repairing of transport services that the Allies should concentrate their efforts if they wish to assist Russia in the present crisis.

**A Great Desert.**

The crash was so complete, continued Mr. Crane, that it is impossible for anyone to say just what should

be done. Russia is like a great desert, each sand of which is a man. Where the cement to join these sands together is coming from no one can tell. But I am opposed to the Allies interfering with Russian family affairs. Nine hundred and ninety-nine chances out of a thousand intervention would go wrong.

Look at what happened to the Germans when they tried to interfere! No, the unfriendly elements, chiefly the Germans, should be cleared out as quickly as possible, but the Russian nation must work out its own salvation. The Allies should help in repairing and maintaining the railways, and should do everything they can in relief work. Outside of that it is impossible to know what ought to be done. Mr. Crane will leave on the Suwa steamer to-night for Seattle, and will speak in that city to-morrow.

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Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—Manitoba is to have a strong detachment of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, according to advice received by the Provincial Government from the Acting Prime Minister of Canada. The headquarters of the Manitoba detachment will be located at Brandon, it is announced. The advice from Ottawa states that 1,200 men of the Mounted Police are to be stationed west of the Great Lakes, and that Manitoba's proportion is to be 200.



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A Set that will give your children many months of good service and endless pleasure. They are made of hard wood, nicely finished in red, white and golden oak. Table and two chairs to each set. Special, a set, \$3.75.

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The Canadian Boys' Annual, \$1.75.

The Canadian Girls' Annual, \$1.75.

Bo-Prep Annual, \$1.60.

Tiny T. ts, \$1.00.

The British Army in War, by Herbert Strang, \$1.75.

The British Navy in War, by Herbert Strang, \$1.75.

—Bookland, Third Floor, New Building

### Why Not a Good Pocket Knife

For the Boy

My, how he would appreciate one, especially if it was one of these, for they are just the right kind a boy likes most. Some with chains and some without, and there's the Boy Scout. Each, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$2.00.

—Hardware, Second Floor, View Street

### Glass Centre Tea Trays

In pretty oval and oblong shapes and in just the sizes ladies like most for afternoon teas. What an acceptable gift one of these would make. Prices very reasonable—\$1.75 to \$3.50.

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### Waists



Waists make dainty gifts as well as practical ones. Especially when chosen from a selection like we have to offer.

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—Waists, First Floor

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In Toyland

To relieve the pressure of our Christmas Card Stand on the Main Floor, we have opened one in Toyland and Bookland, on the Third Floor of the New Building, where a splendid selection can be made.

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—Hardware, Second Floor, View Street

### Christmas Candy Specials

Be sure and get your Candies for Christmas. The children will be looking for them, so will the other members of your family. We have a big variety of specials for to-morrow and they are all fresh, clean and wholesome, made special for the holidays.

—Special Christmas Mixture, regular 50c lb., for 40c.

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—Alaska Nougat, regular 50c lb., for 40c.

—Peppermint Wafers, regular 50c lb., for 40c.

—Almond Butterscotch, regular 45c lb., for 39c.

—Plain Butterscotch, regular 40c lb., for 35c.

—Mixed Chocolates, regular 75c lb., for 60c.

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—Candies, Main Floor, New Building

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### Novelty Suits For Little Boys



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### SERGE REEFERS

—Serge Reefers of Irish blue serge, finished with adjustable, washable dark blue collar. Sizes 5 to 9 years, \$9.75 to \$12.50.

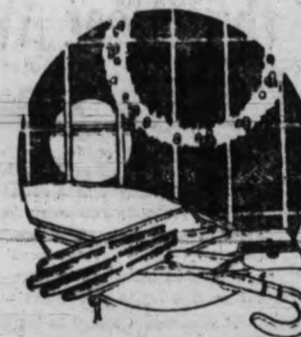
### MACKINAW COMBINATION SETS

—Boys' Mackinaw Combination Sets, consisting of coat, hat and high leggings to match. Good assortment of shades. Sizes 2½ to 7 years. A set, \$8.95.

—Boys' Clothing, Arcade, Broad

### Smart Gloves

For Men and Boys



Men's Gloves of tan dressed kid, unlined or silk lined. A pair, \$1.50 to \$3.75.

Men's Gloves of tan or grey kid, warm lining. A pair, \$1.75 to \$3.75.

Boys' and Youths' Gauntlet Gloves, pair, \$1.35, \$1.65 and \$1.75.

Men's Knitted Woolen Gloves, soft finish, with tight wrists; shades grey, brown, fawn, khaki and black. Pair, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Men's Woolen Gloves, in English heather mixtures. Pair, \$1.25 and \$1.75.

Men's Motor and Driving Gloves, with gauntlet, in tan or black, lined or unlined. A pair, \$1.85 to \$6.00.

### Stylish New Neckwear

Knitted and Silk Ties for boys, in plain and fancy shades. Each, 35c and 50c.

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Private Jibson's wife coaxed Jibson to send word of his whereabouts in France from time to time, despite the censor. Jibson proceeded to do so by placing dots under certain letters in his epistle, which, when spelt out, formed a word.

Once he made his dots too large, and the censor rubbed them out and put some of his own. When Mrs. Jibson deciphered her message this is what it spelt: C-e-n-s-o-r-e-d.

A country gentleman visited London to make some purchases. His wife, amongst other things, had requested him to buy an illuminated text, but in his hurry he omitted to make a note of the one she wanted. He therefore wrote to her asking for particulars, and got a reply by telegraph to save time.

Imagine the astonishment of the telegraph clerk at receiving the following: "Unto us a child is born, three feet long and two feet broad. Am feeling fairly well.—Mary."

## IN WOMAN'S DOMAIN

### PAYS TRIBUTE TO BRITAIN'S DEEDS

R. H. Mouser Spoke Last Evening at First Presbyterian Church; Lectures To-night

R. H. Mouser, better known as Bill Stinger, the newspaper poet and humorist, spoke to a large audience at the First Presbyterian Church last night.

Mr. Mouser came to the city bearing commendatory letters from many men prominent in public life, and his address was a justification of their encomiums. The speaker aroused great enthusiasm when he paid the following tribute to Great Britain:

"Lest We Forget."  
Let not the carping spirit  
Of mistaken yester years  
Prof any tinge of blackness  
In the fervor of your cheers,  
When Britain's name is mentioned,  
For, by her glorious deeds,  
She shows the kind of heroes  
That the Anglo-Saxon breeds.

The flower of her manhood  
Sleeps beneath fair France's soo,  
Where bravely they fell fighting  
In defence of home and God.  
Let Columbia's sons remember  
That, through blood and mothers' tears,  
Great Britain held her trenches  
While we waited three long years.

Blood calls to blood across the seas—  
The ancient spirit lives,  
And, to our new-born union,  
An added meaning gives.  
The olden night has vanished—  
Dawns now the golden day—  
The noble blood of British blood  
Has washed all scars away.

Mr. Mouser will deliver his lecture, "Slumgullion," at the First Presbyterian Church to-night, Dr. W. J. Sippell, of the Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church, Vancouver, where this lecture was given last Monday night, says: "On Monday night Bill Stinger gave us his inimitable lecture, 'Slumgullion.' It was full of fun, and fancy, Bill's biting sarcasm, his sense of humor, his powers of description and his thorough knowledge of human nature make him one of the most entertaining and interesting lecturers I have ever heard."

### Social Personal

Mrs. David J. Clarke, of Lyle House, Vancouver, is visiting in the city for the Christmas holidays.

Dr. Helen Ryan has been spending a short holiday in Vancouver as the guest of Mrs. J. H. McGill, Haro Street.

Nurse E. Wilkinson, of this city, has gone up to Kamloops to spend the Christmas holidays with her brother who is at Tranquille Sanatorium.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Gartshore, of Vancouver, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. Wilson, returned to their home on the Mainland on Friday.

Miss Bina Taylor has returned to her home in Vancouver after spending the last three weeks as the guest of Miss Helen MacNaughton, Gordon Head.

Miss Ida Morria, of the Normal School staff, went over to Vancouver on Saturday afternoon and will visit friends in the Mainland city for the next two weeks.

At Breadalbane, 1185 Fort Street, the residence of the officiating minister, the Rev. Capt. Campbell, of the Gordon Highlanders, on Saturday celebrated the marriage of Albert Victor Treloar and Miss Maude Ethel Thompson, both natives of Victoria. The bride wore a smart gown of dark gray serge. After a trip among the Sound cities Mr. and Mrs. Treloar will reside in Victoria.

A "Novelty Ball" is to be one of the biggest attractions of the New Year festivities, plans for this event, which is to take place at the Empress Hotel on January 6, having been commenced by the Camosun Chapter, I. O. D. E. Mrs. F. Bennett and her committee are preparing some very novel favors for the ball, which promises to be one of the most picturesque affairs of the season.

The many friends of Miss Bertha Winn will learn with the deepest regret of the bereavement she has sustained in the death of her sister, Miss Estelle Winn, who passed away on Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock at her home in Seattle. The news was received by telegram from Miss Bertha Winn, who left on Friday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents in Seattle. The late Miss Winn made many friends here on the occasion of her visit last summer, to whom the news of her untimely decease will come as a great shock.

Vancouver and Victoria young people fraternized at a very jolly little social function at the Empress Hotel on Saturday evening on the occasion of the dance given by the V. I. A. A. in honor of the visiting rugby and basketball teams of the University of B. C. About 250, including 100 of the visiting party, as well as representatives of the Foundation Company Athletic Club, the J. B. A. A., the Y. M. C. A.

### Special Coat Sale

AT \$17.50—We are offering this week Coats at very special prices. Also some very pretty Silk Dresses from \$11.75 up, at

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In fact, we really have too many, although it is the Christmas season. The fact is, we like many others, did not anticipate the end of the war by Christmas, consequently we bought to meet the anticipated demands for this season.

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Wrist Watches of every kind at every price, for soldiers, sailors, nurses and civilians, and a truly magnificent line of moderately-priced Ladies' Gold-Filled and Solid Gold Wrist Watches. Choose now.

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### LADY ALDERSON CHAPTER

Members Give Donations to Many Causes; Will Work for Ypres Refugees.

Woolen garments for the repatriated peoples of France and Belgium, with special attention to the needs of the refugees of Ypres, are to be knitted by the members of the Lady Alderson Chapter, I. O. D. E., such being the decision arrived at on Friday afternoon when the chapter held its regular meeting.

The regent, reporting on the work done since the last meeting, announced that the chapter had given seventy pairs of socks and the sum of \$2.50 to the Christmas shower for the troops en route for Siberia, and \$5 had been donated to the Navy League for Christmas cheer for the men on the Atlantic patrol.

The treasurer's report showed that the dance at Government House had netted the sum of \$200 for the Chapter, in connection with which a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Lady Bernard. Miss Kathleen Ellis spoke briefly of the Comrades of the Great War Club, the chapter voting a donation of \$25 towards the Christmas festivities at the home.

A donation of \$5 was made to the Soldiers' Graves Fund of the Municipal Chapter. Two new members, Mrs. Arthur Spalding, of Pender Island, and Mrs. H. G. Garrett, were admitted to the Chapter.

### RAFFLE OF FOX-SKINS

Arctic Furs, Donated by Capt. Hadley, to Be Raffle for Red Cross.

A number of snowy white Arctic fox-skins, donated to the Victoria branch of the Red Cross by Capt. J. R. Hadley of the Stefansson Expedition, are to be raffled in aid of that great cause. The skins have been beautifully dressed ready for making up and each is large enough to make a handsome neckpiece for some fortunate woman.

The first prize will consist of two skins, the second of two skins, and each of the remaining three prizes will consist of one skin. The furs are on view at Wilkerson's Jewellery store where tickets may be obtained, as well as at Superflutes or the Temple Building. The raffle will be drawn early in January.

### NORTH WARD RED CROSS

The North Ward branch held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, seven members being present. The treasurer's report showed receipts \$295.69, made up as follows: On account of life membership—H. Roberts, \$1; Mrs. H. Roberts, \$1; Miss Partridge, \$1; Mrs. L. H. Walker, \$1; Mrs. Baker, \$1; Mrs. Clayards, \$2; Mr. Barnett, \$2; Miss Davey, \$12 (\$21). Donations included Mrs. Hamilton, \$1; Miss Davey, \$3; card parties, \$7; bazaar, \$24.50; Paid out: Gas, \$5c; telephone, \$2; headquarters, \$25.00. The treasurer reported that there was in the bank \$30.60, and was instructed to pay \$75 to headquarters before end of the year.

It was decided not to keep the rooms open in the mornings, but to have them open every afternoon from 1 to 5. This is being done owing to difficulty in heating the rooms, and morning workers are asked to change over to the afternoon, and workers to turn out in force, as a great deal of work is still required.

The name of Mrs. Roskelly, who told fortunes at the bazaar, December 11, was unfortunately omitted in the report of the bazaar.

Mrs. O'Connell and Deaville wish to thank the merchants who kindly donated handkerchiefs for their stall at the bazaar.

Store Will Remain Open To-night and To-morrow Night Until 9.30.  
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HERE is an assortment of Women's and Children's Handkerchiefs that should satisfy the demands of all gift seekers. The following are but a few of the many attractive values offered.

85¢ a box, containing three daintily embroidered Handkerchiefs of fine lawn.

35¢ for a box of two Handkerchiefs, embroidered corners.

45¢ a box, containing two Handkerchiefs, colored embroidered motifs in one corner.

Others priced from 30¢ to \$1.50 box

### Boudoir Caps

Women will delight in choosing from the splendid assortment that we are now showing. Some really pretty ones are priced at 75¢.

Others are at prices up to \$3.50.

### Women's Silk Hosiery



Fibre Silk Hose, in white, black, navy, champagne, gold, maize and green, \$1.25 a pair.

Pure Silk—Hose, in white, rose, crimson, cerise, green, pink, Copenhagen, grey, gold, champagne, taupe and smoke, \$2.50 a pair.

Fine Fibre Silk Hose, in navy, black, white, grey, tan, bronze and smoke, \$1.75 a pair.

### Tea Aprons

Intending purchasers will find a pleasing assortment here from which to make a selection, at prices from 25¢ to \$2.75.

Fibre Silk Hose, in white, black and pearl. Per pair, 75¢ and \$1.00.

### Trefousse---the Best of All Kid Gloves

Trefousse Washable French Kid Gloves, in white only; with white or black 3-cord points, at \$3.00 a pair.

Trefousse Two-Dome French Kid Gloves, with fine Paris points; all colors, at \$2.25 pair.

Trefousse Two-Dome French Kid Gloves, round seam, fancy points; all colors, at \$2.50 a pair.

Trefousse Two-Dome French Kid Gloves, pique sewn and with needle points; all colors, at \$2.75 a pair.



### Neckwear

for Gifts

High neck collars with wide jabot in net lace and Georgette — \$1.75 to \$3.50.

Crepe de Chine Windsor ties in all the newest colors—85¢

### Ladies' Umbrellas

There are so many styles to select from that a satisfactory selection is assured. In addition to those in black, there is a very representative showing of those with colored tops. Umbrellas in qualities suitable for "Giving" are priced from—\$5.00 to \$10.50.

### Silk Scarves

A Large Assortment \$2.75—Fibre Silk Scarves of special quality and generous size. Made with fringe ends and obtainable in a good range of colors. \$3.75—Plain or striped end Fibre Silk Scarf in saxe blue, rose, pale blue, mauve, paddy, purple, gold, yellow, white, black or grey. Others at prices up to \$14.50.

## A Few Additional Suggestions From Our Ample Christmas Stocks



Down Comforters  
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Silk Blouse or Dress Length  
Silk Sweater Coat

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Perfumes  
Articles of French Ivory  
Silk or Crepe de Chine Underwear



### Suggestions for the Little Ones

Dolls  
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## Practical Suggestions for Christmas Giving

There are many things that could be suggested as suitable gifts for your lady friends, but the best gift of all is something that can be worn. A gift that will recall happy remembrances long after the Christmas season is past. For example:

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| Salt's Plush Coats      | Sweater Coats        |
| Velour Coats            | Afternoon Dresses    |
| Dainty Blouses          | Serge Dresses        |
|                         | Jersey Cloth Dresses |
| Taffeta Underskirts     |                      |
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## MANY KIDDIES ENJOY HUGE CHRISTMAS TREE

Large Crowd of Children Received Gifts at Rotary Function To-day

Off the gaily decorated boughs of a giant Christmas tree standing upon the stage of the Royal Victoria Theatre several hundred children this afternoon received useful Yuletide gifts, purchased by the people of Victoria through the Rotary Christmas Tree Fund. The kiddies, many of whom would otherwise have spent a dull Christmas, were each given a toy, a bag of candy and something which will be of real use through the year. Altogether \$1,500 has been expended to alleviate the suffering of Victoria's poor.

The Christmas tree itself was probably the largest ever seen in Victoria, and was beautifully lighted up in various colors. From its boughs hung hundreds of toys, rubber balloons and bags of candy, a sight which thrilled the hearts of all the children gathered round.

The entertainment was opened by James Hunter who, in the guise of Santa Claus, sang a Christmas carol. The children were also amused by the regular motion picture programme of the theatre which was lent free by its manager Clifford Denham. By the day's proceedings the little hearts were warmed with the spirit of Christmas through the goodness of the public and the work of the Rotary Club.

As the number of names handed in to the Rotary Club by the Friendly Help Association and the service organizations was smaller than was at first expected, those in charge have been able to increase the value of the individual gifts. The presents in numerous cases took the form of clothing and credit for boots was distributed. With the money left after the expenses for the tree and to-day's entertainment have been paid, gifts for poor parents will be purchased, fifteen tons of coal having already been dispatched. Groceries and articles which will help to make comfortable the Christmas season will also be sent out in considerable quantities. When purchasing the goods for the poor, the committee in charge received the most courteous treatment from the local merchants, and practically all goods were supplied at cost price.

To Hold "The Dancesant."—The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Comrades of the Great War will hold a "dancesant" and sale of work in the spacious lounge at the Comrades' Home on Thursday, December 26, from 2.30 till 7. The home will be gaily decorated for the occasion and a committee of ladies, headed by Mrs. George Simpson, chairman of the home, is actively working to ensure an enjoyable afternoon for all who attend. Good music is to be provided, and afternoon tea will be served. The proceeds will be devoted to the furnishing of the home.

## TO PLAY IN VICTORIA



"SKINNER" POULIN

prime favorite, who will play in Victoria in the P. C. H. A. fight again.

## RECORD MINERAL OUTPUT IN STATES

Washington, Dec. 22.—Under the spur of war, mineral production in the United States reached the unprecedented value of \$5,010,948,000 in 1917, exceeding by forty-three per cent. the previous record made in 1916, the Geological Survey announces in its final report for the year.

The increase in value was \$1,496,976,000. Blast furnace products (pig iron and ferro alloys), copper, coal and petroleum, contributed seventy-four per cent. of the year's total value and eighty-eight per cent. of the increase in value.

Metals established a new record value and represented forty-two per cent. of the mineral production.

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## CREW OF U9 INSISTED THAT GERMAN CRAFT BE GIVEN TO ALLIES

Amsterdam, Dec. 22.—(Via London, Dec. 22.)—Although Admiral Beatty, commander of the British Grand Fleet, refrained from requiring the delivery of the German submarine U9, with which Commander Weddigen torpedoed and sank three British cruisers, out of consideration for the record of the boat, says The Cologne Volks Zeitung, the submarine was delivered to the British because the German crew was unwilling to forego the opportunity of earning the 500 marks promised to each man for taking the boat to the United Kingdom.

## BAVARIAN PLANTS WILL SAVE COAL

Munich, Dec. 22.—(Associated Press)—All Bavarian industries employing more than ten persons have

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been ordered to shut down from December 23 until January 2 for the purpose of saving coal. The workers will receive ninety per cent. of their ordinary wages, of which the employers will collect two-thirds from the communities in which they are located.

## INFLUENZA IN CALGARY.

Calgary, Dec. 22.—Dr. Mahood, Medical Health Officer, reported seventeen new cases of influenza and three deaths from noon Saturday until Sunday night in Calgary.

## H. H. Brown's Christmas Offering 20% Off Regular Prices



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You can select any suiting from my regular stock and have same made to your order at a saving of 20 per cent. This offer is made for a limited time. Don't be disappointed. Call Early.



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free Government of the Czecho-Slovak state. The president's oath on assuming office as follows: "I promise as President of the Czecho-Slovak State, on my honor and conscience, that I will care for the welfare of the men of the Republic and its people and respect its laws."

## ARTILLERY COLONEL GOING TO SIBERIA

Lieut.-Colonel Cockburn, the popular officer commanding No. 5 Company of the Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery, will proceed to Siberia as an artillery instructor to be attached to the Imperial Forces, according to a recent army order. As an experienced member of the permanent force the Colonel has brought to bear his knowledge to great advantage since the outbreak of the war, and on account of the valuable nature of his services for training on this side, he has been unable to obtain permission to proceed to any of the theatres of war up to this time. His departure will be keenly regretted by the men at Signal Hill, for since he became commanding officer in 1916 he has won the admiration and esteem of the men under him. He has taken the long runny course in England, after which he acted as instructor at Quebec before coming to Victoria.

## OBITUARY RECORD

At the Jubilee Hospital yesterday afternoon, Richard Arthur Reynon, son of the late Capt. and Mrs. W. Beynon, of 1229 Chambers Street, passed away at the age of twenty-three years. He is survived by his mother and four brothers here, and relatives in England. The funeral will be held from the Sands Funeral Chapel, with full military honors, on Friday at 2 p. m. Interment at Ross Bay Cemetery.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Emma Ralph, who died suddenly on Friday last, will be held from the Sands Funeral Chapel on Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment will be at Ross Bay Cemetery.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Hannah Roberts, who passed away on Saturday morning, will be held to-morrow at 2 o'clock, from the Sands Funeral Chapel, Rev. Robert Connell officiating. The late Mrs. Roberts is survived by her husband and two daughters, Adela living at home, Mrs. Jeffrey in England, and three sons, Sgt. Alfred W. at Signal Hill; Kenneth F. on active service in the West Indies, and George M. residing at 2508 Belmont Avenue.

At the Jubilee Hospital yesterday afternoon the death occurred of William Scott, of 1452 Walnut Street. A native of the Orkney Islands, the late Mr. Scott had been a resident of the city for the past ten years. The funeral will be held from the Sands Funeral Chapel to-morrow afternoon at 3.30, Rev. J. G. Inkster officiating. Interment will be at Ross Bay Cemetery.

Graham Alexander Ferguson, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ferguson, of 3152 Albina Street, passed away on Saturday evening at the Victoria Private Hospital. The funeral will be held from the B. C. Funeral Chapel to-morrow afternoon at 3 p. m., Rev. Robert Connell officiating.

The sympathy of the whole community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. James L. Raymur, of 1215 Stanley Avenue, in their sad bereavement sustained by the loss of their only daughter, Davida, who passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday morning. Miss Raymur had been ill for some weeks past and had appeared to be progressing favorably after an operation, but complications ensued from the effects of which she succumbed yesterday. The late Miss Raymur was born in Victoria twenty-six years ago, and her sweet, lovable disposition had endeared her to a wide circle of friends and made her one of the most popular of the younger set. The funeral will be held from the family residence at 2.15 to-morrow, proceeding to Christ Church Cathedral, where service will be held at 2.30 p. m.

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	8.15-10.30 p. m.: Band. General admission .....	50c
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## COST OF BREAD IN CANADA STATIONARY

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—The Cost-of-Living Branch reported to the Minister of Labor to-day that the average cost of bread in the Dominion for October did not show any appreciable increase, being about seven cents a pound delivered. The report shows further that

nearly 24,000,000 pounds of bread were baked and delivered at a cost of nearly \$1,700,000.

## HAS TAKEN OATH.

Prague, Dec. 22.—Via London, Dec. 22.—Professor T. G. Masaryk, president of the Czecho-Slovak Republic, took the States by way of Paris, was presented on his arrival with an address by Premier Kramarz in the name of the first

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Yarrowa, Ltd., \$488.85; employees, Producers Rock & Gravel Co., \$30; Western Postal Union, \$18; staff of Union Bank, \$14; F. R. Stewart & Co., employees, \$8.75; staff of Supreme and County Court, \$44.50.

**Wants Position Back.**—William R. Clarkson, former assistant Sanitary Inspector, but who was given permission to relinquish his duties for the period of the war, has now applied for re-instatement as he has received an honorable discharge from the Army. The matter will be dealt with by the Council this evening.

### RECONSTRUCTION AS MEETING'S SUBJECT

Those at Federated Labor Party Meeting Last Night Heard Three Addresses

"Reconstruction" was the subject of the addresses, three in number, which formed the programme at the weekly meeting under the auspices of the Federated Labor Party of British Columbia in the Columbia Theatre last evening. The audience filled the theatre, the speakers being J. W. Wilkinson, of Vancouver, a former president of the B. C. Federation of Labor; J. H. Hawthornthwaite, M. P. for New-Castle, and Rev. William Stevenson, pastor of the Emanuel Baptist Church.

The Chairman, Mr. Wilkinson, who acted as chairman of the meeting, explained the objects of the Federated Labor Party, stating that the purpose back of its formation was the desire to have enacted into legislation the desires of the working classes, which desires were more insistent and coming to be more thoroughly understood than ever before. Opinion on matters discussed at the meeting might differ. If anyone presented questions to ask, opportunity would be given for the asking, and if anyone felt that his views ought to be expressed, the Federated Labor Party was always ready to give room on the platform and place some of the time of the meeting at the disposal of such speakers.

In Political Field. J. W. Wilkinson, of Vancouver, traced the growth of the Labor movement in this province, and told of the decision, about a year ago, to form a party which would enter the political field, the Federated Labor Party being the outcome. He was absolutely convinced that none of the Governments of the day, either Dominion or Provincial, was fitted to grapple with the problems which now stared the nation in the face. All these Governments were the outgrowth of a political system which the vast changes wrought by the war had made out-of-date. It was not the fault of the Ministers themselves that they could not understand the new needs of the time, but rather the fault of the system of which they were the representatives. He declared that there must be a new order of things. The working classes, whose needs were the greatest, must take over the duty of government.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite, M. P., said he was at one with the preceding speaker as to the changed conditions which called for a change in government. He believed Premier Oliver was an honest man. He felt that Mr. Oliver endeavored to follow an honest course in directing the Government, but much more than honesty was required. Imagination was needed, and vigor with which to carry into effect the reforms for which the times were crying. The working classes were faced with the duty of assuming the reins of power, and he had no doubt they would not, could not, make such a mess of things as the Government had done in this province and the Dominion.

It behooved everyone to make himself aware, he said, that a great change had come over the country since the war started. There were many problems, including that of placing the returned soldiers back in civilian life. He asked all military officers in general, and all citizens, to be ready to follow an honest course at the meeting in particular, to observe the changes that had come about.

"In France," he declared, "private soldiers were required to black your boots for you. These private soldiers are either back here now or are coming back, but they are not coming back to black your boots for you here. That sort of thing is not wanted. No, they are coming back to Canada as free men. They are going to use their freedom."

All Equal. He asked all "pettyfogging officers" to remember that in Canada all were equal. That equality of privilege was going to make over the country. It was that very equality of privilege that made the British constitution the freest in the world. The supreme power rested with the people. If they wanted to change the constitution in any way, they had the right to do so. Yes, by their vote they could even remove the King from the throne, if they should so desire. They could do away with the House of Lords in the United Kingdom at any time.

And as to war in the future, "if kings wish to fight, let us give them clubs and tell them to go out somewhere and fight all they want," said Mr. Hawthornthwaite. "If that is not enough, then let us give clubs to the officers and tell them to go out and fight all they want. Let them shed their own blood if they choose, but as for the common people, they are through with war."

In Legislature. Mr. Hawthornthwaite spoke of his efforts in the Legislature to have measures, including that which would have barred Asiatics from the mines and mills of the province in favor of white men, placed on the statute books. He declared that though the measures mentioned had been designed to aid the returning soldier, it had been thrown out, but he intended to introduce it again during the approaching session of the Legislature.

When Mr. Hawthornthwaite had finished, a man in the audience asked if the Labor Party would stand behind a demand that the increase in post-discharge pay announced from Ottawa a few days ago be made to apply to all men back from the front and not only those who have returned or will return after November 11.

Mr. Watchman, the Chairman, gave the assurance that the Labor Party was entirely in sympathy with the returned soldiers. The Party held that, with the wonderful resources of Canada at the people's disposal, it should not be necessary for any man crippled in the service of the country to work for a living at all.

Several other questions were asked, and during the discussion, in which parts of the audience joined by shouting various sentiments, a soldier found his way down the aisle to the edge of the stage. He emphasized his statements by waving a walking stick he held in his hand. This did not appeal to Mr. Hawthornthwaite's conception of correct procedure. "Don't wave that stick at me," shouted the M. P. P.

A Woman Speaks. There was some noise at this juncture, the chairman being on his feet. A woman at the rear was heard to cry out: "Mr. Chairman, may I speak?" "Go on," shouted the chairman. "I have been seated in the box here

(at the rear of the auditorium) with six or eight officers all evening," said the woman. "These officers have just left the hall saying they will bring back a lot of soldiers with them to break up the meeting."

"Let them come," shouted Mr. Hawthornthwaite, springing to his feet and making as though to roll up his sleeves. "We're ready for them."

A man in the middle of the auditorium was heard inquiring above the noise if the Labor Party had not the right to hold meetings without having them broken up by organized gangs. Were the authorities under no obligation to ensure order at what was desired to be an orderly meeting?

Rev. F. W. Stevenson. The noise lasted but a few moments and the meeting proceeded, an address being delivered by Rev. W. Stevenson. Mr. Stevenson said he had the desires of the working classes very close to his heart. That was why he was on the platform. Some years ago he had sought to join the labor movement, but the unions had told him he could not do so because he was not a member of any of the trades. But now a Federated Labor Party had been formed on a broad basis. All, whether they worked with their hands or their heads, were welcome, so he wished to further the appeal of the party. He urged the people to come forward and join the Federated Labor Party, to read labor literature and to lend their support to the movement to make over the country's ideals of government by placing representatives in Parliament and the Legislature who appreciated the needs of the masses.

Another meeting on next Sunday evening was announced by the chairman as the meeting came to a close.

### TO HONOR BANDMASTER

Army and Navy Veterans Plan Farewell Smoker for W. Edmunds, Who is Leaving for North.

In honor of their retiring bandmaster, ex-Sergt. Will Edmunds, who is leaving for Prince Rupert at the end of the year, the Army and Navy Veterans of Canada, Victoria branch, have planned to hold a farewell smoker concert at the Alexandra Club on the evening of December 26.

A very attractive programme is in course of preparation, to which Bandmasters Lownds and Edmunds will contribute instrumental solos and duets. Warrant Officer Hadley, Sergt. Myra, Will Menelaus and Mr. Brown will also participate, as well as a number of other leading artists. While the affair is to be primarily a smoking concert, ladies will also be welcomed.

During the evening refreshments will be served by members of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Army and Navy Veterans.

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Raffle Winner. — Miss Marguerite Bennett, of Strawberry Vale, Victoria, has been announced as the winner of a patchwork quilt raffled at Mission, B. C., in aid of the Red Cross.

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Skates Hollow Ground, at Wilson's Repair Shop, 612 Cormorant.

Victory Raffle Results—The following is the result of the Victory raffle drawn at 614 Central Building, and prizes will be found at "Superfluites" to-day and Tuesday. Winner of first prize, a sofa, Mrs. J. R. Hodgson; the winning numbers being given, in order: 2,575, 2,075, 794, 2,433, 1,908, 677, 2,378, 2,724, 2,999, 2,629, 215, 1,743, 1,419, 2,243, 2,419, 2,985, 932, 1,996, 2,991, 2,430, 2,794, 1,446, 2,375, 347, 439.

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Tag Day Realized \$2,125.17.—Saturday's Tag Day in aid of the Belgian Orphans' Fund was instrumental in raising the sum of \$2,125.17. Of this total, the splendid sum of \$150 was donated by Miss Scanlon and the students of the Normal School, being the proceeds from a vegetable garden they cultivated during the past summer, while the Lady Douglas Chapter, I. O. D. E., gave \$25, and "Anon." \$25.

For French Orphans.—One of the most popular rendezvous for seekers after Christmas gifts on Saturday last was the sale of work held at 707 Yates Street in aid of the French widows and orphans. So successful was the event that the local French Red Cross branch, under whose auspices the event was organized, have decided to continue it to-day and to-morrow until all the wares have been disposed of. The following ladies assisted at Saturday's bazaar: Mrs. F. C. Holden, president of the society; Mrs. G. E. Thomas, Mrs. Dugald Gillespie, Mrs. J. J. Shallock, Mrs. Griffith, Mrs. Hebbler Gillespie, Mrs. Sander-son-Mongin, Mrs. Ciron, Mrs. Nanette Ciron, Mrs. Pauly, Mrs. Robil-

lard, Mlle. Lesec, Mlle. Vital, Mme. Francois, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Pichon, Mme. Cassidy and Mlle. Pichon.

### LOCAL MEN HONORED

Private J. Egan Wins D. C. M., and Sergeant McVie the Military Medal.

Pte. J. Egan, only son of Mrs. Egan, 675 Dunedin Street, has been awarded the D. C. M.

He left Victoria in November, 1917, with the Cyclist Corps, later being transferred to the machine gun section. During an advance he was severely wounded, but persisted in carrying his gun forward from point to point until the critical stage of the action was over.

After four years service Sgt. Wm. McVie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McVie, 403 Michigan Street, has been awarded the Military Medal, which was presented to him the day the armistice was signed.

Opium Smoker.—Constable Bishop yesterday afternoon entered premises at 549 Fisgard Street and found a Chinaman in the act of smoking opium. The smoker was fined \$15 and \$250 costs in the Police Court this morning.

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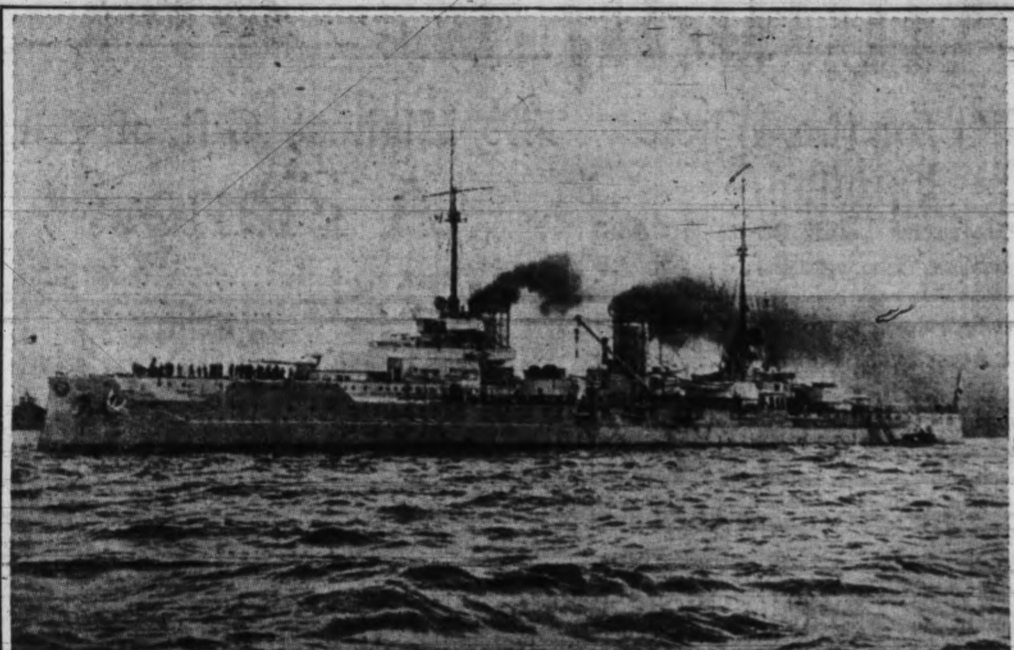
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#### TO-DAY'S AMUSEMENTS

**Pantages—Vaudeville.**  
Royal Victoria—Official pictures of surrender of German Grand Fleet to British Navy; also Elsie Ferguson in "Heart of the Wilds."  
**Dominion—Clara Kimball Young** in "The Reason Why" and Charlie Chaplin in "The Champion."  
**Variety—Elsie Hammerstein** in Pathe picture, "Her Man."  
**Columbia—Mary Pickford** in "Amarilla of Clothes Line Alley" and serial, "Vengeance and the Woman."  
**Romano—Mrs. Irene Castle** in "The First Law," and Ruth Roland's serial, "Hands Up."

#### THEATRE BOOKINGS AT CHRISTMASTIDE

Attractive Programmes Will Amuse Holiday Audiences This Week

Especially attractive programmes have been arranged for the local theatres this week in celebration of the holiday season and Victorians in search of amusement and entertainment should have no difficulty in finding entertainment to suit every taste.

One of the biggest attractions, in view of recent events, will be the official pictures showing the surrender of the German Grand Fleet. This film is to be shown at the Royal Victoria Theatre, in addition to a Western drama featuring the distinguished American actress, Elsie Ferguson in "Heart of the Wilds."

Clara Kimball Young and Charlie Chaplin on the same programme is the big drawing card at the Dominion Theatre. The famous emotional actress will appear in a strong drama entitled "The Reason Why," by Elinor Glyn, while the inimitable comedian is to appear in "The Champion."

At the Variety, Elsie Hammerstein, daughter of the famous impresario, is to make her first appearance in Victoria picture-fans. Owing to an error in the booking date, made at the office of the Arctcraft agency, the big

picture, "The Great Love," will not be shown till next week.

Patrons of the Columbia will have opportunity of seeing the one and only Mary Pickford in the delightful comedy "Amarilla of Clothes Line Alley"—a picture which is said to show this talented actress at her best. Mrs. Irene Castle is the star of the Romano.

#### ROYAL VICTORIA

Riding a wild and unruly mustang, which she controls with ease, Elsie Ferguson, the beautiful Arctcraft star, provides several thrilling scenes in her latest photoplay, "Heart of the Wilds," which will be the main attraction at the Royal Victoria Theatre all this week. This is one of several unusual incidents which contribute to make this picture one of the finest of its kind ever produced.

When Miss Ferguson, accompanied by Director Marshall Neilan and her supporting players, went to Wyoming to produce the great outdoor scenes of the photoplay, it was necessary for Miss Ferguson to make a daring horseback trip in a rough country, along the edge of high cliffs and down narrow precipitous footpaths. When the westerners who provide horses for the producing outfit offered Miss Ferguson a rather tame pony, she good-naturedly declined to consider the impossible mount.

"Give a spirited animal," she said laughingly. "One that will necessitate kenneralship to handle."

So it came about that when the athletic actress mounted an unruly animal and with a few deft applications of her quirt brought the pony to complete subjection, expert cow-punchers marvelled greatly at the feat until they learned that Miss Ferguson is one of the most skilled horsewomen in the country.

Miss Ferguson has a splendid role in "Heart of the Wilds," the scenes of which are laid along the Canadian border. There are troopers, Indians and cowboys aplenty in the action. Thomas Meighan is Miss Ferguson's leading man and the support is excellent throughout.

"The Surrender of the German Fleet," one of the most spectacular events in history, will also be shown. Official cameramen of the British Government secured the scenes of this surrender, which in importance and in the size of the fleet given over by the Germans exceeds anything in history. This film has arrived direct from England.

#### DOMINION

A splendid double bill provides good cheer for picture fans at the Dominion

this week. Charlie Chaplin, the ever-popular, will be seen in a re-issue of one of his most popular comedies, "The Champion." It is a picture that holds the record for riotous fun and laughter. Clara Kimball Young is also presented in her latest Select production, "The Reason Why." "The Reason Why," by the famous English authoress, Elinor Glyn, is Clara Kimball Young's latest Select picture. The scenario is by Mary Murillo and the direction by Robert G. Vignola.

Clara Kimball Young creates the role of Yvonne Marinoff, widowed by the murder of her husband, a cruel prefect of police, at the hands of an infuriated mob. As she is fleeing that night with her seven-year-old son, Mimo, she comes upon a dead woman who resembles her completely, and on whose body she finds an invitation from her uncle, Francis Markute, inviting her to live with him in London, although he has never seen her.

Yvonne goes to London; there she meets and marries at her "uncle's" wish, Lord Tancred, of Wrayth Hall. It is a case of mutual love at first sight, but after she overhears Markute speak of her dowry, her sentiments are chilled. Her husband misunderstands her actions and their underlying motives, and it is only after a series of mishaps that she makes her confession and they discover their true love.

"The Reason Why" is a remarkable photoplay involving English high society, portrayed by Clara Kimball Young and her own company, and produced in the excellent manner which motion picture audiences have come to expect in a Select picture.

#### COLUMBIA

At the Columbia, beginning to-day, Mary Pickford in her latest Arctcraft picture, "Amarilla of Clothes Line Alley," will be shown. It is the most humorous picture in which she has ever appeared. Clothes Line Alley is typical of the tenement district of a great metropolis, and the characters, from the star down, are all indigenous to the precincts that form so large and picturesque portions of the city. Mary Pickford, of course, is Amarilla, daughter of a tender-hearted Irish washerwoman, and mother of a large family, the boys of which are messengers and newsboys. Amarilla makes her living as a scrub girl in a theatre, while her fiance, Terry McGowan, the pride of the Alley, is a bartender in the Midway Saloon. Aside from the fact that he holds the best of Amy, he is celebrated as the inventor of the famous Hickey-Boola cocktail, though he himself never indulges in liquor.

The happiness of the inhabitants of Clothes Line Alley is well portrayed, and the moral attitude is compared to the bored and restless life of the upper crust, including one of its

leading members, Gordon Phillips, whose mother is anxious he shall marry a girl of social prominence. Mother receives a severe shock when she discovers that her son has fallen in love with Amarilla. The events that ensue prove conclusively that the two widely separated elements in the social world cannot mix happily.

The novel from which the picture is adapted was written by Bella K. Maniates. Frances Marion is the author of the scenario, which is a genuinely human story, Marshall Neilan, who has produced a number of Miss Pickford's recent successes, directed the production. Why the picture supplies a new environment for Miss Pickford, it will undoubtedly prove as entertaining as the previous photoplays in which "Our Mary" has starred under the Arctcraft banner.

Another thrilling episode of "Vengeance and the Woman" will also be shown at the Columbia.

#### ROMANO

From the Pathe Exchange of Irene Castle's latest picture, "The First Law," comes to the Romano this week. Mrs. Castle is supported in this picture play by handsome Antonio Moreno, J. H. Gilmour, Marguerite Snow and a score of other celebrated players.

"The First Law" gives Mrs. Castle a wonderful opportunity as a star and may be properly said to represent her farewell to her admirers in America. She announced her retirement upon the tragic death of Captain Vernon Castle, who was killed in an aviation accident. "The First Law" will play for three days, starting to-day.

Ruth Roland Added Attraction.  
Ruth Roland, the winsome star who plays the role of Echo Delane, a magazine writer, in the latest Pathe serial, "Hands Up," takes every hazardous chance as a matter of course. A star in a serial such as presented by Pathe has not an easy time of it. Stunts and thrills are demanded every day and the director has a new hazard for his star to go. In "Hands Up," episode three, entitled "The Phantom and the Girl," to be shown at the Romano in connection with the feature photoplay Miss Roland performs a series of hair-raising exploits. Among them are two battles, one with Inca and the other with a band of desperadoes, a wild ride on horse-back, and escape by means of a rope from the hidden cave of the Phantom Rider and others. Directors may Miss Roland never protest but attempts every stunt requested of her. She has narrowly escaped death on several occasions.

Manager Clark will present a souvenir photograph of Ruth Roland, the star of the Pathe serial "Hands Up" to every woman attending the performance at the Romano to-day, Tuesday and Christmas Day.

#### NOTICE

We regret to announce that, owing to a mistake in the booking office of the film exchange, D. W. Griffith's latest picture, "The Great Love," which was advertised to play at this theatre commencing to-morrow, will not be shown until the following week.

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# VARIETY

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Commencing To-Night

## ELAINE HAMMERSTEIN

### "Her Man"

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From the Popular Noyel, "The Battle Cry,"  
By Charles Neville Buck

Beset by Deadly Enemies, Her Life and Honor Threatened, Defending Her Man as a Tigress Defends Her Cubs, This Gently-Nurtured Society Girl Harks Back to the Primal Instincts of Her Sex

ALLIES' WAR REVIEW  
COMEDY

VARIETY ORCHESTRA  
Benedict Bantly, Director



# Attractive Features at Local Theatres

## VARIETY

One of the most interesting sections of the United States is that depicted in the Pathe photoplay, "Her Man," which was produced by the Advanced Motion Picture Corporation, and will be at the Variety Theatre to-day. It is the mountain region of Kentucky which is the locale of the story, and what is true of that section is also true of similar regions in North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Georgia.

Here dwell what a clever author has called "our contemporaneous ancestors," men and women descended from pure native stock, whose ancestors settled in those mountains in colonial days and who have not been touched by the hand of progress, but to-day live and talk as their great-great-grandfathers did.

Words which are obsolete everywhere else are in common use there. Their songs are the songs of England and Scotland in the days of Queen Mary. Their virtues are many—hospitality is a sacred duty with them. Their chief sins lie in ignorance. They fight to kill. The assassination of a relative means that an enemy must be killed on the principle of "an eye for an eye."

"Her Man" tells the story of one of these mountain feuds. It is adapted from Chas. Neville Buck's novel, "The Battle Cry." It shows how a society woman from a big city, through love for a feud leader, went back to the primitive and to defend her man was willing to shoot to kill. Elaine Hammerstein is the star and does magnificent work.

### CHARLIE AT DOMINION



### SOLDIER EMPLOYMENT

Delegation Will Wait Upon Premier Oliver With Regard to the Branch of Provincial Commission.

With the resignation of Mr. Howard from the secretaryship of the Returned Soldiers' Employment Committee, the activities of this branch of the Provincial Commission have more or less arrived at a deadlock. And for the purpose of discussing the whole question of soldier employment and its especial relation to the functions of this office, a deputation will wait upon Premier Oliver at an early date.

The committee itself, augmented by delegates from the Great War Veterans' Association, Comrades of the Great War, British Campaigners' Association and the Army and Navy Veterans, met on Saturday afternoon and canvassed the general situation. It was held that the present system fails to produce satisfactory results, chiefly on account of the limited financial grant voted for the committee's use.

Several suggestions will be placed before the Premier which it is claimed will considerably alter the situation and enable the committee to be of great deal more use to returning men requiring employment.

### WORRIED.

Burroughs—I know a man who looks so much like you that one could hardly tell you apart.  
Lenders (anxiously)—You haven't paid him that five I lent you three months ago, have you?

## WHIRLWIND ACROBATS AT PANTAGES THEATRE

"International Nine" Headliner at Vaudeville House This Week.

Nine men, each emblematic of one of the Allied nations, put on a spectacular feature in the headline position on the new bill of Pantages vaudeville, which opened with the matinee performance this afternoon. On account of the emblematic feature of their act, these daring acrobats and tumblers are known as the "International Nine," and their brilliant work greatly takes the fancy of the audiences. It is a big act with a big punch and a very suitable offering to head a holiday bill.

The "Five American Girls" is another big act in the next-to-feature position. They have an entertaining act introducing song and instrumental numbers in a way that brings them ample popularity. Among their offerings are cornet and saxophone solos which add unusual variety to the bill.

Jack Goldie is a blackface comedian who has a snappy style with his patter, but makes a real attraction of his act by extraordinary whistling. He has become a favorite along the Pantages circuit as a result of this particular accomplishment.

The Tinney Players add more comedy to the bill with their travesty sketch entitled "Behind the Front," which portrays the mock bravery of a colored man in the trenches. In the end he triumphs against the Hun, and in the course of his experience develops a lot of fun for the audience. Fields and Wells are another comedy pair, with songs and sayings and jokes enough to make a successful act. Henry and Adelaide introduce an interesting dancing novelty in which the man does a change of clothes without losing a step. Adelaide is a pretty girl who adds interest to the turn.

Introducing this holiday bill of vaudeville is the fifth chapter of "A Fight for Millions," one of the most fascinating motion picture serials to be introduced in this city. Edith Johnson is the fearless player who portrays the role of Jean Benton in a thrilling adventure.

### CHRISTMAS IS A-COMIN'

By Paul Laurence Dunbar.

The late Paul Laurence Dunbar was a negro of education and culture who wrote considerable verse during the later years of his life. Much of this verse is intimately descriptive of the character of the Southern negro, a type that is fast disappearing. The little poem here reproduced is characteristic and timely:

Bones a-gittin' achy,  
Back a-feelin' col';  
Han's a-growin' shaky,  
Jes' lak I was ol'.  
Fros' erpon de meddah  
Lookin' mighty white;  
Snowdraps lak a feddah  
Slippin' down at night.  
Jes' keeps t'ings a-hummin'  
Spite o' fros' an' showahs,  
Christmas day's a-comin',  
An' all de week is ouahs.

Little Mas' a-axin'  
"Who is Santy Claus?"  
Makes it kin' o' taxin'  
Not to brek de laws,  
Chillin' de pow-ful tryin'  
To a pusson's grace  
Wen dey go a-tryin'  
Right on th'oo yo' face,  
Down ermong yo' feelin's;  
Jes' 'pears lak dat you  
Got to change yo' dealin's  
So's to tell 'em true.

An' ma pickaninny—  
Dreamin' in his sleep!  
Come hyeah, Mammy Jinny,  
Come an' tek a peep.  
Of Mas' Bob an' Missis  
In de house up dath  
Got no chile lak dis is  
D'ain't none anywhaih,  
Sleep ma little lammy,  
Sleep yo' little limb,  
He do' known whut mammy  
Deus saved up fo' him!

Dey'll be hanjo pickin',  
Dancin' all night thoo,  
Dey'll be lots o' chicken,  
Plenty tukky, too,  
Drams to wet yo' whistles,  
So's to drive out chillis,  
Whut I keer fu' drizales  
Fallin' on de hills?  
Jes' keep t'ings a-hummin'  
Spite o' col' an' showahs,  
Christmas day's a-comin',  
An' all de week is ouahs.

### The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 22.—5 a. m.—The barometer remains abnormally high over this Province, and fair, cold weather is general with light to moderate winds along the Coast.

Reports.  
Victoria—Barometer, 30.45; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, fair.  
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.46; temperature, maximum yesterday, 36; minimum, 26; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.55; temperature, maximum yesterday, 24; minimum, 18; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, clear.  
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.58; temperature, maximum yesterday, 24; minimum, 18; wind, calm; weather, fair.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Temperature.	Max.	Min.
Portland, Ore.	38	24
Seattle	38	24
San Francisco	50	44
Penticton	36	28
Nelson	28	22
Edmonton	28	22
Qu'Appelle	4	4
Winnipeg	8	8
Calgary	14	14
Montreal	50	50
Ottawa	42	42
Halifax	40	40

# DOMINION

Presents the Double Christmas Holiday Attraction

## Clara Kimball Young and Her Own Company

# "THE REASON WHY"

"The Reason Why," by Elinor Glyn, intimate portrayal of high society, is just the type of story best suited for Clara Kimball Young, whose characterization of Zara, the heroine, will endure as a screen classic



# CHARLIE CHAPLIN

In a Re-Issue of One of His Best Comedies

# "The Champion"

Two Reels of Riotous Laughter

### CHAPLAIN'S EXPERIENCE

Canadian Padre's Amusing Story of London Coster When Turned Soldier.

Writing in the December issue of The Canadian Churchman, Capt. The Rev. John J. Callan gives an interesting account of the work of a chaplain at a casualty clearing station in France.

An idea of the tact and broad understanding needed in approaching some of the men may be gauged from the following extract from the article in question:

"My hardest case was a very tough customer from the East End of London, who remained impervious to all advances. I tried to talk to him about every subject which I thought would interest him, but without result.

"One day I noticed him reading a copy of that excellent paper Boxing, and discovered that in the olden days he had been a frequent performer at that once famous arena of the fistic art, 'Wonderland,' in Whitechapel, now no more.

"During my misspent, but very happy, youth, I had paid surreptitious visits to this resort of the Fancy, and when I talked to him about the battles there, for the first time he responded to take an interest in me. We talked about boxing, and I

had to take great liberties with my imagination in order to keep up with his encyclopaedic knowledge of the game. As soon as possible I purchased second-hand copies of 'Famous Fights,' and devoted much time and study to the exploits of Belcher, Mendoza, Sayers, Cribb and a hundred others. Armed with this knowledge I could always find a way into my gentleman's heart, and, indeed, he would welcome me, and ask me to sit and talk. I suppose the end of this story should be that he became a pillar of the church, but as it happens to be true, such is not the case.

"Time came for him to leave. He hopped up on his crutch and held out his hand. 'Good-bye, sir. You've bin a

toff-ter me. If yer ever—his voice sank to a confidential whisper—"If yer ever dahn Mile End way and 'ud like ter see a little bit er sport, rattin' or sometin' wiv the gloves, yer know, I'd tell the boys abaut yer, an' we could show yer sometin' good.' To the Sister he confided: 'That parson's a little bit of orl right, but 'e ain't got no bis'niss bein' a parson.' 'Old Cherries,' as everyone called him, was not 'converted,' but who shall say that the time spent with him was wasted?"

Pitt—"How are you going to save coal?"

White—"I shall hew wood by stealth and bluish to find it flame."

WOULDN'T NEED IT.

"I want to ask your advice about something," said the confiding person.

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## OUR UNIVERSITY.

To the Editor,—I was pleased to notice a few queries on the management of this public institution by your correspondent Amicus. I, for my part, would like to add a few more.

1. Why is the University run on American lines, with appointments such as Professor of Poultry, etc.?  
2. Why not go further and establish chairs for butterflies, birds' eggs, dry goods, and real estate?  
3. Why is the American Ph.D. degree infinitely inferior to British

University degrees—considered the sine qua non for a professorship?

4. Why should agriculture be given the highest positions and pay? This subject should be left to an agricultural school with suitable emoluments.

5. Why is there about one Englishman on the staff?

American education may suit the Americans, but as this is (or supposed to be) a British University, I fail to see why all the chairs should be given in preference to Americans, especially when in the States no British University is recognized, and only American citizens are allowed to draw state money for education.

With reference to your correspondent's remarks about High School students recently passed a resolution that no more High School masters be appointed on the staff. Nuff said. I sincerely trust a British educationalist of high standing be appointed as president, for it needs a good man to transform the present institution into a University.

JUSTITIA FIAT.

The jewelry trade of Canada has been organized by the foundation of the Canadian National Jewellers' Association at Toronto.

## CITY WINS SUIT REGARDING LAND

Long Standing Trouble About Pandora Avenue Title is Cleared Up

Judgment for the city in the Bailey expropriation case on Pandora Avenue, has been handed down, and the counter claim has been dismissed by Mr. Justice Murphy.

The case occupied several days, chiefly in legal argument, during November.

In this case the city sought a declaration that the corporation was entitled to a strip of land in front of the Moody property on Pandora Avenue, expropriated in 1912, and on which a sidewalk was built.

The history of the case as related in court was rather interesting. R. W. Hannington, City Solicitor, pointed out that Moody, after selling to the city, mortgaged the whole lot to Bailey. The city had applied to the Land Registry office to register the by-law and that application was still pending when for some unexplained reason Bailey's mortgage was registered by the Land Registry without regard to the by-law, which was apparently overlooked.

The result of this circumstance was that Bailey was the registered mortgagee over the land and covered by the city's sidewalk, though the city bought the land, paid \$6,250 for it, and held the deed.

Irrespective of the deed, however, the city claims that the land was dedicated to the public use and it had without dispute been used as a public highway ever since the expropriation.

Bailey, in his counter-claim, asked for possession, damage for trespass, and, incidentally, to set aside all the local improvement assessments on Pandora Avenue affecting the lot in question, including two widenings, sidewalk, pavement and cluster lights.

His Lordship held that a by-law was not essential, the title of dedication to the city and Attorney-General being secured by the deed from Moody. It is, therefore, held that the city is entitled to register that deed in priority of the mortgage.

## BACK IN VICTORIA WITH STEEL HELMETS

Men Arrive Home With Rifles and Equipment Used on Battlefield

Active service veterans, who, if the war had continued, would have been back in the firing line within a few more weeks, were among the party of over a hundred men who were returned to Victoria on Saturday afternoon. The majority of the men arriving home were men of lower categories, together with disabled wounded warriors whose home-coming has been expedited with the signing of the armistice. As stated in Saturday's Times a large crowd were on hand to welcome the men returning at such an opportune time, and some surprise was expressed when about a dozen healthy looking soldiers walked down the gang plank with their complete equipment.

They wore the web equipment which has been used to replace the leather strapped "Oliver" equipment with which they left Victoria, and also carried the Lee-Enfield rifle slung across their shoulders. The equipment was complete with the exception of the gas mask, and the men are the first to come back to Victoria in this manner. With the exception of a few souvenirs their rifles brought back by the veterans, although one returned man treasures a dented "tin hat" which he claims saved his life in spite of a severe head wound. The men returning with their equipment were given by the point guard, and were met by either a returned man or a soldier who had been wounded and were fit for duty again when the armistice was signed, or men who after service in France had been detailed for duty as instructors in England, with a complete issue of equipment ready to proceed overseas when called upon.

## CASE IS DISMISSED

No Evidence to Prove Identity of Alleged Deserter, Says Court.

Magistrate Jay dismissed the action brought in the City Police Court this morning against James Leigh & Sons, charged with employing a deserter from the Canadian Siberian Expeditionary force.

Magistrate Jay, after hearing the evidence, stated that it appeared a lance corporal had been sent down to Leigh's place to arrest an alleged deserter, but that there was no evidence to prove the identity of the man Kelley. Though the evidence was all in, and argument had been heard, C. L. Harrison, for the prosecution, claimed that as a right of law Major Gook, Assistant Provost Marshal for Military District No. 11 should be allowed to return to the witness box to clear up the point which he claimed had already been made sufficiently clear during his previous testimony. Unless this is allowed the law is nothing but an absolute absurdity," said Mr. Harrison. Magistrate Jay stated, however, that already late in the afternoon he had given the Major to be recalled once previously, and if permitted a second time it would be subject to H. B. Robertson's objection, the latter appearing for accused. Mr. Robertson held to his point, and Magistrate Jay therefore dismissed the case.

## "FLU" AT SOOKE

Dr. Oliver and Mr. deGrey Have Gone Out to Sooke Into Conditions Prevailing.

From reports reaching the Provincial Board of Health this morning it is learned that Spanish influenza at Sooke is causing a considerable amount of anxiety to the residents.

Dr. Robert Oliver, son of Premier Oliver, who has just returned from Hope, accompanied by F. deGrey, Provincial Sanitary Inspector, have gone out to the locality this afternoon in order to investigate the situation.

## ESCAPED FROM BED; BODY FOUND LATER

Roland A. Potter is Drowned; in Delirium From Pneumonia

Believed to have jumped into the icy waters of Sooke Harbor while in a state of delirium, Roland Arthur Potter now lies dead at his home in Sooke, where he has resided for some years past.

Recently Potter was taken ill with Spanish influenza, which developed into pneumonia. His condition became serious, and it was decided to send for a doctor. Relatives set out with all speed to fetch medical aid, but when the party returned it was discovered that Potter had in some manner slipped out of his cabin and disappeared.

Later his body was found floating in the water, and a hasty examination disclosed the fact that life had been extinct for some time. The Provincial Police Department was notified of the affair at noon to-day, and constables left this afternoon to investigate.

Potter leaves a widow, but no children.

## HEAD OF COMRADES



SERGEANT R. M. KING who has been elected to fill the presidential chair of the Comrades of the Great War upon the resignation of Comrade J. J. Taylor. Sergeant King is well-known in Victoria as a result of his organizing activities, and promotion of many events for the welfare of the returned man.

Sergt. King, who went away with the 6th Battalion, comes of a family of soldiers and sailors. He is the eldest nephew of Sir George Duckworth-King, Major in the Grenadier Guards. Sergt. King is a son of the late Rear-Admiral Richard King, of the Mediterranean squadron, who was at one time Superintendent of the Portsmouth Dockyard and a nephew of the late Post-Captain Atwell King, of the Royal Navy.

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"Some Christmas Presents."—When Constable Bishop stopped an Indian on Herald Street yesterday and enquired as to the contents of a grip the latter was carrying he discovered some remarkably appropriate Christmas presents. On opening the grip the officer found a bottle of whisky, which the Indian said had cost him \$7, and which he intended for a Yuletide gift. By the time he left the Police Court this morning the bottled goods had cost him \$25 more.



VICTORIA NORTHWEST WORLD

Fragments Improved Form in Fight For Soccer Trophy

Champions, With Players Missing, Arrange Friendly Fixture; Leaders' Hard Fight in Intermediate League

Heavy scoring on the part of the Fragments, and a hard fought game between Yarrow and the Lancaster marked Saturday's league soccer. The fixture between the Garrison and the West was not included in the competition, as both sides before the game decided to play a friendly game, four of the league leader's players being in the doctor's hands. A decision on the adjusting of points will be made at the league meeting.

Good Shooting. The Fragments put themselves on the same rung of the league ladder as the West Brotherhood in regard to points, although the champions have still an advantage in the number of games played. The soldiers netted six goals against the munition workers on Saturday, and the F. M. B. only found the net once. The I. M. B. put up a better game than the score would indicate, and held the soldiers to a draw of one goal each up to half time. Townsend found the net for the opening goal from a penalty area, and Struts got the equalizer. In the second half the Fragments showed the finest combination they have shown this season, and their opportunity shooting if continued should help them to overtake their rivals in the race for the pennant. Dougan was called upon to make some good saves but was kept too busy to keep his net free all the time. Southern placed some hard shots, which he handled well, but eventually drove one in that gave no chance at all. Townsend also got a second goal and Bloom found the net twice. Gonnin, Bloom and Townsend took the score to six goals.

Yarrow's Hard Luck. In a hard tussle to lower the colors of the sailors, Yarrow lost to the Lancaster eleven by the only goal scored in the game, the sailors finding the net half-way through the second half. Many who saw the game went away with the impression that the shipyard workers were the better team, except for a weakness to which has been frequently called attention—the lack of ability to put the finishing touches to their efforts on the part of the forwards. Time and again they broke down, and carried the ball to the other end of the field in an onslaught on the sailors' goal, but the movement was finished with a wide shot or a weak kick directed at the goalkeeper. The sailors' custodian seemed none too sure of himself at times, and a few well-directed kicks would probably have turned the tide. Brown, Thackray and McIlroy led the forwards well, and the backs put up a sterling defence. Baker in goal handled the one or two that came his way effectively, and had little chance with the one that beat him.

Frank Youson Back. Owing to four of West's regular team being laid up and in the doctors hands the Garrison and West agreed to play a friendly, the Wests trotted out another junior in Hutchinson, ten men to start, the Garrison were without Filmore. The Soldiers won the toss and elected to kick down hill, but the Wests started to press from the start, Frank Youson came on and took up inside right position, and things looked well for West. After half an hour Sherratt scored with a magnificent shot, but Youson was offside nullifying the point. Half time no score. The Wests started down hill, and soon were swarming round Jelliman, Hutchinson, the new centre scoring. Youson marked his return to the game by scoring the second goal for the Wests. Tipper scored for the Garrison. Whyte and Copas played well, Figgott and Mesher were best for the Garrison.

The Intermediate League. Fighting for superiority in the intermediate league, the Byng Boys and the Foundation Company, who both stand in the same position on the

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL and SENIOR SOCCER LEAGUE tables with columns for P, W, L, D, Pts.

CHRISTMAS DAY SOCCER TO START MEMORIAL

Esquimalt and Victoria Selection Promises Hard Tussle for Honors

A start in the proposed memorial fund for cricketers and footballers will be made on Wednesday at the Christmas Day soccer feature between Esquimalt and Victoria. What shape the memorial will take is not yet known, but it is more than likely that the soccer players and the cricketers will get together and make a joint memorial. One of the suggestions offered has been a pavilion and sports course at Beacon Hill for the permanent use of returned soldiers with a set of bowls and other sporting apparatus which they may use at any time. There are several other suggestions on the board, depending upon the amount of money raised for the fund.

The team selected from the Fragments, Foundation and Wests looks a good combination for the city representatives while the Garrison, Lancaster, Yarrow and the Navy have helped to provide the Esquimalt team. The selection of Nicholas, the sure shot of the Lancaster boys, for the center forward position should prove a big help to getting the goals. The game starts at Beacon Hill at 10.45. The teams are: Victoria—(Foundation); Whyte (Wests) and Copas (Wests); Bowers (Fragments), Pitts (Fragments) and J. Allen (Foundation); E. Burgess, Southern (Fragments); Peden (Wests), F. Brown (Foundation) and Sherratt (Wests); Reserves, Gonnin, Bloom, Ferris and Freeman. Esquimalt—Jelliman (Garrison); Ord (Yarrow) and Green (H.M.S. Lancaster); Gibson (Garrison), Foley (H.M.S. Lancaster) and Thackray (Yarrow); Mercer (H.M.S. Lancaster), Douglas (Yarrow), Filmore (Garrison), Nicholas (H.M.S. Lancaster) and Skelly (H.M.S. Lancaster); Reserves, Brown (Yarrow), Oliver (H.M.S. Lancaster), Mesher (Garrison) and Masters (Navy).

CHRISTMAS FEATURES AT SKATING ARENA

Busy Programme on Wednesday; Times Treat to Youngsters To-morrow

A special skating programme has been drafted for Christmas week at the Arena. On Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 5.15 all children under 15 years of age are to be the guests of The Times. On Tuesday night the band engagement will be accommodated at the usual hours, 8.15 to 10.30. For Christmas Day. On Wednesday there will be lots of doings. The morning hours of 10 to 12 will be devoted exclusively to children. In the afternoon from 3 to 5.15 the public will have access to the ice and Rowland's band will dispense special music. The afternoon programme will be repeated in the evening from 8.15 to 10.30. A special skating session for the day arranged for Thursday afternoon and on Thursday night the regular band session will hold forth. There will be no skating on Friday. The skating week will end on Saturday with the usual band sessions. A complete schedule of appointments will be found in the advertising section of the amusement page.

The Times Guests. The Times extends a cordial invitation to the youngsters to the Christmas Eve guests of this newspaper at the big Arena from 3 o'clock to 5.15 to-morrow afternoon. The big skating arena is about the only place in Victoria big enough to accommodate the large number of youngsters included in the invitation, for every boy or girl under fifteen years of age is invited to bring his or her skates and join in the sport. There is plenty of room on the big sheet of ice for everybody, and the youngsters who have had a pair of skates for the first time this Christmas will have ample opportunity of learning how to use them. There are no tickets to be distributed to the guests. Arrangements have been made with Mr. Patrick so that all that is necessary to gain admittance is to walk by the box office and inform the ticket collector it is a "Times Treat."

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE table with columns for P, W, L, D, Pts.

ARMY AUTHORITIES HAVE NO OBJECTION TO RACES

In connection with the application of the Northwest Automobile Racing Association, which proposes holding a meet in Victoria on May 24 next, the military authorities, who now have possession of the Willow Camp, have signified that they are willing to permit the races to take place on the Willow tracks if the city has no objection. The Council will deal with the matter on Monday night.

IN SECOND ROUND. San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Fred Fulton, former contender for the heavy-weight championship of the world, stopped "Kayo" Krivosky, a local fighter, in the second round of their scheduled four-round bout here last night. Krivosky was so far out-scheduled that the police ended the fight in a short time after the gun started the fighters on their second lap.

FRANK SLAVIN WAS IN THE LAST BARE FIST CHAMPIONSHIP

Twenty-Nine Years Ago To-day Was Declared Champion Over Jim Smith

It is twenty-nine years to-day since the last London prize ring contest was fought. It was contested in Bruges, Belgium on December 23, 1889, between Jim Smith, champion of England, and the old war-horse, Frank P. Slavin, now of Victoria.

This fight, says Slavin, was one of the roughest and most brutal of his kind fought, and broke the rule of deciding contests, with bare fists. The gang broke up the ring and beat Slavin with sticks and knuckledusters, but he would not stop until fourteen rounds of the roughest kind of gang fighting, as Smith's seconds would not leave the ring.

At the call of time for the thirteenth round Smith was beaten and could not come to time, his seconds called for the police and grabbed Smith from the ground and carried him to the carriage-house, which was used as a dressing room for the contestants. They kept him away for ten minutes, but Slavin and his seconds would not leave the ring, the call for police would not stampede Slavin's party for they knew the police could not disturb them for twenty-four hours. A Mr. J. B. Ormsby, the owner of the estate, was sent to London to be out of the way fearing what might happen.

George Vacy was the referee of this contest, and in the fourteenth round he refused to stay to see Slavin fighting, called a draw, and left the ring declaring his life was not safe with the Smith gang. When Slavin arrived in London the Pelican Club (then the principal sporting club) declared him the winner and champion of the prize ring of the world. Slavin never had to defend his title at the P. I. rules, as that was the last of the brutal style of contests. Frank fought several contests after that and won, finally losing to Peter Jackson at the National Sporting Club, London, Slavin quit the boxing as a profession over twenty years ago, and went back to his profession as a millinery engineer, and has spent the best part of twenty-nine years in the Yukon and British Columbia. It is not necessary to tell Victoria that the same Slavin who took part in the last bare fist fight, twenty-nine years ago to-day is the Frank P. Slavin who left with the Western Scots and is now a hard worker amongst returned soldiers.

Two Ex-Champs. Frank is not trying to come back. A hard career in the ring and service in France on top of the years he carries makes such an ambition one out of consideration, but he is still game enough to step into the ring again for good cause. In connection with the Comrades of the Great War of which he is a member, Slavin is trying to set up a boxing programme, with one of the features an exhibition bout between himself and Tommy Burns. As a novelty the feature should draw the crowd.

WORLD SERIES HOCKEY

Edfour, B.C. Dec. 18, 1918. Sporting Editor, Daily Times.—I am writing you in regard to an article I saw in the Times of December 14, in which you say Vancouver won the world series hockey. As we have had world series hockey ever since 1912 if you will tell me who has won the world series in hockey since 1912 to 1918 I would like to know if Victoria has had the world series and who they played. I am, G. W. B.

In 1912 there was no contest between the Victoria and West. In 1913 Victoria, champions of the P. C. H. A., won the championship of the world from Quebec, champions of the N. H. A. In 1914 a commission was formed between the East and West whereby world series games would take place alternately in the East and West. Victoria again winning the championship of the P. C. H. A. journeyed to Toronto in March, where the series was played. Toronto there won the coveted Stanley Cup and the world's championship. In 1915 Ottawa, champions of the N. H. A., journeyed to the Pacific Coast and played Vancouver, champions of the P. C. H. A. Vancouver won the world title in a series of three games, smothering the Easterners by overwhelming scores. In 1916 Portland, champions of the West, played the Canadiens, of Montreal, and lost by a single goal in the odd game of five. In 1917 the Canadiens repeated in the East and travelled to Seattle. I. M. B. won the title, the Metropolitan for the title, winning one game out of four. In 1918 Vancouver, again winning the coast championship, made the long trip to Toronto and lost in the odd game of five.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

With victories for the Presbyterians and Firemen, the Metropolitan and Point Hope in the City League competition the basketball competition now stands as follows: Point Ellice ..... 3 2 0 1 5 First Presbyterian ..... 3 0 0 0 6 Y. M. C. A. .... 3 2 1 0 4 Metropolitans ..... 3 1 2 0 2 Army and Navy ..... 1 1 0 0 2 I. M. B. .... 2 1 2 0 2 Firemen ..... 3 1 0 0 3 Point Hope ..... 4 1 3 0 2 Crusaders ..... 3 0 3 0 0

DATES ARE SET FOR CLASSIC RACING EVENTS

London, Dec. 22.—The British Government has officially sanctioned the revival of racing and the sport will be resumed on a large scale in 1919. The Derby will be run at Epsom Downs on June 4, and the big meetings have been arranged for Goodwood, Doncaster and Ascot. The season will open with the Lincolnshire handicap on March 24, and three days later the Grand National Steeplechase will be run at Liverpool.

COLLEGE SPORTS DAY TRIUMPH FOR LOCALS

Victoria Won the Basketball Honors; Rugby Game Ended in Goalless Draw

With about 100 rooters over from Vancouver to accompany their teams the College Field Day on Saturday was as successful as the optimistic promoters anticipated. The party was joined by a number of their B. C. University friends living in Victoria, and together with the Victoria fraternity there was a big attendance at the game.

The University brought over a strong rugby fifteen and the tassel in the Royal Athletic Park which ended in a scoreless draw was one of the best exhibitions of the handling code seen this season. The game opened with the V. I. A. team masters of the visitors, but before the first half was twenty minutes' old the college boys loudly encouraged by the swarms of the black and gold showed improved form, and made the struggle keen. Plenty of excitement was provided, but neither side was able to get over the line for a touch-down.

The band of H. M. S. Lancaster added to the holiday spirit of the day, and a feature of the game was a large number of local supporters who cheered the visiting teams in their tussle for victory. The Davies Dustweights also gave an exhibition of boxing which aroused applause.

The Basketball. Both the local teams were victors in the basketball games. The Victoria ladies won over the University by a score of twelve points to six, the local team being composed of members of the First Presbyterian Church team, with the exception of Miss Grant, of the Congregationals. There was a large attendance at the game, which was played at the Y. M. C. A. The teams were as follows: University—Misses L. Kerr, G. Pedlow, M. Kilpatrick, B. Clement, E. Evelyn and K. Stewart.

Victoria Ladies—Misses B. Briggs, M. Hannah, P. Grant, B. Harkness, R. Harkness and K. Jackson. The Y. M. C. A. players were far too good for the Varsity men in the second basketball game and obtained the decision by thirty-nine points to eleven. The visiting team lacked combination, speed and the ability to shoot, and it was apparent from the start that the homesters would get the points. The teams were as follows: University—L. Anderson, L. Fisher, G. C. Gross, H. Andrews and D. C. Taylor.

Y. M. C. A.—Bob Whyte, C. Baker, J. Stevens, Ed Hood, W. Nutt. Bob Whyte was the high scorer. Art Lord, of Vancouver, acted as referee. A dance at the Empress Hotel wound up the day's programme.

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Before Manager Lester Patrick had signed up three of last season's Portland players, Clem McLaughlin, Charlie Tobin and Alf Barbour, he already had a combination that was making the Vancouver and Seattle clubs open their eyes. Eddie Oatman, the pivot of the team, may not be able to start with crack of the gun at the beginning of next month, as the speedy centre has not recovered completely from the flu, and the latest reports state that he has had to go back to the hospital again. Under the heading, "Look Out for Victoria," The Province says: "Vancouver and Seattle clubs had better keep a weather eye open for Lester Patrick, who played with Portland last season, is also expected to join the Victoria club." Moose Johnson's signature has been obtained since the story was written, together with the three other Rosebuds above mentioned. Soldiers' Thanks.—The soldier patients at St. Joseph's Hospital through Corporal Dave Miller, wish to extend thanks to the ladies who have helped to entertain them during their time in hospital and loaned their cars for rides during the summer months, also to Miss Helen Stewart, of the Public Library, and to the Red Cross Society for the gramophone which has just been placed in the soldiers' ward.

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## FOUNDATION COMPANY HAS LARGE GOVERNMENT CONTRACT

Will Build One Hundred and Seventy-Four Steel Ships For French Authorities at An Expenditure of Over \$100,000,000

The French Government, according to information received by The Seattle Daily Times from Washington, has virtually closed negotiations with the Foundation Company for the construction of one hundred and seventy-four steel ships, involving the expenditure of over \$100,000,000. These vessels, it is said, will be built at the Foundation Company's Portland, Tacoma and British Columbia shipbuilding yards. According to The Seattle Times the negotiations now await the approval of the administration at Washington. This colossal contract, it is understood, has been the subject of a conference between President Wilson and Capt. Andre Tardieu, French High Commissioner to the United States, which was held in Paris on Friday.

**To Convert Yards.**  
To build the vast French armada, the Foundation Company plans to convert its Portland and Tacoma wooden shipbuilding yards into steel shipyards and it is reported, is considering the establishment of steel yards in British Columbia. In view of the fact that the Foundation Company operates a large wooden shipbuilding yard in Victoria, where twenty wooden steamships are now under construction to the order of the French Government, it is considered highly probable that some of the steel ships to be placed under this colossal order will be built in this city.

In tendering the \$100,000,000 order to the Foundation Company the French Government is said to have been influenced by the great success of the company in building forty 2,500-ton auxiliary-powered wooden schooners at Portland and Tacoma for the French Government. The French Government is operating with a success that has won the unstinted applause of the international shipping world.

According to details obtained in the East, the French Government asks the Foundation Company to build, will consist of carriers ranging from 2,500 to 10,000 dead-weight tons. The Foundation Company is one of the greatest general contracting corporations in the United States and Canada. Until 1917, when it established its wooden shipbuilding plants at Portland and Tacoma, it confined its operations to the territory east of the Mississippi River. The company has built a large number of the largest skyscrapers, bridges, manufacturing plants, culverts and similar structures in the United States and Canada, the company specializing in heavy construction work.

When the corporation decided to enter the shipbuilding game on the Pacific Coast, it sent Bayly Hopkins of New York, out here as its Western General manager. He is one of the few men in the country who directs the destinies of three different shipyards, located hundreds of miles apart. The yards in Tacoma and Portland have ten ways each, while the company's Victoria yard is slightly smaller. On the Pacific Coast, the corporation has restricted its heretofore to wooden ship construction, but on the East Coast it is building both wooden and steel carriers, the list including vessels for the United States Shipping Board.

At first the company had its Coast headquarters in Portland, but early in the year it transferred the offices to Seattle. The auxiliary-powered schooners built for France by the company's Tacoma and Portland plants have proved so successful that they are helping save the day for the wooden shipbuilding industry of the Northwest.

With hulls that follow the lines of the famous old Maine schooners in every detail, all the forty ships built in Tacoma and Portland are powered with steam. They handle beautifully under canvas, displaying all the speed and ability of the old Maine vessels. At the same time, the auxiliary steam engines drive them through the water at regular freighter speed in the event of calm or light winds. The sight of those vessels scudding before stormy winds with all the fleetness of clipper ships has thrilled both the Atlantic and the Pacific. The last of the twenty Tacoma ships and the twenty Portland ships are now in the water, receiving their finishing touches.

The Victoria yard of the Foundation Company was established in July, 1917, when the company accepted a contract from the Imperial Munitions Board to build five wooden steamships of 2,500 tons each. This contract was completed in September last when the Point Hope and Point Ellice yards were taken over for the construction of twenty wooden 2,000-ton steamships for the French Government.

### MINISTER TO JAPAN ARRIVED ON SUWA

Having left his post on account of ill-health, the Marquis de la Bagnasore, acting French Minister to Japan, arrived in Victoria on the Suwa Maru this morning. The Marquis spent five years at Tokyo at the embassy there, and for some time was acting ambassador. The Marquis was in the capital of Japan when the armistice was signed. The Japanese, he pointed out, had been little affected by the war, so that their enthusiasm at the cessation of hostilities was not so great as in countries where the war had been more keenly felt. The people, however, indulged in many demonstrations and numerous parades blocked the streets of the city on peace day.

### SUWA MARU MAKES PORT AFTER FINE FOURTEEN-DAY RUN

After an excellent trip of fourteen days' duration the Suwa Maru, Captain J. Teranaka, made port this morning at 9.30 o'clock. Her discharge for Victoria amounted to 1,025 tons and her cargo for Seattle 7,480 tons. Among the varied freight were 2,000 piculs of rubber, while the general cargo included copper, wool, straw matting, camphor, porcelain, hemp and a shipment of silk. The passengers include thirteen sailors for this port and seventy-nine for Seattle; seventeen second class for Victoria and thirty second class for Seattle. In the stowage were thirty-three Japanese and 145 Chinese for this port. For Seattle there were forty-three Japanese, seventeen Russians and seven Chinese.

### STRIKE SURPRISED HEAD OF COMPANY

Vancouver, Dec. 23.—Returning from the East, where he went on business connected with the contract which his company has secured from the Dominion Government for the building of four steel ships, J. J. Coughlan, of Coughlan & Sons, Vancouver shipbuilders, only learned the details of the strike on at the firm's yards on his arrival here yesterday afternoon. "All I know of the strike," said Mr. Coughlan, pointing to some newspapers, "is what I see in these papers. I have not seen anybody about it yet, but I will say that the strike is most regrettable and the company will do everything reasonable to adjust the difficulty."

When told that a committee from the Great War Veterans' Association had been appointed to interview the firm in regard to the matter, Mr. Coughlan said he had great respect for the organization and would be glad to meet its representatives. The firm wanted to end the strike, but would insist on managing its own business. Asked as to shipbuilding conditions in general, Mr. Coughlan said that it was expected that prices would come down gradually as war conditions changed. How fast this change would come and to what degree was uncertain. The Dominion Department of Marine had inaugurated a shipbuilding programme, letting contracts for forty steel ships, but how extensive a programme was contemplated had not been stated. Mr. Coughlan's firm had secured the contract for four of these ships which had been distributed throughout Canada and will be for delivery next year and will be of about 8,100 tons each. The prices of material, he said, on ships already contracted for would not be less than before, as the material had already been ordered and was reaching here almost daily.

### DEADLOCK RESULT OF LABOR APPEAL

Seattle, Dec. 23.—A deadlock having resulted in the hearing on the claim of Pacific Coast shipyard workers for relief from the Macey wage award, President James A. Taylor, of the Seattle Metal Trades Council, has left Washington, and is expected here early this week. A special meeting of Seattle shipyard workers comprising the Council will be held on his arrival to hear his report on the proceedings in Washington and his recommendations for their future course of action.

The appeal of the Pacific Coast Metal Trades Council from the Macey wage award of the U.S. Shipping Board has been before the Board of Reviews and Appeals of the U.S. Shipping Board for nearly a month without a decision being reached. When the award was announced the shipyard workers of the Pacific Coast met and formulated a protest. After agreeing to strike on December 8 if their appeal failed to receive favorable consideration by that time, they sent a delegation of seven to appear before the higher authorities of the shipping board. The case of the Coast workers was presented before the board of review and appeals.

The case of the shipyard workers was presented first and that of the Macey case came last. Just before the date set for the strike members of the Metal Trades delegation sent a telegram to the Coast advising a postponement of the strike, pending a final decision of the Board.

That the Board has finally agreed that no decision can be reached and that a deadlock has resulted is the information contained in a telegram received from Washington by Bert Swain, Secretary of the Seattle Metal Trades Council.

Representatives of the Metal Trades Council confessed that they are disappointed at the turn in affairs and admit that they are not certain as to what course to pursue. They are of an unanimous opinion that nothing should be done until the return of President Taylor, whom they expect to give them the facts of the situation and advise as to what policy to pursue to bring about recognition of their demands.

The metal trades delegation was instructed to contend for a scale of \$1 an hour for basic trades and the programme of a forty-four-hour week.

### HERE TO INVESTIGATE CONTRACT TRANSFERS

W. Watson, one of the financial men of the Foundation Company, Limited, is here to-day with Bayly Hopkins, Vice-President and General Manager on the North Pacific Coast for the company. Mr. Watson's visit to Victoria is for the purpose of taking up with the Victoria Machinery Depot the physical and financial side of the steel shipbuilding industry in Victoria with a view to considering taking over the Victoria Machinery Depot plant for the construction of four steel vessels, which it has been announced the Dominion Government has already placed with that company. The location, cost of construction of the plant, and the price to be decided upon are the three cardinal points that will influence the Foundation Company in a decision.

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With passengers and freight from California port the Pacific Steamship Company's steamship President made port to-day. On her arrival at Seattle the President will be temporarily withdrawn to undergo her annual overhaul. The steamship Governor, which has been repairing at Seattle, is scheduled to resume on Friday when she will touch at Victoria on her way out to sea.

**EMPRESS OF JAPAN ON RETURN VOYAGE**  
The C. P. O. S. liner Empress of Japan is reported to have reached Hongkong December 18 from Vancouver and Victoria via Vladivostok. On the same date the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Mexico Maru arrived at Hongkong from this port. The latter vessel is bound for Singapore.

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# CHURCHILL SPEAKS OF TRANSITION PERIOD

## Change - From Munition-Making to Industry in Britain Proceeding

London, Dec. 22.—In the course of an address to trades representatives on the measures taken by the Ministry of Munitions to facilitate the transition of industry from a war to a peace basis, Rt. Hon. Winston Spencer Churchill, Minister of Munitions, said: "The difficulties which on the eve of the armistice appeared so very formidable, have been found to be less serious than we expected, and the inevitable evils and inconveniences of the period of transition have not been so severe up to the present as most feared."

"When hostilities ceased the Ministry of Munitions was at full extension, straining like a runner in a race as he approached the goal." Dealing with the tasks still before the Ministry, Mr. Churchill said that one of these was the disposal of the stocks and stores of material of all kinds, amounting in value to nearly \$1,000,000,000, affecting every kind of trade in the country. Recklessly handled, the disposal of such a mass of surplus stores might result in instances of "dumping" on a scale unparalleled in economic history.

**Splendid Work.** Dealing with the inspection staff, Mr. Churchill said: "The efficiency in our output and inspection has been so great that the confidence of the troops in the excellence of their weapons has been unshakable. There was no army in the field more certain that its shells would burst properly, that its guns would resist the strain put upon them, and that all its material was the most trustworthy British workmanship could produce."

During October the average production of filled shells, said the Minister, was more than 42,000 tons a week. By the end of the year nearly 230,000 persons will have left the munitions production service. Mr. Churchill proceeded to show the rapidity with which these persons were finding new employment. The Government was doing its utmost to develop alternate production, and Mr. Churchill expressed confidence that if all should cooperate with the same loyalty as was displayed in connection with the war, the country's great industries would in a very few months resume their natural activity.

# WILL NEGOTIATE

# WITH THE CZECHS

## But Poland is Not Willing to Negotiate With the Ukraine

Vienna, Dec. 22.—Poland is anxious to reach an amicable agreement with the Czechs regarding the claims of the latter to Austrian Silesia and a Polish deputation will soon go to Prague to discuss the matter, according to a statement issued by the Polish Foreign Minister and printed in Warsaw newspapers.

The Minister also says that no efforts will be made to solve by diplomacy the claims to Galicia by the Ukraine. Regarding the southeastern frontier of Poland the Minister says the situation is very serious. He continues:

"The Republic of the Ukraine has forced the Poles to fight for their rights in Lemberg and the whole of eastern Galicia and diplomatic discussions with the Ukraine are at present impossible. It will be a question of arms until the matter is settled. Poland is ready to defend this part of her territory, where Poles are in the majority, by every means in their power."

# MANUFACTURERS OF SHOES IN CANADA FORM ASSOCIATION

Montreal, Dec. 22.—The Shoe Manufacturers' Association of Canada was successfully organized on Saturday. The association was organized without a dissenting vote by a committee of 125 delegates representing many of the leading boot and shoe makers of the Maritime Provinces, Montreal, Quebec City, Toronto and other Ontario points and some districts farther west.

Resolutions were passed petitioning the Ministers of Finance and Customs that no change be effected in the customs tariff on boots and shoes without giving the manufacturers a chance of submitting a statement of the conditions in the industry and asking the Minister of Militia to have shoe-makers overseas returned quickly to relieve the shortage of labor.

The following officers were elected: President, F. S. Scott, M. P., Galt, Ont.; First Vice-President, Joseph Doust, Montreal; Second Vice-President, J. D. Palmer, Fredericton, N. B.; J. Leckie, of Vancouver, is on the executive committee.

# LORD WEIR URGES COMMERCIAL AVIATION

London, Dec. 22.—(Canadian Press Dispatch via Reuters).—Lord Weir, Minister of Air, in a speech at Manchester, said: "Britain now has substantial numbers of aeroplanes and seaplanes able to carry seven of a crew and thirty passengers without stopping at a speed of 100 miles an hour. He suggested that big shipping and other transport organizations should actively interest themselves in the development of commercial aviation and when peace was signed the state should sell its surplus aeroplanes suitable for conversion to commercial uses to firms cheaply."

His Lordship said that the Air Board must reorganize. The first essential step of the new Ministry should be to organize international flying. This would involve an international convention. The articles of a convention already had been drafted and were being submitted to the Allies. If the Allies should approve the convention an international conference ought to be held and he had reason to anticipate that

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# FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND SYRIA'S FUTURE

New York, Dec. 22.—Assurance that the French Government will maintain the geographical integrity of Syria is given the North American section of the Syrian-Lebanese League by Stephen Pichon, French Foreign Minister, in a cable message sent to the French consulate in this city. The message says: "Assure them that the Government of the French Republic is decided to respect the autonomy of the free Government that will be regularly constituted in Syria, and as to Damascus, that great city, it will not be separated from Syria but will continue to be a part of it, thus maintaining the integrity of the country."

# MASKED ROBBERS MADE ESCAPE WITH JEWELRY IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Three masked robbers trussed and gagged the night watchman of the Eastern Townships Bank building, St. James Street here, shortly before 2 o'clock this morning, and after taking him to an office on the eighth floor, made him the unwilling witness of their operations on a safe which they blew up, making their escape with rings and jewelry said to be valued at \$10,000.

# TORONTO UNIVERSITY AND RETURNED MEN

Toronto, Dec. 22.—The authorities of the University of Toronto have now definitely decided to open a special school of instruction for soldiers who have not as yet reached matriculation standing. This special class will be opened in February.

President Falconer says the scheme is to fit the men who come back to enter the University as soon as possible. It would be very difficult, he declared, for such men to go back to High Schools and be in the same class with junior pupils.

# KAMLOOPS-KELOWNA BRANCH OF C. N. R.

Vernon, Dec. 22.—The Vernon Board of Trade has decided to call a convention here for Friday next to which delegates will be invited from all the Boards of Trade and Municipal Councils in the district between Kamloops and Kelowna. The object of the meeting is to discuss the advisability of sending a strong delegation to Ottawa to press for the speedy construction of a branch line of the C.N.R. running from Kamloops through the Grand Prairie and Salmon River dis-

# A NEW GERMANY OF SEVEN REPUBLICS

A Rhenish Official Suggests Group of Seven States Patterned on U. S.

Dresden, Dec. 22.—Via London, Dec. 22.—A Rhenish official advances the suggestion for a future Germany composed of seven republics, constructed along the line of the United States, as follows: First—Upper Saxony, composed of the former Kingdom of Saxony, with Thuringia, Erfurt, Magdeburg, Anhalt and German Bohemia. Capital, Dresden.

Second—Lower Saxony, with Hannover, Lippe, Brunswick, Oldenburg, Bremen, Hamburg, Lubeck and Schleswig-Holstein. Capital, Hannover.

Third—Rhine-land, with Baden, Alsace, Prussia, Rhenish Hesse, Thurn Province, Hesse-Nassau and Westphalia. Capital, Coblenz.

Fourth—Swabia, with Wurttemberg and Hohenzollern. Capital, Stuttgart.

Fifth—Bavaria.

Sixth—German-Austria, with Viere-

# CHURCH SERVICES IN HAMILTON YESTERDAY

Hamilton, Ont., 22.—The churches in this city were opened yesterday for the first time in several weeks, owing to the removal of the influenza ban.

# 28,000,000 POUNDS OF FOODSTUFFS FROM STATES TO FINLAND

Washington, Dec. 22.—Steady progress in the establishment of a popular Government in Finland on a comparatively stable basis free from German control, has resulted in a decision by the Allies to furnish that country at once with foodstuffs for civilian relief.

Shipment of 28,000,000 pounds of foodstuffs to Finland has been authorized by the United States War Trade Board, with the approval of the Allied Governments.

# NEW VANCOUVER COMPANY.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Dominion incorporation has been granted to the Canada Western Products, Ltd., of Vancouver, with a capitalization of \$1,500,000.

# A BRIDGE ACROSS RHINE SPEEDILY BUILT BY FRENCH

Mayence, Dec. 22.—The French threw a pontoon bridge across the Rhine at Nierstein on Friday. This bridge, which is over 1,600 feet in length, was built in five days.

# BERLIN PAPER'S IDEA.

Berlin, Dec. 22.—Via London, Dec. 22.—Die Freiheit, which steadily drifted toward the Left up to the final days of the Congress in Berlin of Workmen's and Sailors' Councils, to-day took a long step backward in the direction of the Right, in discussing editorially the results of the Congress.

# FOODSTUFFS FROM STATES TO SWEDEN

Washington, Dec. 22.—To relieve what is described as an acute shortage of food in Sweden, ships carrying 13,764,800 pounds of foodstuffs are en route to that country from the United States. The War Trade Board announced to-day they should arrive before Christmas Day.

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### FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL BUY FARMS NOW

Premier Oliver Advised of Proposed Legislation on These Lines

For the purpose of dispensing general information as to the extent the Federal Soldiers' Settlement Board intends to meet the requirements of returned men who are desirous of following a rural career, Colonel Innes called upon Premier Oliver on Saturday last and advised him in detail.

While the majority of the information was in the possession of British Columbia's Premier, Mr. Oliver declared that he learned of one satisfactory proposal in the way of contemplated Dominion legislation. Colonel Innes informed him that the Dominion Government proposes to buy farms and that powers will be vested in the Federal Soldiers' Settlement Board to secure such up to \$5,000 in value, and to make a further loan of \$1,500 for stock and implements. Should it be necessary and advisable after the farm has been improved and added to so as to enhance the security for the former advance, to increase the loan up to another thousand dollars, bringing the total liability up to \$7,500 in all. It was pointed out by Colonel Innes that farms so purchased would naturally go to "selected" men, men with farming experience and particularly

qualified to become producers at the outset. Premier Oliver was gratified to hear of this decision on the part of the Dominion Government, and as a new departure he was glad to note the progress made. **WAS AT MONS** Lieut. G. S. Hanes, M. P. P., Entered Mons With the Canadians, Was With Engineers. Lieut. George S. Hanes, Liberal member for North Vancouver, added a notation to his regimental Christmas card, which reached Premier Oliver this morning, indicating that he had the satisfaction of being on duty with the Canadian Engineers on the day Mons was captured, and with Currie's valiant troops he entered the city.

### FOURTEEN POINTS ARE STILL UNDER THE BAN

Spanish "Flu" Affected No Less Than Fifty-Three Municipalities

Out of the fifty-three municipalities which found it necessary to apply to the Provincial Board of Health for the inhibitory ban as a preventive measure against Spanish influenza, there are still some fourteen points in various parts of the Province at which the epidemic is considered sufficiently serious to require rigid precautionary action still.

The ban is still in effect at Prince Rupert, Ladysmith, Pouce Coupe, Nelson, Kaslo, Maple Ridge, Union Bay, Anyox, New Denver and District, Princeton, Golden and vicinity, North Saanich District, 150-Mile House and district, and Lardeau and Denman Valleys.

Dr. H. E. Young, Secretary of the Provincial Board, left on last night's boat for Vancouver for the purpose of making an inspection of the property in the Municipality of Burnaby, which the Terminal City contemplates utilizing for a cemetery.

### SEARCH FOR BODY

Country Has Been Scoured Without Success for Remains of P. Peters.

Despite the fact that some of the most expert hunters in the district have been searching the woods for the past week in the area lying between

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the second and third Goldstream Lakes, for the body of Percy Peters, nothing has yet been discovered of the remains of the unfortunate man who perished from exposure while on a hunting trip with Thomas Douglas.

Reports from the hospital state that Douglas is liable to lose some of his toes as a result of the terrible suffering he endured while wandering about for a week in the woods without food or warmth after the two men had lost their way.

All of the search parties came into the city on Saturday night, and the search has practically been given up for the time being. The searchers have endeavored to locate the body of Peters from information supplied by Douglas. It is pointed out by the Provincial Police, however, that it would take hundreds of men to cover the ground, fully, and it is doubtful whether the body will ever be located, as there are thousands of fallen logs

on the ground, together with a great amount of thick underbrush, which makes the task of searching for the remains a most difficult one.

### FULFILLS PROMISE

Khaki University Gets Bulletins and Departmental Reports From Provincial Government. Following the recent visit of Captain W. A. Gilmour, B.A., as a special representative of the Khaki University, and his request to the Provincial Department of Education, Hon. J. D. MacLean states that all the available bulletins and reports of the various departments have now been forwarded to Europe for use in this institution. The Department of Education has also given its permission for the University to utilize the services of Albert Sullivan, one of the High School

inspectors, and E. H. Murphy, a teacher at the Normal School, providing their respective military duties will permit of release for the purpose.

Case is Remanded.—Otto Huff, charged with knocking down with his automobile a young woman on Oak Bay avenue recently, appeared in the Oak Bay Police Court this morning when his case was remanded until Friday at 2.30. Accused is out on bail.

Collision Case in Court.—The County Court action of Empress Auto and Taxi Co., Ltd., vs. Simpson was begun in the County Court to-day before Judge Lampan. The action is one for damages arising out of a collision between two automobiles on Malahat Drive, and the trial was continued this afternoon. N. W. Whitaker is appearing for the plaintiff and W. A. Brethour for the defendant.



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Under and by virtue of a Warrant of Execution, issued out of the County Court of Victoria, holden at Victoria, and to me directed, against the goods and chattels of Robert Brown, I have seized and taken possession of a quantity of success, axes, hammers, snatch blocks, iron vice, peavies, mallets, spreaders, anvil, bellows with attachment, boom chains, swamp hooks, grab hooks with cables, rafter chains, etc. and will offer the same for sale at public auction at Scott & Peden's store, Cobble Hill, on Friday next, December 27, 1918, at 2.30 p. m. Terms of sale, cash.

F. G. RICHARDS, Sheriff's Office, Victoria, Dec. 23, 1918.

**INCREASED AMOUNTS FOR EX-SOLDIERS**

Details of Ottawa Order Making New Post-Discharge Scale

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The details of the Order-in-Council passed by the Cabinet authorizing the payment of a "war service gratuity" to be payable to the naval and land forces of Canada in place of post-discharge pay are as follows:

The amount to be paid is graduated up to six months' pay and allowances, consisting of subsistence allowances or allowances for rations and quarters, according to the length and nature of service.

For members of the land forces who have served any time overseas, which means on the strength for pay and allowances of some recognized overseas establishment, and were on the strength of the land forces on active service on the date of the armistice, November 11, 1918, the gratuity is graded as follows:

For three years' service or more, 183 days' pay and allowances.  
For two years' service and under three years, 153 days' pay and allowances.  
For one year's service and under two years, 123 days' pay and allowances.  
For less than one year, ninety-two days' pay and allowances.

It is further provided that if in any case the amount of thirty-one days' pay and allowances is less than \$100 in the case of a man with dependents who were eligible to receive separation allowance, or is less than \$70 in the case of a man without such dependents, \$100 and \$70, respectively, will be paid in place of every payment of one month's pay and allowances.

**Retroactive.**  
For those who served at the front in any actual theatre of war and were discharged prior to the passing of the Order-in-Council, its provisions are made retroactive to the beginning of the war.

For the members of the land forces who were on the strength on active service on the date of the armistice and have not served overseas on the strength for pay and allowances of some recognized overseas establishment, the gratuity is graded as follows:

For three years' service or more, ninety-two days' pay and allowances.  
For two years' service and under three years, sixty-one days' pay and allowances.  
For one year's service and under two years, thirty-one days' pay and allowances.  
Under one year no gratuity is given. A minimum of \$100 in the case of men with dependents who were eligible to receive separation allowance, and \$70 in the case of men without such dependents, is provided for in the case of those who have served overseas.

As regards those who had not served at the front in any actual theatre of war and were not on the strength of the forces on November 11 last, no benefit is given under the Order-in-Council. These cases already are provided for under the orders regarding post-discharge pay.

**Naval Men.**  
For members of the naval forces of Canada effectually the same provisions are made. Payment of the gratuity will be made as follows:

Thirty-one days' pay and allowances on the date of discharge, and the remainder in alternate monthly payments of thirty and thirty-one days' pay and allowances.  
Certain restrictions are placed on the granting of the gratuity. For instance, if a man is discharged with ignominy or for misconduct, the gratuity is not payable. Further, while the officer or man is undergoing treatment by and is in receipt of full pay and allowances from the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-adjustment, the gratuity will be withheld until such treatment and pay have ceased.

Any post-discharge pay paid under previous Orders-in-Council will be deducted from the amount of the war service gratuity.

It is provided that where a separation allowance was issuable during service and the dependent is still eligible, the portion equal to the separation allowance will be paid direct to the dependent.

**Arrears.**  
Regarding the adjustment of arrears where the whole or any part of post-discharge pay already has been paid under previous Orders-in-Council, any payment due under the new regulations over and above the amount of post-discharge pay already paid will not be made until February 1, 1919.

Applications for adjustment as outlined above must be made in the case of the land forces, to the paymaster of the district headquarters, and in the case of the naval forces, to the paymaster of each district, from unit paymasters and from officers commanding militia units. These forms may be obtained from the foregoing on and after January 4, 1919.

Payment of the adjustment will be paid as far as practicable, in alternate monthly instalments of thirty-one and thirty days' pay and allowances.

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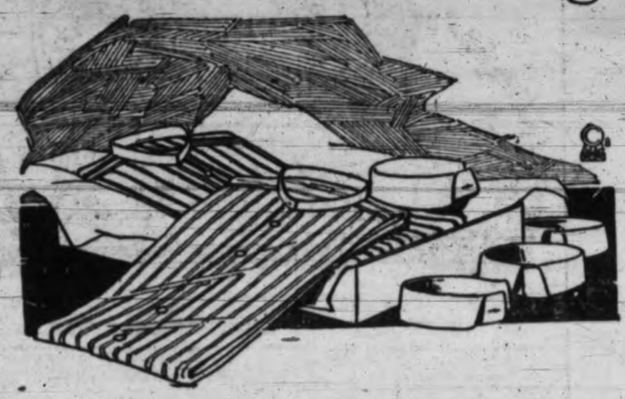
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Full Details of Prohibition Probe in Order-in-Council Passed

At Saturday morning's meeting of the Executive Council of British Columbia an Order-in-Council was passed appointing the Honorable William H. P. Clement as sole Commissioner to inquire into certain matters relative to circumstances which have arisen out of what is now popularly known as the Findlay case. The full terms of the Order giving the scope of the Commission follow:

Scope of Commission.  
That under the provisions of Section 4 of Chapter 110 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1911, Public Inquiries Act, the Honorable William Henry Pope Clement, one of His Majesty's Justices of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, be appointed sole Commissioner to inquire: (a) "Whether intoxicating liquor has been unlawfully imported into the Province of British Columbia since the twenty-fourth day of December, 1917, and if so, in what manner and by what was effected; (b) "If any intoxicating liquor was so unlawfully imported into the Province of British Columbia, the names of the persons, firms or corporations engaged directly or indirectly or in any wise connected with such unlawful importation; (c) "Into the disposition of all intoxicating liquor so unlawfully imported; (d) "Into all unlawful sales of intoxicating liquor within the Province of British Columbia since the first day of October, 1917, in respect of which no prosecution has been had under the British Columbia Prohibition Act, or under any Statute, Order-in-Council, or Regulation having the force of law in British Columbia."

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Flight-Lieut. Emerson L. Smith Has Reached Edinburgh, on Way Home

Flight-Lieutenant Emerson L. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Smith, of this city, has reached Edinburgh from Germany, according to a cablegram received by them. He has been a prisoner of war in Germany for twelve months, having been reported missing on October 26, 1917, during a flight. When that event



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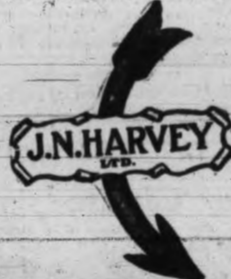
#### Men's Gloves

Lined Mocha Gloves, tan and grey, \$2.25, \$2.75 and ..... \$3.50  
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Fur-Lined Gloves, extra quality ..... \$6.00  
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occurred sympathetic letters were received from the Flight Commander and Major of the Forty-fifth Squadron, with which he was connected, it being stated at that time that Flight-Lieut. Smith had achieved a glorious record for the squadron. He was particularly commended for "his pluck and daring," and for encouragement given by him to others "when times were not bright" in the Royal Air Force. It transpired later, in letters which the parents received from their son in Germany, that he was badly wounded at the time of his capture, being shot through the left lung, left arm, and sustained the fracture of four ribs. The machine was smashed during the encounter with enemy airmen. The Flight-Lieutenant was moved to hospital in Hamburg, and on his recovery was confined to a prison camp at Furstenberg, in Mecklenburg province, where he was well treated and adequately fed. Flight-Lieut. Smith was educated at South Park School and the High School here, and played on the football team of the latter institution. He left Victoria with his parents when they moved to Nelson, and was afterwards associated with the 106th and 225th Battalions, in the latter of which he secured a lieutenant's commission. Next he transferred to the Royal Air Force, and had been engaged on the Western front for nearly a year when he was captured following his injuries in October, 1917.

taken by arrivals from the neighboring cities assembling for family reunions. The slackening in prairie visitors has been due to a desire to spend the festive season at home before coming to the Coast, on the part of those who did not take advantage of the first excursions. However, incoming trains and steamers from the North to Vancouver indicate a marked increase in passenger travel as compared with a year ago, and assures a distribution of tourists, of whom Victoria will have her full share immediately the holidays are over. They should fill the interval until the Legislature sits. The House brings in its train a host of people busy on deputations and conventions, so that the winter season should be a good one in this respect, aided by tourist travel in increasing volume later.

Outside the ordinary flow of travel social engagements are heavier this year than ever, notably at the Empress Hotel, where the ballroom is greatly in demand for all classes of gatherings. The plethora of associations here raising money for philanthropic purposes is a contributing factor to this condition, and the great influence of the relief from war's alarms has been given impetus by the compulsory cessation for seven weeks during the influenza ban of all engagements. Thus there exists a multitude of societies organizing various functions at this season, and from their activities the hotels benefit.

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#### HOTELS EXPERIENCE

#### RENEWED VITALITY

Advent of "Peace" Christmas-tide is Swelled by Tourist Travel

The influence of the Christmas season is experienced at the principal hotels. While the registers have been occupied largely with the names of prairie people, the locations of visitors representing every part of the three provinces, there has been a marked falling off in the last few days from this source. Their place has been



### SHOULD BE LESSON FOR FISHERIES HERE

Says Correspondent of The Times Regarding Maine Sardine Industry

A correspondent who is interested in the development of the fishing industry of Vancouver Island sends the accompanying statement from the St. John (N.B.) Globe of December 14 on the sardine industry of Maine, and says it presents a lesson to the people here:

Bangor, Me., Dec. 14.—The pack of Maine sardines in an average year is about 2,000,000 cases, and at present war prices this product would be worth from \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000. This year the pack will not be more than three-quarters of the normal output, but its value will not be less than \$10,000,000, which makes the industry one of great importance to this state, where more than fifty-five factories are located. The Passamaquoddy Bay region, with Eastport and Lubec as its two big sardine towns has most of these factories and puts out probably three-quarters of the total Maine pack, but there are factories all along the Maine coast.

**Better Quality.**

The increase in value of Maine sardines is not due to war conditions alone, it is due very largely to the vast improvement that has taken place in the quality of the goods being produced—an improvement that is guaranteed by what amounts to a government inspection of the pack.

Maine's sardine industry has seen many changes since it was established in Washington County in 1875. Not the least of these have come in the last half dozen or so years. In the early days of the American sardine the pack of this State was considered of inferior quality. It had no show of competing with the imported article for the best trade. Now this has changed. Maine sardines are the equal of those packed anywhere in the world. They are bought and used by the best trade.

When the industry was first started the machinery amounted to little. Now it is of the greatest importance. Then the Maine packer was content to put his fish up in cotton seed oil, leaving the use of the higher grade and more costly olive oil to the French and Norwegian packer. For the last ten years the Maine man has been using olive oil for his better grades. To-day he is not. In this he is no different from any other packer. He can't get the olive oil. The war has stopped it. He has adopted peanut oil, and this year is putting up thousands of cases in it.

**Methods of Pack.**

The experiment was first tried last year. The result was gratifying. Maine also packs sardines in mustard, spices and catsup. Each of these particular brands has a great demand in certain territories. One of the most important changes in the packing of sardines is that of cooking, in the old days they roasted the fish before putting them in the tins. The method of doing this was to place the fish, after being cleaned on the flakes and then arrange the flakes on the shelves of a great wheel which revolved over a bed of red hot hardwood coals.

Some factories still use that process, but for the most part the fish are fried. They are first placed on a conveyor, which slowly moves them through a great tank of boiling oil. The fish are thoroughly fried in the oil and the box comes out with a sufficient supply of oil inside so that no more has to be poured in. The oil is heated by an arrangement of steam pipes from 250 to 300 degrees.

Another important machine which is now used in the sardine factories is the flaker. This automatically places the fish on the tin flakes or pans. Formerly this was done by child labor and was a source of much agitation by those opposed to working children in factories. This machine ended all child labor in the sardine factories, because it did the work much better and much more economically.

#### A CRITICISM OF "DAWN'S" "BON VOYAGE."

O "Dawn," who wrote that little verse I read in Thursday's Times,  
"Twas the point, pithy and terse,  
But—who could say it rhymes?  
For one with a musician's ear  
'Tis nothing short of pain  
To make "meets" rhyme with "peace."  
Your gear  
Was out of work what time, I fear,  
You wrote your sweet refrain.

Poetic license might endorse  
Your rhyming "board" with "word,"  
But never "thought" with "not." Of course,  
It may not have occurred  
To you that "not" and "wordless"  
Rhyme not, although your scan  
Is pretty good, but what a mess  
You made of rhyme, O Man!

GLESK.  
G. W. V. A.  
December 19, 1918.

The Editor—"My dear sir, we can't publish nonsense like this—it's not poetry at all. It's an escape of gas."  
Poet—"Ah, I see. Something wrong with the metre."

Clerk H. S. Cowper reported that Councilors Dignon, Jones and he had represented Saanich in the deputation which waited upon the Government recently to request that the powers of municipal taxation should be extended, and that satisfactory results were achieved.

The question of a new cemetery came up for passing consideration in view of the meeting to-day to consider that question. Ives Borden remarking that many people who were unable to live in Saanich thought at least they would like to be buried there.

#### SCANDALOUS AND LIBELOUS.

Premier is Receiving Anonymous Letters on the Subject of Prohibition in General.

Premier Oliver observed to The Times representative this morning that he was continually receiving anonymous communications in relation to the recent disclosures and the importation of liquor unlawfully into British Columbia.

"Many of these communications," says Mr. Oliver, "are both scandalous and libelous, and if anyone thinks I am going to be influenced by any anonymous statement, he is foolish as well as a cur."

Little Polly Finders is careful with the children.  
She's getting economical of late;  
In fact, she's quite untiring in attempts to save the fringe.  
In which respect her schemes are simply grate.

### DECREASING EXPORT OF ISLAND COLLIERIES

Commission of Conservation Booklet Deals With Some Phases of Fuel Situation

How the situation in the coal trade is changing, increasing the consumption within the province of products of Vancouver Island collieries, and decreasing the export trade done is shown in a report on the Fuels of Western Canada issued by the Commission of Conservation. It is prepared by the Deputy Head, James White, and is based largely on work of the geological survey, and the investigation into water powers conducted by Arthur V. White, Consulting Engineer of the Commission.

Mr. White read a paper at the second professional meeting of the Engineering Institute at Saskatoon in August, but the material in the bulletin is revised to December 2. The report reached Victoria last week.

The contrast is told in percentages as follows: Export to United States, 1917, from Vancouver Island and Nicola Collieries, 26 per cent; to other countries 24 per cent, and sold 65 per cent, for consumption in Canada. In 1902 75 per cent, was exported to the United States.

The majority of British Columbians do not realize that Alberta raises nearly twice as much coal to the surface as the three main coal fields of this province, namely 4,736,368 tons last year compared with 2,438,838 tons in British Columbia. In other words Alberta supplies one-third of the coal raised in Canada, and British Columbia less than 20 per cent.

Mr. White shows from the investigation into water powers that heating by electric energy would on average prices be four times as costly as with coal. He points out that heating by "white fuel" is only economically possible where energy can be generated at a very low cost.

Examining the wood fuel situation he shows that the Forest Products Laboratory at Montreal has determined that a cord of birch has the same heating value as a ton of anthracite, and that 1.20 cords of Douglas fir, 1.50 of hemlock and 2.10 of cedar will give the same heating results. This is with coal possessing a high calorific value, but Mr. White anticipates the average cord would give a better equivalent to wood values, up to one-fifth of the figures stated.

### SAANICH PREPARES FOR NEXT ELECTION

Various Matters Considered at Meeting of Council on Saturday

Preparations for the next municipal election were discussed at the meeting of the Saanich Council on Saturday afternoon when plans were made for nomination on January 13 and for the poll on the following Saturday. Arrangements for the election will resemble those of last year, with R. R. F. Sewell, Assessor, acting as returning officer.

The Council referred to its successor a letter from Mayor Gale, of Vancouver regarding reconstruction measures which might be taken up by British Columbia municipalities. The letter suggested that Victoria follow the lead of Terminal City by having all public bodies nominate representatives to a reconstruction committee and that in due course a convention could be held. The communication was referred to the incoming Council, it being the opinion of the present Councilors that it would be inadvisable to appoint such delegates now in case they might not be members of the Council next year.

**Rock Quarry.**

The Council decided to operate a rock quarry at the corner of Hinkinson Road and the Cedar Hill Cross Road, where Superintendent Girling reported there was a large quantity of excellent rock. It was estimated that the rock, which would be suitable for road-making purposes, could be quarried and crushed at the cost of \$150 a cubic yard.

A vote of thanks to the Saanich Branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses was passed by the Council when a report was submitted from the head of that organization telling of the work done during the influenza epidemic. The expense of these efforts, it was reported, was very small indeed compared to that entailed in other districts.

Works matters were considered at the meeting, and the Superintendent was instructed to see that sand was kept upon all hills of paved roads during winter months to prevent horses slipping and motor cars skidding.

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**At \$7.50**—Waists of heavy quality ivory habutai, made with novelty sailor collar, tucked fronts, fastened with two large pearl buttons; turnback cuffs, which button.

**At \$3.50**—Smart tailored Waist, in habutai silk, with roll collar, deep turnback cuffs, pointed with pearl buttons.

**At \$2.95**—An extensive range of the celebrated "Weiworth" Waists, developed from voile and fine muslin, beautifully trimmed with fine lace and insertions, in a host of new styles.



### Dainty Gift Handkerchiefs

- Dainty Boxed Handkerchiefs, in mull, fine lawn and linen, with white or colored embroidered corners, in a host of effective designs; 2 and 3 in box. Specially priced, each, 39¢, 59¢, 85¢, 79¢, 95¢, \$1.00 and ..... \$1.25
- Ladies' Initialed Handkerchiefs, embroidered in dainty colors and with fine cord edge; 6 in box. Price 69¢
- Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, of better grade Irish hand-embroidered, and with edge of fine filet lace. Each ..... \$1.00
- Dainty Sheer Linen Handkerchiefs, beautifully embroidered. They come with fine scalloped or neat hemstitched borders. Each at ..... 75¢
- Khaki Silk Handkerchiefs, of beautiful quality silk, large size, deep hem. Each at ..... \$1.75
- Cotton and Mercerized Khaki Handkerchiefs. Each, 20¢ and 25¢
- Silk Khaki Handkerchiefs, of good quality, large size. Each, 65¢ and ..... 95¢
- Ladies' Linen Initialed Handkerchiefs, with neat hemstitched borders and ¼ and ½-inch hems. Each, 25¢ and 35¢; 3 for ..... \$1.00
- A great variety of Handkerchiefs for the kiddies, all neatly boxed, in plain white or with animal and pictures and nursery rhymes. Per box, 20¢, 25¢, 29¢ and ..... 35¢
- Men's Linen Initialed Handkerchiefs, of excellent grade. Each, 50¢; 3 in box, \$1.35
- Men's Novelty Handkerchiefs, full size, in a range of colorings. Each ..... 25¢
- Men's Lawn Handkerchiefs, large size, with ½-inch hem. Each at ..... 15¢
- "La Rose" Handkerchiefs of fine linen, embroidered in exceptionally dainty designs and colorings. Each, 39¢

### Splendid Display of Christmas Neckwear

We are showing some of the most exclusive Collars in assorted shapes, sailors, long front effect and roll styles, all very daintily trimmed with filet and Cluny lace; made in georgette crepe and washing satin. Priced, each at ..... \$3.00

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Pretty Collars are shown in the long front effect and sailor styles, in pique, gabardine and georgette, all finished with lace. These come in a good assortment. Priced, each, at ..... \$1.00

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### Useful Gifts From the Staple Dept. Marked at Special Prices

- Jacquard Bath Robes, wool finish, with cord and frogs to match; colors old rose, old blue, grey, lavender; size, 70 x 90 inches. Regular \$7.50. Special ..... \$5.95
- McLintock's Eiderdown, in fancy floral covering and panel border; color combinations of green, old rose and sage; size 66 x 72 inches. Regular \$15.75. Special ..... \$12.95
- McLintock's Eiderdown, fine quality steen covering in fancy floral designs, panel border; colors old rose and sage blue; size, 72 x 72 inches. Regular \$17.50. Special at ..... \$14.95
- Wool Blankets of fine quality, in size 68 x 86 inches. Regular \$20.00 marked at, a pair ..... \$15.95

### Pretty Dresden Ribbons for Christmas Gifts

We have on display a big range of fancy All-Silk Taffeta Dresden Ribbons, most suitable for making bags and fancy Christmas Novelties, as well as making pretty hair bows; widths, 5, 6 and 7½ inches. Per yard, 35¢, 50¢, 65¢, \$1.25 and ..... \$1.95

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### Give Gloves This Christmas

Gloves should have an important place on your Christmas list. They are useful presents that are always welcomed and appreciated. This is especially so if they are bought here, for most folks know that our Gloves are of the finest grades, made of selected leathers and cut so that they are smooth, snug and fit perfectly.



- The Broadway Glove, made of a fine French kid, in black and white; soft cuff, with fancy black and white stitching, strap at wrist, with one pearl dome; pique sewn; in sizes 5½ to 7. A pair ..... \$3.00
- The Perrin's "Belfort" Gloves, in a fine quality French kid, in shades of tan, brown, champagne, also white with black points and champagne with black points; two dome fasteners at wrist; blame fingers. A neat fitting glove, in sizes 6 to 7. Price, a pair ..... \$3.00
- "Patricia" Trefousse Glove, made of a heavy durable kid, with pique sewn seams, one dome fastener at wrist; in colors champagne, navy, gunmetal, tan, black and white, also black with white stitchings and white with black; in sizes 5½ to 7½. A pair ..... \$2.50
- "Shelbourne" Trefousse Glove, made of a splendid wearing kid, with pique sewn or oversewn seams, two pearl domes at wrist; in colors white with black points and black with white; in all sizes. At pair ..... \$2.75

### Christmas Furs

- Black Wolf Cape, poplin lined, with tie fastenings. Price ..... \$23.00
- Black Wolf Stole, animal style; satin lined. Price ..... \$17.50
- Neat Stole of Black China Dog, finished with head and tails. Price ..... \$9.50
- Silver Grey Fox Stole, animal style. Priced at ..... \$25.00
- Red Fox Stole, beautifully marked; crepe-de-chine lined. Price ..... \$27.50
- Natural Wolf Stole in snake style; poplin lined. Price ..... \$17.50
- Natural Wolf Stole, animal style, finished with head, claws and tail. Priced at ..... \$14.50
- Australian Fox Stole, satin lined, Tasting. Price ..... \$20.00
- Natural Wolf Stole, satin lined. Priced at ..... \$9.50
- Large Natural Wolf Muff, pillow style. Price ..... \$18.50
- Natural Wolf Muff, rug style, finished with head and tail. Price ..... \$12.50
- Very Handsome Natural Wolf Muff in melon style, finished with large brush and head. Price ..... \$37.50
- Black Wolf Muff, pillow style, satin lined. Price ..... \$25.00
- Black Wolf Muff, melon style, finished with large brush; satin lined. Priced at ..... \$15.00
- Australian Red Fox Muff, finished with head and tail. Price ..... \$20.00

### Toy Specials for Tuesday

The Hammer Miniature Railway Trains, clockwork movement complete with track. Regular \$1.50. Tuesday ..... 95¢

Picture Books printed in bright colors and on good paper. Regular 25c. Tuesday ..... 19¢

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