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## Mr. ALEX LUCAS vs. Mr. JOSEPH WALTERS. Candidates Enter Ring. Lucas Early Favorite, Gaining Ground All Over Riding

### Nurse Whitmore Receives Diploma

Delightful Function at Hospital on Monday Evening Last.—Popular With All

The Nicola Valley General Hospital was the scene of a delightful little ceremony on Monday evening when the directors and staff, public officials and others gathered together to witness the presentation to Miss Whitmore of her diploma and medal, the lady having successfully completed her training as a graduate nurse. The event was of more than usual interest in that Miss Whitmore is the first lady to commence her training and graduate in the local institution. The success of the nurse was the occasion of unusually warm congratulations, and it was well known that Miss Whitmore has a passionate love for her lofty profession and in the latter part of her training had to fight an illness from which she happily has now recovered.

The room in which the graduating exercises were held had been embellished by beautiful flowers and other decorations. After the National Anthem had been sung, President Strickland referred to the pleasure of the directors and staff in attending that evening to honor one who had always been a faithful and diligent member of the staff, congratulated Miss Whitmore on her return to normal health, and voiced the feelings of the directors in expressing their admiration of the services performed by their very capable matron and staff. The recipient of the diploma then repeated to the president the solemn "Florence Nightingale Pledge." As a graceful recognition of the services accorded the hospital by the Ladies Auxiliary the president next called upon Mrs. G. F. Ransom, president of the auxiliary, to present the medal to the nurse, the coveted emblem of nursing efficiency being pinned to her costume, amid congratulatory applause. Brief speeches were

### Old Time Resident Has Passed Away

Funeral of Late Mrs. A. G. Collett Amid Many Manifestations of Regret

The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon last of Mrs. Christina Collett wife of Alfred G. Collett, who died at her home in this city on Friday afternoon last after a long and distressing illness. Aged 48, the deceased lady was born at North Bend and came to the Nicola Valley with her parents when but two years old. She was greatly respected by a wide circle of friends, and leaves to mourn her loss a large number of relatives, including besides her husband and six sons, Mrs. H. S. Cleasby and Mrs. N. Peterson, sisters, and Wm. Voght, of Coldwater, B. C., brother.

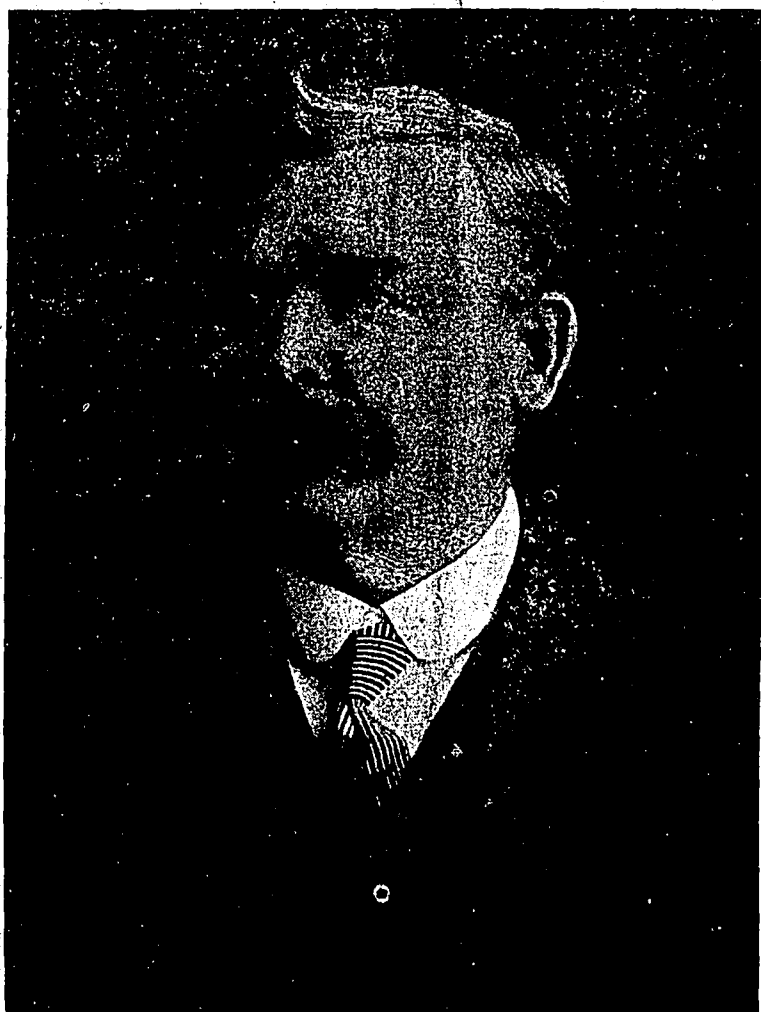
The funeral took place from Barwick's undertaking parlors to the Anglican Church where the Rev. N. J. Thompson conducted a brief and impressive funeral service. The hymns "Nearer my God to Thee," and "Jesu, Lover of my Soul," were sung, Mrs. George Nicholls presiding at the organ.

Many relatives and friends of the family were present at the church and the graveside, at Merritt Cemetery. The pall bearers were Mayor A. Jackson, Alex. Gordon, C. B. Armstrong, D. L. Munro, Frank Jackson, Thomas Hunter,

given by Vice-President M. L. Grimmett, Rev. G. H. Kinney, Mayor A. Jackson, Dr. Tutill, Directors G. Slater and P. McLean, and Mr. G. B. Armstrong.

During the evening songs were contributed by Mrs. Tutill, J. P. Boyd, and E. B. Mayon, the Rev. N. J. Thompson accompanying the numbers. The program terminated with a short dance which was greatly enjoyed, being accompanied by Mrs. Tutill, pianoforte. Music from a Diamond Disc gramophone, kindly lent by Simpson & Cranna added to the pleasure of the evening. Light refreshments were daintily served by the staff before the gathering dispersed.

### LUCAS AGAIN



Mr. ALEXANDER LUCAS

The member who has done more for Yale than any of his predecessors. All Conservatives and many Liberals, too, have promised him their support at the coming election. He was nominated as Conservative candidate at Ashcroft yesterday. Joseph Walters was nominated as Liberal candidate. Polling, September 14th, 1916.

### Middlesboro Hero Returns Home

Has Thrilling Narrative to Tell.—Was in First Ypres Battle

Private Malcolm Macauley, of the 5th Canadian battalion, who left with the first Nicola Valley contingent for the front a few weeks after war broke out, returned to Merritt on Wednesday.

Looking particularly fit, after enduring terrible hardships in the Ypres and other noted war zones, the soldier hero has a stirring narrative to tell.

During his absence overseas more silent waves of human sympathy were flashed across to Pte. Macauley than the soldier is aware of even now, for he was the victim of a particularly painful wound. During the heat and din of the first great battle of Ypres, when the Canadians earned immortal fame for their dogged determination and tenacity, Macauley was "caught" by a rifle bullet which entered the left cheek, shattered the roof of his mouth, carrying away five teeth and part of the fork of the right jaw and emerged beneath the right ear. Amid an inferno of shrapnel he was one of some scores of other wounded men to lie suffering and unattended in a desolated farmhouse, a point cut off from medical assistance and very close to the German lines.

For over three long days during this great battle the brave soldier, weakened by loss of blood, and pain, was without food. Kept alive by his fight for life and a strong constitution, on one occasion he crawled almost on top of a German trench. A young lance-corporal who risked his life in an attempt to save him acted nobly—and made the supreme sacrifice. Relieving Macauley of his burden of ammunition so that he, himself, could undertake to deliver it under the orders Macauley had been entrusted with and also get assistance sent to his comrade, the brave young soldier, although in the "no man's land" of death bravely set out across the flat territory. "He had gone a few yards," states the returned soldier, when he was spotted. He was riddled with 9 bullets, poor fellow, I heard his last groans—and I never could learn his name. Pte. Macauley had other narrow escapes. While lying at the hospital receiving station an ambulance in which, it was intended, he was to have gone in to a place in the rear of the trenches was struck by a shell, all the occupants, being killed.

In the trenches three months altogether he was in a Leicester hospital for six months before crossing to Canada to remain a further several months in hospital in Nova Scotia, his old home. The returned warrior speaks with lavish praise and appreciation of the profuse kindness tendered to him by people he met while in England. The whole nation he says is so deeply impressed by the magnanimous response of Canada to the motherland's call that words fail to express the extent to which people there make acknowledgment of the great colonial rally.

The soldier is Canadian born—his parents and grandparents in fact were Canadians too.

### Principal Morrissey Enters the School of Matrimony

Miss Edith Irvine, daughter of Mrs. F. W. Miles, of Seattle, and Leo. Morrissey, of Merritt B. C. were married on Wednesday afternoon July 26th, at 4 o'clock at the home of Bishop J. O. Dea, 304 Ninth Avenue in the presence of about fifteen relatives and close friends of the couple. The service was read by Father J. F. Lannigan. The bride wore a handsome travelling suit of lavender kikikool cloth and a large white hat. She carried an arm bouquet of bride roses. Her maid of honor was Miss Doris McGor, of Merritt, B. C. She wore a suit of blue and carried an arm bouquet of pink Baby roses. The bride's cousin, little Evelyn McDonald, was her flower girl and was dressed in a dainty white frock. The groom was attended by Mr. James Creighton. Mr. and Mrs. Morrissey later left for a tour through California. They will return to Seattle about August 20th and thence to their home at Merritt, B. C., where Mr. Morrissey is principal of the school.

### Red Cross Society's Successful Year

Glowing Reports of First Years Work at Annual Meeting.—New Officers

The first annual meeting of the Nicola Valley branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society was held yesterday afternoon when the election of officers took place and reports were adopted.

Mrs. J. H. Collett succeeded Mrs. A. H. Plummer as president. Other officers elected were, Mrs. M. McIntyre, vice-president, and Mrs. M. L. Grimmett, treasurer. The office of secretary, relinquished by Mrs. J. P. Poyd, under the rotation plan of management which governs the election of officials, has yet to be filled. Mrs. Wesley Jones has been elected as a new member of the branch.

The reports submitted to the meeting were indicative of much valuable patriotic work having been accomplished during the first year of the life of the local organization, and tend to the prospect that the ensuing year will prove quite as successful.

### President's Report

Mr. Mayor,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is just a year this month that a branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society was started in Merritt, so that this the first annual meeting.

The Secretary and Treasurer have all the important details of business we transacted during the year in their reports so that mine as President may only be short in order that there may be as little repetition as possible.

Owing to the kindness of Mr. Maughan, in letting us have the old Bank of Toronto building rent free, meetings have been held uninterruptedly every week, the first Thursday in the month being the business meeting and the last Thursday packing day.

Instead of each member paying \$2 to be affiliated with the Canadian Red Cross Society (any man or woman being able to do this) it was decided at our first meeting that 15 cents—initiation fee and 10 cents a month should be paid by each member.

Ever since the Branch was organized, we have been in close touch with the Central Depot in Vancouver. Mrs. Mills chairman of the Property Committee has not only bought all our material at Red Cross prices, but as most kindly kept us supplied with patterns of all kinds and given us any information required in connection with all branches of Red Cross work. Our thankfulness to Mrs. Mills in this report cannot be too highly expressed.

All Red Cross parcels are sent from us to Mrs. Mills at the Central Depot where they are repacked and forwarded either to headquarters in Toronto or over to England.

I may say that all Red Cross parcels are carried free of charge by the Dominion Express to and from Vancouver.

Living four miles out of town as I do, I have felt for a long time that I have not been able to do justice to the office of President, so no I take this opportunity of resigning in order that the work may go ahead more rapidly under the leadership of some

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## THE LIBERAL PROGRAM

It surely has come to a pretty pass if a man who has risen to the highest position in the Province and has always held a reputation for honesty and truthfulness is to be branded by the leader of the Liberal Party as a man who cannot make out true statements. M. A. Macdonald follows in his Leader's footsteps and actually has the assurance to state that when the Vancouver "plugging" case was thoroughly investigated, it would be found that the money which was paid to J. D. Scott, and which he disbursed, "came from Bowserite circles." Mr. Macdonald made this statement in spite of the fact that he had testified under oath before the Committee of the House that he himself was Chairman of the Liberal Committee which had hired and paid J. T. Scott, and that under Scott's supervision, that committee had maintained and paid a spy in the committee rooms of the Conservative Association.

Further, Mr. Brewster and Mr. Macdonald, in spite of the proved activities of the Liberal machine in Vancouver, raised a great hullabaloo about "smashing the machine." It was an "iniquity," and it had to be "smashed," but neither Mr. Brewster nor Mr. Macdonald have the fairness to point out that the organization which is called the "machine" is exactly the same in both political parties. The same ward committees, executive, chairmen and secretary, it has the same system of delegation to the Central Executive and to Nominating Conventions. Again, if the Liberal leader does not intend to mislead the people, why doesn't he inform them that at the last session of Parliament, Sir George Foster, speaking on behalf of the Conservative Government, offered on the floor of the House to meet Sir Wilfred Laurier half way in the abolition of patronage, and Sir Wilfred made no response whatever. The late Mr. Duncan Ross, in December, 1914, at Victoria, declared that the Liberal party was not opposed to the principle of patronage, he admitted it had to be recognized. Now these personal attacks, and these repeated mis-representations of fact and omissions of half the truth on the part of Messrs. Brewster and Macdonald, clearly indicate a concerted plan of personal abuse, vituperation and misrepresentation, as the main features of the Liberal program and the Liberal policy.—The Week.

## Epworth League held Successful Social

Members of the Epworth League spent a very happy time on Monday evening when a social was held. The opportunity was taken to express the regret of the members at the pending departure of Mr. and Mrs. Young for West Summerland, both having been faithful supporters of the uplifting work of the League.

M. Olson, rancher, Coldwater Valley, was in town this week.

I. T. Brewster, of Coalmont, has been appointed as Station Agent at the local K.V.R. depot.

Brookmere Junction is 29 miles east of Merritt. A large hotel is nearing completion being built there by Betterton, Fraser & Co. and the railway company will be building a round house.

## Raspberry Tea and Apron Sale

Sixty dollars was taken by the members of the W.A. of the Anglican church at the raspberry tea, cake and apron sale held on Saturday afternoon in the corner store of the Walters block. A good assortment of articles prepared by members found ready purchasers, and many willing helpers gave useful services. The proceeds will go to augment the funds of the Auxiliary which is doing valuable work for the Church.

A nice selection of Ladies Collars and Vests, marked low for quick selling. Rose Marche

On Sunday, the 13th inst, a Flower Service for children will be held in the Anglican Church at 11 o'clock. The donations of flowers, etc., will be donated to the General Hospital.

## The Newsy Pars

The June payroll at Trail was \$150,000.

E. Darney and children are at the coast on a two week's holiday.

Charlie Chaplin drew large houses at the Rex last Friday.

Merritt gets two mails in and out each day excepting Sundays.

J. Guichon, Snr. of Quilchena, was a visitor to the coast on Saturday.

Mrs. Bullen and family of Middlesboro, were passengers to Princeton on Tuesday.

Birth.—On Tuesday, August 1st, to Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Whitaker, of Lower Nicola, a girl.

Birth.—Friday, July 28th, to the wife of Chen Sing, the king of Merritt's Celestials, a son.

Howard McLean, late of the Co-op., is now with the "Merco" store.

Mrs. Alex. Thompson, of Middlesboro, was a passenger on Wednesday's train to the coast.

Mrs. Wm. Schmuck and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Welfare are visiting at the coast.

Grain crops in the Valley are excellent. Four, five and even six feet of growth are recorded in many parts.

Albert Goodwin, a socialist miner, will be a third candidate at the provincial election in the Trail riding.

Mrs. W. R. Langstaff with her two daughters, returned from Vancouver on Tuesday evening's train.

Robert Strachan, the inspector of mines, is in the Kamloops district on business of his department.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Marshall and children, of Brookmere, spent the week end here, registering at the Coldwater.

Mrs. Wm. Aitken, of Nicola Avenue, was a passenger on Wednesday's train for Nanaimo, on a visit to her sister.

Pte. O. Busk returned to Vernon camp the early part of the week, after spending leave here with his parents.

M. M. Shore, left here Wednesday for Kamloops, where he has an appointment at the C. P. R. Telegraph office. Mrs. Shore and little son will join her husband at the week end.

Alex Lucas' son was nominated to be a candidate at the forthcoming election at the Conservative nominating convention last week, but he resigned the honour.

Fred Smythe, the Princeton scribe, says there is talk of reviving the Coalmont Courier. The plant, such as it is, is ready for the "hot air," but please don't take a copy from the late editor's copy book.

Frank Bailey, mining expert and soldier was in town this week. Frank enlisted in an overseas regiment and went as far as Shorncliffe but for some reason or other had to return to England and is now sporting a warrior's button and tilted hat. Frank has been round the world three times.

An aged Douglas Lake Indian by the name of McCray, died in the Nicola Valley Hospital on Monday from pneumonia. He lay in state at the Indian Church at Shulus for twenty-four hours, being taken to the Douglas Lake reserve on Wednesday for interment.

## The Newsy Pars

Mrs. J. Pato and son William are on a vacation in Vancouver.

Barry Reid left here on Saturday for Victoria on business.

Ashcroft business blocks are to be rebuilt.

Langton Plumb is in town visiting with friends.

McCormick & Deering mower repair parts at W. H. Cowen's.

H. T. Shelton, the Canford merchant, was in town doing business on Wednesday.

The Lee-Enfield will displace the Ross Rifle in the Canadian army at the front.

Mrs. W. Heslop and daughters Nellie, Lily and Nora, are on a two weeks vacation at Vancouver.

Just received a nice selection of Two-piece Dresses, selling at \$1.75 each at the Rose Marche.

"Herb." Clark, a buyer for P. Burns & Co., was visiting here by auto the first of the week.

The distance from Nelson to Vancouver by the new route is 511 miles.

The employees of the Trail smelter are now being paid 40 cents a day more than they were paid in April.

Constable Bell took a "friend" to New Westminster on Tuesday to be a guest of the Crown for 6 months.

Dr. Jackson, the dentist, is in town. If you want your grinders fixed see him. Offices in the post office block.

Miss Doris McGoran, telephone operator here, returned on Monday, after spending an enjoyable vacation at Seattle.

Birth.—On Saturday, July 29, at the Royal Inland Hospital, at Kamloops, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Chartrand, of Mamette Lake, a son.

Contractor McLean came down from Douglas Lake on Saturday, where he had been engaged making additions to the buildings of the Douglas Lake Cattle Co.

R. Gulliford, of this city, had the misfortune last week end to cut his hand with an axe severing the tendons of the thumb. The accident necessitated an operation.

Several commercials came into Merritt on Tuesday morning via the Hope cut-off. The train, going east or west, goes through the Coquihalla canyon during the night.

Auto joy rides are all the rage. Friday last the ladies living at the Coldwater Cove took a ride to Quilchena returning to the Nicola Hotel for dinner. Bobbie Boyden manipulated the wheel.

Parents would be well advised to strictly caution their children against stripping and damaging shade trees in different parts of the city. The police have received complaints of such damage and anyone found in the act will be severely dealt with.

Mine Inspector Robert Strachan has received a letter from James Paton who is in England with the Engineers. He states that Sergt. McAdam is still cooking appetizing meals. Ed. Stackhouse is groom to a major, while Dave Coupland and the brothers A. and G. Jacques, all Merritt men, were under orders to cross the Channel. Corp. Paton visited the scene of the first aerial raid over the Canadian camp and saw the graves of sixteen persons, who were buried in the identical places where they died.

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## Ingenious Inventor Says Hope Review

The esteemed "Merritt Herald" is an ingenious inventor. Some months ago, after accusing Road Superintendent Sutherland of notifying his employers that "your King and Country need you, we don't," and offering to wager that the charge was true, the gentlemanly editor and proprietor "welshed" and blandly explained that as some of the men were not re-employed, the message "might just as well have been written."

The same paper has now invented something in campaign journalism worthy of the Vancouver Sun. First it published a false and silly report of events that never happened and quoted A. Lucas, M.L.A., as uttering words he never even dreamed, and then makes a spread of correspondence commenting on them from Liberal prophets in Hope, Yale and Ashcroft.

Prophecy is not a crime, but one cannot help remembering that in '03, '07, '09 and '12 provincial Liberals were quite sure of winning and had at least as good grounds for confidence as they have today.

Of the Hope prophet we can assure outside readers that he is an honest, decent, harmless citizen. During his five years' residence in Hope he has been Socialist, Conservative and Liberal by turns and is about due for another revolution.

The other letters, two of which are anonymous, are merely silly. It would be flattery to call them lies. —Hope Review, July 21.

## Government Employees Donate to the Canadian Patriotic Fund

The Government road gang, —J. Rhodes foreman—are giving one day's pay each per month to the Nicola Valley branch of the Canadian Patriotic fund. The Provincial Police, of this Valley, also pay a similar amount per month, the money is deducted from their checks and paid into the fund at Victoria.

## Save Your Money for the New War Loan

Save your money for the new Dominion War Loan to be issued in September is the appeal of the Department of Finance in a preliminary announcement. From a perusal of an official advertisement appearing on another page it will be seen that the investment will offer a most attractive rate of interest. As is well known the previous loan was quickly taken up being over subscribed in record time. Several people in the Nicola Valley hold War Loan bonds.

J. T. Corwin, of the Aberdeen Mine Syndicate, visited the Coast this week on business.

Each station, with the exception of one, on the Hope cut-off represents a character from Shakespeare, Brodie being the exception. Going west they are Juliet, Romeo, Iago, Portia, Jessica, Lear and Othello.

In all probability a Soo Line train will be run daily over the Kettle Valley railway between Minneapolis and the coast, leaving the main line at Medicine Hat and coming via the Crows Nest Pass.

Official intimation was received on Monday of the death at the front of Capt. Alexander C. Bostock, eldest son of Senator Bostock of Ducks, who was killed in action at Cozieren on July 26.

Pte. Wm. Dryborough, came home on leave this week. He has transferred from the 102nd to the Forestry Battalion for overseas. Pte. Dryborough was in the S. African war.

## LABOR has Condemned the Prohibition Act

Trades and Labor Councils of Coast Cities Pass Strong Resolutions—Reasons why Workingmen Should Vote Against the Bill.

Organized labor has declared its position with reference to the R.C. Prohibition Act with no uncertain sound, the result of close investigation of and keen discussion on the Bill having resulted in the straight declaration by the Coast labor bodies that the Act should be condemned and that the workingmen of British Columbia should do all in their power to defeat the measure at the polls.

The Vancouver Trades and Labor Council, the most representative central labor organization in British Columbia, at its meeting on July 20th, passed a strong resolution against the Act, the closing paragraph reading as follows:

"Resolved that the Trades and Labor Council in Vancouver, B. C., in harmony with representative bodies of organized labor elsewhere places itself on record as opposed to the British Columbia Prohibition Act and to the principles involved therein."

In adopting the above resolution the Vancouver Trades Council was but following the steps of the New Westminster Trades and Labor Council which on June 14, passed the following resolution:

"Resolved that this Council go on record as opposed to prohibition as contained in the proposed Bill, from an economic and social standpoint and report this decision to the various unions with the request that they help defeat the Bill."

The resolutions above noted are in line with the action of the Victoria Trades and Labor Council and the Prince Rupert Labor Council.

The discussion in connection with the passage of these resolutions showed plainly that workingmen believe they have a just "kick" in connection with the Prohibition Act. It was stated that the measure is class legislation of the rankest type inasmuch as it allows the man of means to secure all the liquor he desires by importing it from outside points, but at the same time places a handicap on the workingman who can only afford to buy his beer by the glass. This argument is directly along the line of the remarks of Mr. Parker Williams, member for Newcastle, on discussion of the Bill in the house when he openly declared the Act to be class legislation and stated that while he "would vote for Prohibition that would prohibit he would never have anything to do with such lopsided, juggled imitation such as the present Bill."

The Act is also objectionable to trades unions inasmuch as many of its clauses were declared to be un-British and unfair. It was pointed out that clause 29 provided that any person could tell a constable that he suspected a man had liquor illegally in his possession. On this information, and without disclosing the name of the informer, the constable could enter a man's house, break into all the rooms, closets, etc. without a warrant. Such provisions were severely criticised by members of the labor councils as absolutely opposed to the British idea that "A man's house is his castle."

In taking the action they did, the councils were also moved by the feeling that they should support the large body of workingmen who are today either directly or indirectly engaged in connection with the operation of licensed premises. It was stated that 3700 men are now thus employed and that 6000 persons are dependent upon them for a living. This does not include over 1200 employees of licensed premises who are now at the front. As the Prohibition Act would mean that those men would be thrown out of work, the councils considered that legislation leading to such action, especially at this time should be vigorously opposed.

Many delegates who took part in the council discussions said that they were Prohibitionists. They stated, however, that they were opposed to the Act because it was not a Prohibition Act in

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Branch organizations have a double duty to perform. They are expected to do all in their power to increase the resources of the common fund and to see that soldiers' dependents residing in the district under their control are not in want. In the first, the experience of the past fifteen months has shown that they may expect the ready and generous support of the Canadian public. Private individuals, business houses, societies, schools, clubs, municipal, town and country council's are all co-operating to provide an adequate fund for the support of soldiers families.

## REMEMBER THE WIVES AND FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS IN THE TRENCHES AND SUPPORT THE NICOLA VALLEY FUND

### Where to Vote in the Yale Riding

Agassiz, Oddfellows hall  
Hope, court house  
Yale, court house  
North Bend, court house  
Lytton, court house  
Ashcroft, court house  
Cache Creek, post office  
Canford, post office  
Coutlie, Solomon's store  
Middlesboro, Coal Co. office  
Nicola, Government office  
Brookmere, post office  
Harrison Mills, public hall  
McGillivray's, McGillivray's house  
Harrison Hot Springs, post office  
Quilchena, Guichon's store  
St. Elmo, public hall  
Camp 6, C.P.R. station  
Keefers, C.P.R. station  
Spence's Bridge, Government building  
Walhachin, Snells office  
Dot, Abbott's house  
Coyle Station, public hall  
Mannette Lake, post office  
Merritt, court house  
Aspen Grove, post office  
Thynne's, J. G. Thynne's house  
Coldwater, Olson's house  
Stump Lake, mines office  
Douglas Lake, D. L. Cattle Co. store  
Upper Hat Creek, post office  
Ruby Creek, Inkman's store  
Popcum, Damaskey & Hall office  
Boston Bar, Abrey's store  
Port Douglas, Purcil's store  
Spuzzum, post office store

Household Banking Accounts in The Bank of Toronto have been found by many to be a great convenience. The accounts may be opened in the names of husband or wife, and either may deposit or withdraw money. Interest is paid on these accounts twice a year.

D. Taylor of Aspen Grove was in town this week.

any real sense of the term, provision being made in it for the purchase of liquor by importation or otherwise just as freely as is now the case. They plainly stated that they did not consider a vote against the Prohibition Act a vote against the principle of Prohibition, as to their minds, the passage of such an act as was proposed would not in any way lessen the purchase or consumption of liquor. As a matter of fact, although it might tend to decrease the consumption of health giving beer (the workingmen's usual beverage), it would actually increase the consumption of whisky and spirits, a condition which was not for the best interests of the workingman or the advt.

## Come and See

My selection of  
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Please note the new address.

The members of the Epworth League will meet as usual next Monday evening. Bro. Frank Thompson will give a paper on "Stephen."



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I have been prospecting in the Aspen Grove and Nicola Country for ten years and have the following properties for sale:

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Private reports on mines, and Assessment work and Prospecting undertaken for companies. I have a complete outfit and will take contracts in mines. Correspondence invited.

Wm. McNeill, Merritt, B. C.

## News from Andrew Paton Received Here Last Night

Last night Mrs. James Paton, received a post card from her brother-in-law Pte. Andrew Paton, dated June 25th. He is a prisoner of war at Dulmen, Westphalia, Germany. Don't worry over me, he writes, He mentions food comforts that would be welcomed, cocoa, sugar, tea, butter, jam, cheese, cake, tobacco. Tom Smith and W. B. Ross are with him as prisoners.

McCormick & Deering mower repair parts at W. H. Cowen's.

W. Clark, who is financially interested in this district arrived in town last evening and is registered at the Coldwater hotel.

New post offices will be inaugurated at Copper Mountain and at Brookmere about the first of next month.

Now the new Hope cut-off route to Vancouver is open travellers can effect a substantial saving by going by the short cut. The transportation from Merritt to Vancouver is \$6.70 via Brodie against \$8.70 via Spences Bridge and the main C.P.R. line, and for the return trip \$11.15 via Brodie against \$14.65 via Spences Bridge.

A baseball game will be played this afternoon in the Park between Merritt and Canford. The game will start after the Commemoration services.

## To Commemorate the Second Anniversary In the Park Today

Today, at Voght Park, residents of Merritt and district will assemble to commemorate the second anniversary of the British Empire's entry into the war, and to pass a resolution expressive of the determination of the people to assist in the prosecution of the war until complete victory has been obtained by the Allies.

Patriotic speeches and war hymns will be rendered. Ladies of the Patriotic Guild will serve refreshments during the afternoon. The proceedings are scheduled to commence at 1.30.

WANTED—Experienced girl requires position either as children's Nurse or General work. Address Box 30, Merritt, B. C.

G. H. Clark, assistant post office inspector has spent three days in the district, making the usual periodical inspection of the various post offices in the Valley.

Mrs. N. J. Thompson, wife of the vicar of St. Michaels Anglican church, left on Tuesday's train for North Vancouver to spend a vacation at the home of her mother.

Messrs. H. C. Brewster and M. A. MacDonald, Liberal leaders with Joseph Walters, will address a public meeting at the Rex Theatre tomorrow, Saturday evening, at 9 p.m.

## Enquire our Prices

Very Choice Bacon	per lb. .29
Small Hams	per lb. .22
Salt Pork	per lb. .22
Pure Lard	3 lb. tin, .60, 5 lb. .95, 10 lb. 1.90
Sugar	10 lb. bags 1.10, 18 lb. 1.90
Milk	St. Charles or Canada First, tall tin, 2 for .25
Butter	Our Special Local Supply, per lb. .40
Tea	Braids Best, 3 lb. tin 1.50
Coffee	Nabob, the Coffee for Quality, per lb. .45
Tomatoes	Grown and packed in B. C. per tin .15
Prunes	in sealed tins containing 5 lb. of wholesome fruit, each .75
Eagle Brand Milk	3 tins for .50
Soda Biscuits	2 lb. tins, each .35
Choice Selection of dainty Tea Biscuits, very fresh and crispy	2 pkt. for .25
Nabob Custard and Tapioca Quick Pudding	2 pk. for .25
Seeded Raisins	per pkt. .10
Cleaned Currants	per pkt. .15
B. & K. Wheat Flakes full weight no china,	per pkt. .30
Large Grain Japan Rice	3 lbs. for .25

## FLY SEASON, Attack the Pests

With Wilson Poison Pad, 10 each, and Finch's Fly Tapes at 3 for .5

Men's Cotton Socks	7 pair for 1.00
Men's Lisle Socks	Black only 3 pair for .50
Blue Shirts	Strong make and finish each .90
Blue Stripe Overalls	all sizes each 1.25
Men's Fine Cotton Underwear	per suit .75
Boys' Blouses and Shirts	at .60, and .65 each

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## Red Cross Society's Very Successful Year

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member who lives in the town and who has Red Cross interests very much at heart.

I wish to thank all the officers for their faithful co-operation and help, and every member on all committees. I wish also to thank the general public who have time and again stepped into the breach and helped us out of deep water when funds have been low. This fact has given me just as much courage to do my best to carry on the work of my office, as the continued efforts of our committees.

During the winter, the ladies of Canford Mills formed a Red Cross Branch and constituted themselves, pro tem, as a sub-branch of Merritt. They forward to us any funds collected by them, we supplying them with materials, and their made up garments, etc., are included in our sales to Vancouver.

A Junior Branch of the Red Cross was organized two months ago, and under the leadership of Mrs. Sadler is doing excellent work. The enthusiasm of the young people as shown by the work that they have accomplished already, is, or certainly ought to be, an inspiration and incentive to the senior members to do more work than ever, and at this time surely, when we read of so many casualties, the people of Canada cannot for one moment relax their utmost efforts on behalf of either sailors or soldiers, whose grip upon the enemy has never been let slip for one instant. We should all of us realize this as we enjoy our daily pleasures and freedom, for ours would be a sorry plight if, through any neglect of ours or failure of continual and unceasing efforts to do our share (and our share is indeed a very onerous and great one) the enemy should be able to gain control of the sea and our fair Dominion, and visit us doubtless with the horrors of Belgium and Northern France, of which only the other day, we had another example. If only we will attempt to realize the awfulness of the incessant bombardment that our brave boys are subject to, our work, I am sure, will increase in volume, and a real amount of love will be worked into every sock and every garment.

Respectfully submitted  
**CLARA V. PLUMMER**  
President, Merritt  
Branch, C. R. C. S.

**Secretary's Report**  
The Merritt Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society purchased during the year the following materials:  
696 yds. white and striped flannelette,  
55 lbs. and 4 skeins wool for day socks,  
23 1-2 lbs. white wool, 90 1-4 yards of sheeting, 390 yds. cheese cloth, 170 1-2 yds. unbleached cotton, 11 1-2 yds. of sizerdown for bed boots, 47 1-2 yds. of sizerdown for dressing gowns, 9 spools of embroidery cotton, 41 gross safety pins, 4 doz. bunches tape, 1 large spool tape, 5 boxes knitting cotton, 5 gross of

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buttons, 28 lbs. non-absorbent cotton,

21 lbs. absorbent cotton, 4 pkgs. 1 roll

and 100 yds. hospital gauze.

List of articles made up and shipped to

the Central depot, Vancouver.

77 enteric shirts, 34 night shirts, 31

suits pyjamas, 173 pairs grey wool socks,

38 pairs white wool bed socks, 100 knit

wash cloths, 125 T. bandages, 52 pads,

8 pro laparotomy stockings, 9 knee

bandages, 13 cap bandages, 12 abdominal

bandages, 109 rolled bandages, 5 yds.

each, 26 M. T. bandages, 51 eye

bandages, 10 prs. bed boots, 1 linen

sheet, 774 hospital handkerchiefs, 1132

linen mouth wipes, 10 elbow rings, 1

bottle marking ink.

Surgical Dressings:

2600 gauze wipes, 180 compresses, 190

small pads, 300 large pads, 610 absorbent

sponges, 38 surgical kits.

GLADYS M. BOYD,

Secretary

## Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Membership dues and fees	\$ 62.25
Junior Red Cross dues and fees	5.95
Sundry donations	32.10
Tag Day Collection	88.00
Raffle of Mrs. Guichenon's centerpiece	48.00
Turkey draw	40.00
Prisoners of war boxes	47.19
Canford contribution	5.00
Sale of programs Empire Day	11.75
Profits on sale of Red Cross pins	2.50
Sale of wool and material	36.75
Sale of Red Cross pins	5.25
Dances and whist drives	216.00
Red Cross Concert	119.85
Bank interest	1.75
	<b>\$722.34</b>

## EXPENDITURES

Donation to St. John	
Ambulance	\$ 88.00
Material purchased	468.51
Dances and sundry expenses	37.17
Red Cross pins	8.75
Soldiers Christmas gifts	7.55
Prisoners of war contribution	50.00
Bank balance	\$67.01
Cash	.35
	<b>67.96</b>
	<b>722.34</b>

MARJORIE J. SEATON

Treasurer

## CITY OF MERRITT PROCLAMATION

I declare a Public half-holiday in the City of Merritt, B. C., on Friday, August 4th, 1916, on the occasion of the second Anniversary of Britain's declaration of war.

Signed

A. Jackson

Mayor

Merritt,

August 1st, 1916

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