

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday. Victoria and vicinity—Southerly and westerly winds, partly cloudy and mild, with showers.

Victoria Daily Times

Pantries—The Brat. Royal Victoria—Clara Kimball Young. Dominion—Mabel Normand.

DOMINION NOW HAS A WAR MISSION AT WASHINGTON; LLOYD HARRIS CHAIRMAN

Will Represent Ottawa in Matters Relating to Purely Canadian Affairs; Harris Has Been Associated With British Mission For Months Past

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—Canada has established a War Mission at Washington. Lloyd Harris, who has been associated with the British War Mission for several months, will act as chairman.

The Canadian War Mission, it is announced, "will act in the closest conjunction with the British War Mission at Washington, as well as with the British Embassy. It will act on behalf of the various Departments of the Canadian Government in respect of negotiations relating to purely Canadian affairs and will exercise general supervision and direction over all offices of the Government of Canada stationed in the United States in respect of matters connected with or incident to the prosecution of the war."

WHAT STATES OWES TO GREAT BRITAIN

Inspiring Address by Bishop Hughes on "The New Internationalism"

The international character given to the proceedings on the occasion of the address last night by Bishop Hughes, of Portland, on "The New Internationalism" at the Metropolitan Methodist Church was emphasized by the presence of Premier Brewster in the chair, by the singing of "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and "God Save the King," to the same tune, and the inspiration of "Land of Hope and Glory," the singing of which brought the proceedings to a close.

The Bishop's address was an eloquent contrast of the soul-deadening Germany with, on the other side of the picture, why America had come in, and the ties that would result. He testified to America's debt to Britain, and also suggested that Britain's debt to America was started when George Washington fought the battle for the English liberty-loving people. There was a large and enthusiastic attendance present, and, at the opening, Rev. H. S. Osborne expressed his gratitude for the attendance of the Premier, especially at a time so near to the opening of the Legislature.

Hon. H. C. Brewster, who was received with much applause, said he considered it a privilege to be present and hear Bishop Hughes on a subject which, he was sure, would give the latter great scope and also be of great and absorbing interest to all present, for they must all realize there was at work throughout the world conditions which would go far towards forwarding the new internationalism, and which would prove to be a great thing for humanity in general.

If no other blessing were in sight one great result had been achieved, for, to-day, the great nation to the south had the same ideals, was feeling the same pulsing in her veins, and had joined up with the motherland. They were now so tied together with the same principles that never again would anything be done to divide them. In the making of this country they had conditions that made it necessary, not only to study internationalism, but to do their bit in bringing it about, and it gave him much pleasure, in his official capacity, to welcome Bishop Hughes, and to hope they would have the pleasure of seeing him here again when the boys come home, when, perhaps, he would be able to speak not of the new internationalism, but of the new creation.

DEATH CAUSED BY FIRE IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Feb. 5.—As a result of a fire yesterday afternoon in the basement of a suite of flats on Martin Street here, Napoleon Chanteau, aged 64, is dead, and Lieut. Chantey, of No. 23 fire station, is in a hospital suffering from a fractured leg. Frantreat lost his life trying to save some of his valubles, being overcome by smoke. Little material damage was done by the fire.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Montreal, Feb. 5.—A service in memory of Lieut.-Colonel John McCrae, who died in France, was held yesterday in the Royal Victoria College here. Sir William Peterson, principal of McGill University, presided. Prof. Macnaughton was the chief eulogist of the dead soldier and poet, and a tribute was paid by Dr. Alex. D. Blackader, acting dean of the faculty of medicine, McGill, and Dean Moyssey, of the faculty of arts, also took part in the service.

British Women and Children Killed by U Boats Were 14,120

London, Feb. 5.—German U boats, according to a reply given by Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law, Government leader in the House of Commons, to-day, have done to death 14,120 non-combatant British Women and children.

ENEMY ADVERTISES PROPOSED ATTACK

German Papers Feed Readers With Statements About Offensive in West

Amsterdam, Feb. 4.—Via London, Feb. 5.—Advertisement of what Germany is planning to do on the Western front before the full American military power can be put into the conflict continues to be a conspicuous feature of the German newspapers.

"The next six months will be the deciding period," says The Frankfurter Zeitung. "During that eminently important period the Central Powers will with absolute certainty have strategic superiority, for the hopes of the Entente for American help cannot possibly be fulfilled within that time. The Central Powers will concentrate their whole strength on the West front for a decisive blow. French soil, those fertile, flourishing fields which already have suffered so cruelly and have drunk such rivers of blood, will be the scene of a final struggle which will far surpass the fiercest struggles of the past year.

"We do not share the light-heartedness with which the problem of American military help for the enemy is often set aside, but we consider it certain that the United States cannot in the next few months increase the very great moral and economic support which she has given the enemy."

Predicts Great Battle. The Deutsche Tages Zeitung, stating that all eyes are now focused on the West front, declares that the greatest battle of the war is now to begin there.

"We must now allow the belief to arise, however," it says, "that the increase in our strength in the West will force the French to lay down their arms or the British to run away. It may come to this, of course, and Hindenburg said a year ago: 'We are already doing my children. Our enemies are the cry for aid from Japan and the United States is constantly heard. Yet the enemy leaders know that the United States cannot even make up for the number of men France and England were obliged to send to troops, and especially as the troops they are sending from the United States are inexperienced and lack training. We are quite aware that the United States will do her utmost to assist with money and war materials and probably will send many technical troops and aviators, but we are prepared for every contingency. The United States can not possibly do more than she did when ostensibly neutral."

Says They Are Ready

Major von Olberg, head of the War Press Bureau, writes in the official Nord Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, that the blow is now ready to fall whenever Hindenburg gives the word, and it can only lead to victory.

"The year of decision has dawned," writes von Olberg. "A feeling of foreboding already permeates our enemies and the cry for aid from Japan and the United States is constantly heard. Yet the enemy leaders know that the United States cannot even make up for the number of men France and England were obliged to send to troops, and especially as the troops they are sending from the United States are inexperienced and lack training. We are quite aware that the United States will do her utmost to assist with money and war materials and probably will send many technical troops and aviators, but we are prepared for every contingency. The United States can not possibly do more than she did when ostensibly neutral."

American Troops Hold Sector of Line Southeast of Verdun



The first part of the great army the United States will put into the war arena in Europe in support of the Entente has made its appearance on the battleline northwest of Toul. Thus the Americans hold a sector southeast of Verdun, the scene of gigantic battles earlier in the war. The above map shows Verdun, Toul and Nancy. The relation of the sector taken over by the Americans to those places may be judged.

RAIDS BY BRITISH WERE SUCCESSFUL; GERMAN RAID DEFEATED BY AMERICANS

London, Feb. 5.—"We carried out successful raids last night south of Fleurbaix (southwest of Armentieres), and in the neighborhood of the Ypres-Staden railway," says to-day's War Office statement. "Many Germans were killed and prisoners and machine guns were captured by us."

Paris, Feb. 5.—A detachment of German troops last night attacked French positions on the Chemin des Dames, on the Aisne front. A report issued this afternoon by the War Office says the attack was repulsed.

Thirteen German aeroplanes were brought down on Sunday. The French airmen took the offensive, and flying far over the German lines, engaged in unusually heavy fighting. The statement follows: "Spirited artillery fighting occurred at various points north of the Chemin des Dames. A German detachment was repulsed in this region before being able to reach the French lines. Elsewhere the night passed in quiet."

Taking advantage of the fine weather, French pursuit aviators on Sunday carried out successful enterprises. Several battles in the air were fought by French pilots against German squadrons far over the German lines. Eight enemy machines were brought down in these combats. Five others fell, badly damaged, and probably were destroyed.

With the American Army in France, Feb. 4.—Via London, Feb. 5.—German plans to raid American trenches were frustrated early this morning. The American artillerymen put down a heavy barrage fire in front of and on the German lines, which are believed to have been filled with men and officers awaiting the signal to attack.

It was discovered at a certain hour that the Germans intended to carry out a "silent raid." Fifteen minutes before the time set all the Americans concentrated their fire where, according to the information, the enemy was massed. It is believed heavy casualties were inflicted upon the Germans.

Artillery Activity. There has been a general increase in the artillery activity for the last day or so along the American front. The Germans still are unable to occupy the first line trenches which were carved in by artillery fire. They have now constructed another line of trenches at that point.

The Germans are using gas shells freely and endeavoring to envelop one of the battery positions with gas, but without success. The visibility remains bad. The sector occupied by the American troops is northwest of Toul.

Holding a sector northwest of Toul, the American troops are situated southeast of Verdun and northwest of Nancy, in the Department of Meurthe et Moselle. In that region the battle-line runs almost due east and west from St. Mihiel toward the German border. From St. Mihiel to Alaise the terrain is hilly, with forests here and there.

The length of the Americans' sector and the number of men in the front line cannot be disclosed for military reasons.

HINDENBURG TALKS ABOUT THE GERMANS GETTING TO PARIS

The Hague, Feb. 5.—Travelers from Germany bring an account of a recent conference at Berlin at which Field-Marshal von Hindenburg received the editors of thirty newspapers and discussed the food situation with them. The editors told von Hindenburg that by next May there would be no food in Germany. "My reply is," said the field-marshal, "that by next April I shall be in Paris."

Marconi May Be New Ambassador to U. S. Representing Italy

Rome, Feb. 5.—It is reported here that William Marconi will replace Count Macchi di Celere as Italian Ambassador to the United States.

COLD WAVE FELT IN EASTERN STATES

Sufferings Have to Be Endured Despite Efforts With Coal Supply

Washington, Feb. 5.—It was practically certain to-day after a conference between Fuel Administrator Garfield and Director-General McArdoo that, the fuelless Mondays could not be immediately discontinued as had been hoped because the intense cold has so cut down movement of fuel supplies to the country.

New York. New York, Feb. 5.—Zero weather, which added to the discomforts of the third of the heatless Mondays in New York, continued to-day and accentuated the suffering. Despite the saving of fuel resulting from the closing of industrial plants for the day, coal receipts were far below normal and the fuel administrators estimated that the metropolis has only one day's supply of coal on hand. By a singular coincidence the administrators explained, every one of the heatless Mondays in this city has been marked by unusually severe weather, which virtually nullified the effects of the coal conservation.

Production Retarded. Philadelphia, Feb. 5.—An unexpected drop in temperature to the lowest of the winter in some sections has again retarded the production and movement of coal in the anthracite fields. Pottsville, in the heart of the region, reported sixteen degrees below zero, Allentown, twelve below, Williamsport ten below and Harrisburg six below. Other localities reported an extreme of twenty-six below in the mountain districts.

Pittsburg District. Pittsburg, Feb. 5.—With the Pittsburg industrial district in the midst of another period of intense cold weather, the steel industry to-day again faced almost complete paralysis, inability to obtain coal supplies during the moderate weather of the past few days on account of ice gorges in the Monongahela River is held responsible for the conditions which steel men say may force the closing down of the greater part of the mills and furnaces unless relief can be obtained within two days. The weather forecast was "continued cold."

New England. Boston, Feb. 5.—A cold wave that sent temperatures way below zero swept over New England last night and held on to-day with little prospect of an early break. From a reading of zero at midnight, the mercury in Boston dropped to ten below at 7 o'clock this morning and reports from many points indicated that intense suffering had been caused, due largely to lack of fuel.

Michigan. Detroit, Feb. 5.—Temperatures ranging from eighteen to forty below zero were reported in Michigan last night. The fuel situation is the worst it has been this winter. In Detroit thousands of families were without fuel of any kind and the police department, with more than 5,000 unfiled orders for emergency fuel on its books, announced that the situation was "hopeless."

Probably 25,000 persons were thrown out of work in Detroit by factories closing down during the last forty-eight hours.

KILLED IN ACTION

Montreal, Feb. 5.—Captain Hugh Pedley, M. C., son of Rev. Dr. Hugh Pedley, of this city, was killed in action on January 31.

COMMANDER WYATT ARRESTED AT HALIFAX; IS ON BAIL NOW

Halifax, Feb. 5.—Commander Frederic Wyatt, chief examination officer at the port of Halifax at the time of the Mont-Blanc-Imo collision and disastrous explosion which followed, was arrested to-day on a charge of "unlawfully killing Pilot William Hayes of the Imo." He appeared before Magistrate McLeod and was admitted to bail.

The Drysdale Commission, which investigated the disaster, censured Commander Wyatt for neglecting his duties and not keeping himself fully acquainted with the movements and intended movements of vessels in the port. Captain Aime Lamodee and Pilot Mackay, of the steamship Mont Blanc, appeared on remand before Magistrate McLeod this morning. Commander Wyatt was permitted to remain in court while the proceedings were taking place. Johann Johannsen, wheelman of the

TWO-OUNCE BREAD RATION ORDERED IN HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS OF STATES

Food Administration Moves to Conserve Wheat Supply; Wheatless, Porkless and Meatless Days; One Wheatless and one Meatless Meal Each Day

Washington, Feb. 5.—A two-ounce bread ration was ordered by the Food Administration of the United States to-day for patrons of hotels, restaurants and dining cars. This allowance is about that now observed in England.

Telegrams went out to-day to the Food Administration's hotel representatives in every state outlining the new regulation. Not more than two ounces of wheat bread may be served to anyone at any one meal except that when rolls or bread made from corn, oatmeal or bran are served and when only one kind other than wheat bread is ordered, a portion may consist of four ounces. Rolls may not weigh more than one ounce each. Public eating places are now licensed under the new bread regulation and the bread ration rule is issued under this authority.

The hotel representatives have been instructed to see that immediate observance is given in hotels for Monday and Wednesday as wheatless days, Tuesday as a meatless day, and Saturday as a porkless day, and that there is one wheatless meal and one meatless meal every day.

Dittman Given Five Years for Aiding Strike in Germany

Berlin, Feb. 4.—Via Amsterdam and London, Feb. 5.—Wilhelm Dittman, a Radical Socialist member of the Reichstag, who was tried by an extraordinary court martial on charges of inciting to high treason, resistance to public authority and transgression of the prohibition against participating in the direction of the general strike, was sentenced to-day to five years' confinement in a fortress.

NO GENERALISSIMO, SAYS BONAR LAW

Appointment of One Not Planned Following Allied Conference at Versailles

London, Feb. 5.—Rt. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law, Government spokesman in the House of Commons, to-day announced that a Generalissimo would not be appointed as a result of the recent conference of Allied Premiers and generals at Versailles.

London, Feb. 5.—The Chronicle's Parliamentary correspondent writes: "Last week's conference at Versailles demonstrated in a remarkable manner the value of the Inter-Allied Council. The fact that this Council from its creation has been in almost continuous session reviewing the military, naval and economic conditions materially eased the labors of the Government chiefs of Britain, France and Italy when they met last week. Invaluable assistance was given by those experts and important decisions were facilitated as a result of a previous careful study. In short, the fruits of the work done at Versailles were so satisfactory that even some of those who originally viewed the constitution of this Allied Council with misgiving, now have been converted to the belief that it is indispensable. Mr. Lloyd George believes the Versailles conference is a league of nations in embryonic form."

Cause Unknown. The cause of the fire has not been established. The flames had made great headway before the alarm was given, shortly after 3 a. m. Of the missing, Lena Wuchan was sleeping on the top floor and has not been seen since last night. The nurse, Martha Shebeus, and Timmons, it is said, stayed behind to assist in bringing the six children of the proprietor to safety. The proprietor, O'Connell, and his wife and six children all escaped injury, but the nurse and the returned soldier apparently were trapped in the building.

When the flames jumped to the Lauson block, across the street from the hotel, the fire spread rapidly on both sides of the street and in addition to damage to the extent of \$125,000 to the hotel, \$45,000 to the Lauson block and \$1,200 to the Bank of Commerce branch adjoining, the following buildings were practically destroyed: Fong Lee's laundry, Mulvey hardware store, a house adjoining the hotel, Balfour's butcher shop, Angelo's restaurant, Ursef's dry cleaners and several empty stores. The total damage is placed at \$180,000.

MURDERS CONTINUE AT HELSINGFORS

Red Cross Surgeon Shot; Southern Finnish Workmen Not Revolutionists

Stockholm, Feb. 5.—Assassinations continue at Helsingfors, capital of Finland. The latest victim was a young surgeon, who was taken from a Red Cross hospital and shot.

Five Finlanders who escaped from Abo to Sweden declare that the majority of the workmen in Southern Finland have no sympathy with the Reds, who have been able to terrorize the law-abiding people only because the Reds were unarmed.

The Red Guards are being paid with the proceeds of the bank levies, and enforced contributions from the bourgeoisie.

A courier to Tornaa reports that the Reds were defeated at Tervola and left behind eleven dead and seven wounded. They carried away many casualties among the White Guards. In an action a few miles north of Helsingfors the White Guards are reported to have been defeated owing to the fact that the Reds and the Russians were better armed.

FIRE IN WINNIPEG; THREE ARE MISSING

It is Believed Two Women and One Man Lost Their Lives

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—Two women and one man are missing, four persons were injured and there is damage estimated at \$175,000 as the result of a fire which completely destroyed the Riverview Hotel in the Elmwood suburb of Winnipeg early to-day. The flames, fanned by a thirty-mile an hour wind, swept up the street and the buildings on either side of Natrn Avenue for the distance of one city block are more or less damaged. Ten separate businesses are affected.

The missing are Martha Shebeus, a nurse in the family of J. O'Connell, proprietor of the Riverview Hotel; Lena Wuchan, kitchen girl at the hotel, and Pat Timmons, a roomer at the hotel and said to be a returned soldier. The injured are Bessie Moran, waitress, who was badly burned before she could be rescued from the hotel; George Watreck, a barber, not so seriously burned about the face and hands; Nina Goodwin, cook, who was badly burned and jumped from the third floor, fracturing her right ankle, and a third man, unidentified, who jumped from an upper story window and broke his leg.

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ANOTHER DELEGATE HAS RESIGNED FROM IRISH CONVENTION

London, Feb. 5.—George Russell has resigned as delegate to the Irish Convention. He is a poet and an intimate friend of Sir Horace Plunkett, chairman of the Convention. No reason for the resignation is given.

NEW CHIEF FOR SIXTH MILITARY DISTRICT

Halifax, Feb. 5.—It is understood that Maj.-Gen. Thomas A. Benson, of the 6th Commanding Military District No. 6, is soon to leave Halifax. He has filled an important position in this city. General Benson, who is a graduate of Kingston College, has been thirty-five years in the militia.

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SHIPS TO CARRY AMERICAN TROOPS

Washington, Feb. 5.—A fifty per cent. reduction in the volume of imports into the United States is one of the measures under consideration by the administration to make available ships for transporting troops to France.

Overseas transportation is recognized as the real problem facing the Government in its effort to put on the firing line a big fighting force and keep it in supplies. Estimates of the amount of tonnage necessary to keep an army supplied vary all the way from four to seven tons in continuous service for each man engaged. The United States now has in all services about 4,000,000 tons of shipping, of which probably one-fourth is engaged in bringing materials heretofore regarded as essential to industrial life.

If negotiations now under way with neutral countries are concluded successfully, a large amount of neutral tonnage will be used to supply American ships engaged in the non-hazardous trade. It is regarded as entirely likely that the entire 1,000,000 tons of American ships engaged will be put into the trans-Atlantic service, leaving

EASTERN PLANTS TO CLOSE THREE-DAYS

In Ontario and Quebec Feb. 9, 10 and 11 to Save Coal; Theatres Affected

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—On the recommendation of C. A. Magrath, Canadian Fuel Controller, the Fuelbet last night passed an Order-in-Council suspending the operation of manufacturing plants in Ontario and Quebec for three days, February 9, 10 and 11. The only exceptions are plants which must be continuously operated seven days of the week to avoid serious injury to the manufactured products, plants manufacturing perishable foods or foods necessary for immediate consumption, and plants devoted to the publication of daily newspapers. The Order applies to all business and professional offices, warehouses, wholesale and retail stores. For the purpose of selling food only, stores may retain necessary heat until 12 o'clock noon, February 9, 10 and 11. The regulations do not apply to the heating of restaurants, hotels or places where meals are regularly served.

The regulations do not apply to Western Canada or the Maritime Provinces. The order as passed will apply to all of Ontario and Quebec from Fort William, Ont., in the west to Riviere du Loup in the east.

It is understood that it was the intention to pass this Order last week, but it was held up, owing, no doubt, to further action in the United States and the possibility of a discontinuance of the regulations in the United States. Mr. Magrath, who is in Washington, is in close consultation with the American authorities, and is co-operating with them in every possible manner to meet the present situation. This recommendation was decided upon by him as best for the present, although further orders along the same lines may be issued later if necessary.

The Canadian Order will go further than the American in that all munition plants must close down for the three days. The Canadian Order also goes further than the American, in that, during the months of February and March all golf, country, yacht, canoe and hunt clubs must be closed except on Wednesdays and Saturdays. On other days of the week the coal consumption is to be restricted to the quantity necessary to prevent damage through freezing.

For the present theatres, moving picture houses, bowling alleys, billiard and pool rooms, private and public dance-halls and any other places of amusement. They must remain closed every Monday, beginning February 18, and extending to March 25. Exception is made where entertainments or special functions had been advertised before February 1.

BOLO PASHA STATES HE IS NO TRAITOR

Willing to Die, He Tells Paris Court, but Not as Renegade

Paris, Feb. 5.—"I am no traitor. I have asked to be judged, and I am willing to die, but not as a traitor."

Thus spoke Bolo Pasha, who was brought to trial by court-martial here yesterday on a charge of treason. In having been a chief factor in the German propaganda in France, Bolo's quick wit and repartee were features of the sitting as he tried to extricate himself from the conclusions of the report of Captain Bouchardon, of the Paris military court, who took the preliminary testimony and asked for explanations by Col. Voyer, the President of the court-martial.

Other than for a nervous fumbling during the reading of Captain Bouchardon's report of the investigation dealing with Bolo's activities in Switzerland and affairs alleged to have been carried out in the United States. The report dealt extensively with his activities in the United States in connection with Adolph Pavestadt, who formerly was connected with a banking house, but who is now in a German internment camp. The defence outlined by Bolo's counsel was that Bolo's activities had been wholly in the interest of the Entente Powers.

When former Premier Caillaux was called as a witness for the defence Bolo said he would waive Caillaux's testimony, but Darius Pochere, a co-defendant, objected to this, declaring that Caillaux's testimony must be heard, if not in the present case, then on behalf of himself.

Bored Appearance.

When listening to the reading of Captain Bouchardon's report Bolo appeared somewhat bored, but when called upon by the president of the court-martial to explain discrepancies in his previous testimony, the prisoner soon became voluble. He spoke with a patronizing air to the prosecuting attorney and the president of the court, and admitted many discrepancies. He was considered to have been the better of the repartee. On being questioned by Captain Mornet, the prosecutor, why, considering the volume of business transacted by him he kept no books or records, Bolo replied:

"I am the master of money, not its slave."

Bolo claimed that the money he received from Abbas Hilmi, former Khedive of Egypt, through Filippo Cavalline, an Italian who is alleged to have taken \$400,000 to Bolo Pasha's hotel in April, 1915, was in repayment of a loan made to the Khedive in 1914. Bolo asserted that he had obtained the abdication of Abbas Hilmi and declared that he had used all his influence to have the former Khedive assert his energies in the interest of Entente.

Bolo's explanation of his activities in Switzerland had not been completed when the court was adjourned for the day.

HONORS AWARDED CANADIAN OFFICERS

Military Cross for Numerous Officers and D. S. O. for a Few

London, Feb. 5.—The following awards to Canadians are gazetted:

Bar to D. S. O.—Lieut. Colonel Denis Draper.

Distinguished Service Order—Lieuts. Colonel Allison, Borden and Andrew McNaughton; Majors Samuel Birds, Alexander Grant, John McEwan; also Captain Patrick Booth, of the Royal Artillery, who belongs to Brantford and is wounded and missing.

Bar to Military Cross—Lieut. Alfred Cowie.

Military Cross—Infantry: Lieut. Harry Camp, Captain Glidden Campbell; Lieuts. Leonard Chalmers, Louis Coultin, Tempest De Wolfe, Clarence Dwyer, William Dunlop and William Findlay, Captain Arthur Fiske, Major James Hamilton, Lieuts. Charles Hicks, Charles Inglis, Walter Johnson, Joseph Kavanagh, Arthur Kilbourn, Gerald Lindsay, Charles McRae and William McGoughlin, Major John Millar, Lieuts. George Murray, Rupert Orme, Richard M. Payne and Sidney Quinton, Captain Theodore Rayward, Lieuts. Herbert Ross and Hugh Scott, Captains John Roy and John Slaght, Lieuts. Sidney Thurber, William Verne and William Welch, Captain John Young, Sergeant-Major Charles Peacock.

Mounted Rifles—Lieuts. Robert Andrews, Harold Atto, Gordon Davidson, Henry Gifford, Alex. Logie and Leslie Miller.

Engineers—Lieuts. Wilfrid Bull, Herbert Christie, George Ferguson, Hector Johnston, Robert Kinmond, Vivian McClean and Maurice Pope.

Horse Artillery—Lieut. Walter Clarke.

Field Artillery—Lieuts. William Humphries, Harry Jardine, Alex. McLean, James Maunser and Harry McPherson, Captain Harold Roche and Lieut. Warren Sker.

Garrison Artillery—Lieuts. James Macleahon and Norman Macleod.

Dragoons—Lieut. Vernon Crothers.

Machine Guns—Lieuts. Joseph Connolly, Cecil French, Charles Grantham, George Hobson, Harold Leach, Donald McNeill, Bernard Montagnon and Edward Rainboth.

Cyclists—Lieuts. John Balfour and Ernest McKague.

Medicals—Captain Edgar Douglas, Austin Irvine, Gordon Jephson, James MacNeill, Wesley Secord and William Sinclair.

Strathcona Horse—Lieuts. Roderick Clark and Leonard Welch.

Labor Battalions—Captain Arthur Jones.

Railway Construction—Captain William Murray and Lieut. George Peck.

Army Service—Lieut. Charles Riches.

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BRITISH AVIATORS DROPPED MANY BOMBS

Amsterdam, Feb. 5.—Zebrange was violently bombarded on Sunday by a number of aeroplanes which hovered over the coast, according to a dispatch from the frontier. Bombs also fell in Bruges Harbor.

London, Feb. 5.—Nearly four and a half tons of bombs were dropped on Sunday on various targets, according to an official statement on British aerial operations issued here last night.

"Five hostile machines were brought down in air fighting," the statement added, "and five were driven down out of control. One of our machines is missing."

The following report from Field-Marshal Haig was issued here last night:

"A strong enemy party attempted to raid one of our posts this morning, north of Havrincourt, but was driven off with heavy loss by our machine gun fire. Shortly before dawn another hostile raiding party rushed one of our posts south of Armentieres. Five of our men are missing.

"The hostile artillery was active this afternoon east of Hargicourt, and also showed increased activity during the day north of Lens, in the neighborhood of Armentieres and east of Ypres.

French Report.

Paris, Feb. 5.—The War Office here reported last night:

"During the day the artillery action became quite intense on the front north of the Aisne, in the region of Carnillet, in the Argonne and in Upper Alsace."

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ROUMANIANS FORCED TO FIGHT BOLSHIEVIKI

London, Feb. 5.—Official telegrams dispatched from Jassy on Saturday state that the Rumanian army now is engaged in fighting Russian troops who are overrunning Moldavia and Bessarabia, while Bolshieviki troops are concentrating in Bukovina.

After twenty-four hours' fighting, Rumanian troops disarmed the Ninth Russian Division, which attacked Galatz, taking over fifty guns, and surrounded and disarmed the Eighth Russian Division, which attacked the center of the Moldavian front. This division was sent under convoy to Russia.

In response to an appeal from the Bessarabian Republic, it is officially declared Rumania sent troops there to prevent the devastation of the country by bands of Bolshieviki, and also occupied Kishinev, the Ughent-Jassy Railway and depots from which Rumania draws supplies.

Fighting is in progress between the Rumanians and the Bolshieviki all over Bessarabia.

C. N. R. ARBITRATION OPENED AT TORONTO

Toronto, Feb. 5.—An historical review of the activities of the C. N. R. was the feature of the initial proceedings at Osgoode Hall yesterday before the Commission appointed by the Dominion Government to value 600,000 shares of C. N. R. stock. The review was given by F. H. Phippen, K. C., acting for the railway, after I. F. Hellmuth, K. C., counsel for the Canadian Bank of Commerce, pledge of stock to the extent of \$10,000 shares, had suggested that a statement of the non-controversial points bearing on the history of the development of the road should be presented. Mr. Phippen also gave figures showing the number of passengers, as well as the amounts of grain, coal and wood traffic handled by the company during the years of 1916 and 1917. He declared in response to questions that the gross earnings had increased, but the operating expenses had been enormous since the outbreak of the war.

Sir William Mackenzie, Sir Donald Mann and other railway magnates were spectators in the back benches.

The award, under an agreement between the parties, must not exceed \$10,000,000, although the par value of the stock is \$50,000,000. Claims have been filed by the Government of British Columbia, which Premier Brewster will press personally at one of the later sessions. The minority shareholders will not be represented. Under the agreement governing the proceedings they are bound to accept the Commission's award on a pro rata basis.

POLISH INDEPENDENCE

Washington, Feb. 5.—Deputies of the Polish popular party in Austria have announced that they will insist upon a Polish nation, according to an official dispatch from Switzerland. They hold that the sole solution of the Polish problem is the unification of all Polish territories as an independent state, with access to the sea. Any other solution, they said, would be dangerous to the peace of the world.

Polish representatives at the peace conference also are demanded.

FOR ALLIES USE

London, Feb. 5.—Sunderland House, the home in the Mayfair district of the Duchess of Marlborough, who was Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt, of New York, has been commandeered for the use of officials of the Inter-Allied Council, according to The Daily Mail. The Duchess was given only a week's time to quit the house, the newspaper says, but she quickly purchased a small home in Devonshire, where she expects to be settled in a few days.

REVELSTOKE FELT EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS

Revelstoke, Feb. 5.—Several severe earthquake shocks lasting for nearly half a minute were experienced here at 12:35 p.m. yesterday, and caused considerable uneasiness among a large number of citizens, many of whom were at a lunch.

KILLED BY FALL

Three Rivers, Que., Feb. 5.—Miss Angelina Brousseau, aged 15, of Montreal, while on her way to Batican Station, on a train last night was instantly killed by falling off the train a few miles north of Champlain.

BRITISH SUBMARINE SUNK AT DARDANELLES

London, Feb. 5.—An Admiralty announcement last night confirmed the claim made in a statement that the submarine E-14, which was sent into the Dardanelles on the night of January 27 under orders to complete the destruction of the former German battle cruiser Goeben, was sunk off Kum Kale and that seven men were saved. It denies the claim in the Turkish statement that the E-8 also was sunk, declaring she returned to her base.

Zone Altered.

Washington, Feb. 5.—Alterations in the prohibited zone in the Irish Channel and the North Channel, promulgated by the British Admiralty, have been received at the State Department. Navigation is forbidden to all vessels within the prescribed area, which lies between Ireland and Scotland.

MEDICALLY UNFIT YOUTHS IN QUEBEC APPEAR NUMEROUS

Montreal, Feb. 5.—Le Pals, of this city, is exercised because of a medical examination of 117 students of Laval University having shown only thirteen fit for military service overseas, that fact being the least serious of the defects among the rejected students. Le Pals says the cause of this state of affairs was ignorance on the part of the mothers of these students in raising children.

"The time has come," says Le Pals, "for the clergy in this province to tell the mothers that the salvation of souls does not depend upon bringing a little being into the world every year whose body goes to the cemetery and the soul to heaven, but that their duty is to give healthy children to their country."

Le Pals says the situation at Laval should be regarded as a cry of alarm to the French race to awaken and avoid the disaster which is at hand.

BRITISH REPRISALS AGAINST GERMANS

London, Feb. 5.—The Daily Mail announces that the Government will notify Germany of its intention to make reprisals unless Germany releases from prison immediately two British air pilots who recently were sentenced by a German court-martial to ten years' imprisonment for dropping propaganda pamphlets inside the German lines.

A paper forwarded to Germany through the Dutch Government, according to The Daily Mail, says that international law fails to reveal the dropping of pamphlets as being a violation of law and code and that the Germans themselves adopted this practice extensively early in the war.

WHISKY SEIZED

Nanaimo, Feb. 5.—The police magistrate here yesterday ordered thirty gallons of rye whisky which was being shipped to Henry Reid, of this city, confiscated to the crown, not being satisfied that the liquor had been shipped legally under the provisions of the Prohibition Act.

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FOOD CONTROLLER SPEAKS OF PROBLEMS

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—A declaration by Food Controller Thomson that it would be an exceedingly difficult matter to introduce a card rationing system in a country like Canada was the feature of an address made by him at an informal gathering at the University Club here yesterday.

Mr. Thomson said that Mr. Hanna's policy was to put it up to the people. He thought that in the case of ninety per cent of the people this policy was absolutely right. A certain number of people were waiting until they are forced to do what they ought to do, but the question was, what would the card system cost to force a few people to do their duty. Mr. Thomson thought it would be a waste of energy. Nevertheless, if conditions should get worse it might come to food rationing.

Mr. Thomson said the policy of fixing prices had been tried out in practically all the Allied countries and that it had always produced unexpected difficulties. The panacea of fixing prices had failed. Fixing profits was another matter.

"Public clamor is directed against food dealers," said Mr. Thomson. "It is a natural tendency for the consumer to think the trouble revolves around his or her own corner grocery, but much of the cost they complain about has been added by the efforts of retailers in competition with each other to grant the public's unreasonably insistent demands for what is called 'service.' The consequence is that the expense of doing business keeps increasing, and the public is paying for it."

Mr. Thomson, after referring to the multiplicity of delivery systems and extravagant shopping habits, said: "In a few days we expect to have regulations in force controlling the situation. There are 22,000 retail grocers operating in Canada, and we are putting them under license."

ANOTHER GERMAN FALSEHOOD DISPROVED

London, Feb. 5.—Alluding to a German wireless statement quoting The Frankfurter Zeitung as reporting on December 26 that a large British warship accompanied by torpedo boat chasers had run into a minefield and sunk in the Firth of Forth, the British Admiralty says: "There is no truth in this statement, nor has there occurred any incident on which a rumor to this effect could be based."

IRE OF TORONTO IS RAISED AGAINST THE STREET CAR SYSTEM

Toronto, Feb. 5.—Mayor Church and the members of the Board of Control, with a retinue of civic officials, called on Premier Hearst and Attorney-General Lucas, of the Ontario Government, yesterday and asked that the Government place a penalty of \$1,000 per day on the Toronto Railway Company for its failure to provide the 300 extra cars ordered some time ago by the Ontario Railway Board. The Government advised the deputation to see the Railway Board once more about the matter, and if there was no result the Government would take the matter into consideration.

GERMANS SEEM TO BE BREAKING OFF EVENT AT BREST-LITOVSK

London, Feb. 5.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph says the sudden return of Dr. von Kuehlmann and Count Czernin to Berlin is considered in German political circles as the forerunner of a rupture of the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk.

The special conference to be held in Berlin, according to this correspondent, is for the purpose of considering the general peace situation. The Bulgarian Premier, Vasil Radoslavoff, and the Turkish Grand Vizier, Talat Pasha, also are expected at Berlin.

ALIENS IN CANADA AND NATIONAL WORK

Toronto, Feb. 5.—An enthusiastic meeting of members of the local G. W. V. A. and other organizations at Massey Hall last night after speeches from the representatives of all the prominent bodies, passed resolutions calling upon the Government to proceed with the registration of all aliens of military age with a view to drafting them for work of national importance, the friendly aliens to be given the choice of returning home, enlisting with the Canadian forces or working in national industries. A rate of pay equal to the lowest granted in the C. E. F. was suggested, the aliens to be paid current wages, and the Government to deduct the difference and apply it to war expenditure only.

RAILWAY POLICY WILL BE ANNOUNCED

A Correspondent at Ottawa Says Government Will Move Within Fortnight

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—In a dispatch the Ottawa correspondent of The Winnipeg Free Press says that within a fortnight the Government expects to have a railway war policy to announce. Whatever the policy is it will be given effect under the War Measures Act, the dispatch adds, and whatever is necessary to do will be ratified by legislation later.

"While complete nationalization has a number of advocates," the correspondent continues, "the impression prevailing here is that complete nationalization for the present will not be adopted. The labor men favored nationalization, or proposed as an alternative central control during the period of the war."

"There is at present considerable diversity of opinion among members of the Cabinet regarding the policy to be pursued. A persistent rumor is that while complete nationalization will not be resorted to, the G. T. R. and the G. T. P. will be added to the Government railways."

COMPLETE ORDER AGAIN AT LAMIA

Disloyal Minority in Greek Forces Suppressed by the Government

London, Feb. 5.—Complete order has been restored at Lamia, northwest of Athens, where soldiers of Greek infantry regiments mutinied, according to an Athens dispatch to The Times. One hundred and fifty arrests were made in connection with the mutiny. Former Premier Skoufodis and Lambrinos and other former Cabinet members under impeachment have been ordered to consider themselves under arrest in their homes, where they are guarded closely by police. All political prisoners of military age undergoing sentences in Athens have been sent to the fortress of Nauplia.

The newspaper Hestia, of Athens, the dispatch adds, calls the Lamia incident a blessing in disguise, saying: "It furnishes positive proof of the undeviating infection which the Venizelos Government trusted it could cure without recourse to surgical remedies."

VENICE AND OTHER TOWNS WERE BOMBED BY ENEMY AIRMEN

Rome, Feb. 5.—The following official report was issued here last evening: There has been increased artillery and trench mortar activity in the Lagarina Valley and toward the coast. Reconnaissance and surprise attacks carried out by us at Castione and Caspelle resulted in our taking prisoners.

"Our aircraft have vigorously bombed the enemy's rear lines. Traffic on the railway lines east of the Piave was effectively disturbed last night by our airships. All of them returned."

"Enemy aviators again gave vent to their mischievous impulse by bombarding Venice and other towns on the Venetian Plain, where the peaceful population is densest and the military objectives of the least importance."

"Padua, Treviso and Mestre were repeatedly attacked. As usual, the greatest damage was done to private property, and the largest number of casualties was among the civilians. The civil hospital at Treviso was hit, and altogether eight persons were killed and ten wounded among the population."

"There were neither casualties nor damage at Venice."

AMSTERDAM STRIKE YESTERDAY FAILURE

Amsterdam, Feb. 5.—The strike which it had been announced by the syndicalists would begin here yesterday was far from being a general one. Only a small percentage of the workmen in the city went out. Mounted policemen patrolled the streets throughout the day, and those of the workers who struck were prevented from forming crowds.

CHARLES MAGEE DIES IN OTTAWA; CAPITALIST

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—Charles Magee, banker and capitalist, was found dead in his office here last evening. Death was due to natural causes. He was a former president of the Bank of Ottawa and was seventy-seven years old.

HANDICAPPED.

She tripped along the crowded street. A vision fair to see; Her skirt—and that was hard to beat—Hung just below the knee.

How good to say, her shapeliness It were a shame to hide, And maybe, if she'd just confess, It was a source of pride.

The color on her cheeks no doubt, Was partly due to paint; 'Tis not for one such art to flout, Who's not himself a saint.

And though we much admired the lass And watched her passing by, Not being in the khaak class, We did not catch her eye.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.
Presumed to have died—Pte. A. C. Walker, Vancouver; Pte. F. Ellis, Vancouver.
Wounded—Pte. H. Elliott, Vancouver; Lieut. R. Colton, Portland, Me.
Medical Service.
Died—Capt. J. Ferguson, Palling, Barrie, Ont.
Artillery.
Wounded—Lieut.-Col. A. G. I. McNaughton, England.

HERE IS THE LATEST RUMOR ABOUT PEACE

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—A special dispatch to The Winnipeg Free Press from its Montreal correspondent says: "I am informed that Sir Rodolphe Forget states that the Bank of Montreal received a cable saying that peace negotiations would start informally within ten days."

NOT FLAGGED.

St. Paul, Feb. 5.—Failure of drivers to flag their busses across the railroad tracks, as required by their contracts with the school authorities, was blamed for the killing of nine and injuring of twenty children last week near Barnum, and near Nelson, in a report filed yesterday by C. C. Swain, state rural school inspector, who investigated both accidents.

Nerves of the Stomach

Were Weak and Inactive as Result of Nervous Prostration—Lost Twenty Pounds—Had to Take Sleeping Powders to Get Any Rest

St. Catharines, Ont., Feb. 5.—Many people never realize that the movement and action of every organ of the human body is dependent on the energy supplied by the nervous system.

When the nervous system gets run down there is weakness throughout the entire body. You feel tired and languid and your stomach and other digestive organs are similarly affected. Appetite falls, digestion is poor, you do not get the good of what you eat and gradually grow weaker and weaker.

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Mrs. George S. Ellis, 46 Davidson Street, St. Catharines, Ont., writes: "My husband had an attack of nervous prostration, and although he doctor for some time and tried different other medicines, he could not get relief. He had to resort to sleeping powders given him by the doctor to make him sleep. The greater part of the trouble seemed to be with the nerves of his stomach. He began to lose weight, and kept on going down until he had lost twenty pounds. We had read advertisements in the newspapers for Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, and noticed that it seemed to be doing a lot of good for people troubled with nervousness, so my husband decided to try it. He found benefit almost from the start, and continued this treatment until he had taken about twelve or thirteen boxes. The results were most satisfactory. He is now enjoying good health, sleeps well, and has gained back nearly all the weight he had lost. He also uses Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills occasionally, and thinks them an excellent remedy. I have also used this latter medicine for dizzy spells and liver trouble, and was completely cured of these complaints. We think a great deal of Dr. Chase's medicines, and cannot speak too highly of them."

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WHAT STATES OWES TO GREAT BRITAIN

(Continued from page 1.)

The American Heart.

In commencing his address Bishop Hughes felt it was appropriate there should be a clear understanding between the one who gave "the conversation" and those who listened. It was not his purpose to give an academic address, but some disclosure of the American mind and the American heart in these days of strain, and the message he brought was simply to show something of what the people in the United States were thinking, and some things which, as far as he was concerned, he had been saying in the United States. In this connection he spoke as representing the great body of Methodists in the United States.

It had been estimated, he said, that seven million people had been killed during the war, and that five millions were continually in the hospitals of the world, which figures he contrasted with the army of 700,000 of Napoleon when the latter overran Europe. Today war meant the mobilization of the whole nation, all its industries, all its people, and as regarded the cost of it they had actually already spent over 121 billions in military expenditure over the American mind and the American heart in these days of strain, and the message he brought was simply to show something of what the people in the United States were thinking, and some things which, as far as he was concerned, he had been saying in the United States. In this connection he spoke as representing the great body of Methodists in the United States.

They were spending money at such a rate that, in comparison, the Boer War would have been paid for in eight days, the Russian-Japanese War in two weeks, and the greatest war of the century before, the Civil War, in fifty days.

When the war broke out the President of the United States proclaimed a cotton of neutrality, and, for a time, there was a great feeling of chilliness towards that country, both on the part of Britain and of Canada, the United States being charged with money-grubbing, which caused a re-echo to "Britain expecting every Frenchman to do his duty." But it must be remembered that the United States had a tradition warning against entanglements with foreign countries. Any human document, went on the speaker, had to be interpreted in the light of the time in which it was written, and what was safe and sound statesmanship in the time of George Washington might not prove so today. The Monroe Doctrine, which was simply a "No Trespass" sign for the kings of Europe.

Owed All to British Navy.
That Monroe Doctrine had no standing at all in international law, it only had the strength they could put behind it in the shape of an army and a navy, and Great Britain was the only power which had "squinted" favorably in the direction of the Monroe Doctrine. The thing that had given effectiveness to the Monroe Doctrine for nearly one hundred years had been nothing but the British Navy (cheers), that institution the Englishman growled at every morning when he had not enjoyed his breakfast (laughter).

"I think," declared the speaker, "it was the duty of the United States to have spoken when Germany violated Belgium, and when Germany sank the Lusitania, for it is the policy of every Government to protect its citizens and the property belonging to them." There had not always been the best of feeling in the United States towards England, and one of their favorite pastimes had been twisting the lion's tail, and their school books spoke very fully of the American Revolution and the year of 1812. Every American boy grew up with the idea that the only foreign foe they were likely to have trouble with were in England.

Dawned on America.
Now it had dawned on the people of America that their country had been so everlastingly free that they had allowed folks to bring their family troubles over with them, and, finally, burrowing underground, had been the treacherous efforts of the pro-Germans. Therefore, when in a while they took great shame to themselves that they were not prepared.

"In our smug complacency," went on the Bishop, "we wanted all the world to understand we were not going to dirty our immaculate hands, but since then it had dawned on some of us that we were simply a 'slacker' nation."

Whatever they saw in the days of George Washington they realized they had got an international world now, and they also had the uncomfortable feeling that Britain had been fighting not only its own battles but the battles of the peoples of the world. (Cheers).

Shoulder to Shoulder.
As to the new internationalism, continued the Bishop, after alluding to German treachery at the hands of Bernstorff in regard to Mexico, there had never before been such a time in the history of the world, for now a thousand millions of the people of the world who had never previously been close together were now standing shoulder to shoulder. If the United States and Britain had only been on the right sort of terms at the beginning of the war and had told the Kaiser they would not allow conquest by military power, he would, at least, have stopped and thought about the matter before precipitating the conflict. Now, however, they were going to stand together so that democracy could go about without having to wear a gas mask, and to, for ever, stop the slaughter of millions of men.

Washington Fought Germans.
Continuing, the Bishop recalled pretty well-known incidents of history, not yet written, in reference to what America owed to Britain, then, proceeding to speak of what Britain owed to the United States, he alluded to the fact that, at the time of the Revolution, America was "up against" German autocracy when George III., of Hanover, sent Hessians over to exploit that country. The speaker did not think he was mistaken in believing that George Washington, at that time, was simply fighting the old battles of the English people. (Applause.)

The greatest Empire in the world was the British Empire, and the greatest tribute paid during the war had been paid to England. This tribute consisted in the fact that, although Germany counted on Irish, South African, Indian and Egyptian trouble for the Motherland, the answer had

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been that, out of the Overseas Dominions, had marched one million men to fight the Hun.

Gen. Pershing told in Paris a story about a young American soldier. "He talked a lot on the voyage over," said the general, "of the delight he would take in sightseeing when on leave. 'Don't miss Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris,' said a French volunteer. 'You bet I won't,' said he. 'Don't miss Westminster Abbey in London,' said a Scot. 'No, sir!' But, say fellows," the young soldier declared, "the thing I'm crazed of all to see is the Church of England."

Solicitor-Well, Mr. O'Groggan, I hope you found I'd drawn up your will all right, and according to your instructions. Mr. Pat O'Groggan-Shure, and it's nothing of the kind. Why, I find you've so disposed of all my property that I ain't a have a three-legged stool left to stand on after my death.

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THE LORD'S DAY ACT.

When a law is made ridiculous by the manner of its enforcement it loses the respect of the public. If it cannot be enforced honestly, impartially and consistently without being made ridiculous it ought to be expunged from the Statutes. The cases of the employees of the morning paper, whose names were taken by the police last Sunday, not to speak of others—namely the listing of three undertakers—present a glaring example of absurdity in relation to the present periodical agitation for the enforcement of the Lord's Day Act. The work done on Sunday by the employees of our contemporary whose names were recorded, represents less than twenty-five per cent. of the production and distribution of the paper. The greater proportion of the work is done on Saturday. If the morning paper were issued on Monday seventy-five per cent. of the work involved in its preparation would be done on Sunday. The editorial staff would perform practically all of its labors on Sunday. Most of the mechanical work would be done on Sunday. The business office staff would have to be on hand on Sunday. All that would be done on Monday would be the preparation and composition of late news-matter, the actual press work and the delivery of the paper.

When the Lord's Day Act was under consideration at Ottawa this point was drawn to the attention of those who agitated for its enforcement. The reply of some was that while the facts as stated were not disputed, the idea of a Sunday morning newspaper was obnoxious to their conception of what is meant by a proper observance of the day. In other words, it "looked bad." This was the gravamen of the offence. The moral basis of the law, the commandment to "honor the Sabbath Day and keep it holy" was a side issue. It was quite proper for the staff and plant of a newspaper to work the greater part of Sunday as long as the product of that work was not exposed to the naked eye. Our friends in the East attached more importance to appearances than to the element of rectitude, and that, in this case, of course, was an excuse for pretence, not to use a harsher term. Clergymen not infrequently request newspapers to send reporters to report their sermons on Sunday for publication, and we have known of instances in which the reverend speakers have come to the newspaper offices on Sunday night after service to correct the reports of what they said. The Lord's Day Act contains a provision to the effect that no prosecutions shall be launched under it without the consent of the Attorney-General of the Province in which the offence against it occurs. Those who followed the proceedings of the special Committee of Parliament which had the matter in hand before the Bill was passed, and who are familiar with other factors which entered into the situation, political and otherwise, as well as the debates in the House, will recall why that provision was inserted in the law. It was designed to make the enforcement of the Act subject to local conditions, which differ in every Province and parts of the Province, and of which, it was presumed, the Attorney-General would be the best judge. It was presumed further that this functionary would be governed by a common-sense conception of a reasonable application of its provisions. Political expediency played a big part in its adoption. For the Government of the day was looking to the next election, and like most measures of the kind, it was full of anomalies and possibilities of injustice and hardship which become glaringly apparent every time an attempt is made to enforce it.

DOMINION BANK STATEMENT.

The Annual Statement of the Dominion Bank for the year ending December 31, 1917, contains many interesting features. The expansion of business during the year was of record proportions, bringing the total assets to \$109,426,145, an increase of about \$16,669,000, or more than the combined increases of 1915 and 1916. The expansion in the quick assets was even more striking as no less than \$20,000,000 was added to this class of holdings, of which \$7,500,000 was in the cash items and \$12,500,000 in securities and call loans. This places the Bank in a particularly strong liquid position; as its quick assets now total 60 per cent. of public liabilities, against 47.4 per cent. a year ago, while cash assets

OUR FINANCIAL PROBLEM.

(No. 2)

To the Editor.—In my former letter—number one—we touched upon the possibilities, probabilities and realities affecting this great province, but before one can fully understand the exact position in which we—British Columbians—find ourselves, several important features must be considered. I have taken the trouble to ascertain from Ottawa the amount that the war will fix upon us as an annual charge, and in this connection one must, of course, give due consideration to the pension fund. At the outbreak of war, viz., 4th of August, 1914, the public debt of Canada, accumulated during fifty years of confederation, stood at \$378,000,000. We have been for some considerable period, and still are, expending about \$1,000,000 per day for the prosecution of the war. This, I take it, does not include the ordinary administration of the different and varied departments, neither does it include the special payments on account of the guarantees or otherwise. It is a fair assumption that on the 1st of January next the public debt of Canada will be approximately \$1,000,000,000.

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You'll find many money-saving opportunities offered in the Furniture Department's special for this February Sale. If there is any room at all that requires furnishing, or an addition of an odd piece or two, this Sale will solve the problem satisfactorily in every way. You are assured regular quality goods carrying our usual guarantee of satisfaction.



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- The China Store has many interesting offerings for this February Sale. Come in and see the dainty things shown—we know you'll be agreeably surprised at the fairness of our present prices.
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You'll find this Bed Outfit offering a genuinely good value. Bed is full size, white enamel, iron with brass top rail and trims, strong and serviceable. Springs in woven wire, re-inforced and the top mattress we guarantee to be all-foam. Mattress is roll edge; in attractive blue art tick.

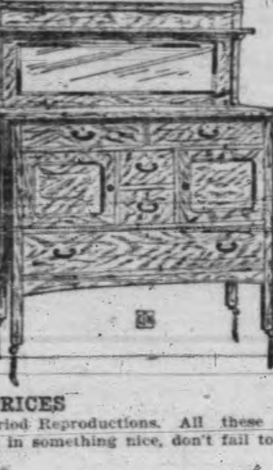
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Solid Oak, in Fumed finish. Leather seats or cushions. All reduced.

- China Store Bargains**
- Cut Glass Vases..... **1/3 OFF**
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In Solid Oak, Golden finish or Mahogany finish. Regular \$6.50, for **\$4.25**



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Easy to rent a room these days of full hotels and apartments. Why not get a little extra income from one of yours by purchasing one of these Davenport Beds? A good way to make the Davenport pay for itself.

We have a half-dozen different styles in Fumed Oak or Mahogany. These make very handsome furniture pieces when used as a Davenport and they are easily and quickly transformed into a comfortable bed.

Come in and let us demonstrate them to you. All are greatly reduced in price for this sale. Ask to see a particularly convenient size in either Oak or Mahogany at Regular Price \$65.00.

White Enamel Dresser

Regular Value \$30.00

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This Dresser is similar in design to illustration and is finished in a high grade way in white enamel.

Mirror is round style and bevel plate, of best quality. Dresser has 2 large and 2 small drawers.

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The British will soon fix it so that a man can go from Jerusalem to Jericho without falling among thieves. Even honest Turks will not regret the change.

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All Mahogany Frame Parlor Furniture is reduced from a quarter to a third of regular prices. All chairs, rockers, settees and suites are included. There is a big choice as to style of piece.

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IN SUITS—

- The Coat lengths vary from finger tip to those a little shorter.
- The collars are smaller and notched in mannish effect, giving the wearer the opportunity of fastening the Coat up to neck if desired.
- Turned seams and stitched belts—many in semi-yoke Norfolk effect.
- Belts are most fashionable, finished with buckle or buttons.
- The Suit Skirts are made mostly on the plain straight tailored lines.

IN SEPARATE COATS—

- The long length Coat—one about three inches shorter than the skirt or dress—will be the great favorite.
- Also a model made in the English walking coat style, with pointed yoke back and stitched, tailored seams.
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- The collars are smaller than the late season, being cut on mannish lines.
- Both Coats and Suits are particularly good values.

SEPARATE COATS

Selling at

\$17.50

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And Other Prices Up to \$32.50 —Mantles, First Floor

\$30 Axminster Rugs in Persian and Conventional Designs on Sale Wednesday Morning at \$24.90

A clear saving of five dollars on a good quality Rug is surely worth while in these days of advancing prices and shortage of supplies. We are offering to-morrow morning a limited number of beautiful quality Rugs at this price reduction, and if the size is one that you need for a den, parlor, boudoir or hallway then here's your chance to buy one to advantage. The size is 6 ft. 9 in. x 9 ft., and the designs and colorings are in the Persian and conventional effects. Regular \$30.00 grades for **\$24.90**



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Nearly 500 Yds. of Cretonnes to Clear at 25c a Yd.

And this amount is made up from a nice assortment of designs and colorings. There are pieces suitable for loose covers, window draperies, box covers; also for various other drapery purposes. Regular 35c grades. All to go at, a yard, **25c**

—Drapery, Third Floor

245 Yds. Lace Edge Voiles Clearing at 32c a Yd.

A regular 45c grade, and at the reduced figure will create very quick selling. So shop early.

—Drapery, Third Floor

Pongee Silk Waists, \$2.50

A good, serviceable-quality natural pongee silk; made in semi-tailored effect and finished with large square collar with reverse, full length sleeve with turnback cuffs. Very smart for wear with tailored suits and separate skirts. Splendid value at **\$2.50**

Children's Pongee Silk Dresses \$3.75

Very dainty styles, finished with smocking both back and front. A nice quality that makes most serviceable. Wash Dresses for children 2 to 6 years. Specially good value at **\$3.75**

—Children's, First Floor

All-Wool Serge Middy Waists \$5.00

A beautiful grade of All-wool Navy Serge, well made and finished with lace front; full length sleeves, button cuffs and two pockets; a favorite style waist and a most serviceable quality.

—Waists, First Floor

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50 Durable Grass Rugs to Go at \$1.25

This is a well-known Rug, closely woven and of a most durable quality—a Rug that can be used in almost any part of the home. Beautiful designs and coloring. Size 27 x 54 inches. Very special at **\$1.25**

—Carpets, Third Floor

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Extension
Rods
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\$10.75 Washable Rag Rugs for \$8.90

Ten dollars and seventy-five cents is the old price for these Rugs, in size 6 x 9 ft., but we have a quantity we intend clearing out quickly, so we've reduced this price to a very low figure, thus giving many the opportunity to buy a good, useful carpet at a substantial price advantage. This grade of Rug washes like a Turkish towel. Hard and durable for wear. You choose from colors blue, green, tan and pink. Wednesday morning, each **\$8.90**

24 only, Rag Rugs, in size 2 x 4 ft., to clear at **\$1.25**

—Carpets, Third Floor

A Lot of Ladies Enjoy the Indoor Swimming Tank

Here Are Bathing Suits for \$1.50

A special purchase brings them here, and we are selling quite a number of them to ladies who enjoy the delights of swimming in the indoor tank. They will come in nicely for outdoor swimming in a few months' time. Made of dark blue stockinette, cashmere finish, trimmed with bands of red around neck and short sleeves. Very special, a suit **\$1.50**

—Whitewear, First Floor

Reliable Wringers and Washing Machines at Reduced Prices for Wednesday

This will be welcome news to the woman who does her washing at home, and has a need for a good, reliable Wringer or Washing Machine—one that will prove time and labor-saving.

THE WRINGER WE OFFER AT \$5.10

is a guaranteed quality. Has solid rubber rollers, and the maker's one-year guarantee goes with each. A regular \$5.90 grade. Buy one Wednesday and save.

THE WASHING MACHINE AT \$9.50

is a high-grade, reliable worker. Easy to use and does splendid work. Sold regularly at \$10.90.

—Hardware, Second Floor



300 Table Mats at 3c, Matting and Tan Fibre Suit Cases

Preserve your table top, also your cloths, by using these inexpensive Table Mats. 300 only, for clearance at these prices. Each, **3c, 7c** and **10c**

—Drapery, Third Floor

in handy week-end sizes; light and most convenient for carrying. Grades that wear well and give long service.

Week-End Suit Case of tan fibre, or Japanese Matting; protected corners; handle and lock; nicely lined inside.

- Size 14-inch, each **\$1.50**
- Size 16-inch, each **\$1.60**
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—Trunks, Main Floor

Sanitary Filled Mattress \$4.15

A well made Mattress for those who need an inexpensive bed; filled with sanitary curled wood fibre, with a thick layer of cotton felt on one side. All sizes on sale Wednesday at, each **\$4.15**

A Good Comfortable Mattress for \$7.25

Our Special Mixed Mattress, guaranteed sanitary filled, with curled wood fibre centre, enclosed with extra thick layers of high-grade cotton felt; finished with rolled edge and strong art tick. All sizes at the one price for Wednesday's selling, each **\$7.25**

—Bedding, Fourth Floor

A Variety of Portiere Curtains to Go at \$2.90

A nice warm Curtain for winter use. These are in a variety of Oriental stripes, and a good wearing quality. Very special, at **\$2.90**

—Drapery, Third Floor

50 Kitchen Tables Used in Toyland To Clear Wednesday Morning at, Each

\$1.25

These Tables are slightly soiled. We used them in Toyland to display the toys on. They have served their purpose, so out they go at a big Bargain Price. Some have square legs, others turned, with and without drawer.

Shop early and have first pick. 50 only. No phone orders or C. O. D.'s. No returns.

—Furniture, Fourth Floor

Tapestry Cushions Clearing at \$2.90

Beautiful quality Cushions, in a variety of Tapestry covers. Each filled with Sanitary Silk Floss, in an inside case. Values worth up to \$7.50, all to go in this sale, at, each **\$2.90**

English Oxford Shirts for Men, \$1.00

A strong quality Oxford Cotton Shirt, finished with or without collar. A good, roomy shirt, made for hard wear. Your choice from light fancy stripes and all sizes. Each **\$1.00**

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Elraco Furniture Polish. Regular 50c, for	29c
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BRIMFUL OF TALENT

"The Mandarin" Embraces Work of Local Artists in Every Phase of Production.

Numerous applications have already been received through the mail for seats for the musical comedy "The Mandarin" being held at the Royal Victoria Theatre on the last three days of this week, and would-be patrons are advised to make early application in order to obtain the most advantageous positions in the house.

Keen anticipation has been aroused in the production by reason of the well-known local "lights" connected with it, not only in the cast itself, but also in the various branches of its production. Such names as Mrs. Tilton, Miss Cotsworth, Frank J. Sehl, A. M. D. Fairbairn, and Reginald Hincks, represent a bevy of local talent, each being an artist in his or her particular field of endeavor. Stuart Clarke, another well-known Victorian wrote the score, while E. J. Down, a prominent Rotarian, has imparted the necessary touch of "spice" in the form of local and topical allusions in the several lyrics written by him.

HUMAN INTEREST IN COMING GREAT FILM

Much has been said about the value of the sensational photoplay, "The Honor System," which will be seen at the Dominion Theatre next week, and in the general human sympathy aroused from this angle one might lose sight of the other great and distinguished qualities of this master drama which R. A. Walsh directed and which William Fox is presenting.

Eliminating the great moral story,

the powerful record of human love and sympathy, and judging it from the viewpoint of a spectacle, one is forced to the conclusion that it is one of the finest pieces of realism the motion picture stage has yet seen.

True, no great cities tumble, and no heavens fall, and the bowels of the earth are not exposed to view, but this photoplay shows more real, flat on the earth human existence than any film story that has yet been made for the amusement of the public.

GODOWSKY ARRIVES

The great Leopold Godowsky, musical genius of the piano world, smiled on Victoria to-day on his arrival on the noon boat from Seattle, as he viewed the magnificent Parliament Buildings and inhaled the balmy atmosphere of Victoria's unsurpassed climate, and with an enthused expression, said: "I cannot help but do my best here. I feel quite equal to all of it." Godowsky plays to-night before a Victoria audience in the First Congregational Church Auditorium, and from the large sale of seats a capacity house will greet him. The programme is one of amazing grandeur, and he great artist that he is, will unfold the beauties of modern piano playing as no other artist can. His visit here will mark an epoch in the musical events of Victoria's achievement.

COLONEL IS LOGICAL

"I won't say that I ain't got a jug buried somewhere, said the old colonel, but I ain't goin' to resurrect it till sugar comes down and I can put three lumps in the toddy."—Atlanta Constitution.

"It is surprising to find on landing in England that there is a great deal more scrapping at home than there is at the Front."—Colonel the Marquess of Exeter.

DELIGHTFUL COMEDY

DREW LARGE HOUSE

Miss Rea Martin Stars in "The Brat" at the Pantages Theatre

A delightful role, deliciously interpreted. The impetuosity and precociousness of youth, unchecked effervescence, the vivacity and magnetism of the eternal feminine, buoyancy of spirit, roguish expression and above all ingeniously witty and tantalizingly attractive, all these attributes are typified in the youthful and ingenious Rea Martin, the dazzling little star actress who is playing the title role in "The Brat" at the Pantages Theatre.

Captures Audience. Without casting any disparagement on the ability of the other members of the cast, Miss Martin, by her winning personality and clever acting, soon captures her audience by storm.

"A bit of fog was washed here and there by the sun" is interposed in the lines descriptive of "The Brat," but it is this stripping of the streets, rescued from the clutches of the police by a novelist seeking inspiration for new copy, and who ultimately solves the problems shadowing the household of her benefactor.

As a comedy "The Brat" is a gem of the first water, but it is more than that, it is a cleverly told story flaying hypocrisy and self-satisfied society. And the luminous star is the gifted auburn-haired, blue-eyed girl who portrays the title role, Miss Martin is just her natural self even when acting, which, no doubt, is the secret of her instantaneous and lasting popularity.

Efforts Appreciated. Victoria audiences have the reputation of being somewhat apathetic, but in fairness to the Pantages house last night, which included several hundred Elks, it must be admitted that the mantle of reserve was lifted to give what the star will doubtless accept as true appreciation of her efforts.

The slang phrases introduced by Miss Martin are decidedly original, and she knows how to make the most of her splendid utterances. Her dancing in the third act is neat and cleverly done. Strong Company.

"The Brat" is supported by a strong company of players. Arthur Packe-Ripple is a born comedian and in the portrayal of the high butler he naturally scores heavily. His antics, descriptive of the inebriate stage, to say nothing of his Celtic wit and mode of expression, are ludicrously and absurdly funny. Many a hearty guffaw is extracted by this famed and popular actor.

Burt L. Robinson, the leading man, takes the part of Macmillan Forrester, the novelist, also the pet of the family, but of a decidedly selfish and self-centered temperament. His brother Stephen Forrester is a wayward chap, who later proves himself a man of strong principles, is a character admirably taken by Arthur LaRue.

Leonore Guito, as Mrs. Pell Forrester; Dorothy Beldwin, as Angela Synthe, a debutante; Edna M. Holland, as Jane Depeux, an artist; Vivian Buckling, as Margot; and Edwin J. Burke, as Bishop Ware, are all excellent in their respective parts.

FETCHINGEST APPAREL IN "DODGING A MILLION"

Mabel Normand's newest Goldwyn picture, directed by George Loane Tucker, which revolves around a fashionable milliner's shop, has the atmosphere of the real thing. To make the atmosphere genuine, Goldwyn engaged Hickson, the famous Fifth Avenue creator of delightful things feminine, to supply costumes and mannequins to wear them.

"Dodging a Million" which is being shown at the Dominion Theatre, gives Miss Normand the opportunity to wear some of the fetchingest apparel she ever has been arrayed in for a motion picture. Not the least fetching article is a nightgown its artistic creator has chosen to dub "The Vampire," of unusual and brought into being especially for Mabel Normand.

CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG IN HER SECOND PICTURE

"Shirley Kaye," which will be shown at the Royal Victoria Theatre again to-night and to-morrow only, is the second photodrama produced by Clara Kimball Young and her own company. Miss Young's career reveals an interesting tale of opportunities grasped and ambitions realized.

At the tender age of three, Clara Kimball was the talk of Chicago because of her hitting performance of "Ta-Ra-Ra-Ra-Boom-De-Ay," then the song-hit of the country. Born of a theatrical family—her great grandaunt was the immortal Mrs. Siddons of the English stage, and her father is Edward Kimball, a veteran performer—she came to the stage naturally, and her rise in that field has been continuous and rapid. After gaining the invaluable experience of working in a stock company in Seattle, she then Miss Kimball invaded New York with a bit in a musical comedy. Then came a vaudeville engagement, followed by more "stock" work in Philadelphia, where she came to the attention of J. Stuart Blackton. He recognized the wonderful screen possibilities in the young actress, and under his direction she appeared in many pictures, swiftly attaining the technique which has endeared her to so many millions of film fans in the country and, in fact, throughout the entire world.

In "Shirley Kaye," her second release, Miss Young creates a role different from most of her interpretations in the past; but here too she rises to the high artistry always displayed by her, and intersperses the tense scenes

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Social Personal

Mrs. J. H. Falconer, of Vancouver, has arrived from the mainland on a visit to her father, Wm. W. Northcott, 229 Menzies Street.

Mrs. Charles W. Brooks (nee Blanche Volo) will hold her post-nuptial reception on Thursday, February 7, from 3 to 6 p.m. at her home, 576 Niagara Street.

John Keen, M. L. A., and Mrs. Keen, arrived in the city yesterday from Kaslo, and have taken up their residence at the Empress Hotel for the period of the session.

The Vancouver Canadian Club has extended an invitation to H. B. Thomson, the Dominion Food Controller, to speak at a Canadian Club luncheon in the mainland city on his next trip to the West.

N. T. Burdick returned to Vancouver on last night's boat after spending the week-end in the city. Mrs. Burdick, who came over with him, will stay for a few days longer before returning to the mainland.

Hon. J. W. de B. Farris and Mrs. Farris arrived in the city yesterday morning from Vancouver. Mrs. Farris expects to remain in Victoria for the duration of the session, and has taken a suite at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Johnson who have been residents of Vancouver for the past twenty-seven years, recently celebrated their golden wedding. The celebration took place in the Swedish Lutheran Church, Vancouver in the presence of about one hundred and fifty friends and relatives, including eight of their twelve grandchildren.

On Saturday afternoon at 2.30 the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Firkins and John William Rose took place in St. John's Church. The Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, rector of St. John's Church, conducted the ceremony in the presence of a few friends. The sister of the bride, Mrs. Smith, acted as matron of honor, and Norman V. Pearce supported the groom.

Wives and relatives of officers from overseas are enjoying the delightful premises of the Royal Club for Overseas Ladies at Norfolk House, lent by the Duchess of Norfolk for the purpose of an annex to the Overseas Officers' Club in Pall Mall. There were 1,500 applicants for membership when the club was opened at Christmas by the Duchess of Argyll.

The recent issue of "Canada" contains the following wedding announcement which will be of interest in local military circles: "The marriage took place on Christmas Day, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, of Capt. Harold E. Thomas, C. A. S. C. (O. C., M. T., London Area), and Gertrude Irene, only daughter of Capt. J. H. Carson, Fairmont Military Convalescent Hospital, Vancouver. Col. Almond, Director of Chaplain Services, officiated, and Major I. D. Carson, C. A. S. C., gave his sister away. Lieut. B. W. Ireland, C. A. S. C., acted as best man."

VARIETY

TO-NIGHT

SESSUE HAYAKAWA

in

"The Secret Game"

MISS PHYLLIS EBERTS WAS MARRIED TO-DAY

Eldest Daughter of Mr. Justice Eberts Weds Dr. Henry J. M. Adams

One of the most fashionable weddings of the pre-Lenten season took place at Christ Church Cathedral this afternoon at 2 o'clock when Miss Phyllis Mary Hope Eberts, eldest daughter of Mr. Justice and Mrs. Eberts, was united in marriage to Dr. Henry John McKay Adams, of Victoria, late of the R. A. M. C. His Lordship the Bishop of Columbia performed the ceremony in the presence of a large congregation of the relatives and friends of the bride and groom.

The bride entered the church on her father's arm, looking charming in her beautiful wedding gown of cream georgette and silver, with brocade train, with which she wore a veil of Brussels lace and orange blossoms, and carried a sheaf of Calla lilies. She was followed to the altar by one bridesmaid and two small attendants, Miss Mabel Eberts, her sister, who acted as bridesmaid, was attired in a charming picture gown of pink crepe de chine and silver, with a hat fashioned of tulle and silver, and carried a bouquet of pink roses. Little David Rothwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Rothwell, and a nephew of the bride, was in a suit of pale blue satin with georgette frills at neck and waist, while Daphne Pooley, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pooley, wore a dainty frock of white embroidery with Valenciennes lace over a pink silk slip, with poke bonnet of Valenciennes lace trimmed with pink ribbon bows. Ernest Swallow, of Vancouver, supported the groom, Mrs. Eberts, the mother of the bride, was handsomely gowned in brown satin, with a smart blue hat trimmed with ostrich feathers.

After the ceremony the bridal party and guests repaired to the residence of the bride's parents at Gorge Road where a reception was held, at which the more intimate friends of the happy couple expressed their felicitations. Dr. and Mrs. Adams are leaving on the afternoon boat en route to San Francisco where the honeymoon will be spent. They will later take up their residence in this city.

Mrs. Adams is travelling in a smart tailleur suit of blue gabardine with red suede collar, and chic hat of blue silk. The hats worn by Mrs. Eberts and Miss Mabel Eberts, together with the bride's going-away chapeau, were by Madame Le Marchant.

An American and a Highlander were walking one day on the top of a Scottish mountain, when the Scotsman, wishing to impress, produced a famous echo to be heard in that place. When the echo returned clearly after nearly four minutes, the proud Scot, turning to the Yankee, exclaimed:

"There, now, ye canna show anything like that in your country."

"In which the other replied: "I guess we can better that some, stranger. Why, when I go to bed I just lean out of the window and call out, 'Eggs to get up, wake up' and eight hours afterwards the echo comes back and wakes me."

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RETURNED SOLDIER
CLERK OF OAK BAY

Special Meeting of Council Will Consider Iron Ore Question

Required to make selections from a quota of thirty-seven applications, the Municipal Council of Oak Bay at its regular meeting last evening elected Charles E. Hildreth, clerk, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of F. W. Clayton last fall. Since that time the work of the municipal offices has been carried on by the clerk's assistance, Miss Bunting, under the supervision of Auditor J. S. Floyd. The new clerk will enter upon his duties March 1.

Returned Soldier.

In view of many facts the selection of the Council is considered to be a gratifying one. Mr. Hildreth is a resident of Oak Bay, a returned wounded soldier and highly recommended. He left Victoria for overseas as a gunner with a draft of the 5th Regiment in 1915. Reaching the front in 1916 he was wounded during July while serving with the trench mortar battery. He spent some time in hospital, and on being invalided home was given his honorable discharge from the service. At the present time Mr. Hildreth is employed with the Imperial Munitions Board, and in making his application to the Council submitted a recommendation from R. P. Butchart, and also from officers under whom he served at the front.

Iron Industry.

A special meeting of the Council will be held on Friday at 5.30 o'clock for the consideration of local development of the Island's iron ore, and to discuss the advisability of calling a mass meeting of residents of Oak Bay. The matter was brought to a head on receipt last evening of a letter from the Victoria Rotary Club setting forth action already taken by that body with respect to this natural resource. Councilor W. A. Jameson felt that immediate action was essential. The development of iron resources was of primary interest to Vancouver Island and Victoria. Vancouver was alive to the issue and opposition to the founding of the industry was coming already from centres outside of B. C. Mr. Jameson suggested that the special meeting of the Council should be followed by a public meeting, when the whole situation might be placed before the residents.

ENTERTAIN SOLDIERS.

The returned men at "Resthaven" forgot their aches for a few hours last week when Mrs. Douglas Macdonald took out the concert party of pierrots and pierrettes who had in the previous week given a programme at the Rex Theatre, Esquimalt, in aid of the Red Cross. The company included Miss Denise Harris (pianist); Miss Finlayson and Miss Hilden (soloists), and Miss Ora Pearson (vocalist). The chorus was composed of the Misses Kitty Fraser, Matson, Bridgman, Belson and Mrs. Douglas Macdonald. At the conclusion of a delightful programme dancing was indulged in, and the soldier patients gave the entertainers a hearty round of cheers before the party left on the return to town.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL
IS ALL ATTENTION
AT A PRIVATE CHAT

Mayor Thought It Not Wise to Go as Police Commissioners

SO HIS TWO COLLEAGUES WENT THERE PRIVATELY

From the information diffused yesterday it was naturally concluded that the interview between the Police Commissioners and the Attorney-General would to some extent at least clear up the interesting situation created by the announced policy of the former body in relation to the observance of the Lord's Day Act. There is no change in the situation save that the Attorney-General made it quite clear once again that upon the Police Commissioners devolves the responsibility for the enforcement of Sunday observance and that he would not attempt to determine the policy of the Police Commissioners elected by the City of Victoria. He would, however, reserve to himself the right, as the first law officer of the Crown in British Columbia, to interfere when, according to his view, that policy or the direct effect of that policy was in contravention to the spirit of the Lord's Day Act.

In Private Capacities?

Possibly the only interesting feature of yesterday afternoon's interview is the fact that it was not an interview between the Police Commissioners in their avowed and official capacity and the Attorney-General. "Where is the Mayor?" immediately asked Hon. Mr. Farris as soon as he saw the deputation comprised two members only. "The Mayor agreed that it would not be wise for us to come as Police Commissioners and he did not come; but we thought we would come along privately and discuss the matter with you," was the prompt explanation of Commissioner Day and readily assented to by his colleague, Commissioner Linklater. With that understanding clearly before them the discussion proceeded, with the first law officer doing a good deal of the listening, since the observations from his visitors roused nothing within him to change his already publicly-expressed mind on the subject.

As You Were, Perhaps.

It now remains to be seen whether or not the Police Commissioners, with their right to appeal to the Attorney-General as the final arbiter in the matter of prosecution, will take to Mr. Farris the long list of culprits who winked the other eye at the official police ban which descended like a wet blanket on Sunday last, plunging into gloom an otherwise more than average British Columbia city. Rumor hath it that when the three Police Commissioners gather together fully imbued with the idea that Attorney-General Farris has his hand sufficiently full to compel his insistence in declining to shoulder any more responsibility, that the City of Victoria will still permit the sale of those commodities demanded by a peaceable public on Sunday.

GUILETT'S
EAT S
LYE
SUNDAE TOGET

LETTER BOX

SUNDAY CLOSING.

To the Editor.—This comes from a very insignificant "man in the street."

I had the pleasure of spending the past week-end in dear, aristocratic old Victoria!

I was warned coming over on the boat Friday evening, let me, from Vancouver that I might have to go hungry on the Sabbath, but some of my friends came to the rescue and I ate and I smoked.

If the matter was not serious it would be ludicrous.

Is the Mayor of Victoria aware of the fact that he has around him just now a very considerable number of new "draftees?"

Are these men to be deprived of every little bit of pleasure in life? I presume His Worship has a decent, comfortable home to spend his Sabbath in.

Does the Mayor know that when we boys of the First Contingent landed in England in October, 1914, the said, solid English authorities waived all rights to their Sunday privileges, which they had held dear for generations, and opened wide their doors to us fellows, week days and Sundays?

Does he also know that at all the big training camps in England the Army and Navy Canteen Committee (which is under control of the British War Office) run the cinemas and theatres wide open on Sundays for the benefit of the troops.

In conclusion, may I ask if the City Council is aware that we are at war?

H. RICHARDS.
Vancouver, Feb. 4.

RE HAROLD FISHER'S PAPERS.

To the Editor.—With reference to letters from Mr. Buken on the subject of Harold Fisher's papers published in the press recently, I have not met either the Assistant Provost-Marshal (not Provost-Marshal as quoted by Mr. Buken) or Mr. Buken, and trust that the former will excuse my taking up the case on his behalf.

In the first place it seems very strange that Mr. Buken, being an old soldier, should have such a poor idea of fair play in criticising an office through the medium of the press, and if his long service in the army had done him any good he would have known that the Assistant Provost-Marshal is unable to defend himself being forbidden to do so owing to the rules of the service.

I am only a civilian, but as my two brothers are in the army and have been on active service since the outbreak of the war with the Imperial forces and all my relations who are fit are there also I feel quite safe of my ground by what they have told me in pointing out this fact to Mr. Buken.

Mr. Buken's criticism of the G. O. C. is also in questionable taste, and I think that the latter should know the class of brain required to assist in carrying out the work entrusted to his care.

After making careful enquiries regarding the subject matter of this case, I find that Mr. Buken should have been more careful as his statements do not bear investigation. Harold Fisher is a discharged Imperial

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soldier. He was not prosecuted by the Assistant Provost-Marshal but by the civil authorities and was sentenced to imprisonment for a civil offence. This imprisonment had nothing to do with his discharge being correct or otherwise. It was necessary to have this discharge verified by the authorities in England in the prisoner's interests, returned men in general and also the civil authorities.

With regard to Mr. Buken's sneering remarks re the Assistant Provost-Marshal's qualifications and his statements which are meant to belittle same, also do not bear investigation, according to information gained from reliable sources. The Assistant Provost-Marshal did not get his training as a cavalry officer at Work Point barracks but at Winnipeg, with Lord Strathcona's Horse, qualifying as a captain. He also volunteered for active service at the beginning of the war, but owing to a severe injury contracted when in the service was declared unfit for overseas duty. He has served eleven years in various branches of the service.

Mr. Buken's unchivalrous remarks with regard to the Assistant Provost-Marshal not being a member of any of the army associations is in keeping with the general tone of his letter, and perhaps it would interest him to know that the Assistant Provost-Marshal is an active member of the Army and Navy Veterans of Canada.

It goes against the grain to think that the public are given a false impression of the good work that is being done by many officers in Canada who are quite willing but through force of circumstances have not been able to go overseas, every effort should be given to strengthen their hand at this trying time instead of hampering them with outbursts of anger, and it would be well for Mr. Buken to consider that their statements are correct, and above all to play the game.

A. CROSSLAND.
Vancouver, Feb. 3

SAMPLE CASE.
"Do you talk over matters with your wife? It's the only way to live happily together."
"I tried it once, but it didn't pan out so well. I tried to talk over business matters, but she wanted to talk about the neighbors.—Louisville Courier-Journal.



A BEDTIME STORY
UNCLE WIGGILY AND GRANDPA GRUNTER

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One day when Uncle Wiggily Longears, the nice bunny rabbit gentleman, was sitting in his hollow stump bungalow waiting for Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy, his muskrat lady housekeeper, to call him to dinner, there came a knock on the birch bark door of the stump.
"Come in," called Uncle Wiggily, cheerful-like and happy.
"Oh, you shouldn't say that!" cried Nurse Jane.
"Why not?" asked the bunny.
"Because it might be the skillery-scery alligator with humps on his tail, or the Skeezicks, who may want to bite souse off my ears as well as off yours!"
"Oh, I hope not!" said Uncle Wiggily. "Anyhow I've asked him in, whenever it is, and I'll have to be polite to him now. Come in," he called again.
The door opened, and in came—not a bad alligator, or a worse Skeezicks, but a nice little pink piggy boy named Curley Twelystyal, for his tail had a twist in it.
"Oh, hello, Curley!" said Nurse Jane, feeling real glad it wasn't a bad animal who had come in. "Hello!"
"Hi! Glad to see you, Curley!" said Uncle Wiggily. "Come over by the fire and get warm."
"Thank you, but I can't stay," spoke the little piggy boy. "I came in to ask Uncle Wiggily if he wouldn't come with me over to see my Grandpa Grunter, the oldest pig in the woods."
"Of course, I'll come to see Grandpa Grunter!" promised the bunny rabbit gentleman. "Next to Grandpa Whacker the beaver; Uncle Butler, the goat; Grandfather Goosey Gander, and Mr. Whitewash, the polar bear, Grandpa Grunter is one of the oldest friends I have. Of course, I'll go to see him!"

corn ball, and he had one horn, right in the middle of his forehead, like the good little girl's curl. And the unicorn used his one horn for toasting marshmallows, when he went to the seashore in the summer.
"Not much, won't!" granted the unicorn, as soon as he saw Uncle Wiggily and Curley. "What have we here?"
"Of course, he only asked that to be impolite, for he could very easily see that he had a bunny and a piggy, since he had grabbed them both in his claws. He held them tightly.
"Oh, what are you going to do with us?" asked Uncle Wiggily.
"Please let us go!" begged Curley.
"Not much, won't!" granted the unicorn, sort of wrinkling up his horn-like nose. "I'll carry you off to my den. That's what I'll do, and then I'll—but, hello! What have we here?" he asked as he saw the napkin Uncle Wiggily carried.
"If you please," said the bunny, "that is for Grandpa Grunter."
"Oh, no, I am sorry to say you are mistaken!" spoke the unicorn. "Whatever it is, it must be for me!" With that most snooty like, he opened the napkin with the one paw that wasn't holding Uncle Wiggily and Curley, and then the unicorn, with his one horn, jabbed up a very extra hot apple dumpling on it, and then—
"Oh, me! Oh, my!" howled the unicorn. "How I burn! Oh, this is hotter than any popcorn that was ever popped! Oh, how my horn burns! I must jump into the snow bank!"
So he did this, with the apple dumpling still on his horn, though the snow cooled. And then, while the hot dumpling was in the snow bank, Uncle Wiggily and Curley ran away, back to the bungalow, got another dumpling for Grandpa Grunter, and when he ate it, it made the pig gentleman all well.
But the unicorn didn't have a bit good time, though I think it served him right for being so snooty. And, if our kitten doesn't go to sleep on the puppy dog's fluffy back, thinking it's a sofa cushion, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and Floppy.

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TORONTO WON WITH EASE FROM OTTAWA

Score of Eight to Two Made in Toronto Ice Game Last Night

Toronto, Feb. 5.—Toronto finished up the first half of the N. H. L. schedule with a victory over Ottawas at the local Arena last night, the final score being 8 to 2. The bitter cold weather kept the attendance down and the rink was only half filled.

AMENDED SCHEDULE IS DRAWN UP FOR GAMES OF LADIES' DIVISION

The amended schedule of the ladies' division of the Sunday School Basketball League has been issued as follows: Feb. 6.—Metropolitans vs. Presbyterian B; Presbyterian A vs. Pilgrims; Fairfield Methodists vs. Presbyterian A; Feb. 13.—Metropolitans vs. Presbyterian A; Presbyterian B vs. Pilgrims; Fairfield Methodists vs. Metropolitans; Feb. 20.—Metropolitans vs. Presbyterian A; Presbyterian B vs. Pilgrims; Fairfield Methodists vs. Metropolitans; Feb. 27.—Fairfield Methodists vs. Metropolitans; (Postponed intermediate games will be played on this date); March 6.—Presbyterian Y vs. Presbyterian A; Fairfield Methodists vs. Pilgrims; March 13.—Fairfield Methodists vs. Presbyterian B; Metropolitans vs. Pilgrims; March 20.—Metropolitans vs. Fairfield Methodists; Pilgrims vs. Presbyterian A; March 27.—Pilgrims vs. Presbyterian B; Presbyterian A vs. Metropolitans; April 3.—Presbyterian B vs. Metropolitans; Presbyterian A vs. Fairfield Methodists.

GIBBONS TOOK SIX. Pittsburgh, Feb. 5.—Tommy Gibbons, St. Paul, won the decision here last night over George Chip, of Newcastle, Pa., in a ten-round bout. Gibbons took six of the rounds on points, Chip being awarded two, and two were even.

WON DECISION. Chelsea, Mass., Feb. 5.—Tommy Robson, of Boston, was awarded the referee's decision at the end of a twelve-round boxing bout with Walter Mohr, of Brooklyn, here last night.

To-morrow's Programme For Sport Enthusiasts

JACKSON SOCCER. Garrison vs. Navy at Work Point, at 2.45 o'clock; referee Lockley. LADIES' BASKETBALL. Metropolitans vs. Presbyterian "B" at Presbyterian gymnasium, at 7.30. Presbyterian "A" vs. Pilgrims at Presbyterian gymnasium. INTERMEDIATE BASKETBALL. Crusaders vs. Metropolitans, at Presbyterian gymnasium.

EX-CHAMPION BOXER COMING TO CAPITAL

Willie Ritchie Will Accompany Camp Lewis Soccerists to Victoria

WILL GIVE EXHIBITION AT ROYAL ATHLETIC

Willie Ritchie, ex-lightweight champion boxer of the world, will give an exhibition in Victoria in conjunction with the visit of the American soccerists, who will come to the city on Saturday next. A telegram was received by Secretary Ivan Day, of the Victoria and District Football Association this morning from Camp Lewis informing the local official of Ritchie's intended visit. The telegram sets forth that the famous fighter will accompany the team of Camp Lewis footballers to Victoria when they invade the Capital to do battle with the "Fragments From France."

Joe Coughlan. Ritchie will bring with him Joe Coughlan, with whom he will give a three-round exhibition. The local committee in charge of the game and other details, is now arranging to have the bout put on at the Royal Athletic Park in conjunction with the match. This arrangement will be carried out, weather permitting. It has also been announced that the two greatest boxers of the world, Freddie Welsh in a close and fast encounter. The announcement that the champion will visit Victoria will be received with interest by all followers of the fist game. The American's record of ring work is a notable one, and in addition, the fact that he comes in conjunction with the visit of the "Sammies," gives special color to the event.

TEAMS THAT WILL PLAY TO-MORROW'S CONTESTS

Garrison—Osler; Loughlin, Gale; White, Pickett, Boyd; Mercer, Holmes, Filmore, Frankish, Buxton. Dunelmians—Jelliman; Newman, Aleock; Hay, Adam, Fletcher; Lomas, Bloom, Townsend, Elliot, Tipper; reserves, Jones, Pea.

WANDERERS WIN. New York, Feb. 5.—The Wanderers hockey team, of New York, defeated the Sons of Ireland, of Quebec, here last night four to nothing.

EX-WORLD CHAMPION



WILLIE RITCHIE Who will accompany the Camp Lewis Soccer team to Victoria on Saturday, to give an exhibition of boxing in conjunction with the game that will be played at the Royal Athletic Park.

CO-OPERATION

Sporting-Editor of The Times.—Will you allow me through your columns to approach all lovers of sport, regarding the public banquet to be held next Saturday night in honor of the officers and men from Camp Lewis, U. S. A. The object of their visit to this city is a football match, one of a series being played between them and the E. M. C. H. at the Royal Athletic Park on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 p. m. The Fifth Regiment Band will be in attendance.

NO CIVILIANS WILL ENTER IN TOURNEY

Only Naval and Military Boxers Will Be Seen at Willows Affair. No civilian entries will be received for the elimination boxing tournament that will be held at the Willows Camp on Friday evening of this week. The officials of the Provincial Amateur body have given a ruling that will confine the affair to naval and military entries. President Manson of the B. C. A. A. U. explained the case to The Times this morning. He pointed out that the Military authorities were privileged to mix amateurs and professionals in sporting events so long as they were purely of a military order. He was informed, however, that in the present case it was intended to enter not only civilians but civilian professionals. He referred to the fact that Scotty McKay's name had been mentioned as a possible entry. His participation would in Mr. Manson's opinion make all the soldiers entered in the tourney, professionals. The affair will therefore be under the auspices of the 2nd Depot Battalion assisted by W. H. Davies of the V. I. A. A. Soldiers and sailors are already entering in encouraging numbers. Eight entries have been made from the 2nd Depot Battalion with Lieut. Pitcairn. More are expected and strong support is also looked for from the Navy. Following the custom of Army and Navy exhibitions the rounds will be two minutes each instead of three minutes. The shorter periods it is felt will insure more speed and snap to the proceedings.

BIG TIE IN COAST HOCKEY AGAIN SET

Vancouver Came From Behind in Overtime Play Last Night

Vancouver, Feb. 5.—Vancouver and Seattle puck-chasers are locked again to-day in a tie for first place in the championship race as the result of another torrid overtime session in which the Millionaires came from behind and nosed out the world's champions. Six thousand fans gave a lusty yell when Ran McDonald weaved his way down the ice and flashed a shot at Fowler which hopped through the latter's pads, giving Vancouver the victory by a 5-3 count, after one of the hardest fought battles of the season. FIFTH Overtime Battle.

It was the fifth overtime battle in the coast league this season, the third between Vancouver and Seattle, and the second to be won by the Millionaires. For hard work, strenuous checking and both individual and combination rushes, it was one of the most interesting of the season. The Vancouverers were because they outgamed and outlasted the cup holders. If combination play had decided the issue honors would have rested with Seattle, because the Mets played a better and more effective passing game, but for down right hard work, doggedness and determination the Millionaires had the edge, and for that reason deserved the victory.

Two Greatest Goalkeepers. Besides a battle among giants in centre ice it was a duel between probably the two greatest goalkeepers in hockey to-day, Fowler and Lehman, and after a night of thrills honors rested even. Fowler gave a wonderful display and the same goes for "Eagle-eye" Hugh Lehman. The Vancouver veteran saved the goal many times when the Mets got through the local defence, while with Fowler the Millionaires rarely got in close, but shot from a longer range. It was a wonderful battle. Fowler batted and slashed the puck clear of his net many times. On other occasions he speared the flying disc with one hand and tossed it aside, and again he stuck his manly legs into the puck and halted its progress.

Worthy a Medal. Lehman was performing a similar duty at the other end, and the wonder is that any goals were scored. Lehman's smooth working style made difficult saves look easy, but he was one of the heroes of the victory with his sensational goal keeping. Fans never want to overlook the Vancouver goal-keeper when they are striking off a medal for the game's greatest custodian.

SOME OF THE LIGHTS IN THE CAREER OF THE LATE JOHN L. SULLIVAN

Sullivan first saw the light of day in Boston, October 15, 1858. He started fighting at 17, when he was known as the "Boston Strong Boy." Fought Jake Kilrain seventy-five rounds, bare-knuckles, on July 5, 1888. He was the first native American to win the world championship. Won the title from Paddy Ryan on February 7, 1882. Was the last to hold the crown under the London prize ring rules. During a national tour Sullivan knocked out fifty men in nine months. He held the title ten years and seven months to a day. Lost to James J. Corbett, September 7, 1892. Sullivan claimed to have made \$2,000,000 in the fighting game, and spent most of it buying drinks for admirers. Took a voluntary temperance oath in 1905 and never broke it. He spent the last years of his life on a farm at West Abington, Mass.

YIPRES DEFEATED THE SOMMES LAST NIGHT

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—Dick Irvin tallied six goals out of seven for his team in last night's senior military hockey game, and as a result the Ypres defeated the Sommes seven to three, and incidentally took such a commanding lead in the race for the league laurels that they look like pretty near sure champions. The game was a whirlwind affair from start to finish, with both teams travelling at breakneck speed, and using the stick and puck as they averted when Sparrow and Irvin started to scrap, in which nearly all the players participated, while the spectators also jumped on to the ice. The half-time score was five to two, and the second half was hard fought all the way. Staff Colonel (in Christian Register)—Your reports should be written in such manner that even the most ignorant may understand them. Sergeant-Well, sir, what part is it that you don't understand.

GILLESPIE WON FINAL IN RINK COMPETITION

Moose Jaw, Feb. 5.—Jimmy Gillespie, of Winnipeg, won the final in the Maybee's Limited competition yesterday, defeating Orl, of Tugauka, twelve to nine. The Winnipeg rink also stayed in the City of Moose Jaw event by knocking out Burris, of Rouleau, eleven to ten. Davidson, of Assinibola, was the big winner of the day, taking five straight games, including the final for the handsome Robinson Macbean trophy. In this he defeated Greer, of Milestone, eight to seven.

PLAY YOUR OWN GAME MOTTO OF F. QUIMET

Noted Player Compares Travis and Blackwell as Golfers

For years and year, Walter J. Travis held all comers at bay. During that time he captured three American amateur championships, the amateur championship of Great Britain, besides countless minor titles. Many of his victims were men considered his equal. No doubt these players could perform equally as well as could Walter J., but he could generally outlast them—not so, mentally, physically, but at least mentally. Herein enters the psychology of golf, says Francis Quimet. When he defeated Britain's best back in 1904, he won victories over men who had been star golfers for years, and were improving with age rather than declining.

I have never had the opportunity of tilting his feats in the championship with anybody, and know only what I have read. I do know, however, that Edward Blackwell, his opponent in the finals, and his other victims had been and were at the time recognized as star golfers. Travis was known to be good, very good, but not thought good enough to beat the men he did. Blackwell had little trouble in outdistancing Travis by a big margin from the tee, and could play his iron in better form than could Travis. He was a good putter also, but, of course, not as good as the Old Man.

Putting Travis's Feature. Therefore the putting greens were the only department of the game wherein Travis was known to excel. Critics doubted whether or not this advantage was sufficient to overcome the big Blackwell. Columns have been written about Travis's phenomenal putting, and it was his chief offensive weapon. No doubt, but he followed up his natural putting ability with a game that was steadiness personified. It was not so flashy to watch or entertaining to see as those of other men, but it was the sort of a game that worried his opponent greatly.

It is a hard proposition to hang onto a man who will make no mistakes. Something must give, and nine times out of ten it was the game of the other. When one man is playing steadily without making a mistake, it causes a mental reaction that disrupts the game of the other. I think Blackwell was bothered when he realized that, though he was outshooting Travis and playing better iron shots in the green, his opponent was forging ahead simply because his well-placed drives and irons were making good.

As a matter of fact, I do not believe if Blackwell ignored Travis entirely and contented himself with playing each shot to the limit, he would have fared far better. He felt he must do the impossible, and, therefore, found it difficult to play his own game—a disastrous thing to think. Play your own game; is a motto good to follow.

LEGAL AND OFFICIAL NOTICES VICTORIA TAXPAYERS

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY PRIVATE BILLS

Notice is hereby given that the time limited by the Rules of the House for presenting petitions for Private Bills will expire on February 16, 1918. Private Bills must be presented on or before February 23, 1918. Reports from Standing or Select Committees on Private Bills must be made on or before March 7, 1918, in pursuance of a resolution of the House, passed on January 22, 1918. THORNTON FELL, Clerk Legislative Assembly.

LAND REGISTRY ACT. Notice Under Section 36.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Elsie Munro as the owner in Fee-simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Collector of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt to Elsie Munro, bearing date the 25th day of November, A.D. 1917, in pursuance of a Tax Sale held by said Collector on or about the 1st day of September, 1916, and singular certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the District of Esquimalt, in the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as: Lot 9, of part of Suburban Lot 51, Map 51A. You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act" are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within 30 days of the service of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be forever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall register the said Elsie Munro as owner in Fee.

I direct that service of this notice may be made by publication in The Victoria Daily Times twelve consecutive issues. Dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 25th day of November, A.D. 1917. J. C. GWYNN, Registrar-General. To G. H. Stewart Esq., Assessed Owner.

LAND REGISTRY ACT. Section 34. In the Matter of Part of Sub Lot One, Fernwood Estate, Victoria City, Map 85.

Proof having been filed of the loss of Certificate of Title No. 1828A, issued to Thomas Sinclair Gore on the 11th day of July, 1914, I hereby give notice of my intention, at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof, to issue to the said Thomas Sinclair Gore a fresh Certificate of Title in lieu thereof. Dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 25th day of December, 1917. J. C. GWYNN, Registrar-General of Titles.

ORDER RE TAX PAYMENTS

I am authorized by the City Council to accept payments by instalments or by payments from time to time on account, of the rates and taxes due by any person, or due in respect of any parcel of land. This authority is extended to include unpaid special assessments and special rates imposed in respect of works of local improvement as provided by Section 43 of the Local Improvement Act.

EDWIN C. SMITH Treasurer and Collector of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C. City Hall, Victoria, B. C., 4th February, 1918.

LAND REGISTRY ACT. Notice Under Section 36.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Dennis Reginald Harris as the owner in Fee-simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Collector of the Corporation of the District of Saanich, to Dennis Reginald Harris, bearing date the 25th day of November, A. D. 1917, in pursuance of a Tax Sale held by said Collector on or about the 15th day of August, 1915, of all and singular certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the District of Saanich, in the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as: Lots Five (5), Twenty-two (22), and Twenty-three (23), of part of Section Thirty-two (32), Map 1126. You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act" are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within 30 days of the service of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be forever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall register the said Dennis Reginald Harris as owner in Fee. Dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1917. J. C. GWYNN, Registrar-General. To Reginald Christopher Thornton, second mortgagee. I direct service of this notice to be made by publication thereof in The Victoria Daily Times twelve consecutive issues. J. C. GWYNN, Registrar-General.

HELP By Subscribing to the Victoria Patriotic Aid Fund. Breathes there a man with soul so dead, Who never to himself hath said, This is my own, my native land.

WINS PROMOTION. WHEN BRADLAUGH EXPLAINED.

Frank McGill, former Canadian swimming champion, one of the best mermen Montreal ever had, and a brilliant all-round athlete, is winning his spurs in France. From flight lieutenant of the Royal Naval Air Service, he has been promoted to the rank of flight commander. He was a football and hockey player as well as a swimmer.

CHAMPION LEADS.

Philadelphia, Feb. 5.—Ted Lewis, welterweight champion of the world, had the better of a six-round bout here last night with Johnny Tiffinman, of Minneapolis. Tiffinman put up a game fight, but the champion was too clever for him, and had the advantage in nearly every round.

The WEATHER Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, B.C., Feb. 5.—5 a.m.—The barometer is abnormally low over this province. Rain has been general along the coast and mild weather extends eastward to Saskatchewan. Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 29.95; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 43; wind, 4 miles N.E.; rain, .43 in.; raining. Vancouver—Barometer, 29.94; temperature, maximum yesterday, 52; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .34 in.; raining. Kamloops—Barometer, 29.58; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 32; wind, 4 miles E.; fair. Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 34; calm; raining.

Then Private Bradlaugh said, addressing the colonel, that the officer's memory must surely be at fault in the whole matter, as he could not have used language so unbecoming to an officer and a gentleman.

The colonel turned to the officer with the dry remark: "I think Private Bradlaugh is right; there must be some mistake," and he left the room.—The Hill.

An old ducky who had been in the metropolis of his southern state but once since the war stood watching an electric car skin out toward a suburb. A northern engineer, wishing to draw him out, said: "Great thing, that trolley, eh, uncle?" Only a grunt and a chuckle responded. He tried again: "When we come down from the north we do things, don't we, uncle?" "Yass, yass, master," drawled the ducky; "great men in the north, sah. Come down heah wid a gun fifty years ago and sot the nigra free. Now you-all is bringin' a fish pole to free the mule—great men, ya, ya!"

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Salary Increases.—At the meeting of the City Council last evening applications from the street sweepers, city lighting staff and garbage collection men were read, all asking for increases of salary to meet the advancing cost of living. All the applications were sent to the Estimates Committee.

Alpha Street Location.—In the City Council last evening City Solicitor Hanington stated that before a settlement could be reached between the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway and the owners of property on Alpha Street, who are claiming compensation for damages, it would be necessary to have an amendment of the statute at this session. When this has received attention, further attempts will be made to adjust the matter.

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Cumberland Liberal Association.—At the annual meeting of the Cumberland Liberal Association held on January 28, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: First honorary president, the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier; second honorary president, W. W. B. McInnes; honorary vice-president, Paul P. Harrison; president, Frederick Pickard; vice-president, Jas. Reid; secretary, Alexander McKinnon.

Night School Lectures.—Two lectures to the Night School Salesmanship Class at the Victoria High School will be delivered this week. H. P. Johnston, of the United Typewriter Company, will speak to-night on Salesmen's Assets and Liabilities, and F. M. McGregor, of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, will address the class Thursday on "The Sale of Life Insurance."

Dr. Plaskett, Honorary President.—Professor J. S. Plaskett, B. A., D. Sc., of the Astrophysical Observatory at Stanfich Hill, has been re-elected honorary president of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, thus entering upon his second term in that office. Allan F. Miller was elected president, and A. W. McCurdy, C. E., of Victoria, was made one of the councillors of the society at the same meeting.

A Serious Case Finishes.—A Chinaman was sent down for four years in the City Police Court to-day for corrupting the morals of a white boy, aged seventeen, in an atrocious offence. The boy was released, on suspended sentence, provided he joined a ship at once, to which he is attached. Only last week a similar penalty was handed out for another grave personal offence.

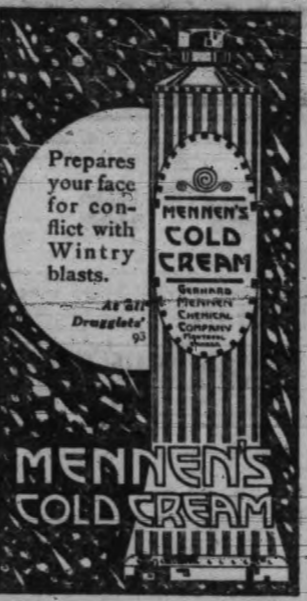
Deals With Project.—The application of the Great North Western Telegraph Company for a landing of the proposed Western Union cable, when re-located on Dallas Road from Fort Angeles, 'as mentioned in Friday's Times, came before the City Council last evening. It was laid over for a report from the parks and electric light committees, it being pointed out that the cable house on the beach should be located to harmonize with the Dallas Road foreshore.

Householders' Franchise.—The City Council will consider the amendments proposed by the Legislative Committee of the Municipal Act, the Local Improvement Act and the Municipal Elections Act, which were filed in Council last evening. Alderman Fullerton hoped the Council would endeavor to secure an amendment of the Municipal Elections Act, to enable a simpler system of registration of licenseholders and householders to be effected, remarking that only a few qualified of the hundreds who paid special taxes.

Wants Colonization Plan.—Vice-President and General Manager W. P. Hinton, of the G. T. P. Railway, called upon Hon. John Glover, Minister of Agriculture and Railways, at the Parliament Buildings yesterday afternoon. Mr. Hinton's call was more in the nature of a courtesy visit, although the question of land settlement was touched upon. In the opinion of the visitor, propaganda might very well be carried on in the Western States, directed towards the bringing in of settlers to British Columbia. Mr. Glover, however, reminded Mr. Hinton of the well-known condition of many acres of desirable land—able by virtue of their owners' lack of appreciation of their own obligations and the national need. Until those lands were available the Minister of Agriculture was not particularly hopeful of colonization plans.

Sanitary Condition of Pond.—Dr. A. G. Price reported to the City Council last evening that as Medical Officer he had made an examination of the abandoned gravel pits north of Gladstone Avenue. He had ascertained that some garbage of an offensive nature was being placed on the east side of the pit, and recommended that it should be stopped before the warm weather. With regard to the pond in the middle of the lots, there was some danger, as it was deep and much frequented by children from the neighboring schools. The water, however, was clean. Alderman Andros observed that it was impossible to stop the children playing on the water and building rafts, as has been stated. While no action was taken with regard to fencing the pond was taken, the City Solicitor said that the attention of the Council having been drawn to the matter, negligence might be argued in a lawsuit.

Returned Soldiers' Aid.—"From Down and Out to Up and In Again," the story of the various stages in a disabled soldier's return to civil life is to be told at St. Paul's Presbyterian Military and Naval Church, corner Henry and Mary Streets, Victoria West, on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, by J. H. Hill, General Secretary of the Provincial Returned Soldiers' Commission. It will be copiously illustrated with about 100 lantern slides, showing the various stages from a dressing station in France to the Military Convalescent Hospital at Qualicum—Victoria—Island. By these slides have been prepared by the Military Hospitals Commission to bring before the public in a popular and instructive way some particulars of the system followed by that body in dealing with returned invalided soldiers.



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Police Investigation.—A police inquiry is in progress before the Commissioners this afternoon to investigate complaints with regard to allegation of officers exceeding their authority in connection with recent raids and arrests.

Arrived This Morning.—Miss G. M. Perry, of Peterboro, Ont., National Service Secretary of the Women's Council of the Y. W. C. A., returned to the city this morning from the Mainland, and will spend some days at the local branch of the institution.

On Visit Here.—D. C. Coleman, Assistant General Manager of the C. P. R. at Winnipeg; A. R. Mackenzie and W. C. Wainwright, also of Winnipeg, and F. W. Peters, General Superintendent for British Columbia lines, are in the city to-day on a visit.

Board of Trade.—A general meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on Wednesday, February 13, at 3 p. m., at which Mr. Baird, inspector of municipalities, will give an address. The report of the committee regarding tax delinquency will also be open for discussion.

Joint Meeting To-day.—There was a joint meeting of the City Health and Market Committees to-day, to decide what steps should be taken to remove the offices of the Health Department to unoccupied parts of the City Hall, in order that the Cormorant Street front may be remodelled for market purposes.

Will Reorganize Bill.—The arrangement of the City's private bill will be modified, whereby the classes affecting treasury certificates will be, withdrawn from the general measure, and inserted in a special act. This will limit the private bill to tax delinquency, which is likely to be the subject of controversy before it reaches the floor of the House.

Rotary Luncheon.—A varied programme is expected at to-morrow's luncheon of the Rotary Club that will be held at 12.30 o'clock in the Empress Hotel. The Entertainment Committee were not prepared to make a definite announcement to-day other than to say that the programme would be a good one. A practice of the Spokane Conference songs will also be held.

Young People's Society Meeting.—The chief feature of the weekly meeting of the Young People's Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, held in the lecture room last evening, was a very helpful and appropriate address on "Service," given by J. B. Warlicker. Games and music were included in the programme for the remainder of the evening and the singing of the National anthem brought to an end a very interesting evening.

Train Derailed.—Three boys, by tampering with the switch on the Patricia Bay line of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway at Regina Avenue on Saturday evening, caused an accident, and the engine of an outbound passenger train was derailed. Fortunately the train was moving slowly or more serious consequences would have resulted. The boys have been caught and will be taken before officials to be sentenced this afternoon. The oldest is nine years of age.

Recommends Renewal of Grant.—The claims of the Victoria and Island Development Association for a renewal of the grant were forcibly put at a meeting of the Executive late yesterday with the City representatives on that organization. There was a great deal of discussion, and the outcome of the meeting was a resolution recommending the renewal of the grant of \$7,000, special attention to be given to industrial aspects, and that the adjacent municipalities and up-Island points should be asked to contribute to the maintenance of the institution, which is more than local in its numerous activities.

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ESQUIMALT COUNCIL HELD BUSY SESSION

Traffic Matters and Sanitary Conditions Received Consideration

Matters pertaining to the speed of motor traffic, sanitary conditions, the sewer system, licensing of dairies, and the oiling of roads were before the Esquimalt Council at its regular meeting held last evening.

In a letter directed to the municipal body, Engineer Bourne drew attention to the fact that motor traffic was becoming destructive to the roads, especially Esquimalt and Admirals' by reason of the speed at which vehicles were driven. He recommended that a by-law be drawn up and passed by the Council setting the speed limit, for hand-tired motors, at five miles per hour. The engineer referred especially to trucks of the heavy class. He further recommended that the speed limit of fifteen miles per hour applying to other motor traffic be strictly enforced.

Oiling Roads.
 The question of what oiling, if any, should be done to Esquimalt streets was also brought to the attention of the Council through a letter from the engineer. Mr. Bourne pointed out that it would be impossible for the Council to get road oil this year. The City of Victoria, he said, was considering offers from the Tervia Company, on an alternative proposition. It was possible that Esquimalt might wish to purchase its supply through the City.

The opinion of the Council was decided on the point that the main thoroughfares would have to be treated in some way, before the summer. The engineer was therefore instructed to secure particulars relative to the preparation which Victoria will secure, and to ascertain whether it would be advantageous for Esquimalt to make its purchase through the City.

Sanitation.
 From time to time the matter of sanitary conditions in the district has received the attention of Esquimalt Councils. At last evening's meeting the present body was plunged into the subject. In a letter addressed to the Reeve and Councillors the Sanitary Inspector stated that, in company with the Health Officer, he had inspected certain properties on Gore and Head Streets which were found to be in a very unsatisfactory condition. Other premises throughout the district were also enumerated as being a menace to health. The Council dealt with these individually and decided in some cases that owners should be notified to "clean up" and in others that properties would have to be connected with the sewer system.

Turning his attention to sanitary conditions in respect to those properties that have not been connected with the sewer system the Council resolved to notify all parties who have not made the connections that they must do so within thirty days, failing in which the Council will deem it necessary to take action. Health Officer Dr. Boak drew the attention of the Council to the fact that for the most part conditions were not permanently satisfactory in the majority of cases where the connection had not been made.

Milk Supply.
 The official further noted that there were parties in the district peddling milk whose dairy establishments did not measure up to the requirements of the Health Act. The Reeve stated that Esquimalt had no regular milk by-law but saw no reason why a moderate one which would protect the public should not be drafted. The principal object was to insure cleanliness in the dairies, both large and small. It was finally decided that Dr. Boak and two others, to be appointed by the Reeve, should form a committee to consider the points to be covered in the proposed milk by-law.

Reeve Coles and Councillor George Wise were appointed at the request of the Victoria Rotary Club a committee to meet with a Victoria committee with a view to advancing the cause of the iron industry on Vancouver Island.

Promoting Industry.
 The Council was addressed briefly by J. I. Seabrook, who stated that he had formulated a plan for "promoting" in the true sense of the word; no money was required. Mr. Seabrook took the Council into his confidence to the extent of divulging that the scheme which he had on foot was for the "promoting of industry." As it was a matter of considerable length he desired to be given a special

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CITY TAX SALE

Council Agrees to Sale for 1913, and Subsequent Delinquencies in October.

With scarcely a word of objection the City Council last evening agreed to a tax sale on October 10 of properties delinquent in 1913 and subsequent taxes. It is stated that the decision will not in any way affect the principle of sale for the 1914 and subsequent taxes, should that course be recommended by the special committee having the subject in hand.

From a report filed a week ago the result of the above motion is as follows:

1913 Taxes-General and local improvement	\$ 87,968.39
1914 Taxes-General and local improvement	134,644.11
1915 Taxes-General and local improvement	128,308.35
1916 Taxes-General and local improvement	118,432.94
1917 Taxes-General and local improvement	115,153.29
1918 Taxes-Local improvement only	54,322.54
Total	\$638,829.72

BUSY AT CITY HALL

Aldermen Will Shortly Be Faced With Organization of Employees, United for Protection.

The various tax delinquency schemes of which much has been said inside and outside the City Hall in the last six months are being submitted to a joint committee of the Council and Board of Trade this afternoon. When the committee rises for the day an adjournment will be taken until to-morrow evening.

The Council will sit in committee of the whole this evening as an Estimates Committee, at which subjects left over last Thursday will be considered. It is not feasible to secure a clear idea what will be taken with regard to civic salaries, however the impression is that it will be impossible to make much headway with the general question, as the reorganization committee appointed last week has had little opportunity to go into the subject carefully.

Meanwhile the civic staff has not been idle, and a preliminary meeting will be held on Saturday evening to discuss the establishment of an organization for mutual protection. The majority of the officials are divided as to what character the organization will take. Some favor an association of civil service lines, others more of the trades union type. However, the details will be thoroughly threshed out and the character of the association will then be determined.

SCOTTISH CONCERT

Knox Presbyterian Kirk
 Thursday, Feb. 7
 At 8 o'clock
PROGRAMME
 Lantern Views of Auld Scotland. Direction of Mr. A. S. Huxtable, Bagpipe accompaniment, Piper D. Cameron.
 Chairman's Address. Mr. Andrew Wright
 1 Song and Chorus—"The Soft Lowland Tongue of the Borders"
 2 Pipe Selections—Mrs. Donald and Chorus
 3 Song—"Scots Wha Ha"
 4 Song—"O'er the Hills and Far Away"
 5 Recitation—"The Baptism of Christ"
 6 Song—"Bonnie Prince Charlie"
 7 Song—"Wife a Hundred Pipers"
 8 Duet—"O Weert Thou in the Cauld Blast"
 9 Song—"Mary Morrison"
 10 Recitation—"Down the Water"
 11 Song—"A Border Ballad"
 12 Song—"Mary of Argyll"
 13 Pipe Selections—Piper Donald Cameron
 14 Duet—"The Bonnie Banks o' Loch Lomond"
 15 Song—"Bonnie Dundee"
 16 Song—"The Quinnes"
 17 Pipe Selections—Piper Donald Cameron
 18 Song—"The Bonnie Banks o' Loch Lomond"
 19 "Auld Lang Syne"
 God Save the King
 Mr. L. Partridge, Accompanist

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THE DOMINION BANK

At the Forty-seventh Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of The Dominion Bank, held at the Head Office in Toronto, on 30th January, 1918, the following Statement of the affairs of the Bank as at the 31st December, 1917, was submitted:

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th December, 1916: 363,442 39
Profits for the year, after deducting charges of management and making full provision for bad and doubtful debts: \$1,087,477 45
Less Dominion Government War Tax (on circulation): \$60,000 00
Taxes paid to Provincial Governments: 25,415 00
Making net profits of: 1,005,062 45

Which amount has been disposed of as follows:
Dividends (quarterly) at Twelve per cent. per annum: \$720,000 00
Contribution to Canadian Patriotic Fund: \$25,000 00
Contribution to British Red Cross Society: 2,500 00
Contribution to British Sailors' Relief Fund: 2,000 00
Contribution to Y.M.C.A. Military Financial Campaign: 1,000 00
Contribution to Officers' Pension Fund: 25,000 00
Written off Bank Premises: 200,000 00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward: 393,004 84

GENERAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES
Capital Stock paid in: \$6,000,000 00
Reserve Fund: \$7,900,000 00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward: 393,004 84
Dividend No. 141, payable 2nd January, 1918: 180,000 00
Former Dividends unclaimed: 1,626 75
Total Liabilities to the Shareholders: \$13,574,631 59
Notes in Circulation: \$9,417,684 00
Balance due to Dominion Government: 1,816,452 83
Deposits not bearing interest: \$15,216,783 84
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date: 66,731,311 81
Balances due to other Banks in Canada: 868,467 99
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada: 815,743 55
Bills Payable: 233,352 90
Acceptances under Letters of Credit: 362,569 76
Liabilities not included in the foregoing: 399,156 65
Total Public Liabilities: \$55,861,513 46

ASSETS
Gold and Silver Coin: 1,932,683 09
Dominion Government Notes: 13,479,953 25
Deposit with Central Gold Reserve: 4,300,000 00
Notes of other Banks: 1,027,092 04
Cheques on other Banks: 4,456,142 12
Balances due by other Banks in Canada: 9,459 19
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada: 2,132,806 69
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities, not exceeding market value: 9,403,914 37
Canadian Municipal Securities, and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian, not exceeding market value: 9,899,852 47
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value: 3,307,469 13
Call and Short (not exceeding thirty days) Loans in Canada on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks: 3,987,121 93
Call and Short (not exceeding thirty days) Loans elsewhere than in Canada: 3,644,969 22
Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest): \$45,590,915 73
Other Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less rebate of interest): 72,694 26
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit, as per contracts: 362,569 76
Real Estate other than Bank Premises: 23,508 73
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for): 89,933 06
Bank Promises, at not more than cost, less amounts written off: 5,317,784 70
Deposit with the Minister of Finance for the purposes of the Circulation Fund: 304,500 00
Mortgages on Real Estate sold: 13,795 32
Total Assets: \$109,436,145 05

E. B. OSLER, President. C. A. BOBERT, General Manager.

AUDITORS' REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS.

We have compared the above Balance Sheet with the books and accounts at the Chief Office of The Dominion Bank, and the certified returns received from its branches, and after checking the cash and verifying the securities at the Chief Office and certain of the principal Branches on December 31st, 1917, we certify that, in our opinion, such Balance Sheet exhibits a true and correct statement of the affairs of the Bank, according to the best of our information, the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Bank.

C. T. CLARKSON, of Clarkson, Gordon & R. J. DILWORTH, of Dilworth, C.A. Toronto, January 18th, 1918.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE IS AT WORK AGAIN

Session Opened To-day; Indication Given of Election This Summer.

Toronto, Feb. 5.—The fourth war session of the Ontario Legislature was opened by the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir William Hendrie, this afternoon. The Speech from the Throne does not portend a long session and the proposed measure to provide for taking soldiers' votes overseas seems to point to an election this summer.

The Government, the Speech stated, has set aside territory known to contain peat deposits, and is investigating with the intention of increasing, thereby the fuel supply of the province.

There are no changes in the seating on the Government side this session. To the left of the Speaker the sessional leader of the Opposition, William Proudfoot, K. C., moved up to the seat vacated by Hon. N. W. Powell.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly: "For the fourth time you meet under war conditions. During the last year our Empire has maintained the struggle for freedom with unabated power and confidence. Through the burden and the sacrifice have been heavy, the compensating successes have been of substantial value. Toward these achievements the Canadians have contributed notably and in many brilliant actions have added new lustre to their renown.

"The devotion of our people to the cause of the Mother Country and her Allies at war was never more evident than it is to-day. Never were we so determined to consecrate all the resources we possess to the task of carrying the conflict to a successful issue. With the war aims clearly set forth recently by His Majesty's Government we are in full accord.

"Our thanks are due to Almighty God for the harvest of the last year, which was one of the most bountiful in the history of the province."

Food Shortage. The speech dealt with the food shortage, which it said was continually assuming more serious proportions. It said the appeals for more production had elicited a most encouraging response from the farmers.

Mention was made of the co-operation of the province with the Dominion in regard to the care of disabled soldiers and the return of others to civil life. The speech concluded: "The public accounts, showing that the finances of the province are in a healthy state, will be laid before you. Estimates of contemplated expenditures for the current year and coming fiscal year will be brought down at an early date for your consideration."

"Measures will be submitted to you to provide for taking the votes of soldiers overseas, respecting the public health relating to the public services; to amend the Northern Ontario Development Act; to amend the Trades and Labor Act, and for other purposes."

QUIET TO-DAY AT DRUMHELLER MINE

Workings in Alberta Field Are Guarded by Mounted Police

Calgary, Feb. 5.—The latest information regarding the situation around the Rosedale mine in the Drumheller field obtained by direct communication with Frank Moody, the manager of the Rosedale mine, and from Major Fitz Horrigan, in charge of the Mounted Police detachment called there to preserve order, shows that quietness reigned to-day in the vicinity of the mine.

All the workers were idle and the premises of the mine, where 200 or 300 men operate, under normal conditions, are now being carefully guarded by the Mounted Police. The men are holding conferences on the subject of the advisability of establishing a branch of the miners' organization at the mine.

Major Horrigan said every precaution was being taken to preserve order, and every eventuality had been considered with a view to preventing or quelling any possible fracture of the peace in the district.

"I understand that warrants have been prepared against us," said Mr. Moody, "but they have not been served upon us."

EMPIRE CONFERENCE ON WAR TO BE HELD

But Expectation is Closing Order Will Be Generally Received Well

London, Feb. 5.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Reuter's learns that in accordance with the general wish expressed last year and as a convenience, the statesmen and the Parliaments of the Dominions will permit delegates to attend a series of Imperial War Cabinet meetings and Imperial War Conferences which will be held in London this year in continuation of those held last year. It is understood that the representatives of the Dominions will attend and confer with the British Ministers on war problems.

New Zealand. London, Feb. 5.—A dispatch from Wellington states that the Cabinet has decided that New Zealand will be represented at the forthcoming Imperial War Cabinet meetings and War Conference subject to the approval of Parliament. Messrs. Massey and Ward will be the Dominion's representatives. A short session of Parliament will be opened about April 9 to make the necessary arrangements.

The Imperial Council now is trying to arrange a date which will suit as far as possible the convenience of all, but nothing definite has yet been decided either regarding the date or regarding the statesmen who will come to England.

SUSPECTED OF BEING IN PAY OF BERLIN

Man Taken From Vessel at Vancouver and Held by Police

Vancouver, Feb. 5.—Arrested on suspicion of being in the pay of the German Government, Richard Wilkus, alias Richard Neilson, who has since admitted to the police that he was born but a few miles from Hamburg, Germany, was taken from a steamer here by Detectives Imah and Russell and now is being held at police headquarters on the charge of being an enemy alien and failing to report to the police.

Among the papers found in his possession are some containing the addresses of persons residing in different parts of the United States and a book which is believed by the police to contain the key to a code. "It is all up with me now, I guess," Wilkus declared when he was called from the stokehold of the vessel this morning and found the two detectives awaiting him. "Well, I've got away with it since war broke out and I've been all over the States and have been many times in Canada as well."

When examined at police headquarters it was found that he had tattooed on his arm the German coat-of-arms. He stated to the detectives that he had two brothers in the German army and that that was the reason he did not want to fight against Germany.

With the arrest of Wilkus a thorough search of the vessel was ordered, even the berths of other members of the crew not being overlooked, but nothing resulted from the search.

FOOD CONSERVATION SUBJECT OF LECTURES TO DUNCAN WOMEN

Duncan, Feb. 5.—Miss Hayes' first lecture here on food conservation was given in the domestic science classroom of the Duncan public school to a class of thirty women. Miss Hayes explained the organization of the food control system from the Food Controller down. As far as British Columbia was concerned, the Dominion Government had secured the help of J. W. Gibson as organizer. Miss Hayes is being sent to the various parts of the province to show the women how to save a favorite remedy of their own, and to be replaced by those that will not stand long storage.

The grocery shelves of all the shops were filled with products from many countries, she said. These might be replaced by local products. There was a surplus of potatoes in Canada, the United States and in England. She would show in her demonstration how these might be used to take the place of flour to some extent without being a detriment to health.

Several questions were asked and the work being done in the United States was explained. Miss Hayes will remain in Duncan three more days, giving demonstrations both afternoon and evening on war bread and other forms of war cookery. Her last demonstration will be on Friday afternoon.

Ashley T. Green, formerly of Duncan, who for some time has been in the employ of the Imperial Munitions Board at Vancouver, will return to Duncan to take a position in the Cowichan Merchants' as accountant.

What Doctors Use for Eczema

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PROTEST ON FUEL FROM BRANTFORD

But Expectation is Closing Order Will Be Generally Received Well

Brantford, Ont., Feb. 5.—Six thousand workers will be affected here by the order of Fuel Controller Magrath ordering a cessation of work on February 9, 10 and 11.

The Brantford Merchants' Association this morning sent the following message to the Fuel Controller: "Merchants of Brantford hereby record their strongest protest against your order including Saturday in the three-day closing order as half week's business is done on Saturday in ninety per cent. of all cities and towns. No objection to closing any other three days."

Necessary. Ottawa, Feb. 5.—While it is likely that exception will be taken in some quarters to the enforcement of the order closing manufacturing plants in Ontario and Quebec from Saturday to Monday next, and providing for a number of heatless Mondays subsequently, the order will be generally accepted as a necessary step to conserve fuel. The period of continuous suspension of operations is a shorter one than that put into force in the United States. It is felt that Canada could not do less than follow the example set by the United States, more particularly as the eastern part of this country has to look across the border for nearly all its coal.

Theatres. While it was realized that the closing down of places of amusement for three days of the week as recently suggested would have entailed real hardship on those engaged in the business, it is thought that a one-day suspension of operations weekly will not seriously affect the theatre-owners, whose losses will be largely made up by bigger audiences on other days.

A point has been raised in regard to plants operated solely by electric power. It is explained that there is nothing to prevent such plants being operated provided no coal is consumed for purposes of heating. Such plants located in buildings heated by electricity are not required to close down by the order issued last night.

At Hamilton. Hamilton, Feb. 5.—With few exceptions the Hamilton firms and industries affected by the order for heatless days have cheerfully accepted the new regulations. The consensus of opinion seems to be that some such drastic measure was necessary.

FOOD SHORTAGE IN GERMANY IS WORSE

Allied War Council Had Information When Meeting at Versailles

Vancouver, Feb. 5.—A United Press dispatch to The Vancouver Province from London says: "Secret knowledge in the possession of the British Government regarding conditions in Germany may have influenced the uncompromising attitude adopted by the Inter-Allied Council at Versailles. The food conditions in the enemy country are known to be increasingly serious.

"The Russian storehouse, upon which the Central Empires were counting to relieve their own hunger, still is stocked because Leon Trotsky, the Russian Foreign Minister, out-manoeuvred both the Central Empires and the Ukrainians.

"Germany's plight is indicated by the recent order forbidding relatives to send parcels of food to officers held prisoners in England and France and directing that money be sent instead. This has resulted in cutting off the export of thousands of parcels from Germany.

"The Exchange Telegraph declares that mail from relatives to prisoners in England totals 500,000 letters a fortnight. Incoming letters, it is said, reveal a state of affairs in Germany infinitely worse than heretofore reported. Diseases due to under-nourishment are increasing, it is reported, and discontent is evidenced among all classes."

LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN CANADA AND THE STATES

Washington, Feb. 5.—Complete co-operation between the United States and Canada in the effective distribution of labor for war purposes was inaugurated to-day. The Department of Labor announced that by mutual agreement Canada will not import labor from this country without the consent of the United States and American employers will not import Canadian labor without the consent of Canada.

KRYLENKO SEIZED BY POLISH TROOPS, GERMAN STATEMENT

Amsterdam, Feb. 5.—A wireless dispatch received at Berlin from Kiev says Polish troops have occupied Molybdey, the Russian main headquarters, and have arrested Ensign Krylenko, the Bolshevik Commander-in-Chief and his entire staff.

The message adds that the Bolshevik uprising at Kiev has been suppressed by Ukrainian troops.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—There was little change to-day from yesterday in the cash grain situation, the feature being the lightness of the offerings of oats, barley and flax. The demand was fair, especially for barley, which, following the futures, reached another high level. Oats futures closed 1/4 higher for May and 1/4 higher for July. Barley closed 1/4 higher for May. The high price of the day was 161. Cash barley touched the high price of 158. Flax closed 1/4 higher for May.

GRAINS AT CHICAGO WERE STRONG AT CLOSE

Chicago, Feb. 5.—In the early trading here to-day prices for oats were depressed a small fraction because of liberal selling by prominent commission houses and by many of the local traders who were fearful for the moment, but in the end the prospect for another severe cold wave, accompanied by heavy snow, triumphed over all other considerations. Undoubtedly there are bearish possibilities in the oats situation, but until the weather moderates sufficiently to permit of movement breaks probably will be temporary. Corn was unchanged.

NEW YORK BOND MARKET (By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

Table with columns: Bid, Asked, Bond Name, Price. Includes titles like Atchafalpa, Bait & Oils, Bethlehem Steel, etc.

TWO NEW SENATORS NAMED FOR ALBERTA

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—Two new Senators for Alberta have been appointed, Edward Michener, Leader of the Opposition in the Alberta Legislature, and William J. Harmer, Deputy Minister of Railways and Telegraphs in that province, are the new appointees. Mr. Michener comes from Red Deer and Mr. Harmer from Edmonton. The latter is a native of Ontario and began as a telegraph operator. The former is a Conservative and the latter a Liberal.

GERMANS CLAIM NOW STRIKE AT AN END

Amsterdam, Feb. 5.—A telegram dated Monday from Berlin says: "The number of strikers in Greater Berlin decreased to-day. A large number of works again are operating. In other big armament works the number of those at work varies from seventy-five to eighty per cent. of their full complement. A further abatement is expected to-morrow, so that the strike may now be regarded as at an end."

FIRE IN SEATTLE

Seattle, Feb. 5.—Fire early to-day forced guests of the New England Hotel to flee in their nightclothes. Firemen carried six down the ladders. None was injured. The hotel is in the lower section of the city.

WILL RESUME SERVICE

London, Feb. 5.—The Victoria Board of Trade has been notified by Superintendent Peters of the C. P. R. that commencing on February 11 the daily train and boat service between Sicamous and Penticton will be resumed. Mr. Peters explains that owing to the Kettle Valley Line being unable to replace the bridges on the Coquihalla River, his plans to provide mail service by this route failed to give satisfaction.

IRREGULAR MARKET IN NEW YORK STOCKS

Low-Priced Shares Were Featured at the Session To-day

New York, Feb. 5.—Pending more concrete developments in Washington in respect to the railroad situation and new light on the international political situation, the tendency is becoming pronounced to confine efforts to the low-priced industrials. Those most in favor to-day were National Enamelling and Distillers' Securities, owing to their reported large earnings with prospect of more liberal distribution of surplus funds being ordered in these issues. The steels were quiet and the railroad stocks showed very little change.

High Low Last

Table with columns: High, Low, Last, Stock Name, Price. Includes titles like Alaska Gold, Allis-Chalmers, Am. Beet Sugar, etc.

NEW YORK COTTON (By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

Table with columns: Open, High, Low, Last, Month, Price. Includes titles like March, May, July, Oct.

NEW YORK CURS (By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)

Table with columns: Bid, Asked, Commodity, Price. Includes titles like Canada Copper, Standard Silver Lead, Hecla Mining, etc.

NEW YORK SUGAR

New York, Feb. 5.—Raw sugar steady; centrifugal, 65%; molasses nominal. Refined steady; cut loaf, 85%; crushed, 87%; mould A, 87.50; cubes, 88.50; XXXX powdered, 87.50; powdered, 87.50; fine granulated, 87.45; diamond A, 87.45; confectioners' A, 87.50, No. 1, 87.50.

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HOISTING FRENCH FLAG TO-DAY ON SCHOONER STASIA

Interesting Ceremony Takes Place This Afternoon in Upper Harbor

An interesting ceremony will take place this afternoon when the auxiliary schooner Beatrice Castle will be re-christened the Stasia...

STRIKE DEPENDS ON VOTE OF EMPLOYEES

Mass Meeting of Shipyard Workers to Be Held at Vancouver To-night

Labor organizations connected with the shipbuilding industry at Vancouver, North Vancouver, Coquitlam and New Westminster are holding a mass meeting at Vancouver to-night for the purpose of taking a vote on the question of enforcing the consideration of the ten per cent bonus.

The Imperial Munitions Board, on the other hand, claim that the ten per cent bonus on the other side of the border was sanctioned by the United States shipping board with a view to speeding up construction...

The Vancouver Metal Trades Council will meet to-morrow night to consider the strike situation. The action taken by the workers will depend largely on the decision of the Metal Trades Council.

FAILED TO PAY INTERIM DIVIDEND

Preference Stock of B. C. Electric Fails to Draw Usual Per Cent.

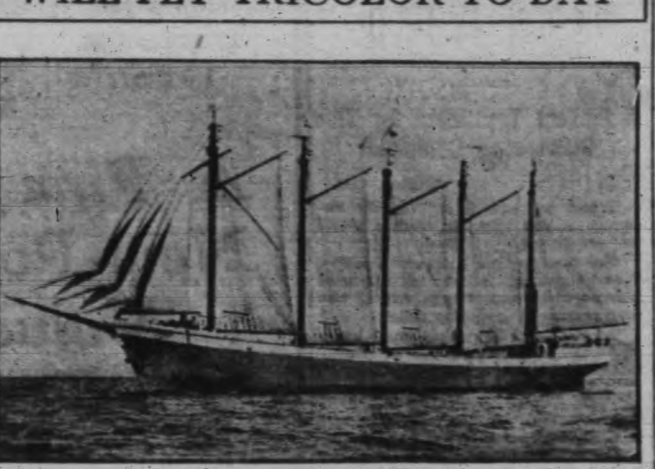
Directors and shareholders of the B. C. Electric Railway Company at their annual meeting in London last month decided not to pay the interim dividend on the five per cent cumulative preference stock...

ST. DAVID WAS ONCE FAMOUS SAILING SHIP

With the wrecking of the barge St. David at Yakutat, Alaska, two months ago, that vessel ended a long and famous career.

Lake Boats Released With One Exception Ottawa, Feb. 5.—It was stated at the Marine Department yesterday that all the lake steamers which were caught in the ice in the lower St. Lawrence with one exception, had been released.

WILL FLY TRICOLOR TO-DAY



AUXILIARY SCHOONER STASIA

FANCY PRICE PAID FOR HILL LINERS

Owners of Great Northern and Northern Pacific Got \$4,244,617

With the filing of a resolution with the Oregon State Corporation Department in Salem, Ore., reducing the capital stock of the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company from \$5,000,000 to \$2,250,000, is revealed for the first time the exact amount paid by the American Government for the two Hill liners, Great Northern and Northern Pacific, which were recently fitted out for service on the Atlantic.

CONCRETE SHIPS WILL FORM PART OF BIG WAR FLEET

Standardized Hull of 3,500 Deadweight Tons Designed for United States

Washington, Feb. 5.—Four concrete ships are under construction for the Emergency Fleet Corporation. In addition plans and specifications for a standardized 3,500-ton deadweight concrete hull are expected to be ready for bids by the end of the month.

OPPOSE IMPORTATION OF CHINESE LABOR

Women's Liberal Association Would Organize Canadian Labor

A resolution protesting strongly against importation of Chinese labor into Canada was unanimously passed last evening at the meeting of the Victoria Women's Liberal Association.

The Victoria Women's Liberal Association has taken the stand that the situation might be very considerably relieved through a more systematic distribution of Canadian labor.

MAPLE LEAF MAGAZINE

Christmas Number Just to Hand Contains Interesting Articles by Well-Known Writers.

The articles in the Christmas Number of The Maple Leaf Magazine, passed by the censor and published by the Canadian Pay Office, Millbank, London, are fairly representative of the varied administrative work connected with the Canadian Corps overseas.

MAN WHO INVENTED PRESENT BALLOT PLAN

Happy Idea Which is Now Generally Adopted in Civilized Countries

It is just sixty years last week since by legislative enactment the present method of taking a vote of the electors became law.

GASSED IN FRANCE

Gunner Wilkinson, Son of Rev. Robt. Wilkinson, Now in Hospital.

Word has been received in the city that Gunner Jack Wilkinson, of the 5th Battalion, son of Rev. Robert Wilkinson, president of the British Columbia Methodist Conference, was gassed on December 11 while serving on the French front.

HIS FIRST JOB EAST

Dr. Tolmie Will Probably Represent the B. C. Government at Increased Production Conference.

In response to an urgent invitation from Premier Borden the Provincial Government will arrange to be represented at the forthcoming conference called to tackle the problem of increased production.

SOUTH AFRICAN UNITS NEED OF REINFORCEMENT

London, Feb. 5.—A recruiting conference held at Cape Town was presided over by Colonel Mentze, Acting Minister of Defence, of South Africa.

PORT COQUITLAM MAN WAS AWARDED D. C. M.

Port Coquitlam, Feb. 5.—For gallantry while facing death for the best part of four days in No Man's Land, ex-Alderman Thomas Routley, of this city, was decorated with the D. C. M. on the battlefield, according to information just received by Mrs. Routley.

HELD BY GERMANS

Prince Rupert, Feb. 5.—Mrs. Bremner has been notified that her brother, James Smith, of the Fort Garry Horse, is a prisoner at Munster, Germany.

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.

WIRELESS REPORTS

- February 5, 8 a.m. Point Grey—Rain; S. E.; 25.7; 46; sea smooth. Cape Lazo—Rain; S. E.; light; 25.5; 43; sea smooth. Puchena—Rain; S. E.; strong; 25.5; 44; heavy swell. Estevan—Rain; calm; 25.5; 35; sea moderate. Spoke str Princess Maquinn—beam; 11 p.m. northbound. Alert Bay—Rain; calm; 25.3; 35; sea smooth. Triangle—Cloudy; W. light; 25.4; 40; sea moderate. Spoke str Ena; 10.30 p.m. off Nana, southbound; spoke str Princess Royal, 3.30 a.m. abeam Ivory Island, northbound. Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; N. W. light; 25.4; 35; sea smooth. Passed out str Prince Albert, 7.05 p.m. northbound. Ikeda Bay—Rain; calm; 25.5; 33; sea smooth. Passed in str Prince John, 5.50 a.m. northbound. Prince Rupert—Cloudy; calm; 25.3; 34; sea smooth. Noon. Point Grey—Cloudy; W.; 25.5; 45; sea rough. Cape Lazo—Clear; calm; 25.6; 46; sea smooth. Spoke str Jefferson, 10.45 a.m. off Cape Mudge, northbound. Puchena—Overcast; S. E., fresh; 25.5; 46; heavy swell. Estevan—Overcast; calm; 25.4; 42; sea moderate. Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; 25.4; 42; sea smooth. Triangle—Cloudy; W. light; 25.7; 42; sea moderate. Spoke str Cordova, 9.10 a.m., Millbank Sound, southbound; spoke str Redondo, 11.35 a.m., Millbank Sound, southbound. Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; W.; 25.5; 41; sea smooth. Ikeda Bay—Rain; calm; 25.1; 42; sea smooth. Spoke str Prince John, abeam Copper Island, 9.50 a.m., northbound. Prince Rupert—Cloudy; S. E.; 25.3; 35; sea smooth.

TIDE TABLE

Table with columns for Date, Time of High Water, and Time of Low Water for various locations including Victoria, Esquimalt, and Nanaimo.

SHIPS CONDEMNED BY BRITISH PRIZE COURT

Steamers Kankakee, Hocking and Genesee Are Declared German Owned

London, Feb. 5.—The Prize Court has condemned the steamships Kankakee, Hocking and Genesee, owned by the American Trans-Atlantic Company, which were seized in 1915 while flying the American flag.

MISSING LIFEBOATS NOT YET PICKED UP

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 5.—One of the naval craft sent out to search for the two lifeboats reported off Jeddore Head has returned to port and reports no sign of the boats.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Table showing sunrise and sunset times for Victoria, B.C., for the month of February.

THREATENED STRIKE HAS BEEN AVERTED

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—It was stated at the Department of Labor that the dispute between the C. P. R. and its maintenance-of-way men, which for a time threatened to develop into a strike, had been settled.

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RED CROSS WORK Hollywood Branch. The Hollywood Branch Red Cross will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 6, at the home of Mrs. Bengough, convenor.

THE UNION STEAMSHIP CO., OF B. C. LTD. Special low WINTER RATES to all points in California, effective now, good for return to Victoria, Feb. 20, 1918.

RED CROSS WORK Fairfield Branch. The Fairfield Branch, in submitting its annual report, may feel justly proud of work done during the past year, inasmuch as after twelve months of effort the month of January just passed indicates the banner month of its labors.

SOUTH AFRICAN UNITS NEED OF REINFORCEMENT London, Feb. 5.—A recruiting conference held at Cape Town was presided over by Colonel Mentze, Acting Minister of Defence, of South Africa.

TRAIN BURIED IN SNOW, NEWS BROUGHT BY PRINCESS SOPHIA Vancouver, Feb. 5.—The C. P. R. steamer Princess Sophia, Captain L. P. Locke, which arrived yesterday from the north, brought news that a train had been buried by snow near White Horse and that passengers had been unable to make connection with the steamer.

HEATLESS MONDAYS. Washington, Feb. 5.—At a conference to-day between Director-General McAdoe and Fuel Administrator Garfield, it was definitely decided that the heatless Mondays in the eastern States can not be abandoned as had been hoped, because storms and cold have so badly crippled the movement of coal.

HELD BY GERMANS. Prince Rupert, Feb. 5.—Mrs. Bremner has been notified that her brother, James Smith, of the Fort Garry Horse, is a prisoner at Munster, Germany.

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CITY WATERWORKS NOT PAYING WAY

Inquiry From San Francisco Indicates Other Cities in Similar Position

From an inquiry which has been directed to Water Commissioner Rust, it is assumed that other cities and waterworks undertakings are feeling the pressure of added expense of operation, particularly those which have to pump, and are therefore large users of fuel. The water company operating in San Francisco has written for some information on the matter, with a view to an increase of water charges to customers.

This city is losing on the waterworks at the present time, and the deficit will have to be made up in some way instead of falling on taxes, as must be the case unless there is some adjustment. The Council was exceedingly anxious to make a show of lower water rates some months ago when the present rates were set, although warning of the anticipated charges was given. Increase of the charges to civic institutions would make the balance sheet look more presentable, but after all it would be only a matter of book-keeping entries. Some additional income, it is thought, should come from the customers rather than from the general rates.

Mr. Rust is opposed to the principle of raising the frontage rate, on the ground that it would affect owners who

have either vacant land, or are absentees and considers that the burden should be spread over the water users. The extent of the consumption depends on the dryness of the coming summer. With all the extra water used for irrigation of vacant lots last year, the actual increased consumption was not as great as was expected.

The Gordon Road scheme would deliver 540,000 gallons a day, a mere bagatelle compared with the total quantity of water available. In addition to the \$50,000 estimated to be the initial cost of installation, it is figured that about \$15,000 would be required for mains, etc., according to some figures which have been prepared at the Saanich Municipal Hall.

SEEK THE ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

J. J. Shallcross Introduces Motion at Oak Bay Council Meeting

On a motion of Councillor J. J. Shallcross the Municipality of Oak Bay took the initiative last evening in the direction of seeking a realization of recommendations set forth by Dr. Adam Shortt in his report on passenger traffic in Victoria and Vancouver.

Speaking to the issue Mr. Shallcross moved that a letter be sent to the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, inquiring whether the company was willing to enter into negotiations with the Municipality of Oak Bay for the purpose of concluding an agreement with the district in accordance with the recommendations of Dr. Adam Shortt. Mr. Shallcross felt that it was the proper course for the Council to pursue. Dr. Shortt has visited the West, made his recommendations and the natural sequel was to commence negotiations seeking the adoption of these, if possible.

In brief the recommendations were: "That the charge for domestic lighting be reduced from the present schedule of 11 cents to 5 cents, less 20 per cent, if paid within ten days, to the following rates: On January 1, 1915, to net rates of 8 to 1 cents; on January 1, 1916, to net rates of 7 1/2 cents to 4 cents; on January 1, 1920, to net rates of 7 cents to 4 cents.

"That meter rates under schedule (L A) be discontinued and a minimum of 50 cents per month per consumer be made.

"That amendments be made in the above rates if financial position of the company should continue to improve during the next two years.

"That where security deposit of \$3 is not retained a surcharge of 40 per cent. may be added to all accounts overdue for twenty days.

"That amendments be made in the charter under which the company operates in Victoria and district to bring it into conformity with the charters granted to Vancouver and neighboring municipalities.

"N.B.—These charters inter alia oblige railway company to permanently maintain road bed between rails and for eight inches outside the rails.

Mr. Shallcross then pointed out that on the other hand the Municipality would be required to permit jitneys to operate only on roads not served by the tramway system. Vancouver, he said, had obtained the reduction in lighting charges and was applying for the necessary powers to regulate the jitney traffic in accordance with the recommendation of Dr. Shortt's report. The motion was seconded by Councillor L. W. Toms, and received the unanimous support of the Council.

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MAYOR DENIES WISH TO IMPAIR MARKET

However, Motion to Consider By-law is Laid Over for a Week

In urging a proposal to amend the Market By-law, Mayor Todd said last evening to the City Council that a number of details could be properly cleared up in dealing with the subject intelligently in committee, to meet objections which had been raised. It had been suggested that the function of reorganization should be the proper care of the Market Committee, but he rather favored attention by the whole Council. He denied any ulterior object, or that the effort was an attack on the principle of the market of which he had been one of the originators and a most consistent champion.

Alderman Andros attacked the proposal, declaring it was a round about way of damaging the market and at a time when things were at the quietest there. The market was succeeding and would develop if it was only left to its own devices. The opposition to its prosperity came from the class of men, of whom there were too many in Victoria, who were too mean to find satisfaction in seeing anyone else prosper.

Alderman Walker, the new chairman of the committee, said the stallholders had approached him with the intention of making some suggestions, and one of these he anticipated would be a mid-week market on Tuesday, so that they might keep open indefinitely, instead of 1 o'clock closing on Wednesday.

Several of the aldermen favored non-interference at the present time, at a period when the market is exceptionally quiet, while others considered that an overhauling of the by-law would not wreck the institution.

The Mayor agreed to allow the motion, which would have appointed a committee of the whole Council, to examine the details of the by-law, to be tabled for a week.

REGARDS DECISION AS NO CONFIDENCE VOTE

Alderman Sargent, Leaving Support for Proposal, Retires From Legislative Committee

After a long discussion the City Council last evening decided to send on with the label of approval the recommendation of the special committee, headed by Alderman Sargent, with regard to extension of time on local improvements, to the special joint committee on tax delinquency. The Council was prepared to receive the report and forward it, but not to make any comment either way.

Alderman Sargent argued that the Council was in duty bound to express an opinion on the subject if the joint committee was to value it at all, because the basis of its operation would be the City's private bill based on the Mayor's and Alderman Cameron's schemes, both of which the late Council adopted, and also the Board of Trade's scheme, which had been adopted by the Council of that body. How, could they expect to go into the joint committee with a proposal not approved by the organization which created the committee, and expect it to receive proper consideration? He for his part did not intend to be any party to a proposal of this character.

Alderman Sangster took the view, which was generally followed, that if other schemes had been received with approval, it was not necessary to make a mistake again. He wanted the Council to send the report on without adopting it.

Alderman Andros interposed in the debate, whereupon Alderman Sargent said that Alderman's intentions had been clearly marked for eight months, and it was clear to anyone Alderman Andros intended to vote against the proposal.

The resolution to receive and send on the report without endorsement having been carried, with Alderman Sargent's emphatic negative, Alderman Sargent thereupon indicated that he should resign from the Legislative Committee, since it was clear the Council was determined to ignore the work of the committee.

DOMESTIC LIGHT RATES

James Forman to Bring Matter Before Meeting of Board of Trade.

A growing impatience is evinced that apparently, nothing has yet been done by the City Council in reference to the domestic lighting rates charged by the B. C. E. Railway, and in these circumstances, James Forman, President of the Board of Trade, has been asked to bring the matter forward at a meeting of the Board, with a view to speeding up matters.

At Vancouver, where both the company and the city had previously agreed to be bound by the findings of the Shortt report, a reduction has been made in the domestic lighting rates of the 7 per cent. recommended. Some Victoria people contend the reduction should also apply here, and are anxious the City Council should take up the matter with the company, it being understood there are some 15,000 consumers in the city who are affected.

It is understood that representatives of the company and the city have had some preliminary discussions on the subject, and that the company is ready to go fully into all the matters concerned in the Shortt report.

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STADACONA PARK PLAN IS POSTPONED

Objection Develops to Scheme to Place Detention Home in Park Residence

The proposal to allow the Children's Aid Society to use the building in Stadacona Park for a detention home has aroused the strong objection of Mr. Justice Martin. He wrote a letter to the City Council last evening on the subject.

Favorable Report.
The civic committee which had looked into the subject since it was mentioned on Thursday reported favorably on the proposal, provided \$200 was paid the Voluntary Aid Detachment for fixtures.

A widely signed petition of residents of the district was read, opposing the project.

Alderman Porter was afraid there was much misunderstanding about the Home. There were few children there who would afford any trouble, in fact the children were neither a nuisance nor a trouble to the neighbors, and experience had shown that they were very amenable to discipline. No intention was in mind to allow the children to be free to run at large.

Alderman Peden believed there would be difficulties wherever the Home went, while Alderman Sargent thought it might be possible to move the building to a more suitable location.

Left to Committee.

The question was laid over for the committee to go into the question further and report back again.

A Protest.
Mr. Justice Martin, in his letter, said after referring to the by-law governing the property:

"I confess I am unable to see how money and property so specially voted, appropriated and acquired for one statutory purpose can be devoted to any other purpose. On the face of it, it must be apparent that the city has no more power to put a dog pound, isolation hospital or city jail there, and of course this 'detention home for children,' for which you voted \$4,900 last year, is essentially an euphemism for 'juvenile jail.'"

"Now, quite apart from the legal aspect of the matter, do you think it is a fair and proper thing as regards the public in general, and the adjacent residents in particular and their children, who greatly frequent this park, that an institution of this kind should be put in one of the most desirable residential districts in this city?"

"I am aware that about two years of eighteen months ago the Council permitted the Voluntary Aid Detachment to make use of the residence in said park as a military hospital, temporarily, but I understand that it is not being so used now, and has been vacant for patients for upwards of a year, but while no one would take objection to such emergent and temporary use for military purposes while the war lasts, in connection with our men going to the front, yet I understand the necessity for that has ceased, and that the Government has made adequate provision to meet such requirements."

"I should be glad if you would let us know the precise terms upon which the Voluntary Aid Detachment has any alleged standing in the premises derived from your acts."

"Needless to say, I am strongly in favor of any movement for the reformation of erring or destitute children, but this should be done in a proper place and with due regard for the rights and interests of other people and their children."

FARMERS MEET

Lectures Delivered at North Saanich and Committees Formed in Interest of Agriculture.

A representative meeting of North Saanich residents was held at the Crofts Road School on the evening of February 1 for the purpose of listening to addresses on farm subjects and to organize for the annual agricultural exhibition.

Professor Stevenson gave a most instructive lecture on "Cheap Forage and Egg For Hogs." G. Clark, chairman of the Saanich Farmers' Union, spoke on "Unionism for Farmers." He showed how they could all benefit from co-operation. J. H. Martindale, enthused his hearers in the interests of the agricultural show.

After the addresses the district was divided into three wards for exhibition organization, and the chairmen of committees were appointed as follows: Sidney, Mr. Blackburn; Deep Cove, Mr. Bristol; Cross Road, J. W. Martindale.

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