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DECLARE FAILURE OF SUBMARINES WILL BE PLAIN IN TEN DAYS

British Officials at Washington Have Received Intimations Many German Undersea Craft Have Been Destroyed or Captured; Expect Enemy Will Abandon His Frightfulness

New York, Feb. 13.—The Tribune prints the following from its correspondent at Washington:

The flat statement that Germany's new submarine drive, in spite of its frightfulness, is a complete failure, was made in British quarters here to-day. Although the heavy toll of shipping in the first few days of the campaign caused some concern, all worry has ceased.

The British authorities here say the number of German submarines that have been captured or destroyed in the past twelve days will never be known, at least while the war lasts, but they intimate that the number has been impressive, and further that the defensive measures adopted by Britain have thwarted almost entirely the efforts of the submarines that still are operating. It will be less than ten days, they predict, before Berlin will confess failure. This confession is expected in the form of overtures to the United States looking to a "modification" of the war "zone" decree, and finally to a renewal of the German pledges against frightfulness.

In every case the experiment has been made, the British say, it has failed. Following the failure each time the German government has abandoned the system, alleging regard for American interests as the reason. As a matter of fact, it is declared, the Germans never have ceased their extreme measures until the destruction of their submarines has compelled them to do so. The British government now is convinced, it is said, that the submarine campaign not only has failed in its object of starting Britain, but that it will be abandoned altogether within a very short time.

CALL BY BRITAIN IN UNITED STATES

Summons to Britishers to Enroll for Military Service Expected

HEARTY RESPONSE WAS MET WITH IN JAPAN

Washington, Feb. 13.—A call to British subjects in the United States to enroll for military service is expected to be made within a short time. The greatest care will be exercised to avoid clashing with the American neutrality laws, which forbid recruiting and which already have been invoked against certain British officials. It was learned here to-day that a similar summons to British subjects in Japan had met with a hearty response, and the success of the experiment is believed to have furnished the inspiration for a campaign in this country. It is declared that there are thousands of Britishers in the United States available for military duty.

To a recent meeting of about 200 British subjects at Yokohama, Lieut.-Col. J. A. Somerville, military attaché of the British embassy at Tokyo, explained that the new order from the war office did not mean compulsion, but meant that Great Britain desires to determine the number of men eligible for service in the event of a general call being issued. He added that Great Britain wishes that every one of her eligible subjects should enlist, except in cases where a consul might decide that a man could serve his country best by retaining his present occupation.

British commercial interests, it is planned, shall be maintained with the least injury possible, and to help in this line men who are employed by neutral firms could shift to British concerns and fill the places of men who did enlist. In asserting that persons now enlisting would have no trouble in finding positions after the war, Lieut.-Col. Somerville said: "There will be more jobs than men at home. Besides, the work of developing the colonies captured from Germany will create positions for many British subjects."

A GERMAN CLAIM.

Berlin, Feb. 13.—Two attacks were made yesterday by Russian troops on the upper Sereth river, the war office announced. Several battalions were employed. The statement says the assaults were repulsed.

AUSTRALIA'S GREAT WAR LOAN SUCCESS; IS OVERSUBSCRIBED

Sydney, N. S. W., Feb. 13.—The Commonwealth of Australia's latest war loan for \$90,000,000, launched co-jointly with Great Britain's "victory loan," has proved a great success, having been greatly oversubscribed.

GERMANY FORCED TO SUMMON ALL TRADES LEADERS TO COLORS

London, Feb. 13.—A Reuter dispatch from Berne says that the German authorities suddenly have called to the colors all officials of the trade unions and Socialist organizations. The officials, who aggregate 10,000 in number, previously had been exempt from military duty.

A NATIONAL LOSS



LATE HON. RALPH SMITH
Minister of Finance in the British Columbia administration.

HON. RALPH SMITH TAKEN BY DEATH

Minister of Finance Succumbs to Illness Which Seized Him a Week Ago

HAD HONORABLE AND LONG PUBLIC CAREER

The flag drooping half-masted at the parliament buildings to-day gives silent token that the illness of Hon. Ralph Smith, minister of finance, has resulted fatally.

Soon after 11 o'clock last evening the minister passed away in his apartments at the Glenislie Inn, Douglas street, in the presence of his family and his chief. He was unconscious at the moment of his death and had been so for some time.

It was on Monday a week ago that the minister complained of not feeling very well, but he stuck to his desk until late in the afternoon. In the evening he had to retire to his bed, and Dr. Leeder was summoned to attend him. During the week he progressed fairly and by the end of the week was hoping to be back at his office yesterday.

A relapse occurred on Saturday, and when he was seen by his colleague, Hon. Dr. King, on Sunday afternoon his condition was becoming serious, and it was felt advisable to send for his sons in Vancouver. Yesterday he sank into unconsciousness, and from that on the disease, uraemic poisoning, made rapid advance.

When the minister passed away there were present Mrs. Smith, their sons Robert and Ralph, their daughter Mary (Mrs. John Carr), of this city, Mr. Carr and Hon. Mr. Brewster.

The funeral arrangements are in the hands of the B. C. Funeral Co. The remains will be taken to Vancouver by the afternoon steamer to-morrow and the funeral will take place there on Friday. The premier and all the ministers will go over for that day. A third son, Richard, is on his way west from Regina and the funeral is being delayed on his account. The fourth son, Lieut. John W. Smith, is lying wounded in England, the news having come the day the minister was taken ill.

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PATROL SHIPS ARE DOING THE TRICK

How British Navy Frustrating German Submarines Near British Isles

New York, Feb. 13.—The New York papers say that a funnel-shaped sea lane of armed patrol ships extending 200 miles from the British Isles westward has been established by the British Admiralty. Passengers arriving yesterday on the Cunard liner Andania from Liverpool reported this. Light cruisers, light patrol boats and armed trawlers literally lined the course taken by the Andania from Fastnet until she was safely out of the war zone, it was said.

At times the patrol boats were so close to the Andania that her passengers said they appeared to be separated by less than half a mile of sea in close places.

The British Admiralty, according to the Andania's passengers, apparently had anticipated the German move and for weeks had been equipping a large fleet of patrol boats to protect trans-Atlantic liners.

EXPLOSION AT BRITISH MUNITIONS FACTORY

London, Feb. 13.—An explosion occurred at a munitions factory in York-shire to-day. A statement issued by the government says it is believed that no lives were lost. Some damage was done to the neighborhood.

WOULD OPEN PORTS OF THE STATES TO WAR VESSELS OF ENTENTE POWERS AS REPLY TO ENEMY'S SEA SAVAGERY

Senator Saulsbury, of Foreign Relations Committee, Introduces Bill at Washington; Berlin Says "Periods of Grace" for Neutral Ships Have Expired; Washington, Expects Overt Act

Washington, Feb. 13.—A bill directed against ruthless submarine warfare and proposing to open the ports, harbors and waters of the United States in time of war to warships or vessels of belligerents against whom such warfare is waged, was introduced to-day by Senator Saulsbury, of Delaware, president pro tem of the Senate and a member of the foreign relations committee. At his request it was referred to the foreign relations committee.

The bill is entitled "An Act to Discourage the Violation of International Law Upon the High Seas."

Amsterdam, Feb. 13.—All periods of grace for neutral ships entering the "zones" announced as prohibited by Germany have now expired, according to a Berlin official statement received here. The statement says that immunity ceased in respect of the Atlantic and English Channel zones on the night of February 12, for the North Sea zone on February 6, and for the Mediterranean zone on February 10. It continues:

"From now on, therefore, in all prohibited zones the warning which has been issued is in full force and shipping can no longer expect individual warning. Vessels which enter the prohibited areas do so with the full knowledge of the dangers threatening them and their crews. It is expressly stated that all news spread from enemy sources of any torpedoing of neutral ships without previous warning before the dates mentioned for the various prohibited areas is incorrect.

"The periods of grace mentioned also were in force for enemy passenger vessels, because it was possible that they were carrying neutral passengers who perhaps were ignorant of the new blockade regulations."

Several questions.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Berlin's formal announcement that the time has expired for all exceptions in the campaign of ruthlessness turned attention to-day to the questions which confront the American government in whatever next step may be taken to meet the situation. President Wilson abandoned his usual morning game of golf and remained at work in his study. In the afternoon the cabinet meeting went over the situation.

Among the questions now being carefully considered are:

The proposed conference of neutrals to outline the rights of nations not engaged in the war. This has not taken definite form and its exact status has not been divulged, nevertheless it is known the idea had not been abandoned.

Naval Guns.

Loading guns for the arming of American merchant ships. The pro-ponderance of opinion among officials who have advised the president on this point favors having the navy furnish the guns.

Action on Austria's situation in the new campaign. The new ambassador, Count Tarnowski, still is waiting to present his credentials.

A reply to Mexico's suggestion for embargoes on the shipment of food and ammunition to the belligerents. Any or all of these questions are expected to be decided in the near future.

While it was reiterated to-day that the president would not be rushed into war, it was plain that all officials realized that the much feared overt act might come at any time.

On the Table.

New York, Feb. 13.—The Washington correspondent of the Tribune sends the following:

Uncle Sam's cards are on the table. The dullest diplomat in all Christendom could not mistake the import of yesterday's news. Certainly Germany can be under no further illusions as to what she can accomplish here by pulling strings.

With the suddenness of a thunder-clap yesterday afternoon came the authoritative news that what had been speculated about since Saturday was true—Germany had made one last desperate effort to undo what she had done two weeks ago, and had failed. Her proposal was no more than an attenuated "feeler" put out to see how

RELIEF WORK BY SPANISH AND DUTCH

Probable They Will Take Task in Belgium and Northern France

HOOVER NEGOTIATING WITH GOVERNMENTS

Paris, Feb. 13.—The Marquis de Villalobar, Spanish minister to Belgium, has offered to confer with Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the American Commission for Relief in Belgium, in either Holland or London, according to the Figaro. The Spanish minister, according to the paper, is anxious to devise means for the immediate continuation of the work of relief for the populations of Belgium and Northern France.

Deep Regret.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Deep regret at the expulsion by the German military authorities of the American relief commissioners in Belgium and Northern France was expressed officially at the state department to-day, where it was said there was absolutely nothing that this government could do to secure a revocation of the military order.

Negotiations now are going on directly between Chairman Hoover, of the relief commission, and the Spanish and Dutch governments, which are expected to form a joint commission to take over the work. Some months ago the British government intimated that it would not continue the relief privileges unless they were administered by Americans, but it is hoped that this attitude may be changed when the new arrangements are completed.

Transferring Control.

New York, Feb. 13.—More than 10,000,000 persons who have been fed through the efforts of the American Commission for Relief in Belgium will suffer no immediate hardships from the withdrawal of the American commission from participation in this work in Belgium and Northern France caused by the German authorities. Upon his return from Boston to-day, Herbert C. Hoover took up plans already under way for transferring control of this relief to another neutral organization.

Mr. Hoover said that six weeks' supply of food, valued at \$25,000,000, had been stored in warehouses in the various districts where the relief commission had been active. Belgium officials who have been in charge of this food will be authorized to administer its distribution until plans for the reorganization of the work can be put into effect.

Will Co-operate.

The American commission, barred from Belgium, will continue its activities toward obtaining funds and will co-operate with the new organization formed to distribute supplies.

Notification that American citizens could no longer occupy positions in connection with the relief commission in the occupied territories of France and Belgium came from Baron von der Lancken, the German civil governor of Brussels.

URGING PEACE.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The executive committee of the Friends of Irish Freedom, led by Victor Herbert, the composer, called at the White House to-day and left resolutions urging President Wilson to maintain peace.

BRITISH HEM TURKS IN BEND OF TIGRIS NEAR KUT-EL-AMARA

Advance From 800 to 2,000 Yards on Bank of River West of Town and Drive Enemy to His Last Trenches; New Line on Frontage of 5,500 Yards; Turkish Bridge Hit; Vessels Sunk

London, Feb. 13.—Official announcement was made to-day that the British forces on the Tigris front have established a line across the Tigris bend west of Kut-el-Amara, completely hemming in the Turks.

The text of the announcement follows:

"On Saturday the enemy's bridge at Shumran was shelled. A direct hit was scored and some enemy ships were sunk.

"On Sunday the advance on the right bank of the Tigris was resumed and the enemy was driven back to his last trenches in the Dabra bend west of Kut. By evening our line was established across the bend from bank to bank on a frontage of 5,500 yards, and the enemy was hemmed in. The distance covered in the advance varied from 800 to 2,000 yards."

\$1.60 A POUND FOR FOWL IN GERMANY

Americans Who Arrived in Switzerland With Gerard Describe Conditions

PORK AND MUTTON 50 TO 70 CENTS

Berne, Feb. 13.—Americans who arrived here from Germany with former Ambassador Gerard are congratulating themselves on having escaped further wrestling with the German food problem.

They state that butchers' windows well-stocked with assorted meats, such as are seen here, are an unwelcome sight in Berlin. Meat is now so scarce in the German capital that it is never hung in windows to attract buyers, but is speedily distributed without advertising. Customers keep in close touch with the butcher, so as to know when the next meagre supply will be on sale.

Practically all the meat is sold on cards entitling each person to half a pound weekly, but dishes made of kidneys, lungs and other scraps can be bought in restaurants without cards. Game and poultry are exempt from the card system and command extraordinary prices. The maximum prices for pork and mutton range from 50 to 70 cents a pound, but a dollar more is paid at backdoors, for, despite Germany's genius for organization, much surreptitious dealing prevails.

\$30 for a Goose.

The rich, of course, suffer comparatively little. They are still able to buy high priced poultry or fish, Turkey, geese and chickens still are displayed in windows and bear labels announcing that they can be purchased at from \$1.20 to \$1.60 a pound. Cases have been reported where a fat goose brought more than \$30.

The poorer people, especially in Berlin, undoubtedly are suffering from hunger, as their food is confined mainly to bread, potatoes, turnips and low grade marmalade.

It spite, however, of the fact that food is very scarce, one seldom sees anyone visibly showing marks of underfeeding, these Americans state. Some elderly persons and some anxious mothers look emaciated and reduced weight is quite general. The general verdict is that the health of the people is better than before the war, when over-eating almost had assumed the character of a national besetting sin. Short comings are borne cheerfully and the people are mostly disposed to jest over the matter where the pinch is not too keen, these Americans say. The men in authority, however, recognize that Germany is confronted with a problem of growing difficulty. The next four months are regarded as especially critical, because the supplies of vegetables, except potatoes and turnips, are practically exhausted.

FELT IN BRITAIN IS LITTLE TO FEAR FROM AERIAL RAIDS

London, Feb. 13.—The first change in the government rate of insurance against enemy aircraft bombardment risks since the scheme was inaugurated in July, 1915, has been announced. It takes the form of a discount of 50 per cent. on all rates.

THREE MORE LINERS REACH THE STATES

British Passenger Steamships Laconia, Ascania and Canopic Arrive

GUNS READY FOR AMERICAN VESSELS

New York, Feb. 13.—Two British passenger liners, the Laconia, from Liverpool Feb. 3, and the Ascania, from London Jan. 25, reached here to-day and reported having passed through the war zone without sighting anything unusual.

Canopic In.

Boston, Feb. 13.—The White Star liner Canopic, from Mediterranean ports with passengers, arrived here to-day.

Guns Ready.

New York, Feb. 13.—There was being unloaded at the New York navy yard to-day from railroad lighters a large number of naval guns of various sizes which, according to information emanating from the yard, are intended for the arming of American merchantmen in case this policy is decided upon. It was said that more than 200 guns had been ordered delivered to the yard for this purpose.

ACTIVITIES ALONG ROUMANIAN FRONT

Scouts and British Armored Cars at Work; Petrograd Reports

Petrograd, Feb. 13.—"Scouting reconnoissances and infantry firing are proceeding on the Rumanian front," says an official report issued to-day. "British armored motor cars twice advanced toward the enemy's positions in the region of the mouth of the Sereth and the positions also were bombarded by our artillery."

"The situation on the Caucasian front is unchanged.

"Some of our aviators dropped four bombs on the enemy's aerodrome in the village of Kobylint, north of Lake Narotché. Enemy aeroplanes dropped bombs on the Pogorelay station, on the Alexandrov railway, on Lucid and in the region southeast of Galitch, Northeast of Fokahani, one of the French aviators engaged an enemy machine, which descended rapidly, apparently damaged."

AN AUSTRIAN NAVY YARD BOMBED BY ITALIAN AVIATORS

Rome, Feb. 13.—Italian seaplanes caused considerable damage in raids on the San Rocco navy yard, near Trieste, on Sunday night, according to a statement issued by the Admiralty. The statement says that a number of bombs were dropped, causing the outbreak of an extensive fire. All of the machines, which belonged to the upper Adriatic squadron, returned safely.

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BELGIANS FORCED TO DO MILITARY WORK

Bruges, Feb. 12.—The Belgian government says it has learned that laborers at Bruges are being arrested in the streets by Germans and immediately sent to the German front along the Yser, where they are forced to do military work, such as putting up barbed wire fences and digging trenches.

It is asserted that 75 per cent. of the men who were compelled to present themselves to the military authorities have been taken for work. These men are between the ages of 15 and 45. They leave their homes Monday and return Saturday.

COLD IN NEW YORK.

Middletown, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Reports received from various sections of Orange and adjoining counties show temperatures ranging from 27 to 29 degrees below zero this morning, the coldest of the season in this vicinity. Several persons were overcome by cold.

New York, Feb. 12.—This is New York's coldest day in exactly three years. Temperatures dropped off to the zero mark for the first time since February 13, 1914, when the reading was one below.

PORT OF PIRAEUS SWEEPED BY FLAMES

Heavy Loss of Life; Fire Started in Munitions Plant

London, Feb. 12.—Fire was sweeping through a large section of Piraeus last night, causing a heavy toll of life, according to a Reuter dispatch sent from the Greek port last night. At the time the dispatch was sent the fire had been raging for four hours and was not under control in spite of the combined efforts of all the available Greek firemen and soldiers aided by French, British and Italian sailors.

The conflagration started in a munitions factory late Monday afternoon and spread rapidly over a considerable area.

GERMAN DESTROYER MOVES FROM YMUIDEN

Berlin, Feb. 12.—The Admiralty made the following announcement last evening: "The V-69 left Ymuiden last night and arrived safely at a German base this morning."

The destroyer V-69 was damaged in the battle between British and German light sea forces last month, and was taken into Ymuiden by her crew. A dispatch from that port on Sunday night said the destroyer had left port escorted by a German tug which had arrived during the day with sailors to take the places of the men wounded in the battle.

FRANCE'S INCOME.

Paris, Feb. 12.—Indirect taxes and monopolies in France produced a revenue in January 109,000,000 francs larger than in the corresponding month last year and 36,500,000 francs more than in that month of normal year. Only 48,000,000 francs of this increase was due to importations. The remainder was in consequence of recovered economic activity and of the tax voted at the end of last year.

The new sugar tax yielded \$500,000 francs. The additional tax on wines resulted in a gain of 2,500,000 francs and on tobacco 2,500,000 francs.

STILL IN GRIP OF MILITARY LEADERS

But Germans Are Utterly Weary of War, Say Two Americans

Rotterdam, Feb. 12.—Two Americans who have reached Rotterdam since the break in relations between the United States and Germany—although in both cases their passports had been applied for before the rupture—gave similar accounts of the present conditions in Germany to the Associated Press today. One of these men came from Berlin, the other from Frankfurt. Each had been in Germany a little more than a year and in that time each met 30 pounds in weight.

Theodore Wurslin, an engineer of Jena, N. S., said his experience with workmen in Berlin had proved to him that they were tired of the war, but nevertheless determined to hold out. Many of them earn good wages, virtually all of which they spend for food, and they are thus better off than persons higher up in the social scale. Mr. Wurslin says he saw groups of British, French and Russian war prisoners, especially Russians, sweeping the streets, carting goods and performing other labor. He said they were never molested or insulted.

Of Mr. Wurslin's ten American associates, about half had decided to remain in Germany whatever happened. The other American is a New York business man who said the food situation was very bad in Frankfurt. He told harrowing stories of the hardships undergone by the people, who, he said, were utterly weary of the war, but entirely devoted to the military leaders.

Both the men asserted that the break between the United States and Germany had caused no excitement, that Americans in Germany were being well treated and that no apprehension need be felt for the welfare of those left behind. While agreeing that most articles of food were still to be had by persons with well filled purses, he said the poorer classes were suffering, but that the country was not near the starvation point.

PRUSSIAN-AMERICAN TREATY.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Flat rejection by the United States of Germany's proposal to discuss international difficulties between the two countries without Germany first halting her illegal submarine campaign left one other suggestion of the Berlin government still pending at the state department today. That was to reaffirm the Prussian-American treaties of 1799 and 1828, relating mainly to treatment of enemy residents in war times with a number of new provisions which apparently would constitute almost a new treaty.

It seemed quite probable that this proposal, the same as that submitted to Ambassador Gerard at Berlin after he had asked for his passports and which he declined to consider, will be frowned upon also.

President Wilson had under consideration today the question of whether the navy department shall furnish guns to arm American merchant ships, as it is understood the department has recommended.

CAWTHORPE EXPELLED.

Regina, Feb. 12.—When the legislature met yesterday afternoon Premier Martin moved, seconded by Hon. W. F. A. Torgerson, that Charles H. Cawthorpe, member for Biggar, having been found guilty of accepting a bribe to influence his action in a matter under consideration by the House, be expelled from the legislature and his seat declared vacant. The motion was passed without comment.

IN GERMANY SPAIN ACTS FOR STATES

Berlin, Feb. 12.—Via London, Feb. 12.—The building formerly occupied by the American embassy was almost deserted today when Polo de Bernabe, the Spanish ambassador, arrived to take over representation of American interests in Germany. The ambassador will retain part of the former clerical force, which is familiar with the routine. Gil de Gado has been installed as personal representative of the Spanish ambassador, who in assuming the care of American interests is burdened with the affairs of eight belligerent nations.

The upper half of the building is occupied by the Dutch government, which is representing Great Britain here.

The American consulate-general in Berlin was closed today. The vice-consul has been transferred to Rotterdam. Julius G. Lay, the consul-general, is now in the United States.

TO BE HANGED.

Winnipeg, Feb. 12.—Bert Spain, the sixteen-year-old murderer of Mr. and Mrs. James Vincent of Stonewall, this forenoon was sentenced by Mr. Justice Macdonald to be hanged on May 15.

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INCREASE PRODUCTION, IS BURRELL'S APPEAL

Federal Minister of Agriculture Urges Everybody to Do Something

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Hon. Martin Burrell, minister of agriculture, has issued an appeal to the farmers and people of Canada generally to increase production during the present year. The appeal is as follows:

"Two years ago, in a message to the farmers of Canada, special emphasis was laid on the important part food production and its distribution would play in this world war."

"It was pointed out that the drafting of 20,000,000 men to European battlefields and the destructive process of war itself must inevitably be followed by diminished production and enhanced cost of food. To-day, Roumania, Poland and Belgium are conspicuous and tragic examples of what these things mean. The German food ration is now half the normal requirement, and under the steady pressure of British sea power the German is daily tightening his belt. But though the greatest stress is on the central powers, other nations are feeling the strain. The smaller neutral countries are confronted with food shortage and high prices. Switzerland and Holland, in arms for defence, feed from their own scanty supply. Thousands of refugees who, homeless and destitute, have fled thither for sanctuary. Britain, menaced by an ever-increasing submarine warfare, is organizing her agriculture on a new basis, enlisting for her farms the services of women and disabled soldiers and putting her beautiful and historic parks under the plough. France sows her grain and reaps her harvest, even within the sound of the guns, by the heroic and unceasing labor of her old men, women and children."

Vital Factor.

"Such is the picture of Europe at this hour. Facing the fateful days which lie before us in this, the third and sternest year of the war, we realize with increasing clearness how vital a factor in the final decision the food supply must be. The government of this country fully appreciates what the farmers have done during the last two years. In urging them to maintain their efforts, though confronted with more difficult conditions, I do it not because of the high prices which doubtless will hold for nearly all food products, but because of the important and special service which Canadian agriculture can render to the empire at this time. All who assist in this work render a great service to the state. I do not say the greatest work is not done by those who, facing death daily, serve their country at the battle-front. Thousands of us can do no more, but we who are mercifully free from the iron heel of the invaders, who know nothing of the terrors by which others suffer, may well redouble our efforts to supply what they may sorely need."

Individual Efforts.

"I especially appeal in this critical year to the citizens of our cities and towns who hitherto have not felt the necessity for directing their energies to food production. Individual efforts, even though small and unskilled, will mean much in the aggregate. By applying their labor to uncultivated lands near their homes, or by assisting farmers, everybody having health can accomplish something. There is need, not only for an increased supply, but for wise economy of food. If all labor is not efficient there can at least be patience and forbearance where partial efficiency is accompanied by willingness. There is no place in the state now for either half-hearted service or ill-founded criticism. In the common task which faces the country co-operation should be the watchword. The Dominion and Provincial departments of agriculture already are giving and will continue to give special attention to the many problems involved. The National Service Board and municipalities also are devoting their energies to these questions, and I am confident that with a vigorous organization both of women and men, the country will give wholehearted and active support to a work which at this special time is a high and necessary national service."

(Signed) "MARTIN BURRELL,"
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TOOK MORE GROUND NORTH OF THE ANCRE

British Got 600 Yards of Trenches Near Beaucourt; Puisieux Road

London, Feb. 12.—The following official report was issued last night:

"We made further progress last night north of the Ancre in the neighborhood of the Beaucourt-Puisieux road, where we occupied some 600 yards of hostile trenches without difficulty."

"Early in the night the enemy attacked our new positions south of Serre hill, but, caught by our artillery barrage and machine gun fire, was easily repulsed."

"Southeast of Armentieres one of our raiding parties blew up a hostile ammunition depot and captured a few prisoners. This morning an enemy raiding party, observed collecting in enemy positions northeast of Neuville St. Vaast, was dispersed by our artillery."

"Successful bombardments were carried out by us during the day north of the Somme and in the neighborhood of Armentieres and Ypres."

"In the course of the air fighting yesterday one German aeroplane was driven down damaged. One of our machines is missing."

French Report.

Paris, Feb. 12.—The war office gave out the following report last night:

"There was intermittent firing by the artillery in the region of Bezaux and some sectors in the Vosges. Everywhere else the day was calm."

A Belgian communication said:

"In the neighborhood of the Ferryman's House there was patrol activity during the night. In the direction of Het Sas this morning, bomb and grenade firing occurred. The artillery was moderately active at various points along the front."

German Statement.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—The following official statement was issued last night:

"On the north bank of the Somme, after the failure of English attacks, the firing continued with considerable force."

"Nothing of importance has been reported from the other fronts."

"A German submarine on February 10 in the Hooftens shot down and destroyed a French naval fighting sea-plane. Both inmates of the machine were made prisoner."

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"Southeast of Armentieres one of our raiding parties blew up a hostile ammunition depot and captured a few prisoners. This morning an enemy raiding party, observed collecting in enemy positions northeast of Neuville St. Vaast, was dispersed by our artillery."

"Successful bombardments were carried out by us during the day north of the Somme and in the neighborhood of Armentieres and Ypres."

"In the course of the air fighting yesterday one German aeroplane was driven down damaged. One of our machines is missing."

French Report.

Paris, Feb. 12.—The war office gave out the following report last night:

"There was intermittent firing by the artillery in the region of Bezaux and some sectors in the Vosges. Everywhere else the day was calm."

A Belgian communication said:

"In the neighborhood of the Ferryman's House there was patrol activity during the night. In the direction of Het Sas this morning, bomb and grenade firing occurred. The artillery was moderately active at various points along the front."

German Statement.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—The following official statement was issued last night:

"On the north bank of the Somme, after the failure of English attacks, the firing continued with considerable force."

"Nothing of importance has been reported from the other fronts."

"A German submarine on February 10 in the Hooftens shot down and destroyed a French naval fighting sea-plane. Both inmates of the machine were made prisoner."

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Private Bills must be presented on or before Thursday, the 15th day of March, 1917.

Reports from Standing Committees dealing with Private Bills will not be received after Thursday, the 22nd day of March, 1917.

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SIX CANADIANS ARE HONORED BY KING

Sir Hugh Graham a Baron; Hon. A. E. Kemp and Hon. W. H. Hearst K. C. M. G.'s

London, Feb. 12.—The postponed New Year's civilian honor list was announced last night. Six Canadians are included:

Sir Hugh Graham, of Montreal, proprietor of the Montreal Star, is raised to the peerage as a baron.

Other honors are: Grand Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George: Sir George Fiddes, permanent colonial under-secretary.

Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George: Hon. Albert Edward Kemp, Dominion minister of militia and defence (of Toronto, manufacturer); Hon. Wm. Howard Hearst, premier of Ontario.

Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George: Capt. Edward Martin, superintendent of the Halifax dockyards.

Knight Bachelor: Mr. Justice Walter G. P. Cassels, of the exchequer court, Ottawa; Mortimer Davis, of the Imperial Tobacco Co., Montreal.

Among others honored, Sir Charles Wakefield, ex-Lord Mayor of London, is created a baronet, and ex-Sheriffs Touché and Sheard, of London, are made knights. All three are well-known in Canada, and recently jointly presented a new mace to the Dominion parliament at Ottawa to replace the one destroyed in the fire which destroyed the parliament buildings a year ago.

Sir Hugh Graham is of Scottish origin. A son of the late Mr. R. W. and Marion (Gardner) Graham, he was born at Huntingdon, province of Quebec, on July 18, 1848. He was educated at Huntingdon Academy and was given the honorary degree of LL.D. at the University of Glasgow in 1909. In March, 1891, he married Miss Annie Beekman Hamilton, of Montreal, who was a director of the Society of Decorative Art, Montreal, and vice-president of the English section of the women's branch; she was prominently identified with the movement for providing playgrounds for children at Montreal.

Sir Hugh Graham gained his business and newspaper knowledge under his uncle, the late E. H. Parsons. He became editor and publisher successively of the Commercial Advertiser and the Evening Telegram, Montreal; later he was for a time secretary-treasurer of the Gazette Printing Company. He founded the Montreal Daily and Weekly Star, and has devoted his whole life to the paper.

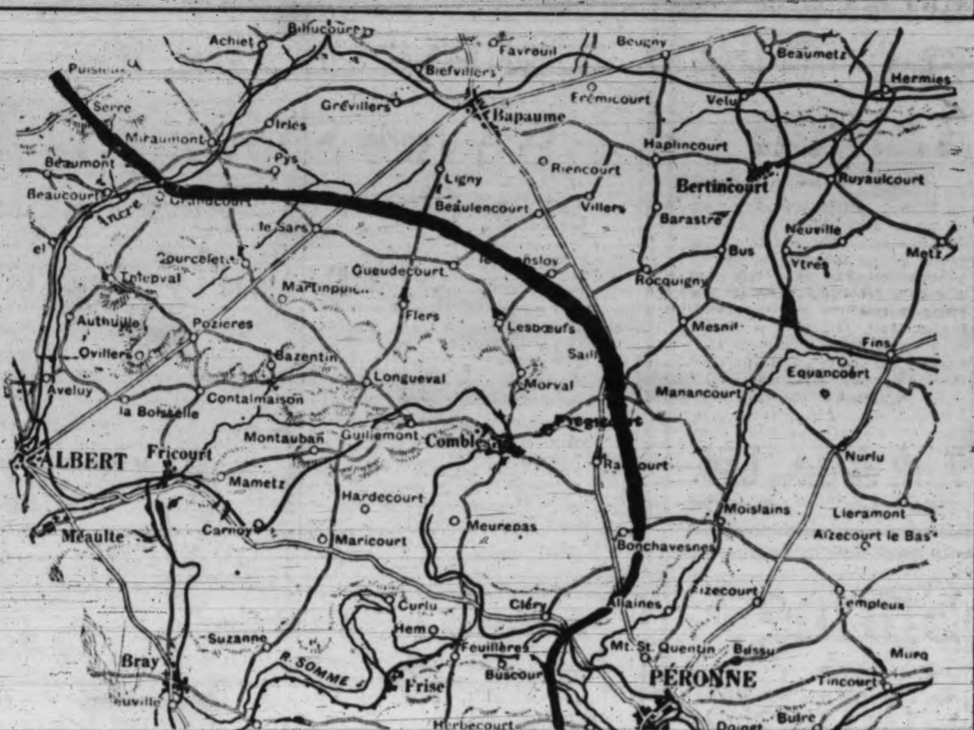
In 1897, Sir Hugh collected \$71,000 for the Indian Family Fund. In 1903 he bought and presented to the Children's Fresh Air Fund for the use of the children of Montreal. In 1907 he gave \$5,000 to the "Sarah Maxwell Memorial" and in 1909, \$10,000 to the "Children's Memorial hospital."

Hon. Sir Albert Edward Kemp was born at Clarenceville, Que., on August 21, 1858, the son of Robert Kemp, an Englishman, and Sarah A. Kemp, a Canadian. He was educated at Clarenceville and at Lacolle Academy. He went into manufacturing and since 1896 has devoted considerable time to questions of public interest. He was president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in 1895, being re-elected in 1896. In 1899 and 1900 he was president of the Toronto Board of Trade. He went as delegate of the Toronto Board of Trade to the annual meeting of the British Association in Bristol in 1898. He is a member of the Board of Regents of Victoria University, Toronto. He was elected to the House of Commons for East Toronto in 1900, was re-elected in 1904, but was defeated in 1908, but re-elected in 1911. He was taken into the Borden cabinet in 1911 as minister without portfolio. He was appointed chairman of the War Purchasing Commission on May 8, 1915, continuing in such until appointed to succeed Lord Allen. Sir Sam Hughes is minister of militia on Nov. 23, 1916. In 1879 he married Miss Wilson, of Montreal.

Sir William Hearst. Hon. Sir William Howard Hearst was born on Feb. 15, 1864, in the township of Arran, County of Bruce, Ont., the son of William and Margaret McFadden Hearst. He was educated at the public schools and the Collegiate Institute at Collingwood, Ont. In July, 1881, he married Isabella Jane Dunkin. He was a candidate for the Ontario legislature in East Alcona in 1894, but was defeated. He was elected to the legislature for Sault Ste. Marie in 1908, being re-elected by acclamation in 1911. In October, 1911, he was appointed minister of lands, forests and mines in the Whitney cabinet. After the death of Sir James Whitney he became premier of Ontario, which post he still holds.

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ALLIES' LINE NORTH OF THE SOMME



The above map shows the position of the Anglo-French line from a point north of the Ancre River to the Somme. The most recent British gains have been made just north of the Ancre.

TORPEDO-PLANE FOR USE IN SEA-FIGHTS

Private Citizens in States Plan to Put Device into Operation

New York, Feb. 12.—The New York Tribune says:

Plans for a weapon that will challenge the present dominance of the submarine in sea warfare have been in the possession of the United States navy department for five years. It is a weapon which the inventor, Rear-Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, believes would have decided the greatest naval engagement of the present war, the Jutland fight. And, it was further revealed today, private citizens, instead of the United States navy, are planning to put into operation this device as an essential preparation against possible war.

This new weapon is the torpedo-plane, a device for the aerial launching of whitehead torpedoes.

Carries Torpedo. Simply expressed, the idea is this: An aeroplane or hydro-aeroplane carries beneath it a whitehead torpedo. The aviator, when six or seven miles

away from the boat he wishes to destroy, volplanes in the direction he wishes the torpedo to be fired. When at a comparatively few feet above the water, he pulls a lever. The torpedo is released and the starting lever simultaneously thrown back. The torpedo falls into the water just as if it had been dropped from a destroyer, having also the initial velocity of the plane. The aviator rises again and the torpedo speeds on its mark. This apparatus would make a trained navy pilot with a \$20,000 aeroplane a worthy foe for a \$20,000,000 dreadnought.

Admiral Fiske has talked with naval officers and aviators alike. The navy men have declared that guns fired from a rolling warship could never hit a torpedo-plane, especially if the plane were moving rapidly either overhead or on the surface of the water, and aviators have said that they would find no difficulty in doing the work. To be put out of commission the torpedo-plane would have to be struck in a vital place. Aerial battles abroad have proved that the wings of a tractor may be riddled with bullets without impairing the effectiveness of the craft.

Will Be Tested. Whether or not the navy ultimately tries the invention, it will be tested. The first aerial patrol—a group of young Yale men headed by E. Truho Davison, a son of Harry P. Davison, of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., yesterday made known their determination to have constructed at once a torpedo-plane. Tests will be made at Palm Beach, the headquarters of the unit.

Glen Curtiss was told to-day of the latest of Admiral Fiske's inventions. "It is wonderful," he said. "I should think it would work best on a hydro-machine. I know I can build a flying boat able to carry two torpedoes, either one of which could be released without loss of balance, and I can do it in three months if I have to."

"I have seen it stated in print several times," said Admiral Fiske, "that Captain Alessandro Guidoni, of the Italian navy, tried out the plane two or three years ago and hit the target nine times out of ten at a distance of 3,000 yards. Not having an aeroplane large enough to carry a heavy long-distance torpedo, he used a light short distance torpedo, suitable to his aircraft."

"I received private information from Europe about a year ago that a lieutenant in the British navy made four flights from land over the Sea of Marmora in an air-craft under which a whitehead torpedo was secured, and sank four Turkish vessels. He used 14-inch torpedoes weighing 731 pounds each. For this he was given the Distinguished Service Order. A short time ago I got verification of this news from a wholly different source, and I also further received information which

"GREATER EFFORT" IS INDIA'S MOTTO

Remarks Made by Viceroy at Session of Executive Council

London, Feb. 12.—A special dispatch from Delhi says:

Lord Chelmsford, the viceroy, presiding at a session of the imperial executive council, said that the government's activities were being concentrated on how best to assist the empire to achieve victory. India must be ready to place all her resources at the disposal of the empire. He did not wish to minimize the efforts already made, but for the future the motto must be "Effort and yet greater effort." Lord Chelmsford asked the new members to continue to co-operate to avoid controversial questions.

Referring to the question of establishing the system of immigration of indentured labor, the viceroy emphatically declared that neither the Indian government nor the secretary of state for India would depart from the pledges already given by Lord Hardinge, but the whole question of abolition required much inquiry to guard against a bad system being succeeded by a worse one. The imperial government intended that a conference consisting of representatives of India and the overseas dominions should meet in London about next May to formulate a scheme which would be acceptable to both parties. The colonial office had accepted the decision that in its present form immigration must cease.

The Indian government, he said, intended to consider the question of the increased employment of Indians in the higher branches of the public service. Regarding the general question of political reform, the Indian government had advised the secretary of state for India last autumn, but owing to the cabinet's attention being now entirely occupied by the war, a speedy reply to this dispatch could not be expected.

Military Service. Referring to the recent ordinance requiring all European males in India between the ages of 18 and 50 to register, the viceroy stated that the time had now arrived for India to release for service in the field British units which otherwise could be employed on garrison duty. The necessities of war made it imperative to organize an Indian defence force. It was proposed therefore to introduce a bill wherein all European British subjects between the ages of 18 and 41 would be liable to general military service in India. Those between the ages of 41 and 50 would be compulsorily enrolled for local military service, and youths between the ages of 18 and 13 would be enrolled for military training. The government also proposed enrolling Indians in their own units for general military service in India for the duration of the war.

Lord Chelmsford paid high tribute to India's frontier officers and her naval, military and criminal intelligence officers, who had brought to light all schemes against India's security. He suggested that the political importance of the Mesopotamian campaign would be better known in future. Persia had maintained a benevolent neutrality. She had crushed the endeavors of the enemy and the Amir of Afghanistan had steadfastly upheld the neutrality of his country.

The viceroy, referring to the enormous importance of the appointment of three representatives of India to attend the impending war conference in London, said it marked a new chapter in India's history. He had every confidence that they would establish India's claim to retain in the council of the empire the place won for her by the loyalty of her people and the gallantry of her soldiers in the great war.

KILLED IN ENGLAND. London, Feb. 12.—Lieut. Walter Holden Legg, accidentally killed while flying in England, belonged to Okanagan, B. C.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry. Killed in action—Pte. D. McKenzie, New Harris, N. S.; Pte. C. Kemp, Moose Jaw; Pte. Thomas Douglas, Montreal; Pte. J. Malcolm, Cranbrook, B. C.; Pte. R. Richmond, Montreal; Pte. W. Pich, Montreal; Pte. B. Woodcock, Brantford; Pte. J. Mellon, Scotland; Pte. J. Taylor, Toronto; Pte. K. Bernard, Medicine Hat.

Previously reported wounded and missing; now killed in action—Pte. J. McKenzie, Vancouver; Pte. J. Hay, Revelstoke, B. C.; Pte. A. C. Collinswood, Newmarket, Ont.; Pte. N. McMillan, Newey, Sask.; Pte. W. Hill, Hamilton; Man; Pte. A. Moore, Toronto; Sergt. B. Brooks, Toronto; Pte. H. Fabian, Galt, Ont.; Pte. J. H. Finan, Ottawa; Pte. J. Graham, Conn. Ont.; Pte. A. Macneil, Twp. Ont.; Pte. J. Stephens, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.; Pte. H. Stephens, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

Previously reported missing; now missing and believed killed—Pte. C. Carruthers, Carp, Ont.; Pte. M. Soucy, Montreal. Dangerously ill—Pte. Thomas Wilson, Victoria, B. C.; Pte. A. Skilton, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Pte. H. Dugan, Sydney, N. S.; Pte. A. Abel, Lucky Strike, Alta.

Previously reported missing; now reported wounded—Pte. A. Laurin, Quebec. Wounded and missing—Pte. H. Mitchell, Montreal; Pte. A. Peck, Sargis, B. C. Previously reported wounded; now wounded and missing—Sergt. A. Platt, Toronto. Wounded: returned to duty—Pte. L. White, Hamilton; Pte. W. Candale, Nutana, Sask.; Pte. L. Fisher, England; Pte. R. Ketcheson, Madoc, Ont.; Pte. G. Sherrard, Charlottetown, P. E. I.; Cpl. J. McInnis, Glasgow, Ont.; Pte. J. Hawes, Halifax; Pte. E. Goode, Westport, N. S.; Pte. L. Sands, Toronto. Gas Poisoning—Pte. J. Fitzgerald, Toronto.

Mounted Rifles. Previously reported missing; now killed in action—Pte. W. Bugley, Amherst, N. S. Wounded—Lieut. J. Lindsay, Quebec.

Dangerously ill—Mfr. F. Glasborne, Lady-smith, Que. Wounded—Gnr. G. McNab, Toronto.

Engineers. Died of wounds—Cpl. G. Keen, St. Mary's, N. B. Wounded—Sapper W. Arthur, England.

Services. Died—Driver Saville, England.

MARRIED IN ENGLAND. London, Feb. 12.—The marriage took place to-day of Lieut.-Commander B. V. Lazard, eldest son of Col. Lazard, of British Columbia, to Joyce, the second daughter of Charles Sayer, of Chelsea.

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RELIEF WORKERS ARE DRIVEN AWAY

Germans Make It Impossible for Americans to Continue in Belgium

London, Feb. 12.—The American Commission for Relief in Belgium has officially notified the German authorities that the Americans will withdraw from participation in the relief work in Belgium and Northern France. This step was taken in reply to an order from the German authorities that Americans must withdraw from the provinces of Belgium and Northern France, leaving only a few of their representatives, headed by Brand Whitlock, American Minister to Belgium, in Brussels. The action of the commission is explained in the following statement which was given to The Associated Press last evening by directors of the commission in London.

"We were advised on February 12 by Director Warren C. Gregory from Brussels that Baron von der Lancken (civil German governor of Brussels) had notified him that American citizens could no longer occupy positions in connection with the commission in the occupied territory of France and Belgium, but that a few Americans, among them Brand Whitlock, might reside in Brussels and exercise general supervision over the work. Mr. Whitlock, however, was to have no diplomatic standing. Further, automobiles and other means of communication would be denied the Americans.

"After earnest consideration with Ambassador Page, the directors of the commission, acting in accord with Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the commission, instructed Mr. Gregory to inform the German authorities that in view of their order Americans could no longer exercise their functions in the occupied territory, and that as under these conditions American commissioners could no longer carry out their responsibilities and undertakings to other interested governments and fulfill their duties toward the peoples of Belgium and Northern France, the Americans would officially withdraw from participation in the work of relief in the occupied districts.

"Mr. Gregory was advised to arrange for all his men to leave Belgium immediately, except a few who are to close the commission's affairs and take steps to see that there be no interruption in the service pending the reorganization of the work."

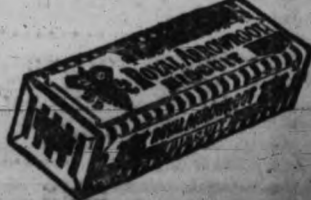
BERLIN PAPER SAYS STATES RESPONSIBLE. London, Feb. 12.—"President Wilson wishes to make an attempt to break the German blockade; the American government must be responsible for what happens," says the Berlin Vossische Zeitung in commenting on the report that two American merchant ships had left for the German submarine zone, according to the Exchange Telegraph Company's correspondent at Copenhagen. The correspondent reports that the announcement of the vessels' departure caused a pronounced sensation in Berlin.

The American ships referred to doubtless are the unarmed freighters Orleans and Rochester, which sailed from New York for Bordeaux on Saturday.

1,200 PASSENGERS FOR LINER FREDERICK VIII. New York, Feb. 12.—The busiest place in the shipping district here to-day is the office of the Scandinavian-American Line, where final arrangements are being made for the departure of the Frederick VIII, upon which the former German ambassador and his staff will return to Europe. The assurance of safety from German submarines has crowded the liner with passengers. It is estimated she will carry 1,200 persons in addition to her crew when she leaves port to-morrow. Count von Bernstorff will be carried from the terminal on his arrival from Washington to the Scandinavian-American pier on a navy cutter.

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RALPH SMITH.

Announcement of the death of the Honorable Ralph Smith, Minister of Finance, will be received with the deepest regret not only in this province, but throughout the whole Dominion.

For more than twenty years Mr. Smith was a prominent figure in the public life of this country, first as an effective provincial legislator, and then for eleven years as a member of the Canadian parliament.

As a political campaigner Mr. Smith had a national reputation. On the hustings he was a faithful representative of that sturdy North Country school which has contributed so many outstanding warriors to the political arena of the United Kingdom.

his energies and skill in a manner which never failed to inspire the confidence of his supporters and win the admiration of his opponents.

In private life Mr. Smith was deservedly popular on all sides. His many amiable qualities, his breadth of view, his sterling honesty, his kindly hospitality, his keen sense of humor and his never-failing interest in worthy public movements of all kinds, won him a host of friends irrespective of political differences.

THE PRESIDENT'S ACTION.

Our valued contributor, Mr. Freeman, in a letter printed in the Times to-day expresses disappointment in failing to find in this paper any commendation of President Wilson's "final and heroic act of severing relations with Germany."

We would remind our correspondent that the Canadian government has had to prohibit the admission of many publications originating south of the boundary line because of the grossly offensive references to the allies contained in them and that not a little hostility to our cause has been aired in Congress.

The powers forming the entente group appreciate the importance of President Wilson's action in severing relations with Germany, because it reflects the official American recognition of the issues involved in this terrible conflict: it is a concession to the truth and justice of their case in the war; it shows that the United States at last understands that when Germany drew the sword she challenged the freedom of the whole world.

Our article on Saturday was not a criticism of President Wilson's policy in regard to American shipping. It was merely a statement of the situation created by the government's failure to advise American ship-owners as to the course they ought to pursue and as to what it would do to protect them.

severing relations with Germany, we must not overlook the fact that the action was officially based upon the threat to American lives and property following a long series of violations of both, and not upon the interests and welfare of humanity at large.

MORE PROGRESS AT KUT.

The Turks are not yet beleaguered in Kut-el-Amara notwithstanding the marked progress made by General Maude's army on the right bank of the Tigris. The official communication from London to-day which describes the enemy as "hemmed in" does not mean that he has been beleaguered in the town.

In the hey-day of his young manhood Hon. Ralph Smith was one of the most powerful and convincing debaters on the floor of the legislature of British Columbia.

The net result of the National Service referendum appears to be a recommendation from the chairman of the commission that another league to discuss things be established in Canada.

Knighthood is flourishing in Canada. Pretty soon every member of the Borden government will have "a handle to his name."

CALL FOR NATIONAL SERVICE.

To the Editor:—The year 1917 has opened with a clarion call for national service. Canadians of all ages and classes must make a long, arduous pull together in the tremendous work of winning the war.

"Gratefully and reverently we remember our soldiers and sailors fighting that our country may live and that freedom may not depart from the world, and those brave others, the brave loved and lost, who have laid down their lives for us."

CHRISTINA ROSS FOAMER.

SWISS GOVERNMENT IS AT WORK ON PLAN TO AID SWISS EXPORTERS

Berne, Feb. 12.—The Swiss government is working upon a plan to organize and centralize exportation by government aid. It will endeavor to export to the United States by way of Rotterdam through its own forwarding agency, doing its own chartering or using government-owned vessels.

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MAXIMILIAN HARDEN'S STRIKING ADMISSIONS

Article by Him in Die Zukunft About Allies' Peace Requirements

London, Feb. 12.—Copies of the issue of the Die Zukunft in which Maximilian Harden discussed the note to President Wilson in which the entente powers outlined the principal things they will dictate as the basis of peace have reached here.

The most instructive part of the article is that in which Harden sets out to prove that the peace outline contained in the allies' note to Wilson does not justify the indignation and scorn which have been heaped on it by every public writer and speaker, from the Kaiser downwards.

Then comes the question of the expulsion of the Turks from Europe and the surrender of Constantinople to Russia. He maliciously recalls, in brackets, that Treitschke, too, was in favor of confining Turkey to Asia, and observes that this decision of the British is but the result of "the well-intentioned childish twaddle about the fairyland of Middle Europe that should extend from Emden to Bagdad, and would compel England, and therefore the United States, to maintain a permanent alliance with Russia at all costs."

But Harden goes further, and boldly touches upon the sorest point in the allies' programme—the fate of the nationalities in Austria-Hungary. He declares that the allies' terms say nothing about "territorial separation," and may well be taken to mean "home rule all round," such as has been promised to the Irish and the Scotch people.

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SIR HUGH GRAHAM HAS CHOSEN TITLE

Montreal, Feb. 12.—Sir Hugh Graham, whose elevation to the peerage was announced last night, has chosen the title he will use. It is understood that he would prefer to keep his family name, but with an affix to distinguish him from the Baron and the Earl Graham already in the peerage.

BERLIN CLAIMS HILL ON MACEDONIAN FRONT

Berlin, Feb. 12.—After a long period of inactivity, Teutonic troops on the Macedonian front took the offensive yesterday in the Cerna bend. The war office announced to-day the capture of a hill position east of Parlovo.

JOHN ROSS ROBERTSON DECLINED KNIGHTHOOD

Toronto, Feb. 12.—It is understood that Sir Robert Borden offered John Ross Robertson, proprietor of the Toronto Evening Telegram, a knighthood and a senatorship, but Mr. Robertson gratefully declined both honors.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, Feb. 13, 1912.

The act passed by the provincial legislature in regard to the county courts, which was pronounced unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of B. C. is to be referred to the Supreme Court at Ottawa.
The Gutta Percha and Rubber Co., of Toronto, represented by Mr. W. L. Ogle, yesterday signed the contract for supplying the city with a Thompson chemical engine. It is to be delivered within five months from date.
It is proposed to establish a coffee house in this city. Hon. John Robson presided at a meeting called to consider the situation, held yesterday at the Y. M. C. A.

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Mistress Bob Fitzsimmons, converted actress; wife of great pugilist, will tell the story of her life in First Presbyterian church Wednesday night, 8:30. Theatregoers specially invited.

St. Mary's Girls' W. A. are holding a tea and sale of work at Mrs. H. Fleming's residence, 848 Fowl Bay road, tomorrow afternoon from 3 till 6.

City School Board—At the meeting of the city school board to-morrow evening it is probable an appointment to the teaching staff will be necessary, since the increase of the attendance at Girls' Central school and Margaret Jenkins school render some rearrangement of classes necessary.

Export Will Be Permitted—F. H. Cunningham, chief inspector of fisheries in the Dominion service, who has just returned to New Westminster from a conference of fisheries officials at Ottawa, announces that there will be no embargo placed upon the export of raw salmon from British Columbia this season.

Tillicum School Site—The Saanich School Board yesterday decided to purchase the proposed site on Orillia and Alvin streets, for the new school, not having heard from the owner of the other site, and will take up the charter of the building at the next meeting. The formal arrangement for the cession of the land to take over the secretaryship came into effect to-day.

Ward IV. Conservatives—The officers elected by the Conservatives of Ward IV. last night are: Chairman, Dr. R. Ford Verinder; treasurer, R. W. Perry; secretary, J. M. Hughes; assistant secretary, J. Temple; executive committee: W. Blakemore, Lindley Crease, K. C.; Stewart Williams, Dr. J. F. Grant, P. Campbell, E. C. Hayward, H. Callow, R. M. Smith and A. B. Stevens.

Band of Mercy—The Woman's Auxiliary of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, who have been conducting an active campaign with the object of enlisting the sympathies of the school children, are anxious to have the names of all who have enrolled in the Band of Mercy sent in at once. Victoria West school has up to the present the largest membership.

Rotary Lunch—The guest of honor will be Mr. Stuart M. Campbell, of the Winnipeg Club, governor of the Eighteenth district, who will bring us a message from the district conference recently held at Winnipeg. A novel roll call will be staged in the following manner: One member at each table will be called on to introduce himself and the other members and guests at his table. One minute will be allowed him. Judges will be appointed and prizes will be awarded to the three best introducers. The remainder of the programme will be allotted to the choir.

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LOCAL NURSES LEAVE FOR OVERSEAS WORK

Mrs. E. V. Hussey and Sister Morning Duffey to Continue Service in France

By the departure for the overseas nursing service of Mrs. E. V. Hussey, the matron, and of Head Nursing Sister Morning Duffey, of the Convalescent hospital at Esquimalt, the local institution has lost two of its most



NURSING SISTER M. DUFFEY Who has gone overseas.

able workers. Some weeks ago both ladies applied to Ottawa to be sent overseas, and on being accepted by the authorities they resigned their positions at Esquimalt. They sailed from this city on Wednesday last and on leaving were presented with a handsome traveling case by the men of the Convalescent Home. A large number of friends also bid farewell to them in Vancouver, from which city they are proceeding



MRS. E. V. HUSSEY Matron of Esquimalt Convalescent hospital, who has gone overseas.

direct to the Old Country and thence to France to become actively engaged in the nursing service there. Mrs. Hussey has held the position of matron of the Esquimalt home from November, 1915, until she resigned in January of this year. During this period both she and Sister Morning Duffey have endeared themselves to the many inmates of the hospital. The work which they have accomplished has been of the highest order of merit, and their departure is deeply felt by the returned boys. Speaking to a Times reporter the sergeant-major in charge of the hospital said: "No words which I can utter can praise too highly the service which these two nurses have rendered to the wounded men of the Convalescent Home."

INTEREST IN OUR TIMBER

British Columbia's Immense Resources Spoken of at Forestry Club.

In Canada Lumberman and Woodworker for this month appears a notice of an address delivered before the Forestry Club at Ottawa recently by Roland D. Craig, in which he referred to the forest resources of this province.

In the course of his remarks Mr. Craig stated that two-thirds of the total stand of the timber in the province is on the coast, though the area is only one-quarter of the total. In the coastal region, for 150 miles north of the international boundary, and including most of Vancouver Island, the forests are of the Douglas fir-cedar-hemlock type, with balsam, spruce, white pine and yellow cedar as secondary species. For the next 100 miles where the temperature is lower and the precipitation heavier, red cedar predominates, with fir occurring only at the heads of the fjords which indent the coast and where the precipitation is lower.

Associated with the red cedar are hemlock, balsam, spruce and yellow cedar. On the northern coast the following species occur in order of predominance: Hemlock, spruce, red cedar, balsam and yellow cedar. Though confined to a comparatively narrow range on the coast, Douglas fir forms over 20 per cent of the stand with red cedar 27 per cent, hemlock 24 per cent, balsam 9 per cent, spruce 7 per cent, yellow cedar 2 per cent, white pine 1/2 per cent, and lodgepole pine and cottonwood 1/2 per cent. In the interior plateau region drier conditions permit a much wider distribution of the Douglas fir which extends to the north of the Grand Trunk

LADIES' MUSICAL CLUB GIVING PROGRAMME

Many Italian Numbers in Concert Arranged for Thursday Night

The following is the programme for the Ladies' Musical Club concert, to be given on Thursday evening at the Empress ballroom. The concert will begin at 8:30, and is being given under the convener'ship of Miss Charlotte Spencer. The music will be for the most part by Italian composers.

- Ladies' Chorus and Solo—La Carita Rossini
- Sopranos, Mrs. Bennett, Miss Lotus Griffiths; 1st altos, Mrs. Gideon Hicks, Miss Charlotte Spencer; 2nd altos, Mrs. D. Campbell, Mrs. Morton; soloist, Miss Eva Hart; conductor, Mr. Gideon Hicks.
- Songs—(a) La Speranza I Cori Afrida Alessandro Scarlatti (1652-1725)
- (b) La Per lo Mare Miss Charlotte Spencer
- Trio—Op. 25, Allegro-Andante Expressivo Bach
- Allegro Molto ed Appassionato. Miss Ida Morris, piano; Mrs. J. R. Green, violin; Mr. J. C. A. Long, cello.
- Songs—Caro Nome (Bigoletto) Verdi
- Miss Eva Hart.
- Cello Solo—Selection from Madame Butterfly Puccini
- Accompagnist, Miss Long.
- Songs—Caro Mio Ben Giordani
- Mrs. Duncan Campbell.
- Duet—Quis est Homo (Stabat Mater) Rossini
- Miss Eva Hart, Miss Charlotte Spencer.
- Quartette—Quinto Corpus (Stabat Mater) Rossini
- Miss Eva Hart, Miss Charlotte Spencer, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Gideon Hicks.
- Trio—Andante—Sostenuo—Scherzo
- Allegro con fuoco, Op. 6 Rargiel
- Miss Morris, piano; Mrs. Green, violin; Mr. Long, cello.
- Miss Ida Morris, pianist.
- God Save the King.

PORT MISSIONARY'S WORK

Report Sent by I. Wright Hill to Ladies' Guild of Connaught Institute.

The following is the port missionary's report for the month of January, 1917, sent by I. Wright Hill to the Ladies' Guild of the Connaught Seaman's Institute:

Things are still very quiet at the Institute. Warding has discontinued all our shipping. Many of the boats which plied here from the Old Country have been ruthlessly sunk by the enemy. We hope and pray that this is the darkest period before the dawn of victory and a lasting peace.

The sick sailors and soldiers have been regularly visited in our hospital. "Lists of missing seamen have been received from Christiania and have been presented to the officers of Capt. Gardner and Capt. Bennett.

A portrait of the late Mrs. Mary Anderson has been presented to the Institute by her loving husband. It is fitting it should be so, for that lady was ever ready to help on the work of the Old Institute for the benefit of Jack, and your committee are glad to present to reverend the memory of its loyal helpers and friends.

The negotiations for the transference of the property at Esquimalt from the present trustees to this Institute is still dragging on no satisfactory result has been achieved so far. It is earnestly hoped by your committee that the difficulties will be soon overcome so that the building may be opened and put to some good use for the benefit of the boys.

WAR PICTURES

Official Administrator Receives Message Regarding Cinematograph Films.

His honor the official administrator is in receipt of the following telegram from the department of the secretary of state at Ottawa. His majesty is graciously pleased to send the following message in connection with the coming exhibition of Canadian war cinematograph films in Canada:

These pictures will help to bring home vividly to all in Canada the nature of the great sacrifice which their fellow citizens in the empire are making in its cause and in that of honor and justice. I hope that the greatest success will attend the efforts of those who have organized means of spreading throughout Canada news of the progress of the great war.

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Sanich Works Committee.—At the meeting of the Saanich works committee this afternoon the members are being asked to consent to applications for the reversion of some subdivisions to agriculture. This is a sign welcomed by the council.

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RED CROSS WORK

Howardsdale and Victoria West Branches Plan Entertainments for To-night.

The Cloverdale sub-committee of the Canadian Red Cross is holding a vaudeville entertainment to-night in aid of its funds. The event will take place in St. Mark's hall, Boleskine road, and will begin at 8 o'clock. Among those who are taking part are Mrs. F. W. Beyers, the Misses Kirk, Mamie Fraser, Winnifred Howard, Balcome, Eng and Tolmie, and Messrs. Hughes, Bailey and others. The admission fee will include refreshments.

Victoria West Branch.

The work is progressing well at the Victoria West branch, and to-night a concert is being held under their auspices at Semple's hall for the benefit of the funds of the society. The programme is very attractive, and a good time is assured.

Military Five Hundred.
The military five hundred entertainment which was planned by the Victoria Ladies' Club to take place to-night will be next Tuesday instead. Most of the tables are engaged, and anyone wishing a seat should apply at once. The proceeds will be given to the Red Cross.

How to Help.
Many people who can give only a very little to each of the many patriotic works seem to think that so small an effort is hardly worth while. The suggestion has been made that "circles" should be formed to adopt prisoners of war. Ten people giving ten cents a week each can collect enough in this time to provide for one prisoner and send him each week a parcel of good food. Even ten cents may be too much for some people, so a "semi-circle" might be formed of ten people who can give only five cents a week. The prisoners of war fund should be supported in some way by

VICTORIA BOY SCOUTS

THE COLUMBIA.
"So to begin with, I make myself solid by letting my friends understand that I am not a real policeman except in the sense that I've been put on for a special job—that of manhandling a big bully," says Charlie Chaplin when speaking of the part he plays this week at the Columbia theatre. "Of course I have my work cut out tackling a contract like that and the sympathy of the audience is with me, but I have also the element of suspense which is invaluable in a motion picture plot. The natural supposition is that the policeman is going to get the worst of it and there is an intense interest in how I am to come out of my apparently unequal combat with 'Bully' Campbell."
"There is further contrast between my comedy walk and general funny business and the popular conception of dignity that is supposed to hedge a uniformed police officer. Now that 'Easy Street' is ready for release, I feel satisfied that it will be one of the biggest hits of the series. Anyway it makes the professionals laugh and that is a pretty good sign."

ROYAL VICTORIA.
"Ince's classic beauty"—a girl who, by her facial charms, has commanded the admiration of all who ever have gazed on them—makes her debut in a local part in "Plain Jane," the Triangle comedy-drama by C. Gardner Sullivan, which is the attraction at the Royal Victoria again to-night, and in which Bessie Barriscale and Charles Ray are presented as co-stars. She is Mabel Johnson and she is seen in the role of Ethelida Rathbone, the studious daughter of a college professor in a small New England town.
Miss Johnson won fame several months ago when she was declared the winner of the annual bathing girls' parade at Venice, Cal.
Following her victory, Miss Johnson, of course, at once became the centre of attention in west coast photoplay circles. Shortly thereafter she was selected to play the part of Ethelida Rathbone. The part demanded a girl of no remarkable beauty, yet because Miss Johnson possessed the proper stature she was chosen. By "dressing" the part correctly she was able to look more like the respected New England miss than the striking beauty she actually is.

ROMANO THEATRE.
He is an important example of the old type of southern gentleman, born in Christiansburg, Virginia. It is natural for him to be courteous. His name is Henry King.
He is the young man who directs all Pathe's Baby Marie Osborne pictures, produced at the Balboa studios in California. In "Joy and the Dragon," Baby Marie's latest vehicle, to be shown at the Romano theatre to-day and to-morrow, he also plays an important part.
After graduation from Jeanette college, he decided to make the stage his career. His early education as an actor was gained in stock companies in Atlanta, Buffalo and New York.
During his summer vacations, some years ago, Mr. King was pressed into service as an eastern motion picture company at a few hours' notice, to replace a player who had been taken sick. He is now one of the few successful actor-directors in the film world. His first Pathe Gold Repeater production was "Little Mary Sunshine," in which he co-starred with Baby Marie Osborne.

Concerning "this," he says: "The baby is so wonderful and works so well with you that it is a real pleasure to direct and act with her."

THE VARIETY.
An alarming epidemic has broken out in the vineyards of which Leonard Sheldon is the manager, and in answer to his wire that a doctor be sent to the little Mexican settlement at once, Katherine Torrance, a young and beautiful physician, is sent. Accompanying her is her younger brother, Clifford, weak-willed and dissipated.
The inhabitants of the village are ignorant and superstitious and the situation is a grave one. Upon Katherine's arrival, Sheldon, thunderstruck that a woman should tackle such a job, tries to persuade her to return, but she declines to do so and goes about her duties, faithfully caring for the afflicted. The light which she wears on her forehead in order that she may see clearly into the throats of her patients, arouses the suspicion of the benighted Mexicans, and as the disease spreads, the trouble is accredited to this light, or "evil eye," and the medicine which she leaves is thrown away.
The friendship of Leonard and Katherine is rapidly ripening into love, but both are unconscious of this fact, so deeply are they absorbed in their strenuous duties. Sheldon falls ill and is unable to transfer the payroll to the bank, so Katherine volunteers to do it for him. A hold-up is planned by Mexican Joe, leader of the employees, but his plans are thwarted. Clifford braces up and becomes of great assistance to Katherine.
Rosa, Sheldon's servant, is in love with Frank King, his assistant, whose affection for her is cooling. Sentiment against Katherine is growing daily and she decides to leave. Rosa's parents try to wring from her the name of the man responsible for her unfortunate condition and Leonard, believing it is Clifford, is about to announce himself as the guilty one when Frank confesses and sends for the priest. Leonard mistakes Katherine's tears as grief at Frank's wrongdoing, and is only awakened to her love for him when Clifford tells him to take her in his arms, which he promptly does, announcing to the crowd that they may send for a man doctor—Katherine is to be his wife.
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The Great Pauline Heads All Round Good Bill at Pantages Theatre.

No supernatural powers are claimed by Pauline, the scientific sensation who is mystifying Pantages patrons this week, and his marvellous work with suitable subjects has no connection with hypnotic influence. "Call it science, call it fake, call it anything," he says by way of introduction, "that's what it is." He is at least very candid about it and appears to possess all the magnetism to make his subjects become docile to his will and some really marvellous feats, relieved by some ludicrous situations, are the result of this scientific phenomenon.
What can be accomplished by "muscle rigidity" is illustrated by the

creation of a Sandow from raw material, the subject, suspended by his neck and feet between two chairs, supporting four men of average weight without the body showing any tendency to give under the great strain. His "blood control" is even more wonderful. In this demonstration Pauline seemingly stops the flow of blood, leaving the member experimented upon as white and as rigid as in death. Another subject is made to stutter against his will, and others, by concentration are compelled to respond to his suggestions, even going so far as seeing imaginary things.
Pauline does not delve too deeply into his scientific work. He is out to amuse and in this he succeeds to a marked degree. He denies that he is a hypnotist or has supernatural powers. He leaves it to the audience to call it what they like. To those who are inclined to discredit the work of Pauline, there is a remedy. His invitation is open to all. Deliver yourself into his hands and he will show you how it is done.
Hugo B. Koch, Marie Dunkle and Eugene Weber appear in an intensely dramatic sketch entitled "After Ten Years," which has a strong moral. It is a vehicle that brings out the dramatic ability of the principal, who is ably seconded by Miss Dunkle. The sketch is elaborately staged in three scenes and teems with tense situations.
Evelyn and Dolly are "petite entertainers" who make a decided hit, principally because of their versatility. Made up as youngsters they get lots of fun out of a toy wagon, and by way of diversion proceed to do stunts as trick cyclists and less impressionable, but nevertheless clever work with the roller skate. The act terminates with some pretty dancing in Oriental costume.
As a dusky belle of the south, Marie Russell, certainly looks the part, and she manages to deceive the audience right up to the drop of the curtain. As a "study in chocolate" she is hard to beat. She is good in her ragtime and character songs and her "clitid" enunciation is perfect.
Goldsmith and Pinard are comedy instrumentalists who please, music and mirth being their chief stock-in-trade, for which there is a good demand.
Preceding this all-round good bill is filmed the thirteenth episode of the "Shielding Shadow," in which Raven-gar escapes from the clutches of Sebastian and rescues Leontine from a burning building. This picture feature becomes more thrilling as it nears its closing stages.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.
All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.
W. R. Lord, of Nootka, is a guest at the Empress hotel.
R. S. Conklin, of Penticton, is staying at the Dominion.
H. Mahese is down from Nanaimo and is at the Dominion.
R. V. Agar, of Summerland, is a guest at the Strathcona hotel.
Mrs. C. E. Essen, of Tofino Island, is a guest at the Strathcona hotel.
H. A. Norie, of Cowichan Station, is registered at the Strathcona hotel.
H. Hodgson is over from Seattle and is staying at the Strathcona hotel.
J. Anderson and Mrs. Anderson, of Penticton, are at the Dominion hotel.
Colin Thomson, a visitor from Red Lodge, Alta., is at the Dominion hotel.
Wainwright Parish, of New York, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.
A. E. Pederson and L. R. Pederson, of Oakland, Cal., are at the Dominion hotel.
Charles White and family, of Moose Jaw, Sask., are guests at the Dominion hotel.
Mrs. A. F. Wilson and Mrs. Clippel, of Gleichen, Alta., are at the Dominion hotel.
J. Campbell is down from Nelson and has registered at the Strathcona hotel.
H. Champelover, of St. John, N. B., registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

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THE WEATHER
Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Feb. 13—5 a.m.—The barometer remains abnormally high over this province and cloudy, mild weather is general with moderate, northerly and easterly winds on the Coast. The temperature is above zero in the prairie provinces and below in most parts of Ontario and Eastern Canada.

Forecasts.
For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday, Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, mostly cloudy and mild. Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, mostly cloudy and mild.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 47; minimum, 35; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 30; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; minimum, 22; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, maximum yesterday, 30; minimum, 24; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.
Tatoosh—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 47; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.
Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 38; wind, 4 miles N. W.; weather, cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.40; temperature, maximum yesterday, 49; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, maximum yesterday, 64; minimum, 46; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, cloudy.

Temperature.

Station	Max.	Min.
Nanaimo (Entrance Is.)	48	..
Grand Forks	46	..
Penticton	35	..
Cranbrook	38	..
Nelson	42	..
Calgary	42	..
Edmonton	38	..
Qu'Appelle	16	4
Winnipeg	12	14
Toronto	5	..
Ottawa
Montreal
St. John
Halifax

Victoria Daily Weather.
Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Monday:

Temperature.	°F.
Highest	47
Lowest	42
Average	44
Minimum on grass	40
Rain, trace	..

General state of weather, cloudy.

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MME. PETROVA
The star in the photo-drama "What Will People Say" to-day and to-morrow at the Dominion theatre

OLD SCHOOLS TRAIN MOTHERS OF FUTURE

Interesting Address at Child Welfare Institute Yesterday

Judging by the attendance at the afternoon and evening addresses in connection with the Child Welfare Exhibit now being held in the schoolroom of the First Congregational church, the public is very greatly interested in the subject. The hall was crowded yesterday afternoon when the proceedings were formally opened by the Hon. M. A. Macdonald, attorney-general, immediately after whom spoke Rev. Hugh Dobson, who has brought the exhibit here. Mr. Dobson explained the object of the exhibit, and quoted convincing statistics showing that child mortality in the Dominion was now just double the rate of last mortality among the Canadian army now fighting in Europe. Something should be done to stop this appalling, and very largely preventable, wastage of human life.

"What can the school do to train the mothers of the future?" was the subject of a very searching study by Miss Edith Bell, who has only recently come out from the Old Country and consequently devoted herself to an exposition of the methods adopted in behalf of this movement there.

"We might ask the question: Is it necessary to train a girl at school to become a mother in the future?" pointed out the speaker. Some old-fashioned people would not agree that such a thing was necessary. They would quite agree that a girl should be trained to become a nurse, a home-help, or a cook, but they seemed to think that if a woman became a mother there suddenly burst upon her every bit of knowledge that she ought to have. This was not the case.

The speaker referred to some of the economic conditions in England which made it imperative for girls of fourteen to go straight from school into a factory. The work-day was a long one. At 8 o'clock in the evening when she left the factory she was often too tired to go into a night class. Probably most of those girls married at the age of sixteen or seventeen, knowing nothing whatever about cooking or keeping house. But she trusted to the method by which she was reared, or rather "dragged up," to see it through. For the next twenty years she might probably have a baby every year. All might not live. The speaker recalled that she had one day, at the Child Welfare place in which she was interested in London, seen a woman feeding her four-months' baby with meat. Miss Bell protested. She asked the woman how many children she had. Four, she was told. It was discovered in the course of the conversation, however, that the woman had had twenty children. Only four were living. Yet the woman thought she was in a position to stand above criticism as regards the feeding of her baby. This was typical of the conservative methods of the English-working woman. What had been good enough for her grandmother was good enough for her. Very gradually, however, the idea was permeating the working classes in the Old Country that children should not be brought into the world just to die. Even the authorities had come to recognize the great wastage. The infant mortality rate was so high that the board of education had undertaken an investigation and in subsequent reports had suggested, and finally achieved, a system of teaching domestic science in the schools. This was coupled with a recommendation for the teaching of "mother-craft." The latter was not compulsory, but several of the schools had adopted the plan. The women doctors of England and the teachers deserved the greatest praise for the work

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said a well educated man the other day when he was asked this question:—"Why, when you have a cold, a cough or bronchitis (trouble, you will note, of throat and chest) do you persist in pouring cough syrup, lung tonics and the like into your stomach, which is perfectly sound?"

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which they had done in trying to lessen the high rate of infant mortality.

Something of what was being done in connection with the "mother-craft" classes was defined. The girls were taught how to make all the little garments necessary for a baby. In most of the families there were small brothers or sisters at home who would benefit immediately by the instruction. Other lessons which the girls learned had to do with little matters of cleanliness, the importance of cleanliness of the baby's bottle, the proper way of dressing the baby, the washing and feeding of the child, and the right way of seating it in its perambulator. All these lessons were demonstrated in the schools by practical work, jointed dolls being used to demonstrate the making of the clothes, the handling of the baby, the injury which might be done to the baby's spine by putting it in a pram, etc. They were taught something about a baby's stomach, and made to understand why a baby could not digest beer and pickles. It was not to be supposed that mothers in Canada would be so ignorant as to give their children these things, but the speaker recalled having seen even on this side of the Atlantic a mother feeding a very young baby with ice cream. The evil effects of alcohol on both the mother and child, the mischief which might arise from heavy clothing and innumerable thin rather than a few warm clothes, the deformation of growing limbs by cramping, the necessity of absolute cleanliness, the necessity of avoiding infection from flies, dust, etc., were all included in the course of instruction given these school girls.

Very briefly Miss Bell referred to the "Little Mothers Leagues" which had been instituted in New York and other big American cities. The work of these leagues was to combat infant mortality, and arose from the observation that in the larger towns the little sisters in the poorer families often cared for the babies in the absence of the mother. The department of health in New York decided to instruct these little mothers in how best and most easily to look after their charges. Now a course of lectures on the care of the baby is given every year, and in 1915 had a membership of 17,000. The leagues meet weekly over a period of ten weeks, during which time a full course of baby care is supposed to be covered. The gain to the nation in efficiency of its coming citizens could not be overestimated. The standard of motherhood was being raised, and these little girls were gaining a new idea of the dignity of motherhood. The idea of baby as "a little nuisance" was being done away with, and in its place was being erected the idea that "a mother is the holiest thing on earth."

"The nation moves forward on the feet of little children, and we should do everything we can to help these little feet rather than hinder," concluded the speaker.

Rev. Robt. Connell acted as chairman at the afternoon session. Among those who were on the platform at the opening were, besides the Attorney-General, Bishop Schofield, J. Hart, M. P. P., Henry G. Hall, M. P. P., Rev. J. G. Inkster, Rev. A. S. Colwell, Rev. Hugh Dobson.

Dr. Etta Denovan spoke during the early part of the afternoon on "Frenetic Care of the Mother." The subject was briefly, although very comprehensively dealt with. Four principles were laid down as essential: proper clothing, fresh air and exercise and proper breathing, good food and bathing. By following instructions along these lines the best health might be maintained. Dr. Denovan also recommended the institution in the schools of a course of mother-craft, a subject subsequently dealt with at greater length. The importance of cheerful surroundings and wholesome company was referred to.

The "marchal" still survives, with other appurtenances of medievalism, in the legal world. Every judge of assize is accompanied on circuit by his marshal. This functionary is paid two guineas a day by a grateful country for his arduous labors. The most important of his duties is the administration, with becoming solemnity, of an oath of terrifying antiquity to the grand jury on the opening day of the assize. He also writes the judicial notes, selects the judicial trains, makes the judicial tea, and generally performs the judicial dignity from the common assaults of daily existence. Young and briefless barristers, before more strenuous occupations claimed them, regarded a marshaling as an agreeable plum during their waiting days.—London Chronicle.

PSYCHIC CASE IS BEFORE COUNTY COURT

Fashionable Audience Gathers to Hear Evidence of Madame Robert

A fashionable crowd gathered in Judge Lammpan's court yesterday afternoon at the trial of Madame Robert for fortune telling. She had been committed for trial on the evidence of Detective Edwards, who had visited her at her apartments in the Metropolitan hotel on January 22, and had been given a forecast.

The prosecution depended on his evidence, while a number of prominent society people gave evidence as to the honesty of intention, and integrity of the accused, whose evidence occupied most of the afternoon. There was no doubt of public sympathy with her, so far as the audience was concerned.

F. J. Staepole, K. C., appeared for the prosecution, and W. H. Bullock-Webster defended.

Law in Case. Mr. Bullock-Webster argued that there was no charge to meet, since in cases he cited, Rex vs. Mousell, and Rex vs. Marcotte, there must be intention to delude and defraud.

After hearing some English authorities on witchcraft and fortune telling his honor remarked that all the interpretations appeared to start out with the presumption that no human being possessed the power of divination. Such appeared to be the view of Mr. Justice Denman in the case cited by Mr. Staepole.

Mr. Staepole quoted a case to show that a conviction had followed where, as in this case, a decoy had been used to secure evidence, who went in without any expectations of being deluded or defrauded.

His honor failed to see a distinction between telling of fortunes, and foretelling the future. He found there was a charge to be answered, and declined to give a reserved case on the point.

Defendant's History. Madame Robert gave her evidence with assurance and decision, and was seldom at a loss for a word or explanation. Before relating her version of the interview she said she had been born in France, and in Canada had lived respectively in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver. In the last named city she came to Victoria in July of last year, and took up quarters in the Metropolitan hotel. She had possessed psychic powers from childhood, and she proceeded to describe her interview with Detective Edwards, however, differing from the best of her knowledge she had received a visit from the city prosecutor (a statement later absolutely denied by Mr. Harrison) and from two detectives seeking her advice to locate a lost girl.

In cross-examination she stated that no fee was charged if people were dissatisfied with the consultations. Sometimes the fee was left on the table, sometimes she was not paid at all. She acted on the principle of payment for service rendered. Sometimes people were not satisfied.

Mr. Staepole: "What frequently happens in my profession, also." (Laughter.) She had advertised her seances and consultations in the local newspapers, and had considerable patronage. She would not guarantee spirit messages, "but am always glad to give them if possible."

Mr. Staepole—Would she restore lost friends? Not necessarily; she would try and help people in various ways. Their hands might show something; she would always read what she saw. She did not tell fortunes.

If a spirit told her something and she felt justified in telling her client about it she would do so. Would she always say so, if the spirit's advice was advantageous to her client? Not always.

Mr. Staepole—But you accept money. You ought to tell all that the spirits tell you. Madame Robert—That depends upon what it is. The spirits sometimes tell me not to tell them.

A Firm Believer. Mr. Staepole: "Do you believe in the presence of spirits?" Madame Robert, emphatically: "I do, absolutely I am sure they are there. She added she could see the spirits sometimes, if conditions were suitable, with eyes open. She required, however, suitable quiet surroundings."

Mr. Staepole: "Then we are safe this afternoon, with so many people here?" Witness: "Yes." (Laughter.) Continuing, she said that conditions were not always suitable to spirit messages, and the spirits did not respond, just as varying atmospheres affected wireless telegraphy.

The Judge: "Then I understand these spirits are eccentric." A demonstration of approval from a large section of the audience when she was explaining the system of messages led the judge to threaten to clear the court.

"What particular part do you play between the spirit and the sinner?" queried Mr. Staepole. Witness: "Just as a medium. It is a sixth sense only just being developed." Many hundreds of people were leaning the method of receiving messages, she added.

of the community to help others. Mrs. Irving, wife of the late Mr. Justice Irving, remarked there was no doubt of the honesty of her purpose, while Mrs. H. C. Hannington said Madame Robert's powers were directed by high ideals; Mrs. George Palmer, who had known her in Vancouver, also gave her a high character. Mrs. Palmer said her reputation, and in this they all agreed, could not be better.

W. F. Bullen and H. F. Bullen also testified as to character. Mr. Bullock-Webster compared this case with the Fay case in New Westminster 20 years ago, and pointed out that there was a great difference between a fraud carried out with confidence, and this honest use of exceptional powers. The cases he had quoted were modern, whereas Mr. Justice Denman's opinion was given 20 years ago, when psychic powers were regarded as a joke.

His honor, in summing up, compared the Marcotte case with the present one, declaring that in both cases journeys across the sea and marriage in the future were foretold. The statute appeared to be aimed to protect people against parting with their money, and he would therefore convict.

A fine of \$50 was imposed. RETURNED SOLDIERS PLAN BIG MEETING

Practical Sympathy Demonstrated by Prominent Man in Form of Currency

Writing to W. H. Hart, the secretary of the Returned Soldiers' Association, one of the most prominent public men of the province gives the following practical expressions of his sympathy with the movement. The letter is addressed to the Returned Soldiers' Association and is as follows: "Dear Sir,—The casual press reference to your activity on behalf of the above organization proves that you are meeting a useful purpose. My limited experience has been that any organization which served a useful purpose is in a state of chronic financial stringency, for these reasons I am taking the liberty of enclosing \$10. Have had some slight experience with the pensions board myself. Wishing you well."

Big Meeting Planned. Arrangements are now well under way for the holding of a bumper meeting for the purpose of explaining to the people the needs of the Returned Soldiers' Association and the aims towards which it is directing its energies. Mr. Hart explains that many people are not aware that so long as the soldier is alive his wife is in receipt of \$35 a month, made up of \$29 separation allowance and \$15 assigned pay, plus an allowance from the Patriotic Fund. But as soon as the soldier is dead that allowance is reduced to \$32 per month, while the assistance from the Patriotic Fund ceases immediately.

More Practical Sympathy. The object of the meeting is to enlist more sympathy on the part of the public in this regard and to devise ways and means for the raising of a fund that will bridge the gulf, which presents itself on the death of the soldier, and the time before the official machinery begins to work and take care of the widow. He states that the commencement of the pension in some cases has been months, and during that time the widow must be provided for.

Mr. Hart hopes to get everybody at the meeting, for he feels sure that once the public realizes the hardship that has to be suffered by the dependents of men who have fought and died, there will be no difficulty in remedying the defect.

NEW HONORS FALL TO VICTORIA SERGEANT

Staff-Sgt. Morley Mentioned in Dispatches and Praised by General Currie

Leaving the city with the first draft of the 50th Gordons soon after the outbreak of war, Staff-Sergeant Arnold Morley has done exceptionally well at the front and has now the satisfaction of knowing that his work has been commended by Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. S. Morley, of 1130 View street, and is very well known in the city. Month after month he has served in the firing line and while he has not been able to impart any precise details as to the nature of the work that has been entrusted to him, it is known to be of an important nature, since in a recent communication Major-General Currie spoke in highly enthusiastic terms concerning the sterling worth of the young soldier.

For some time it is understood that Sergeant Morley was in charge of some divisional observation work on the Somme front.

The sergeant is about to take unto himself a wife in England. The lady in question is Miss Sippe, a sister of the brilliant aviator who so distinguished himself several months ago when he carried out a highly important flight and raid on Dusseldorf, which is situated on the Rhine a few miles to the north of Cologne, the great West-Phalian city. For this deed Flight Lieutenant Sippe was awarded the D. S. O. and the Cross of the Legion of Honor.

others are Quartermaster-Sergeant F. Buddell, of the Australians; Signalling Sergeant A. E. Buddell, of the Australian infantry, who was wounded on the Somme front but who is now convalescent; Sergeant H. R. Buddell, of the Australian artillery; A. S. Buddell, of the Mechanical Transport at Salonika; Private T. Buddell, of the Australian infantry; and Private C. J. Buddell, of the 50th Gordon Highlanders overseas draft.

Smith returned to Penticton during the first three days of September and found that certain of the work had been commenced. He also heard a rumor that the location of the line was about to be changed. This he claims was dispelled by Mr. McCullum, who assured him that the contract would be lived up to as far as that was concerned. He, Mr. Smith, also told the court that on September 1 some 2,000 sub-contractors, station men and their workmen were at their allotted stations along the line.

Counsel's Objections. Mr. Taylor sought the witnesses' opinion regarding the low price of the earth work at the Penticton end, the figures for which were extremely low, but accepted on the strength of the better ground ahead, in comparison with current rates. E. P. Davis, K. C., counsel for the defendants, objected at this stage that engineering evidence was not material, and he therefore objected to the question of comparative costs in this particular regard. His lordship remarked that he did not intend to object to it as evidence at that stage, but if at a later date it was shown to be irrelevant he would not admit it. Mr. Taylor's further reference to the amount of work which had been carried out by September 1 was also subjected to objection by defendant's counsel on the ground that the contract had not then been actually signed. On the presumption that plaintiff would argue that the defendant railway company—brought out in evidence—had urged upon the contractors to commence and expedite the work and they possessing no reason to believe the contract would not be signed, his lordship supposed were the contract not to be signed the work would be chargeable according to labor and material involved. Mr. Taylor remarked that his side never accepted the contract as applicable to the new work, meaning the less profitable work of the new location.

"To-Morrow's" Uncertainty. Mr. Davis protested against Mr. Taylor's seeking to have certain sentences of letters he intended to read to witnesses' explanation, arguing only that the same information as to technical explanation should only be given in a general sense. The plaintiffs' counsel observed that his learned friend was very particular, but would possibly be less so to-morrow, whereupon his lordship closed the incident, humorously suggesting that the attitude of one's opponent on the morrow was always more or less a matter for conjecture.

Military Items

It is anticipated that the final instructions and transportation arrangements will be completed during the next few days to enable the first batch of Victorians, who are to go overseas to join the Royal Flying Corps, to commence their long journey. More than a dozen will go on in advance, those chosen will be men who have given up their civil occupations for the purpose of joining the service, the remainder of the candidates who have been accepted by Captain Tweedale and have passed the medical board will follow at an early date and probably break their journey at Toronto, where a base is being established under the command of Colonel Hoare.

The Forestry company is continuing smart progress in the matter of recruiting and by the time Captain Sargison has completed his numbers he will be able to claim a company of experts in almost every profession going.

Captain A. M. Tyson, the inspector of Indian Agencies on the mainland coast, has received his commission from the authorities at Ottawa as chief recruiting officer among the Indians. It is believed possible by Captain Tyson that the question of raising a company of men representing the aborigines will not be a difficult matter.

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ONE OF SEVEN Man Who Won Medal is Brother of Pte. Buddell. Sergeant-Major W. H. Buddell, of the 25th Battalion, whose name appears in the New Year's list of honors, who was awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal, is a brother of Private C. J. Buddell, of the 50th. He is one of seven brothers who are serving their king and country in various units. The



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GRANT SMITH ON STAND YESTERDAY Prominent Witness in Kettle Valley Railway Case Examined by S. S. Taylor, K. C.

A recital in technical terms of what is involved in the time a piece of railway construction is projected, commencing with the preliminary survey, location, etc., down to the actual fitting of the line or final determination of the road bed, would represent the character of Grant Smith's evidence bearing on the case in the supreme court before Mr. Justice Macdonald and given from the witness stand yesterday afternoon. Mr. Smith entered the box at half-past two, and until five o'clock S. S. Taylor, K. C., leading counsel for the plaintiff Contracting Company, directed continuous examination of Mr. Smith, who as president of the Contracting Company bearing his name, is one of the most important witnesses in the case.

As stated in last Thursday's issue the action hinges on the construction of a railway line from Penticton to Hydroelectric Summit, and the point of contention is the present validity of a certain contract entered into by the two parties in 1912. The contract included work of a profitable nature from a railway contractor's point of view. After certain work had been done, however, the location of the line was changed and the nature of the new location considerably altered the outlook.

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Arrivals and Departures

PLACING ORDERS FOR CAR-FERRIES

C. P. R. Calling for Tenders for Construction of Two Nine-Car Barges

VESSELS ARE OF TYPE URGENTLY NEEDED HERE

Apropos of the agitation raised in Victoria for the development of the car-ferry system as the most suitable method of water transportation for the rapid handling of freight from wharf to wharf in this vicinity and outlying points, it is interesting to note that the Canadian Pacific Railway has decided to go ahead with the immediate construction of two vessels of this particular type for the local trade.

It was announced by Capt. J. W. Troup, manager of the B. C. Coast Service, this morning, that he had been authorized to call for tenders for the construction of two car barges which will be utilized in the local trade. Each of the car barges will be capable of handling nine freight cars, and will be 150 feet long and 45 feet beam. The plans for these car barges are practically complete and bids for their construction will be called for within the course of the next few days.

The vessels will be built of wood and will be particularly adapted for short runs, such as handling freight between the harbor and outlying points. In view of this fact the barges will be of smaller proportions, although of similar type to the big steel car ferries employed by the C. P. R. between Vancouver and Island points. There will be a time-limit clause in the contract and immediately the car-barges are completed they will be placed at the disposal of shippers.

The operating radius of these vessels will not be confined to any given area, as stability and seaworthiness will be the first essential in construction. They will be available for the transfer of freight to and from any locality on the coast that is desired by the shipper. It is car barges of this type that will be urgently needed for the transportation of freight immediately the new ferry slip is completed at the new ocean docks, in fact there is a growing demand for facilities of this kind even at the present time.

STRINDA ARRIVES

Norwegian Will Drydock Here After Discharging Cargo at Vancouver.

With Oriental cargo aboard for the C. P. R., the Norwegian steamer Strinda, Capt. Lovdick, passed up to Vancouver about 8 o'clock this morning after a good run from Vladivostok. She was headed off here by Pilot Westmouth and proceeded up the gulf. After she has discharged her inward cargo the Strinda will come to Esquimalt to be dry-docked for cleaning and painting, also minor repairs. Yarrows, Ltd., will do the work. The steamer will then return to Vancouver to load another cargo for Vladivostok.

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Esquimalt—To find the depth of water on the sill of the dry dock at any time, add 19.5 feet to the height of high water as above given.

"Do you enjoy grand opera?" "I might," replied Mr. Cumros, "if in talking about it I weren't obliged to use words that I can't pronounce, and don't understand."—Washington Star.

AN ECONOMICAL FIRE BOAT AT TACOMA

Many suggestions have been advanced for fire boat service in Victoria, but a cheaper and easier method is suggested in a letter received from Russell Wendt, a resident of the city, which has been sent on to the harbor committee for consideration.

Mr. Wendt refers to the experience in Tacoma, where a gasoline launch 50 feet long, 12 feet beam, five feet deep, and drawing five feet of water is subsidized, belonging to private owners. It is capable of ten miles an hour speed.

The boat has five hose connections, and the operating expenses are \$1 an hour with distillate. The pump is able to deliver, at 90 pounds pressure, 1,000 gallons per minute, with streams twice as high as the ordinary fire engine.

FOG-ALARM NEEDED AT THE BREAKWATER

Shipping Fraternity Agitating for Transfer of Aid From McLoughlin Point

There is an agitation on foot among the shipmasters and pilots of this port with the object of bringing about the transfer of the existing fog-alarm at McLoughlin Point to a new location at the end of the breakwater. It is maintained that as the McLoughlin Point fog-alarm is the leading aid to navigation at the entrance to the harbor, it would be of much greater assistance were it erected at the end of the newly-completed seawall.

The matter is being taken up locally and it is expected that steps will be taken to urge upon the government the advisability of transferring the alarm to the breakwater where, it is contended, the aid will be of greater benefit to navigators in foggy weather.

This is considered an opportune time for change inasmuch that the contract has been taken in hand for the construction of the lighthouse which will adorn the headblock of the breakwater. The transfer could be made at the minimum of expense and the majority of the shipping fraternity would be satisfied. The consensus of opinion is that an aid of this kind would greatly assist masters of vessels in rounding the end of the seawall and making the harbor mouth.

A start has been made on the new lighthouse at the breakwater by Messrs. Parfitt Brothers. This morning the framework for the structure and other material were loaded aboard a scow in the inner harbor and will be towed to the breakwater to-day. It is expected that actual construction work will be started to-morrow. The concrete tower will rise 25 feet above the head block of the breakwater, and will be of elegant design, towering from the base. The tower will be surmounted by a powerful lantern of the Arg type.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Seattle, Feb. 12.—Arrived: Str Governor, San Diego, via San Francisco and Victoria, B. C.; str Admiral Dewey, San Francisco; str Davenport, San Francisco; str Mexico Maru, Tacoma, Alaska; str Queen, San Pedro, via San Francisco; str Spokane, Southeastern Alaska; str Amur, Nanaimo, B. C.; str Davenport, Tacoma, noon; str Stanley Dollar, Port Blakely.

Tacoma, Feb. 12.—Arrived: Str Victoria, from Southwestern Alaska; str Coaster, from British Columbia ports; str Davenport, from Seattle, Sailed: Str Mexico Maru, for Seattle, at 4:30 p.m.

Aberdeen, Feb. 12.—Arrived: Str Daisay, from San Francisco, Sailed: Str Northland, at noon yesterday.

Raymond, Feb. 12.—Sailed: Str Hoquiam and Quinalt, for San Francisco.

San Pedro, Feb. 17.—Arrived: Str Thomas L. Ward, from Everett, via Vancouver, B. C.; str Mukiltex, from Seattle, via Mukiltex and San Francisco.

Everett, Feb. 12.—Arrived: Str Davenport, from Seattle.

Aberdeen, Feb. 12.—The str Daisay arrived in port this morning, reporting the weather perfectly calm, but the fog so thick that they were unable to see a cable length ahead. The str Idaho is in port loading cargo on her maiden voyage. She is of the single-end type, with a capacity for over 1,000,000 feet of lumber, and is one of the finest steamers of her class on the coast. She completes cargo at the National mill and sails for the South to-morrow at noon. The last week has been very quiet along the water front, but nine steam schooners are due to arrive between February 13 and 16. To-day has been observed as a holiday by all of the five windjammers now in port, but the steam schooners continued to work. The schrs Eric and Beulah will complete cargoes for Honolulu. The schrs Caroline and Resolute expect to complete loading the last of the week, with the schrs Danless early next week. The Caroline goes to Honolulu and the Resolute to the Fiji Islands.

San Francisco, Feb. 12.—Arrived: Str Centralia, from Coos Bay; str Phoenix, from Bandon; str Yellowstone, from Coos Bay; str W. F. Herrin, from Astoria; U.S.A.T. Sheridan, from Manila. Sailed: Str Nome City, for Seattle; str San Jacinto, for Grays Harbor; str Ecuador, for Hongkong; str Col. E. L. Drake, for Victoria.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 12.—Arrived: Str Klamath and Daisay, from San Francisco; str San Gabriel, from Los Angeles.

FORMER SEALER WILL PLY AS FISHERMAN

Schooner Teresa Sold to Capt. Williams; but Four of Original Fleet Remain

The sale of the former sealing schooner Teresa removes another of the rapidly diminishing fleet of vessels which have made history plying out of the port of Victoria.

The Teresa, one of the fleet of the Victoria Sealing Company, has been sold to Capt. J. O. Williams, a Newfoundland, famed as one of the leading river skippers of the Far North, who plans to equip the vessel with auxiliary power and operate her in the fishing business out of Prince Rupert.

Prior to closing the deal on Saturday, Capt. Williams examined the hull of the Teresa, hauled out on the beach at Esquimalt, and expressed himself as well satisfied with the excellent condition of the vessel, despite her age and the fact that she has been out of commission for a number of years. The Teresa was built at San Salvador nearly thirty years ago, being the first vessel constructed with a view to obtaining the subsidy offered by the government of the southern republic for the first vessel built at San Salvador. After trading for a number of years along the southern coast the Teresa was acquired by the Victoria Sealing Company and was commanded by a number of local skippers in hunting the seal off the Pribyloffs in the good old days before the international treaty killed a lucrative industry here.

About two years ago the Teresa was sold to Seattle parties, who purchased her with a view to utilizing her as a fisherman out of Puget Sound, but as the fact was overlooked that the vessel was not built in the United States, her new owners were unable to place her under the American flag. Under these conditions the buyers were prevailed upon to take the schooner Vera, formerly the Halcyon, in exchange, and the Teresa returned to her anchorage at Esquimalt.

But four vessels of the original fleet now remain. The Teresa will be immediately fitted out and sent north to Prince Rupert, from which point she will ply as a fisherman.

NO EMBARGO ON EXPORT OF SALMON

Announcement by Chief Inspector of Dominion Fisheries; Bounty on Hair Seals

New Westminster, Feb. 12.—That the Dominion government will not pass legislation preventing the exportation of raw salmon from British Columbia this year and that no action will be taken of the suggestion that the Fraser river should be closed to salmon fishing for the next three years, were announcements made by Mr. F. H. Cunningham, chief inspector of Dominion fisheries for British Columbia. Mr. Cunningham has just returned from Ottawa where he attended the annual conference of the Fisheries Advisory Board when these and a number of other questions affecting the fishing industry were considered. Many of the recommendations of the board have been approved by the minister of marine and fisheries.

The suggestion that legislation should be passed prohibiting the exportation of raw salmon from British Columbia until after the close of the war was made by British Columbia cannery interests. The Vancouver Board of Trade endorsed the proposal. Fraser river fishermen entered vigorous protests against such legislation as they have been doing a profitable business in selling fall fish to American canneries, where they could obtain a better price than from British Columbia canneries.

The proposal of Mr. Henry Bell-Irving made to Sir George Foster some time ago that as a step to conserving the salmon industry the Fraser river should be closed to salmon fishing for three years was not approved by the board or the fisheries department. Both Fraser river fishermen and Fraser river cannerymen opposed this, claiming that it would ruin their business and would not be effective as long as American fishermen continue salmon fishing with nets and traps on the outside.

Announcement was made by Mr. Cunningham that the \$1 bounty for hair seals will be continued this year, \$6,500 bounty money having been appropriated for the purpose. Traps will be allowed in locations where they will not interfere with the capture of fall fish. If 10 per cent. of their catch is sockeye salmon the operation of the traps must be suspended until after the sockeye season is past. Salmon canneries will be required to sell to halibut fishermen sufficient salmon for bait. Regulations will also be introduced governing salmon trolling for commercial purposes, a \$1 license fee with the usual restrictions being imposed. Discretion will be allowed in the matter of screens on irrigation ditches, the screens not being required in streams in which there are no fish. The gill net herring fishing license is reduced from \$25 to \$1. After this season no more attached licenses will be issued in District No. 2, but the same system as is in use on the Fraser river will apply to northern waters.

"How do you feel to-day, old man?" "I don't feel like myself." "In that case, perhaps you will lend me a five-spot."—Victoria B. C.

ECHO OF STEFANSSON ARCTIC EXPEDITION

Capt. Louis Lane Libelled in Connection With Transfer of Polar Bear to Explorer

An echo of the Stefansson Arctic expedition with particular reference to the transfer of the power-schooner Polar Bear to Stefansson by Capt. Louis Lane, the well-known northern navigator, was heard recently when an interesting decision was handed down by Judge Neffier in the United States district court of Washington, in the case of Jules Perrin and Charley Johnson, libellants, vs. Louis L. Lane and Beasie Lane, his wife, respondents.

The libel arose out of the sale of the Arctic trader Polar Bear to Valdemar Stefansson, the Canadian Arctic explorer, and in the course of the evidence much light was thrown on the customs of the Arctic regions. The libellants alleged that on March 23, 1915, they signed on as able seamen aboard the Polar Bear for a period of two years, and were to receive as compensation a share of "log" in a whaling trip to the Arctic ocean; that the Polar Bear was sold prior to the completion of the voyage, and that the libellants were capable of earning \$140 and \$85 per month respectively, and that they were damaged in the total sum of \$5,400.

The respondents denied all the allegations of the libel, except that a contract was entered into by Lane, as master of the schooner, and the libellants, wherein the latter agreed to and did ship as members of the crew of the Polar Bear to the Arctic ocean, and "extending to the end of such voyage or expedition;" that Johnson and Perrin were to receive for services rendered to the whaling ground, and thereafter entered into a charter party with the consent of the members of the crew, with Stefansson for the price of \$1,000 per day for such time as the vessel was used in carrying provisions to the Stefansson party, which at the time was located at Banks Island; that the vessel was so used for 14 days, and thereafter sold to Stefansson, the schooner Gladiator being taken as part payment. The libellants claimed that the respondents were paid all of the sums due, and that all claims were satisfactorily adjusted prior to the sale.

In handing down his decision, Judge Neffier, in part, maintained that while the libel primarily sought the recovery of wages, he "did not think by such a fact that the court would not have the right to adjudicate the damage upon the proper basis of recovery. The largest catch of whales of the Polar Bear in any time heretofore made was eleven in one season. The first season having been completed prior to the sale of the Polar Bear, and full compensation made for that season, the inquiry would be limited entirely to the second season, and placing the catch at the maximum catch heretofore made, as established, eleven, and the product of each whale at 750 lbs., in a marketable condition, valued at 75 cents a pound, gives a value for the catch of \$6,187.50, of which the 'log' of Perrin would amount to \$137 and Johnson \$61.87. The voyage not having been completed, and this being the amount which I think the court should take in this case, would inure to the libellants. I think a decree should be entered for the respective sums to the respective libellants."

SAILER IS OVERDUE

Concern Felt for Sanquaine Retriever, Now 38 Days Out From Honolulu.

The unusually long voyage of the old barquentine Retriever, now 38 days out from Honolulu for Aberdeen, is causing some anxiety in coast shipping circles. Last week (the Retriever was spoken 50 miles off the Columbia river and reported to be out of provisions. Since that time the weather has been thick with light easterly winds. The tug John Cudaly has been ordered to cruise in search of the windjammer, but so far has been unable to locate her.

MEXICO MARU SAILS

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Mexico Maru, Capt. Yamaguchi, is posted to leave the outer docks, at 5 p.m. this evening on her outward voyage to the Far East. A number of steerage passengers will embark here. The liner is taking out a consignment of 200 cases of beer, shipped by the Ihoenki brewery and destined for Hongkong.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

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

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
Feb. 4	7:29	5:15
Feb. 5	7:27	5:17
Feb. 6	7:26	5:19
Feb. 7	7:24	5:21
Feb. 8	7:22	5:23
Feb. 9	7:21	5:25
Feb. 10	7:20	5:26
Feb. 11	7:19	5:27
Feb. 12	7:18	5:29
Feb. 13	7:17	5:30
Feb. 14	7:16	5:31
Feb. 15	7:15	5:32
Feb. 16	7:14	5:33
Feb. 17	7:13	5:34
Feb. 18	7:12	5:35
Feb. 19	7:11	5:36
Feb. 20	7:10	5:37
Feb. 21	7:09	5:38
Feb. 22	7:08	5:39
Feb. 23	7:07	5:40
Feb. 24	7:06	5:41
Feb. 25	7:05	5:42
Feb. 26	7:04	5:43
Feb. 27	7:03	5:44
Feb. 28	7:02	5:45

Canadian Pacific Railway

B. C. COAST SERVICE
VANCOUVER, daily at 2 and 11.45 p.m.
SEATTLE, daily at 4.30 p.m.

ALASKA, from Victoria, Feb. 19, at 11 p.m.
PRINCE RUPERT and ANYOX (Granby Bay) from Vancouver every Wednesday at 11 p.m.
OCEAN FALLS and SWANSON BAY, from Vancouver every Thursday at 11 p.m.
HOLBERG and way ports, from Victoria, Feb. 26, at 11 p.m.
CLAYQUOT and way ports, Feb. 12, at 11 p.m.
UNION BAY and COMOX, from Victoria, every Tuesday at midnight; from Vancouver every Wednesday and Friday, at 9 a.m.
POWELL RIVER, UNION BAY and COMOX, from Vancouver, every Saturday at 11.45 p.m.

Full particulars, rates and reservations from
L. D. CHETHAM
Phone 174 1102 Government Street

Canadian Northern Railway

TRANSCONTINENTAL LEAVES VANCOUVER

9:00 A.M. SUNDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY, 9:00 A.M.

SCENIC ROUTE BETWEEN VANCOUVER AND TORONTO. SHORT LINE TO EDMONTON AND PRAIRIE POINTS. NEW AND MODERN EQUIPMENT. ELECTRIC LIGHTED STANDARD AND TOURIST SLEEPERS. DINING AND LIBRARY OBSERVATION CARS.

DAILY LOCAL SERVICE
7:00 p.m. Leave VANCOUVER. Arrive a.m. 11:00
9:45 p.m. Arrive Chilliwack. Arrive a.m. 8:15
11:00 p.m. Arrive Hope. Leave a.m. 7:00

Full particulars may be obtained from any Canadian Northern Agent.
City Ticket Office. Phone 4169
GREEN & BURDICK BROS. Cor. Langley and Broughton Sts.

PILOT STILL MISSING

No Word Yet Received of B. C. Salvage Company's Vessel.

Still no word has been received here concerning the Victoria steamer Pilot, which is now thirteen days out from Salina Cruz bound for Ocos. It was announced at the local offices of the B. C. Salvage Company this morning that the vessel was still unreported at the Guatemalan port. A number of vessels are out searching for the missing craft which it is thought has been driven out to sea before a heavy gale. Word of the vessel's safety is anxiously awaited as at least three Victoria men are known to be aboard her.

Young Lord Torrington, who is reported as missing at sea, is one of the men who "came back" during the war. As a young man he started out in life under the most favorable auspices, being one of King Edward's favorite pages; and the possessor of family traditions and wealth. Later he was compelled to leave the army and denied the right to take his seat in the House of Lords owing to bankruptcy proceedings. Shortly after the war broke out he enlisted as an ordinary trooper in the 19th Hussars, and so distinguished himself that he re-won his commission. He later transferred to the navy, and has been second in command of a mine sweeper. Lord Torrington is descended from Admiral John Byng, who was shot on the deck of his own flagship in 1757, because he had not performed his duty in connection with the relief of Minorca when it was besieged by the French fleet. Montreal Journal of Commerce.

THE UNION STEAMSHIP CO. OF B. C., LTD.

Sailings to Northern B. C. Ports:
S.S. "CAMOSUN" leaves Vancouver every Tuesday at 9 p.m. for Campbell River, Alert Bay, Port Hardy, Shushartie Bay, Namu, Bella Bella, Surf Inlet, Swanson Bay, Ocean Falls and Bella Coola.

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Secure information and tickets from
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BOOTHALL, for stoves and ranges, etc. Yates and Quadra.
DOLLAR DAY BARGAINS at Victoria
FOR SALE—Maltose Cross gum boots
FOR SALE—Good dry cordwood, 12 and 16-inch blocks

EXCHANGE

FATMS and City property for exchange. Yates and Quadra.
FRATHE TRADES—Clear title houses and some small for half section ground and district.
WILL EXCHANGE two clear title-lots on Quadra street for house.

LETTER BOX

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and to the point.
ADVERTISEMENTS under this head, 1 cent per word per insertion; 50 cents per line per month.

“Come, Let Us Reason Together”

I need not say, what every reader of the Times knows, that I am thoroughly loyal to the cause of the allies. It is necessary for me to aver my great admiration for the Times, to whose columns I have been an occasional contributor.
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APARTMENTS

AT BELLEVUE COURT, Oak Bay, furnished suite, steam heated.
FOR RENT—Small unfurnished flat of 3 or 4 rooms, in the heart of the city.
FIELD APARTMENTS—Four-room, with bath, opposite New Dejl Hall.

FOR SALE—LOTS

BETTER THAN A BANK ACCOUNT
ORIOLE, sheltered waterfront property, close to city, comprising modern house, well laid out grounds of one acre, to be sold for fraction of value.
FOR SALE—War bargains in Victoria homes

FOR RENT—HOUSES

FOR RENT—HOUSES (Unfurnished)
FOR RENT—HOUSES (Furnished)
FOR RENT—MISCELLANEOUS
WANTED—To purchase for cash, the furniture of a 4 or 5 roomed house, good or medium class.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PRESERVING

To the Editor:—I was much interested in an article which appeared some days ago in a local paper dealing with the cheap canning of fruit and vegetables.
The association has a piece of land situated between the B. C. E. & N. Co., which is divided up into 37 lots, all of which are taken.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS

AT 23 MICHIGAN ST., near Parliament St., newly furnished housekeeping rooms.
SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE
MUNICIPAL FREE LABOR BUREAU

REMOVAL NOTICE

REMOVAL NOTICE—Arthur Hibbs, shoe repairing, has removed to 607 Yates St. between Broad and Government.

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Premier is Minister of Finance.—The premier, who has been acting minister of finance for the last few days, this afternoon took the oath of office as minister of finance before his honor the administrator. Whatever cabinet readjustment may take place the premier will administer the department for the present.

"Hurrah! Hurrah! Five dollars for my latest story, 'A Modern Husband.'" "Congratulations, young man. From whom did you get the money?" "From the express company. They lost it."

Answers to Times Want Ads.

The following replies are waiting to be called for:

500, 1576, 1622, 1637, 1679, 1686, 1709, 1754, 1871, 1880, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1929, 2256, 2497, 2833.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

DIGGONISMS.—"Every man has his little weakness. It often takes the form of a desire to get something for nothing." Diggon Printing Co., 706 Yates street. Dollars' Day, 25 per cent. discount on our fine books.

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

GO-CART TIRES put on to stay, and repairs, at Wilson's Repair Shop, 614 Cormorant.

REWARD—Lost, pocketbook containing bills, private papers. J. Alder, 206 Times Building.

WANTED—Second-hand Ford, state lowest cash price and where can be seen. Box 194, Times.

WANTED—Good, second-hand, 6-seater car; state price and location. Box 197, Times.

SEVERAL BUNGALOWS, from 5 to 7 rooms, new and modern, below cost, would consider exchange for prairie land and pay some cash. Apply owner, 2115 Work street. Phone 3973.

FOR SALE—Very modern 12-foot Laughlin's hygienic soda fountain, electric carbonator, tables, chairs, glassware, etc.; none better in Victoria. For particulars apply 304 Island road, Oak Bay, Victoria.

THE KENSINGTON, 919 Pandora Ave. Front suite for rent, vacant 19th.

RELIABLE PERSON for mother's help, 4 children, sleep in. 1218 Johnson.

FOR SALE—Genuine grocery business and 6 roomed house attached, in Victoria, same hands for years, only reason, owner going East; price, including stock, \$3,500, or near offer. Box 194, Times.

WANTED—Estimate for building chimney, 200 Cordova Hill, under 1000 ft.

FAIRALLS, LIMITED, sole bottlers of Coca Cola in Victoria. Delivered anywhere in city, 40 cents per dozen. Phone 312.

F. A. PAULINE, M. P. P., speaks at Garden City, Friday evening.

WE BUGHT yesterday four houses of furniture. Anything that you require for the house you can get for half-price at Ferris's Furniture Store, 1119 Douglas St., Phone 359.

HOUSE SNAP—Six rooms, thoroughly modern, cement basement, furnace, fireplace, one block from Burns side; sell one-third less than cost; \$500 cash, balance mortgage. Phone 351.

LOST—Nobby tire with valve, Victoria-Cowwood, Howard, Phone 423 or 317. Quadra.

NICE 5 ROOMED HOUSE for rent, and furniture for sale. 335 Bay street. 119.

GLENGARRY, 316 Cook. Furnished suites for rent. 119.

FOR RENT—Six rooms, furnished house, piano, Ford Bay waterfront. Apply Barber, 178 Beach road. 119.

TO RENT—Six minutes from General Post Office, 2 furnished bedrooms, nice position. Phone 2328.

PHONE 3761 for good car; careful driver; satisfaction guaranteed. 119.

TEN ROOMED HOUSE, newly renovated, half-acre of ground planted with fruit trees, chestnut trees; 3 fireplaces, water and light. Apply 1238 Gladstone. 119.

WANTED—Energetic salesman to represent Life Assurance Company; liberal terms offered. Box 269, Times Office. 119.

THE E. & V. CLUB will hold a Valentine dance St. John's Hall Wednesday night. Gents 50c., ladies free. 119.

FOR SALE—Registered Holstein bull, 3 years old; also a number of Holstein cows in full milk. E. H. Forrest, Riverbank. 119.

AN "OLDEN TIME" ENTERTAINMENT in the Reformed Episcopal Schoolroom, under direction of Mrs. J. C. Newbury, Saturday, Feb. 17, at 8 p. m. Admission: children 5c.

WANTED—To purchase, 5 or 6-room house and lot, price around \$2,000. Apply Gillespie, Hart & Todd, Ltd., 711 Fort Street. 119.

F. M. DENNISON, Esq., of the Meteorological Observatory, will deliver a lecture to-night in the lecture hall, Congregational church (Mason street entrance); subject, "Popular Astronomy." Illustrated; commencing at 8 o'clock. 119.

FOR RENT—House, 6 rooms, 24 Quebec street. Apply A. W. Bridgman, Brounston street. 119.

SNAP—Modern, 3 roomed house, well furnished, including piano, large lot; price \$4,200. Apply owner, 1533 Belcher Ave. 119.

BOY WANTED WORK, used to housework. Apply 1519 Amelia street. 119.

THREE FURNISHED ROOMS, suitable for housekeeping, 101 Fort street. Phone 390X mornings. 119.

JOHN BROWN'S knapsack is No. 59, but Ruffe's Cycle Store is No. 748. Taken from the staff of the Halifax Herald. Make a note of it. Phone 322. 119.

WANTED—By soldier's wife, 2 unfurnished rooms, close in, moderate. Box 180, Times. 119.

DIED.

HALL—The death took place on Monday, Feb. 12, at 3 p. m., at 62 Garbally road, of William H. Hall, 61-year-old son of the late Rev. Joseph Hall.

The funeral will take place from the above residence on Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 2 p. m. Funeral private. No flowers by request.

HILLIER—On the 13th inst., at her home, 877 Esquimalt street, Catherine Hillier, aged 29 years, born in Alabama, U. S. A., and a resident of this city for the last 20 years. The deceased leaves to mourn her loss, besides a mother, two sisters, Mrs. J. N. Fox, of 707 Wilson street, and Mrs. J. H. Horgan, of Nanaimo River, and five brothers, William, of Regina; Frank, Charles, Roy Hillier, now on active service, and Jack, residing in this city.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday, the 14th inst., at 2 o'clock, from the Sands Funeral Chapel, Rev. Robert Connell will officiate. Interment Ross Bay cemetery.

AFFIDAVITS MAY BE MADE BY SOLDIERS

Arrangements Made by Attorney-General for Commanding Officers to Act

Where 13 months of negotiation failed with the late government, three weeks has sufficed to obtain from the attorney-general an adjustment of a matter of great value to legal and realty men, in view of the necessary land dealings of soldiers on active service, in cases where their signatures to various documents were essential to complete legal obligations under the land registry, and accompanying acts.

The Real Estate Exchange, at its executive meeting yesterday, received a letter from the attorney-general (Hon. M. A. Macdonald) that an order-in-council had been passed "That all acknowledgments, proofs of executions of instruments, affidavits, oaths, and declarations necessary for the purpose of the said act (the Land Registry Act) made or taken without the Dominion of Canada may be taken by, and made before the officer commanding any battalion or military unit of the Canadian expeditionary forces engaged or serving in the country where the same are so taken or made." This order will remain in force during the continuance of the war, and for a period of six months thereafter.

The importance of this announcement to legal men will be appreciated in dealing with titles, and similar matters. In the past there has been delay while the soldier could go before the regular officer, probably entailing a visit to London to do so, with notarial powers, and sometimes when death or capture removed the man, the situation became very complicated. Officers of the Real Estate Exchange expressed their satisfaction yesterday at the prompt way in which the new government has met their representations, and passed the necessary order empowering officers commanding to act.

LOCAL NEWS

Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product.

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

Demand Phoenix Stout. Home product.

A 5c Cafeteria Social to-morrow (Wednesday), at 8 p. m., James Bay Methodist church. Living pictures and singing.

Attending Convention.—One of the most interesting personalities at the current convention of the B. C. Fruit-growers' Association, at R. McKenzie of Winnipeg, secretary of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, Mr. McKenzie represents the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Co., and the Saskatchewan branch of the same organization, the Graingrowers' Grain Co., the United Farmers of Alberta, the Saskatchewan Graingrowers' Association, and the Manitoba Association.

The United Farmers of Alberta are represented also by the vice-president, W. D. Trego, of Gladstone. Both speak at the convention this evening. Still in Box.—In the continuation of the case of Grant Smith & Co. versus the Kettle Valley railway before Mr. Justice Macdonald in the Supreme court this morning, Grant Smith was again in the witness box under cross examination. During his course he described in detail the many interviews he had with James J. Warren and Sir Thomas Shaughnessy with reference to the construction of the Kettle Valley Railway line from Penticton to Hydraulic Summit. This afternoon's proceedings will be taken up in cross-examination of the same witness by E. P. Davis, K. C., counsel for the railway company, when it is expected that a considerable amount of the same ground will be gone over again.

Peter Veregin Here.—One of the most remarkable men in British Columbia, whose name has frequently been discussed in connection with the Doukhobor migration to Canada, is in the city to-day, in the person of Peter W. Sherbinin, business manager of the Grand Forks, and who also resides at Brilliant. Their principal object, it was stated by Mr. Sherbinin, is to see A. M. Johnson, deputy attorney-general, who was counsel for the Community Doukhobors in the Blakemore inquiry, and to meet government officials. This is the third visit of the Doukhobor leader to the city. If business is completed to-day, the visitors will leave for the mainland to-night, otherwise they will remain over-till to-morrow.

Demand Phoenix Beer. Home product.

LT. SMITH PROGRESSING

Wounds of Son of Late Minister Are Being Tended in London Hospital. Word has been received to-day that Lieut. J. W. Smith, son of the late Hon. Ralph Smith, who was reported wounded recently, is undergoing treatment in a London hospital for gunshot wounds in the right arm, latest advices stating that his progress is satisfactory. Lieut. Smith went over-land with the 72nd Seaforth Highlanders.

CANADIAN TOMMY IS IRREPRESSIBLE Says Private Kingham Who Returned Home Yesterday; No Stopping Next Drive

THE MERCHANTMEN! We talk of the Army and we say 'as done, An' how they're a-fightin' an' callin' it fun; We talk of the Navy, 'Cos, as I tell you, Each one of them sea-dogs to me is a pal. But whilst we're a-talkin', don't let us forget The lads wote a-doin' their bit never fret. They're a-riskin' their lives ev'ry time they leave port, On liners, tramp steamers, an' ships o' that sort.

MEETING DISCUSSES PICTURE INDUSTRY Three Days Given in Which to Raise Half Amount Formerly Stated

APPEAL ALLOWED IN CITY ARBITRATION Court of Appeal Upholds Appointment of Richard Hall in Arbitration Case

AVIATORS, IMPORTANT! Six Victorians to Proceed Overseas To-morrow Night Via Toronto.

FRUITGROWERS ARE HERE IN CONVENTION Minister of Agriculture Addresses Them on Production and Thrift

There are about one hundred fruit-growers here to-day as delegates to the twenty-seventh annual meeting of the B. C. Fruitgrowers' Association, which opened this morning in the convention hall in the parliament buildings.

Thomas Abriel, Nakusp, president, was in the chair and around him were the directors: R. M. Palmer, Cowichan Bay; James Rooke, Grand Forks; George Heggie, Vernon; C. E. Barnes, Walkachin; J. E. Reekie, Kelowna; W. E. Scott, deputy minister of agriculture, and R. M. Winslow, secretary.

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LEUT. F. M. WARD has received instructions this morning through Capt. Tweedale, the district intelligence officer at Work Point, to proceed with the successful Royal Flying Corps candidates from Victoria on the "Midnight boat to-morrow, Wednesday, to Toronto en route for England. As the time is very short, Lieut. Ward is anxious to get in touch with the following Victorians who are to accompany him, and those whom he is unable to reach in the meantime he asks that they phone 1449L, where he may be found or a message left. The names are as follows: J. R. Park, A. Blair, A. C. Jones, A. R. McCallum and McCurg. There are fully twenty more successful candidates, who will also leave the city as soon as the necessary arrangements are completed.

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President Wilson and the United States have sat as judge and jury for two and a half years and have found the Huns guilty of breaking International Law and the Laws of Humanity. It is only after patience which has been strained to the utmost endurance that they have decided to act.

SUBSCRIBE NOW The Victoria Patriotic Aid Society Winch Building 640 Fort Street

WOMEN ASK PREMIER FOR CLEAR STATEMENT Deputation This Afternoon Calls on Provincial Executive Re Franchise Matters

Banking, at any rate in the higher grades of that profession, has not always proved incompatible with literature. Mr. Edward Clodd, happily, is still with us to prove "that finance does not 'indurate the humanities' and then there was Walter Engel, who began to learn something of the romance of money in his father's bank at Langport. Samuel Rogers was so successful as a banker that he was able to pay Turner £15,000 for illustrating an edition of his "Poems"—not a bad investment even from the commercial point of view. Rogers, after the death of Wordsworth, was offered the Laureateship, which he declined. Has any other banker had the refusal of the poetical purple?—London Chronicle.

MISSIONARY MEETING Synod of Columbia Sessions to Be Prefaced by Talk on Alert Bay Mission To-night.

VARIED EXHIBITS AT WELFARE INSTITUTE

Work Detrimental and Beneficial to Child, Lucidly Demonstrated

Very varied are the exhibits to be seen at the Child Welfare Institute now in progress at the Congregational church, Quadra street. The room is admirably suited to the purposes of an exhibition hall, with the exception of the inadequacy of fresh air, the Sunday school class rooms round the auditorium serving as spaces in which are arranged the various exhibits. Posters are hung over the doorway and on the pillars, calling attention to some of the more vital statistics having a direct bearing on the subject of child welfare. On one poster a pig, a fruit tree, and a child are arranged in their order of significance as regards legislation, with the pig and the fruit tree at the top, signifying the greater protective measures which are taken to safeguard these farm products than the child. In another part of the room is displayed a card containing statistics of infant mortality due to ignorance of preventable causes, while a mournful display of little tombstones bespeaks the toll of life claimed by the intemperate habits of parents, according to one of the leading insurance companies of New York.

Something of what is being accomplished in the Victoria schools in the way of training the girls in domestic arts is found in an exhibit which is in charge of Miss Juniper. Needlework by beginners and more advanced students is represented by pot-holders, towels, and caps, knitted scarves, socks, etc. Laundry work is also represented by some very nicely-finished pieces of table linen, lace, silks, and colored cottons. That cleaning is also taught was shown by a pair of cleaned white kid gloves. Several examples of silverware which the girls had prepared according to a special electrolytic method for cleaning silver at home, were demonstration of the effectiveness of this system.

The George Jay school shows an exhibit of a whole day's rations for a 12 to 15 months' child; the North Ward school also has an exhibit of a child's food, and last evening did the cooking for the demonstration work; the Central school has undertaken to furnish an exhibit of white and brown bread each day. Sir James Douglas school domestic science class yesterday afternoon gave a demonstration of their work; and served delicious tea and cakes to the visitors. Marmalade, pickles, and chow-chow are to be found at another point in the very interesting domestic science and home cookery display which is assembled in this part of the room and in charge, under Miss Juniper, of a number of neatly white-capped and aproned girls from the different schools.

Some useful bulletins, procurable by anyone who cares to write to the Ontario department of agriculture, were shown in this section of the exhibit also. One had to do with "Teeth and Their Care," and should be in the hands of mothers. Another very instructive bulletin is on the uses of fruit and vegetables, and should be studied by the housekeeper. The method of preparing the electrolytic cleaner for silver is described on a card where any visitor can read it.

Side by side with this exhibit is a manual training exhibit which deserves a visit, showing what the boys of the city schools are doing in the way of learning handicrafts, carpentry, etc. The completely furnished house made by Miss Winn's pupils is a further demonstration of a very important advance which has been made in the training of some of the children. The work is very fine in detail, and done with an accuracy which shows industry and painstaking on the part of the small workers.

The juvenile library exhibit was in charge of Miss Margaret Clay yesterday afternoon. Here are many suggestions as to the best sort of books and pictures to give the smaller members of the family in their reading hours, and incidentally indicate the character of the books which are put into the hands of the juvenile readers at the city library. Masterlinck's "Life of the Bee," beautifully illustrated by Detmold; "Robin Hood," illustrated by Walter Crane; "The Admirable Critchton," illustrated by Hugh Thomson; Stevenson's "Kidnapped," illustrated by Wyeth; "The Arabian Nights," illustrated by Edmund Dulac; the Stuyvesant illustrated edition of Gulliver's Voyages; "An Island Story," "Lohen-grin," and a variety of others.

Posters are found in another cubicle urging birth registration for record purposes, so that the adult will be able to claim citizenship, property inheritance, right to marry, etc. Other posters advocate certified midwives, good doctors for mother and children, abundance of fresh air, sleep, and proper food. Elsewhere are given the statements of leading medical men on the relation of feeble-mindedness to hereditary influences. The significance of neglect of the feeble-minded in the way of additional criminals, and greater poverty and disease in the state, are also pointed out by means of statistics compiled from sociologists and economists. There is a temperance exhibit, an exhortation for supervision of playgrounds, and on all sides a plea for happiness and welfare for the child. A collection of large photographs show the evidences of evil surroundings, overcrowding, lack of fresh air, etc. on the children of the slum districts in the cities.

Fined \$10 and \$2.50 Costs.—In the police court this morning, Loney, a Chinaman, was fined \$10 and \$2.50 costs for selling a package of tea on Sunday, February 4, in violation of the Lords Day Act.

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HON. RALPH SMITH TAKEN BY DEATH

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There was but a short meeting of the executive this morning at which a resolution of condolence with Mrs. Smith and the family was adopted and the minutes adjourned out of sympathy. Flags are flying over the post office, Belmont House and many public buildings to-day.

Premier Greatly Grieved. While all the members of the ministry are greatly shocked at the sudden taking off of their colleague the blow falls with especial heaviness on the prime minister, Hon. Mr. Brewster, in conversation with the Times representative this morning, said:

"The sudden passing of my much esteemed colleague, Hon. Ralph Smith, comes as a painful shock to myself and his death means a great loss to the administration and to the public life of our province. It may be said to be a national loss, for the telegrams which have been pouring in on me all morning from every part of the Dominion testify to his repute being not merely provincial.

"To Mrs. Smith and her family the sincerest condolences are extended by the government. We realize that they have lost a true and devoted husband and a splendid father. The Liberal party loses a stalwart supporter, who always stood for what was best and truest, whose every thought and desire was for the elevation and purification of politics; the province is the poorer for an administrator of pronounced ability, just given the opportunity to put into effect some of the principles for which he has fought for many years; the nation loses a man of the highest type, whose voice was heard in the councils of the national parliament for a long period in defence of principle and ideals.

"Since Mr. Smith accepted my invitation to become a member of the new administration he had been unceasing in his devotion to duty. He had just got into the work of his department and was doing most excellent and important work and was busy preparing measures which would have proved highly beneficial to the province at large. I feel that I have lost a most loyal colleague, and coming so early in our association together in the work of administration in this province his loss is all the more severe. I know that the people of British Columbia will regret that death has ended his services to his country at so early an age."

Nanaimo Regrets Loss. Hon. William Sloan, minister of mines and member for Nanaimo, said: "I can only say that the news of the sudden death of my colleague, the Hon. Ralph Smith, minister of finance, was a severe blow, and that I feel that the province has lost a capable and a faithful servant and the government one of its ablest and strongest members. We had missed him from the council board for several days, but none thought that his illness was more than a temporary indisposition, and all were looking forward to his early return to his duties. Consequently the unexpected development of a crisis, with its sudden termination, comes as a shock doubly severe to me, and I know, to all the members of the administration.

"It is fitting that as the member for Nanaimo, which was my late colleague's home for many years, and which constituency he ably represented in the provincial legislature and later for eleven years in the federal parliament, that I should express the sense of irreparable loss which will be felt by his many close friends and acquaintances in that city and throughout that section of Vancouver Island. For five years, while representing Comox-Atlin, I had the pleasure of being associated with the late Mr. Smith at Ottawa, and I may say that among Canadian parliamentarians of the highest standing he was one of the stalwarts—a man of sterling integrity and character, one whose voice in debate always commanded attention, a representative of whom the west had every reason to be proud.

"There is no doubt that British Columbia has lost a finance minister whose services at the head of that important department would have been invaluable had he been spared. With my fellow townspeople of Nanaimo I wish to join in extending to his bereaved family sincerest sympathy."

Career of Minister. The late Hon. Ralph Smith was of the sturdy and incorruptible north-country stock on both sides, and was born in Holywell, Newcastle-on-Tyne, county of Northumberland, England, on August 3, 1858, the son of Robert and Margaret Smith. He was educated in his native city and on leaving school he studied for the Methodist ministry, but did not pursue it to ordination. He followed mining pursuits for some years. These brought him in touch with labor problems at close range and he there acquired and developed the taste for and knowledge of these problems which later made him a forceful factor in the enactment of labor legislation on two continents.

Mr. Smith came under the influence of Thomas Burt, a man of his own county and also a working miner, who afterwards came to occupy a position in the imperial cabinet, and this, coupled with his own trend of mind and temperament, resulted in his taking all his life an exponent of the moderate school of thought among labor men. He filled several offices of responsibility on behalf of the miners of Northumberland and Durham, and in these his sound common-sense and his fine principles were of inestimable benefit to his fellow-workers.

It was in the fall of 1891 that Mr. Smith and his family moved to this country, the move being made for reasons of health by Mr. Smith. They settled in Nanaimo, where Mr. Smith was connected with the New Vancouver Coal and Land Company for some time. During this time he acted as a local preacher in the Nanaimo Methodist church, being a licensed local preacher in the Wesleyan Methodist body, but he concluded, although all

his life he has remained an earnest and consistent Christian, that he could be more useful to his fellowmen by continuing along the lines he had been following.

Naturally when he came to Nanaimo, where there were a large number of Old Country miners from the northern and other colliery districts, Mr. Smith's leadership and counsel were availed of, and after considerable urging he consented in 1895 to become general secretary of the Vancouver Island Coal Miners' Union and general miners' agent. He filled this office with marked ability and satisfaction to the men, and the operators had to acknowledge his fairness and reasonableness. It is no disparagement to others who have held the position to say that there had never been an agent of the miners on this island who has accomplished as much for the men as the late Mr. Smith did. He was instrumental in forming at Nanaimo the first real Trades and Labor Congress on Vancouver Island.

In the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, to which he was a delegate from the Nanaimo body several times, Mr. Smith became a power notwithstanding his being a comparative newcomer in the country, and so greatly did his personality impress itself upon his fellow-delegates that he was chosen as president of that body in 1898 and 1899, being first elected at the convention held in Winnipeg in September, 1898.

It is needless to say that Mr. Smith, coming from the country he did, was keenly interested in politics, even if his labor tendencies had not made him so. He was brought up among radical Liberals of a sane and moderate school and this remained throughout his life his direction in which his political views tended. Not long after he had settled in Nanaimo he was approached to contest a seat for the legislature, but it was not until 1898 that he consented to do so.

In the general election of that year he ran in South Nanaimo (now Newcastle) as an opponent of the Turner government, which was dismissed from office a month after the election and, by a coincidence, on Mr. Smith's fortieth birthday. He defeated the sitting member, Dr. W. W. Walkem, handsomely, by 193 to 53, and he sat in the legislature through the eighth parliament as a supporter of the Liberal administration. In the House he was a prominent member, and he at once took a hand in the introduction of legislation which would be of benefit to the workman in particular and to the province in general.

It was always a cardinal principle with him that the interests of all classes of the community were closely bound up together; that what benefited one benefited all, and what was a detriment to one injured others; and he held that while labor needed legislation along many lines this must be so drawn that it did not injuriously affect any other interest. At times this attitude had the result of his being viewed with suspicion by some of the extremists in the labor party, but the soundness of his reasoning and the unvarying success of his policies in the end led to the unquestioned acceptance of what he advised.

In 1906 Mr. Smith was asked by the labor interests of the city to become a candidate for the House of Commons at the general elections of that year. He had as opponents on that occasion Mr. (now Sir) Clive-Phillips-Wolley, a Conservative, and the present minister of mines and his colleague in the few months he was spared to be a minister of the crown, Hon. William Sloan, as a Liberal. He was elected as a labor-Liberal for the seat, then known as Vancouver (the Island, not the city) by about four hundred plurality over his two opponents, who polled within a few votes of each other. In 1904 Mr. Smith contested the seat, then as now known as Nanaimo, as a straight Liberal, but with the promise, afterwards kept to the letter, to do what was reasonable in the interests of the industrial classes. Again there was a three-cornered contest, the other candidates being Mr. Wolley and a Socialist. Mr. Smith defeated the former by nearly three hundred votes and the other by 675.

At Ottawa, as at Victoria, he was a member of the mining committee of the House, and also sat on other important committees. He quickly forged into a front rank there, which was a testimony to his abilities, for there is no place where the rule that one must "make good" is so rigorous as in the House of Commons. The Mr. Smith, as a new member, was able to step so rapidly into prominence as a debater secured the undivided attention of the House so readily and earned the respect and esteem of all his colleagues so early in his career at Ottawa, was due to the fact that there his talents found full scope and were fully recognized and appreciated.

In the labor legislation of the Laurier government Mr. Smith was consulted freely and his experience and knowledge of conditions were of inestimable service to Sir Wilfrid and to the minister of labor, Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux. In the framing of the Industrial Disputes Act, usually known as the Lemieux Act, and in the organization of the department of labor, Mr. Smith took a foremost share. It is an open secret that he could have become deputy minister of labor at that time, but he did not care to leave the political arena, feeling that there was much more legislation which the working classes needed and which he considered it his duty to endeavor to obtain for them.

Mr. Smith was frequently mentioned as a federal cabinet possibility. He has always been held in the highest esteem by Sir Wilfrid, and while he never entered into the councils of the nation as a member of the privy council he was very often consulted by the premier in relation to matters affecting labor and the west especially. In 1907 he declined an offer of the post of commissioner of the Yukon territory. At the coronation of King George V, and Queen Mary in June, 1911, Mr. Smith was one of the representatives of the Canadian House of Commons, and he had the honor of presentations to their majesties.

Being defeated in 1911, when the Laurier government failed to secure

continuance in office, Mr. Smith returned to the province and made his home in Vancouver, where business interests occupied his attention. He associated himself with the Liberals of that city in an active way, and became president of the Vancouver City District Liberal Association, retaining that office until the spring of 1915, when he was chosen by a large majority at the head of the ticket as one of the six candidates of the party in that city. He was up to the time of his death one of the vice-presidents of the Provincial Liberal Association. In the late general elections he was elected as second member for Vancouver, retaining his place when the soldiers' vote was counted. He entered the Brewster government as minister of finance on its formation.

The late Mr. Smith was in his private life, as in his public career, a man of the most upright character and his home life was admirable in every way. He was honorable in every action of his daily life; democratic in his manner, and at all times was ready to do a service to any person. In labor and all public affairs he was distinguished by his moderation, tact and reasonableness. He never abated a jot of his principles, for which he stood firmly at all times, but he respected an honest opponent and accorded to every man the right to hold whatever views he liked, so long as they were honestly held. But for dishonesty or hypocrisy in any form he had a thorough contempt, and he could denounce these in scathing terms.

On the platform Mr. Smith was a tower of strength. He had the command of a good, Anglo-Saxon vocabulary, clear and incisive, and he marshalled his facts and proofs in a convincing manner. All his life he was known as a speaker, and his deep reading and wealth of information on political economy and labor matters generally were such that he was never at a loss.

He was a member of two royal commissions, one on the Chinese question and the other on B. C. fisheries. He was a vice-president of the Lord's Day Alliance, a trustee of the B. C. Permanent Loan and Savings Co., and a member since 1906 of the Royal Institution for the advancement of learning in B. C. He was ever an advocate of closer trade relations with the motherland, believing this to be a bond of union which would keep the empire together permanently, and it was his firm belief that British institutions are best calculated to develop character.

In 1882 Mr. Smith married Miss Mary E. Spear. Mrs. Smith is herself a woman of great talent as a thinker and a speaker, and she has been heard frequently on the platform on public questions, especially in relation to women's rights and the suffrage. She founded, in Ottawa, the Laurier Ladies' Liberal League, and in 1907 she was presented with a gold brooch in appreciation of her work. Five children survive with Mrs. Smith; Richard, in Regina; Robert and Ralph, in Vancouver; John W., serving overseas, and Mary, the wife of John Carr, Victoria.

Immediate cause of the death of Mr. Smith, Hon. Mr. Brewster wired the sad news to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who had a strong personal affection for him and who will feel his loss not only personally but as a national misfortune.

ACQUIRE SITE FOR CLOVERDALE SCHOOL

Saanich School Board Selects Admirable Property on Quadra Street, Near Cook

A contrast to the delay concerning the Tillicum school site, a question only just settled, is afforded by the decision of the Saanich school board yesterday to purchase a site on Quadra street for the new Cloverdale school. The site selected is part of the Tolmie estate, two acres in extent, with 208 feet frontage on Quadra street and running back to Linwood avenue. It is near the junction of Quadra street and Cook street, and is level property on the summit of the hill from Inverness north, from the city limits. The price is \$3,000.

The situation for the new school is regarded as ideal, in fact one trustee was willing to buy the property and hold it till the board was ready had there been any delay in reaching a decision, with the intention of turning it over at cost price.

The council has undertaken to find the money for the site, and application will be made to the department of education through the member, F. A. Pauline, M. P. P., for the grant in aid for construction.

It is probable that a six-room school will be needed at this location for about 250 children, since it will draw from the area as far west as the Victoria & Sidney railway, and east to Cedar Hill road. There is a large population to be served, and as soon as the school is built it will be filled, thereby relieving the pressure at Tolmie school, which has been overcrowded for many months.

It is hoped to get the building under construction in the present summer, since the situation it will relieve has been a problem to the board for a long time.

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CONFERENCE UPON WATER MAINS TO-DAY

City and Saanich Officials Meet; Children's Aid Home Subject To-morrow

Mayor Todd and a committee of officials conferred with Reeve Borden and members of the Saanich council this morning with regard to an agreement covering the Lake road, and boundary mains, the district council requiring, in order to deal with its consumers, a definite transfer of mains already set out by agreement.

This afternoon the sub-committee on tax delinquency is holding another session, to which the inspector of municipalities has been invited. The success of the proposal emanating from the committee last week will be an encouragement to make further recommendations which will help the council to deal with a difficult situation. Other municipalities in considering this problem have already availed themselves of the assistance of the inspector.

The Times was incorrectly informed as to the hour meeting of the Children's Aid Society set for to-morrow. It will take place in the afternoon, instead of morning, as announced, and the intention is for the special civic committee to discuss the subject with the management of the home.

The overhead charges at this institution, which is mainly support out of municipal funds, have already been the subject of criticism from aldermen. Only last evening in council a letter was read from Mrs. E. S. Gunn, of this city, that she had already been the subscriptions received by the secretary.

The Union of Canadian Municipalities, of which the mayor is third vice-president, has drawn the attention of the council to the notice in the Canadian Gazette of notice by the British American Telephone & Telegraph Company to apply for incorporation. The union rendered valuable service last year to the city and British Columbia municipalities generally when the B. C. Telephone Company was securing its Dominion charter, in placing its tariff under the control of the Board of Railway Commissioners, so that any person or public body has a right to appeal to the commissioners.

ANOTHER VISITOR IN AN AEROPLANE

Driver and Passengers of Colwood Stage Saw Strange Craft on Sunday Night

Commencing with a flight in the neighborhood of Oak Bay in broad daylight a week or so ago, the facts of which were borne out by unimpeachable testimony, with two or three other flights in the meantime, the details of which were not so precise, there comes another visitor by air on Sunday night. This time no less than seven persons avow that there was no possible chance for mistake, for it was not only at an hour in the evening when the average occupant of a motor stage would be in full possession of their wakeful senses and capable of detecting the roar of an unusual object in the sky, but the machine was also observed to be flying barely five hundred feet from the ground. The location was the Metchoin district to the left of the Happy Valley road and the craft was heading citywards at an approximate speed of fifty miles an hour.

Told the Military. Penny Reid, who drives the Colwood motor stage, acting as driver to the military authorities, and it is borne out in every particular by the six occupants of the stage. He states that it was a little after 8 o'clock on Sunday evening, just as he was pulling up along the Happy Valley road, when his gaze became riveted aloft, since the almost deafening roar of the aeroplane's propeller was quite distinct to that of the auto's engine now slowed down. As far as he is able to say the machine was travelling directly city-

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Address: SECRETARY, ESQUIMALT SCHOOL BOARD, 1057 Esquimalt Road.

CITY OF DUNCAN

Domestic Science Teacher

WANTED — A Domestic Science Teacher, who would be required to fill in part of her time at Domestic Science work and part in ordinary graded school routine. One with special drawing or music qualifications preferred. Salary \$75.00 per month. Apply James Greig, secretary.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

Notice is hereby given that a Court of Revision for the purpose of hearing complaints against the assessment for year 1917, as made by the Assessor, and for revising, equalizing and correcting the Assessment Roll, will be held in the Municipal Hall on Thursday, February 22, 1917, at 10 a. m.

All complaints or objections to the said Assessment Roll must be made in writing and delivered to the Assessor at least ten days before the date of the first sitting of the Court, namely, the 22nd day of February, 1917. Date of the Township of Esquimalt this eighteenth day of January, 1917. G. H. PULLIN, C. M. C.

NOTICE

Estate of Charles Henry Norris, Late of Saanich, B. C., Deceased.

All persons having any claims against the estate of the late Charles Henry Norris, who died on or about the 18th day of July, 1916, and whose will has been proved in the Supreme Court of British Columbia, Victoria Registry, by Executrix therein named, are required to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned on or before the 14th day of February, 1917, after which date the executors will distribute the assets, having regard only to the claims of which she then has notice.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1916. CREASE & CREASE, 60 Central Buildings, Victoria, B. C. Solicitors for Executrix.

NOTICE

Estate of Alexander Essen Evans, Late of Victoria, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the estate of Alexander Essen Evans, late of Victoria, British Columbia, deceased, who was killed at the front on or about the 14th day of January, 1916, and whose will has been duly proved in the Supreme Court of British Columbia, are requested to send the same to the undersigned on or before the 14th day of February, 1917, after which date the executors will proceed with the distribution of the estate, having regard only to such claims of which she shall then have notice.

Dated this 11th day of December, A.D. 1916. CREASE & CREASE, 60 Central Buildings, Victoria, B. C. Solicitors for Executrix.

NOTICE

WEEKLY HALF-HOLIDAY ACT

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

By order, F. N. BORDEN, Reeve.

NOTICE

Estate of Kate Williams, Late of Victoria, B. C., Deceased.

All persons having any claims against the estate of the late Kate Williams, who died intestate on or about the 15th day of August, 1916, are required to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned on or before the 3rd day of March, 1917, after which date the Administrator will distribute the assets, having regard only to the claims of which he then has notice.

Dated this 29th day of December, 1916. CREASE & CREASE, 60 Central Buildings, Victoria, B. C. Solicitors for Administrator.

NOTICE

Tax Sale Notice: An application has been made to register Charles Walcott as the owner in fee simple of the above lot under Tax Sale deed from the Collector of the Township of Esquimalt, B. C., and you are required to contest the claim of the Tax Purchaser within thirty (30) days from the first publication hereof.

Dated at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 9th day of February, 1917. R. S. STOKES, Deputy Registrar General.

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ESQUIMALT COUNCIL

Question of Graving Dock Only One of Interest at Meeting.

At the meeting of the Esquimalt council which was held last evening a letter from the Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works was read, in which he stated that the claims of Esquimalt for the immediate construction of the Dominion Government Graving docks would receive every consideration.

Other letters regarding the matter were also read, the senders being Premier Brewster, who stated that the petition of the council had been forwarded to the minister of public works; Hon. D. J. Hazen, minister of marine, who said that he had referred the matter given to him to the Hon. Robert Rogers; and F. H. Sheppard, M. P., who stated that he would do all in his power to see the matter of the establishment of the docks was carried out.

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

CEDAR POLES WANTED

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 26, 1917, for 150 Cedar Poles. Specifications may be obtained from the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on outside of envelope "Tender for Cedar Poles." The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. GALT, City Purchasing Agent.

Electrical Supplies

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 1917, for the following electrical supplies: 5,000 Carbons, solid; 5,000 Carbons, coated; 5,000 Nitrogen Lamps, Tungsten Lamps. Specifications may be obtained from the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on outside of envelope, "Tender for Electrical Supplies." A marked cheque for 5 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.

Firemen's Uniforms Wanted

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p.m. on Monday, February 19, 1917, for the supply of 71 Firemen's Uniforms, and 71 Firemen's Caps. Specifications can be had at the office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on outside of envelope, "Tender for Firemen's Uniforms." Each tender must be accompanied by a marked cheque, made payable to the City Treasurer, for five per cent. of the amount of the tender. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. GALT, City Purchasing Agent. Victoria, B. C., Feb. 7, 1917.

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Broken lots of Patent and Kid Boots, in button and lace. Reg. price \$5.00 to \$7.00. All sizes in the lot. Clearing at **\$3.85**

School Boots for Young Women \$3.35

Gun Metal and Patent Button and Lace style, with the low school-girl heels. Special values. Sizes 2-7. Price **\$3.35**

Women's Pumps and Slippers \$3.45

Patent, Kid and Gold Kid and Colored Suede leathers. All fine turned sole styles. All sizes in the lot. Price **\$3.45**

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Tan and Black Boots, nearly all Hart's or Bostonian makes. Reg. from \$5.50 to 7.00. Also a leather lined viscolized sole Bluecher in all sizes. Price **\$4.85**



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DECISION IS MADE TO COLLECT SUMS

First Definite Step is Taken in Tax Delinquency Question

"Why is not the list ready, why should it not be produced," declared Alderman Andros in city council last evening when the following resolution from the tax delinquency sub-committee was read: "That the council be requested to ask the city solicitor to take action under section 275 of the Municipal Act to recover all overdue local improvement taxes from all parties who have received compensation for land expropriated not paying within 90 days from date of notice by him, and that the collector furnish a list of the parties, with amounts owing."

Alderman Andros continued: "These men are good for the money and should be held liable for the payment. I should like the list produced, and then the public will know to whom we are lending this money at 8 per cent. and why they should pay it." The alderman's resolution carried, an effort to have the matter laid over for a week being rejected. Alderman Peden thought in general the principle it was all right, he doubted, however, whether it would work in practice. Alderman Cameron expressed his uncertainty about the recommendation. With the lack of information before them he did not come to agree very readily with the proposal, and was willing to leave the report on the table for a week.

Alderman Andros thought many of the people concerned were using the city as a bank "Ninety per cent. of these people," he declared, "are millionaires." "They are men who received thousands for compensation which we think should have been hundreds, and it is time they should be sensible, otherwise they will not pay."

PRICES OF FUEL GAS TO BE CONSIDERED

Aldermen Will Meet Committee Next Friday; Other Council Matters

Council decided last evening to give an appointment to the gas committee of the Real Estate Exchange on Friday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock, to discuss the questions which were raised at the annual meeting last month. Two years ago a committee of the exchange gathered considerable data on the price of gas in various cities on the Pacific coast, and showed that the rates in Victoria was considerably in excess of adjoining communities. An application was then made to the council, but it was not found feasible to carry the matter far, and action thereon was postponed. The object of the meeting is to prevent the subject being allowed to drop.

The aldermen also agreed to meet a citizen who wants some latitude under the garage by-law in connection with premises on Port street, on the same afternoon. Mrs. C. W. Rhodes obtained permission for a tag day for philanthropic purposes on April 2. Two tenders for printing the annual report were read, and referred to the finance committee for attention. Another effort was made by the labor organizations to secure representation on the board of directors of the Royal Jubilee hospital, in suggesting the names of E. Christopher, J. Taylor and A. Watchman for selection when the city representatives are appointed in June. Meanwhile the list will be filed for consideration.

Victoria will join with Vancouver in the protest against the ruling of the Workmen's Compensation board which has placed policemen and firemen in the five per cent. class. As third time examiner, Fire Chief Davis was appointed. The other two are the chief of police and city electrician. At the suggestion of Alderman Dilworth, the council will send on to the police commissioners a recommendation to have the law enforced against over-occupancy of houses. The subject has become a nuisance in many parts of the city to passers-by. The city has been asked to join in with a collection of information on railway lands exempt from taxation, which is being gathered by the executive of the Union of B. C. Municipalities for presentation to the government, following the conference with the executive council recently.

Standard Patterns

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Brighten Up Your Home This Spring With Some New Draperies

Another few weeks and we will have sunshine and you will feel that some of your Draperies will want to be replaced. It will be to your advantage to inspect our stock of well-selected Draperies before you make your purchase. Note these values we are showing in this section.

- 46-Inch Cream Scalloped Madras Muslin, yard **25c**
- 36-Inch Bordered Cream Madras, yard, **29c**
- 45-Inch Bordered Cream Madras, yard, **35c**
- 45-Inch Rich Cream Scalloped Madras, per yard **39c**
- 45-Inch Allover Scotch Nets, small patterns, yard **29c**
- 45-Inch Heavy Bordered Scotch Nets, per yard **35c**
- 45-Inch Fine Scotch Net and Lace, yard, **39c**
- Special Bordered Scrim, all shades, yd., **15c**
- H. S. Scrim and Etamine. Special, yd., **19c**
- Scrim, special, yard, **65c, 50c, 39c, 35c, 29c** and **25c**
- English Art Sateen. Special, yard, **39c, 35c, 29c** and **25c**
- Strong English Oretannes, yard, **39c, 35c, 29c, 25c** and **15c**

February White Sale Bargains

- Corset Covers, Drawers and Tea Aprons, hemstitched and lace trimmed; several pretty styles to choose from. Regular values to 50c. **19c**
- White Sale **19c**
- Misses' Night Gowns, made of fine mull with V-neck and sleeves trimmed with fine embroidery; sizes 16, 17 and 18 years. Regular values to \$1.75. **White Sale \$1.49**
- Combinations, Corset Cover and Drawers, made of fine nainsook and mull, trimmed with Val. lace. Values \$4.50 to \$7.50. **White Sale \$3.69**
- Princess Slips in nainsook and muslin, elaborately trimmed with lace and embroidery. Values \$4.50 to **\$3.89**
- White Sale **\$3.89**
- Petticoats, made of muslin and lace with deep flounce and embroidery frills. Values to \$5.75. **White Sale \$3.69**

Two Specials From the Silk Section

- Fancy Striped Tamaline Silks, suitable for waists and good linings. These come in various color combinations, 19 inches wide. Regular 65c value. **Wednesday, yd. 48c**
- Parma Crepon, for afternoon and evening wear; choose from cream, purple, saxe, grey, brown, Alice blue and plum; width 36 inches. Regular 85c value. **Wednesday 69c**

St Margaret's Knitted Suits for Boys and Girls

- St. Margaret's Jersey Knit Suits for girls, in shades of navy, cardinal, grey, white, saxe and brown. Prices from \$2.75 to **\$4.00**
- St. Margaret's Jerseys, button on shoulder, shades of navy, saxe, cardinal and white. Prices from **\$2.00**
- St. Margaret's Knitted Caps for tiny tots, in shades of navy, saxe, brown and cardinal. Prices 40c and **50c**

Visit Our Enlarged Staple Goods Section in Basement

- Stock up your household requirements at these prices—fully 25% below present market.
- Bleached Sheetings, 2 yards wide, per yard, 20c, 25c, 30c and **50c**
 - Bleached Sheetings, 21-4 yards wide, per yard, 25c, 30c, 35c and **60c**
 - Bleached Sheetings, 3 1/2 yards wide, per yard, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c and **75c**
 - Pillow Tubing, 48 in. wide, per yard **22 1/2c**
 - Pillow Tubing, 42 in. wide, per yard, 25c and **35c**
 - Pillow Tubing, 44-48 in. wide, per yard, 25c, 30c and **40c**
 - Ready-Made Pillow Slips, per pair, 35c and **50c**
 - Bedspreads, at old prices.
 - White Damask Spreads, full size. Reg. \$2.50. **\$1.95**
 - White Damask Spreads, single bed size. Prices, \$2.00 to **\$3.50**
 - White Marcella Spreads, full bed size; \$3.25 to **\$9.00**
 - White Terry Towels at advantageous prices, direct from the mills to you in following sizes:
 - White Terry Towels, size 16x21; each **10c**
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 - White Terry Towels, size 18x24; each **23c**
 - White Terry Towels, size 20x29; each **35c**
 - White Terry Towels, size 22x24; each **42 1/2c**
 - COTTON BLANKETS**—We are selling the balance of these warm and comfy blankets on Wednesday at a clearance price. Single bed size, reg. \$1.65, clearance price, **\$1.19** Full bed size, reg. \$1.95, clearance price, **\$1.49**
 - Canton Flannel. New delivery of this very useful material. Twill back, white fleece reverse, heavy make, extra values. Per yard, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 90c, 95c, 1.00, 1.05, 1.10, 1.15, 1.20, 1.25, 1.30, 1.35, 1.40, 1.45, 1.50, 1.55, 1.60, 1.65, 1.70, 1.75, 1.80, 1.85, 1.90, 1.95, 2.00, 2.05, 2.10, 2.15, 2.20, 2.25, 2.30, 2.35, 2.40, 2.45, 2.50, 2.55, 2.60, 2.65, 2.70, 2.75, 2.80, 2.85, 2.90, 2.95, 3.00, 3.05, 3.10, 3.15, 3.20, 3.25, 3.30, 3.35, 3.40, 3.45, 3.50, 3.55, 3.60, 3.65, 3.70, 3.75, 3.80, 3.85, 3.90, 3.95, 4.00, 4.05, 4.10, 4.15, 4.20, 4.25, 4.30, 4.35, 4.40, 4.45, 4.50, 4.55, 4.60, 4.65, 4.70, 4.75, 4.80, 4.85, 4.90, 4.95, 5.00, 5.05, 5.10, 5.15, 5.20, 5.25, 5.30, 5.35, 5.40, 5.45, 5.50, 5.55, 5.60, 5.65, 5.70, 5.75, 5.80, 5.85, 5.90, 5.95, 6.00, 6.05, 6.10, 6.15, 6.20, 6.25, 6.30, 6.35, 6.40, 6.45, 6.50, 6.55, 6.60, 6.65, 6.70, 6.75, 6.80, 6.85, 6.90, 6.95, 7.00, 7.05, 7.10, 7.15, 7.20, 7.25, 7.30, 7.35, 7.40, 7.45, 7.50, 7.55, 7.60, 7.65, 7.70, 7.75, 7.80, 7.85, 7.90, 7.95, 8.00, 8.05, 8.10, 8.15, 8.20, 8.25, 8.30, 8.35, 8.40, 8.45, 8.50, 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