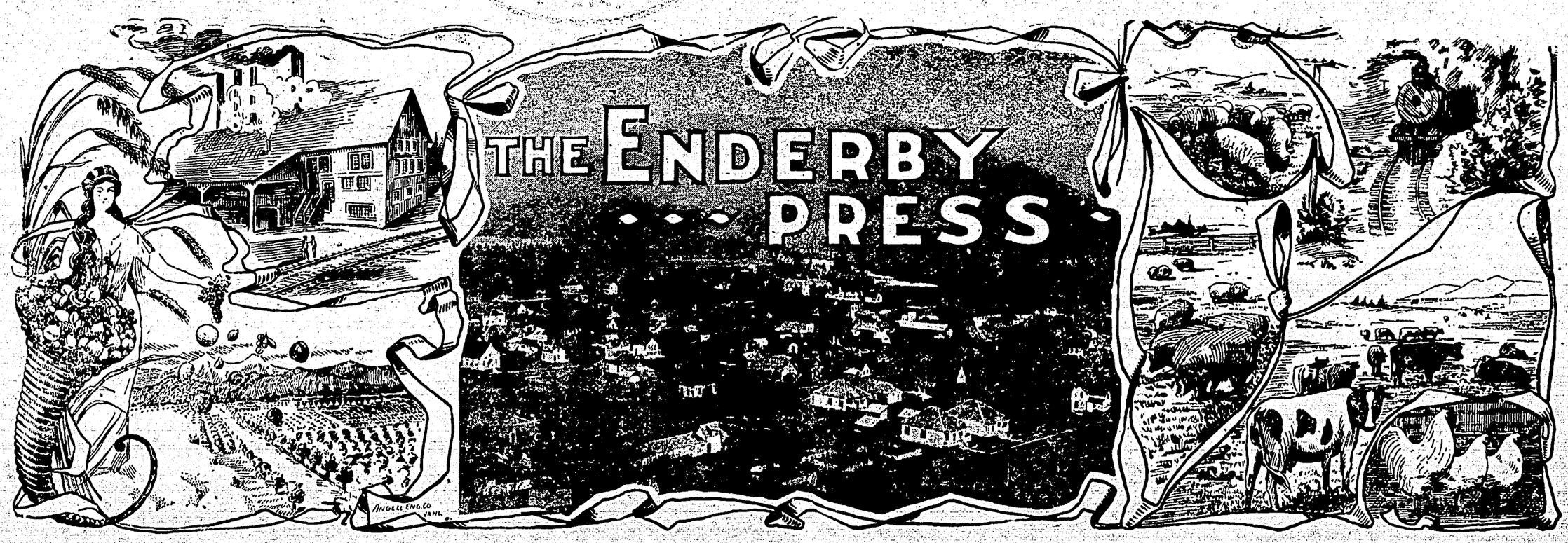

Enderby, B. C., March 2, 1916 AND WALKER'S WEEKLY Vol. 9; No. 1; Whole No. 417

News Notes of Enderby and District Briefly Told for Busy Readers

Good morning! Is your apple jack Wing, y?

Mr. W. H. Embrey has enlisted at Vernon.

Mr. Hugh Heggie was up from Vernon Tuesday evening.

Mr. R. Chadwick left last week for Kamloops to enlist.

Mr. Herebrt Teece left Friday for Vancouver on a very important mission.

The first sitting of the court of revision was held at the City Hall last evening.

Mr. Lewis, of the Okanagan Saw Mills, spent the week in Vancouver on business.

Rev. r. Beattie exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Beamish, of Salmon Arm on Sunday.

Mr. D. A. McLeod is finishing a very commodious porch addition to his Regent street home.

Rev. and Mrs. Dow and son left Monday for San Diego, Cal., where they will spend a month or two.

Indian Agent Brown and Interpreter Isaac Harris are visiting the Spallumcheen reserve this week.

Miss Jean Sparrow left Monday for Rocanville, Sask., where she will spend some time visiting relatives.

Ratepayers are reminded that they are privileged to pay their past year's taxes as well as those of 1916 in instalments if they so desire.

After a few weeks of tie-up, cars are again available for the Okanagan Saw Mills, and lumber shipments are coming up to normal.

Mr. Thos. Woods returned to his Alberta farm this week. He has a crop valued at $4,000 yet to move before Spring work in the fields begins.

Several citizens, after a month of "no water" worries, this week went after it with pick, shovel and trench fires, and are today wearing a pure-water smile.

The ladies of Mara gave a leap year dance in M. M. & A. A. hall Tuesday evening, and we are informed that it proved one of the best affairs of the kind ever held there.

The first robin of Spring was reported Tuesday morning. He was making an estimate of the repairs needed on last season's nest in the orchard of Mr. Jas. Johnson.

In the County Court at Vernon last week judgement was given for the plaintiff in the suit of Wilfred B. Gosnell against P. W. Chapman, for the sum of $268.58 and costs.

Persons who are in a position to give employment to returned soldiers are requested to communicate with the secretary of the Enderby branch of the Canadian Returned Soldiers Commission, Mr. C. S. Ryan.

Don't forget the meeting of citizens of the town and district which has been called for Saturday afternoon at the City Hall for the purpose of organizing a Good Roads society. It will be of interest to everybody and all are invited to attend.

Announcement is made by the Provincial Game Warden that until further notice no more bounties of any kind will be paid on wild animals. Bounties have been paid on 8,000 coyotes this year by the Department, meaning $25,000 for coyotes alone.

A number of young people on pleasure bent, were chaperoned to the home of Mr. W. J. Fenton the other evening, as a surprise party. They report having spent one of the happiest evenings of their lives at Mr. Fenton's home and declare he is one of the best of entertainers.

The annual meeting of the Enderby Growers' Association is to be held Saturday afternoon at 1.30 in K. of P. Hall. The most important business to be transacted will be the appointment of a manager, to take the place of Mr. Jas. S. Dixon, who has resigned in order to enlist with the 103rd Battalion.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Ahier and child left for Ottawa on Friday. After a week or so spent in that vicinity they will proceed to England where Mr. Ahier will be commissioned to proceed to one of the Grecian Islands in the Mediterranean, to take charge of a large magnesite mine. His term of service will be three years.

All former members of the Northern Okanagan Farmers' Institute, and all desiring to join for the first time, are urged to pay the membership fee of 50c as early as possible. If you can not get in touch with the secretary, Mr. Handcock, and are in Enderby you are invited to leave your name at the Walker Press, where the official receipt for the membership fee will be given.

A theatrical entertainment will be given on March 16th in K. of P. Hall in aid of the Red Cross Fund. The old familiar farce "The Area Bella" will be on the program, those taking part being Miss Hazel Stevens, Miss Robinson, Mr. C. F. Bigge, Mr. Geo. W. Hughes and Mr. Clifford Greyell. There will also be given an amusing dialogue by Mr. and Mrs. R. E. T. Forster, and songs and choruses. A few reserved seats, 50c; general admission, 25c.

The concert and dance given at Grindrod school last Friday evening proved a decided success. After all expenses were paid the committee were able to turn over $60 to the Red Cross. The Mara orchestra certainly put up splendid music for the dancing, which continued until 4 a.m., when all went home feeling thoroughly satisfied with the night's entertainment. The Press is requested to thank all those who assisted in making the affair such a success.

The large audience which attended the picture show at the Opera House Saturday evening last was more than pleased with the excellent program shown. The Master Key finished just as everybody wanted it to, and the closing scenes left a pleasant feeling in the heart of all. The Diamond from the Sky serial has already won a warm place in the heart of patrons of the house. And the accompanying comedies and dramas that go with it are of a very high order, and are heartily received.

Rev. J. P. Westman, who, 15 years ago, filled the pulpit in the Methodist Church at Vernon, but now is representative-at-large for that church, with headquarters at Toronto, spoke to the children of Enderby in the Methodist Sunday School room last Friday evening, illustrating his very interesting talk with slides showing many beautiful and instructive scenes of Canadian industries and development along the lines of better citizenship and a fuller life, for the individual and the mass.

Resolution of Sympathy

At a meeting of the Kamloops Presbytery which was held in Vernon on Feb. 15th, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved that the Presbytery of Kamloops desire to express their heartfelt sympathy for Mr. Dow and his family in their severe affliction, and pray that our Gracious God, who hath torn may also heal through His Grace and the gentle ministry of His Love, that His servants, in the benevolent compensations of His Providence, may experience in wonderful measure the upholding of His Power, and be granted an enlarged and bountiful ministry of sympathy and love in this world of sin and pain.

The Presbytery desire to voice their admiration for the Christian heroism and indomitable faith in which Mr. Dow and his family have met their affliction, and have overcome by the Grace of God.

They also would bear sincere testimony to the high regard in which Mr. Dow is held by his fellow ministers, to his lovable disposition, his splendid services for the Master in both East and West, strongly enforced by his noble personality and life, his powerful influence for good as a man and citizen, his rich and effective ministry in Christ, and his geniality and wisdom as a co-presbyter and convener. And we fervently pray that he, together with his esteemed wife, may be speedily restored to their wonted energy and devotion in the Master's work.

The gross earnings of the Red Cross tea rooms for February are reported at $58.65. Expenses, including rent, $17.05; balance for month, $41.60. The committee desire to thank most heartily all assisting in the work.

Mr. J. E. Crane is visiting the coast cities.

Bread low? See Joe.

I find that I must close out my Cement Building Block and Brick business in Enderby, and am prepared to dispose of the following:

One Building Lot, 60x120, with storehouse and workshed.
Two Cement Brick Machines,
Building Block Machine,
Veneer Block Machine,
Pier Block Machine,
Moulds for Cemetery Supplies

Any reasonable offer considered. Cash or terms. For further particulars apply—

J. S. JOHNSTONE, Enderby

WANTED — For cash; must be cheap; general purpose horse; must be quiet and a good worker; also one-horse wagon. S. H. Neal, Mara, B.C. m2-2

City Council Petitioned to Make Grant in Aid of Cottage Hospital

All members of the City Council were present at the regular meeting held Monday evening, and business of considerable importance to the city was transacted.

After the reading of the minutes and their adoption, Mr. H. G. Davies, secretary of the Hospital Board, appeared before the meeting and read a petition signed by 78 citizens, asking the Council to make a grant to the board of $35 per month for the assistance of the Cottage Hospital. Also placing before the Council a letter from Mr. S. Polson addressed to the mayor and aldermen offering to donate to the city the property known as the Worthington house, on George street, provided the city will take over an $800 mortgage thereon with overdue interest, and, further, that the property shall be used in perpetuity for the purpose of a public hospital, and no other. Mr. Davies estimated the property to be worth at least $3,000, and on behalf of the Hospital Board, expressed the hope that the Council would accept the offer.

In considering the propositions made by Mr. Davies, there was strong opposition to the question of the monthly grant asked for on the part of Aldermen Faulkner and Pell, who took the stand that as this matter had already been voted upon by the ratepayers and failed to carry, they did not think the present Council could take it upon themselves to make the grant asked for. In the matter of accepting the offer made by Mr. Polson, it was moved by Ald. Faulkner and Ald. Johnston and duly carried, that the matter be left in the hands of Ald. Nichol, chairman of the health committee, to wait upon Mr. Davies and ascertain from him whether it would be possible to have the condition binding the city to use the property, if accepted, for hospital purposes only, withdrawn.

The shops regulation repeal bylaw passed its second and third reading and was duly sealed. Loan bylaw No. 91 the same.

Ald. Johnston and Ald. Sharpe moved that Mr. John McPherson be appointed caretaker for the cemetery, on the understanding that the fee to be charged by him for the digging of graves shall not exceed $5 in any case, and that if at any time it were desired by persons in charge of an interment to dig the grave themselves, they should be at liberty to do so, under the supervision of the caretaker. The motion carried, Ald. Pell against and Ald. Faulkner not voting. In explantion of his vote, Ald. Pell stated that he preferred to see the city itself pay the caretaker a reasonable salary for taking care of the cemetery and the charge for grave digging to remain at $3.

The clerk was instructed to prepare an amending bylaw to the Cemetery Regulations Bylaw, raising the fee from $3 to $5, to comply with this motion.

Taking up the matters brought up in the address from the chair submitted at the last meeting of the Council, it was decided to interview Mr. Stevens, manager of the Okanagan Saw Mills, with regard to the contract at present existing between his company and the city for the supply of electric current; also to get an estimate of the cost of repairing the roof of the City Hall, providing sanitary accommodation, and improving the heating apparatus. Some discussion ensued in regard to keeping the streets clear of grass, weeds and rubbish, and Ald. Faulkner suggested the desirability of encouraging the formation of two hose reel teams and offering prizes for proficiency. These matters were laid over until the next meeting.

The clerk reported having received a wire from Mr. W. D. Lighthall, K. C., hon, secretary of the Union of Canadian Municipalities, Ottawo, stating that "Western Canadian Telephone bill infringes rights of all Canadian municipalities, especially municipal control of streets. Wire protest to minister of railways and notify me."

In response to this wire he had wired under the mayor's instructions the following protest: "On behalf of this city, I protest against the passage of Western Canadian Telephone bill, unless provisions in same which infringe on municipal rights are amended to the satisfaction of the executive of the Union of Canadian Municipalities."

A letter under date of Feb. 9th was received from the deputy Provincial Secretary stating for the information of the Council that Messrs. Albert E. Johnston (alderman) and Frank Hassard had been appointed members of the board of license commissioners of this city, and that Messrs. Geo. R. Sharpe (alderman) and F. H. Barnes had been appointed members of the local board of police commissioners.

A letter under date of Dec. 15, was read from Messrs. Cummings & Agnew, Vernon, calling attention to a balance due them as former city engineers, in the sum of $94, and the said amount was included in the finance committee's report:

Enderby Hardware C.	$ 2.55
Thos. Kneal, wages	7.50
Okanagan Saw Mills, wood	16.00
H. G. Mann, street lights	26.35
Okanagan Saw Mills, light	71.96
H. F. Wilmot, tax bill	.45
B. C. Anti-Tuberculosis Soc.	38.75
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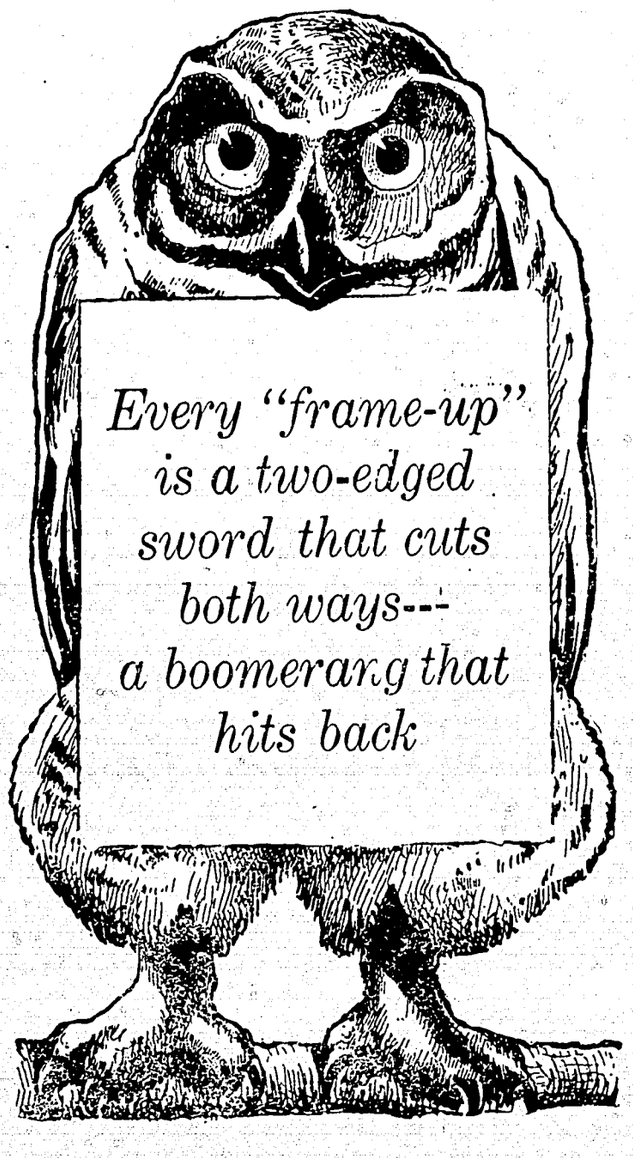
A. Reeves, stationery	7.80
Okanagan Telephone Co.	7.45
" " "	10.85
Walker Press, Dec. Jan. ac.	156.95
Jas. McMahon	3.60
H. G. Davies	5.00
G. Rosoman, cash disb.	38.60
Fulton Hardware Co.	3.20
Billings & Cochrane, fees	94.50
W. H. Flack, wages	105.75
F. T. Turner	1.25
Cummings & Agnew	94.00

EGGS—Guaranteed strictly fresh; 40c doz. Mrs. E. Gray.



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VOLUME NINE

We begin today Volume Nine of the Enderby Press. On the 5th of March, nine years ago, we published the first issue. Times have somewhat altered since then, but so far as The Press is concerned, we have endeavored to keep it at an even standard, giving the town and district a newspaper in a measure compatible with the amount of support given by the businessmen. A small-town newspaper cannot go far on the money received from its subscriptions. The home paper must have advertising patronage if it is to live well and develope in size and general appearance. If, because of a false notion of economy the businessmen curtail their advertising support, or cut it out entirely, the home paper must of necessity reduce its pages and curtail its development. Of course the town suffers more by its doing so than the newspaper itself, but the publisher of the home town paper cannot be expected to carry his own burdens and at the same time expend his money and energies in reaching beyond the practical to boost for the men who will not boost for themselves. As a consequence there is loss of prestige to the town and curtailment of development which each and all must regret.

The past nine years in Enderby, as well as the years spent here before that time, when we published The Edenograph, have been most pleasant. If they have not been as profitable as we might desire, the reason has not been because of lack of support and good will on the part of the people of the community. The town is small, and the district sparsely developed. It was not a "get-rich-quick" plan that brought us to the Okanagan and induced us to establish the Enderby Press. The object of our establishing a publishing plant here was much larger than any purpose of publishing only a little town weekly. We have never lost sight of the need of making The Press distinctly a home weekly, but behind this comparatively small effort has been the larger work that we have been laying a foundation for. Another year has been spent in preparing for the realization of that main object. But it has been another year of war. And the ninth volume opens in what promises to be yet another year of war, and we can see no reason to believe that 1917 will see any appreciable difference in this respect. And, while conditions continue thus, there is not much we can do, friends, but give you as good a home weekly as is possible under the restricted patronage which the businessmen are prepared to give.

We wish to thank our staunch friends of the town and district who have stood by with a word of encouragement backed up by the price of a year's subscription so freely and cheerfully given. If we have fallen short of anticipations in the matter of enlargement and other development, we ask you just to glance over our advertising columns and see there the number of Enderby business firms there represented, and to remember that the actual cost of publishing The Press, even in its restricted size, is considerably more than the actual receipts from the paper amount to each month. Fortunately our job printing plant is kept fairly busy, which enables us to give a better paper, small as it is, than the local advertising warrants. We hope that before long the false notion of economy which seems to have taken hold of many in business will disappear. Generally, the man who understands business knows that the greatest effort to get business is required most when there is a business slump, and that the effects of a business slump are very largely to be avoided if the precaution is taken to hit the harder for business as the "dull times" period comes on.

The Book of Smiles, published to keep the slivers out of lumbermen's physiogs, says the abbreviated skirts make the women look shorter—and the men look longer.

COST OF WAR AND ITS MEANING

Sentiment or patriotism is leading the world into a mysterious frame of mind—a frame of mind which it is difficult to comprehend. On the one hand, we see the most enlightened nations of earth declaring they must put an end to militarism, and on the other openly demanding the most perfect military organization it is possible to get. Nations and empires which have hitherto lived at peace with the world with little or no military training by their citizens, and with no standing army, are today preparing to perfect the best military machine they are capable of. Even China, after all these hundreds of years of non-resistence, has adopted compulsory military service, and is even now organzing a military machine the best she is capable of. We see the same movement on foot in the United States. Japan, we know, is more agressively military than even Germany, relying entirely upon her force of arms to break down all opposition to her greed for territorail control in China. The fight, then, against militarism, is more a fight against the present dominant military power, not against militarism itself. Perhaps when the present war is over there will grow up another dominating military power, which the world will respect for a time then turn upon and rend asunder. That military power may be Britain, or it may be Japan. It may be the United States. It cannot be either France or Russia.

According to a statement made by Chancellor of the Exchequer, Reginald McKenna, the other day, the national debt of Britain will have been increased eleven billion dollars by the end of the financial year, March 31st, as the direct cost to Britain of her participation in this war against Prussian militarism. It has already cost France seven billion seven millions in the same cause. The cost to Russia and Italy will probably reach another seven or eight billions, or, shall we say, a grand total to these four empires of twenty-five billion dollars. This in the fight against the present dominating military power of Europe. It is stated that it has cost Germany a gross expenditure of seven billion five hundred millions. The figures have not been given for Austria-Hungaria and Turkey and Bulgaria, but as Turkey was supposed to be a bankrupt empire before the war started, it is not likely her direct loss can be large. Let us say, then, that while it is costing the Entente nations twenty-five billions to kill the dominant military power, it is costing the Central Powers fifteen billions in an effort to keep it alive. And in the end, what?

There are said to be two periods in the average man's life when he doesn't understand a woman. The two periods are before and after marriage.

WHERE THE MILLIONS ARE GOING

American made war munitions now are pouring into Europe at the rate of nearly two million dollars' worth daily, with the figures swelling rapidly as production increases. Estimates made at the department of commerce, Washington, put the total munition shipments since Europe began to purchase for the present war close to a quarter of a billion dollars. At the rate shipments are said to be going now the next four months will see this total doubled, even if production remained at a standstill. But production is declared to be growing faster now than at any time since American manufacturers began conversion of their plants into munition factories.

These facts are the best of reasons for Uncle Sam's not getting mixed up in the European bloodfest. While it is true the profits of the war are coming to America, it is also true that the ability of American manufacturers to provide the munitions which are required by the Allies, and Great Britain's ability to get these munitions across the ocean, has contributed more to the cause of the Allies than anything the United States could bring into the war by that nation's entry into the conflict.

SECRET OF LONGIVITY

Green County, Wisconsin, boasts of the lowest death rate in that state. Limburger cheese did it. That's what the doctors tell us. Green County produced over three million pounds of this odorous edible in 1915, and it has largely displaced meat in that section. Strange as it may seem, some prefer to eat meat and die than limburger cheese and live.

May 24th What do you think about it?

We carry a full stock of the following:

Robin Hood, Radium and Seal of Alberta Flours

Wheat, Oats, Barley, Barley Chop, Bran, Shorts, Middlings, Feed Flour and a full line of Cereals, and Poultry Grits.

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Specials in Lumber while they last:

No. 4 Novelty Siding,	$10.00 per M
No. 2 2x4 and 2x6,	$13.00 per M
No. 2 Mixed Lath,	$1.75 per M
Short Cordwood,	$3.75 per load
Dry Blocks,	**$1.50 per load**

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Butter Wrapper Parchment

The Dominion law against the selling of butter without the words "Dairy Butter" or "Creamery Butter"—as the case may be—printed on the butter wrap, is a blessing in disguise to the average farmer. In the first place, if his Butter wrappers are neatly printed with his name and the brand of the butter on the label, the storekeepers can readily sell the butter at 5c a pound more than he can get for butter wrapped in paper that is not printed, and the butter-maker gets the advantage in 5c a pound more for his butter from the merchant.

It is the duty of every butter maker to comply with the law in this matter. Some butter makers have only a cow or two, and make so little butter that it does not appear to them that they can afford to have their butter wraps printed. They do not like the idea of having 500 or 1000 butter wraps on hand. To accommodate this class of butter makers, The Press has printed up a quantity of "Custom" Butter Wraps. They are printed with the words "Fresh Dairy Butter" but do not bear the name of the maker. However, these wrappers fill the requirements of the law governing this point, and can be bought in small quantities at the rate of 50c a hundred in 100 or 50 lots. If you do not repuire butter wraps in larger lots, take these wraps in lesser quantities.

In lots of 500, - - $2.75
In lots of 1000, - - 3.75

The Walker Press

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H. HENDRICKSON, Proprietor
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Important Industry in Process of Development

One can hardly over-estimate the importance of the evaporating plants established within the past few months by the Graham Company in the Okanagan. The plant at Armstrong is one of the largest in Canada. It is what is known as a six-unit affair. A visit to the plant last week by The Press enables us to give some off-hand information which will indicate the magnitude of the plant's operations, from which some idea may be gained as to the importance of the industry in connection with the fuller development of the natural resources of the Valley.

In the early months of winter the plant at Armstrong, as well as the plants at Vernon and Kelowna, were running on onions, carrots, and other vegetables of this type. When it is known that the Armstrong plant handled some fifteen tons of onions in a single day of two shifts, it will be recognized how odoriferous as well as profitable must have been the results. And to know that after evaporation a ton of onions is reduced in weight to 180 pounds will enable anyone so inclined to readily compute the immense value of a carload of evaporated onions. And when we realize that, while the war lasts at least, there will be an unlimited demand for this evaporated product, we may see at a glance what the establishment of these plants will mean to the towns in which they are established as well as the community in general.

To operate the Armstrong plant, two shifts a day, requires from 65 to 75 hands—men, women, girls and boys. And to keep the plant going 24 hours requires the burning of 12 to 15 cords of wood. Hence it will be seen that Armstrong and vicinity has profited immensely by the establishment of the evaporator plant at that point. Today our sister town is perhaps the most prosperous town in the Valley, for the reason that the local evaporator, in addition to affording employment to a number of people, has bought up and utilized at a profit to the growers—perhaps not a large profit, but a profit, nevertheless, thousands of tons of field vegetables which otherwise never would have been marketed. Hundreds of pits of potatoes were this winter frozen in the fields. This would have meant a tremendous loss to the growers had the evaporator not been established there. As it was, the growers were paid $6 a ton for these frozen potatoes—not a high price as compared with the market price at the present time, but high enough to let the growers out with no loss. At Vernon and Kelowna there was a similar condition to be met, and at these points as well, the evaporators proved a God-send to the vegetable men.

When we visited the Armstrong plant last Saturday they were working on potatoes—fine, smooth-skinned mealy fellows—so characteristic of the Okanagan. We were permitted to see all there was to be seen in the process of evaporation of potatoes, and we want to tell you it was an interesting trip through the plant. At the door as one entered tons of spuds were stored in bins and piled in sacks. Here two men were putting spuds in boxes and wheeling them to the cleaning or peeling machines. These machines are like large metal basins with a hopping, revolving inner bottom. The top lifts up and into the basin a box of potatoes from the bin is dumped—perhaps half a sack. The cover is clamped down and the machinery started. Into the basin from the top a steady stream of hot water runs. The dirty water runs out at the bottom. The potatoes are tossed up and down and whirled around in this hopper for some minutes, then a side door in the hopper is opened and out tumble the boxful of potatoes washed clean and the skins like new potates. From these washers the potatoes are carried by boys to the tables of the girls and women who cut out any deep eyes or bad spots and cut into smaller pieces potatoes too large to be sent to the retorts. Six cents a box is paid to the girls and women engaged in this work. The best of them make from $2 to $2.25 a day at this work. They were very happy in the work.

From this long table the spuds were carried to the retort boxes—wire sides with wood frames—and these were filled and piled upon the retort trucks, twelve boxes to the load. This load is run into the retort and the heavy door closed. Then the steam is turned on and the potatoes cooked until soft enough to press through a steam-operated potato shredder. Four men operate this machine. The potatoes are shredded one boxful at a time. The box is dumped in, a ladle of salt added and out they come on 4x5 foot trays pushed along and pulled by two men. These are carried to the evaporators. There are six of these driers or evaporators, and into these the trays of shredded potatoes are pushed upon shallow slides, ten deep and four in a row. In each unit are eighty slides, forty on either side back to back; 480 slides in all. Fifteen hundred feet of steam piping supplies the heat for each unit. The "finished" tray is taken from the bottom of the drier, and the freshly-shredded tray put in at the top and moved down as the finished shreds are taken out. Three men handle the left and right of each unit. They take the finished trays to a long table and knock out the delicious-smelling lightly browned potato shreds. The mass is "broken-down" by beating with pine paddles and pushed off into 25-pound sacks. These are wheeled to the shipping bin, from which the product is shovelled into box cars and shipped to the Ontario plants of the company where the shreds are reduced to a powder and sacked similar to flour for shipment to the front. A ton of potatoes is reduced to 200 pounds by this process of evaporation.

It is said by those at the plant that in the evaporation of onions, the vegetable loses none of its odoriferous qualities in the reduction of one ton to 180 pounds. Neither does it lose any of its medicinal virtue as a food.

LIBERAL CANDIDATE ELECTED

In the by-election on Saturday last Vancouver defeated Hon. C. E. Tisdall by an overwhelming majority. A larger number of votes were polled than at the last general election, numbering 15,-38 out of 35,417 on the voters' list. The returns were: Macdonald, 9,592; Tisdall, 5,462; L. D. Taylor, 197.

After the results were made known, the various candidates assembled in the Hotel Vancouver and addressed a large number of voters gathered there. Mr. Macdonald expressed his gratification at being elected, which he largely attributed to the desire on the part of the people of the city to have some opposition in the legislature. Mr. Tisdall attributed his defeat to a combination of circumstances, and stated that if the people of Vancouver preferred a lawyer to a businessman he was content to abide by their decision.

In the by-election at Rossland, Hon. Lorne A. Campbell, minister of mines, was elected over Mayor Wilson, the Liberal candidate. The vote stood, Campbell, 331; Wilson, 322; Lefeaux, 12.

KEEP STICKING

The earth is full of rivers running far beneath the top, and when the western farmer wants to raise himself a crop, he drills a hopeful hole through all discouragement and stone for that artesian fluid which is well and widely known through very frequent mention in the lectures that we hear upon the foolishness of wine and wickedness of beer.

The world is full of forces which the energetic chap is constantly and carefully endeavoring to tap; and when it coldly tells him that it never heard of him, he simply advertises with persistency and vim, until he penetrates its outer surface tough and hard, and ultimately gathers in a suitable reward.

But he who digs for water and the man who bores for biz must keep on drilling grimly till he gets where it is. The one who is discouraged with a few initial knocks can never hope to penetrate a thousand feet of rocks; and all the fine prosperity by nature kindly stored will flow for other folks and fill some other fellow's gourd.

SHE DIDN'T READ THE HOME PAPER

Philip C. Hanna, former United States consul at Monterey, Mexico, touching in the course of a speech on the advantage of keeping abreast of the times by reading the home paper, illustrated his point by referenec to a traveling salesman who found himself in a village hotel dining room when a heavy downpour of rain set in.

"Gee!" he said, addressing the waitress, "It looks like the flood."

"Like what?" the girl inquired.

"Like the flood. You have read of the flood, and how the ark landed on Mount Ararat, haven't you?"

"No, sir," admitted the waitress. "I haven't seen a newspaper for three days."

OH, GIRLS, GIRLS!

"Yes," said the principal of the young ladies' seminary to the proud parent, "you ought to be very happy, my dear sir, to be the father of so large a family, all the members of which appear to be so devoted to one another."

"Large family! Devoted!" Gasped the old gentleman, in amazement. "What on earth do you mean, madame?"

"Why, yes, indeed," said the principal, beaming through her glasses. "No fewer than eleven of Edith's brothers have been here this term to take her out, and she tells me she expects the tall one with the blue eyes tomorrow."

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Case Against Wing Chung and Sing Kee Heard Before Magistrate

The trial of Wing Chung and Sing Kee, charged with selling and supplying one Alec Jones, an Indian of the Spallumcheen reserve, with intoxicating liquor was heard before Magistrate Rosoman this week. The case was opened on Friday evening last and continued until near midnight, was reopened Saturday morning and continued until noon, and was finally concluded Tuesday night. Considerable interest was shown in the case, the court room being crowded at all sittings.

The case against the Chinese restaurant keeper and store keeper was instituted by Mayor Dill on behalf of the city, who, according to the testimony of the prosecution, worked with Provincial Constable Patton to bring a conviction. Mr. H. G. Davies handled the case for the Crown and Mr. N. P. Buckingham, of Vernon, assisted by Mr. A. C. Skaling, handled the defense.

According to the evidence adduced, through the testimony of Constable Patton and Constable Bailey, Mayor Dill, Dr. G. E. Duncan, of Vernon, Miss Mowat and Alec Jones, the case was framed up to bring a conviction under the Indian Act. Mayor Dill washed a gallon jug formerly containing lemon syrup, and provided it, as well as six bottles, as containers for the apple cider. These bottles and jug were rinsed a second time by Constable Bailey at the City Hall, while Constable Patton, Mayor Dill and Magistrate Rosoman were present, and the jug and three bottles were duly marked for identification. Then everything was ready for the Indian Jones. Two one dollar bills, duly marked for identification, were given to Jones and an Indian chum, with instructions to take the jug to Wing's and three bottles to Sing's and buy with the dollar bills the containers full of apple cider. This they did. While Constable Patton shadowed the back door of Wing's, Constable Bailey watched the front, and when Alec Jones made his appearance with the jug of cider Constable Bailey took charge of the jug and took it to the City Hall, while Constable Patton walked into Wing's and placed Wing Chung under arrest, without a warrant. Then they went to Sing Kee's store and repeated the maneuvering.

The Chinamen were taken to the City Hall, and there, in their presence, three 8-ounce bottles were filled with the cider from the jug and duly sealed with wax, impressed with a Yale key of a certain number. The three bottles of cider purchased at Sing's were likewise treated, and one of each of these sets of bottles filled with cider was sent to Dr. G. E. Duncan, Vernon, to be analyzed, one was given to each of the accused, and one of each was retained by Constable Patton.

The evidence of the Crown linking up the case so far as the supplying of the cider and the bottling and sealing, was complete. The receipt given by the post office for the registered package, which read for a letter, caused Attorney Buckingham to register an objection against the receipt by the court of any evidence in connection with the package covered by the receipt on the ground that the receipt put in as evidence was for a registered letter and not for a registered package. The objection was over-ruled, the evidence of the assistant postmistress going to show that such receipts are given by the post office for either a letter or a package.

The evidence of Dr. Duncan went to show that he had been instructed by Constable Patton to analyze the contents of the two bottles of cider to find alcohol. He did so. He found alcohol. He did not know what per centage of alcohol the cider contained. He guessed it was from two to four per cent. He made only a qualitative analysis of the cider, not a quantitative analysis. He found alcohol, alcohol is intoxicating, therefore he was of the opinion that a person would become intoxicated if he consumed enough of the cider. He thought two ounces of alcohol was sufficient to make the average man intoxicated. He did not claim to be an expert analyst. He was a medical practitioner, and had made four tests of cider for alcohol in addition to these tests for the case in court. That was the extent of his experience in this line.

The defense offered no evidence in either case, but rested on the evidence brought out in the cross-examination of the witnesses for the prosecution.

In summing up, Mr. Davies for the Crown, asked for a conviction on the completeness of the evidence for the prosecution. He claimed that all points necessary for a conviction under the Indian Act had been proved. It was necessary only to show that the cider in question was intoxicating, without regard to the per centage of alcohol it might contain, and this, he claimed, had been proven by the testimony of Dr. Duncan, the analyst.

In his summing up, Attorney Buckingham pointed out the crucial points in the prosecution where he claimed the evidence put in by the Crown absolutely failed. In the first place, he said the prosecution failed to put in a tittle of evidence proving Alec Jones to be an Indian of the Spallumcheen tribe as alleged in the information on which the prosecution was based. On the contrary, he, in cross-examination of Alec Jones, brought out the evidence that he is not and never has been an Indian within the meaning of the Indian Act. Alec Jones is the son of an Indian woman by a white man and he read from the Indian Act to prove that when an Indian woman marries a whiteman she thenceforth ceases to be an Indian under the Act, and her offspring have the same status in law as the whiteman. Another point wherein he claimed the prosecution fell down in this connection was in its failure to present a particle of evidence showing that the accused Chinamen knew Alec Jones to be an Indian of the Spallumcheen tribe or any other tribe, and he read authorities to show that the higher courts have quashed convictions in which this point has not been proved.

As to the cider in question being intoxicating, Mr. Buckingham referred to the testimony of Constable Bailey, who said in his evidence that on frequent occasions in the past, when he saw Indians at the tables in Wing's restaurant he had gone in and asked Wing for a glass in order to taste the cider in the bottles before them. He never could taste anything in the cider and did not consider it to be intoxicating. The prosecution also failed, he said, to present an iota of evidence showing that the Indians had ever become intoxicated on the cider in question or any cider served by the defendents. The only evidence that it was an intoxicant, he said, was that given by Dr. Duncan, who testified that he had found alcohol in his analysis of the cider, but could only guess at the per centage. He then read from the criminal code as to what, in the eyes of the law, constitutes an intoxicant, which says that any liquor containing 2½ per cent. or more shall be considered an intoxicant. He then took up the manner in which the arrest was made, which he characterized as irregular insofar as it was made without a warrant and contrary to the Indian Act. Mr. Buckingham read from the Act setting forth the exceptional circumstances where a constable may be justified in making an arrest without a warrant. This is upon finding a person on an Indian reserve with intoxicating liquor in his possession. He said in the case before the court there had never been anything in connection with the dealings between the accused Chinamen and the public in connection with the sale of this cider that was not open and above board. Anyone could go into the restaurant or store and purchase it at any time during business hours. The accused, he said, made no effort to hide the fact that this cider was on sale.

At the conclusion of the counsel's pleadings, the case was taken under advisement until Saturday, March 4th, when the decision of the court will be announced.

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