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AMERICAN CONGRESS WILL MOVE QUICKLY TO RAISE HUGE SUM

Bill Authorizing \$5,000,000,000 Issue Introduced in House; One Plan for Army is to Authorize Wilson to Call for 1,000,000 Volunteers

Washington, April 11.—The Administration's bill authorizing a \$5,000,000,000 bond issue, of which \$3,000,000,000 will be loaned to the Entente Powers, was laid before the House to-day as unanimously approved by the Ways and Means Committee, with prospects of prompt approval by Congress.

Chairman Kitchin, introducing and presenting the bill to the House, announced that it would be called up Friday for action.

The bill authorizes a bond issue of \$5,000,000,000 and provides that sums not to exceed \$3,000,000,000 from the proceeds of the bond issue may be used in extending credits to foreign governments. The remaining \$2,000,000,000 is to be used at home. It also authorizes an additional bond issue not to exceed \$63,945,460 to redeem the three per cent loan of 1905, maturing August 1, 1918. It takes in provisions for other bonds already authorized by law and authorizes \$2,000,000,000 worth of certificates of indebtedness to run one year.

The report on the bill stated that the Committee "deems it advisable to authorize the \$5,000,000,000 bond issue at this time in order to enable our Government to extend liberal credits and in order to provide immediately ample funds to meet such expenses as are authorized for the national security and defence."

The interest is not to exceed three and one-half per cent, and the bill leaves the denominations of the bonds to the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury. If at any time prior to December 31, 1918, a subsequent series of bonds should be issued at a higher rate of interest, the bonds issued under authority of the Act may be made convertible into bonds bearing the higher rate.

The army appropriation bill, carrying \$278,900,000 for the existing regular army, was passed to-day by the Senate, amended so that it becomes immediately available.

1,000,000 Volunteers.
A resolution authorizing the President to call for 1,000,000 volunteers was introduced to-day by Senator Sherman, Republican, and laid on the table at his request without debate.

Secretary Baker, concluding his testimony before the House Military Committee to-day announced that he had decided after consultation with army officers to take immediate advantage of the authority to increase the regular army by all the increments authorized. Under the present plan the War Department will immediately increase the regular army to its full strength of 287,000 men, instead of 202,000 as was contemplated. This increase is wholly apart from the new army to be authorized by selective conscription.

Wilson at House.
President Wilson visited the House to-day for conferences with Speaker Clark and other leaders on the war programme. Democratic Leader Kitchin, who will pilot the war revenue measures through the House, was summoned, and the President, the Speaker and Mr. Kitchin had a conference.

MAKING FOOD PLANS IN UNITED STATES

Governor of New Jersey Taking Action; Conference in Tennessee

Trenton, N. J., April 11.—Governor Edge announced to-day that New Jersey was prepared to accept a loan of large estates which would be placed under cultivation to increase the nation's food supply.

"Recruiting is imperative," the Governor said, "but so is enlarged production of farm staples. The man who actually aids the state in increasing the agricultural output this year is performing the same high type of patriotic service as the soldier in the trenches."

It is the Governor's purpose to turn into food producing areas many of the estates which have been proffered for military purposes.

In Tennessee.

Nashville, Tenn., April 11.—Bankers, railroad men, agricultural experts, editors, manufacturers, educators and farmers from points throughout Tennessee conferred here to-day on food preparedness.

RED CROSS WORKER FROM THE STATES HELD IN ROUMANIA

Haverhill, Mass., April 11.—A letter from Miss Pauline M. Jordan, of this city, who went with a Red Cross party to Bucharest last November, brought the information that she had been imprisoned by the Germans. She wrote that she had been placed in a basement which was bitterly cold and had been provided with only a very little food.

Previous letters had told of Miss Jordan's escape to the Russian border after the bombardment of Bucharest, but the place of her capture and imprisonment was not made known in her letter.

CONSIDERING NAVAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME INVOLVING ESQUIMALT

Montreal, April 11.—According to a Canadian press correspondent in London the British and Dominion representatives have had under consideration a scheme for Imperial navy development in which Esquimalt and Halifax may play important parts. If the scheme should be carried out both places will be restored to their former status as naval bases, but on a much more elaborate scale.

NOW EXPECTED IN RIO DE JANEIRO OTHER NATIONS OF SOUTH AMERICA WILL FOLLOW LEAD SET BY BRAZIL

Rio de Janeiro, April 11.—It is expected in diplomatic circles here that other South American nations soon will follow the example of Brazil in severing relations with Germany.

The Chilean Minister is continuing his conferences with Dr. Lauro Muller, the Brazilian Foreign Minister.

Dr. Muller to-day received Arthur Peel, the British Minister, who subsequently conferred with President Braz.

Spain will take charge of Germany's interests in Brazil.

Washington, April 11.—Unofficial advice announcing that Brazil had decided to break off diplomatic relations with Germany and that Argentina would support the United States were received here early to-day.

The action of Brazil clears up much of the doubt here as to the attitude of Latin-American countries in the war. Definite advice has been received that Chile and Mexico will remain neutral and the indications increase that Guatemala and Peru will join Cuba and Panama on the side of the United States.

The action of Brazil and Argentina is expected to have a tremendous influence on the other South American republics.

Pro-Ally Demonstrations.
Rio de Janeiro, April 11.—The Pro-Entente demonstrations are growing in volume throughout this city. The flags of the Entente Powers are visible everywhere and the streets are thronged with paraders cheering for France and Britain and shouting "Down with Germany." The crowds gather in front of German establishments and hoot.

Uruguay Neutral.
Montevideo, April 11.—The Uruguayan Government to-day issued a decree of neutrality in the war between the United States and Germany and between Cuba and Germany.

Catastrophe For Germany.
Geneva, April 11.—The Journal de Geneve, commenting on the report that several of the South American republics will follow the lead of the United States in breaking with Germany, says:

"The essential factor is in the progressive expulsion of Germany from all the continents to-day. Even if the British fleet did not exist the Germans would not have a port of call outside Europe, except in Spain. For an over-populated and over-productive country which lives by exports and which would die if forced to fall back on itself, the loss of South America, coming after that of China, is a genuine catastrophe."

"It has often been said that in war victory alone counts, but it is no longer true. The future counts more. Germany is victorious in Europe, but shut out of the rest of the world."

Will Ask Passports.
London, April 11.—The Brazilian Minister to Germany will demand his passports to-morrow and leave Germany by way of Switzerland, France and Spain, according to a dispatch from Cologne forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Amsterdam.

ELECTION COMING IN CANADA, STATES ROBERT CRUISE, M.P.

Winnipeg, April 11.—Robert Cruise, M. P. for Dauphin, Manitoba, stated to-day that the people of Canada could prepare for a general election, as the Liberals will not consent to a further extension of the life of this Parliament. Under the present administration there seems no prospect of a National Government being formed. Mr. Cruise also stated that Attorney General Hudson, of Manitoba, shortly will enter Dominion politics as an advocate of Western interests.

RIOTS IN SEVERAL TOWNS IN BULGARIA; TROOPS INVOLVED

London, April 11.—Rioting in several towns in Bulgaria is reported in a Reuter dispatch from the French headquarters on the Macedonian front. In Sofia German cavalry is said to have charged the rioters, occasioning many casualties. In some cases, the dispatch reports, Bulgarian troops have taken sides with the manifestants.

BRITISH TOOK VILLAGE AND HEIGHTS FROM THE GERMANS IN BATTLE EAST OF ARRAS

AN ELOQUENT TRIBUTE FROM OVER THE LINE

New York Tribune Praises Canadians For Capture of Vimy Ridge

URGES THE U. S. TO "CARRY ON" TOO

(New York Tribune.)

New York, April 10.—"Well done, Canada."

Every American will feel a thrill of admiration and a touch of honest envy at the achievement of Canadian troops about Arras on Easter Sunday and the following days. Nor should we forget that some thousands of citizens of the United States, serving under the flag of a nation now allied to us in the struggle against a common enemy, shared in the exploit.

The glory of the Canadian fight at the Tynes salient, almost exactly two years ago, has been too little appreciated on our side of the northern frontier. Rarely in history have troops, volunteer troops, suddenly exposed to the flank attack through no fault of their own but by the collapse of their neighbors, had to bear a more terrific blow than that which followed the first gas attack. Yet in the midst of confusion assailed by the appalling poison of German making, the Canadian volunteers stood and died as the British regulars had stood and died in the Battle of Ypres of 1914.

And now the Canadians have swept up the famous Vimy ridge which halted the veterans of Poch and proved too great an obstacle for the genius of even the greatest offensive fighter France has yet produced in the war. After long months of waiting the Canadians have had their hour. They have had a chance to avenge their comrades, crucified by German brutes in Flanders; they have had the opportunity to write the name of Canada upon the war map of Europe and their imprint will be remembered in Germany quite as much as in America.

We shall know later at what price this achievement was accomplished, but no price will be too high and for Canada this day of victory will have a lasting value. For Canada, too, its value will be less than for the British Empire. The German had prepared for the downfall of the British Empire. His spies had labored in South Africa, in Australia and New Zealand, in Canada, in India, The Bernhardt, and their sort had forecast the collapse of the Empire under the attack of German armies and fleets and the secession of the Dominions.

Consolidating It.
The answer of India was spoken in the early and terrible days of the war when an Indian corps stood shoulder to shoulder with the expeditionary armies in Flanders and helped to hold the thin line that restrained the wave of German barbarism threatening to engulf the world. Canada, Australia, Ypres in the spring of 1915, Australia at Gallipoli in the summer, the response of South Africa was heard first in German West Africa in the conquest of that German colony and again in German East Africa, where the last fragment of German colonial power is collapsing under the pressure of South African and Indian troops. Bagdad, captured the other day, was also an achievement of Indian troops. In seeking to destroy an empire the Germans have consolidated it.

Nearly three-quarters of a million of Canadian and Australian troops have responded to the call of the British Empire, more than half of them wearing the Canadian Maple Leaf. German plotting, German scheming, the wise plans of the professors on paper and of the German soldiers on the map have been answered in the only fashion that it is possible to speak to Germans now. The praise of the Canadians and the Australians is written in all the letters of German soldiers captured at the front. It finds its way into the official reports of German officers.

American will feel a certain envy in the thought that Canada has outdistanced us in reaching the battle-line which is the frontier of our common civilization. We shall take what comfort we may from the knowledge that among the Canadian forces are a considerable contingent of citizens of the United States, an unofficial vanguard, we shall trust, of that American army which is, in due course, to take its place along the French front. They are serving in worthy company. Meantime no praise of Canadian achievements can be excessive. From the plains and from the mountains, from the cities and from the prairies, Canada has

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Monchy-le-Preux Now Held by Haig's Troops; Village of La Bergere Also Captured; Germans Taken Unawares by Speed of British Assault

London, April 11.—British troops captured the village and heights of Monchy-le-Preux, about five miles east of Arras, early this morning, according to an official report. The village of La Bergere also was captured and satisfactory progress is reported being made on other parts of the battle-front.

London, April 11.—British troops yesterday advanced north of the village of Louverain, in the direction of Cambrai, to the extent of one-quarter mile along a front of 2,000 yards and consolidated this gain during the night, telegraphs Reuter's correspondent from the British army headquarters in France.

Paris, April 11.—"Active artillery fighting continues between the Somme and the Oise," the War Office reported this afternoon.

"South of Oise a German attack east of Courcey was broken up."
"Near Maisons-de-Champagne there was severe grenade fighting. In Le Preux forest the artillery firing was rather violent. North of Arras court our patrols brought back prisoners. In the region of Ban-de-Sapt we inflicted losses on the enemy in the course of an incursion into his lines north of Fontenelle."

German Statement.
Berlin, April 11.—"Since early morning to-day, says an official statement issued here, fighting between the British and Germans developed on both sides of the Arras-Cambrai road and between Bullcourt and Queant."

Germans Taken Unawares.
British Headquarters in France, April 11.—(By a Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press.)—The speed and power of the British assault in what probably will be known in history as the Battle of Arras, seem to have thoroughly surprised the Germans—so much so, in fact, that their usual retaliatory artillery fire has been absolutely negligible in the last two days. This is partly due, of course, to the number of guns captured, to which must be added the number knocked out by the British artillery before the actual assault began. Also it is due to the fact that the Germans have been too busy trying to get their remaining guns away from immediate danger to bother firing them at the enemy. In a German artillery position east of Arras known as Battery Valley, could be seen the remains of twenty-four field pieces to-day.

A trip over the newly-taken lines revealed a condition of the trenches closely approximating those recently evacuated by the Germans in the valley of the Somme. Many dugouts remained with only damaged portals, but the trenches, including all the communication lines, had been unmercifully battered about. So successful was the artillery barrier set up by the British back of the German lines that some of the German prisoners reported they had been without food supplies for four days.

The barbed wire entanglements protecting the German positions were obliterated and only stray strands could be seen here and there on the first line. The thoroughness with which the wire cutting was carried out by the artillery was a big factor in accelerating the speed of the infantry in the attack.

Effects Felt.
These tests of offensive warfare could be felt in all parts of the British front to-day. Troops were swinging forward with bands playing gay tunes. The Scottish troops, behind their pipes were particularly picturesque, for not even the vicissitudes of nearly three years of war have caused them to discard their kilts. Out over the newly-won ground aeroplanes were scouting, while beneath them were "tanks" at rest. The "tanks" have done splendidly throughout, especially in attacking strongly wired points with which the artillery had not dealt. Some German anti-tank guns were captured. Machine guns and trench mortars were taken in such large numbers that they have not yet been counted.

A cavalry corps had the unique distinction of capturing two big howitzers. They charged these guns in the open, killing several members of the crews before the others surrendered. A German motor transport column was captured intact. It had expected to meet German troops at a certain point, but encountered British troops instead. The drivers said that when they left Douai there was no idea that the attackers had reached so far.

Captured Germans.
Thousands of German prisoners could be seen along the roads to-day. Some had little round caps and others were wearing the great cool scuttle steel helmets. Although the intense cold continued, only a few had overcoats. They are a docile lot and somewhat surprised their captors by carefully

sorting themselves into their respective units before being registered and temporarily caged. Smaller cages were provided for the officers. Four of the latter have been in a furious rage ever since they were taken. They were in a forward observation post, they said, and saw the infantry coming back from their front line, but had no idea that they were actually retreating. Their anger was due to the failure of these troops to give them warning so that they, too, could flee.

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INCREASED FREIGHT

RATES POSTPONED ON COMMISSION'S ORDER

Winnipeg, April 11.—The increased rail and lake freight rates between points in Eastern and Western Canada which the railways proposed to make effective on April 23 have been suspended on an order issued by the Dominion Board of Railway Commissioners, according to a telegram received by G. E. Carpenter, secretary of the prairie province's branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, this morning. A strong complaint was lodged with the Board of Railway Commissioners by J. E. Welsh, manager of the transportation department of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at Toronto.

SWISS ACT FOR FRANCE, ITALY AND AUSTRIA

Berne, April 11.—As a result of the rupture of relations between the United States and Austria-Hungary, Switzerland will take charge of the Austrian interests in Paris. The Swiss also will look after the Italian and French interests in Vienna, which formerly were cared for by the American Embassy.

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INDIA CONTINUES TO AID GREATLY

Loyalty of Eastern Depend-
ency Indicated by Gifts
For War

London, April 11.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—A special dispatch from Simla, India, says:

"The remarkable flow of gifts and assistance from Indian noblemen towards the war continues without ceasing. The Viceroy almost daily receives valuable offers from some part of India. Among recent notable gifts are those of the Maharajah of Patiala, who raised two corps of mule drivers and a complete camel corps and will defray their entire expenses during the continuance of the war.

The Khan of Kalat, in Baluchistan, has given a hundred camels. The Rajah of Manipur has raised a double company of infantry, costing 10,000 rupees (\$2,400) and will partly defray its cost in the field and train reserves of 100 men costing 22,000 rupees (\$5,280) yearly. The chiefs of Jind, Malerkotla and Faridkot and a number of feudatory states of Bihar and Orissa gave 54,000 rupees (\$12,960) for two aeroplanes. Bharathur State gave 50,000 rupees (\$12,000) and Panna State 10,000 rupees (\$2,400) for war purposes. Patna State gave one mile of railway and 30 cars for Mesopotamia. Besides these there have been numerous gifts of houses as convalescent-homes, motor cars, etc.

The entry of the United States into the war has given keen satisfaction throughout the country.

DRIVE CARRIES HAIG'S MEN FURTHER FORWARD

Point Five Miles East of Arras
Reached; Captures
Increasing

London, April 11.—The following official report was issued last night:

"Our operations on the Lens-Arras front in France have been continued energetically to-day in spite of heavy snow storms and generally unfavorable weather. We have reached the outskirts of Monchy-le-Freux, five miles east of Arras, and have cleared Parbus and the Farbus wood.

"Hard fighting occurred again this afternoon on the northern end of the Vimy ridge, in which we gained further important positions and took a number of prisoners and machine guns.

"In the direction of Cambrai we advanced our line north of the village of Louverval. Such counter-attacks as the enemy attempted at different points along our front met with no success.

"The number of prisoners taken since the opening of our attack yesterday morning now (up to 4 p.m. yesterday) totals more than 11,000, including 235 officers. We also captured over 100 guns, among them a number of heavy guns up to eight inches in calibre, 69 trench mortars and 163 machine guns.

"Our aeroplanes performed valuable work yesterday in co-operation with the infantry, and in a number of cases inflicted casualties with machine gun fire on hostile reinforcements. Bombing expeditions also were carried out, in which a number of hits were obtained upon a large railway station used by the enemy.

"As a result of the air fighting, three German machines were destroyed and four others were brought down. One of our machines is missing."

French Report.

Paris, April 11.—The War Office gave out the following report last night:

"North of the Oise the artillery on both sides was active. South of the Oise our batteries destructively shelled German organizations east of Coucy. South of the Alliette River, the enemy heavily shelled our positions in the sector of Neuville-sur-Margival.

"On the left bank of the Meuse, in the direction of Bethincourt, we caught under our artillery fire a train, which was completely destroyed.

"In the course of the latest aerial engagements, Sub-Lieut. Regnier brought down his fifth machine and Adjutant Gouchy his sixth."

A Belgian statement said:

"The Belgian artillery task to task various German groups which appeared before the Belgian front. The enemy batteries retaliated with quite spirited firing in the course of the afternoon."

German Statement.

Berlin, April 11.—An official statement issued last evening said:

"British attacks delivered after strong artillery fire on the southern bank of the Scarpe failed. On the Aisne front the lively artillery duel continues."

PLOTTERS CAUSED GREAT EXPLOSION

Conclusion Reached at Ches-
ter, Pa., Where 111 Per-
sons Were Killed

Chester, Pa., April 11.—With 111 dead and between 125 and 150 injured, the majority of them girls and young women, the authorities to-day turned their efforts toward placing the blame for the explosion yesterday at the plant of the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation.

Alba B. Johnson, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, which owns the Eddystone works, at first asserted that the disaster probably had been due to an accident or carelessness. Opposed to this was the signed statement of Samuel M. Vauclain, president of the Eddystone Company, in which he said: "We are unable to account for the explosion in any way other than it was the act of some maliciously inclined person or persons."

President Alba B. Johnson changed his theory that the explosion was due to an accident after a visit to the plant. He now agrees with Mr. Vauclain that plotters caused the explosion.

"Although we have only circumstantial evidence," Mr. Johnson said, "it looks as if someone touched off a bomb or a time clock with an explosive attachment—I am convinced, after a talk with the Eddystone Company officials, that the catastrophe could not have occurred through an accident."

The Chester police have released two suspects, father and son, named Cohen, arrested last night. The Chester police say that if the explosion was the work of plotters, whoever caused it must have been killed with the rest.

Although police and company officials worked throughout the night attempting to establish the identity of the dead, they were hampered by the condition of the bodies. Some of the victims, company officials believe, were blown into the Delaware river, so that an exact calculation of the death list may never be possible.



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Services.

Wounded—Pte. P. Keogh, England; Pte. C. Young, England.

EFFECT OF WAR ON AMERICAN INSURANCE

New York, April 11.—New rates on policies containing war clauses have been announced thus far by eleven of the great life insurance companies. In most cases military service within the continental United States entails no extra premiums. For service abroad all payments are suspended unless policyholders agree to pay extra premiums amounting to an average of ten per cent. of the face value of the policy.

CONSCRIPTION CONDEMNED BY KANSAS GOVERNOR

Pittsburg, Kan., April 11.—Asserting that Kansas would furnish 50,000 volunteers, Governor Capper, in an address to-day, condemned conscription and declared that young Kansans had been led to believe that to be drafted for army service was to be disgraced.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, April 11.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.

Killed in action—Pte. W. McDines, Toronto; Pte. W. M. Bailey, Toronto; Pte. H. W. Wyman, England; Pte. R. Hargrave, Toronto; Pte. T. W. Kirby, Parkville, B. C.; Pte. J. W. Macdonald, Stornoway, B. C.; Pte. F. M. Flowman, Rutland, B. C.; Pte. R. Jensen, Asquith, Sask.; Pte. J. Morton, Calgary; Pte. E. B. Gough, New Westminster, B. C.; Pte. M. Salt, Enderby, B. C.; Pte. F. J. Hall, Steveston, B. C.; Pte. F. Barrow, England; Pte. G. W. Stubbfield, England; Pte. D. Lunan, Quebec; Pte. T. Davidson, Tibsonburg, Ont.; Pte. A. Bissonette, Quebec; Pte. I. Mitchell, Quebec; Pte. W. Reed, Montreal; Pte. J. F. Foster, Merrickville, Ont.; Pte. H. Mariner, Hawkesbury, Ont.; Pte. J. A. Stewart, Wilhamstown, Ont.; Cpl. D. A. Cummings, Scotland; Pte. A. Bouskill, Peterboro, Ont.; Pte. E. Chamberlain, England; Pte. J. J. Seargeant, North Cambridge, Mass.; Pte. G. C. Wheatley, Edmonton; Pte. H. Ellis, England; Pte. G. H. Forrester, England; Pte. J. Hester, Scotland; Pte. R. J. Sillifant, Stratford, Ont.; Pte. H. Spearman, Niagara Falls; Pte. W. R. Gill, St. Catharines, Ont.; Pte. A. McKenzie, Toronto; Pte. E. Moody, Niagara Falls; Pte. J. W. Coulthard, Galt, Ont.; Pte. J. D. Smith, Galt, Ont.; Pte. J. Seargeant, Ont.; Pte. D. Fraught, Earncliffe, P. E. I.; Pte. J. Hawkins, Calgary; Capt. H. S. Boulter, Toronto; Lieut. J. T. Wilkinson, Saskatchewan; Lieut. E. R. Dennis, Ottawa; Pte. J. C. Chisholm, Sydney, N. S.; Cpl. D. Dryden, Peachland, B. C.

Died of wounds—Pte. C. G. Sandford, Virden, Man.; Pte. J. H. Robinson, Gadsby, Alta.; Pte. G. F. Keene, Toronto; Pte. R. Swaley, Sacramento, Calif.; Cpl. N. McLeod, Scotland; Pte. A. Beausse, Montreal; Pte. T. Donagan, Halifax; Lieut. G. N. Milburn, Peterboro, Ont.

Believed killed—Pte. B. Dodd, Green-castle, Ind.

Wounded—Pte. T. Shaw, Scotland; Pte. G. Anning, Wayne, Mich.; Pte. J. Brightmore, England; Pte. W. Thorpe, Battleford, Sask.; Pte. F. Manlow, Picton, Ont.; Pte. J. Patterson, England; Pte. F. Dunlop, Hartford, Conn.; Pte. T. Johnson, Ireland; Pte. G. Crowell, Lockport, N. S.; Pte. T. Travers, Newfoundland; Pte. J. Witterbrooks, Avonport, N. S.; Pte. W. A. Stevens, England; Pte. A. C. Brand, Prince Rupert, B. C.; Sgt. B. F. Vogel, Lazo, B. C.; Pte. W. H. Haugh, Stratford, Ont.; Pte. O. Hartley, St. John's, Nfld.; Cpl. H. Campbell, Windsor, Ont.; Pte. J. Whetley, Toronto; Pte. J. Stirling, Stirlingbrook, N. S.; Pte. A. Sawyer, Lumburg, N. S.; Pte. H. Baird, Flint, Mich.; Pte. A. Kessal, Mariott, Sask.; Pte. T. Turner, St. Louis, Mo.; Pte. T. Hayes, Ottawa; Pte. J. Goddard, Kingston, Ont.; Pte. C. McDonald, Scotland; Pte. E. Hammond, Pembroke, Ont.; Pte. J. Sutherland, Morris, Man.; Pte. H. White, England; Pte. W. Murray, Jarrow, Alta.; Pte. J. Easton, Scotland; Pte. J. Lauchlan, Edmonton; Pte. J. Maloney, Scotland; Pte. T. Johnston, Omaha; Pte. J. Davies, England; Pte. H. Hollingsworth, England; Pte. H. Leonard, Cobden, Ont.; Pte. O. Anderson, Norway; Pte. J. T. Dixon, North Gabriola Island, B. C.; Pte. A. Lagace, Quebec; Pte. A. Fleury, Quebec; Pte. H. Robertson, 522 View Street, Victoria, B. C.; Pte. C. E. D. Edwards, Vancouver; Pte. N. Board, Selkirk, Man.; Pte. C. Melten, St. Boniface, Man.; Pte. E. Krest, Morden, Man.; Pte. G. Pike, England; Pte. E. Liddell, England; Pte. E. H. Hicks, Chippewa, Ont.; Cpl. C. Harding, Lon-

CONDEMNNS RACING SITUATION IN ONTARIO

Toronto, April 11.—C. R. Coe, of Ottawa, inquired through the Globe: "What really is the gravamen of the scandal of the race track?" W. H. Raney, solicitor for the Moral Reform Association, has issued a reply, giving in great detail an arraignment of the racing situation, particularly in Ontario. The most striking paragraph in his statement is:

"During the past seven years Sir John Hendrie, Lieutenant-Governor of this province, and his relatives have reaped fabulous profits amounting to many hundreds of thousands of dollars, and members of Parliament at Ottawa who assisted in putting through the amending act of 1910, also have reaped profits in varying degrees."

The act of 1910, Mr. Raney says, amended the Criminal Code of Canada so as to enable the jockey clubs to conduct disorderly houses on their premises—one of the definitions of a disorderly house being "common betting house."

"He says it is part of the scandal that the Provincial Treasurer saw no shame in admitting that jockey clubs had declined to give him a statement of profits except under pledge of secrecy and that he was willing to accept the information on such terms and that the race track politicians and professional race track gamblers of the jockey clubs should have been permitted to make a profit of more than \$1,000,000 in 1916 in defiance of the Government's injunctions urging thrift."

LAVERGNE WORKS ONLY FOR CANADA'S DEFENCE

Montreal, April 11.—Lieut.-Col. Armand Lavergne, in an interview here last night, stated that his acceptance of the charge of recruiting 8,000 men in this province, as requested by Major-General Leonard, was distinctly on the understanding that the men are for the defence of Canada in Canada, not for possible overseas service.

"I still believe," said Mr. Lavergne, "that Canada is wrong to participate in this war. However, if the Government believes that the country needs protection here, as a militiaman and a man in public life, I cannot refuse."

MINNESOTA PROVIDES \$1,000,000 FOR WAR

St. Paul, April 11.—Without a dissenting vote the Minnesota Senate yesterday passed a bill appropriating \$1,000,000 for war purposes.

The formation of a home guard for service in Minnesota only is provided for in the measure.

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TELLS HOW GERMANS TREAT PRISONERS

James W. Gerard Supplies Some Hitherto Unknown Facts at New York

New York, April 12.—James W. Gerard, formerly United States Ambassador to Germany, told the members and guests of the Canadian Club of New York at a dinner held in the grand ballroom of the Hotel Biltmore, of the inhuman treatment of prisoners of war by Kaiser Wilhelm's military authorities.

Mr. Gerard began his speech by referring to Germany as "that country where they were so fond of me that they kept me a week after I said I wanted to go home."

"The Horror of It," he said, "I want to tell you Canadians to-night," he said, "some of the things I saw your fellow-countrymen endure in the German prisons of war camps.

"One day I read in The North German Gazette a paragraph which told that a number of the inhabitants of a northern German town had been found guilty of improper and unpatriotic conduct towards prisoners of war, and that they had been jailed for terms of various lengths, and their names printed in The North German Gazette, that they might be exposed to shame and their falsity made known to generations of Germans to come.

"I said to myself: 'Good; at least some of these Germans are to be punished for mistreating prisoners of war.' I directed the American consul there to make a report on the matter. He sent back word that a trainload of Canadian prisoners of war was being taken through the town when it was found to be necessary to put the train on a siding. Some of the prisoners communicated to curious townsfolk gathered about the train that they were starving and had nothing to drink. The townsfolk gave them food and drink, and that was the crime for which they were imprisoned and held up to shame.

BELIEVED GERMANS MUST FALL BACK

To Meuse Line; British Battering Power Result of Lessons

London, April 11.—(By Arthur S. Draper.)—Field-Marshal Haig's big push has driven a wedge into the very vitals of the German front five miles beyond Monday morning's line near Arras. The number of German prisoners is growing rapidly; perhaps now it is 15,000. Up to 4 p.m. yesterday the victors had counted over 100 guns, among them a number of Krupp mortars of 8-inch calibre, 60 trench mortars and 163 machine guns.

Despite heavy snowstorms and tenacious resistance by the Germans, the British infantry, clad in heavy sheepskins, is advancing so fast that the line must be revised from hour to hour. Last night the new front ran almost from the outskirts of Le Bassac, beyond Loos, just this side of Lens, east of the Vimy ridge, now firmly held by the Canadian forces along its entire height, through Farnus and the Farnus wood to the south of the town of Vimy and along the northern and southern banks of the Scarpe, a good five miles beyond Arras. Here it connected with the British advance flung after the so-called Hindenburg retreat to St. Quentin, and along this line Sir Douglas Haig's men also have progressed through the village of Louverval toward Cambrai and to the dominating heights north of St. Quentin.

Great German Defeat. There is no shadow of doubt now, no matter what may develop, that the Germans have suffered a terrible, if not a disastrous, defeat. The brevity and half-admissions of their official reports on the battle, the futility of their counter-attacks, the inability of their fliers to take the air, the comparative feebleness of their artillery protection and their newly-recorded loss of heavy guns are all separate signs of worry and demoralization, though they have by no means given up the fight and retire sullenly only when forced. But if the fighting keeps to its present pitch of fury and the British success continues for a while longer, conservative observers here predict that the battle of Arras will be the decisive action of the war, on the west front at least.

In First Rush. Indeed, military experts say that the British victory was decisive in the first rush when the Vimy ridge fell before the storming Canadian troops. This famous and sinister height, which already bore more than 100,000 graves, has been called "the hinge of the Hindenburg line," wherever that doubtful front may have been established. With its supposed impregnability, fortified by every device of scientific warfare, it must necessarily have been the pivot upon which any German retreat would have swung. In the hands of the British, with the plains of Douai beneath its guns, no "leisurely withdrawal for strategic reasons" is possible, and the rich mineral resources of Lens, upon which the Germans drew so freely, are destined once more to come under French management, with the industrial activities of Lille a promise upon the near horizon.

The Vimy ridge-slopes westward at a fair angle, but on the east drops almost precipitously, making it immune to all but the most heroic counter-attacks. Yet the Germans did try to counter-attack yesterday. British patrols sweeping the sky above the battlefield descried German troop trains debouching upon a railroad toward Vimy. The British guns were notified and immediately a steel curtain was dropped ten miles back of the German lines, possibly the longest range barrage on record. The German attack did not materialize.

Safely Held. Though the Canadian troops had cleared the eastern slope of the ridge, their grip upon the northern end of the ridge was not so sure. Furious fighting took place there yesterday afternoon, in which further important positions along the British front, with prisoners and machine guns. It is in this direction that the Canadian troops hold Hill 140, considered the dominating crest of the line of heights. Except before a stupendous German effort, the Vimy ridge is safely in British hands. East of the ridge and south the British wound forward through the snow, preceded by their waddling "tanks," and took Farnus, directly south of the town of Vimy, clearing the wood beyond it of German machine gun crews. But the greatest progress of the day was along the banks of the Scarpe, which flows right through the German lines. Here Sir Douglas Haig's battalions spread fanlike to the north and south, passing through the village of Pampoux and establishing themselves in the outskirts of Monchy-lez-Reux, which finally was taken this morning. Aeroplanes yesterday were helpless in the storm, but on Monday in this area British fliers darted ahead of the patrols, sailing just above the ground, and peppered hostile reinforcements with their machine guns. Bombing expeditions also were pressed and in one case a great weight of explosives was dropped on a German railway reinforcing station. The Berlin report last night of the battle along the Scarpe, and in fact on the whole Arras battlefield, was perfunctory, simply saying: "British attacks delivered after strong artillery fire, on the southern bank of the Scarpe failed."

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Atlanta, Ga., April 11.—Dr. H. Panikoff, arrested recently at West Point, Ga., charged with trying to instigate negroes against the Government, has been released.

STARS AND STRIPES HONORED IN LONDON

London, April 11.—The American flag was unfurled to-day beside the colors of the Entente nations in the London Bridge Cafe for soldiers and sailors, which is conducted by the Quiggins of Limerick. The presentation of the American flag was made by Mrs. Walter Hines Page, wife of the American Ambassador, in the presence of the Lord Mayor of London, Sir William Henry Dunn, Sir Francis Lyall, Lady Bellenger, Lady Haig and a large assembly of soldiers and sailors who gave three cheers for the Stars and Stripes, as well as cheers for Lady Haig, in honor of the victory of her husband, Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, on the western front.

C.P.R.'S HALF-YEAR

Montreal, April 11.—The results of operations of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the half-year ended December 31 last were:

Gross earnings from the railway and lake and coastal steamships, \$76,717,965. Working expenditure, \$45,843,198. Net earnings from the railway, lake and coastal steamships, \$30,874,765. Deduct fixed charges, \$5,132,551. Surplus, \$25,742,215. Deduct contribution to pension fund, \$290,000. Deduct net earnings of coastal steamships, commercial telegraphs and news department, transferred to special income account, \$1,144,071. Net revenue from earnings of the railway and lake steamships available for dividend, \$24,389,144.

After payment of all dividends declared for the half-year, the surplus from earnings of the railway and lake steamships is \$13,634,505. Special income for the half-year, after making allowances for contingent reserves, \$6,415,352.

A GERMAN NEWSPAPER ON GERMANY'S FUTURE

Amsterdam, April 11.—The Rheinische Westfälische Zeitung predicts a brilliant future for Germany, with the restoration after the war of Kaiser Wilhelm's promises of wider suffrage for Prussia. It says:

"The future of Germany is being decided perhaps on the western front. Newer and better times for Germany will be a result of the battle near Arras and Soissons. The greater victory, the greater the new Germany and the more beautiful the future."

WAR MINISTER OF AUSTRIA RESIGNS

Amsterdam, April 10.—The Vienna papers announce that Emperor Charles, of Austria-Hungary, has accepted the resignation of General Ritter von Krobath, the Austro-Hungarian War Minister.

AMERICAN FLAG AT FRONT IN FRANCE

Paris, April 11.—It was decided to-day that the Lafayette flying squadron, composed of Americans who have distinguished themselves at the front, will change from the French to the American military uniform, and thereafter carry the American flag at the French front.

OFFICERS FOR STATES

Washington, April 11.—The army building plans of the Administration are to be supplemented at once by the establishment at army points throughout the country of civilian training camps for officers. The great need of the war army to be raised will be properly equipped officers, and to aid in meeting the demand the War Department has decided to adopt the Plattsborg idea on a nation-wide scale.

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A WHOLE CORPS GONE.

The capture of 11,000 German prisoners in the new British offensive means that an entire German army corps has been put out of business. Last summer the German line between Arras and Lens was held by the 9th Reserve Corps, the 1st Bavarian Active Corps and the 50th Reserve Division. South-east of Arras was stationed the 1st Bavarian Reserve Division. While there may have been some rearrangement there since that time, it is evident that to the Bavarians under Leopold is still entrusted the task of barring the roads to Lens and Douai. The British advance has necessarily slackened not only because our troops must consolidate the ground they have won but because, we may be sure, German reserves are being rushed to the threatened locality at topmost speed. Nevertheless substantial gains are still being recorded. Monchy le Preux, southeast of Arras, has been captured, and we may expect to hear shortly of a radical enemy withdrawal in that district, for a further material gain on the new battlefield would turn the entire so-called Hindenburg line.

BRAZIL BREAKS OFF.

Some concern is felt in Rio de Janeiro regarding the attitude of the various rifle clubs promoted among the German settlements in the southern parts of the country. If the pan-Germanic idea flourishes among this element of the Brazilian population as actively as it has done everywhere else the Government will have a lot of trouble on its hands. There are probably 500,000 Germans in Brazil, mostly in settlements in the south, and a large proportion of these emigrated from Germany after the adoption of the ambitious policy by which the Kaiser and his satellites hoped to bring the world under their domination. The promotion of German settlement in Brazil and other South American states was as much a part of the world programme of Berlin as the extension of Teutonic influence in Turkey or China. For that reason it is fortunate for Brazil and indeed for all South America that recent developments in this hemisphere have brought German designs so clearly into the spotlight that their true character has been understood. The action of these countries, originally neutral, of severing relations with Germany emphasizes more clearly the outlook in the war as far as the Central Empires are concerned. More than ever the issue is world-power or downfall. With a large part of her foreign market still neutral an inconclusive peace would give her something to look forward to in the way of picking up the interrupted strand of her foreign trade which is her industrial life-blood. Her economists time and again have assured her people that they would obtain compensation for the loss of the markets of Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy, by extending their trade relations with the United States, South America and China. Now, this hope also lies shattered. Her only alternative thus is to win a victory through which she

might be able to regain with the mailed fist what she has lost, and that is impossible. Every new accession to the ranks of the Allies, therefore, increases the necessity to Germany of a victorious decision at arms and at the same time weakens her prospects of attaining that end. The truth is that when she drew the sword she started upon a course on which there was no half-way house. She had to win absolutely or be completely ruined.

ISLAND DEVELOPMENT.

On and around Vancouver Island are resources which in extent and variety are unequalled in any other area of like dimensions on the continent, if not in the world. If they were systematically developed they would be sufficient to sustain large cities and numerous prosperous towns, but the degree to which that development would bring this about would depend mainly upon the people of the Island themselves. If they are willing to permit this richly-endowed section of the Dominion to be merely an appendage of the Mainland, commercially and industrially as well as geographically, they have no right to complain if their complacency operates strongly to their disadvantage.

Victoria should be brought more intimately into touch with the development of Vancouver Island in numerous ways, not the least of these being the way of personal intercourse and business relations. A persistent effort should be made to establish a community of Island interest. Victoria should show that it has a greater personal interest in Alberni or Comox, for instance, than its rivals on the Mainland can possibly have. Unless it does this, unless our business interests plan with an eye to the future in their commercial activities on the Island, we shall find that two-thirds of the benefits of what some day is bound to be an extraordinary industrial development will flow chiefly to the Mainland.

Vancouver Island is about the same size as Belgium. Before the war Belgium had 7,500,000 people and a trade of more than \$1,500,000,000 a year. The physical conditions of the two countries differ in many respects, of course, but on the whole Vancouver Island has the advantage. We have a greater variety of natural resources, more raw materials for manufacture, yet relatively Belgium is one of the greatest manufacturing countries in the world. It will not be long after the war before there will be many times as much industrial activity on this Island as there is now. This in turn will mean the expansion of export trade and a big increase in business all round, for export trade, of course, must be based upon internal development. To what extent is Victoria preparing to contribute to that development and to an adequate share in its benefits?

LESSONS IN POLICY.

A Seattle contemporary points to Cuba's declaration of a state of war with Germany, sympathy with the policy of her big republican protector as a vindication of the attitude of the United States towards its neighbors. It says Old World governments regarded this attitude with suspicion and amusement, but recent developments have shown it to have been the course of wisdom. The only Old World governments which viewed the American policy towards its neighbors with amusement and suspicion were the European autocracies. Certainly neither Great Britain nor France did so, for they have done more to promote the extension of free institutions throughout the world than all of the other powers put together. They sprang to arms nearly three years ago for the small nations of Europe, and in that cause already have sacrificed the flower of their manhood in millions and expended treasure in many millions.

Cuba's reaction to Washington's course is an inspiring development, but it is a small thing in comparison with the consequences which flowed from the British Empire's intervention in the war. Every self-governing Dominion without the slightest hesitation jumped into the fray. India sent a splendid expeditionary force to France and mobilized and trained many thousands more. South Africa, mainly hostile fifteen years ago, undertook the conquest of 400,000 square miles of German territory adjoining her, and has almost completed that of German East Africa. Egyptian soldiery helped to hold the Suez Canal. Even the Fiji Islands and the Malay States sent their sons to fight on the battlefields of France. The parts played by Canada and Australasia are well known. This war has exhibited in the fullest measure the triumph of Britain's policy towards her own Dominions and dependencies, and the remainder of the world in general.

AFTER THE NICKEL TRUST.

The Opposition in the Ontario Legislature is pressing for more taxation of the Nickel Trust, whose statement the other day disclosed profits aggregating \$14,000,000, every cent of which was derived from Canadian products. Among the beneficiaries of these earnings are

a large number of German sympathizers, one of whom donated \$10,000 to the officers and crew of the Deutschland. The other day Hartley Dewart, member for Southwest Toronto, read a list of shareholders with their holdings, the mere names of whom afford eloquent proof of the substantial interest held by Germans in the monopoly which controls the production and output of Canadian nickel. The following list of owners of common stock is an extract from the data submitted by Mr. Dewart:

"Common stock—Fritz Achelis (President American Hard Rubber Co.), 100 shares; Selgund Adler (Manager American Metal Co.), 50; Frank Albschul (banker), 170; Asiel & Co., New York, 950; Chas. Y. Audenreid, Philadelphia, 140; Jules S. Bache, 150; J. S. Bache & Co. (brokers), 1,120; Lazarus Bros. (brokers), 240; Geo. Blumenthal, 8,807; W. H. Cohen, New York, 450; Converse Estate Voting Trustees, 307,486; E. M. Eriand, New Jersey, 308; B. W. Ladew, 158; A. Friedman, New York, 100; G. Hahn, 2,462; Halle & Steiglitz, 100; Heidelberg, Ickelheimer & Co., 300; Herzog & Glazier, 100; J. B. Hoefgen, 500; Jacobi & Co., 100; A. Jaretski, 525; E. A. Keck, 150; W. N. Keck, New York, 200; I. S. Keech, St. Louis, 75; Keech, Lowry & Co., 100; Kinsell, Kinnicut & Co., 149; R. Malzer, 50; E. B. Meadlo, 75; F. Mein, 50; H. Meyer, New York, 50; E. E. Reichenbach, 128; E. Reichenbach, 14; S. Reichenbach, Australia, 13; R. Reussner, 175; Rothschild & Co., 60; L. Salzer, New York, 275; C. J. Schmidlaff, New York, 150; S. W. Shiras, St. Louis, 75; Ben Stern, 735; F. V. Strauss, 180; B. Strang, 175; G. Ulbricht, 77; E. Wachenheim, 537; I. S. Weil, 146; M. M. Winants, 131; F. Wolf, 500; A. M. Archbold (Standard Oil), 131; J. S. Archbold (Standard Oil), New York, 1,994."

Commenting upon the demand of the Ontario Opposition, the Ottawa Citizen says aptly:

"The Liberals maintain that there should be a tax of 5 per cent. on annual net profits up to \$5,000,000; 10 per cent. between that and \$10,000,000; 15 per cent. between that and \$15,000,000, and at least 20 per cent. over \$15,000,000. It is remarkable that, nearly through the third year of war, any monopoly interest should be allowed to clean up 12 million dollars of profit out of Ontario's natural resources. The nickel barons are doing it, however; and they are wallowing in their fat profits at the expense of human life on the battlefields of Europe."

"Every nickel bullet sent into the forehead of staggering humanity carries with it some portion of tribute to the international nickel traders. Until the British navy put a stop to it, the international traders were swelling their profits by supplying the nickel to both sides. Germany's nickel supplies have been cut down to the barest of blockade runners like the submarine Deutschland; until peace is declared, and the international traders are free to supply the German armament industry openly again, Germany will have to depend upon what it has stored up in former years from Ontario nickel lands."

"In the meanwhile the international nickel profiteers are fattening at the expense of the Allies from the nickel they secure in this province. The Provincial Government, under pressure of public opinion, has been compelled to do something at last. A Government Commission has recommended a tax of 6 per cent. only, on the nickel profits. The Liberals' demand for a tax ranging up to 20 per cent. would seem to be deserving of criticism because of its excessive moderation, if anything. Furthermore, as Mr. N. W. Rowell points out, the tax should apply to nickel profits made over the preceding four years, and not merely to begin with 1916. Premier Hearst and Hon. G. Howard Ferguson seem to think it their duty to let the nickel profiteers get away with \$14,000,000 or more while the Provincial Treasury would receive less than one million."

L'Echo de Paris: The British advance is maintaining its sure and methodical character. It is a magnificent conception of modern war. It is to the quasi-industrialism of its services immediately behind the fighting line and to the careful supply of its material that the British owe successes which are upsetting the German calculations and assuring permanent occupation of the reconquered territory. New means and methods allow of the exercise of a continuous pressure on the Germans, causing them to retire and consequently to admit themselves incapable of resisting, though in powerfully fortified positions, the more ably directed British movement.

Canadians were given the post of highest honor in the Battle of Arras, and they "quitted themselves like men." The most important part of the line of greatest resistance, the Vimy Ridge, was captured and is being held by them. Our boys have been "tried as by fire," and have come forth with credit. Canadians everywhere may carry high their heads in any part of the world now and henceforth.

A German correspondent of a New York paper admits that the Huns are starving for lack of nourishment, but says the government may compel the people to hold out until the next harvest—provided the Allies do not gain one great military victory. As a great military victory already seems in process of achievement it would not be surprising to receive news any day of serious disorders in Germany.

A week ago a Berlin dispatch joyfully announced that the Hun retirement had paralyzed the Allies. The state of paralysis does not seem to have extended very far. British guns

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appear to have paralyzed the Huns in the neighborhood of Arras, judging from the number of prisoners coming in.

The ancient glory of Esquimaux as the chief British naval station on the Pacific may be revived shortly. The events of the war have opened the eyes of the Canadian Government to the importance of the strategic situation of the old port.

The Hon. Bob Rogers is one of the busiest men in London these days. We suspect, however, that his industry is concerned more with hatching up election schemes than with war problems and Imperial matters.

British troops, supported by British tanks, recognize no "Hindenburg line," imaginary or material.

AN ELOQUENT TRIBUTE FROM OVER THE LINE
(Continued from page 1.)

poured out her thousands and her hundreds of thousands; she has sent across the ocean a greater army than Napoleon ever commanded on any battlefield, her volunteer regiments have shown that same stubborn and tenacious quality which is the glory of the British army and they have revealed also that dash and fury of attack, the initiative and resourcefulness which recall the armies which fought the Civil War from both sides of the Potomac. A democratic army, an army of citizens going voluntarily to the battlefield beyond the seas, waiting neither for the appeal nor the demand of the Mother Country, has thrust a wedge into the defences of tyranny and won for liberty not merely a few square miles of French territory, but a victory which makes answer to the German idea that the world can be reconstructed without regard to the spirit of man, merely by material force.

Our entrance into the war should make a new bond between the Canadians and ourselves. One fraction of the western world has answered the call of imperiled liberty, a continent on which the Anglo-Saxon settlers sought to build a new structure dedicated to humanity, justice and freedom, has sent back his first regiments to aid in preserving in Europe the ideals which has served in America. Let us trust that the time will not be long before our own fraction of America carries our flag to trench lines behind which, at bay, barbarism is making its final stand and tyranny still keeps the field. Canada has spoken—it remains for the United States to do its part in a common cause.

EDINBURGH HONORS SIR ROBERT BORDEN
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year ago and as they are to-day. The information thus afforded me was very reassuring. The machines we are turning out to-day are equal, if not superior, to any the Germans hitherto have produced, and ours are being produced at a rapidly increasing rate. The average efficiency of our machines now in use is equal to the average efficiency of the German machines. The average casualties of machines, which matter has been most severely criticized, is less than the German average for all machines. "But the most important fact to realize and remember is that the British armaments now are undertaking extensive duties which never have been attempted to anything like the same extent by

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GERMAN SOCIALISTS AND TAKING OF BELGIANS

Copenhagen, April 11.—Herr Endekum, a Socialist member of the German Reichstag, claims in an open letter to the Vorwarts that the Socialists brought about a cessation of the deportations of Belgians. Herr Endekum asserts that his colleagues protested so strongly against the treatment of the Belgians that they caused Kaiser Wilhelm to issue his recent order directing that the deportations should cease and that workmen already deported should be returned to Belgium. The Socialist deputy writes: "After our protest no more Belgians were brought to Germany and most of them already have been sent back. Only those remain who desired to do so."

AUSTRIAN PAPERS ON BREAK WITH STATES

Amsterdam, April 11.—The rupture of diplomatic relations between Austria-Hungary and the United States is declared by the Vienna newspapers to be a logical consequence of the declaration of a state of war between the United States and Germany. Austria-Hungary and Germany are as one in all things, the newspapers insist. In general the rupture of the friendly relations which have lasted for

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, April 11, 1922.

The backwardness of spring this year has somewhat disconcerted the schemes of the possessors of gardens, the amateur gardeners, and others who pursue horticulture for the pleasure which it affords. The short spells of sunshine seem to be taking turns with extremely long periods of bitter cold, and such weather is not encouraging to tender-shoots and fragile blossoms.

The first shipment of coke, consisting of about a ton, was brought down by the Isabel on Saturday from the Union Mines. It will be tested, and if satisfactory, further tests will be made to demonstrate the cooking capacity of Conox coals.

J. E. F. Engelhardt died at his residence, Burdette Avenue, yesterday. He was a native of Trieste, Austria, and came here by way of Panama in 1862. He established a wharfing business on Store Street, being proprietor of Engelhardt's wharf.

Playing at popular prices, the famous Juvenile Entertainers will give their first performance in Victoria to-night at the Royal Victoria Theatre, beginning at 8.30. They will repeat this performance for the last time here to-morrow night. This talented aggregation of far-famed kiddies reached Vancouver in their special car at the beginning of the week and played to a big house in that city last night.

It's a long trip from Winnipeg to Victoria, but these kiddies are used to travelling. They've travelled all over Manitoba for the past year, going to school regularly during the week, and taking jaunts into the country at week-end. Sometimes they played in the big Winnipeg theatres—and always had capacity audiences. In this way they raised twelve thousand dollars for the cause of the returned soldier, the war widow and the fatherless. They got nothing for themselves—but hard work and experience. The same applies to their associate and devoted adult managers.

These children are a paradox. They are amateurs pure and simple, yet their performance has every appearance of being professional. It starts with a vim, goes through with a bang, and winds-up in a whirlwind. One expects to see hesitation and other easily-forgotten faults in a juvenile performance. Don't look for them at the Juveniles' show. You won't find them if you do. They aren't there.

Wherever these juveniles have gone they have left ringer behind. They enthrall all who see and hear them. They awaken in the breasts of adults a desire to emulate their example. On their present trip they are swelling the coffers of patriotic associations in the towns and cities in which they play. The Juveniles don't care—and don't want to know—where the money they make goes, so long as it is for legitimate patriotic purposes.

Here in Victoria they are performing under the auspices of the Superfluties branch of the Red Cross Society, which will benefit handsomely, provided the Victoria people patronize the show.

"Take what percentage of the profits you want—all if you like, so long as you leave us enough to pay expenses," was the proposition that the Juveniles put up to the Superfluties.

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Dye Works Permit—Subject to favorable recommendation by the Fire Chief and Building Inspector to the next meeting, City Council will grant an application to J. A. Gardiner for a dyeing establishment on View Street.

Took No Action—City Council last evening took no action with regard to the extension of the public market, as requested by one of the leading stallholders. Steps are still pending for the alteration of offices, in order to extend the accommodation of the produce market.

Rotary Lunch—The chief item on the programme for the weekly Rotary lunch to-morrow is a talk on the scope and methods of the Workmen's Compensation Board by the chairman E. S. H. Winn, or another member of the board. Other events in connection with the work of the Rotarians mentioned on the notice paper are a Rotary concert at Oak Bay Theatre on Saturday evening at eight o'clock, the proceeds of which go to the Red Cross.

On Tuesday next there will be a Rotary concert at Resthaven, while on Thursday, the 19th, the ladies' evening meeting is scheduled.

Accepts Invitation—The invitation to attend the mass meeting of women on prohibition in the Metropolitan Methodist Church to-morrow afternoon, extended to City Council by Rev. William Stevenson, has been accepted. Mr. Stevenson wrote in part: "There will be the first public action of a large body of women citizens of Victoria since the Act was passed conferring upon the women of the Province equal franchise. It is felt that the occasion is one upon which the chief magistrate of the city, together with the board of aldermen, might well be present to signalize the event."

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Hearing Monday—In the City Police Court this morning the case of Mah Hing, accused of having cocaine in his possession, was remanded until Monday of next week to enable the defence to bring an additional witness from Vancouver.

Saanich School Board—At 7 o'clock this evening there will be a meeting of the Saanich School Board, at which the plans and specifications for the new school to be built on the Orillia and Albina Street site will be considered.

Suspended Sentence—Neil Smith was arraigned in the Police Court yesterday charged with having committed an assault on Russell Humber. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge and was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

Gives "Superfluties" a Car—J. W. Morris, of Beach Drive, Oak Bay, has presented "Superfluties" with his Detroit electric car, to be raffled at an early date in aid of their funds. The automobile is in perfect running order, and will be a very desirable prize.

Sir Ernest Passing Through—Since Sir Ernest Shackleton, the Antarctic explorer, is leaving on the Seattle boat on Sunday evening, after speaking at the Arena there, and going right through to Vancouver, he will be unable to accept the invitation of the Canadian Club of Victoria to a luncheon while on the coast.

Lake Hill Institute—Mrs. J. C. Chalmers, of Thrums, B. C., who is lecturing to the Women's Institutes of the Province under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture, yesterday spoke at Lake Hill school to the Women's Institute of that district. "Home Canning" and "Home Gardening" were her subjects, and both were dealt with in an illuminating way, the lecturer giving many helpful and practical suggestions which left her hearers definitely benefited by the talk. Her lecture on gardening was illustrated with blackboard sketches which pointed out very clearly the best means of pruning shrubs and plants. At the close of the afternoon Mrs. Chalmers was very warmly complimented on the character of her lecture. Mrs. Tolmie, president of the institute, was in the chair. The afternoon concluded with the serving of tea by Mrs. Borden and Mrs. Ballantyne, and a meeting of the board subsequently dealt with some of the financial questions of the institute.

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The amount asked for is set within the reach of all, a monthly subscription of from ten cents to one dollar being asked of each and every person residing in the district.

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AT THE THEATRES

THE MAJESTIC.
The special holiday programme that is running at the Majestic will be shown for the last time to-night. The many followers of Charlie Chaplin who have not seen him in this his greatest success, "A Night in the Show," should make an effort to attend to-night. All career and worries disappear when Charlie is on the screen.
"The Chorus Girl," in which that famous European actress, Marie Empress, plays the leading role, is quite the best photoplay drama that the Majestic has screened for a long time. The pathos of the story simply grips the attention from start to finish.
Two fine comedies and a very interesting educational film entitled "A Visit to a Big Hotel," showing the catering department of the "Chateau Laurier," concludes this two-hour show.

THE COLUMBIA.
"Shell Forty-Three" is a unique narrative of cunning in the European war. It concerns the adventures of a young man of mystery who possesses papers which prove him to be the correspondent of a big American news agency; others establishing him as a German secret service agent, and still others vouching for his commission as a lieutenant in the English army. The secret of his mission is not divulged until the last scene, when the veil of mystery enshrouding his identity is lifted and he is shown in his true light.
H. B. Warner plays the role of this human enigma in a particularly impressive manner and carries out the mystery idea with almost uncanny cleverness. The romantic elements of the story are handled most capably by Enid Markey, who, as Adrienne von Altman, plays, at times an unwitting ally to the man of mystery, and at other times proving an almost unsurmountable stumbling block to the fulfillment of his mission.
There are no end of remarkable lighting effects employed in the story and some of the mechanical devices employed by the man of mystery are truly marvels of ingenuity.
In many of the big scenes of the story, virtually all the accoutrements of modern warfare are shown in action and as an elaboration of the wonderful spy system employed by all the contending forces in any great national struggle, the story is particularly interesting. It is at the Columbia Theatre to-day.

PANTAGES THEATRE.
Pantages has an extraordinary feature on the vaudeville programme this week in the appearance in this city of Zelaya, the eminent Nicaraguan pianist. The current bill has many unusually attractive offerings.
Don C. Alfonso Zelaya is the son of a former president of Nicaragua. He is one of the most popular acts on the current bill, not for that reason, but for the fact that he is a concert pianist such as is rarely to be found in vaudeville. He has the instincts of a natural-born musical artist, and he has enjoyed the privilege of an exceptional fine training obtained in several of the most noted centres of music in the world. He is a wonderful success in vaudeville because he understands how to present the best in musical compositions in a way that appeals to not only those who are schooled in knowledge of the classics, but to all who love music when it is played well, and there are few indeed who do not. He plays, at the conclusion of his performance, a collection of popular airs in a lighter vein and with a fund of comedy which amuses the audience tremendously. He stops the show at every performance.
There are six acts in this new bill. Bob Hall makes-up songs on the stage, on the spur of the moment, and he tickles people immensely with the topical freshness of his impromptu compositions. He asks the audiences to help him with suggestions for the subjects they would like him to sing about, and he proceeds with his rhyme in a way that makes a tremendous hit. He is an inveterate worker for the returned soldiers, too, and employs every minute of his spare time in doing stunts with his wonderfully active thought that will earn a dollar for the men who have given their best in the service of their country. He and other members of the present Pantages bill have decided that they will raise at least \$100 for the returned soldiers before the week is up, and they will do it, too. They have already turned over \$25 to the fund.
"The Fe-Mail Clerk" is the 20-minute "girl" act of the week. It features Tommy Toner, Ethel Underwood and Mandie Kay and a half a dozen girls who are way above the average on looks and clothes, and the setting is something new for acts of this kind. Thaler's Comedy Circus is the children-pleaser, with its dogs, pony and monkey.
Nihil's Birds talk, and to the point. They are an interesting novelty, and are received as such.
Tuscano Brothers are another turn of special interest. These two men are clever clever cut-ups. They don't care how near they come to killing one another with sharp axes, but they never do, for that is their trade, and they are topnotchers at it.

Lady Douglas Chapter.—The special meeting of the Lady Douglas Chapter, 11 G. D. E., was held yesterday in the headquarters room of the Order, Arcade Building, this being the first time that this chapter has made use of the rooms for this purpose. It was announced that the monthly meetings of the chapter would be held in future the second Tuesday of each month. Mrs. Riddle and Mrs. Dunford were chosen to represent the chapter on the Patriotic Service Committee as visitors. Mrs. Dunford sent in twenty-five pairs of socks as her month's donation. Two new members were selected.

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J. C. Clausen, of Sooke, is at the Dominion. ☆ ☆ ☆

H. Beech, of Hope, is a guest of the Dominion. ☆ ☆ ☆

R. T. Ward, of Bullion, is at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

W. L. Harris, of Port Alberni, is at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

C. H. Walker, of Seattle, is stopping at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

F. B. Hobson, of Alameda, Cal., is a guest of the Dominion. ☆ ☆ ☆

E. V. Shaylor, of Seattle, is a guest at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

R. Purdie, of Berkeley, Cal., is stopping at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

H. Cook, of Sprout Lake, arrived at the Strathcona Hotel yesterday. ☆ ☆ ☆

W. T. Conner, of Rivers Inlet, is a new arrival at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Abert, of New York, are staying at the Empress Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

F. Yates is in the city from Shawinigan Lake and is at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

Miss Johnson is down from Duncan and is staying at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

Mrs. E. Cochrane and child, of Calgary, are staying at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

C. E. Whitney Griffiths, of Metchoin, is stopping at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

Miss Edith Sheldon, of Montclair, N. J., arrived at the Empress Hotel yesterday. ☆ ☆ ☆

J. B. and W. R. Morgan, of Vancouver, are registered at the Strathcona Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

J. A. McDougall and J. D. George, of James Island, are guests of the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Traversy, of Montreal, registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday. ☆ ☆ ☆

Mrs. Hinkley and Jas. W. Hinkley, of Ponoka, Alta., are registered at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

Mr. and Mrs. Corlett are new arrivals at the Strathcona Hotel from New Bedford, Mass. ☆ ☆ ☆

J. J. Ball and Mrs. Ball, of Botha, Alta., are visiting Victoria and staying at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

James M. Fox, Fred P. Wilson, E. Lindquist and P. Faber are Vancouver arrivals at the Dominion. ☆ ☆ ☆

Miss M. Reid, of Vancouver, is the guest of Mrs. G. Davies, 45 Boyd Street, during the holiday week. ☆ ☆ ☆

Mrs. L. L. Kidd and Miss Dudeck, of Seattle, are amongst yesterday's registrations at the Dominion Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

Mr. and Mrs. M. Van V. Lloyd, of Cleveland, and Miss Edna Mason, of Cleveland, are guests at the Empress Hotel. ☆ ☆ ☆

Miss Olive L. Bickie, who is attending the advanced term at the Provincial Normal School, is spending her Easter holidays in Cumberland. ☆ ☆ ☆

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scott left on Saturday for Montreal and New York on a business trip. Mrs. Scott will remain in New York for several months, but Mr. Scott expects to return to the coast in about five weeks. ☆ ☆ ☆

All former pupils of the Sprout-Shaw Business Institute are most cordially invited to attend the School Reunion, Alexandra Club Hall, on Friday evening, April 12. Eligible please communicate with the School. ☆ ☆ ☆

Premier H. C. Brewster will give an address at Emmanuel Baptist church on Sunday night on the subject of the "Woman's Franchise." It is expected that Mr. Brewster will make some suggestions as to how women can use to best advantage and purpose their recently acquired privilege. ☆ ☆ ☆

Mrs. J. A. Cowie is returning this week to her home in Prince George after a three months' visit in Victoria with friends. Mrs. Cowie is regent of the Prince George Chapter of the I. O. D. E. and has shown great interest in the work of the Victoria chapters since coming here. She carries back with her the good wishes of many new as well as old friends. ☆ ☆ ☆

J. S. H. Matson, Commissioner for Military Hospitals in British Columbia, left this week for Ottawa to take up matters with reference to the hospital work in this Province. Major J. S. Harvey, O.C. "J" Unit is travelling with him on the same mission, and it is probable that F. W. Peters, of Vancouver, the other Military Hospitals' Commissioner for British Columbia, will join the party at Ottawa. ☆ ☆ ☆

Government House will be in fête the afternoon of Thursday, April 26. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Barnard having very kindly lent the beautiful residence on Rockland Avenue for the King's Daughters' annual Daffodil Show, to take place on that day. There will be a musical programme during the afternoon and tea will be served as usual. Flowers will be sold to augment the proceeds, which are to be devoted in the usual way to the good work of the order. The proceedings are to be from 3 to 6 p.m. ☆ ☆ ☆

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on numerous occasions in aid of the prisoners-of-war. Those who have procured one or more of these quaint little figures will be interested to know that the sale of the tiny "mas-cots" has netted no less than \$10,000 for the fund mentioned. Mrs. T. Beresford Phepe, of English Bay, Vancouver, originated the idea some 20 months ago, and in her quiet home has worked industriously, turning out the picturesque models of portly John Bull, one of the most popular figures in the set of 23 characters—Bluejacket, Russian Cosack, Johnny Canuck, Miss Canada, King George and Queen Mary in their coronation robes; Queen Victoria, General Joffre and other personalities who have figured in the history of the Empire or that of the brave Allies. One of the most recently added is a "woollie" of the late Lord Kitchener on his favorite white charger. Various people have helped Mrs. Phepe in one way or another with the manufacture of her collection, the Boy Scouts having been called in to undertake the placing of ordinary pins on the car tracks so that they might be flattened out for swords for the "First Indian Rajahs" which are among the woollies. Her Majesty Queen Mary has a complete set of the figures, and the late Duchess of Connaught ordered several for Christmas last year. The C. P. R. hotels are placing large orders for the coming months, and by the end of the summer every tourist in Canada will probably have come into possession of one, thus helping the splendid fund for the prisoners-of-war. ☆ ☆ ☆

The Elks' seventh annual ball at the Alexandra Hall last night was one of the biggest events of the kind which has taken place during the season. The ballroom was beautifully decorated for the occasion, the emblematic Elk colors—purple and white—being carried out with clematis blossom and white flowers. Elk heads looked down from the walls, and the conventional emblem of the Order occupied a conspicuous place. About 125 couples were present, and from 9 o'clock until 2 enjoyed the delights of dancing with a seat which the passing hours did nothing to impair. Ozard's six-piece orchestra furnished a splendid programme of up-to-date dance music, and numbers were vociferously encoed all through the evening. At 11 o'clock march music was struck up, and to this accompaniment the dancers left the ballroom, repairing to the supper room downstairs, where a very sumptuous buffet repast was arranged. Here, too, the decorations were of purple and white. The delicious viands were supplied by Messrs. Tighe and Wheeler and Mrs. Jenner superintended the arrangements. The innovation of the supper march dispensed with the complication of overcrowding the supper room, and it is quite probable that the institution will be adhered to for future occasions of the kind. Among the visitors were several Elks from Seattle, Vancouver and Nanaimo, all of whom were given a very warm welcome by the members of the local order. The committee on arrangements to whom all praise is due for the excellence of the function was composed of Messrs. Sweeney, Edwards, Ware, Radcliffe, Brown, Jelliman and Keeney, Leo Sweeney acting as master of ceremonies.

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Ever since the commencement of the present war the teachers and pupils of the schools of British Columbia have been raising money in various ways for the aid of the Belgian families who have been made destitute as a result of the struggle. The greater part of this money was obtained by giving entertainments and concerts.

Some time ago a new movement was set on foot known as the "Patriotism and Production" campaign. This plan went one step further than anything which had been previously undertaken. Instead of obtaining the money for the general public who patronize entertainments, the pupils themselves with the advice of their teachers "create" wealth which may be devoted to patriotic purposes. That every scholar's worth of foodstuffs produced by the boys and girls of British Columbia adds so much to the staying power of the nation is the principle on which this movement has been fostered.

Already the plan is proving a success. Recently an appeal was sent out from Dr. Robinson, Superintendent of Education, to each school in the province, to get the co-operation of the pupils in raising money by any means for the Red Cross Society.

In answer to this circular the sewing classes of the Ross Street Public School, of Prince Rupert, gave a most successful sale. The sewing and fancy work stall was not for the quality and quantity of work displayed. Besides this there was a booth of home-made cakes and confectionery, together with Easter's gifts. As a result of the affair girls realized the gratifying sum, \$110.

This, of course, is but one example of the many ways in which money can be raised through the creative industry of pupils. In the circular which the educational department issues on the movement attention is called to the variety of methods which may be employed for the raising of such money. It points out that the most readily available and most universal means to be adopted is the cultivation of a plot of ground, and when soil suitable for such cultivation of the land is lacking, school boys and girls might try one or more of the following, such as the raising of chickens, ducks, geese or other poultry, together with rabbits, pigeons or pet stock. Manual training work can in many cases be taken up

by city boys who could construct useful articles which would sell for a reasonable sum. The city girls, such as those of Prince Rupert, should find excellent opportunities for the displaying of their gifts in making confectionery or in devoting their time to sewing.

The manner in which this movement has been taken up by many of the schools throughout the province is gratifying to both pupils and the educational authorities, but there is still an opening for many more to join in the work.

PROMINENT STOCKBROKER Member of Montreal Exchange is on Visit to City, En Route Home

L. S. Beaubien, the well-known Montreal stockbroker, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon, with Mrs. Beaubien, from California, where they have been making an extended tour.

Mr. Beaubien brings a more optimistic view of the movement of tourist travel from California when the spring begins, than some other visitors recently from the South. He says that the war will not change plans of many of the travelers, but have made up their minds to see Pacific Northwest before going home. "There has never been such a great season," he states, "than in the winter, leading people occupying the best hotels. Accommodation is at a premium."

He reports tremendous interest in the war, and a wonderful burst of patriotism spreading all along the coast. The recruiting stations are being filled with men anxious to join, recognizing that the United States has taken its place by the side of Canada with an army across the Atlantic.

Mr. Beaubien left Montreal at a time when conditions on the stock market are experiencing the wave resulting from expanding conditions in industrial enterprises in Eastern Canada, particularly owing to war circumstances. Montreal, he states, is growing rapidly, and this fact is largely owing to the number of industrial plants located on the island.

Mr. and Mrs. Beaubien will remain two or three days, before crossing to Vancouver, en route East. They are registered at the Empress Hotel.

Phoenix Book now on sale.
Great Enthusiasm—Telegraphic advice received from Vancouver to-day, indicate that the Juvenile Entertainers at their concert in that city last night, played to a big audience that exhibited unbounded enthusiasm. Newspaper critics expressed surprise at the talent of these children and the pep they put into the show. The advance sale for Vancouver indicates packed houses for Friday and Saturday, when the children will play there again. These Juveniles will play in Victoria to-night and to-morrow in the Royal Victoria, under the auspices of the Superfundles.

OUR LETTER BOX

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and legibly written. The longer an article the shorter its chance of insertion. Communications must bear the name of the writer. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for MSS. submitted to the Editor.

TAKES ISSUE WITH THE BISHOP.

To the Editor:—I notice in your issue of the 9th inst. a copy of a letter sent to the Prime Minister by F. H. du Veget, asking for Prohibition to be passed at the present session of the Legislature. I do not wish at this time to take up your space in discussing the question, as it has already been settled by the voters of the Province. But as a member of the Church of England I do object, and object strongly, to the Bishop stating that he represents in this matter the Church of England in this Province. He does nothing of the kind. Sections of the Church of England have gone on record in England favoring Prohibition, but never once have they done so without stating that compulsion must be given, and no one man, much less the Bishop, can call himself a true member of that church who so flagrantly throws to the winds the lesson of the 8th Commandment as this gentleman desires to do.

H. ANSCOMB.
Victoria, April 10.

"EXPLOITATION OF SOLDIERS."

To the Editor:—In reply to Mr. Lockwood's statement, published in yesterday's issue of the Times, that my sworn evidence before the Parliamentary Committee at Toronto is false, I desire to inform him that my offer, made several weeks ago, to debate the whole question of the Veterans' Club before an impartial committee is open for his acceptance at any time.

I will also inform Mr. Lockwood that the contention of exploitation is not put forward by H. W. Hart, but by the returned soldiers who left the Veterans' Club in a body when they realized they were being "exploited."

As Mr. Lockwood has made this a personal matter, instead of coupling my name with the Returned Soldiers' Association, I am replying as an individual and not as secretary of that organization.

I will leave it to Mr. Lockwood and the Veterans' Club to make arrangements for a full discussion of "The Exploitation of Returned Soldiers by the Veterans' Club" in public. I am not afraid of the public learning all the facts—are they?

To wrongfully accuse a man through the press of uttering deliberate falsehoods whilst under oath is a serious

matter and not the action of a gentleman. An immediate apology or acceptance of this challenge is my right.

H. W. HART.
April 10.

ENFRANCHISEMENT OF WOMEN.

To the Editor:—Woman suffrage is not going to work wonders in this province, or in any other country, unless the spirit of love and co-operation unite women themselves in a closer bond of union and fellowship.

We require something more than party affiliation to make us good and useful citizens. The party spirit carried to excess is a curse in our political life, and if the new element in politics become imbued with it to the same extent as men, we can never hope for improvement in politics.

Personally, I am anxious for the success of the new Government, not because of party bias, but because I have faith in the honor and integrity of its leader; however, I think it would be better for the public welfare if women became independent Liberals or independent Conservatives rather than blind followers of the party whip. In this way they would act as a balance to keep things honest and clean, and in due time the party spirit would die a natural death.

I did have hopes that the attitude of the Liberal party towards the enfranchisement of women meant much for the future welfare of this province, because I believed that they support of the reform and their faith in it were built upon a solid foundation; but I am sorry to say that my faith was somewhat shaken on the memorable day of April 5.

If our Premier is a supporter of equal suffrage on its merits, why was it that he so completely overlooked the women of Victoria who were the real workers for the suffrage reform?

Surely these women had some claim upon his notice, and should have been honored by an invitation to a seat on the floor of the House to witness the crowning act of their emancipation. The workers had more right to share in a jubilation at the Legislature when the Suffrage Bill became law than those whom the Premier honored—the ladies of the Liberal organization, who never thought of working for it.

Such a celebration had no right to be a purely party affair, as it affected every woman in the province, and because of its character the Premier of British Columbia should have been just enough and generous enough to include in his invitations the women who had worked for the reform for so many years. To have left us one and all, outside the pale, because we had not hastened to join ourselves to the Liberal party, was a most ungracious act, and not a very diplomatic way to win new followers.

The ladies of Vancouver who were honored by the Premier boasted of their role for the suffrage, but I would remind them that they were slackers when the crisis came in the history of woman suffrage. They failed us completely when their services were needed most.

Every member of the Equal Franchise Association refused absolutely to work for the referendum, and if we women of Victoria had done likewise I doubt very much if they would have been able to celebrate the victory so soon.

On September 14, 1916, another lady and myself worked under a blazing sun from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. distributing literature and soliciting votes for the suffrage referendum, but where did we and the others who worked for the reform come in on April 5, 1917, when the victory of our emancipation was celebrated at the Legislature? Why, we were even denied front seats in the public gallery. I saw one vacant seat and was about to secure it when I was told that it was reserved for the Deputy Speaker's wife. I withdrew, wondering the while if this was what might be called "the abolition of the patronage system."

At the evening reception in the Empress Hotel, when the Liberal ladies celebrated the victory in such an appropriate way, the suffrage workers received no invitations to be present, though I was glad to see that one of the old-time workers was honored by a seat on the platform.

A celebration of that sort surely ought to have been on broader lines and should have included every woman in Victoria interested in the cause of reform. It was an occasion that will never occur again to the women of this province, and we missed an opportunity and a means for united co-operation. But instead of uniting the women of Victoria it has helped to divide them into still greater cliques, of which we already had a superabundance.

Why cannot we get together once in a while in the right spirit, especially in times like these, and more particularly in a time like the present, when we are now co-workers together for the common good?

The spiritual regeneration of mankind is the primary and important work that lies before the women of this age, and before we can hope to accomplish that gigantic task we ourselves must be spiritually quickened and renewed.

Therefore, our greatest need is not lectures from lawyers or politicians on how to make good in our new position as citizens, but our great need is for a spiritual leader to teach us the primary importance of high thinking and right living, so that we may learn how to put into practice the golden rule.

"Renew a right spirit within me, O Lord," should be the earnest desire of every individual and nation of this day and generation, and this right spirit must come to the women of every nation before they can accomplish much for the regeneration of the world and make good in the future that is opening before them.

ALICE M. CHRISTIE.
April 9, 1917.

SOLDIER AND PROHIBITION.

To the Editor:—At Victoria last week Mr. Wm. Savage assumed the position of counsel for the People's Prohibition movement. On his shoulders fell the burden of presenting argument to the Executive Council in an

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effort to justify general charges of irregularity in the taking of the soldiers' vote overseas on the prohibition question.

In the course of his address, however, Mr. Savage did not confine himself to the point at issue, that is, whether there had been misconduct in the voting or in the counting, but wandered far afield, even to the extent of discussing matters preliminary to the passing of the referendum and the Soldiers' Voting Acts.

As the question of the voting and counting is perhaps within the purview of the Provincial Government and the Premier has intimated that an inquiry with reference thereto will be held, both sides of the question will have ample opportunity to present its case, therefore it is not my intention to discuss this phase of the matter, but to deal with some of the extraneous material introduced by Mr. Savage and referred to above.

In directly referring to my activities Mr. Savage gives me the opportunity of replying and permits me to criticize and explain some motives and statements of his.

One of his remarks in Victoria was as follows: "The suggestion for another referendum after the war is a direct challenge to Mr. Tulk, who has already championed the cause of the soldiers."

This sentence contains the only statement in the entire discourse of Mr. Savage that I can admit as correct and that is that I have always "championed the cause of the soldiers." I am guilty of this disgraceful action and, strange as it may appear to some of the prohibition executive (I am glad to say not all), I am not ashamed.

It is quite apparent to the citizen at home and now becoming better known to our soldiers overseas, the hatred and antipathy possessed by fanatical prohibitionists toward the soldier and clearly evidenced by the malicious, vindictive attacks upon the honor and integrity of the officers and men in the colors, and simply because they have so overwhelmingly voted against their cherished propaganda.

Mr. Savage will admit they have overwhelmingly opposed because, in the press, he has stated himself that at a poll regularly held and scrutinized, 75 per cent. of the votes cast were against the prohibition act.

Mr. Bayley, of Winnipeg, and Mr. Savage are a team, so to speak. The former is the official agent in London and the latter chairman of the soldiers' vote arrangements, and it is from Mr. Bayley that Mr. Savage receives all the information as to irregularities which he has so generously circulated, and which he claims to so well believe. Mr. Savage will no doubt, therefore vouch for the accuracy of the following statement taken from a report from Bayley and which appeared in the Vancouver World last fall, and before the vote taken prior to September 14 was counted:

"The soldiers, taken generally," said Mr. Bayley, "were unacquainted with the prohibition issue and I think the daily rum issue for cold weather and the prospects of a big spree when they get home combined to make them favor a wet vote."

It can well be imagined how popular such untrue, contemptible remarks would make Bayley among the soldiers and how conducive to the success of prohibition, and particularly when it can be stated that Bayley, during the campaign, has been guilty of uttering socialistic and unkind remarks concerning military conduct and men.

The full story of the activities and conduct of Bayley is about to be told, and I am well assured it will not bring credit to prohibition methods overseas or the cause in British Columbia.

In answer to a direct question from the Premier, Mr. Savage stated that the clauses in the Military Forces Voting Act with reference to the deferred voting were unknown to the prohibition executive before the Act was passed.

This statement has been widely circulated by the present prohibition leaders and I have already referred to it as absolutely false in my reply to Rev. Mr. Cooke, but the clear denial from the leader of the Opposition, Mr. Bowser, in submitting evidence, together with the remarks of Premier Brewster on this subject, shows the untruthfulness of this contention.

It is instructive to remember that Mr. Savage was one of the signatories of the now famous telegram of hostility addressed to Mr. Rogers, after the first reading of the Prohibition Bill and, in protesting vehemently against the measure, called upon Mr. Rogers to do his duty.

Mr. Savage now says he knew nothing about the deferred voting and although the Prohibition Act was not changed in any respect, is now ap-

MAN IS AS OLD AS HIS ARTERIES

THE failure of the arteries is one of the tragedies of modern life. Men in the very prime of life, and in the midst of business activities, are suddenly cut off. In many cases the blow comes before they realize their condition.

And what is the cause? Most usually overeating and drinking, combined with too little bodily exercise. The blood becomes overloaded with poisons. The kidneys break down in an effort to filter the blood, degeneration of the arteries takes place, an artery in the brain bursts, a clot is formed and paralysis results. Or it may be an artery in the heart that gives way and causes heart failure.

And how is this condition to be avoided? By moderation in eating and drinking, and by keeping the liver, kidneys and bowels regular and active. If you do not get sufficient exercise to accomplish this, it is necessary to use such treatment as Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. It is only by the action of these organs that the blood can be purified and the poisons removed from the system. In using

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you are not making any experiment, for they have no equal as a means of awakening the liver, kidneys and bowels to healthful activity. They prevent such serious troubles as hardening of the arteries, and thereby promote comfort and health and prolong life.

One pill a dose, 25 cents a box, all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto. Do not be talked into accepting a substitute. Imitations disappoint.

Dr. Chase's Recipe Book, 1,000 selected recipes, sent free if you mention this paper.

proved by him and, to such an extent, that he wishes it enacted in toto as a war measure. It is natural to ask: what did the telegram mean? What was he protesting about?

The truth of the matter is that Mr. Savage then, as at the present time, had other axes to grind besides prohibition. It is as impossible for him to divorce politics from prohibition as it is for him to act in a sportsmanlike manner and in a spirit of fair play.

Mr. Savage is what I would properly describe as a political assassin. He supports no person or platform except himself and his own narrow prejudiced views.

Calumny and vituperation are his weapons and self-interest and aggrandizement his goal. It will be remembered that Mr. Savage referred to the 45,558 electors who have voted "no" to the Prohibition Act as the "Whisky Party."

A. EDWARD TULK.
Vancouver, April 6, 1917.

Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, quarts, 3 for 50c.

Band Concerts—Formerly the Fifth Regiment Band quoted \$75 per concert for Sunday afternoon concerts in the summer season, but this year the services of the band are offered for \$60 per concert. The Parks Committee of Council will make a report on the matter.

Are You Worn Out?

Does night find you exhausted—nerves unsettled—too tired to rest?

SCOTT'S EMULSION

is the food- tonic that corrects these troubles. Its pure cod liver oil is a cell-building food to purify and enrich the blood and nourish the nerve-centers. Your strength will respond to Scott's Emulsion—but see that you get SCOTT'S.

Scott & Bowne, Toronto, Ont.

Provide for the Future SECURE FOR YOURSELF A LOVELY HOME IN THE COUNTRY WHILE PRICES ARE LOW.

CHOICE WATERFRONT ACREAGE at Metchoan, close to Church, School, Hall, Post Office, Station. Commands a view of the Straits and snow-capped Olympics which is unsurpassed.

Land is lightly timbered. A portion was slashed some years ago and is now ready for the plough. YOU CANNOT MAKE A MISTAKE in buying this at the price asked.

60 ACRES TO CHOOSE FROM. ONLY \$150 PER ACRE. If you want some, call at once.

Swinerton & Musgrave Winch Bldg., 60 Fort Street.

METALLURGIST IS SAILING ON NIAGARA

Major P. J. Walsh, of Broken Hill Mining Syndicate, Bound For Sydney

Among the passengers leaving on the Canadian-Australian liner Niagara for the Antipodes is Major P. J. Walsh, of the metallurgical staff of the Broken Hill Mining Syndicate, New South Wales, who is returning home after a tour of the United States.

The Niagara is taking out a good list of saloon passengers and her cargo capacity is all taken up with products of Canada and the United States destined for New Zealand and Australian points.

The Niagara has been at Vancouver less than a week, having discharged 3,900 tons and loaded a similar amount for the return passage.

MAIL FROM AMERICAN NAVAL SHIPS CENSORED

New York, April 11.—An apparent censorship of the mail from United States naval ships is indicated by a postal card received from a sailor on an American battleship, which was made public to-day by the marine corps publicity bureau.

GRAY IN COMMISSION

Whaling Tender Bound For Stations on West Coast With Supplies

After completing a thorough overhaul at Yarrow, Ltd., the whaling tender Gray, Capt. Hawes, left port to-day with supplies for the stations on the West Coast.

IS ARRANGING TRANSFER.

Reginald Beaumont, assistant manager of the G. T. P. coast steamship service, is now at Portland arranging for the transfer of the power vessel Triton which was recently purchased by the G. T. P. for operation between Prince Rupert and Ketchikan.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Table with columns for COASTWISE SERVICES, For Vancouver, From Vancouver, For San Francisco, From Seattle, For Port Angeles, From Port Angeles.

SHIP REACHES HOME; CREW ARE MAROONED

Brigantine Harriet G. Towed To Port By Sumner; Capt. and Crew at Sechart

Disastered and with her bulwarks smashed as the result of an unequal battle with the elements off Cape Flattery on Sunday, the brigantine Harriet G. has arrived safely on Puget Sound in tow of the schooner Sumner.

Capt. C. A. Darling wired the local Marine Department asking that the Snohomish be notified of their plight. The Snohomish, however, had other work to do, and it is expected the party will come here on the steamer Tosa.

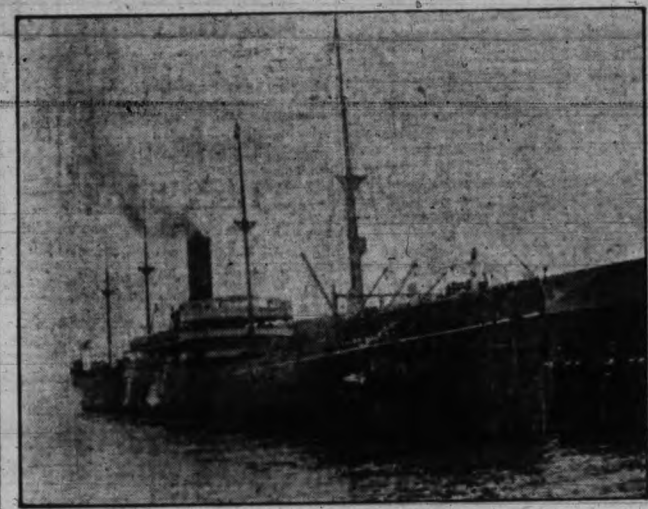
At the local office of the Marine Department this morning a message was received from Nootka stating that Capt. Hamden, of the Gullstone, had sighted a dismasted vessel about 30 miles S. W. by S. of Cape Beale.

WIRELESS REPORTS

April 11, 8 a. m. Point Grey—Cloudy; S. E.; 29.78; 44; sea smooth. Passed out, str. Camosun, 12.30 a. m., northbound.

Noon. Point Grey—Clear; W.; 29.89; 55; sea smooth. Capt. Lazo—Cloudy; S. E.; fresh; 29.76; 47; sea moderate. Spoke str. Prince John, 10.30 a. m., off Cape Mudge, southbound.

N. Y. K. LINER CROSSING PACIFIC



S. S. KAMAKURA MARU.

WORK OF TRAWLERS LAUDED BY SPEAKER

Capt. W. H. Hayward Addresses British-American Relief Association on War

In the present world war the heroes of the British navy are the men on the fleet of trawlers that search the German Channel and the North Sea for German mines and submarines.

CUNARD LINE PAYS \$300 PER TON FOR AMERICAN STEAMER

San Francisco, April 11.—That the Cunard Steamship Company, of England, paid approximately \$300 a ton for the new steamship War Knight, formerly known as the Southerner, launched Saturday from the Alameda yards of the Union-Iron Works, is the information obtained here.

SCHOONER MABEL BROWN IS LOADED

First Vessel Built Under Government Aid Measure Leaving Chemainus on Friday

Fully loaded with 1,534,000 feet of lumber, the auxiliary schooner Mabel Brown is now ready to leave Chemainus on her maiden voyage to sea.

GEORGE BURY SPEAKS OF CANADIAN VICTORY

London, April 11.—George Bury, Vice-President of the C. P. R., interviewed on the Canadian success at the Vimy ridge, said: "Canadian hearts beat faster when they speak of our boys, who are following British military tradition so nobly."

WASHINGTON PLEASSED WITH IDAHO'S ACTION

Washington, April 11.—Secretary McAdoo to-day sent a telegram of appreciation to Governor Alexander, of Idaho, who had notified him that Idaho, through its board of land commissioners, had voted to subscribe \$100,000 of the new war loan and pledged the entire resources of the state to the Government.

SCHOONER BRINGS SALT

The five-mast schooner Snow & Burgess is at Vancouver discharging a shipment of salt and bluestone from the Straits and was picked up by a tug before passing the Race and was towed up the Gulf.

LUISE NIELSEN MADE UNUSUALLY LONG TRIP

After a slow passage of 24 days from Seattle, the Norwegian freighter Luise Nielsen is reported to have arrived at Yokohama. The vessel sailed on her maiden trip from Seattle on March 17 with a full cargo under charter to Frank Waterhouse & Co.

MAYACHI CHARTERED BY WATERHOUSE LINE

The Japanese steamer Mayachi Maru has been chartered by Frank Waterhouse & Co. for six months with delivery in Japan at the end of April. The vessel has a cargo capacity of 6,900 tons.

LUCKENBACH PASSED OUT.

The steamer J. L. Luckenbach passed out to sea last night bound for San Francisco.

W. F. CAREY BOUND FOR CHINA TO CONSTRUCT 1,400 MILES OF RAILWAY

Seattle, April 11.—W. F. Carey, of the Siemens-Carey Company, of St. Paul, Minn., to-night for China to direct the construction of 1,400 miles of modern railroads for the Government of China.

ADELAIDE OVERHAULING

Alice Now Maintaining Her Schedule on Triangle Route.

The C.P.R. steamer Princess Adelaide has been laid up for two weeks for general overhaul, her place on the triangular run having been taken by the Princess Alice.

WRECKED ENGINES OF AUSTRIAN STEAMSHIP

Norfolk, Va., April 11.—Capt. Kerer, master of the Austrian steamship Budapest, seized by United States authorities at Newport News on Monday, admitted to-day to Government officials that he had wrecked the engines and machinery of his steamship on instructions from a source he refused to disclose.

NEW CUNARD STEAMER RENAMED WAR BARON

Portland, Ore., April 11.—The first vessel launched in this country for the Cunard Steamship Company of England, has been named the War Baron. The craft was launched here March 31 and at that time was christened the Vesteride.

STUDENTS TO RESCUE OF HUNGRY PASSENGERS

College students, to the number of fifty, passengers on the steamer Yale between San Pedro and San Francisco, recently proved their willingness to aid their fellow passengers, thereby preventing much discomfort during the trip.

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

Leaves C. P. R. wharf daily except Sunday at 11.30 a. m. for Port Angeles, Dungeness, Port Williams, Port Townsend and Seattle arriving Seattle 7.45 p. m. Returning leaves Seattle daily except Saturday at midnight, arriving Victoria 3.30 a. m.

IROQUOIS ON THIS RUN

Two-Funnelled Craft Arrived Here To-day in Place of the Sol Duc.

SUBMARINES FOR NAVY STATES

Washington, April 11.—Specific bids for 24 sea-going submarines of the 500-ton type were received at the Navy Department to-day in response to advertisements asking for proposals on 28 such craft.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF AMERICAN TREASURY

Washington, April 11.—Oscar T. Crosby, of Warrenton, Va., to-day was appointed Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. Crosby recently was connected with the American Commission for the Relief of Belgium, being in charge of the work in Belgium and Northern France.

WISCONSIN GOVERNOR SAYS STATE WISHES VOLUNTARY SYSTEM

Madison, Wis., April 11.—The raising of an army by conscription is not favored by Governor E. L. Phillip, who last night sent a telegram to President Wilson in which he said he believed that such a plan was unnecessary and unwise at present.

GERMANY STOPS MAIL SERVICE TO STATES

Berlin, April 11.—The Government has stopped all mail service, both direct and indirect, between Germany and the United States. All telegraph service also has been stopped.

GERMAN TORN DOWN AN AMERICAN FLAG

Cincinnati, Ohio, April 11.—Franz Weh, a German, has been arrested and will be detained as a war-prisoner by the Government. He is accused of tearing down an American flag.

B. C. COAST SERVICE VANCOUVER, daily at 2 and 11.45 p. m. SEATTLE, daily at 4.30 p. m. WEST COAST ROUTE—Clayoquot and way ports. 1st and 15th, at 11 p. m. HOLBERG and way ports. 7th and 20th, at 11 p. m.

Canadian Northern Railway TRANSCONTINENTAL LEAVES VANCOUVER 8.00 A.M. SUNDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY, 9.00 A.M. GENIC ROUTE BETWEEN VANCOUVER AND TORONTO. SHORT LINE TO EDMONTON AND PRAIRIE POINTS. NEW AND MODERN EQUIPMENT. ELECTRIC LIGHTED STANDARD AND TOURIST SLEEPERS, DINING AND LIBRARY OBSERVATION CARS.

Pacific Steamship Co. ADMIRAL LINE To California Direct No Change S.S. Governor or President leave Victoria Fridays, 6 p.m. SAILINGS FROM SEATTLE Mondays, 4 p.m.; Fridays, 11 a.m.; Saturdays, 11 a.m.

The Union Steamship Company of B. C., Limited SAILINGS TO NORTHERN B. C. PORTS S. S. "Camosun" sails from Victoria, Evans-Coleman Dock, every Monday at 11 p. m.

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CHICAGO BUTTER AT CHICAGO Chicago, April 11.—Speculation in butter and eggs through the Chicago butter and egg board was abolished "as a patriotic duty" by unanimous vote of the directors to-day. This was accomplished by abolishing all rules covering deals in these products for future delivery.



Scene from 'The Forty-Three' featuring H. A. Warner. 10-NIGHT AT THE COLUMBIA THEATRE

SPORTING NEWS

BEAVERS' SPEED TO SURPRISE THE FANS

Bob Brown Lines Up Fast Squad For 1917 Baseball Race in West

Vancouver, B. C., April 11.—Vancouver will this season be represented by one of the best ball clubs that has ever cavorted around a local diamond. This means that Bob Brown must have surrounded himself with a pretty nifty aggregation when past records are taken into consideration, with possibly two exceptions, the Beavers have always been pennant contenders and have pulled down the pennant on four occasions in the past eleven seasons, besides finishing near the top on other occasions. Although the inclement weather of the past week has been holding up regular workouts and the players have had little opportunity to show their real class Bob Brown is confident that with a few days good weather that all hands will be in shape for the opening league game on April 24, when the Beavers tackle the Tigers in Tacoma. A lot has been heard about the strength of the other North-western club, but fans look to Vancouver to furnish the real surprise.

Players Round Into Form. With the lineup of the infield definitely settled on and the battery berth pretty well-known, the Beaver boss is just now concerned with the conditioning of his athletes. He will send them through some stiff workouts this week, regular seven-inning games being played every afternoon, while on Saturday the Beavers will face the Commercial League All-Stars. Patterson Shows Class.

Cadman will do the bulk of the catching this season. Agasson, Fullman and Patterson are candidates for the odd berth. Agasson may be found in right field later in the season. Patterson looks like the best looking prospect that has ever reported here. The infield will include Stokke, 1b.; Bennett, 2b.; R. Brown, ss.; Hamilton, 3b., and in the words of the Beaver plot, "this is some infield with lots of pep" to it, ability to hit and the boys should steal a lot of bags this season.

Ike Wolfer Going Strong. Gine, Russell and Acosta are certainties for pitching berths. The fourth job will go to the most likely looking boy among the other candidates. In the outfield will be found Ike Wolfer, the 26-year-old Portland player who, according to Brown, is destined for the leagues. Wolfer is playing like a big leaguer this season and he can sure hit the old horsehide. Pappa will not be back but there is a chance that Brinker may return, while a deal now under way may give Vancouver a couple more players. Brown has every reason to feel enthusiastic over the showing of his club this season, and unless the unexpected happens, which is not likely, Vancouver should be a pennant contender all the way.

Players Leave April 15. President Brown figures on pulling here on April 15 and setting forth for Tacoma. En route to the Tiger city he will play in Bellingham, Sedro Woolley and other towns, reaching the City of Destiny on the eve of the opening of the season.

WELLS IS DEFEATED.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 11.—Matt Wells, 147 pounds, tore in close with the famous English style of in-fighting, but youth and aggressiveness carried the day for Jimmy Duffy, of Lockport, 142 pounds, who won a rousing decision over the English veteran in their 16-round match here last night. The contest closed with a double rally that left traces of battle.

CRICKET CLUB MEETING.

There will be an important meeting of the Congregational Cricket Club at the Congregational Church (top floor) at 8 o'clock to-morrow evening. Every one interested in the club is requested to attend, as business of vital importance is to be discussed.

CHURCH BASKETBALL GAMES ARE SCHEDULED

Proceeds of Saturday's Play Will Go to Local Red Cross-Society

Commencing at 8.30 o'clock this evening there will be two basketball games in the gymnasium of the Y. M. C. A.—The Congregational and the First Presbyterians will contest the first, while the Crusaders and the James Bay (A) teams will figure in the second. The price of admission to the games is but a nominal one, and all who attend will have the satisfaction of feeling that they are helping an organization which has done much to promote healthy sport among the boys and young men of this city.

Attention is also called to the fact that the all-star games are to be played in the Y. M. gymnasium on Saturday evening of this week. The proceeds from the evening entertainment will be devoted to the Red Cross Society, and it is therefore hoped that there will be a large attendance of Victorians who are interested in the game and the cause to which the proceeds are being devoted. Tickets are now on sale at the Y. M. C. A. and the Red Cross headquarters.

The games to be staged are as follows:

Presbyterians (Ladies) vs. All-Stars (Ladies).
James Bay (Intermediates) vs. All-Stars (Intermediates).
Congregational vs. James Bay "B."
The first game will commence at 7.45 p.m.
The Intermediate All-Star team will be: E. Hall (First Presbyterians), W. Huxtable (Mets.), guards; F. Webster (Congo), captain, G. Forbes (First Presbyterians), and Y. Jones (Mets.), Spars, F. Sproule (First Presbyterians).

WOULD FORM UNIT FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE

World's Champion Offers Himself to United States Government

Freddie Welsh, lightweight champion of the world, yesterday sent to Governor Whitman, of New York State, a letter asking that he be allowed to organize a sportsmen's regiment in America for service in the European trenches, says a New York dispatch. Welsh declares he wants to offer his services and financial assistance in such an enterprise and he proposes boxing bouts in which he shall appear as one of the principals, the proceeds to go to the support of the force.

"Several friends of mine, graduates of West Point," Welsh wrote, "to whom I have bronched the subject, have signified their willingness to join the regiment. Many boxers and other sportsmen are enthusiastic over the project and want not only to join, but to help in every way to raise the necessary funds. A number of these boxers have seen service in the United States army."

Welsh, who is a Welshman by birth, points out that he has lived in this country for fifteen years. His wife and two children are Americans. "I feel that the entrance of America into the war," he said, "is the call to arms for every man who, like myself, has been given an opportunity to earn a living in this great country."

Harry Pollock, manager of Welsh, declared his intention of being the first to enroll in the Welsh regiment.

Mudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, pints, \$1.00 per dozen.

GEORGE GRAY WINS HANDICAP MATCH

Splendid Exhibition of Skill at Empress Parlors Last Evening

At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon the exhibition billiard match for 3,000 points between George Gray, the Australian champion, and Jack MacMillan, the champion of British Columbia, was resumed, with the scores standing at MacMillan (receives 1,500) 2,130, Gray 1,501. The latter man was in play with an unfinished break of 4 from the previous session, but he was only able to add 4. During the course of the afternoon's play, however, he showed himself to be in excellent form and treated the spectators to three breaks over 100, while on many occasions he came within close range of the same mark.

His first run of any importance was 98, 57 of the points being made off the red ball by the losing hazard shot to the centre pocket, and shortly after he put together 143, in which case all but four were made by the same shot from the red ball.

It is of course the losing hazard which has made Gray the leading figure in the English sporting world. The accuracy with which he performs this particular play is astonishing. The feature of the shot is the manner in which he controls the movements of the red ball, causing it to travel to the end cushion and rebound to the desired position in the centre of the table.

The champion scored at a much greater rate than was the case on the previous afternoon, and wiped 660 points off the lead which had been taken by his opponent in the handicap, thus leaving the scores at the end of the afternoon's play at: MacMillan 2,319, Gray 2,250. The former player's best breaks of the session being 51, 34, 31.

The final course of the play which was accomplished last night was featured by the work of the British Columbia champion. During the afternoon MacMillan had been decidedly off color, and had failed in many instances to make effective his attempts at what were ordinarily considered simple shots. His tactics of the evening, however, were far different. From the very commencement of the game he displayed a knowledge of and skill in the game which was surprising to a large number of spectators who were present to witness the match. He made the best of his opportunities on almost every occasion, and at several points compiled breaks of no mean size. At times he adopted the losing hazard from the red as played by Gray and demonstrated his all-round ability at the game.

The evening session was started by Gray, who carried his unfinished break of 16 to 52. MacMillan made 7 at his next attempt, but soon followed with a neat 62. From this point for some considerable time the local player was compiling his points at almost as great a rate as his opponent. Gray made 44, 55, 67, 32, 27, 33, 2, while MacMillan made the 45 mentioned in the lead of his opponent. Gray and Gray had only gained 98 points when he settled down to make the biggest break of the evening and of the match, a beautifully played 147, in which a great variety of strokes was seen. MacMillan was in play at the interval with the score at: Gray 2,751, MacMillan 2,611, and, on resuming, he brought this break to 43 before missing.

After Gray had completed another run of nine, totalling 191, the play became slow on both sides. At this point the visitor was 200 in the lead of his opponent. MacMillan made his last play of 59 and was followed by Gray, who compiled an unfinished 48, thus completing the game with MacMillan standing at 2,810.

The official position of referee was filled by Bert Irwin, who accomplished his task in a manner satisfactory to all concerned.

BASEBALL RESULTS.

Coast.
At Salt Lake City—Los Angeles-Salt Lake game postponed; rain.
At Los Angeles—Portland 1, Vernon 3.
At San Francisco—Oakland 1, San Francisco 7.

BASEBALL SEASON IS IN SWING TO-DAY

Low Temperatures Not Favorable For Drawing Large Crowds

New York, April 11.—Baseball took the field to-day before the nation at large. The approval of the military authorities is evidenced by the fact that Major-General Wood will open the American League season by tossing out the first ball at the Polo Grounds. National League games are scheduled at Chicago, Cincinnati and Brooklyn. The opening game at Boston with New York in this league was declared off because of the grounds' condition. The season in the American League will start with games at St. Louis, Detroit, Philadelphia and New York.

FAMOUS SPORTSMAN DEAD AT MONTE CARLO

Sir George Chetwynd, a well-known figure in the English sporting world, is dead at Monte Carlo. Sir George was a great patron of boxing, racing and polo. He visited Monte Carlo every winter and was a familiar figure at the Casino and at the pigeon-shooting ground. In England he frequently officiated as referee at important boxing contests.

The heir to the baronetcy, who bears the same name, married an American girl, Rosamund Secor, who divorced him in 1904.

Sir George was the plaintiff in a famous Jockey Club lawsuit, regarding the running of his horse, Fullerton, during the racing season of 1887, claiming \$20,000 damages. The case was dealt with by arbitration, the arbitrators including the steward of the Jockey Club, who awarded him one farthing damages, equal to one cent. Sir George was so incensed at this decision that he sent in his resignation as a member of the Jockey Club.

PHEASANTS AND FARMERS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

The following extract is taken from the Vancouver Standard calling attention to the situation which exists in regard to the game question and the farmer:

"Pheasants and partridges have from time to time been introduced into the Fraser and other valleys, usually without the farmer being consulted in the matter. The province has paid out large sums of money for the education of city sportsmen, and new costly schemes of increasing the bird population are frequently tried. The latest proposal deals with the slaughtering of horned owls and crows. 'But here is where the farmer has something to say. The crow is his friend, and he is willing to tolerate the horned owl because of that wise bird's appetite for rats, mice and skunks. Any plan which aims at the killing off of these birds will be strongly opposed by the man on the land, who kingly protests that the pheasants and partridges do him a great deal more damage than he suffers from what the city sportsmen call 'peas.'"

HEAVY STORM RAGING OVER COURSE OF RACE

Nome, April 11.—A terrible storm is blowing on Seward Peninsula, and the Alaskan sweepstakes racing dog teams, who began their 43-mile run Monday have not been heard from since they left Solomon, thirty-two miles east of Nome. Here the course turns north towards the Arctic Ocean. It is believed all four teams have taken refuge in the round house at Timber, sixty-four miles from Nome, and whence they dare not stir until the wild storm moderates. There is no telephone at Timber.

WILL BE ABSENT.

Pittsburg, April 11.—For the first time in 29 years the major league baseball season will open to-day without Honus Wagner, when the Pittsburg Nationals take the field against Chicago in Chicago this afternoon. Friends say the "grand old man of baseball" has decided to retire.

SEVERAL WAYS TO IMPROVE ONE'S GOLF

By Francis Quimet Former U. S. National Amateur and Open Champ

A question which I have frequently been called upon to answer is whether or not an opponent or partner, who does not happen to be playing well, will affect the other's game. I can frankly say that I have never known of an instance wherein my game has suffered because my partner happens to be playing badly. I do think it is purely imaginative, and golfers are too generally apt to blame their opponents for their own bad playing.

No game that is played, to my knowledge, offers the opportunity to present alibis or post-mortems like golf. We all have our troubles and we all like to place the blame on someone else's shoulders to cover our own sins. We should try and overcome any natural sensitiveness that we may possess, as possible, because in so doing we are bound to train our minds to better concentration, and this means better golf.

I play a great deal of golf with a chap who should play much better than he does, but a natural tendency to nervousness destroys oftentimes a good round. If the fellow in front happens to be taking plenty of time playing their shots, he fuses and fumes about to such an extent that his game is consequently affected. He knows he should not do it, and I must say he is improving a great deal in this respect. So has his playing. When he does overcome this fault, which seems very likely, he will play a very decent game.

I happened to be talking with a chap once who will average on a first-class course about ninety-five. He had just finished his round and as he walked off the last green I asked him what he scored. With great disgust he answered, "One hundred and twelve." Then in a confidential manner he said that his partner threw him "off" his regular game. Questioning him a bit further in regard to his score, I found he had taken nine shots on the third hole, which is ordinarily an easy four.

The "Nine" Did It.

This piece of misfortune so enraged and upset him that the figures just said, up and his game became demoralized. I do think if he had taken that "nine" with a little more grace and good nature and mentioned the fact that after all it is a funny little game, he would have soon struck his normal stride and played nearer his true form.

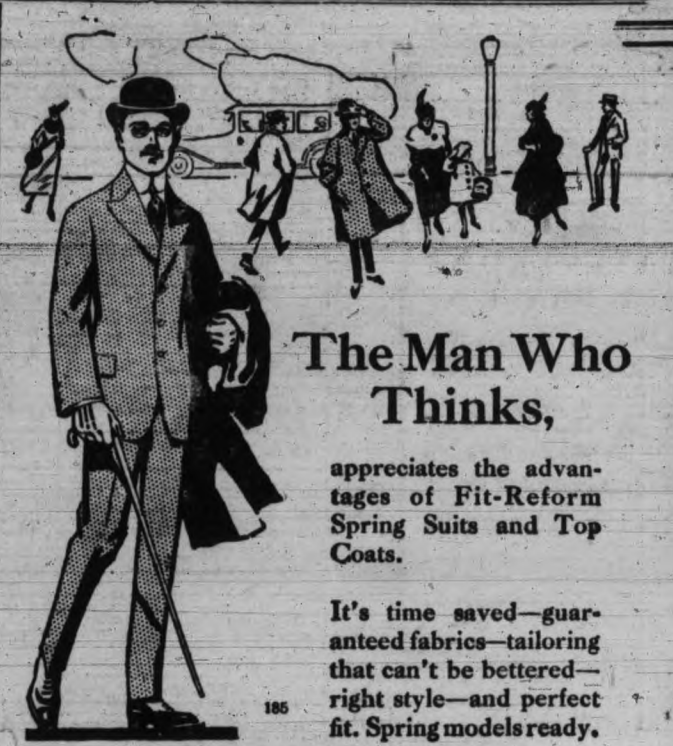
Really, when one stops to consider all things in general, there would be little satisfaction in playing every hole perfectly. This is impossible, of course, but it is the bad shots followed by remarkably good ones that give us the sensations not enjoyed in other games. A poor drive followed by an elegant approach, or a long putt for the half, starts us confidently for the next hole. But would we get that good recovery if we worked ourselves into a state of high rage? I think not.

Jerry Travers will never forget the qualifying round at Garden City as long as he lives. He played the first nine holes in a miserable—that is, for him—forty-four. A grand inward round of thirty-five gave him the highly respectable score of seventy-nine, but on his next round he returned to a score of eighty-six, which made it necessary for him to play off a tie for those who were to continue in match play. Did Jerry come in and accuse someone of spoiling his game and score? Did he treat the gallery with an exhibition of club throwing or other outward signs of temper? Certainly not.

Goes On to Win.

But he did win a place in the match play division, and then to show that he could "come back" after a rather poor start, he waded right through all opponents to the amateur championship. We all cannot win titles, but we all should learn to master every annoyance, because this is a great step toward better golf. Self-control is a gift.

This reminds me of a story I once heard. Two chaps were playing the final round for the club championship on a nine-hole course. They reached the ninth green and one of the fellows had a three-foot putt to become one much time examining the blades of grass between his ball and the hole. Just as he was about ready to putt his opponent spoke right up, saying in a loud tone: "Yesterday I was standing on the ninth green and a ball driven from the first tee struck me on the



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elbow." This was said while the other fellow was in the act of making his putt, and he quite naturally missed the hole, getting but a half.

WOULD PLAY IN EAST.

Montreal, April 11.—Several British Columbia lacrosse stars have written applying for berths in the East. The New Westminster and Vancouver clubs will again suspend operations. Charlie Querre may have one or two West-coasters on his Tecumseh team.

NOTHING.

A Northerner, riding through the West Virginia mountains, came up with a mountaineer leisurely driving a herd of pigs.

WINNIPEG MAN CURED

Says Dr. Cassell's Tablets Saved Him From Nervous Breakdown.

Mr. G. C. Inman, 330 Harcourt Street, Sturgeon Creek, Winnipeg, for many years a well-known man in the business life of Canada, says: "I was terribly run-down and weak. I had no appetite, and I suffered if I forced myself to eat. My nerves were in a bad way, and my sleep very disturbed. Everything pointed to a nervous breakdown. Then I got Dr. Cassell's Tablets. The first result was that I could sleep, and then my health rapidly improved. It was really astonishing how my strength and fitness came back."

A free sample of Dr. Cassell's Tablets will be sent to you on receipt of 5 cents for mailing and packing. Address: Harold F. Ritchie & Co., Ltd., 10, McCaul Street, Toronto.

Victoria Taxpayers NEW ORDER RE TAXPAYMENTS

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., 16th March, 1917.

Fire Engine For Sale

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, April 23, 1917, for the John Grant Fire Engine, and old Wagon Gear. Particulars can be obtained from the Chief of the Fire Department. All tenders must be addressed to the City Purchasing Agent, and marked on outside of envelope "Tender for Fire Engine." The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. W. GALT, City Purchasing Agent, Victoria, B. C., April 10, 1917.

POLICE UNIFORMS WANTED.

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, April 23, 1917, for 41 Summer Uniforms for the Police Department. Particulars can be obtained from the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on outside of envelope "Tender for Police Uniforms." A marked cheque equal to five per cent. of the amount of the tender, made payable to the City Treasurer, must accompany each tender. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. W. GALT, City Purchasing Agent, Victoria, B. C., April 10, 1917.

Mudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, pints, 3 for 25c.

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Give a quick lasting shine and preserve the leather.

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Answers to Times Want Ads.

The following replies are waiting to be called for:

12, 418, 431, 446, 540, 552, 578, 583, 594, 734, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

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WHY GO HOME TO EAT when you can get a nice, tasty lunch at the Vernon Cafe for 25c? Try it once and you will keep on trying it. Tables for ladies.

HOSPITAL FOR MOWERS at 614 Corn-moran. Phone 174X or 2035. Ambulance will call.

LAWN MOWERS ground, collected, delivered, H. Dandridge, collection phone 1228R.

HOCKING, James Bay plumber. Repairs ranges connected, coils made, 349 St. James Street. Phone 3711L.

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FOR SALE—Cheap, at Garden City, 3 minutes drive from city, 4 roomed bungalow, wired for telephone and light, cement foundation, pantry, bath, toilet, septic tank and city water, large garage, good chicken pens 16x72, incubator house and woodshed, standing on 1/2 acre of black loam, high and dry, lovely view, large quantity of rasp-berries, logans, red and black currant trees, 6 fruit trees, strawberry, about 20 rose trees, and nice flower garden, \$2,000 on time, \$1,500 cash, or \$1,500 cash and \$500 on mortgage. P. O. Box 1294, City. Phone 411.

FOR SALE—Almost new furniture and contents in 5 roomed house, including furnished oak dining room and parlor set. Apply 319 Burnside Road.

BRITANNIA MASQUERADE DANCE, in aid of Convalescent Hospital, St. John's Hall, Herald Street, Thursday, April 12. Good prizes. Buffet supper. Dancing 9 to 1. Admission 50c.

WANTED—To rent, furnished house, not less than 5 bedrooms. State location to Box 1064, Times.

FOR SALE—Cheap, Cyprus incubator, 24-egg, one 140-egg. 1419 Fernside.

FOR SALE—Good motorcycle, first-class condition. Apply Dominion Hotel.

FOR SALE—Four-room bungalow on two lots, North Quadra, \$150. Box 1061, Times.

WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE, easy chair, washing machine with rubber wringer. Phone 5754L.

OCEAN BEACH, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA—Exchange for unoccupied home on Vancouver Island, value \$9,000, modern, two-story, nine roomed house, also two sleeping porches, etc., fully furnished, piano included, every convenience, garage, etc.; grounds 100x140 to alley, lawn, flower beds, etc.; one block from car line, one block from ocean, finest locality in Ocean Beach; mortgage \$2,000. Owner, Box 7924, Daily Times.

WANTED—Furniture of four or five roomed house at once; will pay cash. S. H. J. Mason, Hillside and Quadra. Phone 3197L.

FOR SALE—Good "Cascade" cook stove, brass coils, nearly new. Phone 2129A.

FOR RENT—Furnished house, 5 rooms, Fairfield, 3 rooms and summer kitchen, furnished, Roderick Street, large garden; house at W. W. G. gate, Willows Road, with range, cottage, 4 rooms, at Willows, all modern. Phone 626L.

MILITARY FIVE HUNDRED, Knights of Pythias Hall, to-night at 8.30. Tickets of sale at Fletcher Bros. and Y. Men's Row, Douglas Street, also ladies at G. Hall.

SEE the new ladies' Rambler bicycle in our window, one of the finest things in 1917. Models and light, strong and reliable. Plimley's Cycle Store, 611 View Street.

NURSES WANTED—Qualified nurses required for service with Military Hospitals Commission. Hospitals in Victoria, Columbia. Applications should be addressed to Miss K. Ellis, Matron Supr., J. Unit, M. H. C., Esquimalt.

FOR SALE—Edison Friside Phonograph and about 20 records, in good condition, cost \$50. What offers? Phone 5367L.

WANTED—To buy, some good furniture, carpets and stove. Box 1067, Times.

FAIRALL'S, LIMITED, will allow you 12 cents per dozen for your empty pint bottles. Phone 1067.

FOR RENT—64 Niagara Street, close to Beacon Hill. Phone 3561L.

WANTED—Position as daily governess, or responsible post. Box 1066, Times.

THE PURPLE STAR, L. O. B. A., are holding a military ball in the Grand Hall, April 15, in aid of returned soldiers. Good prizes. Refreshments.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—An exceptionally well built, modern house of 5 rooms, sleeping porch, beautiful oak trees, shrubs, etc. See my advertisement in lawns, large grounds. Box 1062, Times.

WANTED—To rent from owner, improved ranch, as going concern, with privileges of buy, rent, must be in good condition. Act quickly. Box 1049, Times.

LOST—Between Gordon Head and Hillside Avenue car, Sunday evening, hair heavy leather suitcase, motor, etc. Reward, Phone H9, Gordon Head, or write P. O. Box 1531, Victoria.

TWO prize winning Partridge Wyandotte cockerels, weighing 8 to 9 lbs., price \$2 and \$3 each. 282 Belmont Avenue.

WANTED—To exchange, from owner, clear title to 46 ft. waterfrontage on the North Arm of the Fraser River, also two thousand dollars paid up stock in the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., Prince Rupert, for an improved ranch as a going concern; must act quickly. Saanich District preferred. Box 1062, Times.

GIRL WANTED for house work. Apply 845 Princess Ave.

FOR SALE—Indian motorcycle, for quick sale only \$50. Apply 1123 Yates St.

TO RENT—Two seven room houses, Niagara Street, one block from Beacon Hill, and Gladstone Avenue, just above Belmont. Phone 3581L, mornings.

OH! YOU MEAT PIE AND COFFEE. 15 cents at Pierce's Lunch, 629 Fort St.

"A RAMBLE THROUGH ITALY" is the title of an illustrated lecture to be given by Rev. Dr. Clay in St. Andrew's Lecture Room, Broughton Street, on Tuesday evening next, in aid of Knox Church Ladies' Aid Society. Tickets 25 cents.

FOR SALE—No. 10 visible Remington typewriter, nearly new. Box 1074, Times.

FOR SALE—Horse, also top for express wagon, in good condition. Phone 3137R.

FOR SALE—A modern, 5 roomed bungalow on Medina Street, James Bay, lot #115; local improvements paid; no mortgage; price \$2,750, cash \$500, balance to suit. Box 1072, Times.

GLENGARRY, 218 Cook. Furnished apartments to rent.

LOCAL NEWS

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

Comptroller's Statement.—The comptroller's statement for Victoria city for the month of March shows credit balance of \$1,557,231, and debit balance of \$752,008, leaving a margin of \$805,223.

Acknowledge Franchise.—A belated acknowledgment of the passage of the Women's Franchise Bill appeared today on the desks of W. J. Bowser and W. H. Ross in the shape of roses donated by the Women's Conservative Association.

Silver Tea.—At the residence of Mrs. Piercy, 411 Linden Avenue, on Saturday, April 14, a silver tea and musical, under the auspices of the Fairfield Branch of the Red Cross Society, will be given. The proceeds will be devoted to the Small Kit Bag Fund. Tea is being served from 3 until 6 o'clock.

Case Dismissed.—In the Provincial Police Court this morning the case against Wong-Sing was dismissed by Magistrate Jay. The accused was arraigned on a charge of having stolen a quantity of lead, the property of the Canadian Explosives Company at James Island. None of the witnesses, however, were willing to swear that the material in question was the property of the company and owing to the fact that this point in the evidence was unsubstantiated the case was dismissed.

Successful Shower.—The Young Women's Auxiliary of the Y. W. C. A. held a most successful shower for the Esquimalt Convalescent Military Hospital on Monday evening, the event taking place in the Y. W. C. A., Douglas Street. The musical part of the evening was given by Mrs. Hudson, Miss Mamie McLaren, Miss Hazel Harkness and Mrs. Thomas. Mrs. Scates fulfilled the duties of accompanist. The auxiliary desire to thank these artists for their kind help, and the following, who contributed to the shower: Mrs. E. S. Hasell, Mrs. W. J. Penderay, Mrs. Herbert Penderay, Mrs. Frank Adams, Mrs. Goodacre, Mrs. Pearson, Mrs. Pope, Mrs. Leuthwaite, Mrs. Warlock, Mrs. R. L. Phillips, Mrs. L. J. Legg, Miss Marlett, Miss Budd, Miss Schofield, Miss May Henry, Miss Edith Henry, Miss Unwin, Miss Pratt, Miss Inkster, Miss Jeffrey, Miss Edna Mitchell, Miss McLaren, First Presbyterian Church, Christian Endeavor, Hibben & Co., Copas & Young, F. R. Stewart and H. O. Kirkham.

COUNTRY STORE

Columbia Theatre Will Give Number of Valuable Prizes to Patrons.

Manager Clark is arranging everything for a rare treat to-night. There are to be forty prizes given away, twenty at each performance. Every person who buys a 10c ticket will have an opportunity to get an order for an article in the Country Store. The order will be inserted in the programme, and every person who enters the house this evening will be presented with one. Last Wednesday a similar affair was held, which met with great success—the house being crowded long before eight o'clock. The object of the management is to give the very best prizes possible, nothing cheap will be given away.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

A WHIST DRIVE will be held by Queen of Island, L. O. B. A., in Orange Hall, to-morrow evening at 8.30. Meeting 7.30. Prizes and refreshments.

POMERANIANS CHEAP—One thoroughbred male and one my little white female (both thoroughly housebroken); also one black puppy. 212a Ridge Road.

LOOK AT THE PRICE of shoe leather, then drop and see my latest and new ties, etc. Ride a bike, cheaper than walking. Huffle, the cycle man, 781 Yates.

WILL PAY CASH for few rooms of furniture and household effects; dealers. Box 1069, Times.

O'CONNELL, chimney sweep. Phone 1627.

TO RENT—Modern flat, partly furnished, close to beach and park. 12 Boyd Street. Phone 1061.

FOR RENT—Two roomed shack, part furnished, 45 month. 62 Drake Avenue, Esquimalt.

FAIRM of about 20 acres wanted, at least 20 under cultivation, Spanish or Duncan blood, superior to any other price. City Brokerage, 506 Union Bank.

TO LET—Well furnished apartment, light and heat; adults only; \$15 per month. 1128 Yates Street.

SE CORMORANT, nicely furnished housekeeping rooms, hot and cold water, gas range, bath, light, phone, laundry, \$12.50 up.

TIMBER LICENSES should be protected from cancellation by being surveyed this year. Swannell & Noakes, 1906 Government Street. Phone 377. Logging roads and mineral claims surveyed.

BORN

WALLIS.—At 924 Queen's Ave., April 10, to the wife of Driver William Wallis, M. T. A. S. C., Salonica, a son; both well.

DIED

ROWLAND—Spencer Rowland, who departed this life Feb. 16, in London, England, aged 32 years. He leaves a widow and two children in Victoria.

MAYOR EXPLAINS THE PARK ARRANGEMENT

City Will Surrender 4.6 Acres of Rock For Six Acres of Level Land

The difference between the land offered on the reserve under the McBride settlement of Christmas, 1912, and the Oliver offer yesterday is not very great in acreage, though great in potential value. The two small parks rejected by the adoption in City Council of the report of January 19 aggregated 4.6 acres, the present area proposed is just under six acres.

The chief difference is not in the area but in the character of the land, the site selected being one of the two recommended in the aldermanic report of January 19, the other being the rocky knoll north of the Esquimalt Road.

The Mayor states this morning that the deciding point was the particular adaptability of the lower ground for playground purposes, since Victoria West has no public park or playground. It was felt that the other location would develop perhaps better from a landscape point of view, but could never be a proper children's playground. The arrangement between the Government and City is that the two bluffs of rock offered in 1912, and which appear to have been allotted because they were no good for railway terminal purposes, on either side of Johnson Street extension, are to be used by public bodies and corporations and individuals as rock quarries, until graded down, at which time the title will be vested in the Government. They are in very hard rock, in a cut at least 20 feet high. Pending some settlement with regard to the bridge, no arrangement was made yesterday with reference to the grade on the portion of Johnson Street hitherto carried out. The grade is considerably higher than the present grade at the western approach to the crossing of the harbor. As stated some days ago, the work is entirely suspended on this road, awaiting some determination of the level of the future bridge. If this road is carried out according to the original plan, it would pass on level ground close to the south side of the new park reserve, and be therefore a great asset in the future when the acreage is improved.

MEMBER OF 30TH BACK IN VICTORIA

Sgt. Wills is One of Three Returned Soldiers Who Arrived To-day

This afternoon's boat brought three war heroes back from the front. The men were given a very hearty welcome on coming off the boat. They are Sgt. Wills, Sgt. Macdonald, and Pte. Winter. Sgt. Wills went from Victoria with the 30th Battalion, which left here in the early part of 1915. Sgt. Macdonald belonged to the 29th Battalion, which went from Vancouver. The three men are reporting at Esquimalt Military Convalescent Hospital this afternoon.

TWO NURSING SISTERS LEAVE FOR OVERSEAS

Miss Hall and Miss Macdonald Were Bidden God Speed Yesterday

Many of the fair sex have gone from this city to take their share of the hardships near the field of battle, while those who have not left Victoria are doing their level best to make the lot of the Tommy at the front easier. In keeping with the noble work of the profession and imbued with the right spirit of patriotism, Miss E. M. Hall and Miss Hazel Macdonald left this city yesterday on their way for duty on foreign soil. The last named was born in Wellington, while Miss Hall is a native daughter of Victoria. Miss Hall is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hall, of 1602 Richmond Avenue. She graduated from St. Joseph's Hospital in the class of 1914. She was a general favorite with the medical profession, while her kindly disposition and cheery smile, the acknowledged attributes of a successful

Victorians Photographed in France



The illustration above represents a group of Victoria boys—with the exception of Private Arnold, of Moose Jaw—who left British Columbia with the 48th Battalion, in June, 1915. They are still with the 3rd Canadian Pioneer, 48th Canadians, and have been in France just over twelve months. Reading from left to right their names are: Privates V. K. Wood, A. McNulty, Stretcher-Bearers R. Southworth, H. H. Neild, H. J. Nasmith, J. Dunan, Corporal W. Jackson and Private Arnold, of Moose Jaw.

DEARER SUGAR AND TEA

Further Advance on Former and Prospect of Short Supply for Summer of Ceylon Teas

As forecasted on Saturday, in the article on advancing food prices, sugar has felt the upward movement, and standard granulated advanced 25 cents yesterday, to \$8.95 per hundred pounds. Corresponding advances in all lower grades follow the upward movement, proportionate to qualities. Teas, it was stated to-day, are going to advance this summer owing to ocean freight difficulties. The bulk of the tea used in British Columbia comes from Ceylon and India, and the effect will be felt shortly. The supplies are not large, and on exhaustion of present stock, some advances are inevitable. Space will not be available till June, and that prevents arrival of new shipments till the early fall. It has been mooted that on inbound Oriental boats recently there has been a decrease of tea shipped, compared with the average at this time of year.

PRISONER IN GERMANY

Private Sammy Watson, of Cumberland, Missing Since December 1914

There comes the news from Cumberland that Private Sammy Watson was reported as missing in December last, is now a prisoner of war in Germany. His mother has received a card from the detention camp in Germany, written by the young soldier himself, upon which he declares that he is well. This is the first indication that Sammy was in the land of the living and the card in question was four months on the way.

DEATH IN ACTION TOLD BY LETTER

Private A. J. Hodgkinson, of This City, Not Posted in Official List

The widow of Private A. J. Hodgkinson, of this city, who left for overseas with the 38th Battalion last summer, has received details of his death in a letter from the chaplain of his unit. So far no mention of the soldier's death has been made in the official casualty lists, and in consequence the family were greatly distressed when the chaplain confirmed the report, which had been made known to them only in a roundabout way in other letters from the front.

In part the chaplain's letter reads as follows: "I regret to report to you the death of your husband, Pte. A. J. Hodgkinson, 180072. He was killed in action on March 2. We buried him at Ecoivres cemetery on March 4. All that we could do for him was done. He was respected by his comrades, who deeply deplore his loss. It is indeed a great blow to you, but you have the satisfaction of knowing that he died a hero for his country."

Before going overseas Private Hodgkinson was the proprietor of the bakery at the corner of Fisgard and Chambers Streets. His widow is now living with her father.

GRANTS INTERPLEADER IN LIM BANG ACTION

C. K. Courtney Claims to Have Chattel Mortgage on Property Seized

In Supreme Court Chambers, before Mr. Justice Gregory, last week, Frank Higgins, on behalf of the Sheriff, asked for an order to direct an interpleader issue in the matter of Johnson versus Lim Bang, and C. K.

WOUNDED WITH PIONEERS

Private Robertson, of the 1st Canadian Pioneers, Left Here in 1915

Posted in the casualty list this morning as wounded is Private H. Robertson, of 322 View Street. According to a cable received by his wife, who resides at the above address, he has sustained an injury to the scalp, although particulars do not indicate whether or not the wound is serious. Private Robertson went overseas with the 1st Canadian Pioneers under Col. Hodgins in September, 1915. Prior to joining for service overseas he was in the employ of the City. He is a native of England and has been in Victoria for the past seven years.

HUNDRED ACRES MORE IS BEING CULTIVATED

Such is Estimate; Twelve Tons of Seed Potatoes Sold

About 100 acres of extra land has been brought under cultivation in this city as a result of the production movement. While the attempt to estimate the acreage in Victoria due to Vacant Lot Cultivation may at present be a little premature, it is possible to form some idea of the effect of the campaign. The city authorities have plowed about 200 lots, the same number approximately have been cultivated by private teams, and are 200 additional back gardens about being cultivated this season. Allowing six city lots to the acre, that represents an extra 100 acres of the city brought under cultivation by the movement. The yield, provided that the cultivation is constant and efficient, is very difficult to judge at this stage, since the date of planting affects a number of garden crops, notably potatoes, which will be the most representative vegetable raised. The City authorities have supplied about 12 tons in small lots to customers. On some lands 1,500 lbs. of seed per acre is required to produce five tons, elsewhere the seed required for an equivalent yield is as low as 650 lbs. per acre. The average quantity which has been planted in Victoria City has been 900 lbs. to the acre. Even that has anticipated production in an average season, since it depends on the period of planting, and whether the early varieties are taken from the soil soon after being ready for the table, or allowed to mature. A delay would give three or four times as many tubers per acre as when dug early in the season. While the acreage, and the amount of seed potatoes sown as named above is approximately right, the total vegetable product, including other classes of garden truck to be grown is very hard to estimate. It is hoped that the cultivators will keep an accurate record for the purpose of subsequent statistical information. The value of the yield is also going to be the subject of investigation. Three hundred gardens under the Toronto Vacant Lots Scheme last year, with plots averaging 4,000 to 5,000 square feet, produced a retail produce value of \$9,000. Any applications for plowing should be made to-day, or to-morrow, since it is intended to close the cultivation work this week. The Mayor has decided to invite the representative of the Lot Cultivation Branch of the National Cash Registry system to open the 1918 lecture season here, since it is felt to be unwise to bring him in 1917 here now that the work is well in hand for the season. A meeting of the Central Committee is to be called in the near future to take stock of what has been done, and arrange for sustained interest in the work so happily started.



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KETTLE VALLEY RY. SUIT COMPROMISED

Settlement Is Announced on Basis of \$235,000 For Plaintiffs

A settlement by consent in the sum of \$235,000 has been reached in the case between Grant, Smith and Company and the Kettle Valley Railway Company. The case was commenced in Victoria some weeks ago and had progressed more than a week when the indisposition of Mr. Justice W. A. Macdonald caused it to be postponed and latterly the venue changed to Vancouver in pursuance of a request from His Lordship. It will be recalled that the action was brought by the Contracting firm for \$500,000, that being the balance due on the erection of a single railway line from Penticton to Hydraulic Summit. After the work had been commenced, upon which a contract had been accepted by the plaintiff company, the plans were changed. In consequence of this change, consideration of the nature of the work, the contracting firm considered the undertaking as being done on force account. The defendants on the other hand sought to hold the contractors to the original contract which was for the more profitable nature of work from a railway builders' standpoint. The plaintiffs had submitted proof up to a sum of \$480,000 which they were claiming and the witnesses heard at the time of the adjournment were Grant Smith, head of the contracting company, L. M. Rice and E. V. Hauser. The counsel engaged in the case were S. S. Taylor, K. C., with E. C. Mayors for the plaintiffs and E. P. Davis, K. C., Douglas Armour and N. F. Turnbull, of Penticton, for the defendants. J. E. McMullen watched the case in behalf of the C. P. R.

BRAZIL AWAITING MESSAGE FROM SWISS

Rio de Janeiro, April 11.—Although the Government decided yesterday on a cessation of relations with Germany, the actual promulgation of the measure had been delayed for a few hours. It is believed the Government is awaiting a reply to its request that Switzerland take over the Brazilian interests in Germany. The Council of Ministers will meet at 9 o'clock to-night.

MARRIED IN ENGLAND.

London, April 11.—C. C. Chipman, formerly chief commissioner for the Hudson's Bay Company in Winnipeg, was married to-day at Barnes to the widow of Robert Sutherland Mulloch, late of the civil service.

L. O. O. F. Funeral Notice

DOMINION LODGE, NO. 4, I. O. O. F.—Members of above Lodge are requested to attend the funeral of our late brother, Jno. Mutlow, Thursday, April 12, 1917. Meet at Hall, Douglas Street, at 2 p. m. Funeral from Sands Parlor, Quadra St., at 2.15 p. m. Sojourning brethren cordially invited to attend. E. J. HURDIN, Noble Grand, JAR BELL, Secretary.

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REVELATIONS AS TO P. G. E. MANAGEMENT

Further Evidence As to Charging of Operating Expenses To Construction

Legislative Press Gallery, April 11.

The P. G. E. committee this morning got some further light on the manner in which the contractor, P. Welch, one of the owners of the railway line, is operating the completed portion of it at the expense of the province. A statement put in showed an apparent loss on operation up to the end of November of \$78,411, but examination of General Manager Sperry on this brought out that a number of the items claimed as liabilities of the operating department have nothing whatever to do with operation.

Another astounding revelation in regard to this line which has been built by the expenditure of the money of the people of the province is that the contractor's manager arrogates to himself the right to refuse to carry freight which offers. He told the committee bluntly, cynically and arrogantly that he would quote rates which would prohibit shipments. His belief as an American is that the company has a right to dictate how business shall be done along its line. It appears that settlers are being forced to pay express rates on farm products which should be carried at freight rates.

It further came to light that as the railway is not completed the uncompleted control of freight and express rates by the Minister of Railways does not yet come into effect.

The contractor, it came out, owes the Forest Branch over twenty thousand dollars for timber royalties and has been fighting payment for more than two years.

Financial Statement. In reference to the financial statement ordered to be produced this morning from P. Welch's office, Mr. Davis stated that it would be ready in the afternoon. Fourteen men had been working day and night, Sundays and holidays, on it since it was ordered.

S. S. Taylor, K.C., counsel for the Department of Railways, promised Mr. Davis and H. A. Maclean, K.C., counsel for the P.G.E., a copy of the statement of P. Welch's profits made up by the auditors and put in before the Easter recess. He remarked that the auditors thought the difference between what Welch received from the Government guarantees and what he paid out to sub-contractors and station-men would be more than the seven and one-half millions which their statement showed, as they had not taken into consideration his profits on commissariat and several other things.

Want Mr. Gamble Again. F. C. Gamble, chief engineer of the Railway Department, was called by Mr. Taylor, but it appears that he has gone up the island on an inspection tour. He was wired for to come back, as Mr. Taylor wishes to examine him on an estimate of final cost which he handed the secretary of the committee on April 4. In the covering letter he pointed out that locomotives had doubled in cost, and it was probable that steel for high trundles could not be got within two years.

Estimate of Cost. Mr. Gamble's estimate of the cost of the P.G.E. in 1913, from the Second Narrows to Fort George, 476.1 miles, was \$27,811,927.40, an average of \$58,814 a mile. The total value of work performed he gives as \$18,000,000 and the total he estimates as necessary to complete the line \$10,778,283, making his estimate of final cost to-day \$35,779,202, which includes rolling stock and equipment. This works out at an average of \$60,448 a mile. Among the items making up the eleven millions still needed are: Engineering, \$126,814; station grounds and right-of-way, \$700,000; grading of 51 miles, \$2,589,780; bridges and culverts, \$2,297,776; tracklaying and ballasting, \$294 miles at \$2,745 a mile, and 30 miles without rails, at \$3,900 a mile, \$2,185,980; round-houses and shops, \$200,000; water and fuel stations, \$100,000; station buildings, \$200,000; telegraph line, \$122,000.

Mr. Taylor stated that he desired to examine Mr. Gamble as to the basis of his estimates for some of these items and the source of his information.

Loss on Operating. A. H. Sperry, general manager of the construction department of the P. G. E. under P. Welch since November, 1912, said he had nothing to do with the P. G. E. Railway Company

and never received any salary from it. His duties were concerned with train service and traffic. Asked what this had to do with construction he replied that the construction department was operating the road. He was in charge of train service, under P. Welch, and of tracklaying crews. This was all he had to do with construction.

Mr. Taylor—"How much has your operating department cost above receipts?"

"Up to November 30, 1916, the loss on operation was \$78,411.32. "Have you anything since?"

"No, but I estimate the net loss since to be about \$4,000 a month for December, January and February. "Is that the only loss that department has suffered?"

"No, there has been depreciation of rolling-stock."

Ten Miles an Hour. Mr. Sperry stated that the contractor had a certificate from the Department of Railways permitting the operation of passenger and freight service although the line is not fully ballasted. For twelve miles the maximum of speed authorized was ten miles an hour and on the remainder fifteen miles an hour. The witness estimated that fifty per cent. of the line is not fully ballasted. He told Mr. Taylor that he did not know whether the rail being used was the lightest on any railway in Canada.

Repair Bill. The construction department has no arrangement to make with the P. G. E. Equipment Company, which owns the rolling-stock used in operation, as to what is to be paid for the use of equipment valued at some \$622,000. On the charge of \$138,570 for repairs to equipment Mr. Sperry stated that there had never yet been any distribution of liability for this cost as between the Equipment Company and P. Welch's construction department. He admitted that there was some of this charge for repairs made on second-hand, used equipment brought to the P. G. E. work from the G. T. P. and other Welch contracts.

The witness was taken by Mr. Taylor over the statement he had put in showing assets and liabilities, and making out a loss on operation of \$78,400. This showed several items of liability which had to do with construction and not at all for operation.

Chairman Farris pointed out as peculiar that the department charged against itself things which had no bearing at all to do with operation and did not charge against itself the use of the equipment essential to operation.

"This statement has really nothing to do with the operation of the line as a completed concern," Mr. Taylor remarked. "It is just the operating branch of P. Welch's construction department, and this is all paid for by P. Welch when he gets his money from the Government. This statement mixes up operation and construction. What we want is a statement showing the operating expenses of the completed portion of the road."

Very Misleading. Mr. Taylor (to witness)—You can see that it would be very misleading if it went out to the public that you had lost \$78,000 up to November 30, and were losing \$4,000 a month since, if it were not explained how you had made up your statement. You could not show a loss of \$78,000 or anything like it unless you put in these liabilities.

The witness admitted that a number of the items had nothing to do with operation, but considered that credit had been given for this. In the course of his testimony he denied that he had anything to do with or any interest in the P. G. E. Equipment Co.

Negative Reply. G. S. Hanes asked if it was not a fact that the witness had refused to give rates on logs to be hauled from above Squamish.

Mr. Sperry replied in the direct negative and added an explanation which implied as direct an affirmative answer to Mr. Hanes's question. He said the company wanted to boom industries on its own line, and in production of the future of the road he had endeavored to have the national resources tributary to the line developed there. To carry logs to tide-water was to allow the product from these to be sent east over competing lines.

Affirmative Reply. Mr. Hanes repeated his question. Mr. Sperry (hesitant)—"I recall one case where I did say we would not put in a log rate to tide-water for delivery to be hauled away. I have not refused to make a rate on logs to mills located on our own tracks, as at Cheakamus and Squamish. I admit that I would make a rate on logs but it would not be satisfactory; it would be too high to do business under. The P. G. E. would not permit logs to be hauled from off its territory to be sawn at Bellingham or Anacortes."

Right to Discriminate. "Are you, as a railway company, discriminating as to what freight you will accept and what you will reject?"

"I think that is quite proper."

Chairman Farris—"Do I understand that you would not haul logs?"

"We would haul them, but we would make a rate on them!"

"You would make a rate at which shippers could not ship? You would make a prohibitive rate?"

"It is almost necessary to conserve the resources of the line to the province."

"You would prevent millmen in Vancouver securing logs from along your line and thus competing with the mills at Cheakamus or Squamish?"

The witness replies to this were characterized by the chairman as quibbles.

Mr. Taylor—"This is supposed to be a colonization road, is it not?"

"You can only colonize by getting industries in the country and not shipping out logs."

"Then you stand in judgment over businessmen as to how they shall conduct their business. If he does not carry it on to suit you you will not carry his freight. Is it your function to dictate how the resources of the province shall be developed?"

"I think it is."

"You think it right for a subsidized road, and subsidized as strongly as

this is, to refuse to do business with people except as it sees fit?"

"I do. It is done on every road."

Mr. Taylor pointed out that in the preamble to the P. G. E. Act it was recited that the contract was being entered into "for the purpose of securing to the people of the province reasonable passenger and freight rates and to assist in the opening up and development of the province." This looked very like doing so, he commented caustically.

Down to Cases. To Mr. Hanes the witness denied that there was any charging of express or freight rates just as pleased, but again he had to alter his answer on being pressed with the information that there were specific cases proving otherwise. In a case where a shipper had paid express rates on a shipment of dead hogs and complained about it, Mr. Sperry put the blame on the express messenger and said the matter had been adjusted to freight rate. He admitted that a charge of \$3 to carry a ton of potatoes eight miles was not a freight rate. However, he said that other roads did the same and Mr. Pooley (Esquimalt) expressed approval of the company's action in this regard.

Mr. Taylor corrected Mr. Sperry's idea of the free-and-easy charges by some mythical "other companies," with the remark that all rates and classifications were under the control of the Railway Commission.

Are Americans. Mr. Sperry, in reply to Mr. Taylor, said he was an American and had never been on a Canadian line before. Mr. Welch is an American, E. F. White is an American and so are several other officials of the company.

It was drawn to the attention of the witness that in the memorandum of agreement of the P. G. E. Equipment Company his name appeared as general manager and a provisional director. Mr. Sperry had forgotten that he was one of the "dummy" directors, but he recalled attending the first meeting of directors and he had never resigned.

Debt to Government. Mr. Barclay of the Forest Branch, told the committee that there is owing to the government from the contractors of the P. G. E. a sum of \$3,872 for stumpage dues, and a further \$14,564.71 as its contribution to the fire-fighting and forest protection fund. This has been in arrears since 1914, and was in addition to \$7,418 that had been paid before that date. The company claimed that it had the right to timber free of stumpage from vacant Crown lands but this was for timber from alienated lands.

Mr. Taylor read an opinion given by Mr. Bowser—Attorney-General in January, 1915, that the P. G. E. must pay stumpage. In giving it Mr. Bowser said he knew the intent of the contract as it had been drawn in, his office.

The committee meets again to-night.

JUDGMENT DOWN ON INSURANCE MATTER

Recent Application in Chambers For Dissolution of Injunction Dismissed

Mr. Justice Gregory, in Supreme Court Chambers on Thursday last, reserved his judgment on an application from Mr. Cameron, of Vancouver, for an order to dissolve an interim injunction previously granted by Mr. Justice Morrison in an insurance trading matter. The injunction in question was granted to the Guardian Assurance Company, Limited, of London, England, restraining—Lieut. Col. E. S. Gunter, the Inspector of Insurance in British Columbia, granting to A. S. Matthews, of the Guardian Life Insurance Company, of Salt Lake City, a license under the B. C. Act to do business in this province. Similarity of name was the point at issue.

His Lordship observes in his written judgment handed down this morning as follows: "Inasmuch as the Guardian Fire Insurance Company has not yet been licensed to carry on its business in the province of British Columbia, I think the interests of justice will be served by directing that the plaintiffs undertake to speed the trial and set it down for hearing at the earliest possible date, this motion be dismissed. I have not seen the injunction made by my brother Morrison but I assume that it contained the usual undertaking to pay damages, etc."

"Should the plaintiff, however, fail to give the undertaking above referred to within four days the injunction will be dissolved with costs of this motion to the defendant in any event of the same. But the undertaking being given, the costs will be costs in the cause generally. Should there be any delay in bringing on the action for trial there will be liberty to apply."

WOMEN SECURE EQUAL MUNICIPAL RIGHTS

Will Be Placed on Lists and Have Same Right to Election as Men

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The delegation declared that the women were willing to render themselves liable to the road tax so long as they were given the right to vote at municipal elections in the same way as men householders.

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SIX-MONTH SENTENCE FOR SELLING LIQUOR

Two Months Additional For Keeping Disorderly House, Is Court's Decision

The next eight months of her residence in this city, Maxine Powells, a woman of the underworld, will spend behind barred doors, as a result of the sentence which was passed upon her by Magistrate Jay in the Police Court this morning. The verdict which was given is another entry on a long list of connections which the accused woman has had with the police of the country. In June of 1913 she was convicted on a charge of theft in Vancouver and in the following year she was ordered out of Winnipeg by the police of that city. Since her arrival in Victoria she has been let out by the local authorities on suspended sentence.

As stated yesterday Maxine Powells was arrested, together with a woman by the name of Mabel Woods, at premises at 212 Esquimalt Street by Inspector Heatley and Constables Devereaux, Palmer and Elder. The former woman was accused of being the keeper of a disorderly house and of having sold liquor without a license. Substantial evidence was given by a member of the force who visited the house in plain clothes on the evening in question and to whom the woman Maxine Powells sold two bottles of beer.

An astonishing supply of liquor was found upon the premises and was exhibited in the court, together with a complete opium paraphernalia.

The accused, in stating her story denied completely the truth of the evidence of the constable and other witnesses, and said that the beer was merely for the use of herself and her friends.

In passing sentence the magistrate pointed out that under the circumstances it was evident that the accused was guilty of both charges and that she had deliberately perjured herself after taking the oath. Imprisonment of six months was imposed for the conviction of selling the liquor and two months addition after the first sentence has been served for acting as keeper of a disorderly house.

The case of Mabel Woods, who is charged with being an inmate of the house, was remanded until to-morrow.

VANCOUVER ELECTION INQUIRY BILL DOWN

Premier Introduced The Measure This Afternoon Giving Wide Powers

Legislative Press Gallery, April 11.

This afternoon the Premier introduced the bill respecting the Vancouver election investigation, which has been drawn up by the judges who are to be appointed on the royal commission.

This measure extends to the commission full powers to make the most searching inquiry to summon all whom it deems as witnesses and to compel answers to all questions and punish for contempt.

The bill empowers the commission to hold an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the holding of the election in Vancouver on February 26, 1914.

The commissioners named in the bill are the Hon. W. A. Gallihier, of the Court of Appeal; Hon. Denis Murphy, and Hon. W. A. Macdonald, of the Supreme Court.

OPIMUM RAIDS MADE

Two Premises Visited by Members of Local Force Last Night

Two raids upon places suspected to be used as opium dens were made by members of the local police force last evening. The men taking part were: Inspector Heatley, Sgt. Fry, and Constables Stark, McLellan, Cockburn and Moss.

They first visited premises on Fan Tan Alley known as the Western Club, where three arrests were made. Ah Lee, Gee and Lee Man being taken. Each of the accused was fined \$11.

The second raid was not dealt with by the Court this morning but was remanded until to-morrow. In this raid three Chinese were taken in rooms situated at 1911 Douglas Street.

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Dated at Victoria this 10th day of March, 1917.

F. G. BRYNOLSON, A. E. HASENFRATZ, Witness: WM. J. CAVE, 1001 Laney Street, Victoria, B. C.

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY

NOTICE

Owing to the spread of measles in Oak Bay it is requested that parents will notify the Municipal Health Officer at once in writing of the occurrence of the disease in their families. It is also requested that, even if only one child has the disease in a family, where there are several children, all the children be kept at home until sixteen (16) days after the outbreak of the last case. This rule should be followed whether the other children have had measles or not.

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City Will Receive Reserve Adjoining Alston Street; Other Matters

City Council last evening confirmed the arrangement made by a committee to that street the day with Hon. John Oliver, Minister of Railways, with regard to the city park on the Reserve. Some time ago, recognizing that the land near the new Johnson Street extension was unsuitable for park and playground purposes, it was agreed to select a new site. The one chosen is about six acres in extent, level, and with only one small pinnacle of rock upon it. It extends 470 feet from the east side of Alston Street, and parallel to that street for a length of 550 feet, or north and south to the lines where the extension of Henry and Lime Streets would occupy if projected into the reserve. The Mayor explained that the two sites had been considered, and the one favored as above. Formal confirmation of the arrangement was made, and an application will be lodged for the land, by formal grant to the city.

Tax Sale Situation.
In the absence of several aldermen, and appreciating that the situation is still somewhat complicated by legislation now passing through the House, the aldermen decided not to discuss the recommendations named in the City Solicitor's letter, published on Friday, with regard to the proposed tax sale. The Mayor thought a policy might well be settled, without reference to pending legislation, as to whether a sale would be held this year or not.

Car Overcrowding.
As already reported in connection with the last meeting of the Trades and Labor Council, the Council agreed to ask the City Solicitor, through the Mayor, for information on the overcrowding of street cars during the rush hours of the day. The City Council agreed to that course, after hearing the following letter from the secretary of the Trades Council: "It was pointed out by delegates at our last meeting that the Esquimalt cars are crowded beyond the safety point and are loaded with more than the number which they are supposed to carry. As the B. C. Electric does not issue any workmen's tickets we expect men riding on these cars should have the same consideration as other passengers."

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George I. Warren, the popular insurance manager, reports that his company, the Guardian Casualty and Guaranty Company, had phenomenal success last year. The company had probably the largest-casualty-business in British Columbia, its premiums in this Province alone last year being in the neighborhood of \$125,000, whilst the total premium income of the company for the same period reached \$2,050,000, or over twice as much as the previous year. These statistics speak eloquently of the service which the Guardian Casualty Company is rendering to the insuring public.

On inquiring of Mr. Warren as to what he considered the keynote of this remarkable achievement, he replied that he could sum it up in the one word "SERVICE." "Service spells success," he said. "Our company's business has been built on service. For instance, all our claims are settled on the spot without delay or red-tape. When a client is sick or hurt he receives his money at the time he needs it most without any irritating formalities having to be complied with. We have paid over \$50,000 claims in British Columbia alone during the year," continued Mr. Warren. "Is it any wonder that all our clients speak well of us? If you could read the hundreds of testimonial letters I have received from gratified claimants who all are walking advertisements for us, you would see that our company is supplying a long-felt want."

A man of pleasing personality, Mr. Warren's name has always been synonymous with fair and square dealing. He has always acted upon the policy that careful attention and quick service would put him in a class above his competitors in every way possible. It is worthy of note that six of Mr. Warren's subordinates are at the present time serving the Empire in France, so that his success is all the more commendable in view of the fact that he has been without the help of these assistants, who are fighting for their King and Country.

RUMOR DISPELLED

Solicitor For Owners of Brentwood Hotel States No Proposal Made

Apart from the fact that the owners of the Brentwood Hotel, through the company's solicitor, have been asked to provide the Military Hospitals' Commission with full particulars concerning its accommodation, there has been neither a definite offer nor any suggestion that the well-known hotel will not be able to cater to the wants of the tourist during the rapidly-approaching-summer months, as it has done for some time past.

Gwynne H. Meredith, the solicitor for the Brentwood Beach Estates Company, Limited, was emphatic in his statement to the "Times" this morning that there is no foundation in the persistent rumor that the hotel is soon to be converted into a Military Convalescent Hospital. While there is always that possibility—in common with other such houses—of being the case, there is no indication pointing that way at present.

VICTORIAN WOUNDED

Pte. Albert McCandlish Spencer Injured by Shrapnel in Right Thigh

News has been received that "Pte. Albert McCandlish Spencer," who left here with the 8th Battalion last spring and who has been attached to the 25th Battalion for some time, has been wounded in the right thigh by shrapnel. While here, prior to his enlistment, he was on the staff of H. O. Kirkham & Co., and was also a resident of Saanich for some years. He is now in No. 3 General Hospital, Le Troport, France.

PROF. L. STEVENSON URGES CO-OPERATION

Suggests Business Men Form Companies to Farm Land Near Victoria

"Any action on the part of the Victoria Board of Trade that will hasten the movement of human energy towards the land will result in increased production of farm crops," was one of the paragraphs contained in a letter from Professor Stevenson, of the Experimental Farm at Saanich, read to the Council of the Board of Trade at its meeting yesterday. The subject matter of the communication was in response to a request for his opinion as to the best methods for the stimulation of production during the present year and was made by the Agricultural Foods Products Committee at a recent meeting.

Human Labor.
Mr. Stevenson continues: "All methods in agricultural production require human labor and the more intensive the method practiced the greater the expenditure of human labor." Increased production naturally follows intensive labor expenditure on the land, or, in other words, the greater the number of humans laboring on the land the greater will be the production. We have no substitute for human labor. Mechanical devices have greatly increased the productive capacity of each unit where used, and knowledge gained through years of practice has contributed much to efficiency in directing greater production.

Prices Will Go Up.
"There are a number of outstanding factors entering into the business of agriculture and its methods of production. Of these factors labor and management are of greatest importance during the present economic conditions. These two factors will largely control the production of food crops during the present and near future years.

"The labor factor as it affects agriculture is indeed serious, for without labor there can be but little production. Men on the land have been attracted by conditions that promised a living for a smaller expenditure of labor or conditions that offered more entertainment and time for such. The balance has not yet been reached, as the movement of labor from the rural to urban districts still goes on. Until this balance is found the prices of farm produce will continue to go up. After the high-point has been reached the movement of labor will reverse and become from urban to rural.

Co-operative Enterprise.
"The City of Victoria has many wealthy men, men capable of doing much to further the production of food on Vancouver Island. If the Board of Trade can influence these men to increase could be secured on the lands of Vancouver Island. The Board of Trade might encourage its members to unite as a co-operative organization to acquire lands by lease for a period of years and to operate such lands for the purpose of food production. Business men might form companies either large or small, to farm much of the sub-division lands within twenty miles of Victoria.

Business Men's Association.
"The produce from such lands now idle or producing but little, would amount to many hundred tons if handled in a business way. A Victoria Business Men's Agricultural Co-operative Association could be organized, equipment secured, and lands leased in comparatively short time and operation started this spring. Such an organization would deserve the support of all the people resident in the city and would be of great assistance to the country, as every pound of grain produced on the island releases for export a similar quantity farther east."

"Going to plant any lettuce in your garden this year?" "No! Nothing but flowers." "But you can't eat flowers." "That's true, and we couldn't eat the lettuce—I tried to raise last year, either."

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Under and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain Conditional Sale Note dated the 4th Aug., 1907, I have taken possession of a Gerhard Heintzman Cabinet Grand Piano, and will offer the same for sale at public auction at my office, Law Courts, Bastion Street, Victoria, on Wednesday next, April 11th, at 10.30 o'clock a.m.

The Piano can be seen at Sheriff's Office. Terms of sale, cash.

F. G. RICHARDS, Sheriff.
Balliff for Holder of Lien Note.

Sheriff's Office, Victoria, B. C., April 9th, 1917.

COMMISSIONERS BUSY

Very Few Applications for Woman's Franchise Going Through Court House.

When the Court House opened yesterday morning after the Easter recess there were rather less than a dozen applications for the franchise from the newly-admitted electorate. It was scarcely possible for Registrar Coombes to select any one of these fair voters as being the first to apply as far as his office was concerned, since the first batch to be handed in comprised eight applications. One or two more came in yesterday, while this morning there were at one time no less than six ladies carefully filling in the blue papers with an attitude of righteous possession.

The process of collecting the applications seems to be more or less left to the supporters of the two parties, the energetic commissioners on both sides exerting full energy to see that no single form is filled up without their respective virtues being ingeniously annotated for the applicant's further reference. The attitude at the Court House would appear to be a somewhat injured one. As far as could be learned this morning there is an inclination to regard applications passing through the channels of this legal edifice as the mere "neutrals" in the political affairs of the Province.

"So you refuse to marry me," he said to his fair Fall River sweetheart. "Yes," she answered, "I do." "Well, then, why don't you marry me?" "Because," she answered, "I just want to see what you'll do if I don't. If you behave well as a rejected suitor, I might change my mind."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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