

he had not gone to the hospital—I did not like to give him the leave of absence. I told the captain of his boat to give him leave if he could produce the telegram from South River. He did not turn up for duty at all on that day or the two following, and did not bring the telegram. I spoke to his brother, who told me his grandmother had not died, and to Phillip's wife. I saw him on the Tuesday following, and mentioned the case to the deputy chief who suspended him. Since then he has not been heard of until he made his charges before the board of control. He left the department entirely of his own accord."

The district chief added that he had always endeavored to give returned men the preference in allocating the earliest jobs in his district. He stated that an officer with the Great War Veterans' Association had telephoned him in connection with the matter.

Further inquiries elicited the information that Phillips has a brother, Driver William Phillips, of the Wilton Avenue Firehall. Driver Phillips informed the reporter that his brother's real name was "Earl Phillips," and that he could not understand why he had adopted the alias. "I am very sorry for this affair," said the reporter, "and I am going to try to stop it before it goes any further."

**Fire Truck in Question.**  
The question of the fire truck is also causing some little trouble. The truck was ordered by the board of control in August, 1912, from the W. E. Seagrave Company of Walkerton, thru their Toronto agents, the Hugh C. Cameron Company. Owing to delays in securing materials, etc., the truck was not delivered until a short time ago. On the day following the heavy snowstorm about two weeks ago the truck was taken out for a trial trip. It was driven up Spadina avenue and along Bloor street to the steep grade of Dufferin street and then up to St. Clair avenue. It followed a different route home, and went a distance of about seven miles thru the district in thirty minutes without a hitch in the whole performance. Despite this good showing the truck was not approved of by Inspector Kennedy of the mechanical department. He made out a report which was sent to the board of control, and taken up by them a week ago today.

Controller McEneaney objected to the report of the mechanical engineer as being rather vague, and after a heated discussion the board decided to ask Chief Smith for further particulars.

**Report is Lost.**  
In the meantime the whereabouts of the report is a mystery. Thomas McQueen, secretary of the board of control, states that the chief took it away with him. The chief in turn says he hasn't got it. He has made out a more complete report, and will be at the board of control meeting today to answer any questions that may be put to him.

There are rumors that there was a slight disagreement between the chief and his mechanical engineer on the question of passing the truck. Mr. Kennedy refused to discuss the matter without authority from the chief, and the chief states that he cannot say definitely what is wrong with the truck without the missing report. The reporter was informed, however, by one who read the report that the chief's deficiency in the truck is that it has but one brake, while the Ontario fire regulations call for two brakes.

Mr. Cameron of the Seagrave Company informs The World that the truck was made according to specifications furnished by the department and is not one of their regular machines. He says that he is willing to make any slight alterations necessary. The truck is valued at \$500, and is now at the Adelaide street firehall awaiting the decision of the board of control as to whether it shall be accepted.

**Going on Holiday.**  
In the meantime Chief Smith is preparing for his two months' holiday, beginning January 28. The chief is not going to spend all the time on a pleasure jaunt. It has been his custom in the past for the city fire chiefs to get a holiday each year to visit American cities and study fire protection methods. The present chief has never before been given this opportunity, and he will probably take advantage of it.

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It is pointed out that if the time the present chief was acting chief were counted he would be able to retire on a pension of \$2250 a year on April 15, providing the city council does not adopt the \$1800 maximum before that date. The regulation states he must have been chief for three years before he can retire on his pension of half the chief's salary. He has been acting chief since April 15, 1915, and chief since Jan. 15, 1917. This means that if his eight months as acting chief are counted he can return from his vacation on April 1 and have just two weeks to straighten up his affairs and resign on a pension of \$2250 a year, providing, of course, that the city council does not settle up the benefit fund muddle in the meantime.

**HOW THE CHINESE CAPTURED HARBIN**

**Commander Walked Into Office of Bolshevick Leader and Promptly Killed Him.**

A Pacific Port, Jan. 23.—Passengers aboard a trans-Pacific liner, which arrived here today from the Orient, brought details of the capture by Chinese troops of the Manchurian City of Harbin.

P. J. Davis, of Chicago, one of the passengers, said the Chinese took the city in an unique but effective manner.

"The Chinese commander," Mr. Davis said, "walked into the office of the Bolshevick commander and promptly killed him."

Much fighting followed, Mr. Davis said. At the close of hostilities, he asserted, the well drilled Chinese troops had driven the Bolshevick soldiers from the city.

**SCORE'S TIE SALE—EXTRA OFFERINGS AT 45c**

Regular seventy-five cents and one dollar neckwear selling at 45c, is the extra feature in the great tie sale repeated for today. We have added about 20 dozen more of the regular \$1.00 line to this lot and it certainly enhances the attractiveness of such a special—and, remember, this neckwear includes the very newest effects in merchandise, made up by one of the best known neckwear makers of New York. Just to repeat the figures, 100 dozen regular 75c and \$1.00, today for 45c. R. Score and Son, Limited, 77 King street west, Toronto.

**DENOUNCE THE INCREASE**

Meeting of Representative Men in Brandon Pass Strong Resolution.

Brandon, Man., Jan. 23.—A meeting composed of representative business men, called under the auspices of the city council, the board of trade, the Manufacturers' Association and the Retail Merchants' Association, passed a resolution protesting against the proposed increase in freight rates and endorsing the action of the shippers' section of the Winnipeg Board of Trade by which a resolution denouncing any interference with the contract respecting freight rates made between the Manitoba Government and the C. N. R., and suggests that the Dominion make grants to the Grand Trunk and the C.N.R. of sums equal to what they would receive under the proposed advance in rates, and thus save for the people the vast sums that the increased rates would bring into the coffers of the C.P.R., the government to get the revenue thru taxation.

**SEND PROTEST TO BORDEN.**

Edmonton, Jan. 23.—Contending that it is unconstitutional and further might have been satisfactorily settled by conference and arrangement, the Government of Alberta has wired Premier Borden, protesting against the order in council regarding the amendment and sale of provincial securities.

**WAR SUMMARY**  
THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

The various German raids and exploring attacks against the British troops in the Ypres sector in the past few weeks and against French troops in the Neuport sector yesterday, manifest enemy anxiety over the situation in the Belgian coastal region. The Germans in the Belgian lowlands hold the weakest positions on the whole western front, for the reason that water is found two feet below the surface of the ground and, driven from the higher ridges, the enemy soldiers can neither dig dugouts or trenches. It is questionable if they can find a foundation even for their pill boxes. These conditions of ground and soil compel the German soldiers to remain above ground and be decimated every day by the constant sweep of the allied barages.

The lively raiding activity of the enemy south of the Scarpe manifests his nervousness about his communications. By maintaining the bulk of their wedge driven in front of Cambrai and the wedge driven at Bullecourt the British are in a position to force the intervening salient and to get to Douai. The British fire, moreover, may even compel the enemy to evacuate this salient.

On the whole, the milder weather which has set in is enabling the contending forces in western Europe to resume their outpost activities. The raiding and harassing extends thru the barbed wire all the way from the North Sea to the Adriatic. Only a small part of the daily activities of the British and French armies receive mention in the daily official communications. The military policy of the allies this year, it is said, will mainly consist of the continuous slugging so conspicuous in the annals of the past campaign. The allies open the attack this year in more places than it was opened last year, in order to make up for Russian weakness. The American army will probably undertake an offensive. The large concentration of the Germans, which reached a depth of 6000 m in Belgium last summer

and autumn, will encounter a much larger concentration of the allies.

No matter what the Bolsheviki intend to do in northern Russia, the enemy will encounter resistance on the southern front from the Rumanians and Cossacks, together with other loyal Russian elements. The Rumanians, according to authoritative declarations, have resolved to stand by the allies to the end. If the Ukraines actually accept a peace with Germany, it will benefit the Rumanians to this extent, that the loyal forces will be able to concentrate their energies to the defence of a comparatively short front, presenting a virtual impasse.

The Bolsheviki are becoming estranged from the Germans and Austrians in the peace negotiations. Trotsky complains that the enemy version of the pourparlers lack frankness. These versions omit the speeches of Trotsky. The Bolsheviki are receiving either the credit or the blame for provoking the strikes in Austria-Hungary. They have also instigated Bohemia to ask for virtual independence. This action of the Bohemians has compelled the Austrian premier to declare that the government at Vienna will not hear of the proposed change in the Hapsburg state. The Bolsheviki, meanwhile, are preparing the Russian people for the news that the war will proceed, the stand-off attitude of the German aristocrats towards the unwashed German delegates is provocative. The British Labor party, moreover, with its apparent Bolshevick peace program, and its prospects of gaining power in Britain, has also apparently captured the Bolshevick preference.

The German submarines had another almost barren week, as shown by the British Admiralty return of six large and two small merchantmen sunk by submarines or blown up by mines. It is difficult to realize fully the efficiency of the British and American anti-submarine and anti-mine campaign, for, while not directly attacking ships, the U-boats are "laying their eggs" all the time.

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- BLACK SIBERIAN WOLF SETS—(Muff and Scarf).** Large Round or Pillow Shaped Muff—with head and tail. Scarf animal shape, lined with good satin. Price, set ..... \$15.00
- GREY FOX MUFFS—**matching Stoles in same fur—lined in matching color of silk—ring wrist-cord—elderdown bed. .... \$17.50
- GREY FOX NECKPIECES—**designed with complete animal effects—trimmed with natural heads and tails—ample over the shoulders—handsomely lined ..... \$17.50
- RED FOX NECKPIECES—**designed with complete animal skins and finished with heads, tails and paws ..... \$27.50
- ICELAND FOX NECKPIECES—**designed in both the ruff and stole effects—lined with white silk ..... \$6.50
- ICELAND FOX MUFFS—**matching neckpieces in same fur—silk lined—elderdown beds. .... \$8.25
- SIBERIAN WOLF MUFFS—**in round and large pillow style—trimmed with heads, tails and paws, and matching neckpieces in same fur and trimming. .... \$10.00
- BLACK WOLF NECKPIECES—**full animal skins—finished with head, tail and paws—silk lined ..... \$18.50

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- Georgettes and Serges in all sizes and colors, including navy, brown, green, black and taupe.** One very pretty design in Taupe Gabardine, button-trimmed and belted. Regular \$14.50. Price, \$7.00
- Fur Trimmed Coats in Burgundy velour, shown with the new Hudson seal shawl collar, silk-lined and interlined.** Regular \$56.00. Price, \$37.00
- A Navy Blue Beaver Cloth in belted design, with button trimmings, is very smart.** Regular \$34.00. Price, \$19.75
- Push Coats, with large nutria collar and made with very full skirt. An exceptionally fine coat. Regular \$32.50. Price ..... \$56.00**
- Serge Dresses in navy, green, Burgundy, brown and black.** Some showing straight line effects, others with the new overskirt. All sizes. Regular up to \$36.00, for ..... \$17.50
- A very large assortment of separate skirts in plaids, plain serges in navy blue and black, also novelty silk skirts.**
- Novelty Pleated Skirts of navy, Alice blue and yellow stripes, very cleverly combined.** Regular \$22.50. Now priced ..... \$13.25
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Approves Arrangements Now Being Made by Inter-Allied Conference.

**AIMS MUST BE STATED**

Arthur Henderson Says Allies Must Approve Statements of Leaders.

Nottingham, Jan. 23.—At the British Labor conference today an amendment to refer the proposal to amend the constitution back to the executive for further consideration was carried by a small majority. In view of the adverse vote consideration of the remainder of the executive's report on the amendment of the constitution was postponed for a month, and the conference proceeded to discuss the annual report of the executive.

Mr. Henderson moved what he described as a "peace resolution." This welcomed the statements of Lloyd George and President Wilson insofar as they harmonized with the war aims of the British Labor movement; called upon the allies to formulate the war aims at the earliest possible moment, and approved arrangements being made for an inter-allied conference to be held in London on Feb. 20.

Mr. Henderson in supporting his resolution said that peace could never be brought about until all the allies

had stated their aims and proved that they accorded with the magnificent statement of aims by President Wilson.

James Ramsay MacDonald, Socialist and Labor member of parliament, who seconded the resolution, said that they must have an international conference of the working classes to obtain a settlement.

After an attack by R. W. Williams of the transport workers on the government for refusing passports for Stockholm, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

The moderate policy of the present labor party executive meets with the entire approval of the membership as indicated by the virtually unanimous vote with which approval was given the annual report of the executive committee. It must be remembered that this annual conference is not merely a labor congress, but the annual meeting of a great political party, at which the policy and conduct of its representatives in parliament come up for review and report. The acceptance of the policy of the party last year was by a vote of six to one, but this year it was virtually unanimous.

This year, as at last year's conference, the attitude of the party toward the war was the matter of the most general interest, and the question on which the party's representatives must stand or fall. The party gave them a whole-hearted vote of confidence.

**SOCIALIST NOT WANTED.**

Mitchell, S.D., Jan. 23.—William C. Rempef, executive secretary of the South Dakota branch of the People's Council of America for Democracy and Terms of Peace, was seized by a group of unknown men today, placed in an automobile and taken to a point four miles from here, where he was released on the prairie with instructions not to return to Mitchell.

**Addresses School Trustees**

Sir Robert Falconer Speaks at St. Thomas on Growth of Democracy.

Special to The Toronto World. St. Thomas, Ont., Jan. 23.—The auditorium of the Engineers' building, St. Thomas, was filled by a large and enthusiastic audience to hear an eloquent address given by Sir Robert Falconer of the University of Toronto to the St. Thomas and Elgin County School Trustees' Association, which is being held here today.

Sir Robert gave a review of the growth of democracy from the year 1776, both in Great Britain and the United States, and explained how it was that in 1776 the empire was deserted by her greatest colony in her greatest need. But in 1814 there was a rally of the colonies to the mother country from the ends of the earth. He also explained how it was that the two great Anglo-Saxon nations were again drawn together to defend civilization. They were both fighting for an ideal to keep liberty free and to see that international law was respected.

**A CHANGE OF NAME**

Engineers' Society Will Hereafter Be Known as Engineering Institute.

Montreal, Jan. 23.—The Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, whose annual meeting was concluded here today, will be known henceforth as the Engineering Institute of Canada—the change in name having been decided upon today.

**BOMBARD WOUNDED WITH GRENADES**

U. S. Red Cross Official Describes Atrocities of Inhuman Germans.

New York, Jan. 23.—Warning of the attacks, "horrible, brutal, beastly and consistently official," that American soldiers will soon be suffering at the hands of Germany's inhuman army was voiced in an address here tonight by Major Grayson M. P. Murphy, formerly in charge of the American Red Cross work in France, who returned to this country Sunday. "I cannot describe the horrible things that Germany has done to women and children and the poor, old suffering people in countries where she has set her dreadful foot," Major Murphy said. "British officers told of scores of wounded soldiers piled in heaps and then bombarded with hand grenades."

**BEST MAN ASSAULTS AND ROBS THE GROOM**

Chatham, Jan. 23.—On the eve of his wedding, which was to have occurred this morning, William Roszell of this city, was brutally assaulted and seriously injured by Edward Robb, who arrived in this city from Detroit last night to officiate as best man at the ceremony.

**THREE DIE IN AUTO SMASH**

Street Car and Motor in Collision at Vancouver. Vancouver, Jan. 23.—Three persons are dead as the result of Sunday night's collision between an automobile and street car at the corner of 12th street and Commercial drive. Peter Cronidas, who kept a cigar and fruit store, succumbed to his injuries today. The other dead are Peter Rothstein and Margaret Gregg. The fourth member of the party is reported to be in a serious condition.

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**BISHOP OF DULUTH DIES.**

Duluth, Minn., Jan. 23.—Bishop James McGolrick of the Catholic diocese of Duluth died suddenly here tonight.

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