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"CONSERVATIVE CONSPIRACY" CHARGE FALLS TO PIECES

Wismer and McTaggart Are Heard at Inquiry

NOW BELIEVED SCOTT WILL BE MADE GOAT

Chairman of Scrutineers Failed to Tell Police of Suspicions

(By Staff Correspondent.)

PRESS GALLERY, VICTORIA, B.C., May 25.—Suggestions by Gordon S. Wismer and D. E. McTaggart, two members of the Vancouver Liberal association, that the plugging activities which contributed to the election of the Liberal candidate were a "Conservative conspiracy," fell to pieces under crossexamination before the election frauds inquiry committee and culminated in the admission by McTaggart that his own investigations had led him to believe Liberal Secretary Scott should be fired because of his election activities and that "Scott was not dismissed as soon as I hoped he would be."

The tendency of McTaggart's evidence was to throw all the blame on Scott and, it is now believed, that this will be the real line of defense taken by the Liberals.

McTaggart was chairman of the Liberal scrutineers and claimed he took every precaution to prevent plugging. He did not, however, notify the police of his suspicions that Peter Annance was collecting a gang of men at the Calumet rooms and paying them $10 a head for improper purposes. He asked Eldridge, a Liberal scrutineer, who was released from that work to join Annance, to watch and report.

"But Eldridge was himself getting $10 for working for the Liberals with Annance," remarked Ernest Miller who crossexamined the two Liberal witnesses.

McTaggart when asked why he did not have the place watched by the police said he was not in a position to notify the police as no offense had at the time been committed.

Wismer Makes Complaints.

Wismer, who is a law partner of M. A. Macdonald, the Liberal candidate, said he had two complaints to make against the deputy returning officer in Ward 3. One was that the deputy had refused to arrest a man Wismer suspected and the other was that he refused to allow the Liberals to have two scrutineers instead of one. His complaint that the deputy had refused to make an arrest was withdrawn when Mr. Miller pointed out that the officer had no power under the act to make an arrest and drew from the witness the admission that although he had information forms in his pocket he had not attempted to lay one before the deputy returning officer against the man he suspected.

All the deputy could do, Mr. Miller pointed out, was to accept such an information. He could not make an arrest. It is to give the officers wider power in the direction that Premier Bowser a few days ago introduced an amendment to the Elections act enabling returning officers and deputies actually to make arrests. Mr. Wismer's second complaint was answered when it was shown by his own admission that provision was for only one scrutineer in each booth for each party, that the Conservatives in Ward 3 were allowed only one, the Liberals were given the same treatment and he had never known of more than one for each party being permitted in any booth in any other ward in that election or any previous election.

It developed that it was from Victoria that John T. Scott, Liberal secretary, in the name of Stewart wired to Mrs. Peter Annance making an appointment with her in Vancouver to discuss the trouble into which Annance had got through operating a gang of pluggers whose pay was hand-

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ACTIONS IN PROGRESS ON MACEDONIAN FRONT

LONDON, May 25.—Unofficial advices from Athens say that a heavy bombardment and infantry actions have taken place from Doiran to Gievgeli on the Macedonian front and that entente allies have dropped bombs on several towns in Servia held by the Teutonic allies.

MEASURE PROTECTS SOLDIERS' ALLOWANCES FROM SEIZURE

(By Staff Correspondent,

PRESS GALLERY, Victoria, May. 25—To protect the families of soldiers against seizure of their patriotic fund and government allowances, Ernest Miller, Grand Forks, tonight introduced a bill to stay legal proceedings in cases of all debts except those contracted for necessities.

Mr Miller has received complaints that in some cases allowances have been endangered even for debts contracted prior to the soldier's enlistment.

BRITISH GUNS PLAY ON TURKISH LINES

Enemy, However, Is Still Clinging to Positions on Tigris Near Sannayyat

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 25.—The Turkish force confronting the British below Kut el Amara in Mesopotamia has not effected a further withdrawal since that reported recently incident to the realignment of the Turkish front after the surender of Kut. The British, however, through their advance on the right bank of the Tigris, have been able to command with their artillery the line of Turkish communications on the opposite bank, according to an official statement tonight, which says:

"General Lake reports that on May 24 the enemy was still holding his positions on the left bank in the vicinity of Sannayyat. Our artillery from the right bank, has been maintaining an effective fire upon his communications along the left bank."

Petrograd reports a junction of Russian troops with the British forces in the region of Kut-el-Amara. This announcement probably refers to the force of Cossacks which was officially reported several days ago from London to have joined the British.

In connection with the fighting near the Persian front, Constantinople reports that the Turks have stopped the advance of the Russians in the region of Kasr-I-Shirin and also defeated Russian detachments at Sulamanish, north of Kasr-I-Shirin.

Petrograd Statement

PETROGRAD, May 25.—The following official statement was issued tonight:

"Caucasus front: In the direction of Mosul we repulsed an enemy attempt at an offensive at Rivandouza. Nothing of importance occurred in other directions.

" Our troops operating in the region of Kermanshah and Kasr-I-Shirin have effected a junction with the British forces on the Tigris below Kut-el-Amara. On May 22 our Cossacks reached the quarters of the British commanding general."

Turk Statement

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 25, via London.—The following official communication was issued tonight:

"Russian forces whose advance from the direction of Kasr-I-Shirin and on Khanikin was reported were compelled to cease their advance in the vicinity of the frontier.

"In a fight with Russian detachments observed on the Persian frontier just north of Sulamanish we caused them to lose 200 men.

"Caucasus front: On the right wing, in the Bitlis sector, there have been insignificant patrol encounters. In the centre and on the left wing enemy attempts on the night of the 23rd to attack our outpost positions by surprise were easily repulsed.

"Gallipoli: A torpedo boat endeavoring to approach Krieschuek-Kemikli was put to flight by our gunfire. One of our seaplanes successfully threw bombs on a monitor in the harbor of Kephall and on the harbor and aeroplane sheds, causing fires. Elsewhere the situation is unchanged."

RUSSIANS RECAPTURE TRENCHES FROM HUNS

Enemy Gain Ground West of Dalen Island and Are Immediately Dislodged

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 25.—A German attack against the Russians west of Dalen island gave them momentarily possession of a Russian advanced trench. Counter attacks, however, by the Russians dislodged the invaders. An attempt by the Teutons to advance against the Russians north of Olyka station, southeast of Lutsk, was repulsed by the Russians.

Petrograd Statement

PETROGRAD, May 25.—The following official communication was issued today:

"In the region west of Dalen island the Germans after a violent bombardment took the offensive and drove back our advance guard post, seizing one of our advance trenches. By a counter-attack we dislodged the enemy, who retired to his own trenches. We suffered no losses.

"We repulsed by our fire an enemy attempt to advance toward Karpilovka, north of the Olyka station, and to cut our wire entanglements.

"On the rest of the front the situation is unchanged."

JAMES SOMERVILLE DEAD

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

HAMILTON, Ont., May 25.—James Somerville of Dundas, a former well known newspaper man and ex-member of parliament is dead, aged 82. For years he was a member of the federal house, representing North Brant.

He is survived by a wife, one son and four daughters.

DOCKERS FAVOR PLAN FOR WORLD LABOR CONFERENCE

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 25.—The dockers' union has endorsed the proposal of the American Federation of Labor for world's labor congress at the same time and the same place of any peace conferences, aiming to have a voice in terms.

FACTION LEADERS FLOCK TO ASQUITH

Party Lines Obliterated for Moment When Agreement Is Reached to Suspend Debate for Time.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 25.—The house of commons has rarely seen a greater demonstration of unity than was displayed this afternoon when the leaders of all factions flocked to the standard of the premier in an effort to achieve a lasting settlement of the Irish question.

This was the more remarkable because a heated and acrimonious debate, it had been predicted, would follow Premier Asquith's expected statement regarding the situation and the government's proposals for a solution of the problem. Mr. Asquith's speech took an unexpected turn, for instead of giving details, he made an earnest plea for the settlement of the Irish question by agreement among the contending parties in Ireland, and announced that David Lloyd George had undertaken the task of bringing the hostile factions together.

The premier concluded with an appeal that for a time, all debate on the question, both in the house of commons and outside be suspended in view of the adverse effect such argument might have on the difficult undertaking facing the government.

The premier's speech was heard with intense interest by the members and he had scarcely resumed his seat when John Redmond, the Nationalist leader, rose nad acquiesced in the premier's request, adding, with a voice filled with emotion, his ardent desire for a solution of the difficulties of his country.

Mr. Redmond was quickly followed by his political arch enemy, Sir Edward Carson, who tendered his support to the proposal and by the independent Irish leader, William O'Brien, who did likewise.

These speeches effectively obliterated party lines for the moment. Those members who had come prepared to attack the government fell in with the leaders, and the question was dropped.

After the premier had concluded his speech Mr. Redmond said that Mr. Asquith's solemn appeal that there should be silence even of military affairs in Ireland was a very severe test for him and his colleagues. He asserted things were going on in Ireland which they thought in ordinary circumstances ought to be discussed at the earliest possible moment. Nevertheless he regarded the premier's appeal as a test of the genuineness of their desire for a settlement of this problem, and he could not take the responsibility of not responding to it. All he would say further was that if this new step on the part of the government, placed as it was in such able and energetic hands, failed as he hoped and prayed it might not, the fault would not lie on any unreasonable conduct or action of his colleagues and himself.

Speaking for the independent Nationalists, Mr. O'Brien said he also felt he must bow to the appeal for silence, although he believed there would be profound disappointment in Ireland at to day's proceedings, as a proof of the continuance of the policy of organized suppression of free speech, which was responsible for three-quarters of the strife.

Sir Edward Carson expressed his readiness to respond to the appeal of the premier. Mr. Grinnell attempted to continue the discussion, but the speaker called for the orders of the day.

COMPENSATION TO BE CONSIDERED

Will Appoint Commission If Prohibition Passes

ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE BY PREMIER

Will Follow Rule to Hear Both Sides of Questions

(By Staff Correspondent.)

PRESS GALLERY, VICTORIA, B.C., May 25.—Formal announcement that a commission of judges would be appointed if prohibition passes to go into the whole question of compensation to those whose interests suffer was made this afternoon by Premier Bowser on second reading of the bill which the people are to vote upon.

After a brief speech by H. C. Brewster in which the Liberal leader claimed the prohibition bill represented a principle of the Liberal platform which pledged the party to local option, the measure tonight passed second reading.

"Now there is a great question with which the public has been made more or less conversant through the press and from the pulpit and elsewhere—the question of compensation," said Premier Bowser after outlining the terms of the act.

"There is no doubt that the large financial interests are affected by the act should it be approved by the people and a great deal of foreign capital has been invested in the province. Then there is the argument based upon the act passed in 1911 and called the Bowser act. I may say that while I have been responsible for the 1911 measure, what is termed the Bowser act is the liquor license act of 1910.

"In 1911 an amendment to the Municipal act had been passed. That amendment compelled hotels to have 30 rooms before they could secure a renewal of license. It became effective Jan. 15, 1914.

Case in Vancouver.

"But the city of Vancouver had already dealt with the matter before it came before the legislature. In 1910, prior to the sitting of the legislature, the license commissioners of Vancouver passed a regulation providing that no license could be renewed in that city unless the hotel to be licensed had 100 rooms.

"So far as this parliament was concerned it had nothing to do with the large expenditure involved by the new regulations there.

"No doubt, however, large expenditures were put into saloons, etc. as the result of the passage of this amendment to the Municipal act.

"Many and weighty arguments have been brought forward as to vested interests, money invested, bad economic times and the necessity of adding to the expense of buildings as the result of legislation in the way of furnishings, etc. As against this, however, the prohibitionists say that no other country has compensated these interests.

Hear Both Sides.

"Any person or body of people who have a grievance have a right to be heard to see if any remedy can be carried, and we make it a rule to hear both sides of all questions. No doubt the people having money directly or indirectly involved might feel they have a grievance.

"Therefore, if this act passes, it seems only right and fair that an investigation into these claims should be made. The claims are many and

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GERMANS EXHAUSTING ARMY BEFORE VERDUN

Are Using Their Shattered Divisions Over and Over in Furious Futile Charges

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 25.—The Times military correspondent says this morning:

"The Germans continue to exhaust their army before Verdun to the point of extermination. They bring up divisions in reserve from every quarter where one is to be found.

"There are ample French guns and there are still French troops in reserve in plenty for any purpose which may enter Joffre's mind.

"When the writer visited Verdun he found the whole countryside outside the fire zone filled with French reserves and although the battle was raging with all the fury which had been its distinguishing characteristic. French permissionaires were going off to their homes on furlough as if nothing was happening.

"The French practise has been to give the divisions a rest after serious fighting in order to prevent their quality from deteriorating, and they can afford to do so, because they have ample reserves.

"The Germans are not in this fortunate position and so they have to draw their shattered divisions out of the line, fill them up from the field depots as best they may ,and then hurry them back again into the fight."

U.S. NOTE CONTAINS VIGOROUS LANGUAGE

American Objections Based on Methods Employed by Allies in Seizure of Mails.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Vigorous language, equalling almost that employed in the last communication to Germany on the submarine issue, is understood to characterize the notes delivered to the British and French embassies here yesterday protesting against interference with neutral mails.

Outlines of these communications have been cabled to London and Paris by the embassies and the full text will be forwarded by mail. This is taken to mean that replies will be framed only upon mature consideration.

It is understood there is no substantial difference as to principle between the state department and the London and Paris chancellors regarding the broad question of inviolability of first class mail on the high seas. The American objection is based rather on the methods employed by the allied governments in handling these mails.

The United States does not concede the right even to inspect first class mails in transit on the high seas, assuming that these do not include anything more than correspondence and are not made the vehicle of supply of contraband to the belligerents. The fact that a neutral vessel carrying mails between neutral countries is compelled to come into a belligerent port to comply with belligerent naval rules, it is held, does not remove the mail matter on board from the privileged character of mail on the high seas.

Ambassador Page in London and Ambassador Sharpe in Paris, have been informed by cable of the delivery of the notes and have been informed chiefly of their nature.

A resolution authorizing the transportation of mail to and from neutral ports on naval vessels and declaring that "any interference with our mails shall be resented by such ships with all power of the navy and of ships," was introduced today by Representative Tague of Massachusetts. It declares that Great Britain has "shown no disposition to discontinue the practice, which is a violation of our rights at sea and our rights to do business with neutral countries."

The resolution was referred to committee.

ITALIANS CHECKING AUSTRIAN OFFENSIVE

Rome Reports Throwing Back Invaders in Disorder to Southwest of Trent.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 25.—In the region southeast of Trent and across the border in Italy Rome reports the repulse of Austrian attacks and the throwing back of the invaders in disorder.

Rome Statement.

ROME, May 25, via London.—The official communication issued today says:

"From Stelvio to Garda there was an exchange of artillery and rifle fire of the greatest intensity in the zone of Cividale and Astico. In the Lagarina valley, after an intense night bombardment against our positions at Coni Zugna, the enemy made two attacks in the direction of Serra Vale and Col di Buole, which were vigorously repulsed.

"On the following morning the attack was renewed, with fresh troops on Col di Buole, but was again repulsed with heavy enemy losses. This repulse was followed up by our troops, who reoccupied the height of Darmesan, southeast of Col di Buole.

"During the day there were lively artillery duels. We made a full hit on the enemy gun of medium calibre, which was being transported toward Pozzachio.

"Between Val Arsa and Posina the enemy, after having kept our positions at Pasubio under violent bombardment launched a night attack with strong columns of infantry. These were cut down by our fire and thrown back in disorder.

"Between Posina and the Astico the enemy unmasked his heavy artillery along the Monte Maggio-Torario line, but our guns replied effectively. The sector of the Asiago and the Sugana valley is unchanged.

"On the remainder of the front there has been intermittent artillery activity. Our guns caused an explosion in a munitions depot behind Monte San Michele."

NURSES' REGISTRATION BILL IS KILLED IN HOUSE

(By Staff Correspondent,

PRESS GALLERY, Victoria, May 25.—The bill to provide for the registration of nurses who desire to register received its quietus in the legislature this afternoon, when H. H. Watson of Vancouver, who is in charge of the measure, got through the house a motion to hoist third reading until Thursday next. On that date the legislature will have prorogued. Mr. Watson's action caused some surprise, as he has fought for the bill throughout the session against strong opposition which developed to various features and resulted in some amendments. It is because of these amendments that Mr. Watson moved the hoist. He explained the nurses' organization did not approve of the bill in its amended form and claimed it was unworkable.

Dr. H. E. Young, who was responsible for the amendments the nurses' organization objects to, opposed the shelving of the bill and found 12 members who held the same view when a vote was taken.

FRENCH ARE GIVING GERMANS SHOT FOR SHOT AT VERDUN

GERMAN PAPERS REFLECT NATION'S PEACE HOPES

(Dy Daily News Leased Wire.)

BERLIN, May 25.—Great prominence is given in today's Berlin newspaper to President Wilson's speech in Charlotte, N. C., when he spoke on the possibility of the United States government acting as mediator in the European war. This was regarded as indicating that Germany is greatly interested in any movement which will bring about peace. Comments on the president's remarks were generally favorable. The tenor of the editorial comment was that Germany is willing to consider any tangible possibilities of peace that President Wilson may be able to offer.

Under Withering Fire Are Holding Firm

ENEMY PAY HEAVILY TO MAKE SMALL GAIN

Section of Trenches West of Dou au Mont Taken

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 25.—The battle of Verdun continues unabated. On both sides of the Meuse river, northeast and northwest of the fortress, the Germans are keeping up their unprecedented bombardments and heavy infantry attacks, while the French are replying to the German guns shot for shot and under a withering fire holding the Germans at almost every point. One more gain, however, has been made by the Germans. After recapturing Fort Dou au Mont and taking trenches south and southwest of the fort, the Germans to the west have occupied a section of French trenches, following a series of attacks, in all of which they were repulsed with heavy casualties except the one where they penetrated the French lines.

Around Dou au Mont a heavy artillery duel is in progress and northwest of Verdun the Germans have increas- their artillery fire against the French on Hill 304, probably preparatory to another infantry attack for possession of this much fought for vantage point.

British Statement

The following official statement was issued last night:

"Thursday there was considerable mining activity in the Loos salient, in which we had the advantage.

"The artillery of both sides was active at many points, principally near Arras, Gommecourt, the Vimy ridge, Hulluch, and Wytschaete. Our fire was particularly effective at Fricourt and Beaurains."

Paris Statement

The following official communication was isued tonight:

"On the left bank of the Meuse the activity of the enemy artillery increased during the day against our positions on Hill 304.

"On the right bank, after a violent bombardment, the Germans delivered at about five o'clock a series of offensive actions between the Haudremont wood and the Thiamont farm.

"All of these attacks were repulsed with heavy losses except at one point, where enemy groups occupied a section of trenches.

"In the region of Dou au Mont the artillery actions continue very violently on both sides. The fire of one of our long range guns caused a fire in a German supply depot at Heudicourt, northeast of St. Mihiel.

"The cannonading was intermittent on the rest of the front.

"In an aerial fight one of our pilots brought down a Fokker, which fell in the enemy lines to the north of Vaux.

"In the region of Etain one of our squadrons gave battle to a group of German aeroplanes. Two of the enemy machines were seriously hit and were compelled to make a landing."

Belgian Statement

"There was considerable activity on both sides in the region to the east of Pervyse. We carried out destructive fires on Dixmude and the environs of that town."

KING GEORGE SIGNS COMPULSION MEASURE

Provides for Enlistment of All Able Bodied Men Between Ages 18 and 41.

(Dy Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 25—The signature of King George was today affixed to the military service bill recently passed by parliament.

In giving the royal sanction to the bill King George issued the following message to the nation:

"To enable our country to organize more effectively its military resources in the present great struggle for the cause of civilization, I have, according to the advice of my ministers, deemed it necessary to enroll every able bodied man between the ages of 18 and 41.

"I desire to take this opportunity of expressing to my people my recognition and appreciation of the splendid patriotism and self-sacrifice they displayed in raising by voluntary enlistment since the commencement of the war no less than 5,041,000 men—an effort far surpassing that of any other nation in similar circumstances recorded in history and one which will be a lasting source of pride to future generations."

"I am confident the magnificent spirit which has hitherto sustained my people through the trials of this terrible war will inspire them to endure the additional sacrifices now imposed upon them, and it will, with God's help, lead us and our allies to victory which shall achieve the liberation of Europe."

BRITISH AIR CORPS ACTIVE IN EGYPT

Destruction of Water Tanks at Rodhesalem Will Upset Whole Plan of Enemy, Is Report

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 26, 12:05 a.m.—A British official communication issued late last night concerning the operations in Egypt says:

"Since the enemy air attack on Port Said the Royal flying corps in Egypt has given the enemy little rest. Four British machines have heavily bombed enemy advance posts. Forty bombs were dropped, resulting in buildings and a plant at El Hamma being seriously damaged and the water tanks at Rodhesalem being smashed. This will upset the whole plan of the enemy as, since the destruction of his drilling plant at Jifjaffa by our patrols, he had set great store on the Rodhesalem waterworks.

"It has now been learned that the column of troops which suffered by our bombing attack at El Aris, the 18th, were Germans. This probably explains, their hasty retaliation by dropping bombs on Port Said civilians.

"Further details show that two British monitors fired 34 heavy projectiles in the attack on El Arish, causing the enemy camp to scatter in all directions among the palm groves near shore, which were afterward thoroughly searched by fire of medium shells. The bombardment lasted two hours and the strong fort in the town was reduced to ruins. The enemy, completely demoralized, made no reply to our fire."

FRENCH AIR RAIDERS BUSY IN ADRIANOPLE

(Dy Daily News Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, May 25.—A dispatch to a news agency from Saloniki dated today says:

"French aviators have bombarded the bases at Xanthi, Veles and Uskub. Fires were seen to break out at each place, after bombs were dropped from the aeroplanes.

"The aviators returned safely."

HOSPITAL SHIP BRINGS MEN FROM GERMAN CAMPS

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

LONDON, May 25.—A hospital ship bearing a hundred soldiers from all sections of the British forces, just recently released from German camps under the exchange agreement, reached Tilbury Basin this evening. There were two Canadian aboard, Pte. D. Drew, 29th battalion, New Westminster, B. C., and Pte. Turcott, Winnipeg, the latter of whom lost a leg in battle. No official list is available. The men were prevented from speaking to anyone except those in charge of the hospital ship on arrival.

Though this party from Germany has returned because the enemy knew they were unable to fight any longer, the docking of the hospital ship had several elements of picturesque interest which even the official interdict against publicity was unable to prevent. This ship came into Tilbury Basin to the welcoming discord of sirens of the many steamers in the river. Dock employees leaned hundreds against the barriers anxious to give a rough and impromptu welcome to the men.

The less seriously maimed were gathered on deck, with their nurses. As the ship came into its berth there was a cheerful whistling chorus of "Rule Britannia" from its decks. Those on the dock side raised cheers as hearty as they could make them, whereupon the broken heroes answered with cheers in like volume.

There were pinched, wan faces among them and thin bodies were clothed in all sorts of costumes—not ragged garments, but of all varieties. There were even one or two caps of decidedly German cut.

There were many Red Cross assistants in attendance, but they were not immediately needed. Those who could walk or hobble came off first. They were taken immediately to a hospital train standing ready alongside the dock.

A large body of workmen of Til-

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ALLISON CROSS-EXAMINED ON AMMUNITION SALES

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

OTTAWA, May 25.—The Davidson commission held an evening session at the Chateau Laurier for the purpose of allowing Dr. Dewart an opportunity to cross examine J. Wesley Allison in reference to evidence previously given by him when examined by Capt. John Thompson, K. C. On that occasion Allison denied having received a commission in connection with the sale of ammunition to the admiralty. Mr. Hutcheson, government counsel, said he had no additional questions to put to Allison, as the round had been covered by Captain Thompson.

Cross examined by Dr. Dewart, Allison said that he represented Sir Trevor Dawson in Canada. The only information he received was what he got from General Macdonald. He could not remember Sir Trevor Dawson having given him information in regard to defective ammunition in Canada. Allison said he had never been the agent for Vickers in New York or Canada. He had not gone to General Hughes in New York in regard to this matter, and General Hughes had not sent him back to General Macdonald.

Witness could not explain why he had been referred to on a number of occasions in militia department memorandums as the Canadian representative of Vickers. It was an error, he said.

Allison could not remember anything about the telegram he sent from New York to General Macdonald asking for 2,000,000 more rounds of ammunition. The telegram stated that General Hughes was in New York. Allison said that doubtless he sent the telegram, but he could not remember the circumstances. He did not know that the ammunition was not supplied because the order in council authorizing its sale was not issued. Allison could not remember that two days later he had sent another telegram from

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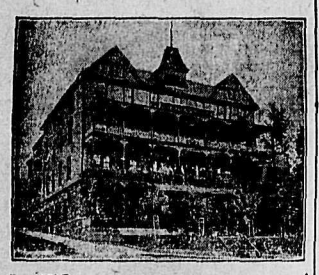

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POOLEY'S MEASURE ON COAL SALES SHELVED

(By Staff Correspondent.)

PRESS GALLERY, Victoria, May 25—R. H. Jooley's bill to compel collieries to sell coal on equal conditions to any licensed dealer who desires to sell it, was shelved tonight. W. R. Maclean, Nelson, claimed the shelving of the bill was a triumph for the Victoria coal dealers who had been overcharging the people of Esquimalt, Mr. Pooley's constituency, because collieries would not sell to Esquimalt dealers.

Members who favored shelving the bill offered various objections to the measure, one consideration being the question of the right of the province to pass legislation touching trade in this way.

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HOSPITAL SHIP BRINGS 100 MEN

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bury, eager to get at least a word with those returning warriors had been enterprising enough to scramble upon the railway embankment on the other side of the hospital train, in which strategic position they had escaped the notice of the police. A grinning face appeared above a pair of crutches at one of the train windows.

"What do you belong to matey?" cried a voice from the embankment.

"Scottish Borderers," replied he with the crutches.

"What sort of time have you had?"

"Rotten,"—came the quick reply—then an arm clothed in official blue came to the window and drew it up and the greeting was over.

"Never mind," observed one of a number of disappointed spectators on that embankment, "he's told us enough."

A little lower down there was more luck. "What sort of food did you get?" was the question, after some cheerful preliminaries.

"Fish, cooked before the flood," was the answer.

"Probably that fish swam in the flood," was one observer's comfortable comment. Then once more an adamantine official interposed between this harmless greeting between munition makers of Tilbury and a man who knew to his grief what German munitions can do to one human frome.

Later there were removed the serious cases—men with one leg or one arm, who were carried pick-a-back or on stretchers. The removal was executed with the greatest deftness. The train as soon as the engine had been cleared of some venturesome beholders on its tender, steamer away amidst the cheers of children gathered on bridges for many miles inland.

COMPENSATION TO BE CONSIDERED

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varied, from the cost of expensive fixtures, loss of profits, canceled contracts for sales and purchases of liquor and hops, to contracts with breweries, covenants in leases as to renting premises, premises perhaps lying idle if the hotels are closed.

"The government has come to the conclusion that the most intelligent and fair way to make an exhaustive inquiry into these claims is by way of a judicial commission, with perhaps three judges and a representative of the prohibitionists and one of the liquor interests.

"This commission can investigate the whole matter as to any and all suggestions of financial loss, hear arguments for and against and then report the result of their labors and recommendations to the government.

"All fair minded people will agree with this suggestion and can make no honest objection to such a proceeding."

The premier outlined the act which the people are to vote upon, emphasizing the stringent terms of the measure and the heavy penalty provided for violation of the law. Blind piggers would go to jail without option of fine.

The sale of liquor was absolutely prohibited, but it was not proposed to interfere with the rights of the citizens who considered his home was his castle. Liquor could be imported for use in private homes.

Concerning Date of Law

The house would probably remember that he had stated to the large delegation of prohibitionists at the beginning of the present session that the action if approved by the people would become effective on Jan. 1 next. But considering both sides of the question it had been deemed advisable to postpone the date until July 1 of next year.

Speaking on the question of notice he said:

"I may say that on Aug. 14 of last year Sir Richard McBride said that a plebescite would be submitted on the question. Again on Nov. 6, 1915, Sir Richard met them again and he had used the same language to the effect that the question would be submitted to the people and their will be obeyed. He had notified the people of the trend of the government's intended action.

"Again, after I took office I made the statement to a large delegation Feb. 28 of this year that this bill would be drafted and submitted to the people."

Saskatchewan by statute without reference to the people cut off all licenses and took over the liquor business with but one week's notice.

Manitoba, by a referendum lately passed and effective June 1 of this year, gave less than three months' notice.

Alberta, by a referendum, brings its act into effect on July 1 next after a year's notice.

Nova Scotia was all dry before with the exception of the city of Halifax. The legislature passed an act last session for prohibition there on June 30 of this year with only two months' notice.

In Ontario, a prohibitory measure was to come into effect on Sept. 6 of this year. The notice given there is five months.

In New Brunswick 12 months was given.

23 Months' Notice

From the time of Sir Richard McBride's statement in August of last year there will have been, if the act is approved by the people, 23 months' notice. So far as I am personally concerned the date upon which I gave notice provided for 18 months' notice. So British Columbia has been more liberal as far as notice to those holding license is concerned than any other province of Canada."

The premier then made his announcement that a compensation commission would be named.

H. C. Brewster spoke tonight. He said he understood the bill was approved by the prohibition executive. In the past, he went on, he had suffered politically from his views on the liquor question and had been called a crank. He now had the experience of seeing a prohibition bill brought down by an ardent opponent of the principle when the Liberals had advocated it.

He said the premier had been converted by the Vancouver byelection and asserted that the decision to appoint a judicial committee to consider compensation was a bid for the liquor vote now that the government had given the prohibitionists what they wanted.

He said he still believed the vote on prohibition should take place at some time part from a general election and pointed out to the prohibitionists that the act did not take advantage of the Dominion measure, which enabled full prohibition to be put into effect.

Will Offer Amendment

H. B. Thomson (Victoria) tonight gave notice of an amendment to the prohibition bill which provides in definite terms for the appointment of a royal commission to inquire into the question of compensation. The premier has announced such a commission will be named, but the Thomson motion would have the provision contained in the act.

"CONSPIRACY" CHARGE FALLS TO PIECES

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ed to him by Scott. It was at the meeting arranged in this wire that Scott, Mrs. Annance has told the committee, gave her $25 and promised her that he would go "behind the bars" himself rather than see a married man like Annance go to jail.

Tell About Eldridge.

Wismer and McTaggart both gave the committee their account of the application of Eldridge to be released from his job of Liberal scrutineer in order that he might become one of Annance's gang of $20 pluggers who were housed in some of the 21 double rooms Jack White engaged at the Calumet rooms. Wismer said that the evening before election Eldridge came to him, told him Annance said the work was legitimate, that the men would get $10 each and be allowed to go out and vote.

Annance's gang, it has been shown, consisted for the most part, if not entirely of men who were on the voters' list and who were told to plug in other names after they had voted in their own Witness said he would not release Eldridge on this story and Annance was called in and gave no satisfactory account. An arrangement was made that Annance should meet Wismer and McTaggart at the Castle hotel at 9:30 next morning. He did not turn up. In the meantime witness tried, he claimed, to get a Thiel detective to look into the matter but failed. Wismer said he released Eldridge as Eldridge said he needed the money and proposed to do the work. Eldridge was told to keep his eyes open and on election day reported about noon that everything was all right but at about 4:30 that something suspicious was going on.

Wismer said he then got J. W DeB. Farris and Enright and instructed the scrutineers to follow their original lists in challenging. Wismer said he challenged one man who voted in the name of a man who was believed to have been away from the city for five years and whose address was given as a Japanese boarding house and one who was supposed to have been away two years. It was in connection with these cases that he made his complaint that the deputy returning officer had refused to arrest them and which caused Mr. Miller to point out to the lawyer witness that the election act did not give the deputy the power to do so.

Mr. Macdonald's law partner asserted he went to Ward 3 polling place armed with a bunch of blue information forms which he used in attempts, he declared, to frighten suspicious characters. He said he saw a number of them about 8 o'clock and two more about 4 o'clock. They walked around the polling booth, but did not try to vote and went out, he said, after he had flashed the blue papers at them. A man sent by the witness followed the second two, he said, and reported that they said they had voted five times and would vote five times more and that they met and spoke to Mr. Mellish, solicitor for the returning officer.

Was Told About Payment.

Under crossexamination Wismer did not remember that Eldridge had told him Annance's scheme would help the Liberals. He thought Eldridge said it would not hurt the Liberals. He denied he had told Eldridge to meet him at 9:30 o'clock, but amitted after some hesitation he had been told Eldridge was going to the Calumet rooms where a number of men were to be gathered and that they were to get $10 each. He would not swear Eldridge had not told him at noon that a bunch of men were at the Calumet. Wismer made some suggestion to the committee that he thought the men were working for the Conservatives.

Miller—Would it not be strange if they were working for the Conservatives that they should come to you?

Wismer—Yes.

Miller—There was something said that conveyed the impression they were working for the Liberals.

Wismer—Yes.

He said the fact that Liberals of long standing were asked to plug made him think it was a Conservative scheme.

Miller—But if I were going to plug for the Conservatives do you think I would go and report it to Mr. Brewster, for example?

Wismer—Well, no.

Mr. Miller pointed out that the sworn testimony was that Annance and Eldridge had picked up the gang of pluggers indiscriminately.

Wismer to another question said he could not repeat any statement that gave the impression that the plugging was for the Conservatives, but he was told by Annance and Eldridge that it was for the Liberals.

Regarding the "suspicious characters" who entered the booth in the morning he admitted he did not know if they were pluggers or legitimate voters when he had intimidated them by flashing the blue papers. He could not say exactly why these men and the two he saw in the afternoon looked suspicious, but he did not think they would have gone out if they had been genuine voters. They might have come to the wrong polling place, he admitted.

He did not think he had ever seen the "eleventh hour" series of plugging lists. Wismer said he had looked round the polling booth for a justice of the peace when he wanted to have informations laid, but he had not asked the deputy returning officer to take them.

He said it was not his work to try and find out how many men were at the Calumet rooms. That was for McTaggart.

Questioned About Cards

McTaggart told the committee he had instructed the scrutineers to challenge every man so marked. He said his opinion was that Annance had simply tried to get the Liberals into the position of plugging.

Miller—How do you account for the fact that Annance had those printed cards? (Cards given all the pluggers so that they could memorize the names, occupations and addresses of men they were to personate.)

McTaggart—I do not account for that.

Mr. Miller pointed out that Annance was paid by Scott, who occupied a prominent position in the Liberal election organiaztion.

"I have very serious doubt today as to who Scott was working for," suggested the Liberal scrutineer.

"You havven't any doupt as to who employed him hae you?" asked Mr. Miller.

The witness admitted he had not.

"What evidence have you that Scott was not working for the Liberal party?" continued Mr. Miller.

McTaggart's reply was that the plugging operations were not in the best interest of the Liberal party. It was conceivable, he thought, that Scott was carrying on the plugging operations for the Liberal party "off his own bat." Possibly Scott received the money to pay the pluggers and provide for the preliminary plugging organization work for some one who wished to see the Liberal candidate elected, he finally said.

McTaggart's explanation of the delay of six weeks between the Liberal "investigations" and the issuance of the warrant for Annance was that the Liberals were looking for men higher up. He did not say what action they took to discover the higher-ups.

After four o'clock he said he gave scrutineers special instructions to challenge everyone marked to be challenged. He did not give these special instructions to every scrutineer. A number he did not go to.

McTaggart said he and George Houser went to Macdonald's house late at night and told him about Annance.

Miller—So Mr. Macdonald knew about the Calumet rooms before the election?

McTaggart—Yes.

They went down to Scott's office and discussed the "crooked" list held up by Anderson. Macdonald told Scott that he would not stand for any crooked work.

Mr. Miller suggested that he could have had the Calumet watched by the police. McTaggart replied that the Liberals had Eldridge there watching.

But Eldridge, Mr. Miller pointed out, was getting $10 for working for the Liberals.

"Scott was not dismissed as soon as I hoped he would be," said McTaggart.

The "R and W" Names

In regard to the "R and W" incident, McTaggart said the scrutineer captain was instructed by Scott not to challenge any name between "R and W." Witness told him not to deviate from the original instructions.

Witness was asked if it did not strike him as peculiar that Scott had reached "R and W" late in the day and McTaggart replied that it did.

Mr. Miller suggested that it was possible Scott might have got to individual scrutineers and have succeeded in giving instructions earlier in the day regarding refraining from challenging names between earlier letters of the alphabet. Witness said he did not think so as he knew most of the scrutineers personally.

To this Mr. Miller pointed out that Eldridge, who was willing to take part in the Calumet rooms $10 job had been one of the scrutineers appointed.

McTaggart could not swear Scott had not given instructions to individual scrutineers not to challenge between, say "A and C" earlier in the day. He did not believe it had occurred, but admitted that Scott had had a great deal of election experience. If he were competent to figure out a crooked election scheme he might be expected to be competent to find ways of putting the scheme into effect, Mr. Miller suggested.

McTaggart said he had confidence in the scrutineers.

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Morrisburg in regard to the extra 2,000,000 rounds wanted.

Mr. Dewart asked the witness if he realized that the non-delivery of the 2,000,000 rounds was one of the things which led to the inquiry. Allison repeated that he did not remember much about the matter. He said he would decline to furnish any memorandum relating to his New York transactions.

At the request of Mr. Dewart, who leaves tonight for Winnipeg, the commission adjourned till June 1.

Just before the adjournment Mr. Dewart mentioned that he represented the Liberal party, which caused Sir Charles Davidson to remark that it was the first time Mr. Dewart had definitely defined his status. He added that he had declined toallow a representative of the Liberal party to appear before the commission at Victoria, B. C., because he believed that the people were fully represented by Mr Thompson. In view, however, of the discussion which had taken place in the house, Sir Charles said that he realized that the circumstances in connection with this enquiry were quite different and he would welcome the assistance of Mr. Dewart.

Day's Proceedings.

Mysterious developments and direct conflict of evidence featured today's proceedings of the Davidson commission during the day. In the first place the destination of the ammunition was disclosed in a remarkable way. Also through the controversy it had been apparently understood that the purchaser was Vickers, Limited and the charge was that it had been resold to the admiralty at an advance of 25 per cent. F. Orr Lewis, president of the Canadian Vickers, definitely declared that the admiralty were the actual purchasers and that neither Canadian Vickers nor the English Vickers firm had anything to do with it. A director of Vickers, Limited whose name has been mentioned in connection with the matter, was merely acting for the admiralty he testified.

Mr. Lewis told the commission that payment was made by the admiralty through a trustee's account of which he was trustee, in the Bank of Montreal at New York. In approximate figures he said the Canadian government had been paid $60,000 for the ammunition while the admiralty had paid into the trustee account $70,000 or $75,000. The account was not yet closed. Mr. Lewis said when asked what had become of the difference.

Frazer's Evidence.

Here came the evidence of John Fraser, auditor general. Mr. Fraser gave figures showing a total difference between the amount paid by the admiralty and amounts credited to the receiver general to be $15,634.81.

"As I said in my letter to the finance minister," Mr. Fraser said, "that is practically 25 per cent of the purchase price."

Here Sir Charles Davidson pointed out the difference between the evidence of Mr. Lewis and that of the auditor.

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News of Sport

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BOSTON, May 25.—The Red Sox made it three straight from Detroit by winning today 5 to 2.

	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	2	9	2
Boston	5	14	2

Batteries: Cunningham, Boland, Erickson and Stanage; Shore and Cady.

New York Wins from St. Louis

NEW YORK, May 25.—New York made it two out of three from St. Louis here today, winning by a score of 7 to 5.

	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	5	11	1
New York	7	8	1

Batteries: Groom, Parks and Hartley; Cullop and Walters.

Fourteen-Inning Tie

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Chicago and Washington played 14 innings to a 3 to 3 tie today, the game being called on account of darkness with Wolfgang and Johnson pitching air tight ball.

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	3	5	0
Washington	3	11	2

Batteries: Benz, Russell, Wolfgang and Schalk; Harper, Boehling, Johnson and Henry, Ainsmith. Called end fourteenth, darkness.

Rain Ends Game

PHILADELPHIA, May 25.—Cleveland was leading Philadelphia three to one today when a thunderstorm stopped the game at the end of the fourth inning.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Reds Win by Hitting

CINCINNATI, May 25.—Cincinnati hit the ball hard today and won the opening game of the series from Chicago 8 to 4.

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	4	9	3
Cincinnati	8	9	2

Batteries: Brown, McConnell and Fisher; Mitchell and Wingo.

Brooklyn Shut Out

PITTSBURG, May 25.—Pittsburg shut out Brooklyn in the final game of the series here today 5 to 0.

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	0	3	1
Pittsburg	5	12	0

Batteries: Dell, Appleton, Marquard and Myers; Miller and Wilson.

No other games scheduled.

NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Tacoma	10	10	3
Vancouver	2	4	5

Batteries: Sutherland and Bartholomew; Hood and Follman.

Butte-Great Falls, postponed, snow and rain.

	R.	H.	E.
Spokane	8	11	2
Seattle	2	7	1

Batteries: Evans and Murray; McIvor, Rose and Cadman.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Providence	3	6	3
Toronto	4	6	2

Batteries: Baumgartner and Yelle; Shocker and McKee.

	R.	H.	E.
Baltimore	4	7	2
Buffalo	5	5	2

Batteries: Morrisette and McAvoy; Tyson and Hartley.

	R.	H.	E.
Richmond	7	11	1
Montreal	8	9	0

Batteries: Rhodes and Reynolds; Goodbred and Wells.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION RULING AFFECTS SOLDIERS

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

TORONTO, May 25.—Unanimously the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, through its governors, has approved the position it was proposed the union should take in the matter of competitions in which soldiers engage, and made clear that no distinction as between amateur and professional shall be made concerning competitions *confined to members of the active* service forces. A circular letter was addressed to the governors suggesting a vote on the point. Secretary Crow announces that the proposal has met with the unanimous approval and now stands as the ruling of the union throughout Canada.

SAYLOR KNOCKED OUT IN FIRST ROUND

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

CINCINNATI, O., May 25.—Charley White of Chicago knocked out Melburn Saylor of Indianapolis in the first round of their 10-round bout here tonight. Saylor did not land a blow.

SUMMARY OF TORONTO RACES

First race, 6 furlongs—Bendel, first; Garnet, second; Lady London, third. Time, 1:14.

Second race, 4½ furlongs—Savilla, first; Bright and Early, second; Linette, third. Time, :55 1-5.

Third race, 1 1-16 mile—Sweet Colleen, first; Late Hours, second; Hecla Flame, third. Time 1:52 3-5.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs—The Masquerador, first; Harbard, second; Kootenay, third. Time, 1:14.

First race, 1 1-16 mile—Uncle Bryn, first; Ormula, second; King Hamburg, third. Time, 1:51.

Sixth race, 2 miles—Idle Michael, first; Cuban, second; Indian Arrow, third. Time, 4:36 3-5.

Seventh rate, 1 1-16 mile—Aprisa, first; Counterpart, second; Miss Waters, third. Time, 1:49.

MACDONALD OFFERS HIS WIFE AS ALIBI

Presents Her Testimony to Prove He Didn't Meet Gosden and Pay Him $50.

(By Staff Correspondent.)

PRESS GALLERY, VICTORIA, B.C., May 25.—M. A. Macdonald's answer to R. R. Gosden's charge that the Vancouver Liberal member paid him $50 for election work Easter Tuesday night at a meeting near the Victoria postoffice is a denial and the production of an alibi. His wife is the Alibi witness.

When Mr. Macdonald's charge of perjury against Gosden came up in court for preliminary hearing this morning, the Liberal member and his wife testified they were walking in Beacon Hill park at 6 o'clock Easter *Tuesday when Gosden says Macdonald* first met him at the postoffice. At 9 o'clock, the hour when Gosden says the money passed, Mr. and Mrs. Macdonald swore Mr. Macdonald was in their room at the Empress hotel. They said that they began dinner at the Empress at about 7:40 and finished about 8:45 and then went direct to *their room and stayed there all evening.*

The evidence of Mr. Macdonald and his wife that Mr. Macdonald was in the Empress all night after 7:40 when they went in to dinner is a direct contradiction of the sworn testimony of Gosden and of ex-Mayor A. E. Planta of Nanaimo and his son Montgomery Planta. Both Plantas say they saw Macdonald near the postoffice a few minutes before 9 o'clock.

On the other charge against Gosden, that of having committed perjury in *saying he heard John T. Scott declare* Ashworth Anderson had "swiped" $2000 from the Liberal campaign funds and had done nothing for it, C. E. McTaggart said the statement had not been made. McTaggart was present on the occasion on which Gosden says the statement was made.

Gosden reserved his defense and Magistrate, following the usual practise, committed the accused for trial.

MACDONALD OPPOSES VOTES FOR SOLDIERS

Parker Williams Joins in Condemning Measure—Maclean Favors It—Second Reading

PRESS GALLERY, Victoria, B. C., May 25.—Speaking on the bill to enable the soldiers to vote, M. A. Macdonald this afternoon objected to the measure on the ground that the right to vote was *granted to all soldiers* who are British subjects without regard to age. He said there was no sound reason for giving the franchise to any soldier under 21 years of age. There was also in the act no provision that soldiers should be on the voters' list of the province. He attacked the act in this connection, asserting that it created a new voters' list.

He said the bill placed the entire control of administration in the hands of the agent-general. He also criticized the act because he said it did not provide that the different parties should be represented at the place where the soldiers vote.

Scrutineers should be given the same powers as they possessed under the Provincial Elections act, he said.

W. R. *Maclean (Nelson)* approved of the bill. He pointed out that many soldiers probably would not be able to vote.

Some, for example, were prisoners in Germany. None could exercise the personal influence he would have if he were at home and could talk to his friends. Mr. Maclean said he thought the bill might be extended in certain respects and intimated he might propose some changes in committee.

Parker Williams condemned the bill wholesale, in principle and every other respect. The soldiers should not be pestered with politics, he declared.

He suggested that the constitution act should be amended to compel a dissolution of the next parliament at about the time the soldiers would return. In the meantime the general *election could take place this year.* If the soldiers did not approve of the result they could express their opinion on their return.

H. E. Forster did not favor the bill. He said provincial politics should not be introduced into imperial affairs.

The bill passed second reading without division.

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general. Mr. Lewis had said, Sir Charles remarked, that the account was not yet closed.

"My information is confidential," replied the auditor general, "but it is to the effect that the admiralty paid $25 a thousand for the ammunition."

Mr. Fraser could not suggest any means of confirming his assertion, except by securing the exact price paid from the admiralty. The auditor general also caused a sensation by the production of correspondence which had passed between Mr. Lewis and the manager of the Bank of Montreal, New York.

In the correspondence reference was made to a commission for Allison. It is contended, on the oher hand that the reference has no bearing on the sale of ammunition, but deals with commission on other business. Mr. Lewis testified that Allison had received no commission. At the afternoon sitting Mr. Fraser said that despite statements made to the effect that the account had not been closed, he had not changed his mind in regard to his statement that there had been an advance of 25 per cent in the price of the ammunition when it was sold to the admiralty.

His suspicions, he said, had been based upon reliable information, but he was not prepared to give the name of his informant. He had sent to the militia department for the shipping bills, but had been informed that the minister of militia, had asked for the files a few days before and they were not available.

Hints at Name.

In pressing Mr. Fraser for information as to the name of his informant, Mr. Henderson, counsel for Allison asked if his name did not commence with the letter "C" and if he had a sick wife. *He referred apparently* to F. B. Carvell, M.P., whose wife is ill in a Boston hospital. Mr. Fraser did not answer the question, but said he would be willing to give the name to the commissioner. Sir Charles intimated that he did not desire to know it unless the party could be called as a witness.

Questioned by Mr. Dewart, Mr. Fraser said he had been informed that $5 extra a thousand had been charged against the ammunition "by Vickers' representative, Mr. Sealres" for freight, etc., and that the amount of profit had been withdrawn.

Witness stated he had based his ballance of $15,000 on the actual items dealing with this transaction and the amount deposited by the admiralt

Mr. Fraser then addressed a few remarks to the commissioner. "I don't desire," he said, "to leave a wrong impression here in connection with my doubts concerning the closing of the accounts. I have had many statements made to me by men in whom I have as much confidence as I have in Mr. Lewis. The statements of the minister of militia and of the prime minister have been shown to be absolutely wrong. They have been contradicted by Mr. Lewis. That is why I do not care to accept unreservedly Mr. Lewis' statements."

"The premier's statement and those of the minister of militia were not contradicted," interjected Mr. Henderson.

"They were absolutely contradicted," said Mr. Dewart. "They said the goods were sold to Vickers for testing purposes. *Mr. Lewis said they were sold* to the admiralty. Is not that a contradiction?"

Sees Conflict in Evidence.

Mr. Henderson became indignant. "Is the auditor general not big enough," he asked, "to see the situation? It simply shocks me to think he cannot see it. I think it is most unfair that the auditor general should go on record as saying that Mr. Lewis, under oath, contradicted the prime minister and the minister of militia of Canada, when we know that Sir Trevor Dawson, a director of Vickers, negotiated the transaction."

"No such evidence," said Mr. Dewart.

"There is," said Mr. Henderson "I regret the auditor general should take the ground he has taken."

Mr. Lewis was then recalled and questioned by Mr. Henderson. He declared that all the commissions given to Col. Allison were for transactions "foreign to Canada."

"*You have heard the doubting* Thomas attitude of the auditor general," said Mr. Henderson as to the closing up of the account; how will it stand when closed up?"

"On the adverse side."

"How is that?"

"Sir Trevor Dawson is held responsible and a large sum will be needed *to balance the account from other* transactions."

In the matter of the trust account witness said he had merely allowed the use of his name.

"There is no way," he said, "in which I could insert a profit into this account even if I were the best accountant in Canada."

Mr. Dewart then checked up the figures from the letters read by the auditor general from Mr. Lewis to the Bank of Montreal agency. The total deposit on the first instance by the admiralty was $29,448. Out of this $20,927 was paid to the receiver general. Then there was $3000 for bayonets. This left about $5000 as the difference *not paid out. The amount of ammuni*tion purchased was about a million rounds at that time, said Mr. Dewart. "At $5 a thousand that would just about make the $5000 wouldn't it?" Mr. Dewart was referring to the $5 commission which the auditor general believed had been made

"I can only say what I said before, *that the account is still open and not* adjusted," said Mr. Lewis. "I cannot go back on the evidence I have already given."

"Are you prepared to furnish us under the judicial consideration of the commissioner with a copy of the accounts showing the commissions received by Allison?"

"*I cannot tell you all the commissions* he received, as I was only the trustee, but I can tell you from memory that he received none, from this transaction."

"Why is it we don't hear any more complaints about defective life-preservers on ships?"

"Nobody has time to put them on."

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THE RELATIVE AGE OF THE WAR GENERALS

A student of the war has compiled an interesting table dealing with the relative ages of British, French and German generals. It develops the fact that the average age of German generals is highest, that the French come next and the British lowest. Not one of the British generals in high command on any of the battlefronts is over 60 years of age, whereas with the exception of the Prussian crown prince and one other leader, every German general is over 60.

The average age of the British generals is given at 53, of the French at 60 and of the Germans at 63. The German average is brought down considerably by the crown prince, who is *only 34, while Germany has five who* have passed the alloted span of three score and ten and 12 who are more than 65 years of age. France has no general among its battlefront leaders who has reached 70 and only two who are more than 65.

Napoleon held the destonies of continental Europe in his hands before he was 35 and Nelson won Aboukir at 40. The contrast between the ages of these two great leaders and those of the generals of the present war is, *however, less marked than in August,* 1914. In both the British and French armies there has since been a tendency to give high commands to men who, compared with the German standard, are youthful.

DEVELOPMENT OF MAPLE SUGAR INDUSTRY

A great deal has been heard lately of Canadian maple sugar and the possibilities of the development of the industry but it is questionable if the *real magnitude of this natural re*source of the country has been fully realized. The Montreal Journal of Commerce points out that in Canada are millions of acres of maple bush running from the north of Lake Superior to the shores of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, all standing in their primeval condition, waiting only to be tapped to yield to the world its remarkable wealth.

"When it is remembered," says the Journal, "that it is only in the border *states of New Hampshire, Vermont* and Maine that the sugar maple grows within the United States, and that, with this exception, we in Canada possess the whole world's supply, the great importance of the industry will be realized." The Journal continues with regard to its own province:

"In 1911 the output in the province of Quebec was valued at $1,680,000, a sum 14 per cent greater than the production of our small fruits; considerably greater in value than the sheep sold, almost equal to the sale of poultry, exceeding that of the whole output of cream, and six times the money obtained from honey and wax. These comparisons serve to show the relative importance of the maple industry, the possibilities of which are too great to estimate, if the immense woods of Ontario and the lower provinces were cultivated as they should be."

Austin Chamberlain employed a sound argument when he urged the people of the British Empire to rely upon their own strength rather than upon the enemy's weakness.

"Naval experts" in the American congress who are cutting and slashing and amending the naval proposals prepared by the real experts of the United States naval department should remember that a year or two ago a number of men in the Canadian house of commons set themselves up as knowing more about imperial naval requirements than British admiralty experts.

Senator William Alden Smith is mentioned as a presidential possibility in the United States. Senator *Smith has quite a reputation in this* country—in fact, just after the Titanic disaster, it threatened to become worldwide. It was this same Senator Smith who took part in the American inquiry into the disaster and made the continent laugh by asking a witness to give the composition of an iceberg and another deponent to inform him what a bulkhead was.

WHAT THE PRESS IS SAYING

Won't Go to War.

As a matter of fact the Washington administration will never go to war with Germany unless the Berlin war machines should come thundering over here to attack us on our own soil and compel us to fight back in some sort of fashion. But so long as the allies hold *a line from Switzerland to the Flan*ders coast and so long as the British fleets command the seas the German war machine, though it might be hungering to grind us up and devour us, could never make any more war upon us than it was been making against us and other neutrals for many disgraceful months. It could not get at us.—New York Press.

War Veterans and Politics.

Canada is expecting confidently that, with the return of peace, veterans will control its politics as veterans controlled the politics of the United States *for a generation following the civil* war, and is rather rejoicing in the prospect. It is coming to be the conviction in the Dominion that those who offered their all for the nation in time of war will be most capable of safeguarding its interests in time of peace. The thought is a creditable one, to say the least, and we believe that the hope behind it will not be disappointed. —Christian Science Monitor

Union of the Empire.

The very uncertainty of the future makes it necessary to be prepared beforehand for every possible contingency *and there are certain things which do* not depend on the termination of the war, but must be taken in hand at once. First and foremost is the closer union of the Empire. If there is one result which we are all equally determined shall flow from the war, it is this. The mother country and the Dominions are equally resolved on it; our allies would rejoice at it and the enemy would be correspondingly disturbed. It *will go ill with the government if they* fail to take occasion boldly by the hand and realize this aspiration.—London Times.

BEWAILS LOSS OF BABIES.

It has become a truism that the three essentials for carrying on a war are munitions and money. If for munitions we substitute machinery, we shall have named also the three essentials for carrying on a nation in peace or war. Money represents energy stored and ready to be libereated in any given direction, machinery the means, But money and machinery are but tools in the hands of man. At this moment we are threatened with a man shortage greater than any we have known in our history.

It takes days to make a shell, weeks to forge a gun, months to build a ship. But a man is not a man until years have elapsed. The waste of men *is the bitterest of all the bitter* draughts of war. It is waste which has no limit because it stretches far into the future in which, in other conditions, these fallen men would have been the fathers of children.

At the Birmingham Maternity hospital, Dr. Robertson stated that "as a result of the war there were between four thousand and five thousand fewer babies in Birmingham last year." In *the fourth quarter of 1915 the birth* rate was the lowest birth rate recorded in any quarter since the establishment of civil registration. It is very necessary to emphasiez these words.

The lowest birth rate recorded in any quarter since the establishment of civil registration.

They are words of ill omen. No Englishman should be able to listen to them at this moment unmoved. They *say too plainly that the drain of man* power is not being made good; that, on the contrary, it is being augmented by a loss which, if less perceptible, is more dangerous. — London Times.

ELKO NOTES BY FRED ROO.

Jim Thistlebeak says the fact that brevity is the soul of wit must account for some of the latest skirts looking so darn funny.

Insofar as the social whirl of the old historic burg was concerned, last week was a gay one for both old and young, for there were functions without number. On his return from the Tobacco Plains country Jim Thistlebeak gave a recherche dinner party at the Elk hotel at which many toothsome viands were served. A strong feature of the occasion was a song by Alex Birnie, who had just been pulled from under an auto smash-up, entitled, "I Was Never Nearer Heaven in My Life."

Jim Thistlebeak says it's alright for the Germans to claim Shakespeare, but Bacon would be acceptable right now.

Miss Hetty-Hole-in-Her-Stocking gave a trout dinner the other day at her tepee on Moccasin Flats to her Fort Steele friends, who were down to Tobacco Plains visiting.

If your religion makes you miserable, change it and come to Elko and enjoy a week's fishing, where the trout jump high and make the timid angler climb a tree.

COLD STORAGE

Things to worry about: Vacations.

"That's the second untruth you have told me today. Why do you persist in telling lies this way?"

"I don't know, ma, unless it's because I'm practising to be a diplomat when I grow up."

"I want to be excused," said the worried-looking juryman, addressing the judge. "I owe a man $5 that I borrowed, and as he is leaving town for some years I want to catch him before he gets on the train and pay him the money."

"You are excused," replied the judge in icy tones. "I don't want anybody on the jury who can lie like that."

"Miss Brown told me that you paid her such a charming compliment the other evening," said Mrs. Coddington to her husband. "Something about her being pretty. The poor girl was so pleased. I don't see how men can be so untruthful."

"I should think you'd know by this time that I'm never untruthful," said Mr. Coddington reproachfully. "I told her she was just as pretty as she could be, and so she was."

DOES THE KAISER REFLECT?

Sometimes in reviewing the career of the kaiser it is more charitable, as well as, perhaps, more just, to believe him the victim of monomania. An inordinate yanity is often a form of dementia and the man who has allowed the horrible illusion of his own infallibility to overpower him becomes a *lunatic, nursing dreams of illimitable* greatness. Yet, perhaps, even on occasions when his subjects are celebrating his birthday there may come moments when the German emperor himself starts back horrified at what he has done. It is difficult to imagine with what thoughts he reflects on the history of the last 18 months when he becomes aware in his heart of hearts —as he must do at times—that he is *the author of the most hideous* calamity which has ever befallen the sons of men—London Telegraph.

HENS AND SAVAGES AND TIME

It is yet to be proved that a return to, or toward, the hours kept by hens and savages confers any ponderable *benefits on people in reality or pretense* civilized. Noctural animals are not a bit less healthy than those whose activities are conducted in the sunshine and the extent to which any nation uses artificial illumination is a fairly accurate measure of its advancement.

With our clocks as they are, such of us as have a passion for seeing sunrises can gratify it without breaking any law or even offending the proprieties. *Thereby, on the contrary, a mys*terious merit can be acquired in one's own eyes and in those of his neigrbors.

An intelligent Bostonian suggests that the really popular thing to do would be to have the clocks an hour slow in the earlier morning and an hour, or perhaps two hours fast in the afternoon. That would indeed suit almost everybody except the members *of the salary and wage paying class,* and who are they to have a word to say about anything?—New York Times.

THE WEATHER

Stage of water: 9 feet, 7½ inches.

	Min.	Max.
Nelson	42	70
Prince Rupert	40	60
Victoria	48	62
Vancouver	48	72
Calgary	38	50
Edmonton	38	58
Moose Jaw	38	45
Winnipeg	38	64
Toronto	60	75
Ottawa	52	68
Quebec	44	66
St. John	40	52
Halifax	42	66

STATISTICS GIVE IDEA OF IMMENSE CASUALTIES

Some statistics of the French Red Cross give a vivid notion of the immense casualties suffered by our French Allies who have so far borne the brunt of the German attack on the western front.

*Of the three associates which com*pose the French Red Cross "The Wounded's Aid Society" had in January of this year, 798 hospitals containing more than 67,000 beds; and "The French Women's Union" has 353 hospitals with 29,000 beds; and "The Women's association" had 350 hospitals with 22,000 beds. To these are attached 58,000 nurses both graduate and non-graduate. The quality of *their service can be measured by the* terms of the warm eulogy which a French writer has pronounced upon them.

"Considering themselves as mobilized, like soldiers, for the duration of the war, they have voluntarily resigned their ordinary existence and devote themselves day and night to the wounded. No amount of hardships has exhausted their patience. As soon as *their brief furloughs have permitted* them to recover from their fatigue, they hasten back to their post of duty. I know of one hospital where the nurses have been so unwearying in their duty that since February 1915 there has not been one vacancy in the staff. And this is not an exceptional case."

Just as the soldier on active service as the right to expect that the civilian *population will diligently supply him* with munitions of war, so nurese of such devotion have the right to demand increasing Red Cross munitions. The claim of France to our Red Cross support has been generously acknowledged by the Canadian Red Cross, which with admirable wisdom and charity has proclaimed a Red Cross Entente Cordiale between Canada and France.

Our Red Cross society is entitled to expect in its own right, by reason of its devoted care of our own Canadian wounded, a maximum output of Red Cross munitions in Canada. The claims of France and our allies added to the necessities of our own society, make an irresistible appeal for Red Cross service to which every Canadian should answer.

SKIRTS PLAIN, SPORTY, DRESSY, BUT ALL SHORT

CINCINNATI, O.—The short skirt will continue to be worn next fall, ac*cording to a report of the style com*mittee of the National Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers' association at the annual convention here.

"Its smartness and youthful appearance makes its popularity universal," says the report.

According to the report the fall suits will consist of three varieties—the plain tailored type, the sport type and the more dressy variety.

The plain type will be either single or double breasted with some flare to the skirt of the coat. It will be from finger length to slightly longer.

The sport type will be varied by pleats and shirrings at the waist line held in by belts, with high collars and simple sleeves. The length of the coat will range between finger tip to a point half way between finger tip and knee length.

The dressier suits will have large collars with shoulder cape effects when opened and laid back, high cuffs and fancy cuffs of the bell variety. Some will have vest fronts.

Trimmings will be diversified. Fur edgings, fur collars, velvets, tailor braid and embroidery will be most prominently used.

GERMANY DEPENDENT ON IMPORTATIONS

Position of Nation With Regard to Foodstuffs, Luxuries and Raw Materials Shown

BERLIN, Germany—The Vorwarts has considered it of interest to draw the attention of its readers to an article that has just been published by Dr. Schulte of Hofe as a supplement to the Tropenpflanzer showing the degree to which Germany is dependent upon importations from other countries. The article was entitled: The world production of foodstuffs and raw materials, and the provision for Germany in the past and in the future.

It is today a fact established by experience wrote the Vorwarts by way of introduction to its summary of the professor's treatise, that it is impossible for Germany to hold out economically only by a general lowering of the standard of living. That was acknowledged by the chancellor when he observed in the Reichstag recently that "the German people have a powerful moral reserve at their command that enables them to restrict a standard of living that has greatly increased during the last few decades." In view of this fact there has been a gradual cessation of the talk so often heard at first—often in social democratic quarters even—of Germany's "self-sufficiency" with regard to agricultural products, talk that was coupled with a commendation of protection. Today it is again allowable to speak of the dependence of the German food supply on importation from abroad: indeed a detailed inquiry into the nature of that dependence is even considered imperative. On the one hand there is a desire to use the information obtained as an argument for all kinds of fantastic war aims, and on the other to employ it to show the necessity for far-reaching world-economic *relations after the war, and the con*sequent necessity for avoiding anything that might make it difficult to reestablish such relations.

From the summary of Dr. Schulte's article that followed it appears that from 1893 to 1913 the aera under cultivation in Germany for grain for bread (rye and wheat) increased by 3 per cent, while the crops raised, on the other hand, increased by 34 per cent. *This increase in the yield has, of* course, made Germany more independent of other countries, and for years now the importation of wheat alone has been of importance, as Germany has only been able to substitute the quantity required by intensifying the cultivation of rye. To do so it would be necessary to set aside for the purpose 440,000 hectares, or 6.9 per cent of the total area under cultivation in 1913. *Meanwhile the cultivation of* pulse and buckwheat has steadily diminished in Germany of recent years. In 1893 she imported pulse to the value of 9,500,000 marks, and in 1913 to the value of 33,000,000 marks, the greater part coming from Russia and British India. Similarly the total importation of buckwheat was 217,000 doppelzentner in 1893, and 2,700,000 dopplezentner in 1913. For Germany herself to *make good the deficiency 225,000 hec*tares and 34,000 hectares respectively would be required.

Proceeding thus to examine the position regarding various other products in detail, Dr. Schulte ended by calculating that in the matter of vegetable foodstuffs and articles of luxury Germany's home production in 1893 reached an approximate value of 4,600,000,000 marks, and in 1913, 6,000,000,000 *marks. The value of products of this* kind imported, on the other hand, amounted to 304,000,000 marks in 1893, and 846,000,000 marks in 1913; that is, in 1893 her imports were only 7 per cent of the value of her home production, whereas in 1913 they had already amounted to 13 per cent of the same.

Similarly, although the cattle reared in Germany have been greatly augumented during the past 20 years, Dr. Schulte showed that Germany was still importing large quantities of cattle and meat in 1913, and that to remedy the deficienty her present stock cattle would have to be increased by 4.3 per cent, and that of pigs by 1.8 per cent. In the same way, if she were to be independent of importation of milk, cream, and butter, her herds of cattle would have to be augmented by 16 per cent, while to cover *the home demand for eggs, her stock* of chickens must be inceased by 50 per cent. The total value of her meat, fats, milk and egg imports in 1893 amounted to 8.1 per cent, and in 1913 to 10.3 per cent of the value of the total products obtained from home stocks.

In addition to this direct dependence on other countries, Dr. Schulte further pointed out, Germany was indirectly *dependent upon them owing to her* requirements in the way of fodder. In 1893, her imports of ths nature were valued at 314,000,000 marks, and in 1913 at 992,000,000 marks.

In short, despite the tremendous increase in the home production of foodstuffs and luxuries, Germany had come to be increasingly dependent on the importation of these things, and at the same time so decided a readjustment *had taken place with regard to her* sources of supply for industrial raw materials derived from the vegetable and animal kingdoms that today she was, to quote Dr. Schulte, "dependent for by far the greater portion of her raw material on other countries." This increasing independence, he explained, was due not only to the fact that foodstuffs, luxuries, and fodder that could not only be produced abroad *were being used in greater quantities,* but also to the fact that German agriculture would be in a position to meet this demand in the future. On the contrary, everything tended to show that in the future Germany's dependence on other countries for her requirements in foodstuffs and luxuries would increase.

IMPROVEMENT REPORTED IN SITUATION IN MEXICO

WASHINGTON. — Information received by the state department from Mexican sources indicate that the situ*ation is rapidly growing better among* the people.

On the east cost, especially at Tampico, where there have been recent evidences of minor disorders, the reports are that quiet prevails. While the war department had no despatches to give out today, the officials expressed themselves as confident that the de facto government is putting into effect its promise to police the *Big Bend district and other sections* in the north where it has been anticipated raids might occur.

FIRE OUTLOOK FOR SEASON IS GIVEN IN REPORT

VICTORIA, B. C.—The minister of lands is in receipt of telegraphic advices concerning the fire outlook in certain forest districts. Lillooet records cool weather in the past week with strong westerly winds and light showers, the growth of vegetation being slow and ground cover somewhat dry. One fire is reported which was *extinguished without any damage to* property.

Cool weather with general rains is reported from the Nelson district, and snow in the higher levels, there being no fire hazard for the time being.

Conditions in the Fort George country are becoming dangerous, although the fire hazard cannot be compared fortunately, with that prevailing during the corresponding period of 1915, *when thirty large fires were reported* from this district alone during the second week of May. It will be recalled that throughout the northern interior last year at this time, dangerous conditions prvailed as a result of the early thaw, followed by hot and dry weather with slow growth of vegetation

Cold weather with heavy showers and westerly winds prevailed during the first half of the week in the Vancouver and Island districts. One small fire occurred south of Campbell river, *but caused no damage.*

In the Vernon district rain during the early part of the week was followed by warm weather. Crop conditions in the Okanagan are good, and the outlook for the box industry is, in consequence, bright. The Shuswap drive of about six million feet of logs for the Okanagan sawmills has been started.

Shingle mills in the Nelson district *are active, and additional sawmills* are about to resume operations.

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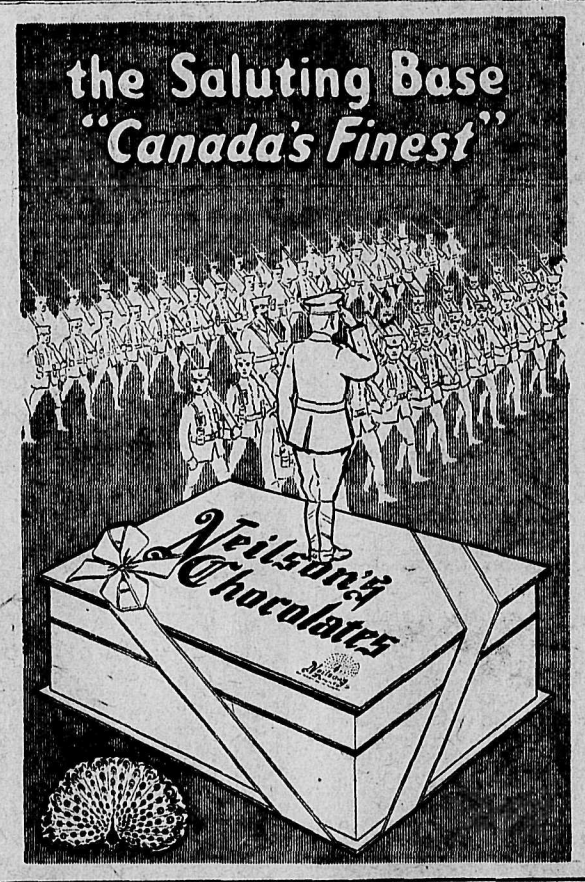

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LAND ACT.

Form of Notice. (Section 73.)

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Take notice that W. E. Wasson of Nelson, city clerk acting as agent for the Corporation of the City of Nelson, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described land: Commencing at a post on the northerly boundary of D.L. 6003, Group One, West Kootenay District, and distant 300 feet more or less in an easterly direction from the northwest corner of said lot; thence N 27 degrees 57 minutes W., 380 feet; thence S., 62 degrees 03 minutes W., 400 feet; thence S. 27 degrees 57 minutes E., 650 feet; thence N. 72 degrees 03 minutes E., 101.5 feet; thence N. 27 degrees 57 minutes W., 225 feet; thence northeasterly, following the northerly boundary of Lot 6003, Group One, Kootenay District, a distance of 300 feet more or less, to the point of commencement, and containing four and one-fifth (4.2) acres more or less.

W. E. WASSON,
Agent for the Corporation of the City of Nelson.

Dated at Nelson B.C., this 4th day of May, 1916.

MINERAL ACT.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Alberta Mineral Claim, situate in the Nelson Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: About one-half mile east of the City of Nelson.

Take notice that I, W. M. Myers, acting as agent for Swan A. Swanson, of the city of Calgary, Free Miners' Certificate No. 86126-B, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 15th day of March, A.D. 1916.

W. M. MYERS

MINERAL ACT.

Certificate of Improvements

NOTICE.

Alice S. and Paterson Mineral Claims, situate in the Slocan Mining Division of Kootenay District. Where located: About a mile southeast of the Lily B. mine.

Take notice that I, W. M. Myers, actacting as agent for Chester W. Harper, Free Miners' Certificate No. 84715-B, intend sixty days from the date hereof to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of *the above claims.*

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 25th day of March, A.D. 1916.

W. M. MYERS.

MINERAL ACT.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Graphic Mineral Claim, situate in the Slocan Mining Division of West Kootenay District. Where located: On Alpha Mountain adjoining the Echo and the Alpha Mineral Claims.

Take notice that I, A. H. Green, acting as agent for J H, Thomps of Silverton, B.C., Free Miner's Certificate No. 84533-B, intend, sixty days from *the date hereof to apply to the Mining* Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 1st day of February, A.D., 1916.

A. H. GREEN.

SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS

Coal mining rights of the Dominion in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories, and in a portion of the province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 per acre. No more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-agent of the district of which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections or legal subdivisions of sections and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mines and pay the realty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns shall be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-agent of Dominion lands.

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Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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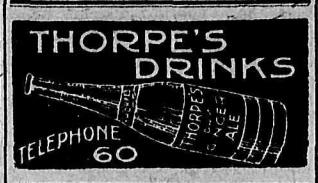

Kootenay and Boundary

SCHEME TO PRODUCE STEEL IN AUSTRALIA

PERTH, Western Australia—Teesdale Smith, the well known railway contractor to the South Australian and federal governments, representing a South Australian company, arrived in Perth, Western Australia, with a project to establish in each of the capital towns of Australia, an electric steel furnace for making cast steel out of scrap iron, an industry of great importance to the commonwealth.

The furnace is a Swedish patent. Mr. Smith states that it is being used with splendid results for the manufacture of the lightest grade cast steel, in England, and other countries. "The product," he said, "will be the highest grade steel it is possible to make, and this out of scrap iron. The possibilities of such a process used in Australia, which at the present time imports something like 8000 to 10,000 tons of the best steel per annum, should be tremendous. The steel which we hope to make will be worth anything from £40 to £50 per ton."

The company in bringing a thoroughly capable engineer from England to superintend the erection and working of the furnaces, which, according to Mr. Smith, have not so far been built in the commonwealth. The manufacture of railway truck and carriage wheels in Australia, would, by means of the new process, soon become an accomplished fact.

The chief mechanical engineer of New South Wales has been most sympathetic towards the project, and has assured those interested in it that if it was as good as they claimed, there would be no difficulty about securing railway orders. The first plant is to be erected in Sydney this month, the next in Melbourne in June or July, and the third in Western Australia towards the end of October. The process which has been in operation in England for three or four years only, has, Mr. Smith states, been recommended by the British munition committee.

Factors which will be helpful in the establishment of the manufacture and which are expected to go far to insure its success, are that both current and scrap iron are cheaper in Australia than in England. A heat of between 3000 and 5000 degrees Fahrenheit, according to the grade of steel which it is desired to produce, will be generated by the electric furnace in turning out the metal. The first two or three of the furnaces will have a capacity of 2500 tons of manufactured steel per annum.

For the great bulk of highclass work under the new process, the company will look to the government railways for support, and Mr. Smith is confident that the manufactured article will be such that this will readily be forthcoming. The manufacture of pig iron from iron ore is a development of the enterprise which Mr. Smith has hopes of realizing.

FERNIE NEWS.

(Special to The Daily News.)

FERNIE, B. C., May 25.—Empire day in this city was observed very quietly. Sports were held at Coal creek, but the inclement weather prevented these from being well patronized. In the morning there was a muster parade of the local company headed by the Fernie brass band. A detachment from the local company went to Coal creek and gave a demonstration of the physical drill. A number attended a patriotic dance in Victoria hall in the evening, while some journeyed to Michel to attend a dance there, the proceeds from which were contributed to A company fund.

Lieut. P. Adams of Cranbrook is attending the assizes here as witness for the crown. He was chief of the Cranbrook police. Lieut. Horace Venus, also an ex-member of the Cranbrook police force, is here in a similar capacity.

Harold White, formerly employed on the engineering staff of the Crow's Nest Pass coal company and now attached to the 61st battery, Canadian Field artillery, at Lethbridge, spent a few days with his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Francis White.

Major J. Richardson Roaf, O. C. No. 4 tunneling company, left Tuesday in charge of 11 recruits obtained from this city. Nine of these were obtained by transfer from the 225th battalion. The names are as follows: George Nixon, Fred Robinson, Henry Joinson, Edward Balmquist, Frederick Turnbull Travers, Thomas Cameron, Daniel Howcroft, William Dunlop Bell, James Cook, John Hayes and Simon Ivey.

A battalion newspaper is to be published by the 225th, "Kootenay's Own Battalion." Publication of this is expected to commence on or about June 1st.

ELKO NEWS.

(Special to The Daily News.)

ELKO, B. C., May 25.—Sergt. Bryant of the Montreal Highlanders, who went from Fernie with the first contingent, is back and was down to Elko and the south country recruiting for the 225th.

Mrs. George H. Scott of Roosville was in Elko this week.

James Black of Vancouver was in Elko several days this week and left Sunday for Nelson.

G. G. Henderson, Mr. McIntosh and J. A. Macdonald of the Canadian customs, department Fernie and Gateway, were in Elko last week. They attended the funeral of W. C. Leacy.

El Clay of Vancouver, late of Nelson, motored from Cranbrook to Elko this week.

Corporals Dow and Baines and Privates St. Clair and Hardman of the 107th regiment, Morrissey, are spending a few days fishing at Elko.

T. T. McVittie of Fort Steele was in Elko this week.

The Burton mine west of Elko is getting ready to ship ore.

M. Phillips of Fruitlands is very sick. He is one of the oldest settlers in southeast Kootenty, coming to this section in the employ of the Hudson's Bay company on Tobacco Plains.

BASKET BALL AT GRAND FORKS

(Special to The Daily News.)

GRAND FORKS, May 24.—The basketball game played in Grand Forks Victoria day between the Nelson high school and the Grand Forks intermediates, was won by the Boundary city boys by a score of 22-21.

BOSWELL NEWS.

(Special to The Daily News.)

BOSWELL, B.C., May 24.—Gunner A. Coupland of the 61st overseas battery, Canadian field artillery, arrived from Lethbridge Saturday evening for a few days leave, returning Tuesday morning.

Pte. G. Wallace of the 11th battalion, Canadian mounted rifles, who has been recruiting in this district, left for Nelson Tuesday evening.

Pte. J. G. Halliday of the 225th battalion arrived from Nelson on leave Sunday morning. He returned Wednesday evening. Pte. C. S. Bourne of the same battalion is still here on sick leave.

Dr. G. B. Henderson of Creston, school medical officer, paid a visit of inspection Monday and found everything quite satisfactory.

Monday evening an enjoyable impromptu social gathering was held in the school, the guests of the evening being the four men in khaki and Dr. Henderson. Games, cards, singing and dancing were thoroughly enjoyed and light refreshments were provided by the ladies. G. H. Bartley acted as chairman for the evening.

S. J. Cummings, the Boswell delegate to the nomination convention of the Conservative association at Kaslo, left for that point Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Charles Allen and Miss Allen of Strathmore, Alta., arrived Wednesday evening on a visit to Mrs. A. Kennedy.

GREENWOOD NEWS.

(Special to The Daily News.)

GREENWOOD, B.C., May 24.—Lieut. Ronald C. Arthurs who with his company, the 49th battalion of Edmonton, acted with such heroism at Verdun recently, is a brother of W. C. Arthurs of Greenwood.

J. Gibson, manager here for the British Columbia Telephone company when returning from Grand Forks on his motor cycle Monday afternoon, collided with an automobile about a mile west of Eholt. The motor cycle was smashed but Mr. Gibson, except for a bad shaking up and a few scratches, escaped unhurt.

Mrs. J. Mullen left Saturday for Toronto, having received word that her father is seriously ill.

Mrs. Redpath of Nelson who was the guest of Mrs. T. Jenkin for a few days, returned to her home Tuesday.

J. V. Mills, who succeeds E. E. L. Dewdney as manager of the Bank of Montreal here, and Mrs. Mills, came in Monday.

SOUTH SLOCAN NEWS.

(Special to The Daily News.)

SOUTH SLOCAN, B.C., May 24.—Miss Helbecque of Upper Bonnington spent the weekend in Nelson visiting friends.

Mrs. H. Greenwood of Thrums is the guest of Mrs. J. Macaulay for a few days.

The contributions to the Canadian Patriotic Aid fund at Victoria from South Slocan for March and April were: Mrs. T. Lee, $2; T. A. Wheildon, $2; Mrs. Boomer, $1.

James Macaulay left Monday for a two weeks' trip to the coast.

Miss S. G. Timaens of Castlegar was a weekend visitor here, the guest of Mrs. T. A. Wheildon.

Wilson Whiteley was a weekend visitor to Nelson.

Rev. C. Montgomery of Edgewood was the guest of Mr. Whiteley Tuesday.

Miss Enid Etter of Trail spent Wednesday here.

Oscar Anderson of Trail spent the holiday here.

RESULTS OF VICTORIA DAY CONTESTS AT KASLO

(Special to The Daily News.)

KASLO, B.C., May 24.—In the double header ball game played in Kaslo Victoria day, Nelson defeated Silverton by a score of 18-1 and then were beaten by Kaslo in a more evenly matched game, the score being 6-5. Following are the players of the different teams:

Nelson—Whitehead, Lucia, Brennan, Brasch, Cook, Gibbs, Nagle, Corey and Schermerhorn.

Kaslo—McKay, White, Smith, Giegerich, Cockle, Hendricks, Skillicorn, Abey and Parent.

Silverton—McIntyre, O'Neill, Kellogg, H. O'Neill, Ellis, Giegerich, Elmlud, Stuart, Rodgers.

The following is a summary of results of races and events in children's sports:

Girls, 14 and under, 50 yards—1, Kathleen Strathearn; 2, Frances Caldwell.

Boys, 11 and under, 50 yards—1, John Nicholby; 2, Ronald Erickson.

Girls' egg and spoon race, 11 and under—1, Gertrude Northquist; 2, Frances Caldwell.

Girls, 10 and under, 50 yards—1, Kathleen Gilles; 2, Delia Perkins.

Boys, 9 and under, 50 yards—1, Willie Defty; 2, J. McDougald.

Girls, egg and spon race, 9 and under—1, Kathleen Streit; 2, Ella Ferrel.

Boys, 7 and under, 35 yards—1, Charlie Lind; 2, Tom Allen; 3, Eric Patterson.

Girls, 7 and under, 25 yards—1, Esther Defty; 2, Katherine Butler; 3, Edith Alm.

Boys, 5 and under, 20 yards—1, Gilbert Erickson; 2, Ole Augustin.

Girls 5 and under, 20 yards—1, L. Roberts; 2, Phyllis McQueen; 3, Vera Coombs.

Sack race, 14 and under—1, Joe Taylorson; 2, Ronald Erickson.

Blindfold team race, high school girls—Winning team, Frances Caldwell, Agnes McAnedrews and Lavina Ferrell.

100 yard dash, free for all—1, Charlie Anderson; 2, Hubert Perkins.

440 yard race—1, Robert Mooney; 2. John Nicholby.

880 yard race, free for all—1, ubert Perkins; 2, Allan Kurtz.

Broad jump, 16 and under—1, Willie McKay; 2, Harry Abey.

Throwing ball, boys—Joe Parent.

Throwing ball, girls—Verna Garland.

Tug of war, 6 each team—Winners: J. Giegerich, captain, W. Simmons, G. Benzie, R. Hunter, A. Mervyn, A. Erickson.

DEATHS AT ROSSLAND.

(Special to The Daily News.)

ROSSLAND, May 25.—R. E. A. Young, a well known old timer, died suddenly at the Sisters' hospital Tuesday afternoon from heart trouble. He had been away from Rossland for some years, returning last December to take a position as accountant with the Le Roi No. 2. Mr. Young was a widower and was to have been married in April, but the ceremony was postponed owing to his health. The funeral took place this afternoon. The pallbearers were: E. Levy, D. J. Browne, Bruce R. Warden, H. S. Langford, W. H. Falding and T. S. Gilmour.

Mrs. J. C. Young of Paterson died yesterday at the Sisters' hospital. She had suffered from a lingering illness and was brought to the hospital the day before. The funeral will take place Friday morning at 11 o'clock and will be conducted by the Bible Truth society.

L. B. Lytle and D. McDonald arrived Tuesday night from Trail to spend the holiday with friends.

Fred Ritchie is in the city from Victoria.

J. A. Thompson, S. C. Swanson, G. Meary, J. Whalen of State college, Pullman, Wash., are visitors in the city.

E. C. Binkley of Vancouver is in the city.

Mrs. H. T. Steeper, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Salisbury, the Misses Gladys and Edna Salisbury and Miss Gladys Pascoe of Nelson motored into the city from Salmo. They expect to remain here a couple of days before returning to their home.

A number of angling parties spent Victoria day at Violin lake and Sheep creek, but none of them reported good catches.

Arthur Dempster and Reginald Dempster came in Wednesday from Kaslo and are spending a few days at their home here.

In honor of the birthdays of the Misses Elizabeth Jordon and Marguerite Michaely, Mrs. Jordon and Mrs. Michaely entertained at a children's party Wednesday afternoon. The little folks were entertained at the matinee after which a jolly hour was spent at the home of Mrs. Michaely. Dainty refreshments were served from a table having as its centre piece a birthday cake with ten lighted candles on it. Those present were Louise Green, Edith Towsend, May Prest, Cecilia Prest, Ella Servold, Cora Harding, Cordelia Treverrow, Ether Peters, Hilda Barnes, Edwina Hartrup, Molly Johnstone, Maud Sisley, Mary Armstrong, Elizabeth Armstrong, Jimmie Jodon and Billie Douglass.

F. E. Bown is in the city from Nelson.

W. H. Denny of Calgary is in the city.

Fire Chief Frank Raymer has returned from a month's vacation spent at coast cities.

H. C. A. Cornish has returned from a business trip to Fife.

Miss Harris of Seattle is in the city.

Mrs. J. Kennedy of Trail was in town Thursday.

Mrs. H. H. Johnston entertained a number of friends at her home Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Goodeve left Thursday to make their home in Portland, Ore.

Dr. J. W. Coffin has purchased the W. H. Goodeve residence and is moving in today.

The Northport baseball team defeated the Rossland team Victoria day by a score of 3 to 2.

BIG DEAL CLOSED BY ARROWHEAD COMPANY

Forest Mills Concern Takes Over Entire Holdings of Arrow Lakes Sawmills Company

(Special to The Daily News.)

REVELSTOKE, B. C., May 25.—W. E. Anstie, managing director of the Forest Mills company of British Columbia, returned today from Minneapolis, where he has just completed one of the most important timber deals reported in the province for years, having acquired from the Arrow Lakes Sawmill company their entire holdings of over 1,000,000 feet of standing timber and their big sawmill and plant at Arrowhead, B. C. The price was over $1,000,000.

With the acquisition of this property the Forest Mills company becomes the largest owners of timber and have the largest manufacturing capacity in the province. It is their intention to immediately commence operations at Arrowhead, where they have 19,000,000 feet of logs on hand.

About 500 men will be employed between the mill and in logging operations.

SIGNALLERS GO INTO CAMP.

OTTAWA, March 25.—The signallers of the Canadian divisional engineers numbering 400 men will go into camp at Rockcliffe for training. There is a possibility that the whole unit will go into camp there also. About 300 men from the west are expected to arrive at the training depot this week.

THREATENING LETTERS RECEIVED BY PREMIER

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

OTTAWA, May 25.—As an aftermath of the discussion in parliament on the question of bilingual schools a number of anonymous letters have been received by the premier. They are threatening in tone. Some of the same say that if the privy council goes against bilingualism the Conservative party can look for the worst in Quebec.

No attention is being paid to the letters.

Even if there were any disposition to interfere, the time when it would be possible to do so by way of disallowance expired on April 28.

According to the latest advices the case will be argued in London in July, but as it is wholly provincial in its scope the Dominion will not be represented.

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Queen Quality Taffeta, in Navy, Black, Brown and Copenhagen, made with pleated flounce. Values up to $6.50. Friday Bargain $2.95

WOMEN'S HOUSE DRESSES, $1.25

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SPECIALTIES SCORE GAINS ; RAILS LOWER

Munitions, Shipping Shares and Miscellaneous Issues Make Advances Few of Which Are Retained.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, May 25.—Transfer of speculative interest from investment to specialties assumed well defined proportions today, leading rails extending their declines, while munitions, shipping shares and miscellaneous issues more variable gains, only a few of which were retained at the irregular close. Trading was moderately active, but lacked the feverish movements of the early trading.

Reading continued to be the target of the short interest, declining to 102¾ at the opening, rallying to 105½, falling back to 101⅞ and closing at 102⅛, an overnight loss of 1⅜ points. It was again the largest contribution to the day's operations with an overturn of 116,000 shares. Other rails were relatively dull or heavy, closing with a fair average of quotations under final prices of the previous day.

Bethlehem Steel led the "war 'abies" in extent of gain, showing more than its usual activity on its advance of 17½ points to 459½.

United States Steel gave promise at midday of resuming its former leadership rising 1½ points to 86, on numerous individual transactions ranging from 1000 to more than 5000 shares.

Crucible Steel and Lackawanna Steel were materially higher at their best, together with some of the minor industrials and Locomotive supplemented yesterday's best price before the reaction of the last hour. Automodile and Can issues were outstanding features during the *mid-session*, General Motors gaining 5 points with 2¾ for Chandler Motors which made a new maximum at 105¾, while Continental Can rose briskly to 104½ on its gain of 6¼ points.

Mercantile Marines regained some of their recent prominence, the preferred rising 3 points and United Fruit kept pace with the rise in these issues. United Industrial Alcohol featured its particular class with a *temporary gain* of 3½ points and such stocks as Sears-Roebuck and Woolworth had their momentary periods of strength and activity. Total sales of stocks 7100,000 shares.

April statements of transcontinental and greater granger roads were again highly favorable, Union Pacific reporting a net increase of $1,448,000 with $645,000 for Atchison.

United States Panama bonds were ½ per cent lower on call.

IRON IS FEATURE OF ACTIVE MARKET AT MONTREAL

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

MONTREAL, May 25.—There was a well diversified demand for securities in the local market today and while prices moved irregularly under a continuance of profit taking in stocks which have good advances to their credit offerings were readily taken. The general tons as a result of this absorption was decidedly good and sentiment was further affected by pronounced strength in a stock of marked importance like Iron. Iron led the list during the entire day, both in the volume of business transacted and in strength. Reassurances conveyed in the president's more recent review of the company's affairs was followed by a rally from a weak depression, the opening and low price of the day being 55¼ against 59¾ at Tuesday's close. Under a steady demand the price rose to 57 in the late dealings, thus equalling the highest level in about three years. Some large transactions were reported in the final trading, one block of 1000 shares being marked at the high quotation. Total transactions in the stock amounted to 6500 shares.

The largest price movement and the heaviest trading in the balance of the list was in Ames-Holden common, which rose 3½ to a new high of 32 and closed strong at 31 bid. Transactions amounted to 2300 shares. The preferred was in fair demand and improved fractionally and closed at 77.

Changes in the rest of the list were comparatively small. Laurentide showed some strength, rising 1¾ to 189 under a light demand. Detroit improved 1 to 113½; Quebec Railway 1½ to 9 and Shanwinigan selling rights recovered most of the value of the rights. Smelters, Cottons and Spanish River also showed net gains.

Brazilian, the power stocks, Cement, Locomotive Bridge and Scotia were mildly reactionary with net losses at the close ranging from small fractions to about 1 point.

Total business 19,631 shares and $39,-900 bonds.

TREND OF PRICES AT TORONTO STEADY TO FIRM

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

TORONTO, May 25.—Dominion Steel shares were the most active and the strongest issue on the local market today, being in steady demand from 55 to 57, a net gain of 2 points for the day. It closed strong within ⅜ of the high at 56⅝. The general trend of prices was steady to firm with a few exceptions. Barcelona was a weak stock declining to 12, and Pacific Burt fell 2 points to 23 Cement, Maple Leaf and other popular issues were, however, steady to firm.

Dominion Foundry was strong, the common advancing from 107 on the opening to 110, while the preferred rose from 85 to 91. The mining shares were again active in the unlisted department

BUTTER IS FIRM.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

MONTREAL, May 5.—Butter is firm and quiet. Cheese is easier but the trade in eggs is active at firm prices.

Cheese: Finest westerns, 19½ at ¾; finest easterns, 18½ at ¾.

Butter: Choicest creamery, 30½ at 31; seconds, 9½ at 30.

Eggs: Fresh, 5; selected, 7; No. 1 stock, 4.

Pork: Heavy Canada short mess, 33 at 34; short cut back, 31 at 32.

WHEAT PRICES SHOW TENDENCY TO CLIMB

Deterioration of Crops in Oklahoma and Kansas Bring About Advances —Close is Unsettled.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

CHICAGO, Ill., May 25.—Drought and excessively hot weather causing rapid deterioration of crops in Oklahoma and parts of Kansas brought about advances today in the wheat market here. Closing prices, although unsettled were ½ to ¾ net higher with July at $1.10½ and September at $1.11¼. Oats finished ½ down to a shade advance and provisions off 5 to 12½.

As a result of prevailing adverse conditions, estimates on the Oklahoma wheat crop were reduced by some authorities today to as low as 15,000,000 against recent forecasts of 25,000,000 bushels as against last year's harvest of 36,500,000 bushels. Figures on the Kansas yield were also much diminished according to current opinions, one widely accepted total being 75,000,-000 bushels, whereas the latest state report suggested 108,000,000 bushels. Under such circumstances offers to sell wheat were decidedly scarce the greater part of the day, but on the other hand the attempts to buy showed material broadening out.

Two interruptions to the course of the wheat market took place—one just after the opening and the other shortly before the close. Predictions of cooler temperatures and possible showers especially in Oklahoma caused the early setback. Downturns at the end of the session resulted chiefly from weakness of the corn market. A sustaining influence, however, was liberal foreign buying which included *1,250,000* bushels for Greece.

Oats held firm owing to the crop damage reports from Oklahoma and Kansas. Bearish advices from other states failed in the main to act as an offset.

Provisions weakened with hogs and corn. Packers appeared to be temporarily on the selling side.

INCREASES SHOWN IN BANK STATEMENT

Circulation, Deposits and Loans Improve is Report of Finance Department.

(Dy Daily News Leased Wire.)

OTTAWA, May 25.—Increases in circulation, deposits and loans both in Canada and elsewhere, compared with the preceding month are features of the April Canadian bank statement issued from the finance department today. The comparative figures are as follows:

April.	
Reserve fund $	113,112,933
Note circulation	119,333,330
Demand deposits	402,060,955
Notice deposits	748,359,957
Deposits outside Canada.	192,041,519
Current coin	66,336,559
Dominion notes	147,479,821
Deposits central gold res.	14,410,000
Call loans outside	147,146,443
Current loans in Canada.	777,764,682
Current loans outside	57,008,965
Total liabilities	1,593,923,584
Total assets	1,825,381,642

March.	
Reserve fund $	113,022,933
Note circulation	119,804,604
Demand deposits	389,¼165,388
Notice deposits	738,169,212
Deposits outside Canada.	120,678,959
Current coin	66,372,906
Dominion notes	151,203,493
Deposits central gold res.	12,010,000
Call loans outside	141,889,989
Current loans in Canada.	770,139,526
Current loans outside	52,705,827
Total liabilities	1,462,825,516
Total assets	1,705,836,892

CHICAGO STOCKYARDS.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

CHICAGO, Ill., May 25.—Hogs: Receipts, 16,000; weak, mostly 5c lower. Bulk, 9.75 at 9.90; light, 9.30 at 9.85; mixed, 9.55 at 10; heavy, 9.40 at 10; rough, 9.20 at 9.60; pigs, 7.40 at 9.30.

Cattle: Receipts, 4000; strong; native beef cattle, 8.40 at 10.75; western steers, 8.75 at 9.60; stockers and feeders 6.25 at 9.10; cows and heifers, 4.75 at 9.05; calves, 8.50 at 11.75.

Sheep: Receipts, 9000; steady; wethers, *7.40 at 9.40; ewes, 5.50 at 9.25;* lambs, 9.50 at 12.55.

LEAD, COPPER SILVER.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, May 25.—Lead: At St. Louis, 7.15; at New York, 7.25; at Montreal, 9.01; at London, £31 7s 6d.

Silver: At New York, 71½; at London, 343-16.

Copper firm; electrolytic, nearby, nominal; August and later, 28.50 at 30. At London: Spot copper, £129; futures, £128; electrolytic, £1'

STERLING EXCHANGE.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, May 25.—Sterling exchange, 4.75.69 for demand.

WINNIPEG GRAIN CLOSE.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

WINNIPEG, May 25.—Wheat: May, $1.15½; July, $1.13¾; Oct., $1.10⅛.

Oats: May, 48⅛; July, 45⅞; Oct., 40.

Flax: May, $1.36⅝; July, $1.46⅝; Oct., $1.59¾.

SPOKANE MINING EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

(Reported by St. Denis &Lawrence.)

	Bid	Asked
Caledonia $	.74½	$ .78
Lucky Jim	.08	.08½
Rambler	.32	.35
Slocan Star	.25½	.27
Standard	1.55	1.62
Success	.78	.79½

APPROPRIATION WILL BE GREAT AID TO MINING INDUSTRY OF PROVINCE

HON. LORNE A. CAMPBELL IN ADDRESS ON SECOND READING OF BILL TO DEVOTE $200,000 TOWARD CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS AND TRAILS TRACES HISTORY OF WORK OF PROSPECTORS AND TELLS OF IMPORTANCE OF THEIR EFFORTS.

(By Staff Correspondent.)

PRESS GALLERY, VICTORIA, B.C., May 25.—The importance of the mining industry and the possibilities of its development were emphasized by Hon. Lorne A. Campbell, minister of mines in a speech on the second reading of the government bill to devote $200,-000 toward the construction of roads, trails and bridges to mining properties.

The Speech.

"The object of this act is to aid in the development of mines," said Mr. Campbell. "It is a well known fact that in the early days of the province mining was the chief industry and was brought about by the early prospectors from the south of the line, who came to British Columbia and opened up the country by means of trails and roads at their own expense or by parties who were interested in prospecting. We find that when the country reached a certain stage of development these prospectors were assisted by the government up to a certain percentage of the cost of said trails. Later, when ore was found in paying quantities, many of these trails were widened out and turned into wagon roads and later were followed by railroads. This applies more particularly to the interior of the province. The development brought about by the early prospector was the means of establishing an industry that has increased from year to year till today we find that the start of many other industries which have been established can be attributed to mining.

Works Department to Do Work.

"At present all roads, trails and bridges are under the department of public works and it is not contemplated in this bill that the mines department should in any way encroach upon the province of the works department but that provision be made to supply the works department with extra funds to enable it to supply the special aid as outlined to mineral districts which in the opinion of the minister of mines are in need of such aid. The experience of the works department has shown that many claims have been made on the different district votes, more particularly for the building of trunk roads and opening up means of transportation for the settlers.

"In many instances the trails and roads to mineral districts receive only a very small proportion of the district grant and it is the intention of the mines department to arrange that whatever portion of the general grant is available for roadwork in mineral districts, the work of constructing trails or roads will be carried on as in the past and that in the event of a shortage of funds a certain percentage of the funds available as per this bill may be used to carry to completion the work of constructing such trails and roads; but no expenditure will be made until such time as the minister of mines is satisfied that the expenditure is warranted.

"The latter part of section 3 gives power to grant partial aid to parties who have found it necessary to construct their own roads, but no such aid will be given until such time as the work is completed and is inspected by an engineer, and if the work is up to the standard as established by the government, and is approved, a refund, not to exceed 50 per cent of the total cost will be made on account of the expense of such work; and any such road built by private parties is as much open to the public as to the builders, because experience has shown that when roads so constructed become public property and open to the use of the public, other property is opened up and operated, followed in the immediate vicinity by others still, as a few claims do not cover a mineral belt.

Extra Field Work Provided For.

"The reference I have made to Bill 77 leads me to make further reference to Vote No. 25, contained in the estimates this season, which at the time I probably did not make as clear as I would like to have done. I refer more particularly to the last item of this vote, in which the sum of $24,000 is provided for the department of mines for expenses of temporary parties in the field, including salaries and traveling expenses. The amount voted for this purpose in 1915 was $6,-000, and the increase this year had in contemplation an extra amount of field work to provide the data which will be required by the minister of mines in considering applications under Bill No. 77. I believe that many applications will be made for special aid under this bill, and in order that the department may be in a position to determine which applications are worthy of consideration, it is our intention to have at least one qualified mining engineer occupied in making examinations.

To Inquire Into Industry.

"Of late considerable interest has been taken in the iron deposits of the coast with a view of establishing an iron and steel industry. In view of this we have undertaken a special investigation and will report on the subject, and I have already started one engineer in the investigation of the iron ore properties on Vancouver island, and I intend, just as soon as arrangements can be made, to have the iron properties tributary to the coast investigated, and possibly those in the interior as well.

"I have arranged for a party under a competent engineer to make a thorough investigation of the district in the vicinity of Alice Arm and north of Stewart, this on account of the attention that is being attracted by the success being attained by the Granby company at Anyox and other prospects which are showing signs that further development work will lead to the opening up of shipping properties. It is also planned to put several additional parties in the field to examine the mineral locations along the mainland coast and islands adjacent, and the work carried on by these parties will eventually be conencted up with the Alice Arm district.

"It is also my intention to have a party start in at Hazelton, and follow that section of the country lying in a southeasterly direction, continuing to the line of the Pacific Great Eastern railway. This district gives signs of much promise in indications of mineralization. Still another party is contemplated to examine mineral discoveries northward from Vancouver and along the general route of the Pacific Great Eastern railway.

"Other parties will carry out their work in the interior."

WAR HAS SENT PRICES OF MINERALS SOARING

(By Prof. Arthur Lakes.)

A large number of what have been called "rare," or comparatively rare, minerals have been brought into active use by the war, such as molybdenum, tungsten, vanadium, nickel, antimony, arsenic, magnesite and others and high prices are offered for them. The United States geological survey has given an outline of the uses of some of the rare metals, which is quoted in the Mining American of Denver, Colorado, and will be of general interest to mining men and prospectors in British Columbia.

Uses of Rare Minerals

Uses of rare metals have been outlined as follows by the United States geological survey:

Antimony—Used in Babbitt and other bearing metals; type metals; "white metal" alloys used as a foundation for silver plate, coffin trimmings, toys, clock frames, etc.; shrapnel and other bullets and shot. Various salts are used in manufactured rubber, enamels for household utensils and wares, in glass making and in dyeing. Used sparingly in pyrotechnics and medicine.

Arsenic—In the elemental form arsenic is used to harden shot and make them take a rounder form. As arsenious oxide, the "white arsenic" or "arsenic" of commerce, it is used extensively in glass; as an insecticide and weed killer. Many other arsenic compounds are also used as insecticides, and others are used to a small extent in dyeing. Small quantities are used in tanning and medicine.

Bismuth—The metal is used as a component of cliche or low melting-point metals and in solders. The various salts, such as the subnitrate, subgallate, salcylate and others, are used in medicine.

Cobalt—Used in coloring glass and ceremic wares blue; in "high-speed" tool steels; in stellite (an alloy of cobalt, chromium and other metals, depending upon the use to which it is to be put); and in insect poisons.

Selenium—Used in making red glass, electrical resistances and cells for measuring light.

Tellurium—Very little use is known for tellurium. A little has been used in coloring glas sand a patent has been taken out for its use in aluminum alloys.

Molybdenum—Used in ribbon or wire in electrical resistance furnaces; as supports for tungsten filaments in incandescent electric lamps; in "high speed" tool steels, and, as ammonium molybdate in the determination of phosphorus, and in other chemical work. *It is also used in some forms* of stellite, and in the Roentgen ray tubes.

Nickel—The great use of nickel is in making nickel steel. A nickel-copper alloy is used as a jacket for bullets; great quantities of nickel are used in plating various metallic objects; and smaller quantities are used in making coins. The American coin known as a "nickel" contains only 25 per cent of nickel; the rest is copper. Various nickel alloys are proposed as substitutes for steel. Monel metal, an alloy of nickel and copper, containing also a small quantity of iron, is made by smelting the Sudbury (Canada) ores, without separation of the metallic contents. Monel metal is used for valves on high-pressure steam engines; as a roofing material; in sulphuric acid pumps; and in other places where a metal highly resistant to ordinary chemical is needed.

Tantalum—Tantalum now is little used. For a time it was used in making filaments for incandescent electric lamps. It has also been used in surgical and dental instruments and for pens.

Tin—Tin is used largely as a coating for sheet iron or sheet steel, to make tin plate, ordinarily known as "tin," and of which it forms only 1 to 3 per cent; used extensively in alloys for bearing metals, "white metals," etc.; also in making pipes for organs and in many places where a non-oxidizing metal is required.

Titanium—Used in cast iron, steel and bronzes, largely as a purifier. Titanium potassium oxalate is used as a mordant in dyeing leather and some textiles. Other titanium compounds find a small use. As carbide, ilmenite and oxide it is used in arc lamps.

Tungsten—The great use of tungsten is as a component of the highly complex alloy steels known as "high speed" steel. In these 14 to 20 per cent of tungsten is used. It is also used in some forms of stellite (see Cobalt). Smaller quantities are used in incandescent light filaments, in electric contacts, Roentgen ray tubes, phonogrpah needles, and as an alloy with iron in castings for automobile engine valves.

Uranium—Many experiments have been made with the object of using uranium as an alloy in steel, but they do not seem to have been very successful. Uranium alloys with copper and other metals have been placed on the market to be used in brass and other alloy work, principally as deoxidizers. Uranium salts are used in glass and pottery coloring.

Vanadium—The great use of vanadium is as a component of the "high speed" and other steels. Vanadium is also used *as a deoxidizer in steel*, bronzes, brasses and bearing metals. Small quantities of vanadium salts are used in various chemical industries.

Radium—Radium is almost wholly used as a curative agent in various diseases, such as cancer, lupus, eczema, arthritis, etc. A little radium is used in making luminous clock and watch faces, house numbers, etc.

TO ADJUST TROUBLES OF LUCKY JIM MINE

Full Statement of Affairs of Property in Report of Andrew Larson to Court.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 25.—The financial difficulties of the Lucky Jim Zinc Mines company, which owns and is operating the Lucky Jim mine at Zincton, B.C., seem in a fair way of adjustment, according to the first annual report of Andrew G. Larson of Spokane, who several months ago was appointed trustee for the corporation by Judge Gregory of the supreme court of British Columbia.

Mr. Larson states that, despite serious difficulties in carrying on productive operations at the mine, due to lack of mill and railroad facilities much of the time, he has paid into court $15,-000 on account of the mortgage on the property and expects to be able to make a further payment of $5000 before the end of the present month. If the mill at Rosebery which is handling the Lucky Jim ore were equipped with machinery for the treatment of middlings these sums, he says, could have been increased by $10,000.

An important matter he has been able to adjust, thereby effecting a saving to the company of practically $30,-000, was the claim of the Canadian Pacific railroad to the right to charge $2 a ton on Lucky Jim ore until $35,000 in all had been paid as refund on the cost of a spur used by the company as a part of its main line to Kaslo. Better smelter contracts also were obtained by him, which on the April shipments alone increased earnings $900. In the settlement of the difficulty with the railroad a refund of $2940 was secured.

As regards the future he says that weather conditions now being settled he anticipates better returns throughout the summer. In the event of the mill at Rosebery being provided with additional concentrating facilities, enabling the retreatment of the 1000 tons of middlings now on hand and permitting a closer saving in the future, the net earnings should run between $10,-000 and $15,000 a month. Failing to get adequate mill facilities at Rosebery he expects to obtain them soon either at Kaslo or the new Ivanhoe mill.

April shipments were as follows: Crude ore direct to smelter, 40 tons; concentrating ore to mill, 1290 tons; concentrates from mill to smelter, 350 tons. The crude shipping ore averaged 42.2 per cent zinc and the estimated profit on the carload is $1172. The concentrates ranged by carloads from 37.8 to 41.5 per cent zinc, the estimated net value being around $26 a ton and their total net value, $8519.

SMELTER RECEIPTS TOTAL 186,625 TONS

Ore Shipments to Trail Since Jan. 1 Approach the 200,000 Ton Mark —List of Shippers

Ore shipments totaling 10,185 tons were received at the Consolidated Mining company's smelter at Trail during the past quarter month. These *together with previous receipts since* Jan. 1, bring the total for the year up to 186,625 tons. The list of mines shipping to the Trail plant during the past quarter month, showing the tonnage for that period and for the year, as well as the total receipts from other mines since Jan. 1, follows:

Rossland		
Centre Star	3,753	70,870
Le Roi	2,624	54,484
Le Roi No. 2	328	6,432
Total	6,705	131,786
East Kootenay		
Sullivan	1,756	28,702
Lanark	44	367
Emma	53	53
Emma	53	53
Other mines	....	479
Total	1,853	29,601
Nelson		
Granite Poorman	7	85
Other mines	....	989
Total	7	1,074
Slocan and Ainsworth		
Comfort	25	25
Standard	219	3,108
Galena Farm	77	477
Bluebell	183	2,756
Highland	163	401
Rambler Cariboo	6	668
Other mines	....	4,654
Total	673	12,089
Consolidated Receipts		
Centre Star	3,753	70,870
Le Roi	2,624	54,484
Le Roi No. 2	328	6,432
Sullivan	1,756	28,702
San Poil	278	2,625
Knob Hill	59	2,158
Emma	53	53
Rambler Cariboo	6	668
Granite Poorman	7	85
Edwards	13	13
Highland	163	401
Standard	219	3,108
Galena Farm	77	477
Bluebell	183	2,756
Comfort	25	25
United Copper	325	3,699
Iron Mask	272	1,992
Lanark	44	367
Other mines	....	7,710
Total	10,185	186,625

YACHT SOLD TO RUSSIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The steam yacht Josephine which was owned by P. A. B. Widener has been sold to the Russian government for use in the war. This vessel which cost $500,000, has been laid up at a wharf in the Delaware river ever since the Titanic disaster.

CHAMPAGNE COUNTRY RAILWAY NETWORK

(From H. Warner Allen, the representative of the British press with the *French army.)*

The most remarkable achievement of the French military engineers is undoubtedly the network of railway lines that now covers the barren countryside in Champagne. First of all, one may take the lines of normal gauge. The French had at their disposal in this district the line which runs through Somme-Suippe, Somme-Tourbe, and Somme Bionne, known as *"the lines of the Sommes."* Before the battle of Champagne last September it was possible that this line might be cut by the enemy's long range fire; consequently it was doubled by another ordinary gauge line well out of the enemy's reach. As a matter of fact, during the offensive the line of the Sommes was able to work uninterruptedly, as the Germans were far too busy checking the French advance to *spare either time or ammunition for* the railway line in the rear.

These two lines form, as it were, a double backbone to the French organization. They are linked up to one another and to the front trenches by a complete network of light railways on the Decouville system, with a two-foot gauge. All about over the bare Champagne slopes funny little two-funnelled engines, puffing and blowing *with two or three trucks behind* them, are to be seen. Sometimes, for an important line of communication, the track has been carefully levelled, so that there are no steep gradients and the toy engines can pull some eight or nine tone of material. These light railways are so arranged that, if the ordinary line of the Sommes were cut, their communications with the doubling line behind would be uninterrupted, and material could still be brought up to the trenches in a continuous stream.

Are Close to Front

The most surprising feature of these light railways is the audacity with which they have been pushed forward into cloe proximity with the front trenches, only a hundred yards or so from the enemy. It is not good for the trains to go up too near the front during the day time, as, unfortunately the white smoke of the engines provides the German gunners with a too easy target. At night their task is easier, but even then it is only in certain places where it is safe for them to remain stationary. However, the engine drivers regard German shells with the greatest equanimity. If a rail or two is torn up it can be replaced in the twinkling of an eye and any considerable interruption of traffic can only be accomplished by a very heavy sustained bombardment.

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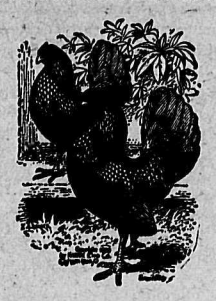

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SWISS GIVING AID TO NEEDY SERBS

BERNE, Switzerland.—Some f191,400 have so far been subscribed to the Swiss relief fund for the population of Serbia, while 12,000 kilograms of goods in kind have also been forthcoming from the same source. The latter have consisted of farinaceous foods, condensed milk, chocolate, maize and other provisions, some of which have been purchased in Switzerland and others in Rumania. Herr Vogeli, the delegate of the relief committee, has now gone to Belgrade to organize the distribution of the supplies and five large trucks of goods have been despatched to the Serbian capital under the care of two representatives of the Swiss military department while 10 trucks of maize have been ordered to proceed from Rumania.

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WRITER HAS GLIMPSE OF ENGLISH LINES

Draws Picture of Scenes of Recent Sensational Operations on the Vimy Ridge.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, May 25, via London.—The success of two Lancashire battalions in gaining a footing on Vimy ridge on May 15 following the explosion of mines resulted in a formidable operation by the Germans. The British success was a matter of local initiative which turned out perfectly. After six days of concentration and other preparation the Germans followed a prolonged bombardment with a heavy attack, forcing the retirement of the British to their second line trenches along 1500 yards of front.

From a point on the front nearby the correspondent was able today to see the crest of the now uneven line, outlined against the horizon, with the mine-torn earth still being kneaded by shells, which was the scene of these sensational operations. This line commands the plains of Lens and was the object of a vigorous allied drive during the battle of Loos. Visible also were the warrens of the famous labyrinth and the ruins of Neuville-St. Vaast, which the French won in their offensive last spring, while like dusty ribbons across the land lay the present line of trenches in this region, which shares with Verdun and the Ypres salient the fame of the most terrific battles on the western front.

With the guns steadily pounding as the fighting continues, one can see an occasional man coming out of the dug-outs during the lull, but otherwise the scene was lifeless to the eye.

FLYING SCHOOL IN TORONTO IS PROJECT

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

TORONTO, May 25.—Important developments in aviation in Toronto are expected very soon as the result of negotiations that have been in progress between the Canadian and British governments. The subject of these negotiations is the desirability of establishing a government flying school in Canada for the training of men for the British naval and military air service.

Canada has already sent 225 aviators overseas, but their training has been necessarily incomplete to fit them for immediate active service.

The Curtiss aviation school at Long Branch has only been able to train its students in short flights on a prepared landing place in the aerodrome. It is reported, however that the British government is disposed to approve of the taking over of the Curtiss school.

SCHOOL GRAFT FUND IS DISCLOSED IN MONTREAL

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

MONTREAL, May 25.—A commission has been appointed by local authorities, at the suggestion of the provincial government, to enquire into charges of alleged graft in school funds in connection with recent annexation to the Catholic school board of Montreal of school boards in the suburbs or outlying municipalities. Mr. Justice Lafontaine of the superior court; J. McLaughlin of the Dominion Bridge company and Rev. Father Sorbeit, the parish priest of St. Joseph's church, Montreal, are the commissioners.

The situation in various boards annexed, as revealed by cursory examinations conducted thus far according to Mr. McLaughlin, is appaling. Thus, in one instance, it is said, a former board cannot give a satisfactory account of a sum of $600,000 raised shortly prior to annexation, when asked that was done with the money the only reply was that it was spent on schools. The same board raised $125,000 from a local bank. This was also "spent on the schools."

In another instance it was found that a former board was $11,000 in arrears as regard proof of payment of teachers' salaries.

DOCTOR TRIED TO MURDER WOMA NWITH DISEASE GERMS

NEW YORK, May 25.—Dr. Arthur Warren Waite calmly recounted on the witness stand tonight, in an effort to save himself from conviction for murder by showing that he was of unsound mind, how he attempted to cause the death of Miss Katherine Peck, the wealthy aunt of his wife and his own benefactor, by feeding her disease germs. He told also of trying to kill his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Peck in the same way before resorting to poison as a more effective plan. He testified in addition, regarding his relations with Mrs. Margaret Horton, his "studio" companion.

Early in his examination tonight Waite admitted that he had had degenerate traits since he was a boy.

The trial was adjourned at 10 o'clock until tomorrow morning.

CASGRAIN GOES TO ENGLAND

OTTAWA, May 25.—Hon. T. Chase Casgrain, postmaster general, left today for England on a holiday trip, accompanied by Mrs. Casgrain. He will be absent from Ottawa for about two months.

WITNESS SAYS NO ONE TOLD HIM HOW TO VOTE

(By Staff Correspondent.)

PRESS GALLERY, Victoria, May 25.—Harold Wolverton, a former soldier, told the Victoria byelection committee tonight that he had gone to the room where Slavin and McBride were giving away drinks on election day. No suggestion was made as to how he should vote. He voted for H. C. Brewster.

Slavin knew he was a Liberal, he said. His impression was that the soldiers, knowing the bars would be closed, had prepared against a dry day by bringing some liquor.

MAJOR BELL GETS APPOINTMENT

OTTAWA, May 25.—Major F. C. McKelvie Bell of Ottawa, who recently returned from the front, has been appointed assistant director general of medical service in Canada. His appointment will carry with it the rank of lieutenant-colonel and he probably will remain in Ottawa. It was his intention of returning to the front in June.

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TELLS OF CANADIAN EXPLOITS IN FRANCE

Forces Fighting in Flanders Have Particular Bent for Daring Individual Sorties.

LONDON.—Details of the exploits of the Canadians in Flanders have been compiled by the Canadian war record office, from which it appears that the members of this force have a peculiar bent for daring, individual sorties. The 22nd battalion, forming a part of the 2nd division, says the writer of these records, showed a growing proficiency in the work of patrol warfare and in those small expeditions against the enemy's outposts which enliven the dull round of trench duty. On Jan. 2, 1916, Capt. George Vanier, a young Montreal advocate, volunteered to lead a small detachment against a German timbered outwork which was evidently designed to hold a machine gun or a trench mortar, in unpleasant proximity to our lines. They crawled out in the night, cut the German wire without discovery and blew the work up. Capt. Vanier was well seconded in the adventure by Corp Laurea Rancourt and Pte. Watt, both of whom had on several other occasions done splendid work in No Man's Land, and who displayed on the night of the 2nd-3rd great courage and coolness. More spectacular, perhaps was the deed of Pte. E. Leger on Jan. 20 in repairing a broken telephone line 50 yards in rear of the trench. The problem of keeping telephone communication intact is one of the most difficult and important in modern warfare; a severed wire means a unit unable to ask for or give help or an artillery observer unable to direct his battery.

If the line is run through the communication trench there is a constant risk of its being broken by passing troops; if laid in the open it will be cut by the enemy's shell fire and can only be repaired at great risk. Pte. Leger went out twice to the open ground behind the trench under constant fire from snipers and climbed a pole and repaired the wire. Many other deeds of courage by individuals can be recorded There is the gallant dash of Privates Leblois and Le Brun into No Man's Land to pick up one of their scouts.

One of the best officers in the 22nd battalion was Capt. E. M. Papineau, a direct descendant of the famous rebel of 1837 and cousin of Lieut. Papineau, M.C., of the Princess Patricias. He had a perfect genius for reconnaissance and whenever a hand was wanted for patroling he was there. His keen sight for the location or distant snipers became proverbial but at last one of these same snipers shot him. Nevertheless Papineau refused a retiring pension and went back again to the work. Not without a certain dash of humor are two other recorded incidents. One, Pte. Brunelle, a bluff, and cheery backwoodsman, disregarded the orders against a Christmas truce and carried out a daring reconnaissance, in the course of which he made friends with a party of the Germans, talking to them in French and as an exchange for maple sugar and Canadian postcards returned laden with German souvenirs. Brunelle's commanding officer was by no means pleased with his performance and he was told that as he appeared to have a talent for reconnoitering he had better apply it to business. He was then sent out against a very troublesome gang of snipers, located them and with expert assistance soon made their hiding places too hot to hold them.

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ESTIMATE TIMBER CUT IN CRANBROOK DISTRICT

VICTORIA, B. C.—According to a report submitted to the minister of lands on the Cranbrook forest district, it is estimated that the timber cut for 1916 will be in the neighborhood of from 150 to 160 million feet. In 1913, which is the year in which the largest cut was made, it amounted to only 148 million. Practically every mill is running or will be running by the summer. Optimism concerning the timber industry is general.

The late and wet spring has militated against successful slash disposal although further attempts will be made when the conditions are more favorable. In the open forest vegetation is well advanced, and no trouble with fires of any consequence is expected until July or August. On the bottom lands in sheltered localities there is still much snow, which along the headwaters of the stream also remains practically undimished owing to the low temperatures. Conditions point to a year of exceptionally high water in all the rivers, and lumbermen are taking precautions against the coming floods.

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17 REPORTED DEAD ON CASUALTY LIST

Official Report from Ottawa Names 59 Canadian Soldiers As Retired from Action

OTTAWA, May 25.—Fifty-nine names are included in the casualty list issued tonight, of which eight are listed as killed in action, six dead from wounds, three dead, three seriously ill and 39 wounded. The list follows:

INFANTRY.

Killed in Action.

James Crocker, A757, kin at Detroit, Mich.

A. F. Dark, 55597, kin at South Battleford, Sask.

Sergt. Robert Frampton, 57218, kin at Stellarton, N. B.

George Hewitt, 409727, kin at Bracebridge, Ont.

Frad Laing, 478051, kin at Halifax, N. S.

Robert Lavigne, A44506, kin at Bathurst Basin, N. B.

Died of Wounds.

John Bond, 408021, kin at Oshawa, Ont.

Arthur Coulombe, 61435, kin at Quebec.

R. B. Lusk, 439034, kin at Aylmer, Que.

W. H. Emsor, 63324, England.

Hero Villeneuve, 438751, kin at St. Jean, Que.

Died.

Sergt. T. H. May, 166024, kin at St. Thomas, Ont.

Previously Reported Wounded and Missing, Now Killed in Action.

Richard Webber, 73859, England.

Seriously Ill.

H. W. Dakin, 101210, kin at Strathmore, Alta.

Christopher Lalonde, 455880, kin at Lancaster, Ont.

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Thomas Burges, 416261, kin at Halifax, N. S.

Sergt. Charles Castle, 477162, kin at Halifax, N. S.

David Cleghorn, 22042, kin at Moose Jaw, Sask.

J. L. Davidson, 47389, kin at Sydney, N. S.

Edmond Desmaris, 611111, kin at Montreal.

Corp. Thomas Dougall, A20842, kin at Norwood, Mn.

J. B. Drane, 57393, kin at Murphy, Ont.

Corp. John Ford, A20392, kin at Winnipeg.

Lewis Fuerot, 463070, kin at New Orleans, La.

Arthur Guay, 412229, kin at Trenton, Ont.

Charles Harris, 800823, kin at Milton, Ont.

J. D. Johnston, 404866, kin at Hamnington, Ont.

R. D. McCall, 415103, kin at Woodville, N. S.

D. J. McIntosh, 622,035, kin at Dunvegan, Ont.

Archibald McKenzie, 57684, kin at Providence, R. I.

James McVeigh, 451897, kin at Canninngton, Ont.

Alfred Newman, 23036, kin at Quebec.

Frank Norris, 85993, kin at Halifax, N. S

J. B. Patvin, 439676, kin at Quebec.

J. P. Robertson, 405403, kin at Toronto.

Sergt. G. L. Smith, 13686, kin at Delburne, Alta.

Arthur Tromblay, 63861, kin at Lac St. Jean, Que.

Harold Tyler, 58049, kin at Toronto.

Corp. T. W. Walsh, A67805, kin at Halifax, N. S.

A. E. Walsh, 44568, kin at St. John, N. B.

Henry Walton, 430566, kin at 309 Mary street west, Victoria, B. C.

Leonard Wynn, A30360, kin at Wallace, N. S.

Corp. Norris Young, 13697, kin at Dunkirk, Sask.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Killed in Action.

Burchall Somerset, 107577, kin at Nahun, B. C.

Died of Wounds.

H. F. Arno, 109201, kin at Toronto.

Wounded.

A. E. Bartley, 133076, kin at Peterboro, Ont.

G. A. Bateson, 404318, kin at Toronto.

Corp. J. C. Dick, 108190, kin at Moorland, Alta.

Lance-Corp. Frank Duly, -09318, kin at Edmonton, Alta.

W. B. Grayson, 108350, kin at Medicine Hat, Alta.

Harlahd Martin, 113384, kin at Peterboro, Ont.

James Martin, 113385, kin at Hastings, Ont.

George Murray, ---343, kin at 101 Seventh avenue west, Vancouver.

ENGINEERS.

Died.

Sapper C. J. Gyatt, 502011, kin at Oshawa, Ont.

Wounded.

A. D. Sparham, 150219, kin at Winnipeg.

ARTILLERY.

Killed in Action.

H. D. Ivey, 253, kin at Cobourg, Ont.

Wounded.

Corp. N. B. Rimmer, 83430, kin at Toronto.

MEDICAL SERVICE.

Seriously Ill.

J. A McAlpine, 51186, kin at Dubuc,

Nelson News of the Day

EXPLANATION OF HOLIDAY REQUEST

Secretary of Retail Merchants' Association Gives History of Proposed Legal Holiday

A letter, explanatory of the request of the Retail Merchants' Association of British Columbia for a legal half-holiday at the coast, has been received from T. J. Coveley, secretary of the association, by J. A. Irving of Nelson.

The letter explains that a compulsory half-holiday has been asked for all the year round with exemption for drug stores, stores selling cut flowers, bakers and confectioners, cigar stores, restaurants and dairies and that the majority of the merchants and clerks at the coast favor Saturday afternoons. The letter follows:

"I notice by The Nelson Daily News that the merchants of your city are keen for compulsory legislation for the weekly half-holiday and that there appears to be some misunderstanding on the part of some of them as to what the legislation for which we are asking shall provide. As this association originated the demand for a bill for a compulsory weekly half-day closing of stores and as we are closely in touch with the whole situation perhaps a few words of explanation from me may throw some light on the matter.

"The desire for a weekly half-holiday bill started with the retail clerks' organization some three or four years ago and was strongly supported at that time by the present president of the Retail Merchants' association of British Columbia, F. W. Welsh. Several attempts were made by the clerks to have the desired bill brought in, but were unsuccessful.

"Some months ago a rumor was heard that they were to make another attempt. A number of the merchants in this city, suddenly realizing that a bill providing for a compulsory half-holiday for clerks without compelling the stores to close, would work a great hardship on the merchants. A demand was then made that the bill include compulsory closing of stores and a movement was started amongst the merchants to petition the government for such a bill.

Saturday Favored

"A number of very enthusiastic meetings were held in Vancouver and one in Victoria. The result of these meetings showed a clear indication in favor of a half-holiday on Saturday. A deputation of merchants and clerks from the coast cities went to Victoria and interviewed the cabinet, laying the case before them and arguments were heard for and against Saturday as the day. Last Monday another deputation went over, consisting of six merchants and six clerks from the four coast cities. Eight spoke in favor of Saturday and four against. I am mailing you a copy of the Vancouver World containing a part of my report of that meeting.

The Request

"What we are asking for briefly is as follows: A compulsory weekly half-holiday all the year round except in weeks when a statutory legal holiday occurs and in the two or three weeks before Christmas. The law to apply all over the province. The bill should provide for Saturday as the day in the case of Vancouver, New Westminster and Victoria, in which cities the majority of the merchants have requested it. That the government decide what day shall be fixed in the case of other cities and also how it shall be decided. We have conceded certain exemptions, cut flowers, bakers and confectioners, cigars and tobacco, drug stores for the sale of medicines, restaurants, fresh milk and a few other items. Premier Bowser intimated that the bill might be brought down last week but as it has not been it will probably be brought in this week. F. W. Welsh is in Victoria today and has promised to see the premier about it.

"One thing this half-holiday bill has done has been to bring the merchants closer together. Our membership has increased considerably during the past month as a direct result of it. I would suggest that it would perhaps be a good opportunity for bringing your merchants closer together in Nelson."

AT THE THEATRES

At the Gem last night the audience was greatly pleased by Henry B. Walthall's masterful handling of his difficult role in "The Misleading Lady." We have learned to expect great things of Mr. Walthall by his work in "The Birth of a Nation" and last night he fulfilled those expectation in every way. This delightful drama will be repeated today.

SCOTLAND YARD MEN WILL TAKE LINCOLN TO ENGLAND

NEW YORK, May 25.—Chief Inspector Ward and Inspector Brewer of Scotland Yard, London, accompanied by counsel of the British consul-general here, visited United States Marshal James Power in Brooklyn today and arranged for the extradition of I. T. T. Lincoln, the self-styled German spy.

LONG FAMILIAR WITH DISTRICT CONDITIONS

Candidate for Kaslo Riding Resident of Province 29 Years—Will Make Personal Canvass

Robert J. Long, who will succeed Neil F. Mackay, M. P. P., as candidate for the Kaslo riding, arrived in the city Thursday after accepting the nomination at the convention held in Kaslo Wednesday. He is staying at the Hume.

Mr. Long has been a resident of the province for the past 29 years, having come from Toronto in 1887. He settled in Creston 24 years ago and has made his home there ever since, operating what is regarded as one of the finest ranches in the locality.

The new candidate has always taken an active part in provincial politics, having been the first president of the Creston Conservative association, which position he still holds. During the 19 years he has spent in the province, Mr. Long has devoted much of his time and thought to the needs of the province and has made a practical study of the industries of the Kootenays, chief of which are ranching, mining and lumbering. As a practical man, Mr. Long is regarded as having established a reputation for sound business principals, exemplified in the successful operation of his own business.

Hitherto the new candidate has been content to work for the best interests of the province within the Conservative organization, and has not as yet held office in the legislature. It is felt that upon the retirement of Neil F. Mackay, M. P. P., the present member, no better choice than Mr. Long could have been made for his successor, testimony to this being given in the unanimous vote of the full attendance of 50 delegates at the convention, all of whom voiced their unqualified approval of Mr. Long's candidacy.

Well Known in Riding

Although the new candidate is chiefly concerned with the business of ranching, he has always shown the keenest interest in the mining and lumbering industries and has made many trips through the district and thoroughly investigated conditions.

He is well known throughout the riding, having visited Kaslo many times yearly and spent considerable time in the adjacent country. Mr. Long was a visitor to the first celebration of Victoria day in that city 24 years ago and since then has not missed the annual event. His long experience as head of the Conservative association at Creston, it is felt, has made him conversant with every angle of the political situation and has fully qualified him to represent the interests of his constituents at Victoria.

Mr. Long states that he is at present planning to make a thorough tour of the riding at once, when he will take the opportunity of talking personally with every person with whom it is possible to come in touch, with a view to ascertaining at first hand the particular needs of those living in the district. He declares that he is confident of the support of every progressive industrial worker in the riding and has voiced his intention of pushing a vigorous policy of development, if chosen to represent the constituency at the forthcoming election.

Social and Personal

N. Peters of Greenwood is registered at the Strathcona.

C. Tipping of Slocan is visiting the city and is a guest at the Hume.

Mrs. E. J. Patch left Friday over the Great Northern for a visit to Seattle and Butte.

F. W. Aylmer of Chase arrived in the city on Thursday and is a guest at the Hume.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Brown of Trail visited the city on Thursday on their return from a trip to Kaslo and will leave for Trail Friday morning.

C. M. Crabb of Winnipeg, chief inspector of news agents for the Canadian Pacific railway, passed through the city Thursday night on his way east.

F. J. Monks, manager of the news department of the Canadian Pacific railway for British Columbia, of Vancouver, arrived in the city Thursday evening and is a guest at the Hume.

TRAIL EAST WATER SUPPLY CONTRACT LET TO C. MAGLIO

Contracts for the excavation work and the covering of the pipe for the new water supply system in Trail East have been let by McQuarrie & Robertson to Charles Maglio of Nelson. It is announced that the work of putting in the water supply will begin at once and that large gangs of men will be employed in order to complete the work as quickly as possible.

St. Paul's choir will practise at 8 o'clock Friday evening.

BICYCLE CORPS FORMING AT WORK POINT BARRACKS

It is reported that a bicycle platoon is being formed at Victoria for overseas service. This branch of the service, it is said, has proved of the greatest value at the front, the members being used as dispatch riders, scouts and for other purposes in which it is necessary for men to cover long distances with speed. In many instances, it is declared the bicyclist has found his way through dangerous portions of the front line area, where it would have been impossible to have driven an automobile. Recruiting for this platoon is in charge of Lieut. Mashin, Work Point barracks, Victoria.

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HOPES AGAIN REST ON LLOYD GEORGE

Minister of Munitions Expected to Reconcile Factions and Settle Irish Trouble.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, May 25.—David Lloyd George stepping temporarily from the ministry of munitions to a sort of round table conference to settle the Irish difficulty is a striking illustration of how at all the great crises and emergencies during the war this statesman has come to the front as a strong man and saviour of the country. In the early days of the war he gained an enviable reputation in the eyes of the men of all parties by his capable handling of the nation's finances, and then came to the rescue in the military emergency as head of the ministry of munitions, to provide the army with shells.

Lately, it was undoubtedly his forceful personality which converted the country in the face of the strongest opposition, to universal service. Now he steps into the breach to solve one of the most difficult political problems ever presented to British statesmen—to reconcile the apparently irreconcilable sections of the Irish people and establish home rule in Ireland.

How soon Mr. Lloyd George will be able to arrange a formal conference and exactly what shape the conference will take is still unknown. He has been engaged for some days in formal talks, preparatory to such a conference and it is understood, that besides John Redmond, the Irish Nationalist leader, and Sir Edward Carson, the Ulster leader, the conference will include Herbert Samuel, the home secretary, who had much to do with framing the finance clauses of the home rule act. Other names mentioned are John Dillon and Joseph Devlin. It is asserted that the proceedings of the conference will be quite confidential and that the place of meeting will be Mr. Lloyd George's private room at the ministry of munitions in Whitehall.

In the parliamentary lobbies today a feeling of optimism prevailed that the circumstances under which the parties are being called together offer a fair chance of settlement.

BROWN TELLS ABOUT HIS EXPENDITURES

Authorized Expenditures for Alberta Highways Board On His Own Account.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

REGINA, May 25.—J. P. Brown this afternoon completed another full day on the stand before the Wetmore commission. In the morning P. E. Mackenzie, K.C., government counsel, completed his examination and Mr. Craig of Mr. Bradshaw's counsel began the cross-examination. The former brought out the fact that Brown had frequently authorized expenditures for the highways board on his own account without authority from any one. The cross examination was largely devoted to Brown's financial affairs in the last 12 years throughout which time he has been employed by the government. Apart from $10,000 lost in a real estate deal in 1907 and $8,000 lent a brother, Brown, said he had lost no money by speculation or made any extraordinary expenditures.

In the afternoon Mr. Craig continued his examination of Brown with regard to his financial affairs for several years past. First all the particulars with regard to the loan of $8000 which Brown had made to his brother. All records of these loans had been destroyed, Brown said. Brown stated that he had considerable holdings in real estate and had made money through these deals.

Brown said he did not believe his greatest balance in the last four years was more than $5000. Mr. Craig called his attention to the fact that in six months in 1915 he had deposited $12,000, but Brown said this had been withdrawn rapidly. He said most of the checks had been destroyed.

Answering Mr. Crag's questions Brown insisted he did destroy the checks before he went away.

Mr. Craig took the witness very closely over his movements on the Monday he left Regina. He made up his mind to go that morning. Some time during the day he went to the bank and drew out a thousand dollars. He could not say what were the denomination of the bills, but remembers getting some of the money exchanged for American money at the Bank of Commerce. Mr. Craig devoted the remainder of the afternoon to inquiring into the system in the highways department.

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COMPULSION NOT TO APPLY TO CANADIANS

Citizens of Dominion Residing in Britain Exempted in Military Service Measure.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

LONDON, May 25.—In the house of commons today replying to Sir Richard Cooper, who asked the colonial secretary whether the overseas dominions had made representation to him regarding the importance of declaring to the dominions what trade policy the imperial government proposed to pursue after the war, Mr. Bonar Law said no such representations had been made officially, but that the whole matter was being carefully considered.

Regarding the position under the military service act, of Canadians residing in Britain, the secretary to the acting high commissioner states that they have had inserted in the bill provisions exempting Canadian subjects from the bill. Arrangements for putting these into operation have been completed and where the high commissioner is satisfied as to bona fides the applicant may be issued a certificate enabling the military authorities to grant exemption.

Col. Noel Marshall conferred with Col. Hodgetts and Mrs. Rivers-Bulkeley of the prisoners of war department at the Canadian Red Cross headquarters here today when it was decided that in view of questions raised in the house of commons regarding scant rations given prisoners of war in German camps issued a statement of reassurances to relatives and friends of interned soldiers in Germany. A number of acknowledgements of the safe arrivals of food and clothing were received this week dated May 8. No complaints have reached the Canadian Red Cross. One writer speaks of the camp at Hanover as good and adds:

"What we greatly need is sporting gear—footballs, boving gloves, etc., and if you can do anything for us we shall be greatly pleased."

At this camp there are 400 British prisoners, most of whom are Canadians.

REPORTS PASSED AT MEETING PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

(By Staff Correspondent.)

PRESS GALLERY, Victoria, May 25.—At its 28th meeting during the present session the public accounts committee tonight passed reports upon various subjects which it has investigated within the past three months, largely at the instance of the opposition.

In but one case, that of the Hannington commission, did the committee find that there was any irregularity and in that particular instance the fault did not lie with a member of the government, but was committed by a civil servant without the knowledge of the government or any member of it.

There were no opposition members in attendance tonight, although Chairman Watson stated that notice of the meeting had been given, and in fact the committee had tried to hold a session earlier in the day buf delayed its work as opposition members failed to put in an appearance.

MAY APPEAL FROM RULINGS OF ADJUSTERS

(By Staff Correspondent.)

PRESS GALLERY, Victoria, May 25.—A clause to enable an insured percharges in case of fire loss has been added to the fire insurance acts amendments. It reads:

"Notwithstanding the provisions or conditions contained in any contract, agreement or other document relating to any contract of fire insurance to the contrary, either now hereafter issued by any insurance company carrying on business in the province of British Columbia covering insurance in the province, the insured shall, in the event of the charges and expenses of adjusting losses under any such contract of agreement not being in the opinion of the insured, just and reasonable, have the right to refer the items of said charges and expenses to the superintendent of insurance for adjustment, and the said superintendent shall thereupon consider the same and shall have full power to reduce or increase the amount of said charges and expenses, and the decision of the said superintendent shall be final and binding upon all parties concerned."

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TORNADO HITS QUEBEC; PROPERTY LOSS HEAVY

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

QUEBEC, May 25.—Scores of houses in sections of the city are without roofs and trees by hundreds are felled and extensive damage to property is reported as a result of the worst tornado of years which visited the city Wednesday night. The hot houses of the Sacred Heart hospital are damaged to the extent of about $1000.

The board of directors of the Kootenay Lake General hospital will meet in the board of trade rooms at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon instead of 8 o'clock in the evening as previously announced.

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