

BANS IMPORTATION OF INTOXICANTS

New Law Comes Into Effect After Monday Next.

TO SAVE WASTE

Intention is to Discourage Unnecessary Expenditures During War Time.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—Official announcement was made by the prime minister at noon today of the prohibition of the importation of intoxicating liquors into Canada after Monday next.

The only exception is in the case of purchases made before that date. The announcement reads: "On December 17 the people gave to the government an unmistakable mandate for the vigorous prosecution of the war and for the employment of all the country's energies and resources necessary to achieve victory. It is essential and indeed vital to the efficient conduct of the war that waste and unnecessary expenditure should be prohibited, and all articles capable of being utilized as food should be conserved. It is beyond question that the use of liquor affects adversely the realization of this purpose.

Conclusions Reached.

"The subject has been under consideration by the war committee of the cabinet, and therefore conclusions have been reached:

"(1) Any liquor or beverage containing more than two and a half per cent. alcohol shall be regarded as intoxicating liquor.

"(2) The importation of intoxicating liquor into Canada is prohibited on and after Dec. 24, 1917, unless it shall have been actually purchased on or before that date for importation into Canada and unless, having been so purchased, it is imported into Canada not later than the 31st day of January, 1918. The final determination upon any question respecting such purchase shall rest with the minister of customs. This regulation shall not apply to importations for medicinal, sacramental, manufacturing or chemical purposes.

"(3) The transportation of liquor into any part of Canada wherein the sale of intoxicating liquor is illegal will be prohibited on and after April 1, 1918.

"(4) The manufacture of intoxicating liquor within Canada will be prohibited on and after a date to be determined upon further investigation and consideration of the actual conditions of the industry.

Effective December 24.

"As above mentioned, the prohibition of importation becomes effective on Monday next, December 24.

"The regulation to carry into effect the other provisions above mentioned are being prepared, and as soon as approved they will be enacted under the provisions of the War Measures Act.

"The foregoing provisions will remain in force during the war and for 12 months after the conclusion of peace."

TO FORM NEW COUNTY

South Waterloo Municipalities Indignant at Kitchener's Attitude.

Galt, Dec. 23.—South Waterloo is determined not to bear the stigma brought on this county by the people of Kitchener, who refused to join Borden a hearing, and a general committee of representatives of the municipalities of South Waterloo appointed to decide upon the matter. It is taken by this riding is having a plan prepared of a proposed new county which would be chiefly comprised of South Waterloo, and as soon as this plan is completed a petition will wait upon the provincial government and request the formation of the county as proposed.

CAR STARTED ON CROSSING

Michigan Central Engineer May Lose His Right Leg.

Special to The Toronto World.

St. Thomas, Dec. 23.—J. R. Vail, M.C.R. engineer, of this city, was seriously injured last night when his motor car was struck by a fast freight as he was driving over the M.C.R. crossing at Railway street. The car stalled on the crossing. Mr. Vail's daughter jumped out and escaped unhurt. Mr. Vail received injuries which will probably necessitate amputation of the right leg. Mr. Vail has been employed on the Michigan Central for over 20 years, and is about 60 years of age.

MISSING IN FRANCE.

Special to The Toronto World.

St. Thomas, Dec. 23.—W. K. Cameron, beriberi, of this city, received a cable from France today stating that his son, Lieut. Ian Cameron, of the Royal Flying Corps, has been missing since Dec. 16. Lieut. Cameron is a Toronto University student, and enlisted with the mechanical transport corps early in 1916 and later took a commission in the Royal Flying Corps. Lieut. Cameron has only been in France about three months. Another brother is also a member of the Royal Flying Corps.

ALMOST A CENTENARIAN.

Belleville, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Homan, widow of the late Mr. G. Homan, passed away in this city on Saturday at the age of 98 years. Deceased was born in Thurlow Township, adjacent to the city, and had lived here for over three-quarters of a century. Mrs. Homan had a vivid recollection of this part of the country when wild animals roamed where now a portion of the city is located, and Indians camped on the shores of the river.

SEVENTH GERMAN WAR LOAN.

London, Dec. 23.—Final figures for the seventh German war loan were 1,265,566,200 marks, according to a Reuters despatch from Amsterdam, quoting a message from Berlin.

VATICAN MAKES DENIAL OF MEETING CAILLAUX

Observators Romano Issues Declaration to C. nradict Italian Deputy.

Rome, Saturday, Dec. 22.—The Observatore Romano, the Vatican organ, today published a denial of the statement of Deputy Pierolini, in the chamber of deputies Friday, that Monsignor Frederico Tedeschini, under-secretary of state at the Vatican, had attended a reception at the home of Monsignor Eugenio Pacelli, papal nuncio to Munich. Deputy Pierolini had declared that Madame Caillaux, wife of former Premier Caillaux, of France, was present at the reception, and that Monsignor von Gerlach, who has been convicted by default as an Austrian spy, also was a guest there. The newspaper adds that the Vatican never has had any contact with or indirect, with M. Caillaux, either under his own name or that of M. Renouard.

KRUPP'S BIG PLANT IS NOW BURNING

Workmen Say Fire Has Been Blazing Twenty-Four Hours.

Maestricht, Holland, Friday, Dec. 21.—(British Admiralty, per wireless).—Workmen from Essen, Germany, say that the Krupp plant, the great German munitions establishment, has been ablaze for 24 hours.

The plant at Essen, the main establishment of the Krupps, the largest manufacturers in Germany of arms and munitions, employed about 30,000 men before the war. It has been expanded greatly during the war. Facts relating to its present size and the number of workmen are kept secret by the German government. It was reported unofficially in October of last year that about 70,000 persons, including several thousand women, were at work there, and that 20,000 were to be added to the force. Early this year there was a strike at the Krupp works, said to have been due to lack of food. It was reported that 40,000 persons were involved, and that the authorities combated it by sending many of the men to the front. But little authentic information was permitted to come out of Germany.

Essen is in Rhinish Prussia about 40 miles from the Dutch border. Few places in Germany are guarded so carefully. No persons unknown to the German authorities are permitted to visit the town. The plant has been raided several times by French and British airmen, notwithstanding its formidable anti-aircraft defences. Press despatches last July said 900 persons there had been killed in a raid by French airplanes, and that considerable damage had been done to the works.

MANUFACTURE NO MORE RIFLES FOR RUSSIANS

Finished Product of Westinghouse Concern is Taken Over by British Government.

New York, a Dec. 23.—Discontinuance of the manufacture of rifles for Russia by the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company has been ordered by the British Government, who had supervision over the contract, it was announced here today. The original contract was for 1,000,000 rifles, of which 1,000,000 were completed a fortnight ago. At that time the British authorities took an option for 600,000 additional rifles, it was stated, and had until January 1 to accept another option for 2,100,000 rifles if they agreed to the terms. The company has been notified that the additional rifles are not desired, the announcement said.

Rifles already in process of manufacture will be completed, it was added, and after that the New England plant now engaged in the work gradually will discontinue operation "unless the plant and organization are needed in manufacturing operations for our own government."

MANITOBA BY-ELECTION.

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—Writ was issued today for the provincial by-election in North Winnipeg, made necessary by the resignation of R. A. Riggs. Elections will be held on Jan. 8. Mr. Polling will then stand for election. The names of Rev. S. G. Bland and R. Jacobs have been suggested as Union candidates.

CALGARY CAR EMBARGO.

Calgary, Dec. 22.—An embargo was in force against all grain shipments to Calgary over the C.P.R. for two days, but on Saturday the local general superintendent's office issued a cancellation of this ruling. The embargo was placed because of the need of additional cars in the coal service owing to the shortage of coal in Calgary.

COAL MINERS RETURN TO WORK.

Calgary, Dec. 22.—The striking coal miners of the Canadian Pacific mines at Lethbridge have returned to work with the understanding that the difficulty will be settled by arbitration, with Commissioner W. H. Armstrong as the arbiter.

MINERS RESUME WORK.

Lethbridge, Dec. 23.—The miners who have been on strike here for the past three days went back to work yesterday morning without obtaining any of their demands.

REGINA'S GREAT FIRE TRAP.

Regina, Dec. 23.—Regina's winter fair building, totally destroyed by fire on Tuesday morning, was characterized as the greatest fire in the history of the city and an economic crime. The investigation which was opened here yesterday and continued by Fire Commissioner A. E. Fisher.

PLANS TO INTRIGUE FOR PEACE TERMS

Ex-Premier Giolitti Attacked for Alleged Dubious Attitude.

Rome, Friday, Dec. 21.—The Giornale d'Italia, in an editorial today, states that it refuses to believe in the good faith of the statement made by Giovanni Giolitti, ex-premier and former minister of the interior, that he was unwilling to make Italy make a separate peace. The attitude of the ex-premier has been regarded in political circles as a matter of great moment.

The newspaper expresses the opinion that Giolitti's objective is to strengthen himself so that he may obtain a place in power and then work for a peace that the allies might accept, and that he in private conversations has mentioned this intention. Propaganda also is being carried on by Giolitti's followers. The Giornale d'Italia points out, but adds that the ex-premier probably will wait a more promising situation next year in order to put his plan into execution. In this connection the newspaper quotes him as saying, "The apple now is ripe."

SWISS HAVE NO FEAR OF GERMAN INVASION

Kaiser Has Enough Troubles Without Getting Another Enemy.

Berne, Switzerland, Dec. 23.—Public opinion in France may be reassured regarding the report in circulation in that country that an Austro-German offensive thru Switzerland is in preparation, Gustave Ador, foreign minister, told the correspondent of The Paris Press.

"My sincere personal opinion," said M. Ador, "is that we need not have the slightest fear of such an attempt. Germany has other things to do on the western front, than get the Swiss army on her back, and from the economic point of view Germany has every interest not to make an enemy of Switzerland."

FIFTY PER CENT. INCREASE

Remarkable Growth of Chatham Hydro is Shown in Report.

Chatham, Dec. 23.—The annual report of Manager Jackson of the local hydro department, made public yesterday, shows a remarkable increase in both the number of local subscribers and the amount of power being consumed during the year. Two hundred and fifty-two new subscribers have been secured, making the total number in the city at the present time 1658. The total revenue for the past eleven months amounted to \$46,714.20, a fifty per cent. increase over last year.

LONDON BARRISTER DEAD

Ex-Alderman Henry Greenlee Succumbs to Heart Failure.

Special to The Toronto World.

London, Ont., Dec. 23.—Ex-Ald. Henry Greenlee, aged 70, one of London's best known barristers, was found dead in his home here today. He was stricken with heart failure during the night. It is supposed he was unable to get up, and two weeks ago his wife left and fractured her hip and sustained other injuries which necessitated her removal to a hospital.

LOSES HIS DEPOSIT

Soldiers' Vets, However, in Lincoln County May Save Loveless.

Special to The Toronto World.

St. Catharines, Dec. 23.—The official record of the civilian vote in Lincoln County, Ontario, at the recent election, shows that the majority of the voters were soldiers' veterans. It was stated that the soldiers' veterans were the only class of voters who were not opposed to the war.

MINISTERS GO TO HALIFAX

Five Members of Cabinet Leave for East to Help in Reconstruction Plans.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Five members of the cabinet, it is announced today, will proceed to Halifax on Wednesday to consider with the municipal and provincial authorities reconstruction plans and relief work. The ministers are Hon. J. D. Reid, minister of railways and canals; Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, minister of marine and fisheries; Hon. F. B. Carvell, minister of public works; Major-General McBurn, minister of militia and defence; and Hon. A. K. MacLean, minister without portfolio.

HAND CAUGHT IN COG WHEEL.

Special to The Toronto World.

Chatham, Dec. 22.—While working at the plant of the Dominion Sugar Company in this city yesterday, Ray B. H. Harvey, 15, was severely injured, when his hand was caught in a cog wheel. He was removed to St. Joseph Hospital, where it was found necessary to remove the arm above the wrist.

THIRTY SUSPECTS HELD.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 23.—Thirty men are under arrest here suspected of being implicated in the explosion of the Executive Mansion here. The arrest followed the discovery of what Chief of Police Conrad said he believed was a plot to dynamite the electric power plant of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company here last night.

CAILLAUX LOSES IMMUNITY.

Paris, Dec. 22.—A resolution was adopted today depriving former Premier Joseph Caillaux of his parliamentary immunity in the accusations against him for alleged treachery dealings with the enemy. The vote on the resolutions was 417 to 2.

TWO NORWEGIAN SHIPS TORPEDOED BY GERMANS

Foreign Office at Christiania Announces Losses of Steamers Borgsten and Ingrid II.

Copenhagen, Dec. 23.—The Norwegian foreign office announced that the Norwegian steamer Ingrid II, had been torpedoed and that only four members of her crew were saved. The Norwegian steamer Borgsten also has been torpedoed and two of her sailors were killed.

The Ingrid II was of 1145 gross tonnage. Available maritime records do not give her recent movements. The steamer Borgsten is listed at 1718 tons. She left an Atlantic port last April.

CUT PRICE OF MILK

Workmen of Chatham Handling it on Co-operative Plan.

Special to The Toronto World.

Chatham, Dec. 22.—Milk is being sold in this city at eight cents per quart as a result of the activities of the workmen's board of trade. The board have been able to arrange with a local distributor to bring in the milk, which is being distributed from two newly established depots, which are under the supervision of the board. The sale is very large, and promises to make a reduction on the part of the remaining dealers a necessity.

RUSSIA FORCED OUT BY CIRCUMSTANCES

Russian Diplomat Says His Country is in No Condition to Fight On.

London, Dec. 23.—A despatch to The Daily News from its Stockholm correspondent carries an interview with M. Borovsky, who is conducting all the business of the Russian legation at his offices in the Swedish capital, altho M. Gulkevitch remains in possession of the Russian legation building. M. Borovsky said that Russia was compelled to make peace as she was not in a condition to continue the war, and it was for Russia's allies to choose whether peace should be separate or general.

"We recognize a separate peace with Germany as a necessary step, Europe and especially so in Russia," M. Borovsky stated. "We fear that Germany, dealing first with Russia and afterward with the allies, would be able to get better terms."

"Moreover, a separate peace in the absence of a revolutionary movement in Germany would only benefit the above-named government. It is a matter of course that the Russian government is not in a position to make peace with Germany. The allies, by opposing a peace, are forcing Russia into a separate peace and also forcing into a position of dependence on Germany. If the views of the British Labor party were shared by the British Government Russia would not be faced by this danger. Our quarrel is with the British Government for clinging obstinately to its desire to defeat and destroy Germany, thereby postponing a democratic peace and forcing Russia to her present position."

M. Borovsky admitted that the Bolshevik rule could not last because the peasants, altho now supporting it, will not always support it. He said that "But we hope, while we hold power, to do what will ensure the realization of socialist reforms which our successors will be able to abolish."

U. S. SUGAR INVESTIGATION.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Food Administration investigation of the sugar shortage investigation was postponed today, and western beet sugar producers were on hand to testify when the hearing started.

HIS HAND BLOWN OFF.

Special to The Toronto World.

London, Ont., Dec. 23.—Errol Laur, aged 18, residing near Belmont, was terribly injured when his hand was blown off by a piece of shrapnel. He was brought to the hospital very weak from loss of blood and blood poisoning is feared.

APPROVE PROHIBITION MEASURE.

Kitchener, Dec. 23.—The congregation of Trinity Methodist Church, by a unanimous vote, approved the prohibition measure which was presented by the Dominion cabinet yesterday. A resolution of congratulation was ordered to be sent to Sir Robert Borden.

FIRST CALL OF DRAFT.

Regina, Dec. 23.—First notices for men to report for service under the Military Service Act are being sent to the central registration office here today. The men will be called up as they can be handled by the authorities.

GERMAN PAPER IS SEIZED.

San Jose, Costa Rica, Dec. 23.—A German paper, the last German paper in Costa Rica, was seized by the government on account of libelous articles against President Wilson, and British prime minister, David Lloyd George. The publication also contained violent protest against the recent blacklist.

TO RUSH COAL TO CALGARY.

Calgary, Dec. 23.—In respect to the situation in Calgary and the west, the assistant fuel controller has issued the order that the coal to be sent to the mayor of Calgary Saturday at "everything humanly possible is being done to clear the situation up."

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Meetings.

CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that the annual general meeting of the Canada Life Assurance Company will be held at the head office, Toronto, on Thursday, January 10th, 1918, for the purpose of receiving the report of the directors for the past year, the election of directors and the transaction of other business.

CHARLES R. ACRES, Secretary.

Toronto, Dec. 21st, 1917.

TALE NOTICE That Meetings will be held in the Court House, City of Ottawa, on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 26th and 27th days of January, 1918, at the hour of 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the directors for the past year, the election of directors and the transaction of other business.

All parties interested are requested to attend at Ottawa, this 26th day of December, A.D. 1917.

R. A. PRINGLE, Controller.

FRENCH REPULSE RAIDS FROM OISE TO MEUSE

Allies Bring Down Fourteen German Airplanes in Air Fighting Paris Reports.

Paris, Dec. 23.—The announcement of the progress of the campaign issued by the war office today, reads: "Between the Oise and the Aisne, the French were quite active. In the neighborhood of Juvincourt the Germans attempted a raid on our small posts, but were repulsed with considerable losses."

"Other enemy attempts in the sector of Grédy, north of Courcy and north of Bezonvaux, gave no other results than to leave prisoners in our hands."

"In Lorraine, our reconnoitering parties secured a few Germans near Linzey. The night was calm elsewhere."

"In the period of December 11-20 inclusive, 14 German airplanes were brought down by our pilots; three others were forced to land in a damaged condition inside their own lines. In addition three enemy machines were brought down by the fire of our special guns."

PORT WINE PUT UNDER BAN.

Prince Albert, Sask., Dec. 23.—In the supreme court Judge Ellwood dismissed the appeal of E. W. Brown, a French restaurant man, against the police magistrate's conviction and sentence to six weeks in jail and a fine of \$100 on a charge of selling what is known as Edith Cavell port wine. The court found that the beverages submitted by the police as a sample contained 15 per cent. of alcohol.

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Estate Notices.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to section 6, Chapter 121, R.S.O., 1914, that all persons having claims or demands against the estate of David Joseph David, late of Toronto, who died on or about the 28th day of May, 1917, are required to send by prepaid or deliver to the undersigned administrators, The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, of the City of Toronto, Ontario, their claims and statements of their accounts (if any) held by them, verified by statutory declaration, on or before the 10th day of January, 1918, and take notice that after the tenth day of January, 1918, the administrators will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice.

THE TORONTO GENERAL TRUSTS CORPORATION, 87 Bay Street, Toronto, Administrators.

FRANCIS & WARDROP, Solicitors for the Administrators.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.—IN THE Matter of Sydney J. Moule of the City of Toronto, Insolvent.

A meeting of Creditors will be held at my office on Thursday, the 27th day of December, 1917, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. to receive a statement of affairs, to appoint inspectors, and for the ordering of affairs generally. Creditors are requested to file their claims, with particulars thereof, supported by affidavit, on or before the date of such meeting.

And further take notice that after said date I will proceed to distribute the assets of the estate, having regard only to those claims of which I shall then have had notice.

W. J. MCCOY, 403 C.P.R. Building, Toronto, Assignee.

Toronto, Dec. 18th, 1917.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS

The sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicants must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency) on certain conditions.

Land must be the residence upon cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required, except where residence is performed on the vicinity.

Duties—Six months' residence on cultivation under certain conditions. In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt government land on a homestead patent, on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months' residence in each of three years after earning homestead patent, also 80 acres extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as a homestead patent, on certain conditions.

A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price, \$30.00 per acre.

Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years on 80 acres and erect a house worth \$300.

W. W. CORY, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.—1141.

The Grand Lodge of the Loyal Order of the Moose in the Dominion of Canada

The Grand Lodge of the Loyal Order of the Moose hereby gives Notice that it has ceased to transact business in Canada under license issued under the provisions of the Insurance Act, 1910;

AND WHEREAS there are no Policies of the Society now in force, and no liabilities in regard to Policies heretofore issued have been incorporated into the Friendly Society in the Province of Ontario, and in future carry on business in said Province under the provisions of the said Act, and whereas the Society has applied to the Minister of Finance for the release of the 15th day of January, 1918, of the securities held by him in respect of the said Society; any Policyholder desiring the release of such deposit is required to file opposition with the Minister of Finance, on or before the said fifteenth day of January, 1918.

NORMAN G. HEYD, Grand Dictator.

RODNEY H. BRANDON, Grand Secretary.

GERMAN PAPERS STOLEN.