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Institute Fall Fair Shapes Up Well

There were 36 members on hand for the August meeting of Creston Women's Institute on Friday evening last which, owing to the coolness of the evening, had to be held in the hall instead of on the lawn at Mrs. Speers home as intended.

There was only one paper presented, on drying fruits and vegetables, which was given by Mrs. Lyne. These were all tested and found good receipes and they will be published for the convenience of the many who asked for the use of them.

The institute will be represented at the Kootenay Women's Institute conference at Cranbrook on Sept. 4 and 5, by Mrs. H. B. Downs, who was unanimously chosen as delegate.

The prize list for the fall fair were distributed, and are now in the hands of practically all the members, and the balance of the session had to do with the exhibition, which is set for Sept. 5th, in Mercantile Hall.

The following ladies will look after the refreshments at the fair: Mesdames Hayden, Maxwell, Craigie, Arrowsmith, Goodwin and Miss Markwick, while all the junior members of the Institute are expected to assist on this occasion. Every member is reminded, too, that they are expected to help out the refreshment committee on fair day to the extent of each bringing along something of this kind.

The decoration committee was named as follows: Mesdames Hayes Mallandaine, Cherrington, Lidgate, G. Young and F. Jackson. Members of both committees are reminded to meet with the directors at the Red Cross depot oe Tuesday afternoon.

R. S. Bevan addressed the Institute members on behalf of the board of trade, asking the ladies to co-operate in the exhibit the board is making at the Cranbrook next month, in the way of sending down a line of fancy work, as well as other articles in the ladies' department of the exhibition. The board of trade is going in for a display of fruits, vegetables, etc., and it is thought that by having a representative display in the ladies' section some additional excellent publicity could be secured, and very little, if any, expense incurred as the board of trade will be responsible for taking anything down and seeing that it is returned to institute members The proposition appealed to those present and it was agreed to assist in every way possible in the matter.

Erickson

Miss Laura Edmondson of Creston has been secured to take charge of the school this coming term. She has had a year's peevious experience, on the Nelson school staff.

Tomato exports have not got over the dozen-crates-a-day mark as yet, probably due to the fact that the early ones are suffering from point rot. However, the disease is not in evidence on the later ones at all.

Mrs. John Graham left last week for Wetaskiwin, Alta., where she will visit with friends for a few weeks.

Mrs. Day of Red Deer, Alta., who has been with her mother, Mrs. H. Hamilton, for a few weeks, is away on a short visit with her sister at Sandon.

E. Botterill of Crossfield, Alta. arrived on Wednesday to spend a few days with Mrs. Botterill and family on the ranch here.

M. McLeod of Sandon spent a couple of days here the latter part of the week, and states that mining activity in the Slocan was never as great as at present.

Arrow Creek is attracting a number of camping parties this season. We noticed Mrs. Goodwin and family and Mrs. Cook and Miss Markwich, from Creston, headed for there early this week.

The raspberry season is practically over and, price considered, the year has been quite satisfactory for those who had the later varieties, and particularly so for those who had a little irrigation. This week as high as 3 cents a cup has had to be paid to attract pickers.

Local anglers state that the fishing in Arrow Creek this year has been the best for several seasons. At present, too, the water in this stream is about the lowest it has ever been.

R. J. Long has just completed taking off the second crop of alfalfa on the Woodbine ranch. He and W. G. Littlejohn will rank among the tomato kings this year, as they are each counting on at least 300 crates of ripe ones. E. S. Cuming will have a crop of about 100 crates from appearances.

Wynndel

Miss Bertha Pease is a visitor here this week, the guest of Miss Anna Hagen.

Some of the young folks motored over to Port Hill to the dance on Saturday night and reported a most enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cooper are chaperoning a party of about fourteen young folks who leave here on Saturday for a week's camping trip at Sanca Creek.

Creston visitors for the week were: Mr. and Mrs. Matt. Hagen, Mr. and and Mrs. Peter Andestad, Mrs. E. Williams, E. Butterfield, Gus. Johnson and "Baby" Carlson.

Tommy Butterfield spent the weekend with his parents here as per usual. Nelson must be very dull, indeed, for a week seems to be as long as he can stay in ii, spending each week end at busy Wynndel to liven him up.

The evangelistic services held by the Misses Pattison and Long have been continued this week with the exception of Monday evening. They have been very well attended, and on Sunday evening every available seat was taken and somewhat crowded at that. For the plain unvarnished truth they are without comparison and there is one thing to the credit of the people of Wynndel and that is they will at least give them a hearing.

Canyon City

Operations have eased off in the box factory for a time, owing to the uncertainty of the extent of the Valley apple crop.

Jas. Huscroft is the latest to finishing up haying in this section, the last of his haying been put this week. R. Boadway was helping him with the work.

Dr. Henderson had a professional call here on Tuesday to attend the son of Mr. Rhodes, who got his leg badly chewed up in some of the machinery at the mill.

Messrs. Wheeler and Hunter, two Portland, Ore., landmen, were here last week, and took a very thorough look over most of the Company's land holdings here, with a view to going into a campaign to bring in a lot of new settlers.

The new phone line, which has been under construction here since early summer, was linked up with the Creston line on Monday. Three instruments have already been installed, at the residence of W. Carver, R. J. Chambers and Mr. White.

Coyotes appear to be numerous in this section this year. From Huscroft's comes the report that at least fifteen of these animals were noticed one day this week on the meadows on the Lyon place, busy catching gophers. This is rather a come down in the way of fare for them as recently they pretty well cleaned Charlie Huscroft out of turkeys and chickens entirely.

Mr. Agnew, who runs one of the caterpillar engines, had rather an exciting experience with the machine on Tuesday morning. His clothing got mixed up in a set screw on one of the wheels which proceeded to revolve and revolve until Mr. Agnew had practically every stitch of clothing on him ripped off with considerable force, though fortunately he escaped with just considerable bruising and will be back at work as usual in a day or two.

Busy Driving the Long Tunnel Now

A special meeting of the directors of the Western Belle Mining Co., Ltd., was held in the office of R. Lamont on Monday afternoon, which was attended by Colen Smith, Porthill, president; A. McCormick, Spokane, vice-president: S. R. Green, Spokane, secretary-treasurer; S. W. Smith and Joe Walls, Porthill, and R. Lamont, Creston, directors.

The Western Belle is a Summit Creek property, on which a great deal of development work has already been done, the company's holdings embracing 200 acres on North Star Mountain. Frequent assays of the ore show it to run 80 per cent. lead and about ten ounces of silver to the ton, showing also a trace of gold.

The company has now at least 200 tons of ore on the dump. It has just completed the erection of commodious bunk and cookhouses and has started a crew of men to work driving a long tunnel, possibly 1000 feet. The company is well financed for operating this tunnel work, and they are not expecting to ship any ore until early in 1918.

The property is advantageously situated in many respects. They have only four miles of road to build to connect up with the road used by the Idaho-Continental, and the plans are to erect their concentrator at a point midway between the mine and the Continental road and bring the ore down in by a bucket tram. The concentrator has an ideal location in that it is so situated that it can be utilized by the Davenport group of claims, which are also being opened up.

The Western Belle people are deeply interested in the construction of a road up Summit Creek as this is the natural and best outlet for its ore, and the company would prefer to barge its ore to the Trail smelter.

$2.57 is Average Strawberry Price

While growers generally may have a considerable kick on the deal they got this season in the line of weather, their disappointment is tempered to some extent at least on much better prices than other years, and Union shippers have a still added satisfaction in that so far they have got statements and pay cheques oftener and more regularly than ever before.

All fruit handled during June and July was paid for in the last batch of cheques, which went out on Tuesday. These accounted for all the strawberries handled and the average price paid was $2.57 per crate—on 2863 crates handled during the entire season, or a decrease of over 2000 crates as compared with 1916, when close to 4900 crates were handled.

However, despite this falling off in total shipments, which was quite marked in other lines as well as strawberries—gooseberries tumbling from almost 600 in 1916 to less than 300 this year, and cherries also on the lower side—Union officials have every confidence that their statement at the end of August will show a slightly larger turnover up to that time than at the same date in 1916.

Raspberries are still coming along in generous quantities, and it looks as if the Union will readily average 100 crates a day for all this week, but the end is in sight. The market is less eager for them, too, but as yet the demand for them is still greater than the quantity offering. Blackberries are in splendid demand at present, and if the market keeps up for the balance of the season it would seem assured that the average price on blacks will be higher than raspberries maintained.

Black currants, too, are also selling readily, and with a not too bad demand for reds. Black currants appear to be later this season than last, Union selling showing 959 crates handled in July, 1916, as compared with less than a hundred last month this year. At present, too, it looks safe to predict that the blacks will average 50 cents a crate better than in '16, and the reds possibly 40 cents.

The market is right for tomatoes, but as yet the Valley crop of these is slow in coming in. Right now the export is very little better than a dozen crates a day. There is plenty of cucumbers to supply every demand, with few if any enquiries for the pickling sort.

Independent shippers are sending out cooking apples in limited quantity to Crow points. Shipping of these is not being encouraged as the fruit is inclined to be under size, forcing down prices, and tending to injuriously effect the price on the real good stuff that will be available shortly.

Alice Siding

Mrs. W. Watcher spent a few days with friends at Kitchener last week, returning on Sunday.

Miss Teresa Churchill left on Tuesday for Vancouver, where she will visit friends for a few weeks.

Miss Ella Webster arrived from Wetaskiwin, Alta., on Sunday, to spend a couple of weeks with her parents here.

Miss Bertha Pease left on Tuesday for Wynndel where she will join a camping party that will spend a couple of weeks at Sanca Creek.

The train stop at Smith's crossing was discontinued on Tuesday. The shipping had declined to about a dozen crates a day, with very little prospect of there being any more than half that quantity by now.

Wm. Baker, a Spokane commission merchant, who has a considerable prairie fruit trade, was interviewing ranchers here this week with a view of getting a supply of stuff here to take care of prairie business.

Leslie McMurtrie, who left here on Dominion Day to join the aviation corps at Victoria, has been transferred to the training camp at Toronto. He makes the third Creston resident now in training there, the others being Mr. deMacedo and Newell Birch.

The convenience of the train stop at this point has been so generally commented upon that it is more than likely the C.P.R. will be asked to make it a flag station. The commodious shipping warehouse built this year would expedite matters considerably.

Sirdar

Mrs. R. Dennes left on Thursday on a vacation trip to Vancouver and coast points.

Mrs. Ike Lewis is spending a few days this week with Mrs. Mead at Creston.

Norma Ross of New Westminster is spending a couple of weeks with her parents here.

Mrs. Jones and Mrs. A. North were calling on friends at Creston between trains on Tuesday.

Mr. Warner, a coast teacher, has been secured to take charge of the local school this term.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Thompson on Thursday last, leaving them a handsome baby girl.

Some fine catches of fish are being reported almost daily while the ducks are beginning to arrive for their waterloo on Sept. 1st and following days.

Sportsmen here are at a less to know why grouse shooting is withdrawn in the Kaslo electoral district this year, as this class of game is fully as numerous as in past seasons.

Mr. McDermid of Nelson is spending a few days here this week with his son, J. McDermid, and is much taken with the scenic beauties of Sirdar, though by no means admitting that they are in the same class as the grandeur of Kilsyth and Stirling in the land of the heather.

Sirdar visitors last week included Messrs. W. P. Stark, Guy Constable, Victor Carr and John Williams of Creston, who were en route to the lake for a few days fishing. Owing to a mishap to the launch engine the journey from Creston here had taken up almost two days.

Mr. and Mrs. Aspey were Creston visitors on Friday. W. H. Morris and Mr. McDermid, sr., were at the capital on Monday.

Drainage Meeting Here Sept. 29th

The biggest turnout in months was on hand for the August meeting of the Creston board of trade on Tuesday night, over whose deliberations President Henderson presided.

The committee looking after the exhibit at Cranbrook fair reported progress. As yet but one copy of the prize list is available which was holding up matters to some extent. However, the Valley has been divided up into districts, and a member of the committee assigned a section, and a still hunt is now on for the good looking stuff in the fruit and vegetable lines. In addition to this, on behalf of the committee, R. S. Bevan interviewed the Women's Institute on Friday last, and they have consented to co-operate by sending along a display of fancy work, canned goods, etc.

Now that tree fruits of the rather non-perishable sort are to be had it is anticipated that the display cabinets on the C.P.R. platform will be utilized. They have been put in place, and for the next month they will be in charge of Messrs. Speers, Embree and Gibbs.

For the telephone investigation committee E. C. Gibbs reported that a careful look into rates revealed the fact that there was only a discrepancy of five cents on a three minute conversation on the east and west lines, with the lower rate prevailing on the line east. He had mentioned the matter to the government superintendent in a letter urging the installation of a sound proof cabinet at the Creston central.

On reclamation publicity work Mr. Bennett outlined the steps that have been taken to have this week one of publicity for the drainage scheme, more especially as a project to take care of returned soldiers. All the daily papers in B.C. as well as the weeklies in Kootenay, Boundary and part of Okanagan have been sent a carefully prepared story covering the matter, and leading dailies on the prairies had also been supplied with a shorter version of the same thing, and results are confidently looked for in the provincial press at least.

A tentative date for the big drainage meeting at Creston was set for September 29th, and the president along with Messrs. Rodgers, Stark and Embree were named a committee to strike the standing committees to handle the conference and to draw up a proposed programme for the gathering which will be taken up and adopted at a board meeting to be held next Tuesday night. In the meantime the Idaho authorities will be got in touch with for suggestions in this connection.

R. Stark introduced the irrigation proposition, which was freely discussed Mr. Stark dealing at some detail with investigations he had made in a amall way looking to the utilization of Arrow Creek, and the various routes and systems for piping the water down to a central distributing point. All present were quite agreed that in view of this year's experience an irrigation system was very desirable, and in view of a prospective visit from the minister of land to the drainage meeting it was considered wise to get ahead with all possible preliminary work along the line of gathering data so that, if possible, the proposition can be informally discussed with him on his visit here. Messrs. Stark, Bennett and W. V. Jackson were named by the president to go into the matter and report at the next meeting of the board.

Messrs. Bevan, Speers and Rodgers were accorded a very hearty vote of thanks by the board for their kindness in providing autos for the trip to Bonners Ferry on August 4th absolutely without cost to the board.

SHIPMENTS TO ENEMY POSSIBLE UNDER OUR FREE WHEAT PLAN

COULD BE IMPORTED BY THE CENTRAL POWERS

Manager of Lake Shippers Association States That Western Canada's Wheat Can Reach Germany Via Neutral Countries By Present System of Handling

Wheat from Western Canada can be forwarded to Germany through neutral countries under the present system of handling grain in Canada and United States, according to F. W. Young, general manager of the Lake Shippers' association.

Mr. Young made the statement when testifying before the board of grain supervisors in reply to a question asked by Dr. Robert Magill, chairman of the board, who asked if wheat from Western Canada could be imported by the central powers in spite of the existing efforts to prevent it. He suggested, as a way to block such efforts, that the Netherlands government, under a three cornered agrement with the United States and Britain, could be made trustee for the wheat imported into Holland. Another system suggested was that the shipping license should be enlarged to provide for this arrangement and that the closest co-operation with the United States authorities should be established where wheat exportations are concerned.

Shipments to Germany were possible since the free wheat plan came into force, witness said, and explained that it is impossible to know the ownership of grain in elevators.

"It is serious to think that some of our grain can get to enemy countries," said Mr. Magill.

The co-operative companies, which own 600 elevators and represent 100,000 farmers and last year produced 92,000,000 bushels of wheat, wanted unanimity of action between the board of supervisors for Canada and the United States board. The Canadian council of agriculture representatives wanted the board to use the existing machinery to handle grain crop. They favored a flat basis of prices rather than maximum and minimum prices established. They wanted also due regard to the encouragement of greater production shown and the board to assume control of flour prices as they depend on bulk wheat values. One price for wheat on this side of the line and another price on the other side would not answer the requirements, they explained.

It was predicted that the board would have a difficult time taking over the country elevators and operating them during the war.

Which Way Are You Pulling

You are a Vital Force Pulling One Way or the Other

There are in the world two sets of forces—one set pulling down, the other pulling up—one pulling forward, the other backward.

The homes, the churches, the schools, the ethical societies, art museums higher drama, social settlements, are pulling men and women up, putting more light and joy in human lives, and increasing the sum total of the world's good and happiness.

Arrayed against these benign agencies are the forces of greed, appetite and passion, which through all time have pulled downward and backward.

It is a ceaseless, unending battle, of vital and far-reaching results; and it is the first business of everyone to ask himself the question:

"Which side am I on? Am I with the forces which diminish the sum total of human joy and dwarf the world's manhood, or am I on the side of those forces which flood the world with gladness and kindness and promote the character that is the basis of all true civilization and advancement?

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Which way are you pulling?

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Given Much Freedom

British Tars Enjoy Life in the Netherlands

Though the British naval men interned at Groeningen, Holland, naturally chafe at spending a life of well fed inactivity, they continue to get as much variety into their peaceful existence as possible. Everything possible is done to make the men feel happy and to make them feel that they are not really prisoners. The Dutch government gives them much freedom. In fact they often get permission to leave the camp and mix with the inhabitants of Groeningen, and many of them have become frequent guests in Dutch family circles.

On Sunday afternoons one sees these jolly sailors with the Dutch girls promenading arm in arm in the parks and other pleasure resorts. When in the camp they have many outdoor amusements—tennis, cricket and football. Gardening has been encouraged, and where there once was waste land the most beautiful flower gardens have sprung up.

Encouraged by their own officers and by the officers of the Groeningen garrison, they have established amateur threatres and variety shows, and the naval band frequently gives concerts, to which young and old of the inhabitants of the town are invited.

There will be no end of heartaches when the war draws to a close, and Jack is called home, and no doubt many a Dutch girl will follow her sailor sweetheart to the naval station to become his bride.

Are Abolishing Butterfly Nurses

Unpaid Volunteer Nurses Will Be Replaced by the Professional Nurse

The lady nurse must go! That is the decree which has gone forth in France and it has caused no small sensation.

Volunteer nurses in hospitals where military sick and wounded are cared for are to be replaced by professional paid nurses. The volunteer infirmiere who came forward at the beginning of the war, when there was a great shortage of trained women, was pressed into service after a short, superficial training. She has done nobly, toiling day and night and spending her money freely on the wounded, besides paying her own personal expenses. She asserts that the new regulations are inspired by political motives, as it is feared the poilus were becoming too much attached to their aristrocratic nurses and were in danger of forgetting the maxims of equality and liberty in their exaggerated respect for titled attendants.

Doctors frankly prefer the professional nurse, who can be ordered about in a way her volunteer sister would resent. They say that the unpaid assistant has her own ideas of discipline. The lady nurse, too, is apt to err in matters of taste. I saw one step out of a luxurious car the other day much overdressed. A lady friend said: "Look at those stilts; one cannot call them heels. How can she run backwards and forwards in the wards all day in those?

As the butterfly nurse got out of the car she raised her snow white uniform and displayed yards of billowing petticoats in batiste and embroidered white silk. "A nice get up for a day's work," remarked my pessimistic friend. "How the paid nurse must love her."

The doctors of the local hospitals have sometimes been obliged to suggest that volunteers should go home, discard their diamonds and dress more discreetly. One insisted on a lady putting on a less decolette gown, as "he wouldn't have half clad women hanging over the beds of his patients."

Public sentiments supports the doctors in their efforts to replace voluntary workers, being convinced that they are acting in the true interests of the sick and wounded.

Man Under New England's Bed

Maine and other northeastern states are seeing U-boats every day now, says the Chicago Tribune. All along the coast from Ammagansett to Portland periscopes are bobbing up in the sea and U-boats are rising or submerging. Gloucester fishermen are coming in with scary tales of enemy warships lurking in the foggy banks, and the alarm recalls the trepidation felt in Massachusetts when the Spanish mosquito fleet was expected to make an attack any minute upon the sacred codfish of Boston.

New England is an old maid sitting on the eastern coast and having a conniption fit every few years. If only the U-boat scare had been earlier the recruiting figures for that section might have been much larger.

H. C. L. Baffled

A golf enthusiast was describing to his friend the varied joys the game afforded him. Finally he wound up by saying:

"Do you know, I'd rather play golf than eat?"

"But whatever does your wife say to that?" inquired the friend.

"Oh, well, you know," was the response, "she's rather relieved, because she'd rather play bridge than cook!"

CANADA AND UNITED STATES ARE MEETING SUDDEN URGENT DEMAND

AUSTRALIA UNABLE TO BUILD WOODEN SHIPS

With Little Soft Timber Available and Prohibitive Freight Rates Australians Cannot Do Their Usual Insignificant Shipbuilding Or Extend the Industry

The news that Canada and the United States are meeting a sudden, urgent demand by building a fleet of wooden ships has aroused much interest in Australia. Why, it is asked, cannot ships be built in Australia as well as in America? Small wooden ships are regularly launched here; why not extend the industry to larger, ocean-going vessels?

It appears that the same conditions which produced the demand for wooden ships have made it difficult for Australia to take advantage of the demand. In other words, the trouble lies in the high freight prevailing. Australia produces little, if any, timber suitable for shipbuilding. Pine wood must be used, and in the past shipbuilders have employed Oregon pine from America and kauri from New Zealand. But since the outbreak of war, the freight on Oregon pine has risen from 8 shillings to 95 shillings per 1000 feet, and the price from 8 shillings to 35 shillings per 100 feet, and therefore these rates are prohibitive. The Australian builder would be quite willing to use kauri, which, though more costly than usual, is still not at a prohibitive price, but for some reason that is not very clear, kauri cannot at present be obtained from New Zealand in anything like the required quantities. One shipwright has suggested that New Zealand is deliberately withholding the wood, though he could offer no reason for the Dominion adopting such a course.

So the Australians are embarrassed even in doing their usual insignificant shipbuilding, and they cannot contemplate any extension of the industry. There is an abundance of hard woods, for the superstructure and fittings of ships, but the only wood that might prove a substitute for pine is the Australian cedar and cedar it appears grows in such a scattered way and in such inaccessible places that it is not yet proved a payable proposition.

One shipwright has asked, and apparently with reason, why the shipbuilding industry should not be established in an important way in Auckland? He points out that with the abundance of kauri and other suitable timbers available in Auckland enterprising builders should be able to compete with the Americans. The demand for wooden merchantmen may not persist more than five years, but smaller wooden ships will be required for a considerable time after that.

"Here's Billy crying and saying he doesn't want to go on the sailing trip. Now, Billy, why don't you want to have a nice sail with us?"

"'Tain't a nice sail. I heard pa say when we got out we'd have a spanking breeze."—Baltimore American.

Outbreak Among Russian Sailors

Only Vague Reports Are Received; Nature of Trouble Unknown

There have been disorders among the sailors of the Black Sea at Sebastopol.

So far there have been only confused reports as to the scope of the trouble with the sailors. The Rech says the disorders are in connection with the retirement of the commander of the fleet, Admiral Koltchak.

The Birzeviya declares that under the influence of extremist agitators the sailors began to arrest some of their officers and to disarm others.

Minister of War and Marine Kerensky has issued instructions that firm measures be taken to restore order. Premier Lvoff, while admitting an outbreak had occurred, declared the rumors exaggerated in importance.

Britain Will Not Be Starved

Food Controller Expresses Confidence That Allies Will Be Able to Defeat Germany's Most Treasured Plan

In this war, and especially at this stage, food power is co-equal with man-power, said Lord Rhondda, the new food controller in an interview. The problem of Great Britain's food primarily depends upon the supply and in the main the solution of the problem of supply lies in America. I am sure they will not let us down.

The whole problem of the nation's food primarily depends upon the supply, he continued, and unless we can be assured of food sufficient to enable this and other allied countries of Europe to carry on the war to a successful end it will be almost superfluous to appoint a food controller. The most perfect system of distribution and the most equitable regulation of prices would be a mere waste of time and effort unless every measure is taken to keep up the allied food supply.

For this we depend to a vital degree upon the United States and Canada. No one recognizes that more fully than I do. Before Mr. Hoover left for America I had an opportunity of discussing with him the lessons he had drawn from his wonderful work in Belgium, and his plans as to the allied food supply. In accepting this office one of its few attractions, perhaps its only attraction—was the knowledge that President Wilson had asked a man of Mr. Hoover's calibre, experience and understanding of the allies to tackle in America those problems which have an intimate bearing day by day upon the food situation in this country. I have perfect confidence that the American congress and the American people will respond to the calls now being made to them.

I hope I shall not be misconstrued or thought impatient if I say that the sooner your food administration measures are enacted the sooner we shall breathe more easily. The practical details of our buying are rendered more difficult, more complex by the uncertainty regarding the future.

My experience in America before and since the war have given me an unusual opportunity of judging the vastness of her resources. If organized to their full capacity, I am confident that the German hope of starving the allies or of causing unrest by the scarcity of food or high prices is doomed to failure.

We are doing what we can off our own bat by increasing home production and decreasing consumption, but in the main the solution of the primary problem of supply lies in the hands of our American allies and Canada. I am sure they will not let us down.

Mistaken

The young mother went upstairs one evening to make sure that her little son was safely sleeping. As she was about to enter the bedroom, she observed her husband standing beside the crib, gazing earnestly at the sleeping child.

Touched at the sight, the mother hesitated a moment, her eyes filled with tears. "How dearly John loves that boy!" she thought.

Her feelings changed suddenly, however, when her husband turned to her and exclaimed, "Mary, it gets my goat how these furniture makers can get up such a crib as this for three dollars and sixty cents."—Personality.

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Burn Wood On Railway

Coal is Considered Too Costly to Use as Fuel on Engines

Owing to the continued high price of coal, the Honduras National railroad has abandoned this article as a fuel and is using wood cut along the line of the railroad.

The merits of coal and wood as fuels have been worked out carefully by this railroad, and when coal again becomes stabilized at a price sufficiently low the use of the same will be resumed.

During the former periods of high coal prices this railroad has resorted to the use of the "coroza" or "cahoon" nuts as fuel, and while from a standpoint of economy and steam produced they have proved satisfactory, the intense heat generated was detrimental to the boilers.

Warts are unsightly blemishes, and corns are painful growths. Holloway's Corn Cure will remove them.

No Danger

A few days ago a well-dressed and very charming young lady hailed a four-wheeler, there being no taxi in sight. Just as she was getting in she noticed that the horse seemed inclined to be frisky.

He was jumping about and switching his tail in a way that alarmed her. She was a timid little thing.

So she addressed a few words to the ancient John:

"I hope," she said, smiling bravely, "that you will not run away with me."

The cabby sighed mournfully.

"No, mum," he replied, "I have a wife and seven kids at home already!"

PAINS SHARP AND STABBING

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Ogdensburg, Wis.—"I suffered from female troubles which caused piercing pains like a knife through my back and side. I finally lost all my strength so I had to go to bed. The doctor advised an operation but I would not listen to it. I thought of what I had read about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and tried it. The first bottle brought great relief and six bottles have entirely cured me. All women who have female trouble of any kind should try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. ETTA DORION, Ogdensburg, Wis.

Physicians undoubtedly did their best, battled with this case steadily and could do no more, but often the most scientific treatment is surpassed by the medicinal properties of the good old fashioned roots and herbs contained in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If any complication exists it pays to write the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for special free advice.

Ranchers' Fair and Live Stock Show

Thrilling Contests are Promised at Moose Jaw During the Fair

Thousands of dollars in prizes has been put up by the Executive of the Ranchers' Fair and Livestock Show for the great Stampede to be held at Moose Jaw each day during the fair, July 17th to 20th, and the handsome list of awards is attracting entries from some of the most famous cowboy riders of Canada and the United States.

The plans for this year's Stampede assure a far larger and more interesting frontier celebration than last year, with a much more complete program, plans having been made for both afternoon and evening performances.

Wild horse races, cowboy relays, the thrilling bucking horse riding contests, and the most spectacular exciting of all cowboy feats, bulldogging, in addition to the other regular Stampede features will be the headliners on the program. A number of famous cowgirls have also given notice of their intention to enter, and thus add color to the celebration.

Ad. P. Day, of Medicine Hat, who has consented to take charge of the Stampede again this year, is making a special effort to secure a large supply of wild horses, horses that have never before been ridden, and has notified the executive that he expects to bring a herd of the kind that toss their men up and bite on the way down.

Coming as it does, directly after the All Canadian Championships at Medicine Hat, the Stampede will be notable because of the galaxy of starts of the quirt and saddle who will come to Moose Jaw from that contest.

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Colored Soldiers

Navajos and Utes are resisting registration in the United States and threatening to go on the warpath rather than be subject to draft for war. On the other hand, about 1,000,000 colored men have registered willingly. The contrast is particularly striking in view of the pacifist temperament of the negro and the always warlike disposition of the Indian. The Brooklyn Eagle is of the opinion that for modern warfare the negro is a better soldier than the Indian. He obeys orders. He is brave under brave officers. He is loyal to the death. A million colored men in uniform, by themselves, would be a vast man-power asset to any nation.

A Safe Pill for Suffering Women.—The secluded life of women which permits of little healthful exercise, is a fruitful cause of derangements of the stomach and liver and is accountable for the pains and lassitude that so many of them experience. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will correct irregularities of the digestive organs restore health and vigor. The most delicate woman can use them with safety, because their action, while effective, is mild and soothing.

No More Extreme Styles

U.S. Asks Women to Do Away With the Frills

"Cut the frills in clothes," is a war edict to the fastidious from the council of national defence. In effort to institute an economy in wool for all concerned the U S government would have all men and women simplify their dress.

"Sacrifice patchpockets, flaring shirts, cuffs, unnecessary plaits and other frills," is the advice to the public issued from a conference of woolen and worsted manufacturers with the commercial economy board of the defence council.

No effort will be made to discourage the sale of goods made up in existing styles. The board and the manufacturers believe such a move would be wasteful. The campaign will be confined to next year's output.

The threatening shortage of wool for next year is causing grave concern and the board expects its program is to be of material assistance in making up some of the defects.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

Fixing It Up

Marion was saying her prayers.

"And please, God," she petitioned, "make Portland the capital of Maine."

"Why, Marion!" said her shocked mother. "What made you say that?"

Marion settled herself comfortably in the bed.

"'Cause I made it that way in my examination paper," she said, "and I want it to be right."

"Know how to wash cars?" asked the garage boss.

"Sure, I know," said the seedy-looking applicant for work. "You clean everything but the license plates."

ROYAL YEAST
MAKES PERFECT BREAD

The "Cowardly British"

"The German navy does not wish anything more than a new encounter with the enemy, and if the latter can be induced to show themselves again we will do the rest," says the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger. Meantime, the cowardly British remain safely out in the North sea and the heroic warships which made such good speed from Jutland remain unchallenged masters of the Kiel canal.

STRENUOUS WORK SOON TELLS ON YOU

Business Men and Breadwinners the Victims of Nervous Exhaustion

When worry is added to overwork men soon become the victims of nervous exhaustion—neurasthenia—the doctor calls it. Some have no reserve strength in their systems to bear the strain; others overtax what strength they have. If you find that you are nervous and not sure of yourself, that you sleep badly, and wake up tired and aching, your nerves are out of order. Other signs are inability to take proper interest in your work; your appetite is fickle; your back feels weak, and you are greatly depressed in spirits. One or more of these signs mean that you should take prompt steps to stop mischief by nourishing the nerves with the food they thrive on, namely the rich, red blood made by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These Pills have cured thousands of cases of nervous disorders, including nervous prostration, neuralgia, St. Vitus dance and partial paralysis. Here is an example. Mr. P. H. Callan, a well known business man in Coleman, P.E.I., says: "I owe my present health, if not life itself, to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I had always been an active man, and when I began to run down in health paid little attention to it as I thought it only temporary weakness. As time passed, however, I found myself growing worse, and consulted a doctor, who said that I was not only badly run down, but that my nervous system was badly shattered. I lost flesh, my appetite was poor, I slept badly and notwithstanding the doctor's treatment grew so weak that I had to leave my business and was confined to the house. Time went on and I was steadily growing weaker, and my friends were all greatly alarmed for my condition. In this condition I was strongly recommended to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and as the doctor's medicine was not helping me I decided to do so. By the time I had used three boxes I could tell that they were helping me. When I had taken eight boxes of the pills I felt able to attend to my business again, and people were surprised to see me out. I continued the use of the pills until I had taken twelve boxes, by which time I was feeling as well as ever I did, and was being congratulated by all my friends on my full restoration to health. I feel now that if I had used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills at the outset I would not only have saved much money spent in doctor's bills, but would have had renewed health sooner. I cannot speak too highly of this medicine, and would recommend it to every man who feels weak, nervous or run down."

You can get these pills through any medicine dealer, or by mail at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Delicately Put

"I do hope that you appreciate that in marrying my daughter you marry a large-hearted girl?"

"I do, sir. And I hope she inherits those qualities from her father."

Wife—Robert, how can you stay away from home so late nights?

Hub—Oh, easily, I acquired the habit while I was courting you, my dear.—Boston Transcript.

French Discover Plot

Foe Attempts to Get Information Via Prisoners

An official note issued in France warns families of prisoners of war in Germany against letters purporting to come from prisoners which contain requests for parcels of food or for certain information of military character to be conveyed by means of underlining certain words, which together form phrases. Sometimes it is suggested answers can be written in saliva on the inside of envelopes.

The public is recommended to send these letters to the military authorities. It is said these proceedings are employed by the enemy to obtain information and food parcels for their own use.

The French ministry of war has prohibited the mailing of newspapers and magazines to neutral countries by private persons. Newspapers mailed by publishers or news companies alone will be transmitted. In addition travellers proceeding to neutral countries will no longer be allowed to take newspapers or periodicals across the frontier.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

Big Land Deals

Ranches and Farms in Southern Alberta Change Hands

One of the biggest land deals which has taken place in the Taber district for some years has just been closed whereby Albert Green has disposed of his farm and sheep ranch. The farm has been sold to Mr. Cooledge for $25,000, and Mr. Cooledge has since disposed of a half interest in it. Mr. Green's sheep ranch on Chin coulee consists of several sections and is an ideal sheep grazing area. It has been sold to Ed. Hagerman for $84,000. This, however, does not include the sheep. The ranch is well equipped with buildings, including one of the most modern houses in the south country.

There is a great deal of land changing hands in the Taber district. The Cameron ranch, which was put on the market last fall, is being bought up, partly by new settlers and partly by people living in the Taber district. The outside edge of the ranch on the northwest has all been disposed of to a depth of four or five sections.

With the Fingers! Says Corns Lift Out Without Any Pain

Sore corns, hard corns, soft corns or any kind of a corn can shortly be lifted right out with the fingers if you will apply on the corn a few drops of freezone, says a Cincinnati authority.

At little cost one can get a small bottle of freezone at any drug store, which will positively rid one's feet of every corn or callus without pain or soreness or the danger of infection.

This new drug is an ether compound and dries the moment it is applied and does not inflame or even irritate the surrounding tissue. Just think! You can life off your corns and calluses now without a bit of pain or sorenes. If your druggist hasn't freezone he can easily get a small bottle for you from his wholesale drug house.

Not His Name

Kathleen had been put out to service, and her mistress liked the rosy face of the young girl. One day Kathleen was sent on an errand to town. She was longer than usual and her mistress stood in the porch as she came through the field. Kathleen was happy and her mistress observed:

"Why, Kathleen, what a rosy face you have today! You look as if the dew had kissed you."

Kathleen dropped her eyes, and murmured:

"Indeed, ma'am, but that wasn't his name!"

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Canada's Fine Record

In reciting to the Canadian parliament the fact that Canada has sent 362,000 soldiers to Europe, Premier Borden hight also have mentioned the very notable fact that not one of those soldiers has been lost in transit. In considering this fact it must be remembered that the torpedoing of transports is not in violation of international law, and that the Canadian troops on the ocean did not have even the uncertain protection which Germany's pledges to the United States for a time gave to transatlantic passengers.

It is to be hoped that those in charge of the transporting of American troops to France will seek the advice of those who have directed this service for Canada.

Nights of Agony come in the train of asthma. The victim cannot lie down and sleep is driven from his brain. What grateful relief is the immediate effect of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy. It banishes the frightful conditions, clears the passages, and enables the afflicted to again sleep as soundly and as restfully as a child. Insist on the genuine at your nearby druggist.

Compensation Not Likely

As compensation for the torpedoing of a Spanish ship, the German government offers at the first opportunity to arrange that a fleet of German warships wil lpass a Spanish warship and, flying the Spanish flag, deliver a 21-gun salute. The Madrid Journal remarks (1) the occasion is not likely to arise soon; and (2) it is still a problematical matter whether Germany will have a fleet at the end of the war.

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Needs Explaining

Disappointing—writ with a capital D—is the most likely unpartizan word that does justice to the deliberations of the 900 Liberals who gathered at Winnipeg last week to enunciate the policy of western Liberals in the coming federal election.

In promulgating a platform on which to go before the country the delegates took advanced ground all along the line, but when it came to elucidating its war policy it fell down miserably, offering something which, in view of all the facts, is hardly fish, flesh nor good red herring.

The war resolution adopted by the convention is as follows:

"That in times of peril the entire resources of the country, moral and material, man power and wealth, are justly disposable by the state for the preservation of its national liberties. That the imperative duty of the Canadian people is the continued vigorous prosecution of the war by the mainterance in unimpaired strength at the front of our fighting forces and the taking of all steps necessary to secure the required reinforcements for this purpose,"

On the face of it the foregoing is a fairly circumspect statement of case; implying conscription if not explicitly stating it. But an incident that showed at least some insincerity on the question was furnished when J. G. Lurriff. M.P. for Assiniboia, moved an amendment to make the latter part read " . . . . the taking of all steps necessary to secure the required reinforcements for this purpose by compulsion if necessary."

The press reports all agree that Mr. Luriff's amendment was voted down by an almost overwhelming majority, after which the gathering rose and sang God Save the King—and most people will agree that the sentiment was very appropriate.

As to leadership in the coming fight the following resolution was accepted:

Resolved, that this convention places on record its admiration for the life and work of the greatest of all Canadians, the Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and of his earnest endeavor to carry out his duty as he sees it in the interests of all Canada, respecting our part in this world struggle. We express the hope that his undoubted ability, his long experience, his master statesmanship may be utilized in reuniting the people of Canada in this great crisis and the successful prosecution of the war and the carrying out of the platform laid down in this convention."

Robbed of just a little of its fulsomness as touching Sir Wilfrid's great Canadianism, because there have been occasions when the peerless leader has failed to secure the following of the English-speaking Liberals, the fore part of the resolution may be taken as the usual thing under such circumstances, generally speaking.

The last few clauses. however, are not so palatable in view of Sir Wilfrid's utterances and the actions and statements of his coinpatriots in Quebec—the element, his admirers assure, Sir Wilfrid prefers to stand by even in this crisis for the rather specious reason that if he foresakes them they will rally to soma other leader whose handling of them and their ultimate end none might foretell.

Had this been a gathering of fruit growers, even, trying to formulate a selling plan that would protect themselves and at the same time do justice to the middleman and consumer, one might complacently sit tight and hope for the best. But in a time like this to have a small army of Liberal politicians put forth a statement which we are assured pledges the party to conscription and at the same time endorses the leadership of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, a self-announced anti-conscriptionist—well, to put it mild, the gentlemen who framed and endorsed the platform have a mighty low estimate of the intelligence of the rank and file of the real Liberal party. A writer puts the situation admirably when he says:

"Will those gentlemen at Winnipeg who say they are not anti-conscriptionists, but intend to support Sir Wilfrid Laurier, explain how they reconcile the two positions?

"As for conscription, Sir Wilfrid spoke against it, voted against it, and carried with him against it every member whose vote he could command. If he goes to the country as leader of the Liberal party, that party must accept and support his policy on conscription.

"A man may be a good Liberal and support conscription. He can be a conscriptionist and support Sir Wilfrid."

As a very prominent Liberal remarked on Friday, after reading the convention proceedings, if no further effort is made to put the party in squarely behind conscription and displace Laurier "their goose is cooked." So mote it be.

Wanted, a Lead

Due to the hot weather, the scarcity of labor and the consequent very busy season everyone hereabouts appears to be having just now, it may be well to suspend final judgment as to the seeming falsity of the logic afore-quoted as to waking a man up properly when his pocketbook is endangered.

What we are trying to get at is this, that although it is now almost three weeks since official notices came that the 1917 sur-tax on real and personal property is now due and payable, nothing tangible has eventuated tending to end or mend a matter that must have been the cause of much extra labor in the early part of August for the recording angel charged with setting down the good deeds and also the bad ones of resident British Columbians.

And the aggrevating feature of this inactivity is that unless we get a move on soon 1918 will be with us and we will have to pay all over again, with only this consolation that thanks to a generous boost in assessments last fall the new year's taxes can hardly be higher than the one we are now trying to finance.

And, as if to add insult to injury, although the assessor informs valley taxes have been paid up better this year than for some seasons back, practically nothing has been spent even on necessary repair road work.

The only way out of it is local self government via an organized raral municipality, which is now admitted by all as the only businesslike way of handling affairs; giving better value for the money, ensuring a lower tax rate, providing some say as to where and how work shall be done and who'll do it, and an on-the-spot representative institution that can inform as to whats what and why—and that can be dispensed with if unsatisfactory at least once a year.

In these days when we think and talk democracy, the rights of common folk generally and other hifalutin' stuff of the sort, and still sit idly by while a seeming paternal government despoils right and left it would look as if so many years of spoon feeding by Victoria had deprived us of enough gumption to insist on having the same square deal in this direction as we demand and invariably secure in private business transactions.

It is semi-officially announced that the Valley will have a tax sale this fall, to include all arrears up to and including 1914. Perhaps this will be the proverbial last straw. This failing, may we hope a fellow will turn up of the type the poet was talking about when he said, "I thank thee O Lord! that I have time for things that don't pay dividends." The worm will turn some time, but its a long, long way to Tipperary, seemingly.

A Snap in Ladies' Shoes

Our August offer extraordinary to effect a clearance in drygoods attracted so many buyers that we have decided to offer a similarly attracive proposition in our ladies' footwear section. Here it is:

30 pairs only, Ladies' 3-strap button Dongola Slippers, turn sole, at per pair - - - - - $2.50

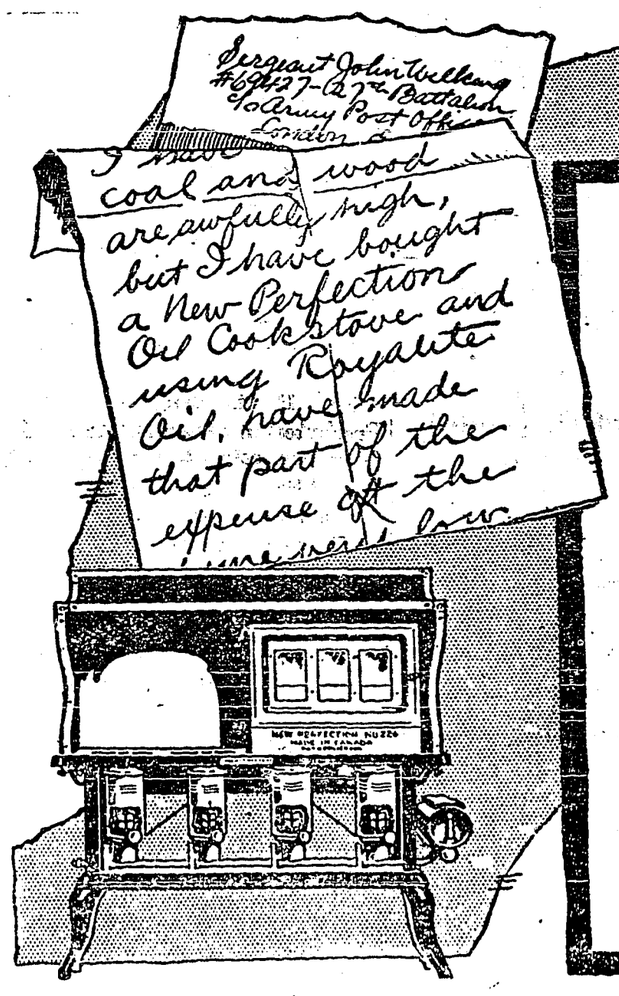
This is a line that should have reached us for spring trade, but owing to the manufacturer being unable to make delivery they just came to hand this week.

We have them in sizes from 2½ to 7, and at this figure you are buying these at August wholesale prices, so rapid has been the advance in leather costs.

If you will be needing anything in this line our advice is buy now. Such value will not be had again till some time after the war is over.

Creston, Aug. 16.

S. A. SPEERS



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The Year's Loss

A local citizen, who should know whereof he speaks, estimates that the exceptionally dry summer will mean a loss of at least $30,000 to the ranchers of Creston Valley this season.

Allowing that ample moisture would have given us a maximum strawberry crop, and admitting that early-season estimate of 20,000 crates of these was correct—which would seem to be so judging by the quantity of crates actually purchased—the difference between the 9000 shipped and the 20,000 expected at $2 per crate, would total up to at least $20,000, with no account taken of other soft fruits, vegetables, and the shrinkage in apples.

An irrigation pipe line, starting at Arrow Creek, and brought to a central point to ensure the efficient watering of the Creston and Erickson sections, has been fairly authoritatively estimated to cost less than $20,000, we are told. Just how much more would have to be added on to this to place the water on each individual ranch is problematical, depending to some extent on how extensively those interested could be induced to cooperate in putting in the necessary pipes to bring the water to their ranches.

That the irrigating idea has caught on there is no gainsaying. We know of at least one rancher who is liable to go partners with a neighbor almost half a mile away to connect up to a stream now running entirely to waste almost two miles distant, if our memory serves us right.

1917, of course, has been the dryest of all recent seasons, but at that it is safe to say that for five or six years back an abundance of water in July would have brought many more crates of raspberries to ripening, to say nothing of the good it would have done hay and vegetables most years as well.

This year the loss is very real and very substantial, and with few exceptions none have escaped entirely. If there is anything to the trite observation about waking a man up when you touch his pocketbook irrigation should be a lively topic, at least, from now on, and a matter on which the local farmers institute might well bestir itself, surely.

Patriotic Fund

Payments into the Creston Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund for July total $94.75, of which amount $20 is from guarantors at Sirdar.

W H Crawford	$80 00
C F Hayes	4 00
Rev M W Lees	6 00
James Cook	1 00
F H Jackson	1 00
Miss B Hardman	3 00
Miss E Dow	4 00
W Carver	1 00
T J Crawford	10 00
H S Peterman	4 00
W D Embree	75
C G Bennett	5 00
A Pendry	5 00
C P R Employees:	
R H Ross	2 00
A R Swanson	3 00
W Zyph	2 00
E J Good	3 00
G H Thompson	2 00
R Dennes	2 00
T Aspay	2 00
P Oberbo	2 00
J McDiarmid	2 00

Whether the fund will continue to operate after the close of its year in November is at present uncertain. Some of the branches, notably all those embraced in the South Alberta group, have notified that they consider this work should be financed by the government direct, and it is just possible the authorities at Ottawa will accede to the request.

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NEWS OF KOOTENAYS

280 men are on the Granby Co. payroll at its mines at Phoenix.

Sheep are being shipped from Vernon to P. Burns & Co., Calgary.

Cranbrook is also having a flower show this year, on August 21.

Rev. G. S. Wood has resigned the pastorate of the Presbyterian church, Kaslo.

C. A. Lafferty, a Porthill rancher, says his hay crop this year is the best in 20 years.

The shingle mill at Sandon is being rebuilt. It will have a capacity of 200,000 a day.

Since the miners went back to work the cost of coal at Fernie has risen $1.10 per ton.

East Kootenay Women's Institute will have a conference at Cranbrook, Sept. 4, 5 and 6.

A Red Cross sock day at Grand Forks last month got the society 162 pairs of hosiery.

F. E. Archer, Kaslo's cherry king, expects to ship at least three tons of that fruit this year.

Golden had a display of northern lights on Wednesday last that was the best in 15 years.

Cranbrook auto association has logged the road between that town and Crowsnest and also Kingsgate.

Mr. Richardson of Fort Steele has been appointed Masonic D.D.G.M. for Southeast Kootenay.

Chief of police Brown at Fernie is now drawing $135 per month, and the police $95 per month.

The first fall wheat ever harvested in Kaslo has just been cut on the James Spiers' orchard.

The Roman Catholic church at Trail was destroyed by fire on Thursday morning. It was built 20 years ago.

Kaslo council is paying $6.50 per cord for the green fir and tamarac wherewith to heat the city hall this winter.

Rev. H. A. Bain, who has been Presbyterian pastor at Sandon for six years has retired to accept a church at the coast.

The Trout Lake shingle mill is running a day and a night shift now, and regular shipments of shingles are being sent out.

Last year the Crows Nest Pass collieries, produced 240,121 tons of coke. The collieries at the coast produced 27,604 tons.

Trail Chinamen have opened a reading room of their own. There are some 100 Chinks now resident at the metallurgical mecca.

A baseball tournament of teams from Kimberley, Wardner, Fernie and Cranbrook will be a feature of the fair in that city next month.

On and after August 1st all the milk dealers in Greenwood will charge 12½ cents a quart for milk, and 80 cents a quart for cream.

Nakusp has the foundation in for a new hospital but cannot go further until a government grant is received —and there in none in sight.

Ledge: The highest temperature in Greenwood during July, was 100 in the shade. The lowest was 30 in the moonlight—two degrees of frost.

The directors of the Cranbrook Agriculturol Association are endeavoring to arrange for a special train from Sirdar to Cranbrook on September 13th.

Two returned soldiers convalescing at the sanitorium at Balfour were drowned Thursday night in Kootenay Lake while returning by canoe from Proctor.

30 people attended the war anniversary meeting at Cranbrook on August 4th. The slim attendance was probably due to the fact that it was a morning meeting.

Herald: Looking back over the cherry season it is gratifying to note that not only has the yield in the Penticton district been of excellent quality as well as quantity, but prices have also been satisfactory. Cherry growers here have had an excellent year.

Kootenaian: All the members of the Kaslo roundhouse staff have received a raise in wages of $5 per month. Notwithstanding this it is almost impossible to get wipers, as wages in various other lines are proving too attractive to the rising generation of young men.

With the exception of the Rossland mines the shipment of ore in the Kootenay and Boundary district is about 75 per cent. of its normal quantity now owing to the movement of coke following the settlement of the coal strike.

Publicity Week For Reclamation

Messrs. Bennett, R. Stark and Hayes, the board of trade's special publicity committee in connection with Kootenay Flats reclamation as a returned soldiers' proposition, have selected this week for their effort in this connection. The story, which follows, has been sent out in typewritten form to all the daily papers in B.C., as well as all the weeklies in Kootenay and Boundary, and the bigger ones in the Okanagan, with a nicely worded request for its publication in full or in part, and an editorial reference to it if convenient. In addition it has been supplied to the leading dailies in the prairie provinces, with a like request. Here's the article.

Creston, B.C. Board of Trade is taking up with the National Service Board of Canada, as well as the provincial authorities, a very comprehensive scheme of providing employment for returned soldiers, which, if undertaken, will, when completed, provide also an ideal location under most favorable conditions for those of the veterans who care to follow agriculture as an after-war vocation.

Briefly stated the proposition is to reclaim 25,000 acres of land in Kootenay River Valley, employing returned men on the work and allowing such of them as care to attempt agriculture tracts of the reclaimed land adjoining each other, so as to enable the B.C. Government to put into practical effect the returned soldier farm colony scheme.

The scheme is one unique in its way, being the uncovering from flood waters of a big inland delta of richest alluvial deposit brought down by the Kootenay River and formed at the southern extremity of Kootenay Lake.

The Kootenay River, with its tributaries, draining the whole of the western slopes of the Rocky Mountains in B.C., and the Selkirk ranges, after a bold sweep southward running into the United States as far as Bonners Ferry, Idaho, from that point turns directly north again to B.C. and Kootenay Lake. At the same time the Lardo River and others run into the lake at the other end and the combined volume of water passes out toward the centre of the lake by a passage called the West Arm, like the downward stroke of a gigantic T, past Nelson and Bonnington Falls to join the Columbia River.

The outlet of the West Arm is, however, so restricted in size that it is unable to cope with the enormous volume of water which every spring rushes down from the melting snows of this vast watershed, with the result that Kootenay Lake itself is formed, for the time being, into an inland sea, raising its level during June and July at time 20 feet above its normol height. When this takes place the Kootenay River meets this flood-tide at its entrance to the lake heavily laden with earthy matter from the mountain, deposits them there, a film of fertility which in the course of unknown geological time has become a bed a hundred feet in depth of richest alluvial soil.

The reclamation has solely to do with the enlarging of the lake's outlet. In 1913 a preliminary survey was made by Engineer Muerling, who in his findings reported favourably on the project, but asked for a more thorough examination of the whole territory before making a final decision. With the outbreak of the war the next year the scheme was, for the time being, abandoned. American engineers have also spent two seasons on the work and their report, made public about two months ago, was strongly in favour of the work being proceeded with, the estimated cost being a little over $2,000,000.

The fertility of the soil has been proven. In years when the snowfall is light, and there is no flooding, these lands readily yield 100 bushels of oats, 65 bushels of wheat and 15 tons of potatoes to the acre. Including the Idaho area almost 65,000 acres would be reclaimed, and that State is pledged to pay its pro rata per-acre cost of the work.

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The week is appropriately chosen so far as B.C. is concerned. Provided it gets the consideration it is reasonably sure to in the provincial press, with the legislature in session and John Keen, M.P.P., handy to press the matter home, the time would seem to be exceptionally opportune to focus the attention of the ministers at Victoria on the proposition, as well as the drainage meeting at Creston next month.

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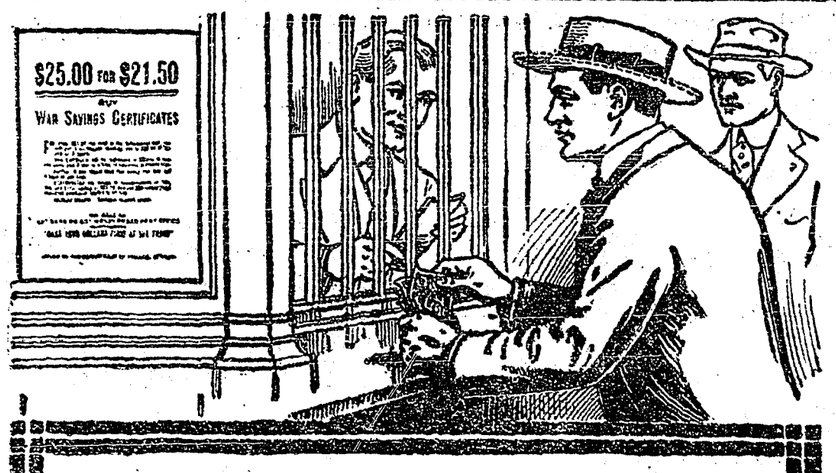

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Gertrude pondered over this answer for a moment. Then she remarked thoughtfully to the charge.

"But how do you know when you have finished?" she asked.

Ben Grey, the song writer, went to the corner market near his home in East Cleveland to buy three lamb chops for his dog Bruce.

"I don't buy chops for him usually," he said. "This is a treat for his birthday. I gentleman I dislike." Cleveland Press.

High Heels and War

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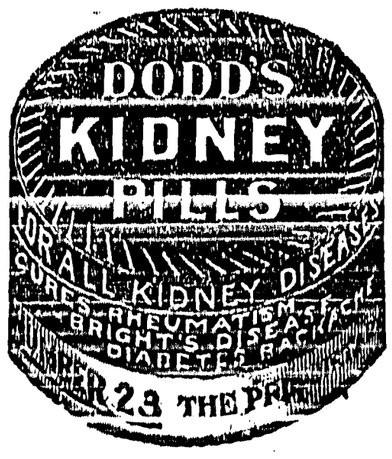
"Why, she may have lockjaw," said the medical man.

"Do you think so? Well, if you are up this way some time next week I wish you would step in and see what you can do for her."—Harper's.

Germany is now busy establishing a Zeppelin route from Hamburg to Constantinople. There seems to have been some sort of a slip-up in the regular sailings from Berlin to London.—Montreal Star.



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Hilda dropped into one of the elbow chairs and waited. This room, too, was quiet as the places she had traversed in reaching it—it might have been a sound-proof, fire-proof, steel-walled vault in the underground regions of a Lombard Street bank. She heard no sound prefacing the entrance of von Roon; the door opened noiselessly to admit him. And behind him Hilda saw the bland countenance of Mr. Barthelemy.

The two men advanced to the table and drew up chairs to it. Barthelemy rested his hands on the edge of the table, joined the tips of his fingers together, and looked over the rims of his spectacles first at Hilda, then at von Roon. And von Roon at once plunged into the business of the moment.

"Very well, then," he said. "Now we talk." He glanced at Hilda. "You may have concluded," he continued, "seeing that he is present, that Mr. Barthelemy is with me—with us—in this affair. He and I are—co-speculators in it. You are now to come in. Mr. Barthelemy"—he turned to the proprietor of the Amaranth—"Mr. Barthelemy is already acquainted with what you have done at Ashminster, at my suggestion and on my instructions. Mr. Barthelemy approves."

Mr. Barthelemy nodded his great head and tapped his fingers together.

"Excellent, excellent!" he said unctuously. "A very nice beginning—nothing could have been better. I congratulate Mrs. Tressingham, heartily."

Hilda nodded her acknowledgments. Then she turned sharply on von Roon.

"Come!" she said. "What is it? The scheme."

Von Roon smiled, and drew his chair nearer to the table.

"Yes," he said, "the scheme. It is a very simple thing—in idea, and to tell. Listen, then. This young Mr. Ellington has been appointed Civil Lord of the Admiralty. He will accordingly come into possession of all the secrets of the Admiralty. He is, therefore, a person to know. Now—you know him. Eh?"

"And," said Barthelemy, watching Hilda closely, "Mrs. Tressingham will no doubt make it her business to know him better—much better."

Hilda gave Barthelemy a look and turned to von Roon.

"What do you want?" she asked in a matter-of-fact tone.

"This," answered von Roon. "There will shortly be in existence, on paper, for very secret circulation only amongst those of the Government who are particularly interested in it, a scheme for an important—a most important—development in the future arrangements of the British Navy. It is so important that, to possess knowledge of it, those for whom we—Mr. Barthelemy and myself—are acting, will pay a great price. Naturally, this young man will be in possession of the papers relating to this scheme. And"—he paused for a moment and looked keenly at Hilda—"we must have them. Even if it be but for an hour, we must have them! You understand?"

Hilda made no immediate answer. Instead she stretched her hand across the table and picked up a cigarette from an open case which Barthelemy had laid down before him. The club proprietor hastened to supply her with a match.

"Now," she said after she had smoked the cigarette half way through, during which time the two men watched her silently, "when is this paper likely to be in this man's hands?"

"Probably about the middle of the coming November," replied von Roon with promptitude.

"You can tell that to a week."

"To a week—yes."

"But, how shall I know when he is in possession of it? It is not a thing that will be announced in the newspapers," remarked Hilda. Von Roon smiled.

"We shall be able to tell you the exact moment when it is in his possession," he answered. "We have many sources of information. But, there is no way of getting that paper so likely as through—you."

"You realize that it will not be an easy matter," observed Hilda.

"We realize that it will not be at all an easy matter," replied von Roon.

"Then perhaps you have some suggestions to make as to how I am to do it?" she said. "Tell me them."

But von Roon shook his head with a smile, and Barthelemy spread out his plump fingers.

"No!" said von Roon. "As to the method and manner, we would rather leave that to you. As a woman, you will have no difficulty in evolving your own scheme. Pursue your own plans—it is better."

"Far better," agreed Barthelemy. "Unaided."

"Very well," said Hilda, after a pause. "Very well. I shall do my best. And now, what do I get?"

The question was prompt. Von Roon's answer came as promptly.

"Place that paper in my hands for one hour and you shall have five thousand pounds," he said.

"Cash," supplemented Barthelemy. "Cash!"

Hilda nodded without speaking. Presently she rose. The two men rose with her.

"That is all—just now," said Barthelemy, looking at von Roon.

"Ah!" answered von Roon. "For the present."

They moved towards the door, but Hilda suddenly paused.

"A moment," she said. "Mr. Barthelemy, on my return tonight I noticed a new member of the club. A man, Mr. Richard Avory. Now, I want to know who is he? Do you?"

Barthelemy, lifting a hand to the door, paused in the action, looking wonderingly at Hilda.

"Mr. Richard Avory?" he said. "Why yes, I know him. Of course I know everyone who joints the Amaranth. You, too, then, know him?"

"I have met him once. Under circumstances which made it surprising to me to meet him—here."

Barthelemy stared at her; then at von Roon. And Hilda went on:

"I met this Mr. Avory at the Ellington's at lunch. He seemed to me to be—well, in pursuit of Miss Marcia Ellington. Now, they are so very Puritanical and priggish that——"

Barthelemy laughed, waving a hand.

"Ah, my dear madam, the young man is in pursuit of his young lady's fortune!" he said. "I know all about that little matter. Re-assure yourself, Mr. Avory has been known to me for some time. He is—all right."

"Oh!" said Hilda, taken aback. "Well, I only thought that it might be a little awkward for me, as things are, to be meeting Miss Ellington's young man at the Amaranth. You see?"

Barthelemy waved his hand again.

"It is all right—all right!" he said. "Re-assure yourself, then, my dear lady. I know all the frequenters of the Amaranth. And now"—he looked at his companions—"a little play, perhaps an hour, eh?"

CHAPTER X.

Hereditary Passion

For a moment these three people, all concerned with each other in more than one venture, yet conscious that each had ventures which were peculiarly their own individual affairs, eyed one another narrowly. Mr. Barthelemy looked at his two companions as a highly respectable spider might be supposed to regard two eligible flies for whom he entertains a wish that they could be transformed into members of his own species. Von Roon regarded Hilda with a certain anxiety—the sort of anxiety that one sometimes sees in the eyes of an older and more experienced player of a game who is put in charge of a tyro of whom he has hopes, but whom he considers to be a little raw and more than a little rash. As for Hilda, she stood for a second or two drumming her slender fingers on the table from which they had just risen; when she looked up it was to give Mr. Barthelemy a quick, curious glance in which there was a certain amount of suspicion.

"Before I say anything about that Mr. Barthelemy," she said, "I'm going to ask you a question and I expect a straight answer. Is Isidore Bernstein still coming here?"

Mr. Barthelemy glanced at von Roon and smiled. It was a smile of knowledge and understanding, and a swift one; he turned and transferred it to Hilda, but in the mere act of turning it became transformed and showed itself to her as a fatherly and almost protecting smile; a smile that would have done credit to a patriarch.

"My dear lady!" said Mr. Barthelemy, "you have been out of town. Consequently you have not heard the news."

"Having had little else to do," retorted Hilda, "I have read the Times and the Morning Post from the front page to the last every day—every scrap of them."

(To Be Continued.)

Not Effective With Torpedo Only

In the French official report of losses of merchantmen by submarines it is especially signified that of twenty-eight attacked, eighteen escaped, twelve of them from gunfire. Only two vessels attacked with guns were sunk. The more submarines are forced to depend upon their torpedoes, as the arming of merchant ships increases, the less effective they are proving.—New York World.

A carman charged with overloading his horse was asked how heavy a load he had on his truck. "About a ton," he replied, "but it was all light stuff."

Fly Poison Perils

A Recent Bulletin Contains Warning Against All Composed of Arsenic

In the war on flies there is peril in the use of arsenic poison. The press reports of poison cases are appalling, especially when one realizes that they show only a fraction of the actual number. But this fraction amounted to 106 cases in the past three years, a large percentage of which were fatal. All because people use arsenic fly paper or the arsenic poison cans to rid their homes of flies, putting this deadliest of all poisons within children's reach.

Doctor Ernest A. Sweet, passed assistant surgeon of the United States Public Health Service has this to say in a public health report bulletin, entitled "The Transmission of Disease by Flies," mention should be made merely for the purpose of condemnation of those fly poisons composed of arsenic. Fatal cases of the poisoning of children through the use of such compounds are far too frequent, and owing to the resemblance of arsenical poisoning to summer diarrohea and cholera infantum it is believed that the cases reported do not, by any means, comprise the total. Arsenical fly destroying devices must therefore be rated as extremely dangerous and should never be used, even if other measures are not at hand."

With this government warning, mothers should find other means to keep the home clear of flies. A can of arsenic fly poison, or a saucer containing the arsenic paper, carelessly set on a window sill, is inviting disaster to the little ones.

We have ceased talking about the H.C.L. Hereafter we will say "the high cost of trying to live."—Life.

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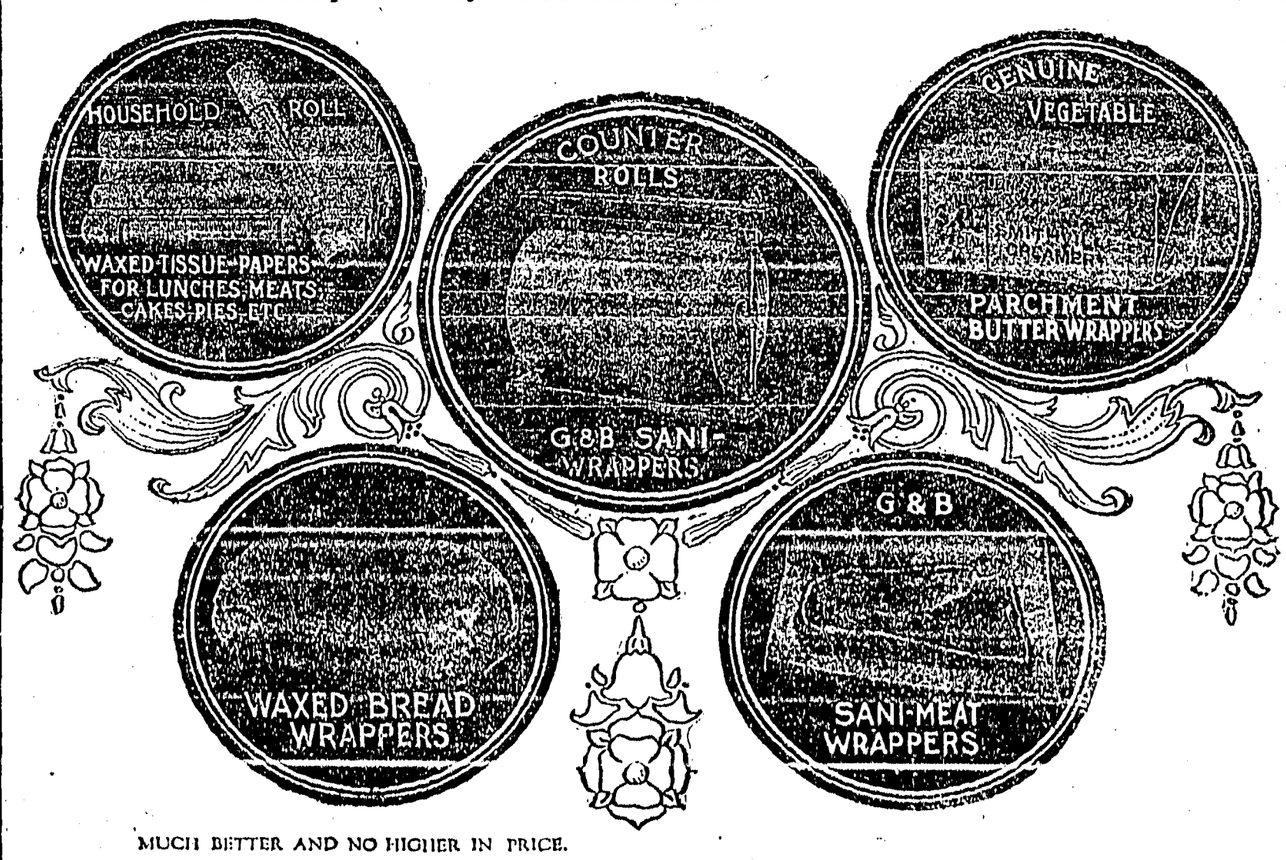

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District Meeting

The yearly financial district meeting of the Methodist Church of the East Kootenay District will be held in the Methodist Church, Creston on Monday and Tuesday next. On Monday night, Aug. 20th, a public meeting and congregattonal rally will be held in the church. Addresses will be given by Rev. J. H. White, D.D., and Rev. J. F. Shaw of Fernie, and Thos. Keyworth of Cranbrook, interspersed with songs, etc., and light refreshments served at the close.

Narrow Escape

Gordon Spiers miraculously escaped a fatal accident on Monday afternoon. He had gotten hold of a number of dynamite caps and while in the act of driving one of them into a plank it exploded, badly injuring him in one arm and leg, as well as the abdomen. The strange feature of the affair is that the cap that exploded was the fifth one he had used the hammer on, the other four having, apparently, been spoiled by water. He was taken to Dr. Henderson's surgery where his injuries were attended to, and he is now coming around as well as could be expected.

The school trustees have their regular August session on Monday night next. So far only one tender has come in for the supply of wood for the school this term.

F. Aiken is in town this week after spending some time up Summit Creek. He reports that the bad forest fire up there played havoc with a couple of limits in the neighborhood of the Yale-Columbia holdings.

Local and Personal

J. T. Black, Nelson, provincial police chief, was a visitor here on Tuesday, returning the same evening.

Although the end of the season is in sight raspberry shipments from the Valley are still averaging 100 crates a day.

See our window display of new china, just opened. Come in and inspect our line of quick cookers.—F. H. Jackson.

Mrs. A. Manuel and one of the boys are holidaying for a couple of weeks with friends at Blairmore, Frank and Bellevue, Alta.

POULTRY FOR SALE—90 two-months old chickens, also 90 one-year old hens, White Leghorns, going cheap for cash.—T. Trevelyan, Creston.

Very close to $500 has already been collected in poll tax in the Creston Valley, and there are still a few more liable who have not liquidated as yet.

Creston band and orchestra have been secured to supply the music for the ladies' guild dance in the Parish Hall on the evening of Labor Day, Sept. 3rd.

R. B. Masterton was a visitor at Cranbrook a couple of days the early part of the week. He motored down with C. H. Clair, who returned to Coleman on Tuesday.

The English Church Suuday School scholars had their usual summer outing on Wednesday, when an afternoon of games, etc., followed by supper was held at the Parish Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Morrison and C. A. Clair of Coleman motored through the latter part of the week, for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Manuel, the two former continuing on a trip to the coast.

At their August meeting last Friday night Creston Womens' Institute selected Mrs. H. B. Downs as delegate to the Kootenay W.I. convention to be held at Cranbrook the fore part of September.

W. Anstie of Reyelstoke was chosen Liberal candidate for West Kootenay at the party nominating convention at Revelstoke on Tuesday. The Conservatives are expected to re-nominate R. F. Green.

There is some demand at present for game licenses but due to the closed season for grouse the rush for these permits is not expected to be as great as a year ago, when 219 of them of all classes were issued.

The girls who passed the recent high school exams. and who will be attending school out of town the coming term, were given an informal sendoff in the shape of a dance at the Auditorium on Tuesday night.

Things generally will be fairly active hereabouts next month. On the 5th the Women's Institute fall fair. The 13th the fair at Cranbrook, and some date at the end of the month the big drainage meeting at Creston.

J. G. Savage, of the fruit firm of Plunkett & Savage, Calgaay, accompanied by his wife, were week end visitors at Creston. Mr. Savage is just returning from a motor trip through the fruit section of the Okanagan as well.

Mr. Richardson, Fort Steele, this year's Masonic D.D.G.M. for East Kootenay, is expected to pay the Creston lodge an official visit the latter part of the month. It is possible Grand Master Corsan of Fernie will accompany him.

The train stop at Smith's crossing was discontinued on Tuesday, the berry shipments having fallen to about a dozen crates a day. Now a fruit shed has been built there it is likely the C.P.R. will be asked to make tnat point a flag station.

Fred Ryckman, Indian constable, of Cranbrook, was here for a few days fishing at Summit Creek the latter part of the week. Miss Ella Ryckman, who has been visiting her mother at the ranch here for a couple of weeks returned on Monday.

"Frisky," one of the best known equines in the Spiers livery stable, was killed by a westbound freight north of town on Monday morning. Owing to his easy-driving non-shy habits this steed was very popular with lady drivers and his passing is mourned accordingly.

The absence of the Indians the last two weeks, who are away helping elect cheifs at reserves across the line, created an acute shortage of berry pickers. Their abcence and the fact that the fruit is getting scarce sent the price for picking up as high as three cents a cup on some ranches.

PIGS FOR SALE—Two brood sows for sale, one year old. L. Leamy, Creston.

Mrs. Henderson and children left on Wednesday to spend a few days with friends at Kitchener.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Adlard of Cranbrook were here for the week-end, guests of his brother and Mrs. Jas. Adlard.

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FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS FOR SALE.—Also house to rent. Apply MRS. ATTRIDGE, Creston.

The board of trade have named Saturday, Sept. 29, as the date of the big international drainage conference at Creston.

The fair directors are busy trying to arrange a special train from Creston to Cranbrook for the fair in that town on Sept. 13th.

HORSE AND HARNESS FOR SALE—Heavy work horse and set heavy harness, quiet animal, harness in good shape. Apply REVIEW Office.

Miss Jean Spiers of Oak Lake, Man., who has been a guest of her brother, and Mrs. J. D. Spiers, for the past month, left for home on Saturday.

Mrs. J. A. Bain and children of Pincher Creek, Alta., arrived on Thursday last to spend a few weeks with Mrs. R. S. Smith, Mr. Bain being absent on overseas service.

R. Helme, who is in charge of the Dominion Express Co. business in B.C., accompanied by Mrs. Helme, of Vancouver, are here for a few days' with Mr. and Mrs. John Hobden.

The game regulations for this season have just been issued. The one startling change is that no grouse may be shot this year. The deer season opens on Sept. 1st, and ducks and geese on Sept. 15th.

J. F. Rose left on Monday for Revelstoke where he attended the nominating convention of the West Kootenay Liberals the following evening, as delegate of the Creston Valley association.

Creston's school population is rejoicing mightily at present. The trustees are notified that school opening has been postponed a week, and the session will not start now until Tuesday, Sept. 4th.

Mr. Browson, the new principal of Creston school, accompanied by Mrs. Browson, arrived on Wednesday from the coast, where they have spent the summer holiday. They are taking a house on Victoria Avenue.

R. Sinclair Smith, who went overseas with the first Canadian contingent almost three years ago, has completed an officer's training course in an English military school, and has graduated with the rank of lieutenant.

The final payments on strawberries, along with all the other fruit handled in July, was made by the Union on Tuesday. The average price for the season on strawberries is $2.57 per crate, and the Union handled 2863 crates of them.

We purpose having on sale in a few days a very large consignment of graniteware, which will sell at prices below to day's cost. It will pay you to replenish your stock from this shipment. Watch for announcement next week.—S. A. Speers.

G. Mawson, who is one of the 1600 employees at the smelter at Trail arrived on Sunday to spend a ten-day vacation with his parents here. Now that an ample supply of coke is available the big smelting plant is operating the largest force in its history.

If there is a likely looking lot of prizes offered it is likely Creston Women's Institute will send along a display of fancy work to the Cranbrook fair, in conjunction with the showing of products the board of trade is making at that exhibition this year.

The absence of the Indians from town is explained in the fact that this is a sort of general election time with them. Last week it was Bonner's Ferry where an advisory chief had to be chosen, and from there they proceeded to Cusock, Wash., where a similar function was staged.

The latest list of Canadians to receive the Military Cross shows the name of Capt. R. G. Bennett, who has been overseas with an artillery corps for over two years. He is a brother to G. G. Bennett of Creston, and before enlisting was with the Bank of Montreal at Lumby, B.C.

The necessary petition asking for the removal of the Kootenay River ferry to a new location near the Goat River bridge, was forwarded Engineer McPherson this week. With bnt one exception every permanent resident across the river signed the list, which also contained the signatures of many at-present absentee land owners.

The directors of the Western Belle Mining Co.—a sextette of Porthill and Spokane financiers—were here on Monday for a special meeting of the company. The company have some 200 tons of ore on the dump at the property up Summit Creek and have just secured enough finance to go on with a 1000-foot tunnel. They will be shipping ore to Trail the early part of next year.

FALL FAIR—Through a printer's error a special prize offered by Andy Miller does not appear in the prize list. He offers one dozen rose bushes to the lady taking the most prizes at the exhibition, the bushes to be delivered in the spring. The directors have just been advised that the government prize for the best in packed apples by pupils of the 1917 school has been cut to $7.50, $5 and $2.50, instead of just double that amount in each case. Three, instead of five, boxes are to be shown.

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