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First Aid Contest Dominion Day

If August 1st, 1908, can be regarded as Fernie's black-letter day we think that by contrast, July 1st, 1915, may be known hereafter as the Red-letter day of this community.

Long before the time scheduled for the First Aid Competition to be started on the Coal Company's lawn, citizens of all ages and sizes were seen wending their way to the centre of attraction, and by 2.30 every point of vantage was occupied by deeply interested spectators. The day's proceedings were given the initial fillip when Mr. B. Caulfield addressed the audience, stating that he was called upon to act in the capacity of presiding officer owing to the unexpected absence of Mr. Wilson from town. He then explained the object and early history of the First Aid movement, and also alluded to the encouragement that had been given by the Provincial Department of Mines and for the purpose of providing instructions Mr. Dudley Michell, well-known in this District, had been appointed as travelling instructor, giving both lectures and promoting interest both in First Aid and the J. R. Ross work. The number of teams competing were eleven, four each from Fernie and Michel, and three from Coal Creek, and as a stimulus to the efforts of the contestants, Mr. W. R. Wilson had generously donated three prizes of \$50, \$30 and \$20, respectively to be competed for by the seniors, whilst for the junior teams two prizes, one of \$25, and a second prize had been provided through the courtesy of the Hon. W. R. Ross and Mr. Thomas Williams, mine inspector. As a preliminary to the field work, three of the gentlemen had been deputized to give a short oral address, and the first was given by Mr. Walter Joyce who gave some interesting incidents taken from his own experience. Mr. William Lancaster then spoke at considerable length, giving a most interesting talk upon the various subjects coming within the purview of First Aid work. A rather amusing incident happened whilst Mr. Lancaster was speaking. Mr. Spalding, the photographer, in order to obtain a good picture, had climbed upon the fire hall building immediately opposite and had just put his head and the camera into position when a sudden gust of wind whipped off the covering and, becoming entangled in the wires, fell into the water below.

The patient had been in an explosion; there is a swelling and slight deformity about the middle of the left thigh. There is also a "irregular" wound over the part that is swollen and a slight discharge of blood. "Treat."

There is a wound of the left forearm with extensive arterial bleeding. Both eyes are injured by the explosion. Right collar-bone is broken. Treat patient as you think best and place on stretcher.

The deftness with which all the teams went to work was interestingly followed by the huge crowd, unfortunately, however, to make the task more difficult and irksome, the rain which had been falling intermittently since 2 o'clock, came down in torrents, nothing daunting, every team stuck manfully to its duties until the end was concluded, and the examination made by the judges taking note of each case the rain still continuing to pour forth copiously, compelled a postponement of the competition.

After the rain had ceased the 11 teams were once again lined up, and the second test was most creditably performed, and the spectators were better able to follow the various movements. This test consisted of applying artificial respiration after the patient had been submerged two minutes. This concluded, the third test was performed and was as crucial as circumstances permitted, so as to conform with the conditions that the patient was to be resuscitated.

The patient was supposed to have suffered a fracture of the pelvis whilst at work in the interior of the mine, and to represent this after the treatment had been applied the stretcher-bearers marched out of the company's grounds into the road, coming back by lifting the patient over the fence, each member of the team carrying out his allotted part, then proceeding for a short distance they had to surmount another obstacle represented by a stretcher across two chairs, then along and over a huge dry goods box, thence up this flight of steps into the office. This work was done by each team separately, and concluded a most enjoyable and educational demonstration. Drs. Coran, Bonnell, Burnett and Moore, who had officiated during the demonstration, then entered the room to the closeness of the points they were unable to give a decision before the departure of the Michel team.

The Fernie Coal Creek Excelsior Band furnished the music with a liberal selection of numbers at short intervals.

The next move of the Fernie Coal Creek Excelsior Band, the medical staff, representatives of the District 18, the Press and members of the Excelsior Band was to the basement of the Methodist Church where the gathering, close upon two hundred, sat down to a most delectable arranged and interesting dinner provided by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wilson to which they were ably assisted by a corps of ladies.

The chairman on this occasion was the Rev. D. M. Parley, who after a few brief remarks and the saying of grace, invited all present, and some were left to help in disposing of the excellent viands provided.

George O'Brien was the spokesman in response.

Dr. Bonnell, after complimenting all the teams for the excellence of the work performed, stated that the judges' task of determining who were the winners was far from an easy one, and that his only regret was that there was not some way of giving every team a prize. He announced that the first prize (\$50.00) had been won by team No. 10, of which Joe Hamer, of Fernie, was the captain; the contest for second place was so exceedingly close that after consultation with Manager Caulfield, it had been decided to merge the second and third prize and divide the amount, giving \$25.00 to each No. 9, Harrison's team of Coal Creek and J. Stacey's team of Michel.

Miss Wilson then made the presentation to Messrs. Hamer and Harrison, each in turn expressing their pleasure at winning amidst loud applause from all present.

As a fitting wind-up to a splendid day's proceedings a free concert took place in the Grand Theatre with Mr. B. Caulfield in the chair, and on the platform with him were Messrs. J. Biggs, President W. L. Phillips and J. W. Bennett.

The first item on the programme was a song by R. Sampson, which was most warmly received. An address on first-aid work pointing out that the Crow's Nest Pass district was in the van regarding the percentage of qualified ambulance men and furnishing a lot of interesting data was delivered by Du'cey Michell. Mr. W. Puckey's comic rendition of "Tango Ten" brought down the house; Miss F. Baker delighted the audience with a song, and Mr. T. Biggs also favored with two vocal numbers, whilst W. L. Phillips and J. W. Bennett made remarks appropriate to the occasion. At the conclusion a vote of thanks was duly made and carried in favor of Mr. B. Caulfield, just as the whistle for the Coal Creek train blew its warning, with every body feeling that a thoroughly enjoyable and instructive day had been spent.

The boys' teams contest Saturday afternoon a goodly crowd assembled in the vicinity of the Coal Company's lawn to witness the First Aid Competition between the Juniors of the two teams.

These boys showed by the readiness with which they tackled this difficult case the thoroughness of their training, applying the necessary bandages with remarkable dexterity and neatness, to the great delight and surprise of the onlookers, who, when the test was completed broke into rapturous applause.

Test No. 2. Patient has been brought out of the mine partly gasped. The method of handling this case being entirely different from No. 1, the spectators could follow more closely the different manipulations and size up the general situation more clearly than in the former case.

Test No. 3. Patient with a broken back placed on stretcher, carry around over obstacles and up an incline. Both teams after making the necessary careful disposition of the patient in such a serious plight, marched along the lawn, gently lifting him over obstacles and then mounting the steps of the coal company's office with consummate care lowered him to the floor.

Dr. Bonnell addressed the gathering urging upon all present to take up this most useful adjunct to practical education, complimented the boys on their frequent use of their work, and hoped that when the next competition was held there would be more contestants. He then announced that the first prize (\$25.00) was awarded to the Fernie team, and second to the Coal Creek boys. The prize for the latter was \$10.00, but this the doctors increased to \$15.00 by a donation of an additional \$5.00.

Drs. Coran, Bonnell & Moore were the judges in this competition.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS' PLAN GETS BLACK EYE IN FRANCE PARIS, July 5.—Under the heading "A Shameful Peace," Gustave Harve, in La Guerre Sociale, repudiates the suggestion of the German Socialists that he and the French Socialist party are willing to accept the principle of peace without association as the basis of the peace negotiations.

In his most sarcastic manner, M. Harve pictures Europe under such a peace, with militarism paramount and the burden of military taxation.

"Anyone in our party who dares to speak of peace before the robbers of Belgium have been chased out with rifles, before Prussian militarism has been humiliated and smashed, we could see our glorious dead—the French Socialists who have fallen to form a new Europe—rise from their graves in protest."

The Socialists of Germany are agitating for peace. Let us hope that they will succeed, but before they get peace they must get a democratic form of government. If they get peace before the Kaiser has granted democracy to the government all the slaughter of human life will be in vain, as it will leave the plutocrat in the saddle and leave the German people as helpless as they were before the war.—The Voice.

The Situation in District 18 As Viewed by District Officers

Fernie, B.C., July 2nd, 1915.

During the past few weeks many things have transpired, which have considerable bearing upon the Labor movement of the country, and particularly that section of it known as the United Mine Workers of America. Owing to our cosmopolitan make up, practically all our organizations have taken on an international character. The reason for same being too obvious to need any lengthy explanation, suffice to say, no labor organization could ever build itself up to any appreciable strength unless it were an international organization. There are numerous affiliations and inter-affiliations, said affiliations implying a very close friendship or fraternalism. The topic of conversation among affiliated workmen often centers around the idea of having a common understanding, so as to have all workers agree on a plan, whereby they may cease work universally at one time, with a view to obtaining redress for the many ills affecting themselves.

Again, we have noticed many political congresses attended by delegates hailing from all the important nations of the earth, going on record, "Re Working Class Solidarity," "The Workers of All Countries Having No Quarrel With Each Other," "In the Event of War a General Strike," etc., etc. Yet, strange as it may appear, all such resolutions over which many of our brilliant orators have waxed eloquent when discussing, have been scattered to the winds. Coming nearer home, we find that progressive members of the working class, who pride themselves as being the intellectuals among us, have entirely forgotten the spirit of internationalism, whilst it does not condone their offence by citing the fact that the greatest men, those who are supposed to lead the poor, ignorant worker, have failed to keep inviolate their pronounced obligations. Yet we are compelled to ask ourselves the question: If the cream of the labor world, who have attended congresses, etc., together for decades, fall by the wayside, then can we wonder at those who have not enjoyed such opportunities following suit? The "B. C. Federationist" in its editorial columns last week, commented on the situation in District 18, as it affected "the aliens." On the whole their criticism is very fair, but possibly unduly caustic. We should remember it is easy to criticize, but a different matter to sit down in a camp where trouble exists and act the Moses. We have special reference to the criticism levelled at the "Ledger," because they had the audacity to state "the citizens of Fernie" had taken certain action and not the U. M. W. of A. As an organ representing trade unionists, "The Federationist" may have had some little thought as to why the Editor thus wrote.

In order that the reader may intelligently follow, it may be well to review what really happened in District 18, which later led up to partial internment of "alien enemies." The mine officials at Bellevue laid off a large number of their workmen in order (so they said) that the work which was very scarce, might be divided up. It so happened that the ones laid off, on stopping to consider, realized they were born in Austria or Germany. These men, though temporarily suspended about the middle of May, have not yet been re-employed. Of course there are different systems of dividing up work. For instance, Coal Creek miners "change about" every three days, possibly the Austrians and Germans at Bellevue are going to "change about" every year or every decade with those now employed. We find the next "alien enemy" trouble arose in Fernie. To definitely state how it originated is practically impossible, but evidently there were various reasons. Rumor hath it that some of our prominent citizens were at loggerheads with the Coal Company, and seeing a glorious opportunity to embarrass said Coal Company, fostered the idea of internment a percentage of their workmen.

They were doing what they saw fit. The Coal Creek mines were averaging about 1000 tons a day, and the probability of a little more

various other reasons for putting the question of internment. Several meetings were held, but naturally the majority attending them were members of the U. M. W. of A. and the being that the Provincial authorities issued orders for the internment of all "unnaturalized" "alien enemies" who were single men, and also those married whose families were in the old countries. The order was also applied to Michel, notwithstanding the fact that neither the mineworkers nor citizens there requested that such action be taken. This finally resulted in 317 men being interned. The question of accommodating such a number was not an easy task for the local authorities, hence the best that could be done was place them in the Fernie Skating Rink. No bedding has been provided for fear of fire, their breakfast consists of porridge, tea and bread; lunch, a fairly staple meal; supper, tea and bread.

When the news spread throughout the District that Fernie had taken a stand against "alien enemies," it appears that a few men in some of the other camps vied with each other in order to be on par with Fernie. However, Hillcrest and Coleman were the only camps to hold meetings to consider the question. Coleman decided to take no action, feeling it a question for the Government. Hillcrest citizens had several meetings, culminating in a committee agreeing on a plan later ratified by a mass meeting, which provided that work would be resumed (they having laid idle a few days), the company temporarily suspended all unnaturalized "alien enemies." Hillcrest people petitioned the government to have all unnaturalized "alien enemies" interned. Thus it will be seen that only two out of the 20 Locals comprising District 18 agitated for internment.

So much has been done and no apology or excuse can alter it, but our duty is to consider the position we now find ourselves in, and avoid further complications arising from an organization standpoint. "Organization standpoint" is said so that everyone will clearly understand that there is no intention of questioning the action of either Dominion or Provincial Government.

As members of an organization, we solemnly declare we will keep inviolate our obligations; this applies with equal force to members of fraternal societies. The language embodied in the various obligations is invariably of an idealistic nature, nevertheless they are administered and accepted in all sincerity. Men of honor do not take a solemn oath without careful deliberation, and having once sworn, they are determined to keep at least as near as possible, any such oath or obligation. The majority of us in some form or other, have taken an oath wherein we state we will not wrong a brother or see him wronged, that we will assist him in adversity, etc. Knowing full well, when so doing that many of our brothers in fraternal and industrial organizations are of a different nationality to ourselves, in fact one of the cardinal principles of many organizations is that creed, color or nationality is no deterrent to membership. In most places (particularly in this country) we are so intermingled with the people of other countries that no qualm is felt when we accept men of a different nationality as brothers, our neighbors, friends, working partners, yes even our wives are oftentimes from a far distant country to the land of our birth. With this knowledge in mind let us go down and ask ourselves the question: As a member of the working class, and especially as a member of the United Mine Workers of America, how should I conduct myself during this crisis? In answering the question we have to think very calmly and dispassionately, trying if possible to place ourselves in the position of a worker purely and simply, allowing any patriotic or anti-patriotic feeling we may possess to stand aside for the present. We realize full well, as stated in the commitment, why we joined hands with our fellow workers of other countries.

It was not our love or altruism for them, but conscious of the limited effectiveness of sectional organizations we united for mutual protection, in a sense a selfish idea. We were each necessary to the other to bring about the idea of collective bargaining as against the old method of individualism, as well as for the purpose of thwarting the encroachment of the employer on the rights of the employee, and last, but not least, in order that we may lay down our tools as a protest against certain conditions imposed upon us as well as to try and enhance the price paid for our labor when all possible means fail. Oftentimes, even quite recently, owing to the extraordinary distress prevailing, ally and "alien" have, through the medium of their organization, joined together and done all they possibly could to alleviate suffering. Again we recall that for over ten months the awful carnage raged in Europe, yet practically everyone was most peaceful and law abiding in our midst, this was emphasized when we see that the judge had white gloves to handle instead of criminal cases at the last Assizes. Hence the wonder at the action now. However, to keep to the point, As members of international organizations, our actions should conform to the policy of said bodies, and there should be no mistaking their policy. The workers who are fighting in the ranks of ally

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The Internment Camp

On July 1st the custody of the internment was transferred from the Provincial authorities to the military, conformably to instructions received from Ottawa.

Most of the local guards, whose pay was \$2.50 a day, upon Col. Mackay taking over control of affairs, declined to continue in a like capacity unless guaranteed the same rate of pay, \$2.50, instead of the usual military allowance of \$1.10 and 75c. a day maintenance allowance. As the Colonel would not accede to this the force of guards now employed is composed principally of members of the 107th Regiment.

The camp is now organized on a military basis, the respective officers of the day having been assigned as per the following order: July 1, Lieut. Black; July 2, Lieut. Hayes; July 3, Lieut. Thomson; July 4, Capt. Stalker; July 5, Lieut. Martin; July 6, Lieut. Barnes; July 7, Lieut. O'Brien; Supernumerary, Lieut. Sudaby.

Lieut. Douglas Corsan, M.D., is the medical officer and makes daily inspection of the camp at 8.30, and all cases regarding sickness or sanitation are brought to his attention.

The sergeant of each shift has charge of and is responsible for the conduct of the men under him. His instructions regarding the treatment of the interns are that they shall be treated with uniform courtesy without undue familiarity. Several improvements have been introduced looking to the comfort and convenience of the interns. The rations are plain and plentiful. The following is typical of one day: Breakfast—Coffee, porridge and bread; lunch—meat (1/2 lb.), excellent vegetable soup, potatoes and bread. Supper—Tea with bread and jam or cheese.

The boundaries of the camp have been extended so that the men may have a little more space for recreation. On Monday a court of enquiry was established with Col. J. Mackay as presiding officer, assisted daily by the officer of the day, as per the list given above.

On Monday Lieut. J. J. Martin was the assistant, when investigation of about thirty cases was made and reports thereon, with recommendations forwarded to Ottawa for approval and disposition. It is expected that thirty will be about the daily average, the entire investigation, therefore, will occupy about 10 or 11 days, and as each day's investigation is made the reports will be forwarded to military headquarters.

The only releases given so far are a few Bohemians and one or two individuals on account of age or health. Stefan Janosin is acting as interpreter on behalf of the Austrians, the few Germans interned are so well versed in English that the services of an interpreter are not required.

HEAVY "BUMP" AT COAL CREEK Shortly after 9 a.m. on Wednesday morning a heavy snow storm set in, blowing from the west.

NAME PLEASE, "DIZZY ENOUGH" The regular monthly tea of the Ladies' Guild of Christ Church will be held at the home of Mrs. S. P. Wallace on Wednesday, July 14th, at 3.30 p.m.

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"BILLY" ORR WRITES FROM HOSPITAL

24459, 4 D. W. Ward, Lord Derby's War Hospital, Warrington, Lancs.

Dear James,—Have not heard from you for a month of Sundays and am wondering why, but perhaps the fault is as much mine as yours. However, here goes. Note the address where I am staying at present as a result of a piece of high explosive which found me as its mark on the 20th of May, and after hitting me on the breast bone and knocking a hole in it, found a resting place just below my heart. To get it out an operation was necessary, and now it is over I am getting along O.K., although confined to my bed. The days hang heavy on a chap. I am sorry to say I can't tell you much about the Fernie boys, except you know more about them than I do.

You do not know how much I feel about Belgium. He and I have quite a long talk before the big fight at Ypres, and when he was posted missing I waited every day, expecting and hoping to get news about him, but none came. He was a man, every inch of him—steadfast and true, and you know, Jamie, his motto in this big fight would be the same as all other undertakings he was connected with—"No Surrender!" I never saw him during the days that fight was on, and as our losses were very heavy, upon making enquiries of those who came out of it, not one of them could give me any definite information. The fight in which I got my knock-out took place about a month before the Ypres affair, at a place called Festubert. I can't tell you much about it as I was in the advance and got hit early in the fight, but if I cannot say much myself, this I have learned travelling about in hospital trains and moved from one hospital to another, from scraps of conversation picked up on the way dropped by the British. Tommie, that the Canadian boys did their bit like seasoned veterans, and I can say without bragging that the East Kootenays certainly did their share even if the price paid was a heavy one. One regiment lost about 200 men. I guess it will be at least another six weeks before I'm out of the hospital. I have already had 31 days in bed and this leaves me plenty of time to think, more really than I like, but then I'm lucky to be alive. Give my best wishes to all our mutual friends; tell them to write me, and if I don't answer back at once, not be surprised, as I am sure they will be that things are looking up with you and all goes well with Mrs. Brooks and family, and that you'll write soon. I am, yours as ever,

BILLY. (L-Opt. W. W. Orr.)

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WHAT AN "ALIEN ENEMY" IS

The words "alien," "alien enemy," "alien friend," have been more frequently spoken since last August than in the previous decade in consequence of their relations to matters discussed when the topic of war is broached. The ordinary meaning of the word "alien" is foreign or foreigner; "friend" carries with it the mental concept of affectionate attachment, whilst "enemy" conveys the direct opposite. If we were to ask a definition from one hundred people of the quoted words "alien," "friend," and "enemy," we do not think their answers would vary in sense, although they might in language, from those given. Ask the man on the street what "alien friend" and "alien enemy" stand for and we feel sure he would reply an "alien friend" means today a man who was born in a foreign country, but is favorable to the cause of the Allies, and an "alien enemy" means a man born in one of the foreign countries fighting against the Allies.

Strange as it may appear to the average lay mind this is not the opinion of Britain's leading jurists when called upon to give decisions in cases of litigation submitted to them for consideration.

In the Court of Appeal under date of January 19, 1915, the following notables of the woolstack assembled for the purpose of determining some knotty problems arising from the lesser legal lights not being able to agree regarding the interpretation of "alien friend" and "alien enemy"—Lord Reading, Chief Justice; Lord Cozens-Hardy, Master of the Rolls; Buckley, L.J., Kennedy, L.J., Swinfen Eady, L.J., Phillimore, L.J., Pickford, L.J. These learned gentlemen made use of a large amount of language in the discussions of the various law suits that reached their courts but the sum and substance we condense by briefly stating that they contend that it is the place of residence and business, and not a man's nationality which determines the difference between an "alien friend" and an "alien enemy."

An "alien enemy" is one who voluntarily resides in and carries on business in an enemy's country. The Attorney General, Sir John Simon, K.C., was also called in to give an opinion on the question and he stated that an "alien enemy" does not mean a subject of a state which is at war with this country, but a person of whatever nationality who is residing or carrying on business in the enemy's territory.

In accordance with the opinions expressed by the highest legal authorities in the British Empire it follows that so long as any subject of a foreign state with which Britain is at war does not break any law whereby he may be regarded as an enemy, he is entitled to the same rights, privileges and protection exactly the same as a resident British subject.

This is the judgment of the Court of Appeal, and being so formally pronounced we are unable to understand how any alien against whom no specific charge has been laid can legally be held in a detention camp.

We have heard the story of the individual in gaol who was visited by a lawyer and after hearing the details of the man's supposed crime, exclaimed, "They can't put you in gaol for that, my good fellow," when the imprisoned replied "That may be so but here I am just the same."

There is a certain analogy with the state of affairs as existing in Fernie today with the above story, and we trust that when the examinations, now in progress, of each individual case and the reports thereon submitted to Ottawa, that a speedy satisfactory conclusion to a most unfortunate incident may be reached with the least possible delay.

HINTS TO THE "WETS" AND THE "DRYS."

The opponents and proponents of Prohibition are going at it hammer and tongs in the adjoining province of Alberta.

As the day approaches for the final declaration on the subject the argumentation waxes correspondingly stronger and zeal or fanaticism, whichever it may be regarded, grows fiercer. The advocate of the liquor interests is quite eloquent in his denunciation of the infringement upon individual liberty, whilst conveniently ignoring the fate meted out to a hotel-keeper who decided to purchase outside of the restricted circle. On the other hand, the mentally intoxicated prohibitionist works the "sob gusher" with all the energy at his disposal, and complacently closes his eyes to any evidence that may be proffered pointing out that if the abolition of the liquor traffic did result, as claimed, in a 10 per cent. increased production, the exploiters and not the producers would reap the advantage.

Today there are hundreds of thousands unemployed throughout Canada, and to talk about increasing production by adding to their numbers shows that the average prohibitionist knows as much about economics as a Hottentot knows of history.

"Oh!" says the Prohibitionist, "if the drink industry is killed there'll be more boots, shoes and clothes manufactured." That sounds well, but things are not always what they seem. There may be a few individuals who have heretofore spent their money for liquor who will use it for the purpose of buying other and more useful things, but if the supply of these commodities in the market is in excess of the demand the manufacturers are not going to overstock it still further. Again, the purchasing power of those thrown out of work has been seriously curtailed and their absorption into an industrial system that is in a chaotic state is a very slow process.

"Then," says the Prohibitionist, "you uphold this terrible business because it means a living for a few and misery for so many?" We do nothing of the kind, but point out the inevitable result that must obtain so long as the Profit System is in vogue. To all those Prohibitionists who will take off the blinkers of prejudice, and by so doing extend the scope of their mental vision, we would urge them to follow the suggestions of the late Frances E. Willard, than whom there was no more earnest and sincere temperance advocate who, in the closing days of her life said, "Had I my time to live over again the energies I have expended in combating the Drink Evil would be spent in fighting the Cause and not the Effect of this and the kindred ills of humanity."

"Yes, yes," says our Prohibitionist friend, "but do you not recognize that the saloon interest is a very powerful influence wielded by the politician at election times?" We do realize such to be the case on this continent, but there are other countries where it is not so used and still we do not find the great mass of people enjoying any better conditions than those of this continent. There are other means of corrupting the electorate than by means of the saloon, this is used because it is cheap and convenient, but it is by no means the only method that can be employed. We do not wish our readers to have the impression that we do not know some of the misery and privation wrought upon humans by the abuse of liquors. We do, and we also know the evils of child labor, sweatshops, unemployment, war in fact we are well acquainted with the entire malefic family of Capitalism, but we know that Prohibition is not going to work the marvelous benefits its champions claim for it, because whilst it may be regarded as lopping off a branch of the Tree of Evil, the root is left untouched.

The edict of the electorate will soon be announced, and whether Alberta goes "dry" or "wet" we would ask the partisans of both sides to note, as time rolls on, whether the forecasts they have so vehemently asserted have reached fruition, or whether they have died in the burning.

On the front page of this issue we reproduce a symposium issued by the Executive of District 18, U. M. W. of A., the principal theme of which is Internationalism, and we trust that after perusing it our readers may have a better understanding of the subject and reach a conviction of how essential is the practice thereof if they are to avoid the many pitfalls that must confront them in the future should they fail to do so.

The I. O. D. E. take this opportunity of extending thanks to Mrs. Gregson, of Dorr, for the sum of the \$5.00 prize to the Patriotic Committee, and also to Mr. Caliguri for presentation of \$5.00 to the Raffle Committee.

The I. O. D. E., Mt. Fernie Chapter, are extremely grateful to Miss Sutherland for her timely donation of \$50.00 whereby the organization is enabled to forward cheque to Major E. C. Hart of \$150.00 which will maintain three of the 1040 beds contained in the base hospital in northern France under the auspices of the B. C. Medical Association, and with which Dr. S. Bonnell will be connected.

The Fernie Red Cross branch is very much indebted to the committee of Ladies from Michel, through whose efforts the sum of \$88 was raised, in addition to 122 pairs of socks. This money has enabled the members here to work three days a week instead of two, Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturday. Following are the names of the ladies of the Michel committee: Mrs. S. Stephenson, Mrs. V. Whitehouse, Mrs. J. Touhey, Mrs. D. Grundy, Mrs. M. Jenkins (Treasurer), Mrs. M. Little (Secretary).

It is expected that the inspection of the city's electric meters will be concluded this week. Although it has been found that a number of minor adjustments were necessary, the loss or gain, so far as the consumer is concerned, has been exceedingly small, and correspondingly consumers' bills have been practically unaffected.

METHODIST CHURCH, FERNIE
Sunday, July 11—11 a.m., "The Two Gospels"; 7.30 p.m., "Duty"; 2.30 p.m., Sunday School and adult class. Monday, 8 p.m., Missionary evening in the League. Tuesday afternoon, rally of the Junior League at 4 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m., Prayer service. Friday, 8 p.m., choir practice.

KNOX CHURCH, FERNIE
Sunday, July 11—11 a.m., Communion service; 12.15 p.m., "Seeds by the Wayside"; 7.30 p.m., Sunday school. Wednesday, 7.30 p.m., Prayer meeting. You are cordially invited to these services. W. J. Macquarrie, B.A., minister.

It is claimed in Butte, Mont., that over one thousand miners who are Socialists have been discharged and blacklisted by the Copper Trust.

EX-M.P. DIES SUDDENLY
Duncan Ross, well known throughout the Boundary Country, died suddenly in Victoria last Wednesday.

Mr. Ross was at one time editor and proprietor of the Boundary Creek Times and also was the Liberal member in the Dominion House for four years representing the constituency of Yale, Cariboo.

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HOME BANK ADOPTS A PROVIDENT POLICY

Profits this Year were 8 per cent.—Rigorous Writing-Off Policy
In more ways than one the fact of the great war was reflected in proceedings at the annual meeting of the Home Bank of Canada, held in Toronto yesterday afternoon. In the first place there was a falling off in profits, as was anticipated, although they came nearly up to those of last year, being eight per cent., compared with 10 per cent. in 1914. The year of the Home Bank ends June 1, this means that their year just closed covered ten months of war, which was a larger period than any other bank year by several months.

A rigorous writing-off policy was adopted to cover war depreciation, \$71,000 being written off the value of the bank's real estate and \$100,000 off the value of securities held. The President pointed out, in the course of his address, that this radical measure was adopted in view of the prospect of another year's hostilities. The general statement of the company showed an increase of \$100,000 in deposits, which are largely made up of savings of people who never saved before. This is an indication of prevailing thrift in this country. The prudent policy of the company mentioned above, will practically put the bank according to one of the officials of the institution, in a position to meet its next year's dividends at the usual rate of seven per cent. The retiring board was re-elected without change. — Toronto Globe, June 30, 1915.

The Sheep Shearers' Union of Australia is out for a 38 hour week and a \$15.00 a week minimum. Inspection of meat served them during their engagement, and hygienic quarters, to live in.

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The Home Bank of Canada

Statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the year ending 31st May, 1915.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st May, 1914. \$107,200 10
Net profits for the year after deducting charges of management, interest on deposits, payment of all Provincial and Municipal taxes, and rebate of interest on unamortized loans. 107,200 10
Transferred from Profit Account. 268,914 00
\$375,114 10

CAPITAL PROFIT ACCOUNT.

Premium on Capital Stock received during the year. 4,500 00
\$379,614 10

Which has been appropriated as follows:—

Dividend No. 31, quarterly, at rate of 7% per annum. \$31,022 24
Dividend No. 32, quarterly, at rate of 7% per annum. 31,022 24
Dividend No. 33, quarterly, at rate of 7% per annum. 31,022 24
Dividend No. 34, quarterly, at rate of 7% per annum. 31,022 24
Appropriation for Bad and Doubtful debts and depreciation in Securities. 120,120 00
Reduction of Bank Premiums. 8,250 00
Government War Tax on note circulation (5 months). 5,000 00
Payments on account of special subscriptions to Red Cross, Patriotic, and other funds. 1,800 00
Balance. 26,200 00
\$379,614 10

GENERAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES.

TO THE PUBLIC
Notes of the Bank in Circulation. \$1,244,790 00
Deposits not bearing interest. \$1,087,230 14
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date of statement. 8,857,038 44
Balance due to Dominion Government. 3,551,048 58
Balance due to other Banks in Canada. 268,023 00
Balance due to Banks and Banking Correspondents in United Kingdom and Foreign Countries. 6,153 74
\$11,450,120 16

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS.

Capital (Authorized, \$2,000,000) Paid up. \$1,000,000 00
Reserves (Unclaimed). 400,000 00
Dividend No. 34 (Quarterly), being at the rate of 7% per annum payable June 1st, 1915. 2,689 85
Balance of Profit and Loss Account. 26,200 00
\$1,428,889 85

ASSETS.

Gold and other current coin. \$1,100,000 00
Dominion Government Notes. 1,100,000 00
Bills of Exchange and other securities as security for note circulation. 80,000 00
Notes of other Banks. 127,474 00
Deposits on other Banks. 6,153 74
Deposits due by other Banks in Canada. 268,023 00
Deposits due by Banks and Banking Correspondents in United Kingdom and Foreign Countries. 6,153 74
\$2,689,614 10

Interest, 10% per annum, on the above balance sheet has been retained with the funds and vouchers as at March 31st, 1915, and with the retained income from the Branches and in accordance therewith I have obtained all needed information from the Officers of the Bank, and in my opinion the transactions coming under my notice have been as follows:—

I have checked the books and verified the accuracy of the Bank as at March 31st, 1915, and also at various times during the year, and I am satisfied that the balance sheet is correct and that the retained income is as shown, and I am of opinion the above balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to show a true and correct view of the state of the Bank's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me, and so shown by the Bank's Officers.

THOS PLIMLEY, Vice-President. JAMES MASON, General Manager.

AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS.

In accordance with sections 19 and 20 of Section 54 of the Bank Act, 1913, I beg to report as follows: The above balance sheet has been examined with the books and vouchers as at March 31st, 1915, and with the retained income from the Branches and in accordance therewith I have obtained all needed information from the Officers of the Bank, and in my opinion the transactions coming under my notice have been as follows:—

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ORANGE AND BLUE SUCCESS

A most successful dance was held in the Victoria Hotel on Thursday last, under the auspices of the local Orange Lodge, which about 60 couples enjoyed in the pleasant art of trapping to the strains of "Alley's" orchestra. The success of the dance was due to the fact that the organizers were not only good but also generous, and the fact that the dance was held in a room which was well lighted and well ventilated. A very enjoyable evening was spent by all who attended, and the dance was a great success.

COAL COMPANY LOSES ACTION AGAINST MINERS

PORT SMITH, Ark., July 6. The \$125,000 damage suit brought by the Illinois Coal Company against more than 200 officers and members of the United Mine Workers of America, has been dismissed in the United States district court here today. The court held it had no jurisdiction.

Mrs. R. S. Phillips is making excellent progress and it is expected complete recovery will soon be effected.

Tom Carson, who was reported to have been killed in the explosion of the mine at Rand, near Folkestone, is still alive and is now recovering at Rand, near Folkestone, having been transferred there from the Australian hospital at Boulogne.

Tom says: "I shall always have a kindly feeling in my heart for the Australians as they gave me every comfort and care and attention."

The relatives and friends of Cecil K. Holmes, who was reported "killed" since June 15th, are still without any information as to his fate, and are making enquiries through the War Office with the hope that they may be able to obtain some news of the missing man.

A new number of guests gathered at the new Canadian residence, West Fernie, on Saturday afternoon, when Mr. Harry Whitley and Miss Sarah A. Jones were married by the Rev. J. M. Perley. After the ceremony a large repast was served and the festivities were continued until 11 p.m.

Monday morning the gauge of

terms were busy employed on road work in different parts of the city, and the direction in which the work was being done showed appreciation of their preference to the dull monotony of the detention camp.

Died—On July 7, Irma A., wife of William Reed, aged 26 years. Funeral services were held in the Presbyterian church at 2 p.m.

A general strike of coal miners in the Island of Spain is threatened, which if it takes place will tie up practically all industries, as the facilities for manufacture are very restricted.

Strikes have taken place at Petrograd, Moscow and Odessa in which a number of workmen have been shot and imprisoned.

Mr. Geo. Bainbridge and Miss Elizabeth Hall were quietly married at the home of the bride in the morning, and the young couple left on the evening train for the Victoria Hotel at Nordberg, Alberta, where Mr. Bainbridge has a position as engineer.

Herb Linhardt, who had the misfortune to wash his left foot recently in Island Lake, is hobbling around with a cane, but expects soon to be on his feet again, as the healing process is making excellent headway.

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BELLEVUE

The early morning of July 1st saw many of our citizens departing for outside points in the pursuit of pleasure. Many availed themselves of the opening of the fishing season, and Jack Shione secured the prize given by Steve Humble for the largest fish caught that day with a large bull trout. Jack deserves every credit for the capture as he landed his fish with a broken rod the result of a tussle with a speckled beauty early in the day.

A small child belonging to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Chapman, Jr., in some unaccountable manner became possessed of a knife, and whilst playing with it allowed it to slip from her grasp and pierce her eye. Dr. McKenzie examined it and advised that the child be taken to a specialist in Calgary immediately. Her father left with the child on Sunday for Calgary.

An interesting wedding took place last week, the contracting parties being Mr. E. C. McDonald, druggist, and Nurse Niven, both of Bellevue. We wish them much happiness.

Fred Padgett, our general timekeeper, is enjoying the sights of Calgary for two weeks.

The children of the Methodist Church celebrated their annual Sunday school anniversary on Sunday. The choir, consisting of some forty children, rendered some very appropriate music. The Rev. F. T. Cook preached.

Owing to the interest of the workers being diverted by things of more moment the Local Union failed to convene on Sunday last.

President was a brief visitor to our town.

The Bellevue Mine tippie gave considerable trouble last week, breaking down more than once.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Goodwin, sr., have returned from visiting their three sons who are in training at the Sarcee Camp.

Mr. Fred Wolstenholme, the owner of the Rosedale Dairy for many years, has this last week leased it amongst some of his employees for a period of seven years. Mr. Wolstenholme has business interests in the Porcupine District that require more of him at attention is given as the reason for his leaving.

Messdames Wilson, Wade, Goodwin, Dicken are this year spending their annual vacation in Calgary owing to their husbands having joined the colors.

Jim Burke is now enjoying the sights of the military city.

Mr. Green, the general manager of the W. C. C. Ltd., was a Bellevue visitor last week.

J. R. McDonald visited our burg on business this week-end.

COAL CREEK NOTES

The mines were idle on Saturday, it being pay day. The local "flyer" carried a number of residents to the big city.

Since our last issue the stork paid a visit to Morrissey Cottages, leaving a fine bouncing boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Milburn. Mother and baby doing well.

The long-looked for trophy kindly presented by the Hon. W. R. Ross for the winners in the schoolboys' lacrosse league, and which was won by the Coal Creek boys, arrived on Saturday last. It is on view at the local Trites Wood Store.

The boys at the Club celebrated the wedding of two of our former residents, viz., George Young and Miss L. Hall, which took place in Fernie on Saturday prior to their return to Braxau. We wish them a prosperous life.

One of our residents has had the experience of having water thrown on a kindly action. Who said it was warm? The timely arrival of the wheelbarrow averted a tragedy.

Will all local "moose" take note that a smoker will be held in the Lodge Hall on Monday evening next, strictly for members only, to commence promptly at 7 o'clock. Do not time. All members will hear something to their advantage.

Red Cross Branch Formed at Coal Creek

Some thirty ladies of this camp answered the notice calling a meeting on Monday afternoon for the purpose of inaugurating a branch of the Canadian Red Cross Association.

Messdames Fisher, Suddaby and Miss Sutherland of Fernie, addressed the gathering and explained the work being done, and it was decided to form a branch at here. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. H. Violett; Vice-President, Mrs. H. C. Gifford; Secretary, Mrs. G. Page; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Worthington. The secretary will be pleased to enroll new members. All communications to be addressed to Mrs. Page, Coal Creek.

Mrs. Mark Branch returned from Michel where she has been visiting relatives.

The monthly examination for miners' certificates was held on Monday. We would again impress upon would-be candidates the absolute necessity of sending in their applications two days before the examination to the secretary of the Board of Examiners, John McLeod, Coal Creek.

A farewell party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Davies, French Camp, prior to their departure to the Old Country in the near future. A very happy time was spent.

A very large number of friends and acquaintances of Ed. Harrison assembled at Ontario Avenue on Friday evening to bid goodnight and goodspeed to Ed, who left on Saturday morning en route for Vancouver, Cumberland.

Mrs. Harrison, accompanied by a number of her friends, accompanied Ed on his departure. After a sumptuous repast, to which all did ample justice, songs, speeches and songs were indulged in until old Ed pushed his nose into the night.

The evening was a little clouded by the Professor's snoring "Oh My Little."

The Methodist Church has been undergoing a process of interior renovation during the past week. The members of the Ladies' Aid have had charge of the work.

Mrs. J. Young gave a surprise party to the Ladies' Aid in connection with the Methodist Church on the occasion of the marriage of her son, which took place on Saturday last.

The annual ratepayers meeting will be held in the school house on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Fred Gillette, whilst following his usual occupation of driver in No. 1 East, in some manner not clearly known, had the misfortune to be caught between the car and a post, striking his thigh with such force as to necessitate his removal to Fernie Hospital. Fortunately no bones were broken, and it was expected he will be fit for work in the near future.

COALHURST

Joe D. Harie, who acted in the capacity of timekeeper here about two years ago, and has since been acting as manager at Twin City Mine, is taking on the responsibility to fill the vacancy caused by Wm. Maxwell, the mine superintendent, who is about to leave for Westville, Nova Scotia.

Mr. Maxwell, who was in charge of management of mine here since its inception some five and a half years ago.

Charlie Connors met with a rather nasty accident while at work on repairs to the tippie which resulted in a smashed finger.

Charlie Prescott, of the Mounted Rifles, was on a visit to his family a few days last week.

Dominion Day was celebrated in Coalhurst by a picnic to Harrington's River Bottom, and was conducted by the Presbyterian Church. A good time was enjoyed by all.

Chas. Phillips returned on Saturday from his well-earned vacation in New Town. He was the guest of T. E. Skelton.

Some of the men who were victims in the shaft accident, on the 20th of June, have since returned to work. Hugh Evans, Wm. McDonald, Fred Garrick and Peter Hutkins, all fire bosses, and Charlie Kasin and N. Unchewko, machine men, are still under the care and treatment of the doctor.

Louis Fraser, who is stationed in Calgary, was on a few days furlough in Camp last week.

J. D. Keith, District Deputy and installing team from 105 Coalhurst Lodge I. O. O. F. were on an official visit to No. 71 Diamond City Lodge, on Monday, July 5th. After installation refreshments were served and a good time enjoyed.

CORBIN

Mr. J. Quinn, from Michel, was here visiting Mrs. Quinn and family. Jim says Michel is just like home to him.

Paris Barretell paid Hillcrest a short visit on July 1st.

R. S. Ord was a Corbin visitor this week examining the qualities of the Big Showing, and expressed the opinion that it was one of the best steam-heating coals in the Pass.

G. Trehearne and Billy Walker paid Fernie a visit on July 1st, taking in the sports and returning on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster, along with Miss Hunter, were a visit on the 1st. After taking in the sports, Mrs. Lancaster and Miss Hunter went west on a visit to the former's parents.

Jack Johnson, foreman of the government road camp in the Flathead, moved to the four mile mark where a small slide had taken place.

Joe Krook, John Kable were Corbin visitors this week. Joe says Michel is all right, but the coal is hard.

Mrs. Quinn has packed ready to move to Michel.

Mrs. Spencer arrived back from Michel where she had been spending a few days with Miss Gregory.

Anybody knowing the whereabouts of Wm. Dixon, who came to Coal Creek in the year 1907 from England, would do his mother a favor by writing her. Mrs. J. Dixon, Boney Hay, Mr. Wall, England.

TABER

(Received too late for publication in last issue.)

The regular meeting of Local 102 was held on Sunday last, when the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Abe Bate; Vice-President, Ed. Brown; Secretary, Alex. Paterson; Recording Secretary, Albert Applen; Mine Committee, Max Schultz, John Forster, Alex. Paterson; Auditors, Jas. Appleton, Sam Stubbart; Mine Inspecting Committee, Ed. Brown, John Forster; Correspondent to Ledger, Ramon Sanderson.

There were two nominations for checkweighman—Sam Stubbart and John Stainthorpe. Election to be held later.

Labor won a decided victory in Taber on Monday week in the election for a member of the school board to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Fred Gifford to Lethbridge, when the miners' candidate, David Ross, defeated the well-known merchant John Anderson by a majority of 25 votes.

The figures were, Ryan 100, Anderson 75.

Much disappointment reigned in certain circles over the result, for as one paper had it, the election of Mr. Anderson was considered "marvelous" nothing beforehand.

Itan is ill with typhoid fever, and removed to the hospital at Lethbridge on Wednesday 24th.

Taber felt the force of the storm which raged over Southern Alberta on Friday evening last, and one young man, Wm. H. Brown, had a narrow escape from being struck by lightning.

The lightning struck the barn where he was at the time, killing a young bull on the spot, while he himself was struck and very severely burned, and now lies at his home in a very painful condition.

The farmhouse of Oscar Graham was hit by the storm and completely wrecked, and two children were also slightly hurt.

A heavy downpour of rain began about the storm, but beyond battering down some of the garden truck and fruit on the back porch, the house was not a great deal of damage.

It was a great deal of damage in the town.

Our Vice-President of the Local and representative of the Town Council, Ed. Brown, has been gazetted a J.P. take that to be "Just Promoted" to be "Justice of the Peace." The boys will now have to look "Just Proper" when they meet him on certain occasions in future. Congratulations, Teddy.

I hear Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Nugent were celebrating the christening of their latest arrival on Sunday last.

The Sanderson Twins celebrated their first anniversary on Saturday last, keeping it up in regular style.

A large crowd gathered at the station on Monday week to bid good-bye to Dr. Wright, "our local dentist," his brother (Lloyd Wright) and Joe Gidman, who left for camp preparatory to going to the front. The miners' band provided music for the send-off.

Mr. John Williams, with his wife and child left on Tuesday for Kipp, where he has secured a position in one of the mines there.

At a special meeting of the members of the Presbyterian Church at Millerton, Ont., a unanimous call was extended to the Rev. F. W. Mahaffy, of Taber, to become their pastor. Mr. Mahaffy has been spending this month in Ontario, his place here being filled by Wilfred C. Marsh, of Lethbridge.

The board of managers of Knox Church, Taber, has invited Mr. Marsh to continue to supply during July and August.

The election for the office of checkweighman was held on Wednesday afternoon, June 30th, when John Stainthorpe defeated Sam Stubbart, who has held the office for the past year, by a majority of eight votes.

Tuesday, June 29th, was a red letter day to the farmers of this district when a vote was being taken on the formation of a new irrigation district, which will result in the irrigation of some 16,000 acres of land between Taber and Chin. The vote was taken at the Barnwell school house, and resulted in a big victory for the proposed irrigation system.

The total vote cast represented 21,870 acres of which only 960 acres was against it, and which were cast by only two parties, thus showing the almost unanimous desire of the farmers for irrigation.

The election was held between the hours of 10 and 12 in the forenoon, autos being run to take the voters to the poll, and the occasion was made the opportunity of holding a big picnic.

After the result had been announced a free lunch was served by the Barnwell ladies, which was very much appreciated by the large crowd present.

In the afternoon three trustees were nominated and duly elected, viz., J. W. Anderson, Lawrence Peterson and Carl C. Cook. The latter was appointed chairman of the board and T. A. Sundal was appointed secretary-treasurer.

Speeches were made by the Hon. A. J. McLean, Major Malo, Geo. E. Ewing and others, and a good programme of songs, duets and quartettes was given by the Barnwell people.

A game of baseball was played between Coal City and Coal City in which Coal City came off victorious.

The whole proceedings terminated with a dance in the evening, everyone reporting a splendid time. It now rests with the Board of Trustees to conclude the agreement with the C. P. R. to construct the new ditch, after which it is to be handed over to the farmers for the purpose of irrigation.

As usual Taber celebrated Dominion Day in right royal style when hundreds of people thronged the recreation grounds and enjoyed the splendid sports provided for the occasion. This holiday particularly seems to appeal to the farmers of the surrounding country, and they came flocking into the town from every quarter and swelled the ranks of the crowd already gathered to see the parade, which was the first event of the day. The parade, though not coming up to the standard of other years, was creditable, rounded off the season of sports, and following the heavy rains of the previous evening, the Mounted Police headed the procession, followed by the Miners' band, which also furnished the music for the day. The local Scouts were also in attendance, and in the field gave a very interesting and well-illustrated scout method of making camps under the direction of the scout master, the Rev. R. Bravitt.

On reaching the field the Rev. Mr. Cook presided over the gathering and with a few remarks of a patriotic nature introduced the speaker of the day, C. F. P. Conybeare, K.C., of Lethbridge, who gave a very interesting patriotic address, which was repeatedly applauded by the large crowd, who heard it. The point of his address was that we are Canadians, not American-Canadians, or English-Canadians, or Scotch-Canadians, but Canadians, and he traced the history of the Dominion, and told of the part played and was now playing in the consolidation of the Empire and the preservation of its glorious traditions.

In the afternoon a full programme of games and sports was carried through, including a baseball game between Fox Island and Taber. Taber won with a score of 9 to 2.

The Grass Lake and Taber teams gave a game of football which resulted in a tie of 1 goal each. The ladies' baseball game between Lethbridge and Taber gave lots of amusement and excitement to the spectators, and ended in a victory of the Lethbridge girls over the local team by 10 to 1.

Other events, including foot races, horse races, barrel racing, and a dance, were held, and the night was a very successful one, being provided for the day.

The recreation grounds have been greatly improved this spring, and the local committee, and many good friends, are, being provided for the day.

was done under the direction of Mr. John Canada and the Parks Committee of the Council, and many complimentary remarks were made by visitors who saw them for the first time on Dominion Day.

A perfect storm of rain and hail, which occurred at night, brought down a heavy rain, and many people were home 12th night, but most of the town was saved.

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or "alien" have temporarily left their organizations for purpose, hence it is those who are following their usual avocations that have a very difficult task to perform. No rational individual will attempt to deny what we should do, but the trouble is that some of us have failed in our duty. That being the case, let us ask a further question: Inasmuch as a fraction of our membership have violated their obligation, are we justified in abandoning our organization? It should be remembered it is very easy to destroy the work of many years. It may be said that the disestablishment of our organization is the proper thing at this time, but if we are honest with ourselves we will admit that an organization is as necessary now as at any other time. We have never seen the time when we felt ourselves immune from the vicious attacks of those who employ us, hence should we forego the organization we now have, even though it is only a semblance of what it really should be, the outcome would more than likely be chaos and confusion. If such is at all likely, we must avoid its occurrence.

Notwithstanding the fact that some of our members have contravened the laws, there is the possibility of us cementing our forces as strong as ever, especially if the thinkers in our movement get together and propagate the idea of solidification. Despite our mistakes, let us endeavor to mould the thought of those who have for the time being faltered in their duty. This is necessary for the present as well as the future. We should remember that the greater the cry for internment or for any other thing detrimental to those our brothers who are now considered "alien enemies," the more difficult will our task become when the war is over. It is as well that we plainly show the effect of the present internal discussion. We have already had oral evidence of it from some of those who are affected. Some of the internes say point blank: "No more Union for me," and although we know it is narrow-sighted policy to fight an organization and foster racial feeling, still we realize that will be the inevitable result of opposing "alien enemy" workers at this time. Hence, if we have some thought of advancement we should consider the effect of today's action on the morrow. When the war is over we may possibly see many changes, but let us avoid the fight within our ranks at this time, for by so doing we will so protect ourselves that we may become impregnable. Unless we take our stand at this time against disruption it can be said of us later, and rightly so, too, that our quietness amounted to acquiescence of that which is going on. Will it not be a splendid opportunity for the employer in time to come to cripple any organization, if we now clamor for general internment of "alien enemies"? How easy it will be for the employer, with his wily agents, with smooth tongues and cunning ways, to foment racial feeling, and having the knowledge we have of society, are we not bound to admit that the task of keeping the workers together under such conditions would be well nigh impossible. Again, having in mind the way our organization is fought by operators in the non-union fields: at present, and also the vast sums of money that employers will spend to counteract the influence of a powerful organization, is it not reasonable to assume that they will spend just as lavishly to keep the organizations divided in the future?

We have rambled considerably in order to fully cover the question and get to understand what we consider best to do under the circumstances. Hence, let us as briefly as possible, recapitulate our remarks. We are workers, members of International organization, passing through a crisis unprecedented in history. We were until recently passing along with our minds eye on a terminus. Upon arriving there we expected to be released from misery and degradation. We travelled along different routes some via the Direct Action route, others over the ballot box lines, others on the Consolidated line being jointly owned by the shareholders of the British Box Railway Company and the Pure and Simplist Organization Railway Company, the rest on other lines. Much like Christians, with their innumerable denominations, most of us sought heaven, only we travelled along different paths. We asked every worker to travel along one of our roads, practically all of us realizing the necessity of Internationalism. In this respect no doubt can be entertained regarding the correctness of our position, unfortunately, it happens at present that two or three countries are at war with the countries in which we, the Allies, were born, and owing to this fact some of our number have seen fit to violate the principles of our organization in connection with those now designated as "alien enemies." It would be well to recall that some days past the anniversary of the centenary of Waterloo, where English fought French with the final aid of the Prussian. Tomorrow the fight may be between the foreign-speaking brothers of some other country. Hence the reason for heading the slogan "Workers of the World Unite."

In passing it may be well to recall that the internment of Austrian and German has not benefited the Britisher. On Vancouver Island over 100 were interned, yet only five Britishers were given work in their stead, the balance being made up of two other foreign-speaking nationalities.

As already stated, it does not minimize the offense of the average worker by citing the fact that the acknowledged leaders of the working class have taken most extraordinary positions during the war, nevertheless we must admit the time is so trying that our Internationalism is being submitted to an acid test and the recent happenings in District 18 are not really so surprising after all when we judge by comparison, and there is scarcely any other method of properly judging a situation.

Those of us who have fortunately maintained the proper attitude during this great trial need not unduly pride ourselves, but rather pity the one who has blundered, and work incessantly for the upbuilding of our organization. If in attempting to further the cause of organized labor we fail, and find the trend of thought against us, it will be well to bear in mind the fact that in all probability as time rolls on, our position will be acknowledged as correct, and will we not be amply rewarded with the consciousness of knowing that we stood our ground against great odds in the years past, when we find the workers in general taking up the same position as we now adhere to.

Remember, it is easy to float with the stream but difficult to stand firm as the water rolls by. Further, should current opinion waver to such an extent that it ultimately destroys the effectiveness of our organization, consider the ease of mind you will enjoy when you realize you had the courage of your convictions and defended the principles recognized for years as moral and proper. Let every thinker, as afore stated, put his shoulder to the wheel, and thus avoid even the possibility of the destruction of our organization. Our present status is more or less pitiful and requires almost superhuman effort to overcome, but it is surely worth the effort, especially when we compare the organized fields with the unorganized in the United States and Canada.

Let us, therefore, determine we will not march back to chattel slavery, but let our slogan be "Excelsior." True our trials are trying, but once having endured them, we shall emerge from this crisis the better for having been placed in the balance and not found wanting.

W. L. PHILLIPS, President,
WM. GRAHAM, Vice-President,
A. J. CARTER, Secretary-Treas.
DAVE REES, Inter. Bd. Member.

COLEMAN NOTES

A meeting of Slovaks and Bohemians interested in the welfare of the soldiers was held on Thursday, July 1st. Councillor Pondelick, in explaining the object for which the meeting had been called, stated that as this was their adopted country, where all their best interests were centered and where many of them had made permanent homes, it was up to them to make some sacrifice and do their share towards providing necessities for the soldiers at the front. Ninety-nine dollars was contributed, and is to be used for the benefit of the Canadian soldiers.

Billy and Jim Fraser received word that their brother Dan had been drowned while attempting to ford the Little Bow River at Carmangay. The river being at flood, the bridge got washed away during the day, and while trying to cross he was carried away with the strong current. He was an old-timer in Carmangay, having lived there many years ago, but left to take up ranching in Carmangay. He leaves a wife and two children.

Everyone has prohibition on the brain around here at present. It appears to me one good argument that could be used against those desiring a dry Alberta is the overtime being put in by the powers above in doing their utmost to keep it wet. Normal! Don't defy Fate.

An anti-alcohol exhibition has been opened here and they are showing the dreadful results which the cup that cheers is supposed to have on the poor human frame. If it only did the half of the damage they claim it does, then in the best interests of humanity it is not the selling of it they should seek to prohibit, but the making of it. To quote Burns freedom to sell the occasion: "Here's freedom to him that will read; here's freedom to him that

had write; there's none ever feared that the truth should be heard but they whom the truth had indicted."

Oscar Brindley and Frank Paterson and their families, left on Tuesday for Michel. Having secured a job there they will reside in that burg in the future.

Work is still much the same here. Rumor has it that the mines are going to work steadily, but it has to materialize as yet.

Miss Alice Allan was presented with an address and a purse and card case at a social in the Institutional Church last Monday evening on the occasion of her departure to take up nursing in the Galt Hospital at Leithbridge.

Dr. Connolly was presented with an oak writing desk as a mark of esteem and appreciation by a few of his friends ere his departure from Coleman.

Over one hundred and fifty fishing licenses have been issued. The final list of names will be published in a few months.

A few of the boys feeling good after a smoker that took place last week decided on having some fun. Unfortunately their exuberance ran away with them, taking them a little too far. They are now on the reformation stool.

K. P.

On Tuesday evening the installation of officers of Fernie Lodge No. 31, Knights of Pythias, was performed with the following officers in the respective stations: C. C. John Carmichael, V. C. J. Tadpole, P. W. Pennington, M. at A. J. Ayre, M. of F. and K. J. Middleton, W. R. and S. D. Black, M. of W. M. Tazewell, I. G. J. Timmins, O. G. P. Columbus.

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There was a workman in a bar-room, in fact there were several, but this particular workman was doing something that is common amongst his class, he was telling about how much work he could do, and perhaps, actuated by a desire to prevent him straining himself, the man who hands out jobs in the camp where this P. W. lives has given him an enforced holiday since last February. The individual who had handed him the make-the-big-talk, told him about the long period he had worked without getting any further ahead. This remark vexed our "particular workman," who said: "You're right, I have dug coal for fourteen years and will be willing to do so for another fourteen rather than sell one commodity that some people barter so as to get a soft job for oneself." This remark aroused the wrath of the "dispenser of brain-fog," and he responded: "The next character of this story took place on the fourteenth Monday when our Particular Workman presented himself for work. He was told by the official that he would not have an opportunity of 'shooting off his face' because of his 'shooting off his face' in the brain-fog emporium. A committee interviewed the man, but were told that the particular workman must state the name of the person he was referring to in his speech. To do this might mean that our Particular Workman would probably find employment other than that found inside a coal mine, and as he realized that the law does not compel a man to incriminate himself, he remained 'mum' on the subject. Another visit was later made to the management with same result as before, and so our Particular Workman is still on an enforced holiday, not because of any fault found with his working qualities, but actions outside

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Deceased, who was a daughter of S. J. Layton, J.P., was only 26 years of age, and leaves a husband and four small children to mourn her loss. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon from the L. D. S. Church, and a large number of relatives and friends paid their last tribute of respect.

James Wilson, who has been in the North country for the last two years, has returned to town and secured a position as porter in the Palace Hotel. Bernard Nugent and Harry Brooks have leased a mine near Coal City and are now operating same.

Walter Marsh and Mr. Fletcher have been spending the last week at their home here on furlough.

The Rev. Mr. Phillips, the new Methodist minister, preached his first sermon in Taber on Sunday last. He takes the place of the Rev. P. R. Boothby, who has been removed to the New Brunswick district.

The Boy Scouts have gone into camp near the river bottom. They marched off on Monday morning and intend to stay for two weeks.

J. T. Willard has been appointed returning officer for the Taber electoral district for the vote to be taken on the Lager Act on July 14th. C. E. Taitner has been appointed clerk. Both sides are getting ready for the fray and we can expect some lively discussions on the subject in the next two weeks. The temperance forces have opened up a committee room in Campbell and Anderson's old store on Hough Street.

Is it the proposal to vote Alberta has made the weather man look to his laurels this year?

The Fernie Coal Creek School Board will give a farewell concert on Sunday, July 11th, on the band stand for the Old Country, to commence at 2:30 p.m. We cordially invite the public of Fernie, and we hope they will appreciate our effort by their attendance. A full band will be in attendance and a good programme of music is assured. Mr. W. White will make the presentation. — H. Haigh, sec.

of working hours have been regarded as constituting a reason for his dismissal.

Moral: (There's some "moral" by which you may be guided.) Don't throw stones around when you're near somebody's flame, or YOU may be "broken" on the job.

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