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LOCAL SPIEL UNDER WAY

The local bonspiel opened on Wednesday night with 23 rinks in the running. All the games will be played in the evening, three night draws being pulled off whenever possible, and it is expected that the four competitions can be finished by next Wednesday.

Chiefs Brown and McDougall have been the committee on prizes and they have succeeded in getting a fine lot.

Following are the results of the different games played to date:

The following are the results of the play in the local bonspiel on Wednesday evening:

Burns—
Macneil 8, Prentice 11.
Lowe 5, L. E. McDonald 11.
Irvine 8, Lancaster 9.

Grand Challenge—
Wallace 10, Kastner 12.
J. Johnston 8, Beck 12.
McLaren 3, Greenwood 17.
Baldrey 9, J. Johnston 8.
Herchmer 11, Liphardt 5.
Marshall 5, Guy Johnston 17.

Fernie Club—
Lancaster 6, Stewart 15.
Wallace 12, Prentice 2.
Daniels 12, Marshall 13.
Jas. Johnston 12, Lowe 4.
Macneil 7, H. J. Johnston 8.
Greenwood 2, Corrie 10.

The following is the result of the play on Thursday evening in the local bonspiel:

Grand Challenge—
Stewart 11, Daniels 10.

Burns—
Liphardt 7, Baldrey 9.
Jas. Johnston 10, Daniels 11.
McLaren 8, Corrie 9.
Kastner 10, Herchmer 9.
Wallace 11, Marshall 5.

Fernie Club—
McLaren 10, Brown 11.
McDonald 5, Baldrey 10.
Young 11, Macneil 9.

Following are the draws at the local spiel for tonight:

6 p.m.—
Kastner v Daniels—Burns.
Lancaster v Prentice—Burns.
Baldrey v Beck—Fernie Club.
Liphardt v Herchmer, Fernie Club.
Corrie v J. Johnston, Fernie Club.

8 p.m.—
Marshall v Wallace—Fernie Club.
Stewart v Herchmer—G. C.
Young v G. Johnston—Burns.
Beck v Greenwood—G. C.
Baldrey v Irvine—Fernie Club.

10 p.m.—
Corrie v McDonald—Burns.
Lancaster v Prentice—G. C.
G. Johnston v Young—Fernie Club.
H. J. Johnston v Stewart—F. Club.
Brown v Lowe—Fernie Club.

MASQUERADE BALL A GREAT SUCCESS

The masquerade ball given by the local Odd Fellow lodge in Victoria Hall last Friday evening was largely attended and a decided success in every way.

Following were the winners of the prizes:

Miss White, Lady of the Harem, Lady's umbrella.
Mr. Meade, Chinese Mandarin, set of military brushes.
Mrs. D. McGregor, Scotch Lassie, manicure set.
Mr. D. McGregor, Scotch Laddie, gent's umbrella.

Miss Mary Luce, Comic, vanity bag.
Mr. Alex. Norval, Comic, collar box.
The following is a partial list of those in costume:

Miss Wood, Pierrette; Mrs. Ireland, Billiards; Mrs. Armstrong, Gypsy; Miss Ingram, Pierrette; Mrs. A. C. Brown, Dutch Girl; Miss A. Wilde, Dutch Girl; Miss Nelson, Hawaiian Lady; C. Dahl, Pierrette; Miss Sherman, Mrs. Monks, France; Tom Wilson, Pierrette; Miss Whitelaw, Hawaiian Lady; Tom Baker, Pierrette; Mrs. G. Winters, Italian Girl; Jessie Richardson, Hurdy-Gurdy Girl; Johann Davidson, Japanese Lady; Nellie Woods, Lady of 1860; Mrs. A. E. Ferguson, gypsy; Miss S. Stephens, Maid of Erin; Miss Caudrey, England and France; Miss Binkley, Pierrette; Walter Winnett, Pierrette; Miss R. Todd, Chinese Princess; Miss B. Winnett, Turkish Lady; Miss D. Henderson, General; Miss M. Pearson, Dutch Lady; A. Muirhead, Dutch Boy; Miss S. Lancaster, Pierrette; E. Ward, Pierrette; Mrs. J. Pearson, Grecian Girl; Miss Shorthouse, Red Cross Nurse; Mrs. C. W. Owen, France; Wes Owen, Jew; Mrs. Allen, Polly; Miss I. Mann, French Red Cross Nurse; Miss Elsie Woodhouse, Queen Mary; Miss Bertha Whalley, Belgian Girl; Miss Noble, Spanish Girl; Mrs. Mitchell, Peace; Mrs. Domino, Russian Girl; Mrs. Vincent, gypsy; Mrs. Atherton, Carmen;

Miss K. Mitchell, Sir Walter Raleigh; Mrs. Reid, gypsy; Mrs. Hughes, Red Cross Nurse; Miss Mary Hughes, Flower Girl; Dave Logan, Old Irish Colonel; Tom Reid, Pierrette; D. R. Wilson, Pierrette; Joe Boardman, General; Elsie Huggall, Pierrette; Mrs. Hall, Lonesome; Mrs. S. Price, Spanish Gentleman; Miss Nicholson, Baby Mine; Miss Ruschowski, Flower Girl; Hilda Atkinson, Flower Girl; Miss Wodyga, Pierrette; Mrs. W. Gregory, Red Cross Nurse; Mrs. G. Saad, Serbian Girl; Mrs. K. Saad, Russian Girl.

There were about one hundred and fifty others in costume.

FOR HALIFAX FUND

Further donations from the chapters in B.C. towards the home for the unclaimed children of Halifax to be established by the order in connection with the Halifax Relief are acknowledged.

Already acknowledged \$58.50

Under Municipal, Victoria—
The Lady Douglas Chapter 50.00
The Camosun Chapter 25.00
The Esquimalt Chapter 50.00

Under New Westminster Municipal Chapter—
The Edward Eastman 15.00

Provincial Primaries—
The East Kootenay, Baynes 352.45
The Anzac, Slokan 50.00
The Messines Ridge, Revelstoke 41.12
The Ganges, Salt Spring Island 30.00
The Ladysmith, Ladysmith 85.00
The Helen Clair Stobart 50.00
The Kokanee, Nelson 25.00

Total \$1,372.07

The following subscriptions have been received to date and anyone wishing to give a little to the Halifax fund please send same to Mrs. Trites, Secretary I.O.D.E.

Mt. Fernie Chapter \$25.00
Mrs. G. G. Moffatt, Regent 25.00
Mrs. Suddaby 5.00
Mrs. Klauer 2.00

WEATHER REPORT

Following is the official report of the temperatures for the city during the past seven days:

Jan. 25	28	-5
Jan. 26	24	-6
Jan. 27	30	-2.5
Jan. 28	11	-5
Jan. 29	0	-11
Jan. 30	1	-29
Jan. 31	2 1/2	-26

These are the maximum and minimum temperatures in each 24 hours from 9 a.m. to 9 a.m.

CHRIST CHURCH

The annual congregational meeting was held in the church last Sunday evening at the close of the service.

There were about 110 people present. The Vicar, who presided, gave a summary of the work done during the three months of his charge. He paid a tribute to the work of Mr. A. F. Marcer, who for 18 months had carried on the services of the church and so successfully taken care of the Sunday school. The large increase in church attendances and the growth of the Sunday school were commented upon as gratifying evidence of progress. The Vicar spoke of the excellent work of the choir, to whose faithful services the increase in attendance was largely due. The Ladies Guild had been of great assistance to the church and had contributed most generously to the funds. They had been most helpful, too, in the work of visitation. The Sunday school teachers and the church committee were also thanked for their assistance.

The treasurer, Mr. F. White, then read the financial report, which showed a balance in hand in all branches. Mr. White commented on the increase in subscriptions and took a very hopeful view of the future prospects of the parish.

The report having been adopted with a cordial vote of thanks to Mr. White for his faithful work, the election of officers for 1918 was proceeded with. The following were elected:

Lay Delegates to Synod—Messrs. F. White, Hewat, P. H. Fowler.
Churchwardens—People's, Mr. F. White; Vicar's, Mr. Hewat.
Sidesmen—Messrs. Bonnellie, Beck, Austin, Andrews, Reynolds, Alexander and Rhodes.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Wardens and Committee, the Ladies Guild, and the Vicar.

The meeting closed with prayer and the benediction.

Dorothy Phillips in "Bondage," at Orpheum, Wednesday and Thursday Feb. 6 and 7.

MITCHELL GETS D.C.M.

Mrs. Joseph Mitchell received word yesterday that her husband, Lance Corporal Joseph F. Mitchell, has been wounded in the shoulder and has been admitted to a base hospital.

Mrs. Mitchell had just received a letter from her husband in France, written on Jan. 5, in which he stated that he had received the Distinguished Conduct Medal for services in the battle of Passchendaele Ridge. Mr. Mitchell, previous to his departure with the 54th, was an employee of the Trites-Wood Co. His many friends and Fernie citizens extend congratulations and wish him a speedy recovery.

I.O.D.E.

The following articles have been made from I.O.D.E. materials and sent in by:

6 towels, A. Bunch.
6 handkerchiefs, M. Phillips.
6 towels, J. Robertson.
6 personal property bags, Mrs. Hewat.

5 tails, Mrs. B. Birtwhistle.
32 face cloths and 12 towels, Junior I.O.D.E.
24 personal property bags, Mrs. Hawthorne.
5 tails, E. Barton.
5 tails, D. Reid.
6 face cloths, M. Wallace.
6 face cloths, D. Cheston.
3 towels, M. Phillips.
6 towels, J. Bunch.
10 tails, Mrs. Moses.
3 towels, G. Davidson.
6 face cloths, F. Billsborough.
6 towels, 6 handkerchiefs and 5 tails, E. Parker.
6 face cloths and 18 handkerchiefs, N. Ingram.

5 tails, Mrs. Birtwhistle.
6 face cloths, W. Willis.
10 tails, Mrs. Traherne.
1 suit pyjamas, Mrs. J. W. Dobson.
1 suit pyjamas, Mrs. J. Robertson.
1 suit pyjamas, Mrs. Kuske.
1 suit pyjamas, Mrs. J. Willis.
1 suit pyjamas, Mrs. Bough.
2 suits pyjamas, Mrs. Jos. Parker.
1 suit pyjamas, Mrs. Charnock.
2 suits pyjamas, Mrs. Cowper Stevenson.
2 suits pyjamas, Mrs. Nicholson.
2 suits pyjamas, Mrs. Parsloe.
3 suits pyjamas, Mrs. Birkett, Coal Creek.
3 suits pyjamas, Mrs. Reed, Coal Creek.
1 suit pyjamas, Mrs. Eckersley, Coal Creek.
1 suit pyjamas, Mrs. Byrom, Coal Creek.
1 pair socks, Mrs. Braithwaite.
1 pair socks, Mrs. Dawe, Michel.
1 pair socks, Mrs. Carruthers, Michel.
2 pair socks, Mrs. Smiley, Hosmer.
1 pair socks, Mrs. Prentice.
2 pair socks, Mrs. Miller, Coal Creek.
2 pair socks, Mrs. Birkett, Coal Creek.
1 pair socks, Miss G. Jennings.
2 pair socks, Mrs. W. W. Brown.
1 pair socks, Mrs. Jenkins.
1 cap, Mrs. R. W. Wood.
1 cap, Mrs. Alexander.
6 pair machine knit socks, Mrs. Klauer.

Shipment from I.O.D.E., Waldo and Baynes:
38 neckties.
4 personal property bags.
15 pair bed socks.
9 trench caps.
36 wash cloths.
1 muffler.
1 dressing gown.
51 pair socks.
16 suits pyjamas.
1 roll old cotton.

Shipment from Red Cross Society, Jaffray:
1 day shirt.
33 bed socks.
33 stretcher caps.
31 many-tailed bandages.
31 suits pyjamas.
19 pair socks.

Five cases ready for shipment: 2 cases containing 72 suits pyjamas; 1 containing 108 towels; 1 containing 132 many-tailed bandages; 1 containing stretcher caps.
Donation from District Game Protection Association for Red Cross, \$18.89.
Donation, Miss West, proceeds of Musical Recital, for Red Cross, \$70.10.
Donation, Mrs. Snider, for Red Cross, \$1.00.

A great many letters have been received from men at the front and the

JAMES MAYOR GETS M.C.

Dick Tuthill is in receipt of a letter from Lt. Jas. Mayor, formerly with the purchasing department of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., which says in part:

"I told Walter Brown all about losing my left hand so will not go over it again. I am beginning to feel pretty well again only I have the pleasure of looking forward to another operation as soon as my arm is thoroughly healed, and well, the skin is too tight over the end of the stump and it has to be cut open again and the bone cut off, but they cannot do anything to it while there is any inflammation. I don't know when they will be able to operate but very likely I shall have to remain in the hospital for another month after. Am told it takes from two to three months to get artificial limbs working so I am not likely to be free for some time to come. I can go out now so the time does not pass so slowly.

I have had all kinds of visitors and they certainly have been more than kind. I have on the list a viscountess, a countess and a duchess. The countess and duchess invited me to have Christmas dinner with them but I could not accept on account of a previous engagement. I am going to have tea with the countess next Monday and going out with her sister on Wednesday. I'll have to be careful or I will have a swelled head.

You may be interested to know that I have been awarded the Military Cross. Only knew a day or two before Christmas so got the ribbon on for Christmas day. Am going to endeavor to get my decoration from the King while I am around here. I got a nice letter of congratulation from Major-General Lipsett, our divisional commander. All this is some consolation but I would willingly forfeit it all and go back to the line if I could only get my hand back. However, I suppose I enjoy it. I gave us. There are six of us in a nice little dug out and the way the candies and fags went was not slow, but they left me some chewing gum and cap and socks and mirror, so I am not doing bad. I hope you all had a good time this Xmas and wish the Order the very best of success in the coming year. We spent a very nice time on Christmas day. We had a fine supper but are living in hopes of spending the next in dear old Fernie. Thanking you again, I remain, Yours truly,

Alf. Lyne.

CITY HOCKEY LEAGUE

On Tuesday, Jan. 22, the K. G. after winning a postponed game tried to make good their getaway from the cellar but the Coms proved too much for them, losing again by a score of 8-6. Thursday's game was postponed owing to soft ice.

Bankers 5, Commercial 4 — On Tuesday of this week the Coms. suffered their first defeat at the hands of the speedy Bankers, having five games up to that date and winning all of them. The score indicates the class of hockey the boys are putting up.

Last night the High School and K. G. teams engaged in what turned out to be one of the hardest fought games of the season, with every player up on his toes and in the fight all the time. The result was a tie—4 all in spite of extra time played. The game will be played over again at some future date.

Games next week: Tuesday, Bankers vs. High School; Thursday, Commercial vs. K. G.

LLOYD GEORGE AND THE AGRICULTURISTS

In a recent address to a deputation of English agriculturists, Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George said that unless 't were possible to supply with food the population behind the lines, as well as the soldiers at the front, the prospects of winning the war were remote. "The enemy is not going to starve us; but that is not enough," he declared. "We have got to produce such a quantity of food that we need not go into the American market and match the food out of the mouths of our Allies. If the Allies are short it is because the farmer is handling a rifle to defend his country, instead of the plough."

LETTER OF SYMPATHY FROM FERNIE BOYS

The following letter has been received by Mrs. Poxon, of Coal Creek, last fall:

November 3rd, 1917.
To Mrs. S. Poxon,
Coal Creek, B.C.

Dear Madam—Understanding only too well the depth of your emotions, we feel that we cannot neglect the duty of expressing to you our share of sympathy in this, your great hour of trial, and we hope that all that is British within you will assist you to bear nobly the loss you have sustained, and with the fortitude which characterizes so many of your sisters and is the distinguishing mark of the true Briton, find solace in the fact that your husband made the great sacrifice in the midst of duty.

As one who was with him at the time, I can assure you that his demise caused him no suffering and he was carried and reverently laid to rest in one of the Military Cemeteries in France, and a distinctive cross has been placed at the head of the grave. It might, in a small measure, please you to know that this ceremony was carried out in the presence of the combined unit with military honors. The inscription reads as follows:

"In loving memory - of Corpl. S. Poxon, M.M. (No. 532744) 13th Canadian Field Ambulance, Killed in Action, October 25th, 1917. R.I.P."

Your husband, and our comrade, proved himself in every sense a man, and we share your loss. He was fearless, and in every instance performed his work faithfully and well and the unit suffers by his loss. His preference and honors were well won, and a great future was in front of him, as his courage was pronounced.

We, the representatives of Fernie, on behalf of all our comrades, therefore subscribe ourselves in deepest sympathy, hoping that the knowledge that Sam was respected by all and sundry will help to make you feel in a sense solaced thereby, as your loss is also ours.

We are, dear Mrs. Poxon, in deepest sympathy, Yours sincerely,
James Hall, T. C. Smith, B. Drew, W. Tappin, Alf. Dyne, J. G. Larmont, C. K. Christian, A. Bunch, W. J. Watmough, F. J. Nie, M. Horn, Peter Green, W. H. K. Anderson.

Methodist Church

Sunday, Feb. 3, 11 a.m.—"An Endurance Test."
2.30 p.m., Sunday school.
7.30 p.m., "The Good Samaritan."

Thursday, 8 p.m., Meeting for prayer and praise. Subject, "Prayer as communion with God."

Friday, 8 p.m., Choir practice.
J. Fielding Shaw.

"The Secret Kingdom" at the Orpheum, Friday and Saturday.