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REPORTS BRITISH CRUISER GLASGOW SANK THE GERMAN COMMERCE-RAIDER VINETA WITH ALL MEMBERS OF CREW

British Naval Reserve Officer Who Has Arrived in New York Says Warship Riddled Enemy Craft and Then Caused Magazine to Blow Up, Sinking Her in Atlantic Off Coast of Brazil

New York, Feb. 24.—According to an officer of the British naval reserve who arrived in New York last night from St. Lucia, in the West Indies, the German raider Vineta was sunk four weeks ago by the British cruiser Glasgow following a fight between the raider and her consort steamship St. Theodore, and the British cruiser Amethyst off the island of Fernando de Noronha, 125 miles from the coast of Brazil.

The report was given him by an officer of the Glasgow, who said that there were three vessels cruising in company when the Amethyst approached and only two appeared to take part in the fight. The third vessel did not fire, but sheered off. The smallest of the raiders, probably the St. Theodore, was reported by the officers of the Amethyst to have been in a sinking condition when night fell and the vessels from the view of the cruiser.

After getting the wireless report from the Amethyst describing the direction in which the raiders were going, the captain of the Glasgow went after them, steaming 22 knots to the 16-knot speed of the Vineta, which he overhauled on the morning of January 25, when the weather was clear and calm.

Closed in.
"The account given to me of the fight between the raider and the Glasgow," the naval reserve officer said, "stated that the firing commenced at a range of 7 miles or more, and that the cruiser outranged the Vineta for a time with her 6-inch guns. Later the two vessels got closer together and the firing grew hotter on both sides. The raider had two big guns forward, one on the port and one on the starboard bow on the deck under the fore-clews head."

"As the Vineta was unarmored, the shells of the Glasgow smashed through her hull as if it were matchwood. She soon began to collapse and was on the point of foundering when a shell from one of the Glasgow's six-inch guns hit her magazine and she blew up with a report that was heard many miles away and caused the rumor to be circulated in Brazil and Argentina—that a naval engagement had taken place off the Brazilian coast considerably farther north than Fernando de Noronha."

All Crew Lost.
"I also was informed that the Vineta had been destroyed with all her crew, and that no one had been saved from the raider. Incidentally I heard at St. Lucia that the Admiralty in London had cabled to Rear-Admiral Browning, in command of the naval station at Bermuda, to relieve the captain of the Glasgow and send him to London to give a description of the fight with the Vineta."

According to dispatches received from Pernambuco early this month, wreckage had been washed ashore near the mouth of the Parahyba River. The wreckage included wireless apparatus, a tin box containing a small quantity of cylinders filled with some explosive substance, planks, parts of ship's boats and cases of provisions.

Steamships arriving at Barbados and Rio de Janeiro recently reported having passed wreckage off the Brazilian coast. The planks looked as if they had been smashed to pieces by some terrific force.

The Glasgow is a light cruiser, completed in January, 1911, of 4,500 tons displacement, with a speed of 25 knots and a complement of 380 men. She has two 6-inch guns, ten 4-inch guns, several quick-firers and two submerged 15-inch torpedo tubes. She is 430 feet long. The Glasgow was in the Battle of Coronel, the first naval battle in the Pacific early in the war, when Rear-Admiral Cradock's squadron met that of Admiral von Spee, and she also took part in the battle off the Falkland Islands, when von Spee's squadron was destroyed.

CANADIAN WOMEN AND CHILDREN ARE NOT TO TRAVEL TO BRITAIN

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—An extra of the Canada Gazette issued this morning contains the text of the formal order-in-council prohibiting women and children going to the British Isles. The prohibition extends to women and girls and all children under the age of ten years. Steamship agents guilty of disobeying the order are liable to imprisonment for six months or a fine not exceeding \$2,000 or less than \$500.

VILLISTAS WON.

Nogales, Ariz., Feb. 24.—Reports of two days' fighting around Sario, Sonora, between Carranza troops under General Cacacho and a band of Villa soldiers were confirmed here today by United States army officers. It was said the Villa forces had forced the Carranza troops out of Sonayeta.

FUNDS NEEDED FOR THE RED CROSS

Local Committee Makes a Special Appeal to the People of Victoria

MONEY AND WORKERS ARE BOTH REQUIRED

Large Increase in Quantity of Shipments but Not Enough Yet

The Victoria Red Cross Society is making a strong appeal for more funds and increased supplies. The following is the text of a letter issued by it:

"Owing to a very strong appeal from the front for more Red Cross supplies, this branch has been endeavoring to speed up the output of the district by the opening of new auxiliaries and otherwise."

"These efforts have been successful. The full results of the increase are not yet shown in the shipments, but they are in evidence in the necessary purchases of materials."

"From its inception to 31st December, 1916, the Victoria City and District branch spent \$45,812.31 on materials to be made up into Red Cross supplies, an average of \$2,184.73 per month. In January, 1917, there was paid for materials \$7,759.10, and from February 1 to 20, \$8,896.31."

"We have contracted for deliveries of wool and other materials between January and June, valued at over \$25,000."

"Last year our weekly shipments averaged, among other items, 104 day shirts, 110 pyjamas and 249 pairs of socks. Last week we shipped 562 day shirts, 594 pyjamas, 916 pairs of socks. Last year we forwarded in all 51 filled comfort bags, whereas recently we shipped 675 in 20 days and 58 bags were sent away last week."

"The articles mentioned are only some of the more expensive and most needed ones. In addition, there are always large shipments of bandages and other Red Cross supplies."

"Last week's record is not a special one, it is simply the result of the organized effort of the women of the district to answer the call for more Red Cross supplies at the front."

"To prevent the chance of this effort being thwarted for the want of money to pay for the necessary materials, the Red Cross Society requires at once \$20,000.00 (twenty thousand), and after that a continuance or increase of \$5,000.00 per month, which it asked for at its last annual meeting."

"Red Cross requirements have always been supplied on Vancouver Island, and as we are an integral part of the great international Red Cross organization, whose business it is to heal the sick, mend the wounded and restore the suffering and disabled, we feel sure of a generous response to this appeal."

"We appeal for special large donations from those who can afford to give largely."

"We appeal to 500 people of Victoria and district who are not now life members to send cheques for \$25.00, or multiples thereof to bring the life membership list where it should be, well over one thousand."

"We appeal for regular monthly subscriptions from all those who can help that way. We appeal for special cash subscriptions, no matter how small. We appeal to all annual members to pay their 1917 fee of \$2.00, and for additional annual members. We appeal to the general committee, to all members of the Society and to all workers and auxiliaries in our present need, to help us both directly and by bringing the Society's needs before their friends, to the end that we may not only be able to keep our workers supplied with materials, but bear our fair share of the cost of purchasing drugs, instruments and other necessary supplies that cannot be made. Remittances should be made either to the Hon. Treasurer, at the Temple Building, or to the Treasurer or any of the local auxiliaries."

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"CHARLES WILLIAMS."

A DUMMY AEROPLANE DEVILISH INVENTION OF GERMAN PIRATES

The Hague, Feb. 24.—Dutch fishermen endeavored to rescue an aeroplane in distress, which on approach they discovered to be a dummy aeroplane loaded with explosives and a dummy pilot. Thereupon a German submarine, lying in wait, fired several shots, exploding the aeroplane. This appears to be a new and devilish invention of the Germans to attract ships.

Provision for Army of 5,000,000 and Navy 450,000 for Britain

London, Feb. 24.—The army estimates introduced to-day provide for an army of 5,000,000 men, exclusive of India. Additional navy estimates call for 50,000 officers and men, bringing the total of the personnel of the navy to 450,000.

NEUTRALS ON DECK AND GERMANS BELOW

Teutons on Liner Frederik VIII. Not Allowed to View Halifax

SEARCHING OF BAGGAGE PROVES HEAVY TASK

Halifax, Feb. 24.—The Scandinavian-American liner Frederik VIII. with her large number of passengers, particularly Count von Bernstorff and his German party on board, growing steadily more impatient at the enforced stay here, still lingered at a slip in the harbor here to-day while the Customs officials examined baggage. It was stated this morning that the examining work was very heavy, as over 2,000 pieces of baggage had to be transferred from the ship to the sheds on the dock, examined and then put back on board.

Local shippers also are irritated by the stay of the Scandinavian-American ship, though they recognize it cannot be avoided. She is completely tying up one of the best slips in the port. Accommodation for ships is much needed just now on account of the heavy traffic.

Supplies Taken.
Large quantities of supplies were put on the ship to-day. The German party will make its meals for possibly the remainder of the trip on Canadian food.

The neutrals on the vessel were allowed on deck for some time yesterday and to-day, but the utmost the Germans on the ship can see from their stateroom portholes is an unrestricted view of a dock wall.

HEAVIER TAXES ARE LOADED ON GERMANS

NEW YORK BUYING FOOD FOR ITS POOR

Mayor's Committee Has Purchased 4,000,000 Pounds of Rice Already

London, Feb. 24.—War taxation in Germany will be increased 20 per cent under the budget presented to the Reichstag yesterday by Count von Roeder, Finance Minister, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to Reuters.

In the course of his speech in which he asked for a new war credit of 15,000,000,000 marks, Count von Roeder explained that the increase in taxation was necessary because the budget provided no new money, although the "safety law" enacted last year called for an increase of 50 to 60 per cent in the legal reserve.

Dealing with the proposed new coal tax, the Finance Minister said that the question of taking over the coal mines by the state had been rejected as impossible. He added that Germany would be able to rely on her coal production and that the commodity could be taxed all the more easily because, in spite of the war conditions, the price was lower than in foreign countries, averaging 15 to 18 marks. He maintained that an average taxation of 2 1/2 marks on coal and 80 pfennings on lignite was not too high.

In addition to the coal tax, there would be a levy of 10 to 15 per cent on railroad tickets and seven per cent on all freights.

Count von Roeder said that the war credit voted last October was nearly exhausted, and continued: Admits Tension.

"As in all the belligerent countries, so also here, the war expenditures in the last few months have created a certain tension, but it is certainly not greater with us than with our enemies. I have no reason to suppose that the proportion of two to one which I estimated in October as existing between the expenditures of the Entente and the Central Powers has changed."

Still Dreaming.
"Against the demands of our enemies for reparation we shall be able to put the word indemnity."
The Reichstag voted the credit and adjourned until Tuesday next.

IS SAID SUBMARINE SUNK IN BATTLE

British Destroyers Prevented Germans Sinking Seven of Nine Ships

FIGHT TOOK PLACE OFF TARRAGONA, SPAIN

Six or Seven German Undersea Craft Took Part in Action

Buenos Ayres, Feb. 24.—Reports of a naval encounter off Tarragona, Spain, last Sunday between armed merchant vessels and German submarines have been fully confirmed, according to a dispatch to the Prensa at Barcelona, sent on here to-day.

The engagement began at 8 o'clock in the morning, less than eight miles from the coast between six or seven German submarines and nine armed merchantmen, most of which were flying flags of the Entente nations. The fight was so near Tarragona that the residents there observed the battle from the house-tops by means of binoculars.

When the submarines first began firing the merchant vessels attempted to approach the land, but were cut off from refuge by an encircling movement by the German craft. With escape made impossible, the commanders of the merchantmen began firing with the light guns mounted on their ships. It is estimated that at least 600 shots were fired by both sides.

The Swedish steamship Skogland was the first vessel sunk by the submarines, which then sank the Giuseppe. The submarines then centred their attack upon the British steamship Janeta.

The latter vessel probably would have been worsted in the unequal battle but for the appearance of five or six British destroyers, which came rushing toward the scene at full speed. The submarines fired about twenty shots at the destroyers before they submerged and fled in the midst of a fusillade from the latter's rapid fire guns.

One submarine is said to have been sunk. The seven merchant ships not sunk were more or less damaged. They proceeded to Marseilles and Gibraltar under the protection of the British destroyers.

Tarragona is on the Mediterranean coast of Spain, about 55 miles southwest of Barcelona, thus being north-west of the Balearic Islands.

FINLAND ON WAY TO NEW YORK; KING ALFONSO RECEIVES GERARD

King Alfonso Receives Gerard

New York, Feb. 24.—Relief is now in sight for the poor of New York City who have been suffering from the high prices of food. The most definite measure is the purchase of a large quantity of food which will be brought here for distribution at the lowest possible prices.

George W. Perkins, chairman of the mayor's committee on food supply, announced to-day that a campaign had been launched to popularize rice as a substitute for more costly foods. To keep down the price of rice the committee has bought 4,000,000 pounds. The fact that plans are laid to buy rice in immense quantities became known to-day through receipt of information from Woodland, Cal., that Mr. Perkins had telegraphed the county Board of Trade there asking terms for immediate shipment to New York of 15,000,000 pounds.

The mayor's committee has purchased a carload of smelt from the Pacific coast which will be used to force the price in the local markets down.

The Board of Estimates and Apportionments has asked the New York Legislature to authorize an amendment to the city charter giving the board power to appropriate, in case of emergency, city funds with which to buy foodstuffs to be sold at reasonable prices.

In Chicago.
Chicago, Feb. 24.—A food census of Chicago was started to-day by the police department. The Federal authorities also continued their inquiry into the food situation. United States District Attorney Clyne making the announcement that agents of the Department of Justice are seeking evidence on which grand jury indictments will be brought in if conspiracies to corner food supplies are found.

The car shortage situation had not changed in this city, at least as far as it concerned grain shipments.

DOMINIONS' ATTITUDE MATTER FOR THANKS, SAID LLOYD GEORGE

Willingness Their Trade Should Be Sacrificed in Present Emergency Means Much to Empire; Sir Thomas White Says Every Citizen of Canada Should Save as Much as Possible

Montreal, Feb. 24.—In a lofty peroration Mr. Lloyd George referred gratefully in the Imperial Commons yesterday to the fact that the Colonial Secretary had had an opportunity during the past few days of conferring with ministers from some of the Overseas Dominions and had found them prepared to concede that the trade of their own countries should be sacrificed in the present emergency when it was absolutely imperative that ocean tonnage should be conserved to aid in Britain's fight for victory, according to a dispatch received here to-day which adds to the details given in the cable dispatches yesterday reporting Mr. Lloyd George's speech.

Sir Robert Borden, Hon. J. D. Hazen and Hon. Robert Rogers were present in the diplomatic gallery when Mr. Lloyd George made these remarks.

15,800 MEN SENT TO PELOPONNESUS

313 Guns, 140,000 Rifles and 333,000 Shells, Says Greek Staff

IN COMPLIANCE WITH DEMANDS OF ENTENTE

Athens, Feb. 24.—The following official statement was given out here to-day in regard to the transfer of the Greek army to the Peloponnese in compliance with the demands of the Entente powers:

"The Greek General Staff announces that there had been transferred from continental Greece to the Peloponnese up to Feb. 19, 15,800 men, 4,200 horses and mules, 313 guns, 155 machine guns, 140,000 rifles, 105,000 cases of infantry ammunition, 333,000 artillery projectiles and 132,900,000 cartridges. At present there are being loaded at Piraeus for transport to the Peloponnese 197 old Turkish guns, booty of the Balkan Wars. There still remain in Epirus a number of obsolete guns of the Turkish force."

"The above figures have been communicated to the Entente."

AMERICAN LINER IS BRINGING VANDYKE

Finland on Way to New York; King Alfonso Receives Gerard

New York, Feb. 24.—The American Line steamship Finland, carrying 166 passengers, among them Dr. Henry Vandyke, former American Minister to the Netherlands, sailed from Liverpool on Feb. 17 and is due here next Tuesday on Wednesday, the Association Line announced to-day. She is presumed to be safely beyond the submarine danger area now.

Alfonso Receives Gerard.
Madrid, Feb. 24.—James W. Gerard, former United States ambassador to Germany, was received by King Alfonso to-day and later was the guest of a luncheon at the American Embassy at which Sir Arthur Henry Hardinge, British Ambassador to Spain, was present.

Mr. Gerard will leave to-morrow night for Corunna, where he will embark for the United States.

NEUTRAL WRITERS IN LONDON NOT AHEAD OF CANADIANS NOW

London, Feb. 24.—The Foreign Office has agreed to extend to press correspondents from the Overseas Dominions the facilities of its news department on the same basis as already accorded correspondents of the Entente and neutral countries. The Empire Press Union, which has successfully moved in the matter, takes the responsibility of advising as to who are properly accredited press representatives from the Overseas Dominions.

Epoch-Making Speech.

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Sir Thomas White, the Minister of Finance, said this forenoon that the speech delivered by Mr. Lloyd George yesterday was a wonderful epoch-marking utterance, one of the greatest, if not the greatest, in parliamentary history.

"There can be no doubt," said Sir Thomas, "that the principles laid down by the British Prime Minister are thoroughly sound and essential, having regard to the situation with which Great Britain is confronted at the present time."

Tonnage and Exchange.
"Two conditions have been chiefly responsible for the drastic action proposed. The first is the shortage of ocean tonnage and the second is the state of sterling exchange. In view of the latter, which must be viewed from a financial standpoint, it is the correct policy for Great Britain to import only those essential things which she must have and cannot produce at home in sufficient quantities for herself and her allies, whom she is helping to finance. These things will be found to be principally foodstuffs and munitions. She must find money abroad to pay for such of these articles as she purchases abroad. That is to say, for example, she must find money in Canada and the United States to pay for the munitions, grain and other foodstuffs which she needs from the continent."

Not With Exports.
"She cannot pay with her exports for these imports, which have become so greatly increased over the normal. The balance must be paid for in gold from the proceeds of loans made on this side of the Atlantic."

"To cause the drain of gold to be lessened and improve sterling exchange conditions, as well as to conserve cargo space in ocean merchantmen, the importation of such commodities as Great Britain can supply herself and of luxuries which are non-essentials is to be banned."

For Canada Also.
The Minister said further that the general lines of the policy laid down by the British Prime Minister were as sound for Canada to-day as for Great Britain. There was great need of increased production, especially agricultural production. There was great need of abolition of waste and rigid limitation of expenditures on luxuries.

In connection with the question whether an embargo should be placed against the importation into Canada of luxuries, it was to be pointed out that many of these articles came from France and Italy and were covered by treaties between Canada and these countries. The convention between France and Canada of 1893, for example, provided for fixed rates of customs duties on a list of articles of luxury, including table luxuries, wines, embroideries, velvets, ribbons and manufactures of silk.

Produce and Save.
"The problem for Canada," said Sir Thomas, "is to increase production greatly and cut-down expenditures on luxuries. The need of national saving is imperative."

"Canada's expenditures are increasing and Great Britain must have money here for her purchases of foodstuffs and munitions. In Canada every citizen should save his money and have it available for the Dominion's war loans."

"If this be done to the extent of Canada's ability we will be able to finance our own war expenditure in Canada and lend for Great Britain every dollar she needs to expend here."

Self Sacrifices.
"Putting the matter another way, we can get orders from Great Britain for all the munitions and other supplies we can produce in Canada, providing we can loan Great Britain the money to pay the purchase price to the Canadian producers. This can be done only by national saving. It is a time for self-sacrifice, a time for self-denial."

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TRENCHES ON TIGRIS TAKEN BY BRITISH

Two Lines at South End of Sannayat Position Were Captured

London, Feb. 24.—The British forces operating against the Turks in the Tigris region of Mesopotamia have captured two lines of trenches near Sannayat, according to the following official statement issued last night: "Since the clearing of the Dahra bend (of the Tigris, west of Kut-el-Amara) all our efforts have been concentrated upon the taking of the Sannayat position, on the left bank of the Tigris. There has been a systematic bombardment daily since the 17th, when our attack failed. All preparations were made for a new effort. "This attack was launched Thursday and two lines of trenches at the south end of the position were secured and consolidated. "The fighting still is progressing. "A heavy rain has caused the Tigris to rise to flood level, hindering the operations and making the supply of troops on the left bank a matter of difficulty. "Herbert's hostess liked little boys and she wished to make Herbert comfortable. "I want you to feel perfectly at home," she said. "But I don't want to feel at home," he protested. "I want to have a good time."

GAINED BETWEEN ANCRE AND SOMME

British Improved Positions Near Guedecourt and South of Petit Miramont

London, Feb. 24.—The War Office issued the following report last night: "We improved our position during the day north of Guedecourt, north of a hostile trench, more than 30 prisoners and a trench mortar. We also gained ground south of Petit Miramont (just south of the Ancre), where we occupied an enemy post. "A successful raid was carried out yesterday evening by our troops southeast of Souchez, and a number of the enemy were killed and dugouts destroyed. "At dawn this morning hostile raids were reported south of Armentieres and in the neighborhood of the Ploegsteert wood. A small number of the enemy who succeeded in reaching our trenches were killed or taken prisoner. "The enemy's artillery was more active than usual in the neighborhood of the Somme and south of Arras. We carried out an effective bombardment of the enemy's trenches south of Ypres."

UNDER PAY UNTIL PENSIONS ARE FIXED

Order-in-Council Passed at Ottawa Changes Military System

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—A conference has been held here for the discussion of problems touching the hospital treatment, discharge and pension of members of the Canadian Expeditionary Forces. There were present Sir Edward Kemp, Sir Thos. White, W. F. Nickle, M. P., and representatives of the Hospitals Commission, the Pension Board and the Accountancy Department of the Militia Department. "After a thorough discussion of the various matters under consideration, an unanimous agreement was reached as to the principles that should be applied to secure the greatest advantage to the returned soldier and his dependents in order to avoid as far as possible any inconvenience being caused either to the returned soldiers or to those dependent upon them by there being a period within which the soldiers on their dependents would be without either pay or allowances or pension. No Gap. Hereafter no invalided soldier will be discharged from the Canadian Expeditionary Forces until a medical board has certified that further treatment or hospital care would not improve his condition, or that it is advisable that he should pass under his own control. When discharge has been recommended on account of physical unfitness, discharge will not be carried out until a notification has been received from the Pension Board that the amount of pension has been determined. The notice will make clear on what day the pension will commence, and until that time pay and allowances will be made to the soldier or to those dependent upon him. The adoption of this system insures the disabled man receiving his pension immediately on his discharge, up to which time his pay and allowances will be continued. The pension always is paid monthly in advance. Case have occurred in which, owing to a desire to return home, or owing to the difficulty of determining physical condition, members of the Canadian Expeditionary Forces have been prematurely discharged, and hitherto provisions have been lacking, permitting the subsequent return of these men for hospital treatment. Hereafter if a medical board is satisfied that subsequent to his discharge a returned soldier requires treatment for a disability that was caused or aggravated by service, the medical board may recommend his being reentered as a member of the forces, and if such recommendation is acted upon any pension formerly granted will be discontinued. When a soldier has reached a condition later warranting his discharge, he will be re-examined by the medical board and his pension determined according to his condition and state of health at that time. For the Dependents. In the event of soldiers with dependents being killed in action, dying on active service or reported missing, assigned pay and separation allowance will be continued until the amount of pension and the day of its commencement have been determined by the Pension Board. Assigned pay and separation allowance will cease the day the pension begins, the dependents immediately receiving the first pension in advance, and, in the case of wives and children, in addition, the two months gratuity. Further provision has been made giving authority to the Pension Board to have assigned pay and separation allowances cease when those interested are unreasonably dilatory in filing the necessary proofs to lead to the granting of a pension. The above recommendations have been embodied in an order-in-council and will go into effect at once.



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SCHOOLBOYS IN FRANCE TO RAISE VEGETABLES

Paris, Feb. 24.—All the schoolboys in France have been asked by the Government to cultivate vacant land and raise vegetables. Under official direction, the pupils will be organized, village by village and commune by commune, for truck gardening on all unused land. Albert Thomas, Minister of Munitions and a member of the War Council, yesterday introduced a bill in the Chamber of Deputies requiring persons in possession of copper in quantities exceeding 100 pounds to make declaration of this fact to the Government. Failure to do so will be met by fines ranging from 50 to 2,000 francs. The preamble of the bill says the measure is necessary because of the growing requirements for munitions.

PEOPLE OF BRITAIN WILL RESPOND LOYALLY

Government's Plan of Restrictions Meets With Approval in All Quarters

London, Feb. 24.—The statement in the House of Commons by Mr. (now David) Lloyd George, the Prime Minister, of the Government's plan to meet the serious situation due to the shortage in tonnage has been received by the press with universal approval and, in many cases, with enthusiasm. Even newspapers which are least friendly to the Government accept the Government's restrictions uncomplainingly and declare that the nation will loyally respond to the plan. "It is a small sacrifice," says the anti-Lloyd George Daily News, "that the citizen at home is called upon to make, in comparison with the ordeal others daily are facing for his security across the sea." The newspapers which opposed the old coalition write enthusiastically of the country having found a fearless leader and declare that the measures now proposed ought to have been taken two years ago. The hope is expressed in these quarters that that section of the British people who hitherto have indulged in the comfortable conviction that nothing serious can happen to them will be jerked out of their easy complacency by the Prime Minister's declaration that the food stocks are alarmingly low. The Liberal newspapers criticize adversely some details of the scheme. The Daily News, for instance, is indignant that the rationing of beer will be allowed to be brewed. This newspaper also reaffirms that the agricultural production cannot be increased if the army is allowed to draw from among the nation's farm laborers. The Daily Chronicle maintains that if farm restrictions are to be minimized the new measures must be accompanied by many other measures, and also by a good deal of commandeering. Some Other Method. Referring to the restrictions on the importation of paper, the Daily Chronicle suggests that the Government, which now occupies large space in the newspapers with official announcements, should now discover other means for publicity. Everywhere it is recognized that the routine of trading will be seriously affected, but it is too early yet to give any reliable indications in this direction. Some traders have issued a statement which shows that considerable alarm exists in some quarters—for instance in the fruit market, which, it is declared, will have to be closed as regards foreign fruits. It was declared at Burton-on-Trent, the great brewing centre, last night, that there will not be enough beer to go around, and the prediction was put forward that the price soon would be a shilling a pint. As far as can be learned at present the fixing of the prices of cereals is warmly approved by the agriculturists. It is apparent, however, that the full effect of the new plan on trade operation in all directions will not be seen until next week.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—The following casualties have been announced: Infantry. Previously reported wounded and missing: now killed in action—Pte. J. Cotton, Vancouver; Pte. I. Hanley, England; Pte. Thomas Chandler, England. Previously reported missing; now killed in action—Pte. C. Houston, Winnipeg; Pte. H. Hall, Winnipeg; Pte. G. Laine, Weyburn, Sask. Previously reported dangerously wounded; now reported dead—Pte. H. Oshoski, Weyburn, Sask.; Pte. W. Arms, Fairbanks, Ont. Died—Pte. J. Ross, Scotland; Pte. J. Davidson, Ottawa, Ont. Missing; believed killed—Pte. C. Griffin, England. Dangerously ill—Pte. J. O'Donoghue, Toronto; Pte. A. Chapman, Peterboro, Ont.; Pte. Thos. O'Conner, Oshawa, Ont.; Pte. E. Park, England; Pte. C. Hanson, Estevan, Sask.; Pte. E. Hornblower, England; Pte. F. Heath, Red Deer, Alta.; Pte. J. Astlund, Sweden; Pte. W. Horne, Toronto; Pte. E. Morse, Montreal. Wounded—Pte. G. Munson, Weldon, Sask.; Corp. J. Ferguson, Scotland; Pte. A. Kilkenny, Toronto; Pte. A. Matheon, Irs, P. E. I.; Pte. J. Lefebvre, Montreal; Pte. J. Dennison, Montreal; Pte. A. Broken, Toronto; Pte. R. Dick, Burlington, Ont.; Pte. E. Hoyt, Tyrone, P.E.I.; Pte. E. Tremble, Lacombe, Alta.; Pte. A. Gill, Hamilton; Pte. N. Penny, Lanark, Ont.; Pte. A. Williston, England; Pte. P. Clarke, Virden, Man.; Pte. G. Thompson, England; Pte. C. Stinson, England; Pte. J. MacKenzie, Scotland; Pte. G. Wilson, England; Pte. A. Free, Toronto; Pte. C. Wilson, Winnipeg; Corp. J. Dawes, Toronto; Pte. W. Murray, England; Pte. P. C. Coldron, Greenbank, Ont.; Corp. P. Thomson, Guelph; Pte. G. Macleod, Scotland; Pte. J. Hebert, Montreal. Wounded, but remaining on duty—Lieut. G. Clingan, Salmon Arm, B. C.; Pte. C. Vance, Blaney Ridge, N. B. Previously reported missing; now on

GOURKE CHIEF OF STAFF OF RUSSIAN ARMY NOW

New York, Feb. 24.—Isaac Don Levine, writing in the Tribune, says the Russian army has a new chief of staff, General Michael Alexeeff, who was the chief of staff of the Russian army since September, 1915, has been superseded by General Gourke. General Alexeeff is one of the best known and most popular men in the Russian army.

Best Nerve Specialist in England Was Consulted

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Nervous disorders frequently result from injury to the nerves in accidents or because of the shock to the system. The writer of this letter was injured in a mix-up with some coils, remained unconscious for three weeks, and in spite of continued treatment in hospital could not obtain restoration of the internal nerves which control the action of the digestive and other vital organs. He traveled to Europe and consulted England's greatest nerve specialist. Relief was only temporary, in spite of many treatments used. His letter gives the facts briefly and tells how he was finally cured by using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. Can you imagine any more severe test of this great nerve restorative? Mr. Henry F. Venn, Cefu Ranch, Malakwa, B. C., writes: "Dr. Chase's Nerve Food has restored my nervous system and given me new health. Having met with a severe accident seven years ago, from which I was unconscious and which left my nerves in a very sore plight, I was treated by doctors galore and consulted one of the greatest nerve specialists in England, but nothing seemed to do me much good. Hypophosphites and, in fact, all and every kind of nerve mixture, in almost every form was used, but never with more than temporary benefit. "But Dr. Chase's Nerve Food has acted very differently, for it has built up my nervous system until I feel like my old self again. If this medicine will do for others what it has done for me, I shall not regret leaving written this letter. I have recommended the Nerve Food personally to many, and shall always esteem its great restorative value." Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, 50 cents a box, all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto

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ROTARIANS GREETED IN PROPER FASHION

Sixty Victorians Were Met at Vancouver and Given Lively Welcome

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Vancouver, Vancouver, Vancouver, B. C.; Rotary, Rotary, Vancouver, Vancouver, Vancouver.

Thus the Rotarians of Vancouver gave a fifty-lung-power welcome to their brethren of Victoria and Seattle when the boat came in yesterday evening at 6.15. On thus learning the name of the town they were entering the visitors lined up behind the grille mentioned their own home towns one after another in a similar manner and with equal emphasis. Doubts having been dispelled, everybody joined in a song, "Rotarians Forever," to the tune of "The Maple Leaf" and the landing party was received with open arms and words of welcome.

After preliminary handshaking, everybody got into the waiting motor cars and adjourned to the Hotel Vancouver. Behind an improvised desk in the main lobby, an information bureau had been established. Mr. E. J. McCougan, president of the Vancouver Rotary Club, gave an individual greeting to every visitor in sight. Mr. Davidson dispensed information and good cheer at the desk.

This was but the beginning of the annual conference of the Northwestern Rotary Clubs. The conference was held in Seattle last year. This is the fifth and the biggest conference that has been held in point of numbers, programme and enthusiasm.

Sixty members arrived from Victoria last night with their president, P. C. Abell. Thirty came from Seattle on the same boat, and a hundred more this morning with the Tacoma delegation, by the night boat. Spokane, Everett, Calgary and Edmonton delegates arrived later by train. All but the Edmonton delegates brought wives, mothers or sisters along. One man, with one wife, came as a solitary delegate from Salt Lake City. Rev. Leslie Pidgeon will arrive in the afternoon to represent Winnipeg.

It is the boast of the association that it represents every branch of business, manufacture and profession to be found in the whole northwest.

"And not a pessimist among them," said one proudly. The whole end and aim of the meeting is to promote good fellowship and understanding between the cities and businesses of the northwest, every Rotarian explains on being asked. With this end in view, the Vancouver delegates provided snow to make all their guests feel thoroughly at home.

Yesterday evening was spent in getting acquainted in an informal manner, therefore no banquet was arranged. After old friends had greeted each other and new friends had been introduced, some of the members went to see the basketball game between the Victoria and Vancouver clubs at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, and others to the military tournament.

The management of the hotel had made every possible provision to accommodate the delegates. In addition to the information bureau, two rooms were set aside upstairs for committee rooms, one as a ladies' room and one as a creche, with an attendant. The latter rooms were decorated with flowers and especially furnished in the most charming taste. And in order that the visitors might feel themselves entirely free of the hotel, the management to-day at noon presents them with a gilded key of the hotel, seven feet long, so that no matter how late they come they will not be locked out.

Everybody began rotaring bright and early this morning. After a rotary breakfast—which is the same thing as a square meal—the ladies of the party were shown through the hotel and then over the shopping district.

The men went into business session at 9.30, beginning with an invocation by Father O'Boyle, O. M. I. President McGougan was in the chair.

FIRE IN OKOTOKS.

Calgary, Feb. 24.—Fire supposed to have been caused by a discarded cigarette butt caused \$10,000 damage in Okotoks, a town 40 miles south of here, this morning, and threatened at one time to destroy the whole business section of the town.

STATE DEPARTMENT KNOWS THE TRUTH

States on Verge of War No Matter How Legislators Talk

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—The correspondent of the Ottawa Citizen at Washington writes:

For the moment domestic politics overshadow the far graver issues which confront this country. To-day the only thing discussed is whether it will be necessary for the President to call an extra session of Congress, and late last night it would have taken a very wise man to answer the question. Up at the Capitol there exists one of the customary "jams" that usually mark the far end of a session. Bills involving millions upon millions lie deep upon the Speaker's table, and there seems to be not the slightest chance that they can be passed before the clerk marks the end of the session.

What Chance Has Wilson?

In the chaos what chance has the President to wrest from the two distracted Houses the authority that he needs to handle a very delicate situation? Apparently none. Quite early yesterday morning a caucus of the Republicans was held and the announcement came forth that while there was no intention on the part of the minority to obstruct, there was a fixed determination to adhere to the immemorial right of adequate discussion of all important measures. It must be remembered that the United States Senate has practically no rules governing debate, and that if one or two members of the body determine to talk there is no power short of death that can stop them.

Usual Happening

The effect of this very lax system is particularly obvious in the dying days of a body which expires by effluxion of time. Legislative "jams" are the usual things at the end of sessions of Congress, but never before has quite so much depended on the unjamming of one as is the case to-day. Is the declaration of independence of the Republican minority to be interpreted as portending serious trouble for the President, or is it only a pillow fight among a lot of would-be statesmen who feel compelled to go through the motions?

It is dangerous to dogmatize, but it seems that President Wilson will get from Congress just about all he wants to get from it. A proclamation convening the new Senate for March 5 has set at rest the rumor that he intended to dispense with an extra session of the Senate at which the customary formalities of swearing the Vice-President and the cabinet would be gone through. That is a concession to senatorial dignity that will go very far to placate the outraged sensibilities of the Upper House and will greatly facilitate the passage of desired legislation.

Much Talk

There is no need to worry about the House of Representatives. An enormous amount of miscellaneous talk has gone on there of late, but observant Washington cannot be induced to take it seriously. Mr. Wilson appears to be the absolute master of the Lower House, and if he can state his case well—and nobody doubts him this ability—he will find little or no opposition to his will, provided always, of course, that certain formalities are complied with.

But in all this writer of politics it must be remembered that the State Department is taking no part. In the big building opposite the White House it is realized that it matters very little what may be the uproar at the Capitol, the German threat hangs over the country, and until this threat is dissipated or made good, the United States is, in the words of Secretary Lansing, "on the verge of war."

Yesterday the cables brought the news of an American citizen done to death by German frightfulness east of Malta, the first accredited record of the kind since Feb. 1. Here, then, they say is a still more flagrant violation of the assurances given after the Sussex horror. Apparently it, too, is to swell the total of "cumulative evidence" against Germany. It is not an "overt act," for the dead man appears to have been on a French troopship. And until that overt act is accomplished in all its senseless awfulness, minor incidents may pile up.

The final tragedy that will complete the circle may come to-morrow, it may be delayed for months. There does not appear to be a thinking man in Washington who does not believe that sooner or later it will come.

In this age of the strenuous life it is somewhat unusual to find an editor of a great metropolitan daily holding his position for a half century, and yet that is what Charles R. Miller, editor-in-chief of the New York Times, has done. Miller is one of the best known writers in the United States, and as head of a great paper like the New York Times wields a tremendous influence. He got his first newspaper training on the Springfield Republican away back forty-five years ago. After three years experience there he went to the New York Times in 1875 as telegraph editor, and a few years later was made editor-in-chief of that paper, a position he has retained ever since. Mr. Miller makes a hobby of languages and reads French, Russian, Italian, Spanish and German in the original, and through his command of these languages keeps his finger on the political, social and economic pulse of the world. In writing his editorials he holds to the view that the first few sentences of the editorial should be a precise presentation of its purpose and argument. Mr. Miller is now an old man in years, but a young man in spirit.—Montreal Journal of Commerce

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The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.



Victoria, Feb. 24.—5 a. m.—The barometer is falling in advance of an ocean low area which though centred off Oregon extends up the coast. Fair, cold weather prevails both here and on the Lower Mainland, while from North Vancouver Island to Prince Rupert snow is falling, also in the state of Oregon. Heavy rains are general in California. Zero temperatures extend from Cariboo and Kootenay eastward to Ontario.

	Max.	Min.
Grand Forks	25	15
Penticton	22	12
Crabbrook	17	7
Calgary	20	10
Nelson	20	10
Edmonton	15	5
Qu'Appelle	0	-10
Winnipeg	-4	-20
Toronto	0	-10
Montreal	23	13
Halifax	49	39

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m., Sunday. Victoria and vicinity—Northerly winds.

generally fair and cold, with some snow to-night or on Sunday.

Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, generally fair and cold to-day, probably some snow to-night or on Sunday.

Victoria Daily Weather.

Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Friday.

Temperature.

Highest..... 23

Lowest..... 22

Average..... 24

Minimum on grass..... 27

Maximum in sun..... 40

Bright sunshine, 8 hours 45 minutes.

General state of weather, fair.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.8; temperature, maximum yesterday, 22; minimum, 24; wind, 15 miles N.; weather, clear.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.8; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 18; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Nanaimo (Entrance Island)—Barometer, 29.9; temperature, maximum yesterday, 24; minimum, 20; wind, 6 miles W.; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.9; temperature, maximum yesterday, 14; minimum, 6 below; calm; clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.8; temperature, maximum yesterday, 10; minimum, 2 below; calm; cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.7; temperature, maximum yesterday, 21; minimum, 18; wind, 21 miles N. E.; snow, 30; snowing.

Tatsooh—Barometer, 29.7; temperature,

maximum yesterday, 29; minimum, 22; wind, 21 miles N. E.; clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.8; temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; minimum, 22; wind, 19 miles N.; snow, 28; snowing.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.6; temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; minimum, 26; wind, 12 miles N. E.; clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.7; temperature, maximum yesterday, 52; minimum, 32; wind, 22 miles S.; rain, 24; raining.

LEGALIZE BOXING.

The bill to legalize boxing in Butte was approved by the Montana Senate in committee of the whole recently and probably will be passed in the near future. The bill legalizes boxing in counties of the first class. Silver Bow County, of which Butte is the county seat, is the county in the state affected.

STANFORD FIVE DEFEATED.

Stanford University, Feb. 24.—Oregon "Aggies" defeated the Stanford varsity basketball team here, 27 to 17. Stanford had a 15 to 3 lead at the end of the first half but could not hold it.

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SOMEWHAT MYSTERIOUS.

A German submarine flotilla sank seven vessels on Thursday in the western approaches of the English Channel. All of the victims were Dutch and four of them were homeward bound with full cargoes.

The four homeward bound Dutch vessels probably carried foodstuffs. Some of this either would have gone to Germany or would have gone into the mouths of the numerous Germans who have taken up their residence in Holland in order to get an occasional tolerably good meal.

TINO AGAIN HEARD FROM.

King Constantine's statement to a press correspondent about the ill-treatment of Greece at the hands of the Entente powers is as typically Prussian as the harangues in which the German Chancellor assures the Reichstag that every other belligerent than Germany and her allies is responsible for the war.

The real Prussian touch in Constantine's interview, however, is in the low appraisal it gives to the intelligence of the outside world. That world knows that his palace has been nothing but an ante-room of Potsdam; that on pressure from Berlin he tore the Greek-Serbian treaty of alliance to pieces; that he intrigued with Bulgaria for the surrender of the Greek army corps and all its equipment at Seres and Kavala.

It is generally known, too, that von Falkenhayn visited the Greek corps concentrated at Larissa on instruction from Berlin, copies of which no doubt are in the Entente's possession, and that Constantine complied with the Entente's demands only when he was informed by Germany that she was unable to come to his assistance.

ern Greece is the creation of Great Britain, France and Russia, who to this very day are paying the King's civil list. Constantine's statement reads like the German war office's declaration after the occupation of Brussels, that the invasion of Belgium was justified because the evidence showed that treacherous Belgium had been preparing to attack innocent, peace-loving Germany.

BY THE GRACE OF BRITAIN.

Following the Battle of Jutland the German Embassy in Washington, several hundred German consular agencies throughout the United States, numerous German-American journals and publicists and countless vereins celebrated a "glorious German victory."

When Count von Bernstorff was presented with his passports by Washington one of the first comments he made to newspapermen was a query as to how he was going to get home. The American Government requested the British Government to guarantee him and other German representatives safe conduct to Germany, and the request was complied with.

By the grace of the British seapower von Bernstorff and his party will return home. Nothing that Germany can do can alter that humiliating circumstance in the slightest particular. Germania is locked up at Wilhelmshaven and Kiel as securely as she was before that "glorious victory" off Jutland.

ANOTHER "CAMPAIGN."

Yesterday we commented briefly on the announcement that the National Service Board was going to extend its labors and inaugurate a campaign for economy, thrift and production. According to R. B. Bennett, M. P., Director of National Service, in his address in this city not long ago, that precisely was the object of the first campaign.

The National Service Board idea originated mainly in the unsatisfactory turn of the recruiting situation. It was described as "a compromise between conscription and the present system. It was supposed to effect a thorough mobilization of the country's man-power with a view to its proper distribution among the war services with primary application to the fighting ranks. But it never actually got a start.

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four divisions at the front, and the critical stage of the war is ahead. A real National Service Board, as it is understood in England or anywhere else than in Canada, would have grappled with the question of man-power with all the weight of parliamentary authority behind it long ago.

SHOULD USE OUR BEST.

Apparently realizing the unsoundness of its objections to the National Government movement the morning paper takes refuge in criticism of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his followers, an attack upon this paper and the usual bestowal of compliments upon itself. It knows, of course, that our views on this question cannot be successfully challenged, for after all we only stated elementary facts.

"Since my return from England last November, I have repeatedly notified you that owing to the interference and plans of the so-called sub-committee and to the repeated hold-ups and needless instructions of some of my colleagues in the affairs of this Department, the Contract branch has been very much hampered and practically blocked.

This state of affairs could not have occurred with an efficient board of managers in charge. And the lives of thousands of brave men are involved in the issue between good and bad management. If Sir Robert Borden prefers the co-operation in the inner circle of management of Messrs. Rogers, Reid, Cochrane and the three Nationalist Ministers to that of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. W. S. Fielding, Hon. Frank Oliver and Hon. George P. Graham he cannot fairly blame anybody but himself if conditions develop that call for stern criticism and protest.

A contemporary has published an article from the pen of Harold Begbie containing a panegyric on a certain class of the youth of England. Read what a Canadian officer fighting in France has to say of the British people in general: "You are, as you English would say, an awfully stuck-up crowd, but you really are a wonderful people. You are always gassing about the great deeds of the Canadians, the Anzacs and the rest of us. You can't stop giving us the glad hand. And all the time we know that your boys are doing most of the work. We are good for our share? Yes, that's all right. There isn't a better soldier going than a Canadian or an Anzac, or an Irishman, or a Londoner, or a Scot, or a Yorkshireman, Welshman or any other member of the Imperial Forces. But most of the army came from the three kingdoms, and that most has done most of the work, and done it as well as any men who ever lived. Indeed, they have done it better than we have, because they have settled down to discipline all the time, while we are only just beginning to see that in war discipline is the only thing that counts."

Recalling the liberality with which the people of Victoria voted millions for public improvements a few years ago, when the city expended more in that direction in proportion to its resources and population than any other municipality on the continent, and the promptitude with which they supported many other proposals, many of

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which never should have been born, it strikes us as unfair to charge them with apathy and lack of enterprise at this time. Had they been more apathetic four years ago they would have been infinitely better off to-day. Just now they are wrestling with problems which arose from their activity then, particularly the problem of meeting their tax bills. Moreover, the war has imposed upon them unexampled demands which are likely to become heavier still. These have been, and will be, loyally and generously met. They must have first call upon the public attention. Preoccupation over these vital matters is not apathy. It is duty and common-sense.

The war situation has developed into an interesting test of two systems—between the people of an autocratic state who are not allowed to do their own thinking and who are called upon to make sacrifices without knowing why, and the people of a democracy who are asked to endure privation, the causes of which they thoroughly understand. The German food distribution system was largely a failure because nothing in the world can eradicate from the Prussian Junker mind the ingrained idea that might is right, and that fleeing the proletariat is legitimate.

Our contemporary prides itself upon its constructive ideas. Does it include in this category its advocacy of the McBride railway policy for which the taxpayers are now paying an annual charge of \$1,000,000, and may have to find three times as much? Or its plea for speculation in natural resources? Or its declaration that the subdivision of fertile farming land into town lots, to be swapped back and forth, is a good thing for the country? Those were not constructive ideas. They were the pipe dreams of a prospectus.

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Victoria Times, Feb. 24, 1912.

Curator John Fannin, of the Provincial Museum, is busy upon the latest addition to the collection. This is a magnificent specimen of the American elk (*Cervus canadensis*) shot a short time ago at Duncan Bay. Mr. John Jessop will shortly lecture before the Epworth League on "Crossing the Rocky Mountains on Foot." Mr. J. H. Bowers, B.A., late of Toronto, has been admitted to the British Columbia bar.

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The regular meeting of the Women's Canadian Club will be held in the Y. W. C. A. on Monday, Feb. 26th at 3 p. m., when Rev. R. L. McTavish will speak on "Modern Chivalry or Knighthood of the Twentieth Century."

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Legislation for Women.—At a meeting of the Liberal League in Vancouver on Thursday evening one of the speakers was Mrs. W. A. McConkey, who dealt with the need for a Dower Act, which would give a wife an inalienable right to share in the property acquired by mutual effort of herself and her husband, and for pensions for widows and deserted wives who had children dependent on them.

Cowichan Liberals.—At the annual meeting of the Cowichan Central Liberal Association, the following officers were elected: President, D. R. Hattie, vice-president, J. G. Somerville, secretary-treasurer, J. Campbell, executive: M. McMillan, K. P. Duncan, G. Cowland, J. Duncan, C. W. Silence, G. A. Harris, J. N. Evans, H. S. Law, P. Boudot, F. Yates, R. D. Young, and representatives from Cowichan Lake, Cowichan Station and Cobble Hill.

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After the Sugar Combine.—In connection with the proposed prosecution of the alleged sugar combine, regarding which the Federal Government has asked the Attorney-General of Alberta and British Columbia to give their consent to proceedings being taken, Hon. M. A. Macdonald is in correspondence with Ottawa as to the costs of the prosecution. If one is to be held, the Attorney-General takes the position that "a Dominion grant of the costs should be borne by the Federal Government, and in any case there is an inquiry talked of at Ottawa, awaiting the outcome of which he would be averse to instituting criminal proceedings which might be abortive and cost the province heavily.

Fined \$5.—Joseph North was fined \$5 by Magistrate Jay in the police court this morning for creating a disturbance on Broad Street on February 23.

Civil Service Results.—The name of William C. Down, Victoria, is published in the Canada Gazette as having been successful at the preliminary examination held here in December for the outside division of the civil service of Canada.

Dumbarton Terrace.—Following precedent the Streets and Sewers Committee of City Council yesterday declined to rent says that as the part of the estate of Henry Dumbarton used as a private road, and forming an extension of Terrace Avenue.

Market Street Condition.—An unfavorable recommendation was received by the Streets and Sewers Committee of City Council yesterday with regard to improvements on Market Street, from Work Street west, and from Hillside Avenue to Market Street on Work Street. The cost was estimated at about \$450.

Oak Bay Vaudeville.—The Pink and White Vaudeville at the Oak Bay Theatre this evening, it is announced, will be given twice at 7.30 and 9, no matter what the weather. The unusually fine programme of songs and dances as well as the quips and turns somewhat of the kind given at minstrel performances, will enliven the proceedings. It is expected that there will be record attendances at each show.

Ordered to Be Re-arrested.—The Attorney-General yesterday afternoon issued instructions for the re-arrest of N. Bernstein, released on bail by Andrew Hlygh, a justice of the peace, after the police magistrate had committed him to jail for six months. Hon. Mr. Macdonald says that as Bernstein is not right of appeal to Bernstein in the case there was no power in anyone to grant him bail pending an appeal. Therefore, Hlygh's action is a nullity, the commitment order is still in force, and the department is acting on it. Hlygh's conduct in the matter will be the subject of further administrative action.

Sewer Extensions.—An application was read at the meeting of the Streets and Sewers Committee of the City Council yesterday afternoon asking for the extension of the sewer on Oakland Avenue, east of Ruby Road. Last year the sewer was extended to the street, but was not carried east of Ruby Road. Permission was granted, under certain conditions, to give a connection to the Maywood P. O., just outside the city boundary, to the Douglas Street sewer, pending the extension of sewer facilities in Saanich. The usual sewer rental will be paid. Consideration will be given to the Oakland Avenue request.

Opposed to Asiatic Labor.—As might be expected, there are being heard objections to the proposals of farmers' organizations that Oriental labor be allowed to come in to work on the land, in order to cope with the serious shortage of farm labor that exists. The Grandview Ratepayers' Association, Vancouver, passed a resolution at its annual meeting protesting against the request made by the B. C. Fruitgrowers' Association for Government assistance in the securing of Oriental labor, and suggesting instead that an extension of the school holidays be granted to boys over fourteen in order that they may furnish the help required.

Victoria West Red Cross.—The committee held its regular monthly meeting last evening in their workroom on Skinner street. There were eleven members present, and the concert committee reported on the concert and dance held in Semple's Hall on Feb. 13, resulting in proceeds to the net amount of \$14.70 for the Canadian Red Cross Fund. Messrs. Painter & Sons donated coal and wood for the workroom, for which a vote of thanks was passed. Also a cheque from the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Society for \$12.70 the net result of the military five hundred tournament held on Feb. 10 for the benefit of the Victoria West Branch Red Cross. A Persian kitten kindly donated by Mrs. Ferguson, Douglas Street, is to be raffled. Also arrangements are being made by the committee for a tea to be held on Thursday afternoon, March 1, from 3 to 5 o'clock in the workroom. It has been decided to have a telephone installed in the workroom on Skinner Street. The next committee meeting will be held on the last Monday in March.

VACANT LOT CULTIVATION

Preliminary Meeting Will Be Held on Tuesday Morning to Discuss Subject.

To a meeting of the special committee appointed to deal with the vacant lot cultivation scheme the following have been invited: Aldermen Johns, Dilworth, Andros, Dinadale and Sargent, E. C. B. Bagshawe, A. E. MacEachran, Thomas Walker, George Attwood (Beacon Hill park staff), Thomas R. Purdy (park supt.), G. W. Allison (chairman of the Vacant Lot Cultivation Committee), Alexander Watchman, and George Bell, M.P.P. The gathering will be held on Tuesday morning. The intention of the meeting is preliminary to a public meeting to be held later in the week, and a series of resolutions defining the policy to be adopted will be submitted to the members present. It is believed that the idea of Vacant Lot Cultivation can be greatly extended by making the public more familiar with the absolute necessity of making use of vacant property at a time when production is imperative. Mayor Todd intends to consult practical gardeners and cultivators before proceeding with a comprehensive scheme.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Several Resolutions for Attention at Monday's Meeting of the Aldermen.

A number of miscellaneous matters are coming before the City Council at its meeting on Monday evening. In accordance with the intimation which Alderman Peden gave to the Council when the proposal was discussed to amend the Motor Traffic Regulation Act in order to exclude fire departments from the observance of the speed limit, he will move to add that head light dimmers or other suitable equipment or means be applied to prevent the glare from headlights causing menace to the occupants of approaching vehicles. Since the Wyllie estate redemption notice was posted on Tuesday, in order to be dealt with at this meeting, proceedings in the civil courts have arisen affecting an incident of which much was said when the subject was discussed by the late Council. This aspect will of course not figure in the Council's attitude to the question, but is regarded as an inevitable sequel to the publicity given. A majority of two-thirds of the Council is required to approve the course proposed. A formal resolution will be submitted confirming the appointments to the health department made at the previous meeting. To remedy a mistake made when the aldermen met in secret session recently, and which doubtless would not have occurred had the Aldermen first consulted with officials, it was necessary to meet again yesterday and restore the wages of eighteen street sweepers to \$2.50 per day, the old scale, since they had most rigorously opposed a cut to \$2.25. The decision was reached when the city officials were excluded, and was in keeping with the growing practice of dealing with departmental matters without allusion to the officials who know the circumstances.

Members of Canadian Order of Foresters are asked to attend special meeting Monday, Feb. 26, to hear report of Organizer Rand re proposed increase on rates.

Garbally Road Yard.—The City Estimates Committee will take into consideration the application of the City Engineer for an additional building for storage purposes at Garbally Road yard. The funds are available from the sale of surplus stores.

A Related Statement.—The School Board having ordered at its meeting on Wednesday week the use of clinical thermometers to watch the temperature of children suspected to be suffering from measles, the morning paper to-day makes the announcement. The subject has been in hand for some days, and the Municipal Inspector reports that the epidemic has now spread to Spring Ridge School, in addition to those already mentioned.

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Thompson Cup Basketball.—Two games of the Thompson Cup series were played last evening in the gymnasium of the Oak Bay High School. Both resulted in wins for the Victoria "High" teams against their opponents from the municipality. The boys game was a walk over for the city club, which was much heavier than the Oak Bay team, by a score of 45-3. The match between the girls' clubs was a much more satisfactory contest. At half-time the teams were draw at 6 all, but during the second period of the play the city five were able to take the lead and finish with the score in their favor, 19-9. Both games were refereed by Bob Whyte in a very capable manner. About one hundred spectators were in attendance and the receipts which were taken at the door have been handed over to the prisoners of war fund.

For Rummage Sale.—The Board of Directors of the Y. W. C. A. which institution is holding a rummage sale on Friday March 2, will be glad to have dishes, clothes, or hats. Anyone who has things of this kind to give away will confer a favor by telephoning the Y. W. C. A. (4690), and leaving names and addresses so that things may be called for.

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- Selection—Reminiscences of Wales
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- Vocal Solo—Ave Maria Tellister
- Mrs. R. Baird
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In "The Old Folks at Home," the new Triangle-Fine Arts picture featuring Sir Herbert Tree, which is the attraction at the Royal Victoria for the last time to-night, the actor-knight is cast in a part entirely different from anything in which he has ever before appeared. Sir Herbert, as a Yankee farmer, who later becomes a politician, discloses a startling knowledge of the type, in his artistic characterization of the old man, who, when his beloved son goes astray, changes from a proud, hard disciplinarian to a crushed and chastened father.

Josephine Crowell as the wife of Sir Herbert and the mother of the erring son gives an appealing interpretation of motherhood, and in her love for her child portrays a universal character—the mother, who, right or wrong, always protects her children.

Millron Harris, young Triangle-Fine Arts actor, seen as the sweetheart of Miss Clifton, who enacts the part of the erring son.

THE VARIETY.

Frank McIntyre, who makes his motion picture debut at the Variety Theatre to-day in the Famous Players adaptation of his greatest stage success, "The Traveling Salesman," is one of the best known comedians in the country and is a distinct addition to the Paramount Programme. During his career before the footlights, McIntyre has appeared in every known form of theatrical entertainment, having been associated with Frank Keenan, Mr. Plack, Nat Goodwin and Robert Edeson, in many varieties of comedy and drama. He then entered musical comedy, playing in "Oh! Oh! Delphine" for two seasons. He next appeared in "A Pair of Sixes" for forty-seven weeks and followed this up with a thirty-two week engagement in vaudeville in "The Hat Salesman."

Upon the completion of his work at the Famous Players Studio in "The Traveling Salesman," Mr. McIntyre has been engaged by Klaw & Erlanger to head an all-star cast in "Miss Springtime."

PANTAGES THEATRE.

Brilliant with novelty and merit comes the new bill which opens at Pantages Monday afternoon. The programme is headed by that intangible dispenser of joy, Frank Fogarty, the Dublin minstrel, whose fame is a household word and whose geniality and good nature has held the hearts of theatregoers for many a year, all the way from Canada to Mexico and from Maine to California. Mr. Fogarty is alone in his class and is the exponent par excellence of Irish wit, folk lore and observations. For good measure the Pantages management has slipped in another headliner in the persons of the six Berio diving girls. These fair maidens are said to be the most Venus-like of all the diving Venus candidates, and their act is novelty and skill personified. An air of mystery surrounds the almost human canary Caruso, by some rightly named the "mystic bird." This little feathered songster has been trained by his youthful master to imitate the calls of other birds and even chirp the syncopated notes of rag-time in unison with a violin accompaniment. The act is the very acme of novelty with a wonderful, der-producing element. Grace Edmund is a story songstress who is beautiful to look upon and entertaining to listen to. Her gowns are striking and she will furnish an act of originality and merit. Miss Edmund will be remembered as the star in half a dozen musical comedy successes. Nell Mack and Vera Velmor offer a singing and talking turn which has pleased the multitudes all along the Pantages line of march, and Dix and Dixie have a novelty versatile entertainment of much class.

The fifteenth chapter of "The Shielding Shadow" will bring the story to a fitting climax with the usual amount of exciting adventures. In this last episode the identity of the Shielding Shadow is to be disclosed solving the mystery, which has created much interest among the patrons of Pantages. Altogether the coming Pantages bill will show class, merit and novelty far beyond the usual run of vaudeville shows and will certainly be the talk of the city after the first performance.

COLUMBIA THEATRE.

Marguerite Gautier, known as "Camille" on account of her fondness for camellias, is queen of the underworld. She has a wealthy lover in Count de Varville, whom, though he supplies her with plenty of money, she does not love in return. Her affections are set upon Armand, a young lawyer from the country, she suffers from her excesses, and the doctor warns her that she must change her mode of living, but she laughs at his advice. Armand's love for her renews her interest in life, and she goes with him and lives quietly in the country. But their happiness is short. Camille has had to sell her jewelry and horses in order to pay her debts, and learning of this, Armand becomes suspicious. Armand's father hearing of his son's attachment for Camille, demands that the woman should abandon Armand. For the sake of Armand's young sister, Cecile, Camille agrees to sacrifice herself and returns to her former life with Count de Varville.

That Armand's love for Camille will not be suppressed. They meet again. He begs Camille to go away with him. She refuses. Armand accuses her of loving de Varville. The two men meet and quarrel. There is a duel, and Armand wounds de Varville.

Armand learns that Camille always loved him and that her aim was to please the father by preserving Armand's family's good name. In the end Camille dies with a smile on her lips and expressing her love for Armand. This film will be seen to-day for the last time at the Columbia Theatre.

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J. H. Black, of Winnipeg, is a guest at the Empress Hotel.

N. Brauit, of Montreal, is a new arrival at the Dominion.

Dr. J. T. Seavey, of Port Townsend, is at the Dominion Hotel.

L. E. Glover, of Calgary, arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

C. A. Thomas, of Jennar, Alta., is a guest of the Dominion Hotel.

R. D. Tweedie, of Fairview, B. C., is stopping at the Dominion Hotel.

Miss Eunice Bowser has returned from a visit to friends in Edmonton.

Edward J. Wright, of Regina, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Geo. Crane and Mrs. Crane, of Winnipeg, are guests of the Dominion Hotel.

J. Hay and Mrs. Hay, of Austin, Man., are registered at the Dominion Hotel.

Capt and Mrs. Pedersen, of San Francisco, are staying at the Dominion Hotel.

A Webb and Mrs. Webb, are here from Calgary, and are at the Dominion Hotel.

G. N. Baker and J. Ewart, of Togo, Sask., are new arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.

R. J. Wark and David Harris, of Langley, are stopping at the Dominion Hotel.

J. R. Dixon and F. D. Craig, of Kam-sack, registered at the Dominion Hotel yesterday.

T. Copeland and Mrs. Copeland, of Langden, Alta., are staying at the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nixon, of Grenfell, Sask., are prairie visitors staying at the Strathcona hotel.

F. H. Giborne, K. C., Parliamentary Counsel for the House of Commons, was in the city yesterday.

Geo. L. Valentine and Mrs. Valentine, of Pennington, Sask., are new arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McNaughton, of Moose Jaw, are visiting the coast, and are staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Peter Patterson and Mrs. Patterson, of Morden, Man., are amongst yesterday's arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.

Charles White, of Ingersoll and Charles L. Bailey, of Toronto, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cope and family, have arrived from Pentleton, and are staying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Grime, Mrs. E. Thompson, Miss E. Thompson and C. R. Gordon, are the Vancouver registrars at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thulin, with family, returned to the city yesterday from a motor tour in California. Mr. Thulin is interested in the hotel at Campbell River, and goes north to prepare for the coming season.

There will be a meeting of the Vancouver Women's Canadian Club on Thursday, March 1, when Professor Ill-Tout will be the guest of the club and will give an address on "Has Our Civilization Failed?"

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Frotheroe, formerly of Edmonton, Alta., announce the engagement of their second daughter, Winnifred Godwin, to W. Woodburn Evans, of Edmonton. The wedding will take place on Wednesday, February 28, at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay.

Last evening at 1472 Begbie Street, the residence of the bride's parents, Rev. Captain Campbell, chaplain to the troops, celebrated the marriage of Catherine Colton, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Stark and Paul Polack Vike, of Seattle. There were present relatives and friends of the bride and groom.

For Convalescent Hospitals. — In thanking friends for generous donations to the Military Convalescent Hospitals, the Women's Auxiliary suggests some of the things which would still prove useful: Cushions, hammocks, pictures, music, small mirrors, flower vases, steamer or other rugs. Such might be sent to the secretary, Women's Auxiliary, Military Convalescent Hospitals, Temple Building. The following are thanked for donations: Mrs. Neame, cash; Mrs. and Miss Taylor, cash; (the latter to defray the expenses of moving the pool table won by them in the Superfluties raffle and presented to Resthaven); Captain Troup, two rowboats; the Britannia Lodge, Ladies' Orange Association, two arm chairs, upholstered in leather; Mrs. Edgar Dewdney, invalid chair; Daughters of Pitty, extension chair; Mr. Fernie, cabinet (containing twelve games); Miss Foster, playing cards; Mrs. Muirdock, trays; the Elk Lake Red Cross, hot water bags; Anonymous, pillows; Mrs. Hay, books; Mrs. Alexander Robinson and Mrs. J. D. Gordon, jam.

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MUNICIPAL CHAPTER

Rooms at 733 Fort Street Must Be Vacated; Annual Meeting March 8.

At the meeting of the Municipal Chapter, I. O. D. E., on Thursday announcement was made by the secretary that she had received a letter notifying her that the headquarters rooms, 733 Fort Street, had been rented from March 1, and that it would be necessary to find new quarters. Acknowledgment was made of the very generous action of Arthur Haynes, who has lent the rooms free for the past two years for patriotic work. He had the sincere thanks of all branches of the I. O. D. E. in Victoria. Mrs. A. F. Griffiths and Mrs. Hazell and Mrs. Duncan Ross have been appointed a committee to secure new rooms. The annual meeting is to be March 8, at the Alexandra Club.

A per capita tax of seventy-five cents for the upkeep of the Municipal Chapter on all primary chapters has been recommended by the by-laws committee.

Arrangements were discussed in connection with the field-comforts tag day to be held on March 2. The treasurer reported a balance of \$286 in the bank. Mrs. Cecil Cookson reported sending 12 cases of field-comforts this month, and the receipt of cash donations from Major and Mrs. Hebdon Gillespie, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. David

Doig, and Mrs. Kent. A report from the Canadian War Contingent Association asked for an increase of socks and woolen comforts, and enclosed letters, including one from Lt.-Col. Edwards, of the 38th Battalion, and from Q. M. S. Wm. Bryce, A. Company, 5th Battalion, expressing gratitude for such comforts.

The regent of the Daisy Chain Chapter, Mrs. D. E. Campbell, enclosed a cheque of \$25 towards the Lord Roberts Memorial Fund for Crippled Soldiers. This (a girls' chapter) was the first in Victoria. Mrs. Griffiths pointed out, to take up this work.

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Reminiscences of Early Days by Rev. John Campbell, D. D. BACKWOODS LIFE IN ONTARIO---CHURCH AND CIVIL GROWTH IN VICTORIA

An interesting personality in the history of Presbyterianism in Victoria is Captain the Rev. John Campbell, D.D., who came to the city twenty-five years ago as pastor of the First Church, a building erected in 1863. Continuing there for a period of more than twenty years he came to be regarded not only as one of the established links with the early life of the church in British Columbia but as one of the most highly esteemed and useful of its missionaries in the West. It is only in the last three years, since his duties as military chaplain have absorbed much of his time, that the reverend gentleman has resigned his pastoral connections after a ministerial career which dates back to his beginnings in 1874.

Captain the Rev. John Campbell recalled for a Times reporter this week some of the outstanding incidents of a life which has had much to do with pioneering both in the east and west. The first incident, of course, was his birth, and in mentioning the place of his nativity the Doctor made no effort to conceal his pride of Scottish ancestry. His people belonged to the Campbell clan, and he first saw the light of day in Argyllshire, that county in the Highlands of Scotland which with Christian missions to the year 1665, when Saint Columba took up his residence on the Isle of Iona.

Pride of clan has never waned despite almost a lifetime's absence from his native soil, as becomes patent on entering the gate to Dr. Campbell's home, which bears the name "Broadbank," the clan name of the branch of the Campbells to which his people belonged and which is represented still by an earl of that title.

Lived in Backwoods.
He was but seven years of age when his parents removed to Canada. The greater part of Ontario in those days was "backwoods," and County Simcoe, in which the family settled, was almost trackless forest. Dr. Campbell remembers only slightly some of the outstanding incidents of the day more than sixty years ago when they reached the place which was to be their home through many subsequent years.

"It was a bush farm on which we settled," he recalled. "Bear and deer were there in abundance. Sometimes, too, the wolves came down from the mountains in numbers and chased the deer down to the shores of Georgian Bay. The bear was a nuisance, and early settlers had difficulty in raising grain, particularly fall wheat, owing to their depredations. Sometimes they carried off pigs, which was another offence which made them unpopular. And that wilderness is now the garden of Canada, one of the most beautiful spots in the Dominion," added the speaker.

First School.
The home was in Nottawasaga Township. The matter of schooling was a bit of a problem at the beginning, as the settlers were too far apart to justify the establishment of educational facilities. The nearest neighbor was a mile away, and the mere matter of purchasing a spool of thread or a broom required a twenty-mile journey to the small store which enjoyed the custom of the thinly scattered population. Finally, however, a little schoolhouse was opened, the first teacher, a man of firm yet just men, being the Doctor's instructor in the rudimentary subjects which were the groundwork for his subsequent college training. Subsequently he himself enjoyed pedagogical experience for a brief period in the same small institution, no doubt gaining some useful hints for application in his study of mankind and childhood later on.

He attended Toronto High School next, thence progressing to the Uni-

versity of Toronto, which at that time had only about 300 students. He took his B. A. and M. A. degrees from the University, securing his degree of Licentiate of Divinity later from Knox College.

Ministerial Career.
Completing his ministerial training he was ordained in 1874. His first charge was at Cannington, a little country town north of Toronto. After three years he accepted a call to Harrison, and from there went to Collingwood, a place which had sprung up and grown with remarkable rapidity as the head of navigation with the Great Lakes. Subsequently this place developed a large ship-building industry, a fact in which Dr. Campbell took much pride.

Turns Westward.
"It was through the good agencies of the great home missionary, Dr. Robertson, that I was induced to come to Victoria," said Captain Campbell in referring to the significant next move which he made. "Through him I accepted the call of the First Presbyterian Church here, succeeding Rev. Mr. Fraser in 1887. I continued pastor there until 1912, a period of over twenty years.

"During this time I saw many changes in the churches, in the business life of the city, in the buildings, in the streets, and in the people themselves. A row of 'Uncle Tom' cabins painted red gave place to the beautiful buildings over the Bay; schools sprang up all over the city, squat one-story structures of frame were replaced by handsome two, three, six and seven-story buildings of brick or stone. It was in '91 or '92 I think that I went down to see the first of the Empire boats steam off to the Far East. A great crowd of people were down the wharf to see her off, many waving her until she disappeared in the distance off William Head. It was a great occasion, until she lifted anchor, little craft of all kinds moving backwards and forwards between her and the shore."

Moderator of Synod.
Dr. Campbell has been moderator of the Synod of British Columbia and moderator many more times at meetings of the Presbytery. As a member of the Foreign Mission Committee he has had interesting experiences, supervising Presbyterian work among the Indians and Chinese in British Columbia. His work took him all over the island and also up to some of the Indian and Chinese settlements on the mainland. He heard many languages used in connection with the work, and had been told of Indians in the Province who spoke Gaelic. Personally he had not encountered them.

Fellowship.
"One of the first things that drew me to Bishop Macdonald," said Dr. Campbell in confessing his weakness for Highland associations, "was the fact that he came from the Highlands and spoke Gaelic. I have known him from the time he came here, and I consider him now a real friend on other than lingual and racial grounds."

Referring to the relations of the churches Dr. Campbell said that the spirit to-day was much finer than when he first came to the city. In the old days a "new minister, might never become even distantly acquainted with some of his brethren "in the cloth" if they were of other than his own denomination. This was particularly marked in the relations of the non-conformist ministers to the clergy of the Church of England and the Roman Catholic Church. To-day the Social Service Commission and the Ministerial Association brought all teachers of the Gospel together in a common cause, bringing about inter-denominational sympathy and understanding, and fast friendships oftentimes springing up between people whose creed in the old times would have constituted an insurmountable barrier."

Changes For Better.
Invidious comparison of the present with the past generation is not one of the Doctor's traits. He keeps closely in touch with and is on the whole sympathetic to the spirit of the times. "Things have changed for the better in more than the material sense since I came to Victoria," he pronounced. "In temperance, in Sabbath observance, in church-going, there has been a marked improvement."

Referring to some of the early friends he recalled with particular affection his first meeting with the late Bishop Servey, whom he had known right from the first month that he was in Victoria.

"He and I were intimate friends right up to the time of his death, and I have heard every word of praise that I have heard spoken of him—and he had a legion of friends—I can say a hearty Amen. Of the late Bishop Criddle I can say the same. One of the first things that came to my notice in Victoria was the generous esteem, respect and love which this clergyman enjoyed from people and ministers of all denominations. Everyone looked up to him."

An Eyeopener.
Dr. Campbell tells of an incident which happened soon after his arrival in the city which he considered should have been an eyeopener to those who thought Catholic children were not taught the Scriptures. He one day on Pandora Street overtook a little boy about eight years of age. He asked him if he went to church. "Yes," said the boy, "I go to the Catholic church." "Well," said the Doctor, "what is the difference between the Catholic church and the Protestant church?" "Oh," said the little fellow, "the Catholic Bible is right and the Protestant Bible is wrong. The Protestant Bible says 'repent,' and the Catholic Bible says 'do penance.'"

VISIT TO THE COAST CONCERNS RECRUITING

Colonel Mulloy, Stone Blind, Will Report on Enlistments in the Province

Accompanied by Lieut. R. A. Caldwell, Col. L. Mulloy, who took part in the South African war as a trooper, during which he lost the sight of both eyes, arrived in Vancouver yesterday from Ottawa. Since the outbreak of the present war, "The Blind Colonel," the title by which he is more generally known, has worked energetically on behalf of recruiting, while in the National Service movement he has been intensely keen. It is in connection with those matters that he is making his present trip to the Pacific Coast.

Asked in Vancouver as to whether there was any probability of conscription coming into force in Canada, Col. Mulloy stated in reply that he could not speak with any degree of definiteness or with any authority on that subject. "The voluntary system," he added, "seems to me to have fallen down and something will have to be done to keep the numbers up. That is the only course I see open at the present time, but you will understand that nothing has as yet been done to either bring in conscription or something approaching it."

Col. Mulloy stated that while on the Pacific Coast it was his intention to go into the question of the number of men who had been recruited lately as well as the matter of National Service. Until such time as he had had an opportunity of seeing the condition of affairs he could not give a definite expression of opinion on any of these matters.

ARMY SERVICE CORPS SEND ANOTHER DRAFT

Fifty Men on Their Way to Winnipeg and Overseas; Recruiting Brisk

In charge of Lieut. J. F. Rowlands, 50 men of the 21st Company, Canadian Army Service Corps, whose names are appended below, left the Vancouver depot this week for the Canadian Army Service Training Depot, Fort Osborne Barracks, Winnipeg. Fully half of these men were recruited in Victoria and vicinity, while the remainder are from the mainland and Vancouver: Privates G. Ballie, A. R. Bamford, A. Barker, J. R. Bowers, C. E. A. Breeden, R. Burns, R. M. Calman, W. Carlyle, J. Couch, W. A. Craig, S. E. Ellis, S. Essler, A. T. G. Farquhar, B. Glenn, G. E. Goddard, R. E. Hookes, J. Irving, G. G. Irvine, G. D. Jamieson, J. W. Langley, H. A. Lynn, B. H. Malcher, W. E. Mann, E. D. Mansson, H. Martin, F. H. McCreary, G. McEwan, A. H. McKay, W. G. R. Murphy, H. L. Nicholson, D. J. O'Connor, G. W. Beachey, F. J. Pickett, S. C. Pierce, P. W. Pollock, A. T. Purser, F. Pyke, A. Quinn, C. Quinn, R. T. Slocome, F. E. Spersholt, G. Stirling, E. H. Street, N. Taylor, T. T. Taylor, A. E. Thompson, W. C. Walton, W. H. Wheelwright, T. S. Woods, F. Halford.

Vital Part of Army.
On enquiry at the local recruiting headquarters on Government Street this morning it was learned that enlistments have been proceeding steadily, but quite satisfactorily, during this week. While this branch of the service is not always looked upon as offering a great amount of glory to the young man who is contemplating donning the King's uniform, it is none the less the fact that upon the efficient working of the Army Service Corps depends the success or failure of many an encounter at the front. The Army Service Corps is in constant demand by every unit on the field, as well as everywhere behind the lines.

CYCLISTS' PLATOON WANT SIX MORE MEN

Those Who Want to Join the Wheelmen Are Urged to Do So Quickly

Half a dozen more men are needed to bring the Cyclists' Platoon, now being raised in British Columbia by Lieut. F. E. Dorchester, up to full strength. On inquiry at the local recruiting headquarters in the Sayward Building this morning, Sergt. Smith stated that if he is able to enroll the remaining six men during the present week there is every reason to believe that the platoon will get its marching orders for the east quickly.

This is the only platoon authorized to be raised in British Columbia for service at the front at the present, other platoons are, however, being raised further east with the object of forming the whole into a Canadian Cyclists' Battalion. It is fully expected the men will be trained in readiness to take their part in the operations on the western front, in conjunction with cavalry movements, just as soon as trench warfare gives place to work in the open, which Lieut. Dorchester is optimistic enough to expect to be the case as soon as the spring drive gets well under way.

FORESTRY COMPANY AN ATTRACTIVE UNIT

Captain Sargison to Commence Recruiting Campaign at Alberni Next Week

Capt. A. G. Sargison, officer commanding the Foresters' draft now being organized for early departure overseas, with Sergt. Thomas Watson and Pte. Gibbons of that force, proceeds to the twin Albertas on Monday next, with the object of affording residents of the Alberni district convenient opportunity of enlisting with this popular branch of the service.

The Foresters hitherto recruited are now at work in the timbered areas of the north of England and in Scotland, being engaged chiefly in getting out material so greatly needed in trench construction and strengthening. Their work is so highly appreciated by the military authorities that it was announced in an Ottawa telegram of the 5th instant that Col. Williams, assistant director of recruiting, would shortly proceed west from the national capital to inaugurate the formation of several additional battalions for this work.

The Foresters' Battalion already organized in British Columbia is composed of sturdy Westerners, the majority of whom have had experience in logging camps and lumber mills and as cooks, teamsters, truck drivers, prospectors, millwrights, fliers, etc. These are the classes most in demand, although all men of requisite military standard are acceptable, it being possible for these, should they so desire, to transfer to other units later.

The Foresters are not per se a combatant unit, but a very essential one in the successful prosecution of warfare such as that upon which world attention is now focused. A somewhat relaxed standard of physical qualification permits men under 45 who may be found unacceptable for line regiments by reason of eyesight or other minor defects to enlist and render valuable aid to the Empire as members of the Forestry Battalions.

MEANING OF THE PATCH Canadian Divisional Troops Identified by Splash of Color on Their Uniform

The small patch of red or blue on the shoulder or arm of the returned soldier has led to many enquiries as to its meaning. For the benefit of Times readers the explanation follows: Members of the first Canadian division wear the red patch on each shoulder; second division troops are served with a blue patch, also worn on the shoulder. Men of the third division wear a dark blue square in the middle of the back. A green patch on the shoulders is the distinguishing mark of the fourth Canadian division.

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Taking the street car from the Willows to Cook Street and proceeding on foot to the corner of Fort and Douglas Street, where they were met by the band of the 5th Regiment, Lieutenant Irwin and his fifty men took their final march through the streets of the city to the wharf en route for the western front last night. The late hour did not affect the scene of enthusiasm with which the crowds of people greeted the departing artillerymen. Cheering and the waving of handkerchiefs were kept up until the Princess Mary was lost to view and the last strains of "Auld Lang Syne" had died away. Lieutenant Colonel Angus, the commanding officer of the 5th Regiment, was on the wharf to witness the departure of the men, and remained there until the last glimpse of the boat could be seen. The process of embarkation was carried out in the most orderly fashion and the splendid training the men have received at the Willows was reflected in their fine soldierly bearing as they marched through the streets.

Names of the Men:
The names of the men under the command of Lieutenant Irwin follow: Sergeant E. L. Yeo, Corporal L. Weston, Gunners A. P. Archibald, S. L. Arthur, S. R. B. Bayne, O. H. Borradaile, Bombardier W. H. Brackett, Gunners A. Buss, F. R. Butler, A. S. Cartwright, A. J. Cromwell, H. Cross, H. N. Crowther, J. D. Crowther, H. E. Curtis, M. B. Darby, R. Easton, A. W. Erickson, E. R. Etheridge, R. P. Forrest, G. Freeman, W. G. Gee, P. N. Guy, H. Hutchinson, G. O. H. Johnston, J. H. Johnston, M. E. Knittle, S. A. Lownds, F. H. Madam, R. E. McGregor, W. R. Mackintosh, R. W. Malcolm, R. A. Moir, G. Farfit, V. R. Farfit, G. W. Patterson, J. H. Riach, R. E. Ritchie, G. B. Ryves, J. W. Shakespeare, Bombardier F. C. Smith; Gunners T. Smith, E. G. H. Steele, T. Thory, L. Yashereas, S. D. Wales, H. Waters, G. S. Way, S. Whittle, and A. H. Wilkerson.

Recruits Wanted.
The men will proceed direct to the Atlantic seaboard, where early transportation arrangements will be made for their conveyance to England. Upon their arrival on the other side it is expected that the draft will be split up for the reinforcing of other units in need of men. At the present moment there are only twenty-five men on the roll for the next overseas draft, which must be made up to fifty before marching orders can be expected.

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VICTORIA BOY SCOUTS

He is a natural leader, particularly with boys and young men. He has lectured from time to time at Yale, Columbia and Toronto Universities, on Social Education.

Signaller's Badge.
The Signalling Corps (Engineer Services) has proved to be an interesting branch for Boy Scouts. Scouts from all over Canada may be found in the ranks of this branch of the military service, and there is a reason. Boy Scouts are taught signalling not particularly to fit them for war service but for many of the civil occupations where signalling is of service.

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Arrivals and Departures

Table with columns for COASTWISE SERVICES, For Vancouver, For Prince Rupert, For Comox, For Skagway, For Seattle, For Port Angeles, For Port Angeles.

QUARANTINE ORDER IS NOW SUSPENDED

American Government Lifts Regulation Applying to Oriental Ships at Diamond Point

The stringent quarantine regulations which were put in force at William Head and Diamond Point following the outbreak of cholera aboard the liner Hawaii Maru several months ago, requiring that all steerage passengers by Oriental steamships be landed for bacteriological examination, have been raised at the American station. Word was received here yesterday that this regulation had been suspended at Diamond Point.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Seattle, Feb. 23.—Arrived: Str Humboldt, San Francisco; str Mukilteo, San Francisco, via Port Angeles; str Queen, San Pedro, via San Francisco; str Selkirk, Vancouver, B. C.; str Eva Marie, West Coast of Vancouver Island. Sailed: Str Spokane, South-eastern Alaska; str President, San Diego, via Victoria, B. C., and San Francisco; bgs William H. Smith, San Francisco, in tow of tug Sea Rover; str Queen, Tacoma; str Selkirk, Vancouver, B. C.

OWNERS CLAIM DAMAGES

A claim and counter-claim for damages has arisen out of the collision between the C. P. O. S. liner Empress of Japan and the Norwegian tanker Belridge, which occurred January 31 off Discovery Island. The owners of the Belridge have libelled the Empress of Japan for \$30,000, while the C. P. R. has filed a claim for a similar amount.

PATRICIA TO RESUME

The C. P. R. steamer Princess Patricia came off the Victoria Machinery Depot works this afternoon after completing repairs. She will resume her regular schedule on Monday between Seattle and Vancouver.

THREE TANKERS DUE

Three tankers are due to pass up to Comox during the week-end. They are the Col. E. L. Drake, the Washinaw and the Lus Blanca.

LEADS INBOUND ORIENTAL FLEET



BLUE FUNNEL LINER IXION With 12,000 deadweight tons of general cargo stowed away below decks, the liner Ixion is looked for at the beginning of the week from Hongkong and Yokohama. She has 1,000 tons for discharge at this port.

CAPT. LA PRAIK IS SLATED FOR COMMAND

Will Take Over Schooner Margaret Haney When Commissioned; Contracts Awarded. Capt. LaPraik, formerly in the service of the Pacific Mail, and one of the best known British skippers on the coast, is slated to take command of the new auxiliary schooner Margaret Haney, now completing at the yards of the Cameron-Genoa Mills Shipbuilders, Ltd., for the Canada West Coast Navigation Company.

CUZCO GOES ASHORE ON PERUVIAN COAST

Grace Steamer, Well-Known Here, Piles Up at Salaverry. Word has been received here of the grounding of the Norwegian steamer Cuzco, one of the big vessels under charter to W. R. Grace & Co., plying from ports on the South American coast to Puget Sound and British Columbia. She went ashore at Salaverry, Peru, on Thursday.

IS NOW ADMIRAL IN RUSSIAN NAVY

Capt. J. L. Read, Prince Edward Islander, Given Control of Ice-Breakers. Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Little Prince Edward Island has contributed an admiral to a foreign navy in the person of Capt. John L. Read, for many years in charge of the Dominion Government's ice breakers, plying between the island and the mainland during the winter season.

WIRELESS REPORTS

Feb. 24, 8 a. m. Point Grey—Clear; calm; 29.70; 30; sea smooth. Cape Lazo—Overcast; calm; 29.73; 30; sea smooth. Spoke str Venture, 3 a. m., leaving Campbell River, northbound. Pachena—Clear; N. E.; 29.57; 28; sea smooth. Estevan—Overcast; calm; 29.52; 28; sea smooth. Spoke str Admiral Dewey, 9.25 p. m., 350 miles north of San Francisco, bound for Seattle. Alert Bay—Overcast; calm; 29.43; 29; sea smooth. Triangle—Snow; S. E.; 29.41; 33; moderate. Spoke str Princess, 11.35 p. m., Queen Charlotte Sound, northbound. Spoke str Princess Beatrice, 11.20 p. m., off Egg Island, northbound. Dead Tree Point—Overcast; calm; 29.38; 22; sea smooth. Ikeda Bay—Overcast; calm; 29.07; 25; sea smooth. Prince Rupert—Snow; S. E.; 29.00; 28; sea smooth.

STEAMERS SENATOR AND NORTHLAND COLLIDE OFF BLUNT'S REEF

Seattle, Feb. 24.—A dispatch from San Francisco to the merchants exchange says that the Pacific S. S. Company liners Northland and Senator collided at 1 o'clock this morning at Blunt's Reef near Eureka, Cal. The Northland was badly damaged and turned back to San Francisco. The Senator, damaged above the waterline, continued on her way to San Francisco. Both boats carried passengers. There were no casualties.

CHILEAN SHIP HAS VANISHED OFFSHORE

Puerto Montt, Sighted Over Two Weeks Ago by Guaytecas, Fails to Turn Up

Disappearing as mysteriously as a phantom of the seas, the Chilean ship Puerto Montt, sighted off Cape Flattery more than two weeks ago, has either been blown far offshore or met disaster in the recent storm which raged on the North Pacific. The Puerto Montt was sighted by the Chilean barque Guaytecas several days before she made the Straits, and those aboard her are unable to account for the long delay of the sailing vessel, unless she has become disabled or is beating offshore in the hope of being picked up by a tug.

INQUISITIVE CANINE BECOMES MASCOT OF STEAMSHIP PRESIDENT

"Mike," erstwhile property of Capt. James Mosher, of this city, has embarked on a seafaring career. Mike is an inquisitive member of the bulldog species who for a number of years has looked upon the shore area covered by the Outer Docks as his particular playground. There are few skippers entering this port who failed to become acquainted with Mike. He was of an affectionate disposition, despite his distorted features.

REMAINS SHIPPED EAST

The remains of the late Capt. J. N. P. Ritchie were shipped to the mainland last night en route to Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, where the burial will take place. Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the C. B. Funeral Chapel, Rev. Dr. W. Leslie Clay officiating. A large number of local seafaring men were present to pay their last tribute to the deceased mariner.

THE TIME BALL

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

TIDE TABLE

Table with columns: Date, Time, High, Low, etc. for February 1917.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Table with columns: Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific standard) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of February, 1917.

Canadian Pacific Railway

B. C. COAST SERVICE VANCOUVER, daily at 2 and 11.45 p. m. SEATTLE, daily at 4.30 p. m. ALASKA, from Victoria, March 2, 12, 23, at 11 p. m. PRINCE RUPERT and ANYOX (Granby Bay) from Vancouver every Wednesday at 11 p. m. OCEAN FALLS and SWANSON BAY, from Vancouver every Thursday at 11 p. m. HOLBERG and way ports, from Victoria, March 1, 20, at 11 p. m. CLAYOQUET and way ports, from Victoria, every Tuesday at midnight; from Vancouver, every Wednesday and Friday, at 9 a. m. POWELL RIVER, UNION BAY and COMOX, from Vancouver, every Saturday at 11.45 p. m.

Canadian Northern Railway

TRANSCONTINENTAL LEAVES VANCOUVER 9.00 A.M. SUNDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY, 9.00 A.M. SCENIC ROUTE BETWEEN VANCOUVER AND TORONTO. SHORT LINE TO EDMONTON AND PRAIRIE POINTS. NEW AND MODERN EQUIPMENT. ELECTRIC LIGHTED STANDARD AND TOURIST SLEEPERS, DINING AND LIBRARY OBSERVATION CARS. DAILY LOCAL SERVICE. 1.00 p. m. Leave VANCOUVER. Arrive a. m. 11.30 9.45 p. m. Arrive Chilliwack. Arrive a. m. 8.15 11.00 p. m. Arrive Hope. Leave a. m. 7.00 Full particulars may be obtained from any Canadian Northern Agent. City Ticket Office. Phone 4169. GREEN & BURDICK BROS. Cor. Langley and Broughton Sts.

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DAY STEAMER TO SEATTLE THE S.S. "Sol Duc"

S.S. "Sol Duc" leaves Victoria every Friday at 5 p. m. for Seattle, February 24, 11 a. m., and February 28, 4 p. m., steamer Admira Schley or Queen. For rates and reservations apply J. G. THOMSON, 1003 Gov't St. R. P. Ritchie & Co., Ltd., 1477 Wharf St.

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SPORTING NEWS

SWIMMING GALA THIS EVENING AT Y. M. C. A.

Many Interesting Events on Programme of Aquatic Sports

A large crowd is expected to be in attendance this evening at the local Y. M. C. A. to witness the swimming gala which is being held. Many interesting and instructive items will form part of the programme. Not by any means the least among these will be the attempt of Miss Audrey Griffin to lower the Canadian 100 yards indoor ladies' record. The following is the list of events:

Life saving—something everybody should know. Patient, R. W. Fraser; rescuer, Douglas Smith.

Sketch, "The Old Swimmer's Ole," by Junior Boys. Farmer, W. Turnbull; leader, Jim Muir; gang, H. Boyd, J. Southwell, and W. Sweetman.

Relay race, four a side, by junior clubs: Trojans' Club, Spartans' Club, Romans' Club.

Girls' race, promoted by V. L. S. C. Learn to swim demonstration; by Junior Boys. (Will show how to most easily master the leg strokes and to make first attempts at swimming.)

Relay race, three a side, by intermediate clubs: "Tom-a-Lee's," "A-chaco's," "Business Boys' Clubs."

The Human Gramophone, by Charlie Hunt.

Sketch, "The Sighed, She Sighed, Down by the River Side"; Harry, R. W. Fraser; Loving Jack, Walter Gropp; Belinda, the beautiful boilermaker's daughter, Arthur Wicks.

Relay race, by senior boys' clubs: 1st heat, St. John's Club, Chi Rho Club, Metropolitan Club. 2nd heat, Centennial Club, Boys Allie Club, Hi Y. Club.

Girls' race, handicap event, promoted by V. L. S. C.

Relay race final, by senior boys' clubs, winners' 1st heat vs winners' 2nd heat.

Miss Audrey Griffin, V. L. S. C., will attempt to lower the existing Canadian Women's record (indoor) for 100 yards. This record was set by Miss Madge Griffin in 1911, and stands at 1 min. 36.3-5 secs. The officials for this event will be as follows: Referee, A. Cotter, Esq. (honorary secretary-treasurer, B. C. section, Canadian Amateur Swimming Association); starter, R. E. Crompton, boys' work secretary, Y. M. C. A.; timekeepers, C. H. Hopper, secretary, Royal Life Saving Society; A. J. Dallain, R. L. S. S.; J. Wenger, Y. M. C. A. S. C.; judges, Mrs. H. Catterall, president, V. L. S. C.; B. E. Dean, Vancouver Amateur Swimming Club; Elmer H. Chave, physical director, Y. M. C. A.; surveyor of tank, E. Douglas Todd.

Demonstration of fancy and scientific swimming: Porpoise swimming, Monte Cristo sack drive, monkey up a stick, etc., by Professor F. Burrows (Vancouver).

"God Save the King."

LACROSSE STAR WOUNDED. A dispatch from Cornwall, Ont., says that Frank Cummins, sr., has been advised by the adjutant-general, record office, Ottawa, that his son, Fred James Marcus (Mark) Cummins, the well-known member of the Cornwall lacrosse team, who went overseas with the 9th Battalion, was suffering from a gunshot wound in the right leg, and has been transferred from the Canadian Convalescent Hospital at Woodcote Park, Epsom, England, to the Granville Canadian Special Hospital, at Ramsgate, England. This is the second time the young lacrosse player has been wounded.

WILLARD BACK TO RING. Chicago, Ill., Feb. 24.—Jess Willard, the heavyweight champion, through his managers, has signed an eight month's agreement to appear with a circus during the coming season. The contract stipulates, however, that Willard may quit the circus on three weeks' notice any time a match is arranged for him. The season will open April 14 and close November 1.

BUTT AND LEIGHTON ARE REAL HEAVIES

Both Men Are Working Out for Coming Boxing Tournament

Tom Butt, one of the contestants for the heavyweight championship of the Pacific coast, which will be the main event of the naval and military tournament to be staged at the Princess Theatre on Saturday evening, March 3rd, is one of the most remarkable boxers of the day. Butt is forty-six years old and has been actively engaged as a boxer during the whole of his term of service with the British Navy, which extends over a period of thirty years. He is to-day just as active as ever, and pugilistic critics who have sized him up while in action claim that over the short distance route he could more than hold his own with the present crop of professional heavies. He is the possessor of an exceptionally powerful physique, and is credited with enormous strength.

Butt, during his boxing career has participated in hundreds of contests, and has met the best fighters in the British Army and Navy, and on numerous occasions he has been successful in winning championships, the following being some of the most important ones: Army and Navy—heavyweight championship, year 1897; heavyweight champion of Australian Fleet, heavyweight champion of China Station, heavyweight champion of Mediterranean Fleet, heavyweight champion of East Indies Fleet, heavyweight naval and military championship of Vancouver Island. Butt is particularly anxious to win the coming bout and is paying strict attention to his training, which consists daily of eight rounds of boxing with P. O. Curzon, Strk. Woods and McDonough; half hour's shadow boxing, for speed and footwork; skipping, stomach and neck exercises and roadwork, which he claims will put him in perfect condition for this contest.

Stoker Russ Leighton, the other contestant, also is an unusual powerfully built man, who possesses more than the usual speed and cleverness of the present day heavyweight boxer. Prior to the war Leighton belonged to the Vancouver Athletic Club and the Commercial Athletic Club, and he was considered one of their best men at his weight, and has defeated some of the first boxers on the coast. His fights in Victoria were with Cyclone Scott, ten rounds, at the Willows, which resulted in a draw, and with two stoikers from the H. M. S. Newcastle, whom he defeated easily. Leighton during the visit of Bob Fitzsimmons and his son to Victoria, dominated the contest with Bob, and he put up a wonderful showing against the coming champion. Old Bob, who witnessed the try-out, was very much impressed with his style and predicted great things of him. Leighton is taking this bout very seriously and is working out every day with Joe Bayley, G. G. Corke and sailors from the ships in port, besides doing road and gymnasium work.

VICTORIA ROTARIANS LOSE AT VANCOUVER

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 24.—In a hard fought basketball game last night at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium the Vancouver Rotary Club team defeated their Victoria brothers by 31 to 21, thus taking possession of the shield presented by Mr. W. H. Wilkerson, of Victoria, while the Victorians are the owners of the bronze medals put up by Tod and Manning, of Vancouver. The game was all Vancouver in the first period, which ended with the score 24-10 in favor of Vancouver; but in the second the Islanders came back and held the locals to 7 points while they were running up 11, not enough, however, to pull them out of the hole. J. Beatty was the star for the visitors, while N. Stacey, centre for the locals, was their big scorer.

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SEATTLE HOCKEYISTS DEFEATED SPOKANE

Victory by Score of 9-7 is Final Result of Game Played Last Night

Seattle, Feb. 24.—The Seattle Mets still are banging away in the lead for the hockey championship and the world's series is looming as big as a house as a result of last night's nestle at the Arena, when Muldoon's ambitious title-seekers brushed the Canyary defence and rang up a 9-7 victory over Spokane.

With but two more games between the local speed lads and the big honours, Manager Muldoon thinks he has the old title locked up in his strong box with the key tied to a rabbit.

Incidentally, Bernie Morris, the scoring phenomenon of the local club, took the lead in the scoring race by annexing two points and now is leading "Doc" Roberts by a pair of markers.

Last night's fracas was not any unusual affair, in fact, the play was slow at times, with the locals playing just hard enough to keep a safe lead over Lester Patrick's boys. The only excitement of the evening was furnished by the visitors in the final ten minutes, the invaders staging a late rally which threatened to bring them up to a tie with the home team.

Fast stick work by Sully Nichols, McDonald and Lester Patrick enabled the Spokane team to ring three scores through the Seattle goal, but the Mets strengthened and stopped the rally in the nick of time.

A feature of the contest was the individual playing of two of the youngsters of both teams, "Cully" Wilson, for the coming champions, and Leo Cook for the other side. These two youngsters displayed all kinds of snap and pepper. Cook and Lester Patrick got in a lot of pretty combination play, but the rest of the visiting squad were rusty at combination stuff, although McDonald and Nichols looked well individually.

PORTLAND MAY UPSET LEADERS IN RACE

P. C. H. A. is Nearing Close With Championship Still Undecided

For the first time in the history of a hockey race on the Pacific coast a tail-end club may upset the calculations of the fans and force an extra series for the championship. It's often happened in baseball that a tail-end club has come up in the final stages and won from the leaders, but never to the extent of affecting the championship. In this season's hockey race, however, the Buds, of Portland, have a chance to knock the dope endways.

Buds Advance in Race. By defeating the Vancouver Tans, Portland moved up into third place in the race, and while they have no hope to improve this position because only two games remain to be played by that club, the Uncle Sams are causing a lot of uneasiness both in Vancouver and in Seattle. Their winning surprised the fans around the circuit. To-night they play in Vancouver and to still have a chance for the championship the Millionaires must win. And for Vancouver to tie Seattle for the title the Buds must defeat the Metropolitans. For the first time since the game was introduced to the championship is still to doubt whether the finish of the schedule only ten days off.

Against Vancouver the Buds have always played brilliantly. In their last game in the Terminal City the teams travelled ten minutes overtime before the Millionaires notched the winning counter. To-night Portland will have all of their regulars in the lineup and will have Marples, the best reserve man in the league, and Alf Barbour on the bench.

Change in Vancouver Lineup. Without Patrick the Vancouverians must rearrange their lineup. Mackay will be moved back to fill Patrick's place on the defence and Stanley will go back to rover. This will leave Roberts, Taylor and Moynes on the forward line.

INDOOR TENNIS FINALS SETTLED AT NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 24.—S. Howard Voshell, the Brooklyn player, won the singles championship and Frederick B. Alexander and Dr. William Rosenbaum the titles in the doubles in the final matches of the national indoor tennis tournament which was played here. Voshell earned a straight set victory over Clifton B. Herd, of Los Angeles, Cal., 7-5, 6-3, 6-3. Alexander, the former Davis cup player, with Dr. Rosenbaum as his partner, defeated A. H. Man, Jr., former Yale captain, and Clifton B. Herd, 6-4, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5, 6-4.

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OATMAN CASE STILL TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

Eddie Says Will Bring Action to Get Money That is Due

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 24.—President Frank Patrick, of the P. C. H. A., has received a telegram from Major Frank Robinson, of the N. H. A., which practically sets at rest any suggestion of trouble between the two hockey bodies. In the wire Major Robinson assures the Coast body that the N. H. A. had no compliance whatever of the deal whereby Oatman was carried on the strength of the 22nd Battalion team while not an enlisted man, or by which he was guaranteed a certain sum, said to be \$1,200, for playing the season through. This statement is believed by President Patrick in toto, for it is scarcely conceivable that six managers and their press agents could be in on such an apparently raw deal without something of it leaking out to the Coast, while the personal standing of two N. H. A. moguls, Major Robinson, and Sammy Lichtenthal, owner of the Wanderers, would prevent the Eastern League team entering into such a compact.

Tried to Enlist. There remains the investigation to be held into the case, Oatman says he tried to enlist, but was rejected for some reason or other, and accepted the battalion's hockey terms instead. His complaint is that of the promised \$1,200 he only got \$400. All this must be gone into, and by the N. H. A. There has been a disposition on the part of the Easterners to take the stand that as Oatman reverts to the P. C. H. A. next season the investigating will be done by the P. C. H. A. The view on the Coast, however, is opposed to this, for the P. C. H. A. heads have come to the conclusion that the N. H. A. asked for a waiver on the player and having taken the responsibility, must return him with everything settled. Strength is added to this stand by the fact that not much investigating could be done at 3,000 miles' distance when all the evidence and interested parties are in the East.

DILLON SELECTED TO BOX DARCY IN MARCH

Jack Dillon, claimant of the American light-heavyweight title, will be Leo Darcy's first opponent in America. Grant Hugh Browne, the New York promoter, has announced that Dillon would be substituted for Al McCoy and that Darcy's initial appearance in an American ring would take place as scheduled on March 5. The contest will be staged in Madison Square Garden, a permit for the contest having already been issued by the New York State Boxing Commission. Dillon is to receive \$10,000 for meeting the Australian champion. McCoy was scheduled to box Dillon last September in Gotham but backed out of the match. The commission recently decided that McCoy must fulfill this engagement before being permitted to appear again.

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ION AND IRVINE WILL BE OFFICIALS

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 24.—Fred Ion and George Irvine, Pacific Coast hockey officials, have been named by the Pacific Coast Hockey Association to handle the world's series, which starts on the Coast on March 19. President Patrick to-day forwarded their names to the National Hockey Association and expected that the selection would be confirmed.

WANT YOU HELP US

Save the starving and distressed old women, old men, children and babes in Russian Poland by sending a contribution to the Victoria Branch, Russian Poland Jewish Relief Society? Their need is very urgent. Headquarters, Fred Landberg, 641 Fort St. and I. Waxstock, 1251-Broad St.

SAANICH MUNICIPALITY BY-ELECTION FOR COUNCILLOR FOR WARD FOUR

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the Electors of Ward Four (4) in the Municipality of Saanich, that I require the presence of said electors at the Council Chamber, Municipal Hall, Royal Oak, B. C., on Wednesday, the 28th day of February, 1917, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of electing a person to represent them in the Municipal Council as Councillor for Ward Four (4).

NOTICE

In the County Court of Victoria, Holden at Victoria, Between William Whittaker, of 1915 Chambers Street in the City of Victoria, B. C., Retired, Plaintiff and Lillian Maud McKee, of Whittaker Street, in the City of Victoria, B. C., Married Woman, Defendant. To the Above Named Defendant, Lillian Maud McKee: Take notice that this action was on the 16th day of January, A. D. 1917, commenced against you, and that the Plaintiff by his particulars of claim, claims to have a certain Assignment of an Agreement for Sale of Lot Number Two (2) of Blocks 36 and 37, Spring Ridge Section, in the City of Victoria, B. C., made between one Elizabeth Cheeseman, of the City of Victoria, B. C., as Assignor of the first part and the Defendant as Assignee of the second part, declared to be void and of no effect, and to have the registration of the same cancelled in the books of the Land Registry Office at the City of Victoria, B. C.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Matter of the Estate of Oliver James Knights, Deceased, and in the Matter of the Administration Act. Notice is hereby given that under an order granted by the Honourable Mr. Justice Murphy, dated 2nd day of January, A. D. 1917, I, the undersigned, was appointed Administrator of the estate of the above deceased. All parties having claims against the said estate are required to forward particulars of same to me on or before the 21st day of March, A. D. 1917, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 21st day of February, 1917.

WEEKLY HALF-HOLIDAY ACT

Notice is hereby given that every shop within the Municipal District of Saanich shall be closed for the serving of customers not later than 1 o'clock every Wednesday afternoon after February 1, 1917. By order, F. N. BORDEN, Reeve.

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 Douglas St., 7 rooms\$17
 106 Laurel St., 4 rooms\$7.50
 1169 View St., 7 rooms\$13
 542 Byron St., 3 rooms\$5
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 171 Haultain St., 4 rooms\$9
 748 Pembroke St., 10 rooms\$15
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OBITUARY RECORD

His death occurred this morning at St. Joseph's Hospital in his 47th year of George Edwin Emerson, resident in Victoria for the past eight years and born in High Wycombe, Bucks, England. A carpenter by trade, he is survived by a widow, five brothers and two sisters. Dr. J. P. Emerson of Extension, B. C. is the only brother resident in the Province. One is in England, one in Cyprus, one in California and the other in Manitoba, while both sisters are in England. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock on Monday next from the Sand's-Funeral Chapel. The family residence is 59 Duplin Road.

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WANTED-Good forge bellows, small size preferred. Phone 688. \$24

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are almost here. Is your machine in order? We are expert repairmen. See our fine new line of models. Finley's Cycle Store, 811 View Street. \$24

"PALESTINE"

Subject of lecture in the K. of P. Hall, North Park St., 7.30 Sunday evening. All are welcome. \$24

DUCK EGGS

(Mammoth Pekin), \$1.50 per dozen. Call on Mrs. Gibson, 261 Cloverdale, or Box 18, Maywood P. O. \$24

DON'T FORGET Macabae dance

Feb. 25th, Knights of Columbus Hall, 721 Fort St. Boston's orchestra. Refreshments. Dancing 8.30. Friends welcome. Review 7.30. \$24

WANTED-Experienced housekeeper

for Strathcona Hotel. Apply at hotel office. \$24

AUTO FOR SALE

cheap, Hudson 5 passenger. Northwest Real Estate, 719 Yates Street. \$24

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Sask, 100 broken, 6-roomed house, mortgage \$1,000. For auto or lot, no reasonable offer refused. Northwest Real Estate, 719 Yates Street. \$24

LOST-Newly knitted sock

between Mt. Tolmie and city. Please phone 2824. \$24

WANTED TO TRADE-Platfield property

for 4 or 5-roomed house, close in; will assume reasonable mortgage. Dalrymple & Lawson, 615 Fort St. \$24

FOR SALE-Building Society apartment

for \$4,000. Box 164, Times. \$24

FOR SALE-Two acres, close in

situation, black soil, strip of orchard; nice oak; \$50 per acre. Box 172, Times. \$24

WANTED-By middle aged man

ineligible for military service, position in office of a firm of lawyers. Has papers as solicitor of the Supreme Court in England. Highest references from well-known barristers, etc. Will accept small salary to commence. Box 197, Times. \$24

FERRIS second hand furniture store

has a fine selection of household goods, including mahogany and mission oak dining chairs, golden and mission oak buffets, bookcases, white enamel and golfers' oak dressers, Columbia gramophones and records, several sewing machines, etc. We also buy or sell goods of any description on commission. 1419 Douglas St. Phone 1573. \$24

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Gorge; water, light, phone; former value \$1,000, now \$1,500; must sell. What cash offer? Best offer takes. Owner, Box 73, City. \$24

ANGELIC-St. Matthias Mission, Fort

Bay-First Sunday in Lent, morning prayer and holy communion at 10.30; Sunday school at 2 p.m.; No evening service. \$24

ROYAL JUBILEE HOSPITAL

Last Sunday in month, holy communion at 8 a.m. No service at 10.30. Nurses, patients, residents in neighborhood cordially invited. \$24

I BUY ladies' and gents' discarded clothing

Phone 430X. \$24

TWO TO FOUR ROOMS

good second hand furniture wanted. Phone 440X. \$24

SELLING RAPIDLY-Glassed hot bed

sash, 3 feet by 5 feet, only \$22.50 each, delivered in the city. E. W. Whittington Ltd., Co., Ltd., 2611 Bridge St. Phone 2027. \$24

WANTED-Party willing to clear 7 acres

of land for use of same, within 6 miles of Victoria, or 12 miles. E. W. Whittington Ltd., Co., Ltd., 2611 Bridge St. Phone 2027. \$24

LOST-In handbag, about \$16, on Douglas

St., between Port and Yates Sts. Return to Times, Box 75. \$24

CITY MARKET

See selection of second hand furniture at bargain prices. We pay highest prices for good class furniture, etc. Phone 1453. \$24

LOST-Jet black cat, medium sized, Feb.

1917, from 1212 Clover Ave. Phone 12331, after 6 p.m.; reward. \$24

BORN

BATHAM-On the 22nd inst. at 2923 Graham Street, to Mr. and Mrs. P. Tatham, a daughter. \$24

LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN IN CONFERENCE

Useful Sessions to Be Held on Tuesday and Wednesday of Next Week

On Tuesday and Wednesday of next week the third Provincial Conference of the Local Council of British Columbia, in affiliation with the National Council of Women of Canada, will take place at the local headquarters of the Young Women's Christian Association. There will be morning, afternoon and evening sessions on the first day and two sessions, finishing in the afternoon of Wednesday. The business of the convention will be disposed of during the morning of Tuesday, the afternoon gathering being allotted to three papers on important subjects, including, "Citizenship," "Problems of Emigration" and "Social and Moral Reform."

Well-Known Speakers. A good deal of importance is attached to the value of the evening session, when M. B. Jackson will deliver an address on the "Conservation of Our Resources," while "The Conservation of Labor" will be dealt with by Parker Williams. It is particularly requested by the Local Council that the people of Victoria, both men and women, will do their utmost to be present at any or all these meetings, for it is the opinion of this organization that only by the assimilation of modern ideas concerning problems in Canadian national life which call for immediate solution, will it be possible for effective work to be accomplished. The discussions will be open to the general public, and questions are welcomed on all the topics to be dealt with.

Child Life. At the afternoon session on Wednesday Mrs. R. S. Day will give a paper on "The Conservation of Child Life," upon which it is expected a useful discussion will take place. "Women in Industrial Life" is a subject that has been projected into the national life of every state affected by the war, and Mrs. J. D. Gordon is fully capable of offering interesting and useful matter on the topic.

There will be at least 25 delegates in attendance from Vancouver, and many others from the mainland.

CIVIC BUSINESS

Court of Revision Meeting on Monday Morning; Two Weeks More for Appeals.

A preliminary meeting of the Civic Court of Revision on the assessment roll has been summoned for Monday morning, which the Inspector of Municipalities has been invited to attend. This meeting was foreshadowed when the court was named, the Mayor then stating that before the public sittings commenced there would be private meetings to determine on a line of policy. The final date for receiving appeals for hearing at this court will be March 12. Hitherto the number of appeals has been small, though it is no criterion of what may happen in the next two weeks.

On Tuesday afternoon there will be a meeting with Kendrick Sharp with regard to the compensation claim on Pandora Avenue for regrading the road in front of his property. A difference of opinion exists as to the amount of compensation which should be tendered in settlement of the damage claim to avoid an expensive arbitration.

The Fire Warden's Committee held a meeting this morning to deal with tenders for clothing, and other matters.

Next week promises to be a busy one with the aldermen, for in addition to the meetings mentioned above and that on the Vacant Lot cultivation referred to elsewhere in this issue, the work of the sub-committees of the Estimates Committee is not concluded, and it is uncertain at the present time when the estimates will be completed.

Magic "Nerviline" Ends Stiff Neck, Lumbago

Any Curable Muscular or Joint Pain is Instantly Relieved by Nerviline.

Get a Trial Bottle To-day. You don't have to wait all day to get the kink out of a stiff neck if you rub on Nerviline. And you don't need to go around complaining about lumbago any more. You can rub such things away very quickly with Nerviline. It's the grandest liniment, the quickest to penetrate, the speediest to ease muscular pain of any kind. One twenty-five cent trial bottle of Nerviline will cure any attack of lumbago or lame back. This has been proved a thousand times, just as it was in the case of Mrs. E. J. Grayden, of Caledonia, who writes: "I wouldn't think of going to bed without knowing we had Nerviline in the house. I have used it for twenty odd years and appreciate its value as a family remedy more and more every day. If any of the children gets a stiff neck, Nerviline cures quickly. If it is earache, toothache, cold on the chest, sore throat, Nerviline is always my standby. My husband once cured himself of a frightful attack of lumbago by Nerviline, and for a hundred ailments that turn up in a large family Nerviline is by far the best thing to have about you."

SESSIONAL STAFF BEING APPOINTED

Sergeant-at-Arms Bawden Will Have Several Returned Soldiers Under Him

In the selection of the staff of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Assembly for the session preference is being given to returned soldiers, in accordance with the promise of the Government to give such a preference where the men were fitted for the duties which they would be called upon to perform.

Sergeant-at-Arms Bawden will be assisted by Sergeant-Major Thomas W. Gault, as deputy sergeant-at-arms. The staff of messengers will include Private J. A. Brewster, Private J. Crook, Private T. Tilley, Private C. E. Hildreth, Private E. Robley, Private K. Mallin, Private Donald G. McKay.

The following pages have been chosen so far: Godwyn Brandan, W. Ross Brown, Robert David Tom Kay. Two more will be chosen on Monday next.

The staff of stenographers is being selected now, Miss Ida G. Sutherland having engaged as one of them. Others will be named at the beginning of the week.

LOCAL NEWS

Have You Seen the seven-jeweled wrist-watches, with unbreakable fronts, sold for \$5.00 each, by F. L. Haynes, 1124 Government street? They're unequalled.

The monthly meeting of the Navy League Chapter, I. O. D. E. will be held February 27th, at 1023 Fairfield road, at 2.45 p. m.

Call of Fire.—The Fire Department last evening was called in to extinguish an outbreak in a kitchen at 45 Montreal Street due to a defective flue. The damage was about \$150.

Discussing Finances.—The Executive Council had a long session this forenoon and early afternoon, and met again after lunch, with every likelihood of sitting until six o'clock. Financial matters are being considered to-day.

County Court.—Two cases are set down for hearing in the County Court during next week. Bartholomew versus Anderson at 10.30 on Monday and the Vancouver Island Mining and Development Co. versus Bawden on Wednesday at the same hour.

Rumor Dispelled.—In a telegram received from Ottawa the wife of Major Sutton was notified this morning that cable advices from England reaching Ottawa last night denied the earlier reports that her husband had been killed in action, stating that the first notification of his being wounded and remaining on duty could be regarded as correct.

Patriotic Aid Subscriptions.—The following are among some of the subscriptions recently received by the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society: Staff Canadian Rubber Co. Ltd., \$49; A. P. Slade & Co. and employees, \$14; A. Curtin, \$10; staff Esquimalt Graving Dock, \$33.60; staff District Engineer's Office, Dominion Public Works, \$15; Staff Resident Architect's office, Dominion Public Works, \$39.90; Agnes Deans Cameron Chapter, I. O. D. E., \$2.50; employees Times Printing & Publishing Co., \$123.50; employees D. Spencer, Ltd., \$94.

Sanich By-Election.—Nominations in the Sanich municipal by-election for Ward IV, have been set for Wednesday, and polling, if a contest takes place, on March 3. Several names have been mentioned in connection with the vacancy, and since the Ward IV Association is one of the most aggressive in the municipality, there is plenty of talent from which a selection may be made. There has not been a contest for a seat at the Council Board from this ward for some years, the selection of the Ratepayers' Association having generally proved acceptable to the general body of electors. While there are 1915 voters on the list, the majority are non-resident, and there are many on military service at this time.

FORT GEORGE ELECTION

Many Electors Deem It in Public Interest That Charges Should Go to Commission.

The enlargement of the scope of the Vancouver Election Royal Commission so that it can take cognizance of the charges made in respect to the election in Fort George was urged upon the Premier yesterday afternoon by J. R. Campbell, Prince George, President of the Liberal Association for the riding, who is in the city.

It is claimed that there were several irregularities in this election, where the candidates were W. R. Ross, K. C., then a Minister in the Bowser Cabinet, who had deserted his old riding of Fernie, which he had represented since 1903, and John McInnes, formerly Socialist member for Grand Forks. Mr. Ross's majority over Mr. McInnes is only seven.

Mr. McInnes and his friends believe that they can prove several breaches of the Elections Act committed on behalf of Mr. Ross by his supporters in the constituency, and a great many electors of Fort George consider that no matter what steps Mr. McInnes might or might not take in regard to the election public policy demands that the allegations of irregularities should be investigated.

SEWERAGE BOARD MUST BE MORE ECONOMICAL

Burrard Peninsula Commission Warned to Give Up Its Extravagant Methods

One of the extravagant bodies which is working in the province on borrowed money for the repayment of the principal and interest of which the province has given its guarantee is the Burrard Peninsula Joint Sewerage Board, of which Frank Bowser, a brother of the late premier, is chairman.

This board is building sewers on an extensive scale and planning others on a rather gigantic scheme, taking in the whole of the immense area embraced in the peninsula between the cities of Vancouver on the north and New Westminster on the south. Some of the area being drained in green fields, and it includes district municipalities which have lost large part of their populations.

The board was constituted in 1913, and has power to borrow up to \$10,500,000, of which it could borrow \$5,000,000 if it deemed necessary, and the other \$5,500,000 not sooner than three years from 1913, unless the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council allowed it sooner. The province gives it a guarantee up to \$5,000,000. The board has placed bonds for \$2,400,000.

On an application some little time ago for permission to borrow still further the Government decided to have an audit made of the commission's expenditures since it began work. It is understood that this revealed such reckless expenditure of money and such extravagance in plans and proposed outlay in the future that it was found necessary to check the board.

An intimation has been conveyed to the commissioners that retrenchment and economy must be observed by it just as by the Government itself and all spending bodies, and all the more so since the province has made itself responsible for the repayment of money which is being spent for the benefit of a small area relatively.

Presumably the board's chances of securing funds for further work depend entirely upon its showing itself willing to carry on its work in an economical manner and the likelihood of the areas being served with sewers being able to meet the charges for these.

NOT TO WAIT AUDIT

Children's Aid Society Meeting Will Proceed as Arranged on Monday.

Without waiting for the decision of the City Council on an application for an audit of the books of the Children's Aid Society, the annual meeting will be held on Monday afternoon as announced. The idea, it is understood, is to meet the convenience of the acting president, who has presideratory matters to attend to shortly. In view of the position of the society since the meeting on Wednesday it is thought advisable to hold the annual meeting at once.

It is understood that an interim report on the finances will be presented for consideration. It is not quite certain whether the City will be represented, since the hour clashes with the weekly meeting of the Civic Finance Committee of which the council representatives are also members.

FIGURE IS NAMED

Minister of Railways Advises Canadian Northern of Price Asked for Reserve Land.

Hon. John Oliver, Minister of Railways, has lost no time in making reply to the application of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway for the purchase of twenty-six acres of the old Songhees Reserve for terminal purposes.

The Minister has written to M. H. McLeod, general manager of the company, from whom the request came, notifying him of the price which the Government sets upon the land, and this will be placed before the heads of the system. An early reply from the company is asked by the Minister.

Meanwhile the work which the Government has undertaken of clearing off portion of the Reserve to provide sites for industrial purposes is going ahead. It is hoped to have the steam shovel here next week, but for the present it is among the missing somewhere between here and Ladysmith, to which city the C. P. R. carried it from Vancouver.

When the railway company gets its share of the Reserve the Minister will insist that it proceed at once with the work of getting it ready for use, there being over four million dollars to the credit of the company for the purpose.

Personal

Ida Tarbell, journalist and historian, was a visitor in Seattle yesterday. She was given a reception by the Women's University Club.

Under the auspices of the British-American Relief Association and for the purpose of augmenting its funds, which are used in relief of wives and children of soldiers and sailors engaged in war, a fancy dress ball was given last evening in the Masonic Temple, Seattle, in celebration of George Washington's birthday. L. G. Pattullo, president of the association, made a brief address. The hall was effective with American and British flags and a large poster, "Hands Across the Sea," represented with clasped hands.

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MUCH PROSPERITY AMONG THE IRISH

This Condition is Helping to Bridge Differences of Opinion

Dublin, Feb. 23.—Arrests under the Defence of the Realm Act are attracting the attention of England and Scotland to Ireland once more.

At the beginning of last December the outlook seemed exceedingly doubtful but the last two months have witnessed a very strong change of feeling.

Then again the deeds of the Irish regiments are beginning to become known to the people at large.

The trend of feeling has been largely precipitated also by the visit to Dublin of the Irish-Canadian Rangers.

GREEK TROOPS IN GERMANY SUFFERING; MUTINY BROKE OUT

LONDON, Feb. 24.—According to advices received by Greeks here there has been serious trouble among the 8,000 Greek troops who surrendered to the Bulgarian-German forces at Kavala and who are interned now at Goertz.

HUNGER AND DISSENT over the failure of the German authorities to keep repeated promises of repatriation are said to have led to frequent mutinies, and a large number of deaths from disease, exposure and privation also are reported.

TWO MEATLESS DAYS WEEK IN SWITZERLAND; NO WHIPPED CREAM

Berne, Feb. 23.—The Bundesrath announced to-day the long-awaited restriction of food distribution whereby the people of Switzerland henceforth will have two meatless days a week, must do without whipped cream and similar dishes and must limit their egg consumption.

TO RELIEVE FOOD SHORTAGE.

San Francisco, Feb. 24.—In an effort to relieve the food situation in the eastern cities, the Southern Pacific Railroad announced to-day that it had dropped its rate on canned goods nine cents and that it had arranged for an open rail route from California by way of New Orleans, Savannah and Charleston, S. C.

WILL IMPORT LESS FROM UNITED STATES

Restrictions Placed by British Government Will Cut Down Shipments

London, Feb. 24.—Importers of American goods feel themselves particularly hard hit by the latest restrictions upon imports, but the extent of their loss can be only approximately estimated.

The goods most drastically affected and which have been imported in amounts running into millions annually from the United States, include agricultural machinery, typewriters and other office equipment, boots and shoes, cotton hosiery, apples, wood and cut timber.

Many items included in the latest list, so far as importations were concerned, have been allowed to enter only under license for some time past, but importers here have alleged that favoritism has been shown in the issuance of such licenses.

Americans interested in coffee importations feel that the latest restrictions appear a transfer of business by which the product will be sent direct to the United States instead of reaching there through the great London coffee market.

THE HAGUE, Feb. 24.—The stoppage of a considerable number of neutral sailing to British and other Entente ports has raised an issue between Great Britain and Holland, according to the Gazette de Holland.

CONTINUOUS SESSION OF AMERICAN SENATE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Democratic Senate leaders decided late to-day they would hold the Senate in continuous session to break the Republican filibuster.

WOULD ALLOW WILSON TO USE ARMED FORCES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—A resolution authorizing the President to use the armed forces of the United States to protect the commerce, property and lives of the citizens of the United States was introduced in the Senate to-day by Senator Fall, Republican.

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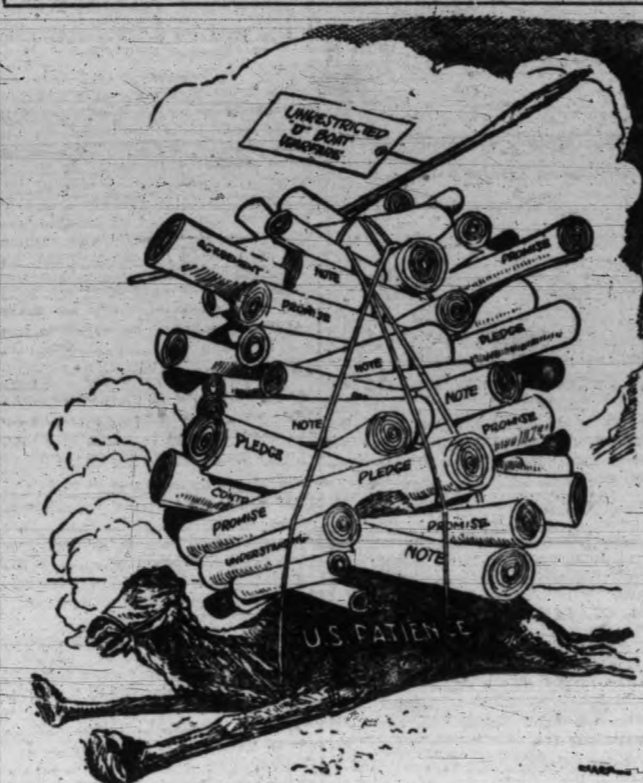
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THE LAST STRAW



—N. Y. Evening Telegram.

SEVEN DUTCH SHIPS WERE TORPEDOED

Three Sank; Five British; Two Norwegian; Raider in Indian Ocean

LONDON, Feb. 24.—It was announced late to-day that of the seven Dutch steamships torpedoed by German submarines on Thursday, only three were damaged but remaining afloat.

Four of the seven Dutch steamships were homeward bound with full cargoes. The attacks took place in the western approaches to the English Channel.

NO INSTRUCTIONS as to the routes were either asked of or given by the British Admiralty. All the arrangements were in the hands of the Dutch authorities.

Two Dutch steamships Gaasterland are listed in maritime records. The larger of 3,917 tons gross, was engaged in trade between Holland and South America and was last reported on her departure from Amsterdam on January 15 for Buenos Ayres.

THE PROPOSAL to create the reservation originated with the federal authorities and State Fish Commissioner L. H. Darwin was advised that if the state would create the reserve the federal authorities would withdraw the lands from lease for grazing purposes.

BRITISH VESSELS.

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AWAITING VISIT TO CONGRESS BY WILSON

President's Delay is Keeping Traders at New York Timid

(By Wise & Co.)

New York, Feb. 24.—The stock market is awaiting a visit to Congress by the President and the general impression prevails that Monday is to be the day.

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STEAMSHIP SKIRMISH AND THE NORWEGIAN BARQUE BLANHEIM.

TOKYO, Feb. 24.—The Nichi Nichi announces that an armed merchantman is raiding commerce in the Indian Ocean and has sunk two British steamships southwest of Colombo.

A MAIL DISPATCH to the Associated Press at New York, from Tokyo under date of January 19 said that persistent rumors were afloat in Japan that two German converted cruisers had appeared in the Indian Ocean.

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—The Admiralty announced to-day that the Italian transport Minas, carrying 1,000 soldiers to Salonica, had been sunk and that all on board except two men perished.

SHEEP RESERVE IN WASHINGTON STATE

Plan Calls for Setting Aside of 27,200 Acres in Okonogon County

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TO-DAY'S TRADING ON THE WINNIPEG MARKET

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FLIERS ACCOMPANIED THE ARTILLERY DRAFT

Left Vancouver for the East and Will Make Short Stay at Toronto

In charge of Lieutenant Gordon Campbell, R. S. Greig, J. H. Drewry and Pat O'Brian left on last night's boat for the branch depot of the Royal Flying Corps at Toronto...

Colonel Hoare is in command of the depot there and several other British Columbians, who were accepted for service by Lord Innes-Kerr during his recent visit to Vancouver and Victoria...

HAVE WORKROOMS Recently Formed Mount Tolmie Branch Granted Use of St. Luke's Hall

In connection with the recently formed Mount Tolmie branch of the Red Cross Society, the latest addition to the district's contingent for this work, St. Luke's Hall, Cedar Hill Road, it is announced, has been secured as a work-room...

The organizer is very anxious that all the residents belonging to all denominations and all classes will make it a point to be present at this opening of the branch at Mt. Tolmie...

The Red Cross wants life members, annual members and associate members for Mt. Tolmie branch. It is being realized more and more that this is the time for sacrifice and service...

The net receipts of the Victoria West Branch of the Red Cross Society for the month just closed amounted to \$58.30, which sum will be of considerable service.

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—Driver A. M. Lear in B. A. T. Bulletin.

MORE AVIATORS LEAVE THE CITY NEXT WEEK

Eight Well-Known Boys, Including Two Returned Soldiers, Making Preparations

Following close on the heels of the other Victoria aviators who left the city last night en route for the east, will be eight more of the successful candidates accepted recently by Lord Innes-Kerr...

Wounded at Ploegstruet, Corporal Lionel S. Punnett, son of R. B. Punnett, of this city, joined the 50th Gordon Highlanders immediately on the outbreak of war...

Another Native Son. Born in Victoria twenty-five years ago, Lieutenant James Gray was educated at the High School and University School...

MILITARY APPOINTMENTS

Work Point List Gives the Names of Officers and Men of B. C. Units. The following appointments to officers and men of British Columbia units are mentioned in District Orders issued from Work Point last evening...

It was not the fault of Richard Thornley Hall, son of Richard Hall, of 906 Linden Avenue, that he is not at the front with the Artillery...

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Good News to Mothers, Wives, Sisters.

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HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Beta Delta, Portia Club and Cadet Corps Activities.

The latest innovation that has been introduced into this season's activities of the Beta Delta Society of the Victoria High School is a mock parliament...

The Girls' Debating Club of the local High School is at present taking a very prominent part in the activities of the school. Their debates are being held in a regular manner from week to week...

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It has been decided, that in future where it becomes necessary to discard clothing that is found unserviceable through neglect to observe these instructions, the charge for unexpired wear of value of garments will be recovered from the commanding officer.

Mary, I shall take one of the children to church with me this morning," announced Mrs. Fashionet. "Yes'm," replied the maid. "Which one do you think will go best with my new lavender gown?"

Sergt. Hutchison, the drill instructor, has completed his plans for the organization of the Cadet Corps, and he announces that parades will commence just as soon as the weather will permit...

In appointing G. D. Robertson to the Senate the Government has established a precedent. The popular conception of a senator is a man who has made millions in business and who has been an active party politician...

Another airman who is leaving with the party next week is H. A. Tuckwell, who was born in Woodbridge, Suffolk, England, twenty-three years ago...

Two Brothers There. Just tipping the scale at eighteen years is Leonard Francis who is the third son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Francis, to don the uniform of the King. With a brother, a lieutenant in the Seventh Leicesters and another brother, a flight-lieutenant in the Royal Flying Corps at the front, Francis has been accepted by Lord Innes-Kerr for duty in the air wing...

Was With C. M. R's. Leaving here with the Second Canadian Mounted Rifles, B. H. Chamberlain, saw a good deal of the fighting on the western front down to the fall of last year, when he obtained leave, arriving in the city in December last...

Arthur Miller, of 1044 Collinson Street will also accompany the party and take his training as an airman as will D. C. McIntyre, an employee of the Royal Bank, and son of H. R. McIntyre, accountant in the employ of the Provincial Government.

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Prices Will Be High Owing to Increasing Demands for Commercial Supplies

As a natural corollary to the high prices of potatoes till the new crop becomes available some months hence, the public will be called upon to pay a higher figure for seed varieties. It is an unfortunate coincidence that such should be the case when the Vacant-Lot cultivation movement appears to receive a new lease of life, and up and down the land the lesson of increased production is being preached in every direction. However, the shortage of potatoes last year, in common with all other sections of the world where the tuber is cultivated, added to the fact that quantities are being cured by evaporation to meet military requirements, has seriously decreased the available surplus for spring seedings. The decrease of one-fifth in the world's production of potatoes creates such a dislocation of supply that, when the time comes round for seeding, the majority of stocks are exhausted. In addition, the remarkable demand from the American market for commercial supplies has made seed potatoes very scarce.

The potato is par excellence, the poor man's crop, and is also the class of vegetable most desirable to cultivate on virgin soil, so that the effect of the scarcity on the scheme to cultivate vacant land is likely to be most unsatisfactory. It might be possible to purchase a quantity in bulk, and sell at cost price to vacant lot holders, should the inquiries show that the situation on the Island is as acute as it is reported to be on the Mainland. The endeavor to secure an embargo on seed potatoes has evoked an indignant denial from Government inspectors that the supplies are being abnormally depleted, by export. Still it does appear clear that the humble lot cultivator who did not have some tubers to save for seed will have to face the bill when seeding operations are taken in hand as soon as the snow flies.

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WHY OLD VIOLINS EXCELLED MODERN

Dr. Calvert, of Sooke, Tells of Great Care Exercised in Manufacture

A very interesting reply to the question "What distinguishes a good violin from any other?" has been contributed by Dr. Calvert, of Sooke, who has had considerable experience in connection with the manufacture of instruments of the kind and speaks from long acquaintance with and study of the "queen of musical instruments."

The violin is composed of from seventy to eighty pieces of wood joined together with glue and covered with several layers of varnish. The quality depends upon the suitability of the wood for the purpose, the structure, the nature of the varnish, the climate in which the wood was grown and matured and in which the varnish was applied, the age of the instrument, and its state of preservation," pronounces this expert, who gave the following illuminating information.

"These qualities in a supreme degree were present in certain instruments made by certain makers living in Italy between the years 1650 and 1750. Such instruments rank in applied art with the masterpieces of pictorial and plastic art by such masters as Michael Angelo and Phidias.

"The 'Virgin' and 'Mezale' violins made by Stradivari, who died in 1737, are priceless and are preserved with almost religious veneration. They set the standard by which successive ones are judged. The same is in keeping with the beauty of their design and with the mysterious ruddy glow of the varnish whose composition is unknown these 150 years.

"Having selected from a shed over his house little blocks of seasoned maple and pine, cut years before from trees grown on the southern slopes of the Alps from the south side of the trees and a certain height from the ground, which he considered would agree Stradivari scooped out the wood from each in the well-known form, the maple block always one note higher in pitch than the belly. By minute attention to the rules of his craft and to rules discovered by himself he cut and carved, glued and varnished, in a leisurely contemplative way until after a few weeks the completed violin was hanging on a string, with others, to dry in the open air. Each one was different from its fellows in detail. Even the back and belly, the two sides, the corners, and the sounding holes were not exactly alike, but everyone was stamped with the genius of the master in appearance and quality of tone.

"Other makers, such as the Guarneri family, the Amati family and many more made their instruments in a similar way, groping cautiously for the quality of tone they desired for their clients, and all varnishing with a soft-colored beautiful transparent varnish, the ideal and the despair of succeeding generations of makers. Their tools were simple in the extreme, and probably mostly home-made. Indeed, there is a proverb among fiddle-makers, 'If a man cannot make a fiddle with a knife and fork he cannot make one at all.' But behind the knife and fork must be the knowledge, laboriously acquired, and an inborn faculty, matured both by study and by practice.

"The golden period of the fiddle-maker began to fade after 1750, when lac varnish was introduced and applied unwittingly to musical instruments, to the detriment of their tone. The death-blow came with the establishment of fiddle-factories, with which the craft of hand-made instrument could not compete, and the art was lost."

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THROW OUT PROPOSAL TO ABANDON POWER

City Council Does Not Wish to Waiver Right to Initiate Local Improvements

The list of proposed amendments to municipal legislation, which was referred to in yesterday's Times, was brought before the Streets and Sewers Committee of City Council yesterday afternoon by the City Solicitor, and only one item was struck out, that proposing to abandon the initiative plan given under section 9 of the Local Improvement Act. There was a pledge given last fall on this subject, but the Council did not like to be tied down absolutely on the question, recognizing there would be cases where the power would be desirable.

The proposal to secure power to impose a tax on theatre tickets for Red Cross purposes was widened to include "Patriotic" societies generally.

The aldermen took no action with regard to the proposal to alter the time of holding the annual election, not being altogether satisfied with the Union of B. C. Municipalities' convention in asking to have the period altered to one month previous to the present date. It was felt, however, that there should certainly be a longer time between nomination date and the polling than at present exists.

The solicitor, in answer to Alderman Walker, said there was no hope of securing the abolition of arbitration boards in acquiring land for city purposes and replacing the system by an application to the courts. Mr. Harrison said it would involve the whole remodelling of Part XV. of the Municipal Act, and there was no prospect of that being done this year.

It was stated that the Inspector of Municipalities was drafting a series of clauses to cover the rules with regard to the issuance of serial bonds, a system recently adopted by the city.

The other clauses of the report occasioned little comment.

NORTHWEST SEWER

Sanich Will Be Informed of Amount Owing Under Arrangements for Contribution.

Council in streets and sewers committee of City Council yesterday heard the report on the situation with regard to the northwest sewer, which was referred to in yesterday's Times.

Very little new matter was brought out in the discussion, the only difference of opinion being that the aldermen were not quite decided as to the best policy to be adopted to draw the attention of the Sanich Council to the acknowledgment of the obligation for \$46,225 for the share of the northwest sewer, being 14.3 per cent. of the cost, and also \$22,000 for the contribution to the northeast sewer.

Alderman Fullerton favored reference to the inter-municipal committee at once, but others felt that it was not a matter for negotiation unless a disposal to question the amount across, which is not expected. Eventually it was resolved to have the engineer make out a bill, and have the collector forward same, stating the charges due, with a view to secure a formal acknowledgment, and that Sanich should be encouraged to obtain the necessary enabling by-law as soon as possible.

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OBJECT TO TEACHERS BREAKING SCHOOL LAW

Garden City Women's Institute Has Interesting Session; Red Cross Work

The Garden City Women's Institute met in the institute room on Wednesday, February 21st at 2 p. m., the president, Mrs. Harrison, in the chair, fourteen members present.

Red Cross Committee reported work done for January as follows: 30 pairs of socks, 62-day shirts, 64 suits of pyjamas and 4 comfort bags. The School Welfare Committee reported receipt of a communication from the Sanich School Board to the secretary of Ward 4 Ratepayers' Association. The secretary had passed this enquiry on to the institute for approval and support in the matter of securing a suitable site for a school garden for the McKenzie School. Some information regarding two lots adjoining the school grounds was received and Mrs. Harrison was appointed to confer with the ratepayers association at the next meeting, when it is hoped that a suitable location can be secured and the work begun at once.

Two important resolutions regarding school work were next brought forward and unanimously endorsed by the meeting, the first that the Department of Education be asked to approve the active support and co-operation of the teachers of the district in the school welfare work of the institute, where such support and co-operation in no wise interfere with the prescribed school work. The second resolution was that the Sanich School Board be requested to see that the teachers of the public schools of Sanich School District observe the School Law as regards the detention of pupils in school after the regular school hours, namely: Page 23, Article 1, Clause 2, paragraph b, "In no case shall a pupil be detained after school hours for a longer period than half an hour." Again, page 41, Clause 19, Article 6, "It shall be the duty of every teacher in the public school, 'Not to detain any pupil during the hour's detention at noon, and, except in extreme cases, to avoid detention after hours.'"

The Flower Show Committee reported the appointing of the heads of the various divisions for the annual Flower Show in September.

A motion that the minutes of the duplicate meetings be read at each monthly meeting for the purpose of keeping in touch with one another, was unanimously carried. Upon information from the president, it was voted unanimously that a letter of sympathy from this branch be sent to Mrs. Cardwell, Lake Hill Park, who just recently received word that her husband had been killed in action.

The meeting then had the pleasure of listening to Miss Wark, who spoke on Social Service. That the subject was one of vital interest to women, was plainly evidenced by the close attention paid the speaker during her half hour talk, the close of which a vote of thanks was tendered rather quietly as the feelings of her hearers had been too deeply stirred to display enthusiasm.

Refreshments were served after which the members dispersed.

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TRAVELERS ORGANIZE A STUPENDOUS EVENT

Big Benefit Dance Planned Because Canadians Contributed to William's Downfall

The British Columbia Commercial Travelers' Association are busy making arrangements for a mammoth war dance to be held shortly at the Hotel Vancouver. It is anticipated that by the sale of tickets and goods donated for the purpose of raising funds for patriotic organizations they will net as large a sum as \$100,000. Extraordinary efforts are being exerted to make the affair one of the most noteworthy of its kind ever held in British Columbia. The proceeds will be equally divided between the Patriotic Fund, the Red Cross Society, a Central organization to be appointed for the administration of moneys in distressed cases of returned soldiers or their dependents, and one other body. Twenty-five per cent will go to each.

Committees Working Hard.

The publicity ticket issued broadcast depicts a merry throng in all varieties of weird attire silhouetted on a "splash" red background, surmounted by the title of the event: British Columbia Commercial Travelers' War Dance. The capitals B. C. T. W. D. are put to a double use, reading in a second line: "Because Canadians Contributed To William's Downfall." Committees have already been formed to take in hand the decoration, attraction and publicity matters, the members of which have set themselves the task of making the affair a huge success. The date of the event has not yet been definitely announced.

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