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## The Fire Department Muddle

Mayor Church can scarcely be congratulated on the outcome of the fire department proceedings. What was wanted was reorganization. What the city is getting does not seem quite like that, so far as we have gone. The chief has been retired, and the deputy chief has been given his place, and in the natural course of things this would have come about without any demonstration or any wild demand for reorganization.

But on top of this both these gentlemen are placed in an exceedingly ridiculous position, by declaring that they are both, and the department along with them, to be subjected to investigation. We are not going to discuss the case pro and con as some of our contemporaries are doing, while it is under judicial consideration, but it is evident that if an investigation was to be held it should have been held before the chief was retired, so that he would have had an opportunity to take care of his reputation, and before the deputy chief was appointed, so that he would not be burdened with the onus of any conclusion the investigation might produce.

The whole business is in a muddle and an investigation will not give satisfactory results to those who are not responsible for the past, nor to those who may be responsible, and who are removed from responsibility. Now that the investigation has been blundered into, the best thing to be done is to make it as thorough as possible, and have everything ripped up for months past. It is due to the new chief to have the fullest enquiry and a wholesome clearing of the air. Without this any real reorganization would be impossible.

## Good Roads Convention

It is perhaps unfortunate that the date for the second Canadian and International Good Roads convention occurs so early that our roads will not be in the best condition for exhibition, but there will be the advantage that our visitors will not be able to see our weaknesses and defects any more than our improvements and strong points. The convention has been called for March 22-24, in Convocation Hall, by the Dominion and the Ontario Good Roads Associations.

With the work that is going on around the city in road improvement and permanent way-making it would have been of decided interest to have had the opinion and criticism of visitors on what is being done, but possibly a good deal may be done in this direction in spite of the date and the probable weather. We have some times had such an early season that all the snow was gone in mid-March, but good road conditions cannot be counted upon.

The convention itself will be fully equipped with the engrossing and important topics which the road engineers have placed on the agenda. Finance, locations, drainage, foundations, sub-grades, wearing surfaces, maintenance, culverts, bridges, machinery and plant, and a hundred and one other questions will take up the time of the five days. And one of the advantages of the date consists in the slack season which may be expected in other channels of news so that the convention may receive such attention as it merits.

## Modern War

Modern war is no longer a struggle between man and man, whether individually or in mass. Nor if war is prolonged does it altogether depend on the skill of the commander or the reliability of his immediate subordinates. What has made itself apparent in this greatest of all wars is the increasing importance of the role allotted to the non-combatant forces—sharing in all the perils and dangers of the actual field of combat, they must passively accept the situation. They have not the thrill that accompanies and inspires a conquering advance, nor the knowledge that sacrifice may change defeat into victory. But whatever the outcome the wearers of the Red Cross

bear the risk and deserve equal recognition.

Care for the wounded and the sick has always distinguished modern conduct of war. It has been left to the Germans to break all the unages and conventions of international law, even in that respect. True to the idea that the state is everything and the individual nothing, the wounded soldier is only of value if he can be patched up and returned to the ranks, otherwise he is an encumbrance, who had better be allowed to die than to dull the courage or rouse the suspicions of his comrades. Germany indeed seems to have been living on carefully prepared news that bears no relation to actual occurrences. The awakening will be all the more serious when it comes.

## German Educational Ideas

Whatever the faults of the British may be, the race has always instinctively absorbed the business of the spy, or at least the spy disguised under the mask of friendship. As far back as can be read in history the tradition has always been that it is better to lose honorably than to win dishonorably. This primal maxim in British sports, if sport is intended to be a valuable part of education, is wholly overlooked under the German system of education. All that the average and normal British schoolboy is accustomed to associate with the mean and hateful is made the duty of his German compeer.

That provides another reason why this war between the British and the German ideals is a war to the death. There can be no compromise between a system that encourages independence and initiative and another that imposes a rigid uniformity on all that are subjected to state training. If in Germany the state were synonymous with the people the evil would be lessened, but in that misled nation the state is a thing apart and above and behind the power of her people to control. Not only in methods of warfare but in political development Germany is still in the dark ages.

## THE NEW CIVIC CAR LINES.

This letter, from the Tax Reform League of Eastern Canada, to the citizens of Toronto, has been sent to each of the aldermen:

As the ratepayers of Toronto, on Jan. 1, by a two-to-one majority, have approved of the bylaw to provide for the expenditure of \$234,000 or more, or \$19.44 per foot, for the construction of a car line east of Yonge street, in North Toronto, we call your attention to the city's past experience in making such necessary improvements.

The building of the St. Clair avenue line cost a little less than \$14 per foot. A tax of \$7 per foot on each side of that avenue would have paid the full cost of that improvement. The speculators carried off a great deal more than seven dollars per foot, so that the citizens had to meet a double liability, one to pay for the road, and another to pay the speculators.

When the various improvements were made to make Parkdale more accessible to the city, again the speculators reaped a rich harvest. Thus the citizens were met by two claimants, one demanding so much to pay for the improvement, and another demanding very much more for the speculators.

The same result followed the building of the bridges across the ravine into Rosedale. In consequence of the injustice of this method of taxation, which compels the citizens to pay their taxes often two or three times over, we urge them to use every influence to secure such amendment to the Assessment Act that the taxes will be levied on the value of the land, which is the only value which is increased by the improvement.

Tax Reform League of Eastern Canada. S. Thompson, Assistant secretary. Feb. 6, 1915.

## NO PRIVATE MESSAGES BY GERMAN WIRELESS

Even Those Intended for Warships and Other Vessels at Sea Interdicted.

Canadian Press Despatch. AMSTERDAM, Feb. 9.—A London. The German postal authorities have announced that the German wireless system may no longer be used for the transmission of private messages. This interdiction applies even to private messages intended for warships and other vessels at sea.

DOCTOR GETS AWARD. Dr. W. Cook was awarded \$25 by Judge Morison yesterday against W. T. Pearce for professional attendance in performing an operation.

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## TO SPITE HIS FACE



## REARRANGEMENT MADE IN CHAMBER LINE UP

New Seating Allotment Has Taken Place in the Ontario Legislature.

Visitors to the Ontario Legislature this year will be struck with some very radical changes in the line-up of both parties. Faces that have appeared in the same places year after year have disappeared in some instances. Others will be seen at different locations about the floor and three at least will for the first time consider deliberations of the house from the seats of power. There has been a greater rearrangement of the seating this year than has occurred in several sessions and the June election has had a distinct bearing on the plan.

Hon. W. H. Hearst assumes the leading seat, which was graced so long by Sir James Whitney. Next to him is Hon. J. J. Maclean, the right-hand position. Hon. Dr. Fyfe comes next and Hon. W. J. Hanna shifts across into the place vacated by Hon. Dr. Reame. This leaves a place for the new attorney-general in the front row.

The two new ministers, Howard Ferguson and Thomas McGarry, are immediately behind, with Hon. Finlay Macdonald occupying the former member of the cabinet's place. On the whole the government arrangement is much more compact than usual.

The Liberal arrangement is substantially the same. In all there are 35 new faces in the house.

## FRENCH CRUISER OFF HAVANA.

Canadian Press Despatch. HAVANA, Feb. 9.—A French armoured cruiser, apparently the Conde, arrived off the port of Havana today. There she joined the British cruiser Erato, which has been alternating with the British cruiser Berwick, in watching the port and cruising outside Cuban territorial waters.

## KIDNEY TROUBLE CURED AT 82

Investigated Case Which Shows Wonderful Power of the Great British Remedy

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## PAUL MAZUR FREE OF ONE CHARGE

Not Guilty in Case of Conspiracy to Commit High Treason.

## IS NOT LIBERATED

Another Indictment Registered and Militia Authorities Will Be Consulted.

A verdict of "not guilty" was brought in yesterday afternoon in the Paul Mazur case in the criminal assize court, presided over by Chief Justice Sir William Macdougall. Mazur was charged with conspiracy to commit high treason. W. K. Murphy, Jr., counsel for the prisoner, sought to have the case taken out of the jury's hands, as he claimed that the crown had failed to prove any intent.

Mr. Justice Macdougall told the jury that he was entirely in accord with the finding, and was about to release the prisoner when Crown Counsel Mr. Vernon called his lordship's attention to the fact that there was another indictment registered. Mr. DuVernet explained that he would take the matter up with the military authorities today, and was of the opinion that the result would not be of a very grave nature.

## GUELPH MAY BE MADE G.T.R. DIVISIONAL POINT

Company Transfers Trainmen to That Centre—Horses Arrive for Battery of Artillery.

Special to The Toronto World. GUELPH, Feb. 9.—It was rumored today that the Grand Trunk Railway will make Guelph a divisional point, and that a large number of men and their families would move here. There are no less than nine train crews going out from Guelph at the present time and at least 25 men have recently been sent to this city, the majority from Palmerston, which has been a divisional point. There are also five mail clerks making Guelph their headquarters.

The horses for the 16th Battery of the Canadian expeditionary force arrived at midnight. The battery men were ready to receive them and they were quickly unloaded. They are slightly small for artillery work, but the best that could be procured.

## WILL RAISE FUNDS FOR ASIATIC MISSION

Three Assistants Wanted for Presbyterian Work Among Mountain Savages at Formosa.

Rev. E. A. Armstrong, associate secretary of the foreign mission department of the Presbyterian Church, announced that the annual meeting of the foreign mission board would be held in Toronto, on April 1. Rev. Mr. Armstrong has received word that since the Japanese occupation of Formosa the interest of the country has been opened up to the Canadian Presbyterian missions in Asia.

## FAIRBROTHER AN ALIEN.

That James Fairbrother is a German is the decision of A. J. Russell Snow, K.C., registrar of alien enemies. Fairbrother was born in Hamburg, of English and German parents, his father being English. Fairbrother will have to register and report in the same manner as other aliens.

## PRESTON COMPANY TO BE WOUND UP

Order Granted Against Salvagers Furniture Concern on Creditor's Application.

## CONSTABLE'S APPEAL

Asks That Verdict of Jury Against H. E. Wettlaufer Be Upheld.

At Osgoode Hall yesterday Mr. Justice Riddell granted an order winding up the Salvagers Furniture Company, capitalized at \$40,000, on the application of H. E. Ratz & Co. of Milbank, creditors for \$2,738.54. The company manufactured furniture and sporting goods and was incorporated in April, 1912. It assigned February 2, 1915, W. E. Ratz, designer, as appointed interim liquidator, with a reference to the local master at Berlin. Proceedings under the winding-up are stayed till further notice.

The appellate court quashed the conviction of A. J. Wright, brewer, of Orillia, for an illegal sale of liquor. The order was given and paid for in Orillia, which is dry, but the delivery was in the township, which is wet. It is the second appellate decision the appeal of McMullen v. Wettlaufer is being heard. The appellant, who is a county constable in the City of Toronto asks that the verdict of the jury in his action against H. E. Wettlaufer for malicious injury and wrongful imprisonment be upheld. The jury awarded him \$4000 damages, but Mr. Justice Macdougall, the trial judge, reversed the verdict. The case is proceeding.

The following is the list for today's first appellate court: Milo Candy Co. v. Brown; McKell v. R.C.S.S. Board; McKell v. R.C.S.S. Board (cross appeal); Ridge v. Brennan; Middleton v. Philp; Burial v. Benfanti; Gramen v. Bennett.

Second appellate court: McMullen v. Wettlaufer; Price v. Ottawa Eastern Railway; Martin v. Vendome Company; Richardson v. C.P.R.; Short v. Field; Crowley v. Boving Company.

## MANY ARE CALLED BUT FEW TURN UP

George H. Gooderham, Chairman of Highway Commission, Defends System of Employment.

Geo. H. Gooderham, chairman of the Toronto-Hamilton highway commission, has written Mayor Church in regard to the statements that have been made regarding the non-employment of labour in connection with this undertaking.

He says on February 5 there were all told employed on the highway fit to work, the ninth month of the men, making in all 48, and from other municipalities including Port Credit, Oakville, Milton, Erinville and Clarkson, there were four teams and 10 laborers, making in all 14 men. On January 26 the inspector called to see 20 applicants and succeeded in getting nine to promise to come to work, and of these nine only one actually turned up. On January 28 five men left work without any apparent cause and were seen next day shoveling snow on the streets.

On the morning of January 28 eight men should have reported for work and only one turned up. Three more were told to report at 1 o'clock but none appeared and later three more promised to come but did not show up. Some of the answers given to the inspector when he went to get information were: The first would not go, the second promised to report but failed to do so, the third did not want a job, the fourth gave the wrong address at the bureau, the fifth was found in bed at 4:30 p.m., evidently in bad shape, not ill; the sixth was found at home at 4:35 p.m., and looked as tho he and his wife had been fighting, and he refused to go to work, the seventh would not think of working on the road, the eighth would not go because he would have to stay in camp, the ninth would not work for any such wages. The tenth was not at home, but his wife said he was at the House of Industry getting food; called later, but he would not go to work for the wages paid; absolutely refused, using very bad language.

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## GOOD ROAD TRAINING FOR VARSITY STUDENTS

Miniature Highway to Be Built on Campus at Good Roads Convention Next Month.

Students at Toronto University who are studying to become surveyors and civil engineers will gain some practical experience in the way of road-making when the International Roads Convention assembles in Convocation Hall in the latter part of March. One of the features planned for that occasion will be the manufacturing on the university campus of a piece of model highway, and the attendance of the student body will be invited.

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