

## Rotary Luncheon

## THE PRIME MINISTER SPEAKS ON THE LIGHTER SIDE OF THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

A large number of Rotarians and guests were present at the weekly luncheon of the Rotary Club held yesterday at Wood's West End Restaurant. The Hon. Dr. W. R. Warren, Prime Minister, entertained the gathering with some impressions of the Imperial Conference, which he attended in London. The Prime Minister, being introduced by Rotarian "Will" Barker, chairman of the day, said that at the short time at his disposal, he would only touch on the lighter side of the work of the Conference, but at some future date, if the Rotarians so desired, he would be very glad to deal with the more serious work in which he and the other Dominion Prime Ministers were engaged.

Mr. Warren was very appreciative of the hospitality extended to the various Prime Ministers who attended the Conference. Accommodation was provided at the very best hotels; motor cars were also at their disposal, and on the radiator, top of each Prime Minister's car was the flag of his Dominion; the Chief of Police also furnished them with passes so that they would not be tied up in street traffic. It was gratifying to note that the line of policemen at Whitehall, soon began to recognize the Newfoundland flag, and the right of way was quickly provided for the Newfoundland car. An amusing incident, however, was the fact that the chauffeur who was apparently engaged for the occasion became quite elated when given the blue pass card from the Chief of Police. He was filled up so much with his sense of authority that he thought he had the right to run down any of the traffic officers at sight. Going to the theatre one night, one of the traffic officers held up the car, but the chauffeur, duly sensible of the rights of the blue pass which he held, became incensed and pushed the front of his car into the policeman. The superb dignity of the London police was quite upset for the moment, and trouble began to brew. However, nothing was heard about the incident. On another occasion near Piccadilly, the chauffeur took it upon himself to pull out of the usual traffic line in order to forge ahead, but when he found it necessary to get back in the line again, he made no do so, and the resulting jamming of the traffic required the services of five policemen to get the Newfoundland car straightened out.

Running the gauntlet of the numerous photographers was an ordeal which was very embarrassing. The first morning Mr. Warren landed, the camera man snapped his party on Brook Street, and this photo was shown in one of the newspapers the next day. Thenceforth they were snapped at least five times a day. Every time he and his party made an exit from a train they were made to stand in line on the platform for the benefit of the camera men. At the opening of the Conference there were at least 70 photographers and moving picture men. Yells of "stand please" were quite frequent, and Prime Minister Smuts, who refused to stand for the camera men, was given a column of newspaper sarcasm next day.

Regarding the personalities of those who attended the Imperial and Political and Economic Conferences, Mr. Warren said that perhaps the most interesting character was Mr. Baldwin. He is rather a shy man who does not strike one as an outstanding political figure, but one could not help being struck with his straightforwardness and honesty of purpose. In appearance he is very similar to that of Mr. Warren's self. An amusing incident occurred at a dinner when Commodore Halsey, who had met Mr. Warren 20 years ago, hearing that he was coming, expressed his pleasure at the anticipation of seeing him, and remarked to Sir Patrick T. McGrath and Sir M. G. Winter, who were present, that he would easily recognize Mr. Warren. Just then Mr. Baldwin entered and Mr. Halsey stepping up quickly to him said "welcome Warren old man." Of course explanations were in order and the error adjusted in laughter. Shortly after Mr. Warren arrived and made his way to Sir P. T. McGrath and Sir M. G. Winter, who were in conversation with Commodore Halsey, and they told Mr. Warren of the mistake which had been made. The characteristic feature of Mr. Baldwin is his tact. On several occasions at the Imperial Conference, tact was very necessary, and Mr. Baldwin showed that he was master of the art. He also has the absolute loyalty of his followers. Mr. Warren had heard his reply to Ramsey MacDonald on the vote of "want of confidence," and the reception which he received when he got on the floor was truly wonderful. Another notable figure at the Conference was Lord Curzon. He is an aristocrat of the old English school. Mr. Warren had heard him in a constitutional speech of three hours on international affairs, during which there was not a dull moment.

The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Amery, was also in attendance. He is a most indefatigable worker, a thorough colonial. There is perhaps

## Start the New Year Wisely by Taking Advantage of This

## Stock-taking

## Silk Veils

1 yard wide; close fitting styles, in colors of Navy, Sage, Moiré, Taupe, Pink and Black; with plain borders. Reg. 35c. each for 29c.



## Glove Specials

## Women's Suede Gloves.

2 domestic; fur and wool lined; in colors of Grey and Brown; sizes 6 to 7½. Regular \$6.50 pair for \$5.35

## Women's Gauntlets.

All Wool Gauntlets, colors of Fawn, Grey, Brown and White; all sizes; ideal for Winter wear. Reg. 80c. pair for 70c.

## Wool Gauntlets.

Suitable for Women and Misses; in shades of Brown, Grey and Fawn; assorted sizes. Regular 85c. pair for 75c.

## Men's Gloves.

All Wool, with leather bound wrist in assorted Dark Heather mixtures; all sizes. Regular 85c. pair for 75c.

## Wool Gloves.

Men's White Woolen Gloves; extra fine, with ribbed wrist, wonderful value. Regular 60c. pair for 45c.

## Kid Gloves.

Men's heavy Tan Cape Kid, with extra heavy wool lining; some with strap wrist and others done fastened; all sizes. Reg. \$4.80 pair for \$4.00



## Hearth Rugs at Clearing Prices

## Axminster Rugs.

Size 32 x 72; fringed ends; in a big assortment of beautiful designs and colorings. Reg. \$10.35 each for \$9.05

## Mohair Door Mats.

Colors of Red, Green and Black; size 11 x 23. Regular \$2.35 each for \$1.98

## Rope Door Mats.

Plain centre with red border. Size 14 x 22. Reg. 35c. each for 31c.

Size 16 x 27. Reg. 50c. each for 45c.

## STATIONERY at Clearing Prices

We have a quantity of beautiful Art Calendars for 1924, which we are marking very low to clear. They are in two sizes: Medium size, Reg. 85c. each. To clear 50c.

## Boxed Stationery.

Pretty Box, containing 6 dozen Paper and 6 dozen Envelopes, and 2 dozen correspondence cards. Regular \$2.35 box. To clear \$1.75

## Paper Dollies.

Assorted designs and sizes. Prices per dozen, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 20c.

## Table Covers.

Crep Paper Table Covers in assorted designs. Reg. 45c. each for 35c.



## Household Linens

## Tea Cloths.

Size 32 x 32; White Linen, trimmed with a heavy Torchon Lace. Reg. 72c. \$1.00 each for 72c.

## Cushion Covers.

White Linen; hemstitched border, embroidered in pretty colors; size 24 x 24. Regular \$1.10 each. To clear 90c.

## Curtains.

Made of good quality Nottingham Lace, in a splendid variety of new patterns; 2½ yards long. Reg. \$2.16. To clear \$1.62

## Lace Curtains.

2½ yards long; in an assortment of pretty patterns; extra good value. Reg. \$1.85 pair for \$1.62

## Towels.

White Turkish Towels; made of special quality Towelling; fringed; in an extra large size. Reg. 15c. each for 68c.

## Face Cloths.

Made of best quality Turkish Towelling, in Pink and Blue Check. Reg. 9c. each for 7c. Reg. 15c. each for 14c.

## Child's Pantelettes

Jersey Knit Pantelettes, to fit children from 2 to 4 years; in colors of Grey, Brown and White; bottom sides. Reg. \$1.75 pair to clear \$1.48

All the Goods offered in this advertisement at clearing prices are in good condition, and are of a quality that is dependable. The prices quoted should prove an incentive to all thrifty people. Don't miss this opportunity for

## Friday and Saturday

## Showroom Specials

## Smocks.

Striped Tricoline Smocks, in assorted light shades; round neck; half sleeves; wide hipper band, finished with buttons and hemstitch. Reg. \$2.80 each for \$2.40

## Shirtwaists.

Poplin and Tricoline; in light and dark shades; two way collar, buttoned cuff. Reg. \$3.50 each for \$3.00

## Knickers.

White Winceyette, both styles; scalloped founce at knee; medium size. Reg. \$1.25 pair for \$1.05

## Jersey Bloomers.

Shades of Sage, Cream, Navy and Grey; elastic at waist and knee; large size. Regular \$1.85 pair for \$1.55

## Women's Vests.

Fleece lined Vests of a superior quality, high neck, long sleeves; sizes 34 to 38. Regular \$1.35 pair for \$1.23

## Wool Vests.

Stainfast All Wool Vests, round neck; shoulder straps; sizes 36 to 38. Reg. \$2.25 each for \$1.95

## Collars.

White embroidery Collars, round neck, very dainty and serviceable. Reg. 60c. each for 50c.

## Handkerchiefs.

Pure White Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched border. Reg. 35c. each for 30c.

## Dresses.

Children's Wool Dresses; shades of Grey, Fawn, Brown, Rose, Tomato and Sage; scalloped edge tail and girdle of contrasting shades; with feather stitching around neck. Reg. \$2.00 each for \$1.70

## Children's Skirts.

Navy Blue Serge; pleated; to fit ages 2 to 4 years; just the thing for the kiddies to wear with a pull-over sweater. Reg. \$1.45 each for \$1.12

## Sleeping Suits.

Children's Sleeping Suits; to fit ages 1 to 8 years, fleece lined, warm and comfortable. Reg. \$1.25 suit for \$1.12

## Boys' Overcoat Clearance

Lots of wearing time for Boys' Overcoats, though it is clearing time for us. Lucky savings for those who want a good heavy Overcoat for the Boy. We have only a limited number, and cannot supply all the boys who want Overcoats; first comers get best choice, so come along as early as you can Friday Morning, and get one of the best bargains we have offered for some time. They are here to fit boys of 6 to 16 years; in half belt and full belt styles; in assorted Tweed mixtures of Grey and Brown. Reg. Price \$13.00 to \$15.00. To Clear \$9.98

## Boys' Sport Suits.

Made of extra strong Tweed, in light and dark Greys and assorted mixed Tweeds, Pants lined throughout. Just the thing for Winter School wear. To fit boys of 4 to 12 years. To fit ages 4 to 7. Reg. \$9.50 each for \$8.70. To fit ages 8 to 12. Reg. \$10.50 each for \$9.60

## Clearing Lines From Our Men's Section Underwear

## Wool Underwear.

We have a limited number of Men's Wool Shirts in size 34 only; to clear them out we are marking them very low. This is an ideal chance for small men and youths to secure their requirements. Reg. \$2.40 per garment. To Clear \$1.15

## Men's Shirts.

Good quality Negligee Shirts in Light and Dark grounds, with assorted spots and stripes; stiff collar band, soft cuffs, assorted. sizes. Reg. \$2.40 each for \$1.19

## Men's Ties.

A big assortment of wide flowing and Ties, in all the latest and very newest patterns and colorings. Reg. \$1.20 each for \$1.00

## Silk Ties.

Wide Flowing Ends, in all the popular self colored shades. Reg. \$1.75 very dressy Reg. 2.10 ea. for \$1.75

## Men's Felt Hats.

In assorted shades of Green and Brown; also in Black; this is a wonderful chance to secure a good looking Hat at a wonderful low price. These were formerly priced up to \$10.00. To Clear \$2.50

## Winter Caps.

Eastern Brand, in assorted Heather Mixtures, with inside wool band and storm front; all sizes. Reg. \$2.00 each for \$1.84. Reg. \$2.75 each for \$2.55



## Hosiery Specials

## Women's Hose.

Cashmere Hose; seamless, fashioned leg, double heels and toes; garter tops, in Black only; sizes 9 and 9½. Regular 75c. pair for 58c.

## Cashmere Hose.

Plain and ribbed; in colors of Grey, Fawn, Champagne, Brown, Black and assorted Shot effects; sizes 9 to 10. Regular 90c. pair for 72c.

## Women's Cashmere Hose.

Seamless, fashioned leg, spliced feet, elastic tops; in assorted ribs, in Green and Brown Heather mixtures; sizes 9 to 10. Reg. \$1.20. \$1.50 pair for \$1.20

## Misses' Hose.

Plain Cashmere Hose; seamless fashioned ankle; double heels and toes; colors of Grey, Fawn, Brown, Champagne and Black; sizes 3 to 6. Reg. 65c. pair for 52c.

## Footwear Bargains

## Men's Boots.

Black Calf Boots; wide fitting toe; all leather; ideal for Winter wear; all sizes. Regular \$6.40 pair for \$5.80

## Tan Boots.

Men's Tan Calf Boots, Blucher style; wide fitting guaranteed all leather; all sizes. Reg. \$7.00 pair for \$6.30

## Men's Boots.

Black Gun Metal; Balmoral style; pointed toe; all sizes; very dressy and neat. Regular \$6.40 pair for \$5.80

## Evening Shoes.

Ladies Black Satin Evening Shoes, spool heel; all sizes; made from the famous SKINNERS' Satin. Regular \$4.10 pair for \$3.70

## Dancing Shoes.

Patent Leather Pumps, Cuban heel, medium toe, sizes 3 to 8. Reg. \$3.20 pair for \$2.90

## Ballet Shoes.

Black Vici Kid sizes 3 to 6. Regular \$2.70 pair for \$2.45

## SMALLWARES at Special Prices

PROPHYLACTIC CLOTH BRUSHES — Hard Black bristles, Regular \$1.25. \$1.50 each for \$1.25

PROPHYLACTIC HAIR BRUSHES — Hard White bristles, Regular \$1.10 each for 84c.

PROPHYLACTIC MILITARY BRUSHES — Hard White bristles, Regular \$1.10 each for 59c.

PALMOLIVE TOILET SOAP — Special, 2 cakes 25c.

INFANTS' DELIGHT TOILET SOAP — Reg. 14c. 15c. cake for 13c.

ARMOUR'S BABY BALM TOILET POWDER — Reg. 32c. per tin for 27c.

LUXOR CERTIFIED TALCUM POWDER — Regular 35c. per tin for 30c.

ERASMUS TALCUM POWDER — Reg. 60c. tin for 50c.

THREE FLOWERS TALCUM POWDER — Reg. 60c. per tin for 50c.

ERASMUS SHAVING CREAM — Reg. \$1.20 per jar for 80c.

## Dress Goods at Clearing Prices

## Costume Tweed.

50 inches wide; in mixed shades of Grey, Brown and Sage; this line is a genuine bargain at the regular price. Reg. \$1.20 per yard for \$1.05

## Costume Tweed.

In shades of Grey, Brown and assorted Fancy mixtures; 56 inches wide; extra special quality. Reg. \$1.85 per yard for \$1.62

## Skinners' Satin.

The genuine Skinners' Satin; in Black and Brown; 36 inches wide. \$3.95 Reg. \$4.25 yard for \$3.95

## New Lining.

Costume and Coat Lining of Broadcloth Lustre, in shades of Grey, Brown and Crimson; 40 inches wide. This is absolutely the very newest in Lining. Reg. \$1.50 yard for \$1.30

## Eiderdown

The ideal material for making Dressing Jackets; in shades of Green, Brown, Red and Heliol; 23 inches wide. Reg. 75c. per yard for 70c.

no other man in England who has such a regard for the Dominions and Colonies of the Empire as Amery has. He had seen Newfoundland, and has a warm regard for the Old Colony. Admiral Beatty was associated with Mr. Amery; he is not more than medium height and his clear cut face is familiar to every one. Mr. Warren was introduced to Admiral Beatty at Buckingham Palace. The Admiral expressed his warm appreciation of the work of our naval reserves during the war.

Amongst the Dominion representatives, Prime Minister Smuts was perhaps the outstanding figure. He is a man of great physical and moral courage, as was shown by his famous speech made at the South African Club regarding the situation in the Ruhr. Smuts made them realize that some other steps would have to be taken if a solution was to be arrived at.

Mr. Warren also met MacKenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, on several occasions, and found him a very cultured man, capable and responsive. His work at the Conference, however, was somewhat handicapped by his majority in the Canadian Parliament.

Prime Minister Bruce, of Australia, is 33. Mentally he is of the same type as Smuts. He is quite outspoken and fearless. Whatever he wanted to say he had no hesitation in giving utterance to, regardless of the likes or dislikes of others. The Murray River scheme which he advocated to relieve the unemployment situation, would absorb half England's unemployed on work in Australia. How this scheme will be received in view of the recent elections is, however, rather doubtful.

President Cosgrave, of the Irish Free State attended the Conference, and Mr. Warren had the pleasure of a very pleasant conversation with him. President Cosgrave stated he knew a little about Newfoundland, as Brother Ennis, of Mount Cashel, was a relative of his.

Mr. Warren also met Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald and Kevin O'Higgins. A striking figure of the Conference was Maharajah Alwar, of India. He was a most intellectual and polished speaker. The Maharajah was not a British subject, being under the class of the "Faithful Allies" of the British Government. The most striking event witnessed by Mr. Warren was the War Memorial Service at Westminster Abbey, at which the Royal Family, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Cabinet Ministers, etc., were present. The impressiveness and pathos of the scene will long be remembered, and tear-dimmed eyes could be seen everywhere when the ceremony closed. Mr. Warren had an interview with the King on two occasions, and his Majesty was very reminiscent of his visit to Newfoundland. He had vivid recollections of the Grand River at Codroy, and even gave a description of the Overfall Pool. The banquet given by the Lord Mayor of London was a most brilliant and gorgeous affair, and Mr. Warren's recital of the passing around of the loving cup was quite amusing.

The Prime Minister was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for his pleasing and interesting address. Among the guests were Rev. Dr. Curtis, A. E. Morine, Hon. R. K. Bishop, Dr. W. Roberts, J. C. Jardine, J. C. Hepburn, N. Duley, W. A. McKay, L. E. Emerson, H. A. Winter, C. F. Bond of Halifax, and F. E. Pittman.

## Municipal Council

## WEEKLY MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Council was held yesterday. Mayor Cook presided and the full Board of Councilors were present.

After confirmation of minutes of previous meeting, the following matters were discussed:

C. R. Ayre protested against permission being given the Reid, Nfld. Co., for the erection of a garage adjoining his dwelling, Victoria Street. In connection with this matter, the Civil Engineer reported that upon visiting the site, he found it was the applicant's intention to build close to a private dwelling, and had therefore withheld permit pending further investigation. On his recommendation, the Council decided to refuse permission for this erection.

The Imperial Oil, Limited, advised that they had communicated with their Home Office with regard to payment of proportion of expenses in connection with the placing of a gully and outlet at their Southside premises, and that they would be glad to co-operate with the City Engineer in this matter.

The Medical Officer of Health reported fourteen new cases of Scarlet Fever in the City during the past week.

Many routine matters were disposed of, and the usual weekly reports were read. After passing of resolutions and accounts, the meeting adjourned.

C.L.B. Old Comrades Lottery — will those who have tickets for sale please return stubs at the Rooms, or to any of the Committees, in order that we may proceed with the drawing. Jan. 31

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