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The Belgian Relief Committee of the Toronto Women's Patriotic League, 80 King street west, report for the week $1,253.28. Total to date $88,515.18.

The Christmas appeal envelope appeal has been increased by $416.15 from Stirling; $88.18 from Sturgeon Falls; $62.80 I. O. D. E.; Napanee and Niagara-on-theLake $13.40.

Among out-of-town contributions were: Coldwater W. C. T. U. $50; First Baptist S. S., Woodstock, $25; bazaar at Madoc, $31; Islington W. I., $36; Uxbridge W. P. I., $33.14; collected by the reeve, Mr. E. Potts, Port Sandfield, $28.30; St. Vincent Circuit Methodist Church, Meaford, $25; Girl Guides, Sudbury, $5; pupils of S. S. No. 3, Hungerford, $5; Miss S. Macleod, Oshawa, $5; M. J. Stanley, Dayton, Ohio, $5 (monthly); Westminster Pres. S. S., $14.27; employes Steel Structural Works, West Toronto, $20 (monthly); Newmarket P. O. Society, $2.50; the Rosary Hall Guild contributed $50; St. George's Chapter, I. O. D. E., $9.50; the girls of the Campbell Four Mills, $5.75 (monthly); Mr. John Langton, $100; and per Miss Caswell, $15. Large quantities of new, excellent clothing, socks and quilts were received from Barrie, Collingwood I. O. D. E.; North Toronto Red Cross Auxiliary; Norwich W. P. I.; Georgetown W. I.; Grimsby W. I.; Weston and the Smithfield War Auxiliary.

No worn clothing can be shipped at present.

STRIKE IS THREATEED BY CLOAK CUTTERS

Claim That Local Manufacturers Are Making Articles for Montreal Firms.

Organizer T. Black, speaking at a meeting of the Cloak Cutters' Local, No. 83, at the Labor Temple last evening, stated that the cloak makers' strike in Montreal is not yet over, and Toronto may yet be drawn into it. He stated that 400 men are now on strike in Montreal, and information has come to his notice that the manufacturers in Toronto are making articles for Montreal firms. "Committees are now investigating," he said, "and should there be any truth in the rumor, and I have every reason to believe there is, it will mean that Toronto will be embroiled in a strike involving 2500 cloak makers. Up to the present the Montreal bosses have refused to negotiate with the union, altho settlements have been arranged in some of the small shops."

"Are there any women involved?" he was asked.

"I say yes," he answered emphatically. "A new local has been formed and already has 200 women." He said that every precaution is being taken, but the statement he had made, he was afraid, was only too true.

The following officers of the union were elected last evening: Auditors, B. Cohen, B. Gurvin and L. Reeves; trustees, B. Franklin and J. Spour.

Journeymen Tailors' Increase Fast Going Into Effect

At a well-attended meeting of the Journeymen Tailors' Union at the Labor Temple last evening, presided over by Alec Wilson, president, 12 new members were initiated into the local. The matter of the new wage schedule was discussed and it was reported that good progress is being made in many shops, and some are now paying a ten per cent. increase. A special committee is to be called in about two weeks' time, when the matter will be taken up again, altho it was stated that no trouble is anticipated, and no strike is being talked of.

FOR RETURNED SOLDIERS.

Mrs. R. H. Cameron, regent of the Lady Ross Chapter, I. O. D. E., threw open her home, 70 Hilton avenue, on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon and evening last for the third euchre given for the Piccadilly Circus fund of the chapter.

Sixteen handsome prizes were awarded by the hostess, and altogether the event was a decided success independent of the gratifying financial result of over $90 realized for the returned disabled soldiers' home.

SUNK WITH MOUNT TEMPLE.

At the meeting of the Suffragists' War Auxiliary held in the Central Y. M.C.A. hall, Mrs. A. M. S. Stewart, convener of the Brittany Hospitals Committee, reported that 47 cases intended for a hospital in Brittany went down with the Mount Temple. She also told of the refusal of shipping companies to handle the 57 cases now ready for shipment.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Feb. 26. —(8 p.m.)—The disturbance which was approaching the Great Lakes last night is now centred over the New England States, and snow or rain has fallen in nearly all localities from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces. The temperature has been a little higher today in the west.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 16 below, 4; Prince Rupert, 20, 36; Victoria, 28, 40; Vancouver, 22, 36; Kamloops, 6 below, 14; Calgary, 14 below, 20; Medicine Hat, 20 below, 12; Edmonton, 10 below, 22; Battleford, 16 below, 14; Prince Albert, 18 below, 12; Saskatoon, 19 below, 7; Moose Jaw, 11 below, 11; Regina, 13 below, 2 below; Winnipeg, 14 below, 8; Port Nelson, 20 below, 18 below; Port Arthur, 2 below, 14; Parry Sound, 14, 32; London, 25, 45; Toronto, 24, 45; Kingston, 18, 36; Ottawa, 6, 30; Montreal 6 32; Quebec 4 below, 18; St. John, 0, 40; Halifax, 4, 40.

—Probabilities.—

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Moderate to fresh west and northwest winds; fair and moderately cold.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence Valleys—Fair and colder again.

Lower St. Lawrence—Some light local snow at first, but generally fair and somewhat colder again.

Gulf and North Shore—Local snowfalls, but partly fair.

Maritime—Strong winds or moderate gales; local sleet or rain; clearing and turning somewhat colder at night.

Lake Superior—Fair and rather cold.

Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta—Generally fair; stationary or higher temperature.

THE BAROMETER.

Time.	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.
8 a.m.	35	29.12	9 S.W.
Noon	43	.....	.....
2 p.m.	45	29.10	7 W.
4 p.m.	41	.....	.....
8 p.m.	33	29.20	11 N.W.

Mean of day, 35; difference from average, 11 above; highest, 45; lowest, 24; rain, .09.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Feb. 26.	At	From
Tuscania	Glasgow	New York
Lapland	Liverpool	New York
Espagne	Bordeaux	New York

STREET CAR DELAYS

Monday, February 26, 1917.

Carlton and Parliament cars, eastbound, delayed 20 minutes at 11.27 a.m. on Gerrard near Parliament street, by auto stuck on track.

Bathurst cars, northbound, delayed 10 minutes at 8.53 a.m. at Arthur street, by auto stuck on track.

Avenue road cars, northbound, delayed 9 minutes at 1.37 p.m. at Avenue road and C.P.R. by sleigh stuck on track.

King cars, both ways, delayed 4 minutes at 2.28 p.m. at G.T.R. crossing, by train.

King cars, westbound, delayed 5 minutes at 4.05 p.m. at Queen and Broadview by auto stuck on track.

DEATHS.

NORTH—At her residence, 27 Furness avenue, on Monday, Feb. 26, 1917, Annie, beloved wife of George North. Funeral Thursday, 2 p.m., to St. John's Cemetery, Norway.

STEPHENSON—On Feb. 24, at Willowdale, Mary Ann Patterson, relict of the late Joseph Stephenson, in her 76th year. Funeral Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 2 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

STEWART—At Hamilton, on Friday, Feb. 23, 1917, William H. Stewart, foreman G.T.R. freight department. Funeral from his late residence, 42 Robert street, Hamilton, Tuesday, 9.30 a.m. Interment Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto, on arrival of G.T.R. train leaving Hamilton 10.40 a.m. Tuesday.

WHITNEY—On Sunday, Feb. 25, at his parents' residence, 855 Logan avenue, Edward, second beloved son of Eliza and Robert Whitney, in his 37th year. Funeral Tuesday from above address at 3.30 p.m., to Norway Cemetery.

W. A. QUIBELL DEAD.

The death occurred on Sunday last after a brief illness of a prominent civil service man in the person of W. A. Quibell, who passed away at his home, 59 Oakwood avenue. He was born in Mount Albert, Ontario, sixty years ago, and when a youth moved to Toronto; and he later opened a general store in Newmarket, and finally moved his business to Sault Ste. Marie. While there he was appointed stipendiary police magistrate for Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie under the Mowat regime. He held that position for some twelve years, when he was made by the Laurier government a Dominion commissioner of police, with headquarters at Port Arthur, Fort William and Winnipeg. Five years ago he retired and moved to Toronto, where he was a board member of the Eaton Memorial Church and a member of the Parkdale Masonic Lodge. He was also past deputy grand master of the Masons in Thunder Bay district. He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Alice; one brother, Charles N., of Orillia; and two sisters, Mrs. Gledhill, of Huntsville, and Mrs. Kelly, of Fort Erie.

MAY BECOME MANAGER.

The fact that the name of Joseph Oliver is not on the list of nominations for the board of directors of the Canadian National Exhibition has given rise to the rumor that Dr. Orr is about to resign from the position of general manager, and that Mr. Oliver will probably be appointed in his place. Both absolutely contradict this rumor, and state it is merely gossip.

YONGE STREET FIRE.

An overheated stove was responsible for a fire which broke out in a garage at 466-468 Yonge street last night, and did damage to the extent of $900. The building was owned by Strathy & Johnson, and rented by H. Townsend. Damage to the building amounted to $600, to the car and other contents $300. The building was a two-storey frame structure.

Harper, customs broker, 30 West Wellington st., corner Bay st.

Thru the minstrel vaudeville put on by the Heliconian Club the handsome sum of $150 was cleared, and will go towards the work of Mrs. Agar Adamson with the Belgian children.

POLICE GET RAISE.

Special to The Toronto World.

Kitchener, Feb. 26.—Notwithstanding the request of a special delegation to the Kitchener Police Commission from the city council urging the discharge of three men from the force of eight for purposes of economy, the commission unanimously decided to retain all the constables, and, dating from January 1, granted increases in salary to six of them. The commission consists of Judge Reade, Magistrate Weir, Mayor Gross and Chief O'Neil.

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: SOCIETY :

Conducted by Mrs. Edmund Phillips

Their Excellencies the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire took tea with Sir Henry and Lady Pellatt on Sunday afternoon.

Her Excellency paid a surprise visit to the Women's Art Association on Monday morning, accompanied by Captain Ridley, and bought one of Mrs. Dignam's pictures, a homespun coverlid, and some flower studies by Miss MacLaren.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Mercer left on Sunday night for Thamesville, where they will spend a few days.

Mrs. I. B. Lucas and Mrs. Macdiarmid are giving a tea this afternoon for the visiting members' wives, in the Speaker's Chambers, Parliament Buildings.

Lord Richard Neville and Captain Mackintosh left Ottawa for Winnipeg on Saturday.

Lady Violet Henderson left on Sunday night for Ottawa. Col. the Hon. Harold Henderson accompanies their excellencies on their western trip.

Mrs. H. W. Fitton gave a small tea in Brantford last week.

Hon. Wallace and Mrs. Nesbitt gave a small dinner party on Saturday night.

Col. Harry Cockshutt has returned to Brantford from Cuba.

Very Rev. Dean Starr, major, C.E.F., was a guest at a luncheon given in honor of the visit of Her Royal Highness Princess Patricia to Hillingdon Court, the beautiful residence of Lord and Lady Hillingdon After the inspection at the Hillingdon House Canadian Convalescent Home the royal party, with Col. Sponagle and Major Starr, motored to Uxbridge, for the opening of the Canadian Club.

Mrs. J. J. Kehoe has arrived in town from Sudbury, and is staying with Mrs. McKissock at the Athelna.

The members of the Women's Art Association met yesterday to discuss plans for the summer work, when there was a good representation. Many things were discussed and resolutions made, Mrs. Dunnington Grubbe being made convener of the garden committee. At the close of the meeting, Mrs. Home Cameron in the chair, tea was served.

The drawing-room meeting of the social service department of the general hospital has been postponed until Monday afternoon so as not to interfere with the Girl Guides' musicale at Lady Mann's house on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Coffin (formerly Miss Gertie Dupont) is in town from New York visiting her aunts, the Misses Dupont, Madison avenue.

Mrs. Percival Kirkpatrick, Saskatoon, is expected in town today, and will be the guest of Mrs. Wallace Nesbitt. Mrs. Nesbitt has asked a few people to meet Mrs. Kirkpatrick on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Arthur George met with a most enthusiastic reception at the Regent last night and received several encores.

Mr. George Bradshaw is in Winnipeg.

Mrs. George S. Blake, Red Deer, Alberta, arrived in town yesterday from Kingston.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Purtell announce the engagement of their niece, Bessie Lorraine, daughter of Mr. Colin Purtell, San Jose, California, to Mr. Errol George Strickland, assistant manager of the Metropolitan Bank, Buffalo, N.Y. The marriage will take place in Toronto at an early date.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Irwin, Brandon, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Eileen Margaret, to Mr. John A. Bethune, lieutenant, Canadian Mounted Rifles, and son of Mr. H. J. Bethune, Toronto. Mr. Bethune went to the front a year and a half ago from Brandon. He was wounded in Sept., 1916, in the Somme engagement, but has since returned to duty in France. He is a nephew of Mrs. Vere Brown, Winnipeg.

Mrs. Rennie has been visiting Mrs. Loughead in Brantford, and has been the guest of honor at several small entertainments.

Mrs. Janet Gibson, daughter of Mr. T. W. Gibson, deputy minister of mines, is visiting her uncle, Mr. E. George Brown, in Ottawa.

Colonel Maynard Rogers, Ottawa, is spending a few days in town.

Mrs. H. W. Richardson and Miss Eva Richardson, Kingston, are in Toronto.

Mrs. Norreys Worthington has left for Ottawa, and will be the guest of Mrs. Northrup.

His Majesty the King has sent the Perkins Bull Hospital for convalescent Canadian officers, a substantial hamper of pheasants, wild ducks and hares.

Mrs. Harry Crerar, who has been visiting Mrs. P. D. Crerar in Hamilton for the last month, has returned home.

UNITED STATES TO PROTECT SHIPPING

(Continued from Page 1).

America was asking to exercise none but the rights of peace; that he was not proposing nor contemplating war. He was thinking, he said, of the right of life itself, the rights of humanity "without which there is no civilization"—rights deeper and more fundamental than merely the rights of Americans.

"No course of my choosing, nor of theirs," said the president, "will lead to war. War can come only by the wilful acts and aggressions of others."

American Lives Jeopardized.

Four weeks of unrestricted warfare, the president told congress, has seen the destruction of at least two American ships, American commerce driven in a large measure from the seas thru fear of the undersea peril, and a resulting congestion of America's vital industries growing more serious every day. The fact that more American lives had not been lost, he said, was due more to the fact that German submarine commanders had exercised "an unexpected discretion and restraint" rather than because of the instructions under which they were acting. To be unprepared, with congress out of session, the president said, would be most imprudent, consequently he asked for authority to act.

In Solemn Silence.

Standing at the clerk's desk in the hall of the house, calm, grave, speaking earnestly in the attitude now become familiar, the president delivered his address while congress sat in a tense, respectful silence, fully impressed with the soberness of the occasion. No cheers and applause such as have burst out before, punctuated his sentences. By common consent the members refrained from demonstrating as if in respect to the dignity and fatefulness of the moment. There were vigorous nods of approval from Democrats and Republicans, who have been urging a forward course; silence and indications of reserved thought from those opposed.

But at the conclusion of the address, when the president spoke of the fundamental rights on which are based the structure of family, state and liberty, and said:

"I cannot imagine any man with American principles at his heart hesitating to defend these things," the cheers broke forth and resounded thru the chamber.

Seek United Front.

Tomorrow perhaps, or next day at the latest, will develop the breadth and depth of the opposition the president must face, in order, as Senator Williams recently expressed it, "To unfool Germany." The most serious concern of the president's friends is that out of the situation an impression may go abroad, as on previous occasion, that the united force of congress does not stand behind him.

The armed neutrality, which the president proposes, does not look to war; whether it shall become war depends upon those who infringe upon the rights it seeks to protect. There is ample historical precedent for it: Northern Europe, under the leadership of Russia, formed a league and used it to protect its commerce in the wars between England and France, and France and Spain.

Striking Precedent.

Altho the president, when he severed diplomatic relations with Germany, invited other neutrals to follow his lead, he has not, so far as is known, suggester that neutrals join the United States in the armed neutrality he proposes. All foreign governments, however, have been officially advised of his address to congress today, and official copies have been delivered to their diplomats here.

The precedents set by John Quincy Adams to protect the commerce of the United States against the "predatory violence" of France during the Napoleonic wars draw a striking parallel to the situation which confronts President Wilson.

Now, as then, congress is asked to empower the president to act as may become necessary. Every confidence is expressed at the White House that congress ultimately will act as the president asks, taking into account his efforts of more than two years to preserve peace as sufficient evidence that he does not desire to plunge the country into war.

No steps toward the arming of merchantships are to be taken until congress acts. The convoying of merchantmen is not approved by naval authorities as an effective or desirable strategic policy.

Condemns Ruthlessness.

In the course of his address the president said:

Two American vessels have been sunk, the Housatonic and the Lyman M. Law. The case of the Housatonic, which was carrying foodstuffs consigned to a London firm, was essentially like the case of the Frye, in which, it will be recalled, the German Government admitted the liability for damages and the lives of the crew, as in the case of the Frye, were safeguarded.

The case of the Law, which was carrying lemon box staves to Palermo, disclosed a ruthlessness of method which deserves grave condemnation, but was accompanied by no circumstances which might not have been expected at any time with the use of the submarine against the merchantmen as the German Government has used it.

Tie-Up of Shipping.

In substance, therefore, the situation we find ourselves in with regard to the actual conduct of the German submarine warfare against commerce and its effects upon our own ships and people is substantially the same that it was when I addressed you on Feb. 3, except for the tying up of our shipping in our own ports because of the unwillingness of our shipowners to risk their vessels at sea without insurance or adequate protection, and the very serious congestion of our commerce which has resulted, a congestion which is growing rapidly more and more serious every day.

No Overt Act Yet.

This in itself might presently accomplish, in effect, what the new German submarine orders were meant to accomplish, so far as we are concerned. We can only say, therefore, that the overt act which I have ventured to hope the German commanders would, in fact, avoid, has not occurred.

But while this is happily true, it must be admitted that there have been certain additional indications and expressions of purpose on the part of the German press and the German authorities, which have increased rather than lessened the impression that if our ships and people are spared, it will be because of fortunate circumstances or because the commanders of the German submarines which they may happen to encounter, exercise an unexpected discretion and restraint, rather than because of the instructions under which these commanders are acting.

Cannot Ignore Dangers.

It would be foolish to deny that the situation is fraught with the gravest possibilities and dangers. No thoughtful man can fail to see that the necessity for definite action may come at any time. If we are in fact, and not in word merely, to defend our elementary rights as a neutral nation, it would be most imprudent to be unprepared.

I cannot in such circumstances be unmindful of the fact that the expiration of the term of the present congress is immediately at hand, by constitutional limitations; and that it would in all likelihood require an unusual length of time to assemble and organize the congress which is to succeed it.

Asks Authority to Act.

I feel that I ought, in view of that fact, to obtain from you full and immediate assurance of the authority which I may need at any moment to exercise.

No doubt I already possess that authority without special warrant of law, by the plain implication of my constitutional duties and powers; but I prefer in the present circumstances not to act upon general implication. I wish to feel that the authority and the power of the congress are behind me in whatever it may become necessary for me to do. We are jointly the servants of the people, and must act together and in their spirit, so far as we can divine and interpret it.

Duty Is Clear.

No one doubts what it is our duty to do. We must defend our commerce and the lives of our people in the midst of the present trying circumstances, with discretion, but with clear and steadfast purpose. Only the method and the extent remain to be chosen, upon the occasion, if occasion should indeed arise.

Since it has unhappily proved impossible to safeguard our neutral rights by diplomatic means against the unwarranted infringements they are suffering at the hands of Germany there may be no recourse but to armed neutrality, which we shall know how to maintain, and for which there is abundant precedent.

Friend of Peace.

It is devoutly to be hoped that it will not be necessary to put armed forces anywhere into action. The American people do not desire this, and our desire is not different from theirs. I am sure that they will understand the spirit in which I am now acting, the purpose I hold nearest my heart, and would wish to exhibit in everything I do. I am anxious that the people of the nations at war also should understand and not mistrust us. I hope that I need give no further proofs and assurances than I have already given thruout nearly three years of anxious patience that I am the friend of peace, and mean to preserve it for America as long as I am able.

War Not Contemplated.

I am not now proposing or contemplating war, or any steps that need lead to it. I merely require that you will accord me by your own vote and definite bestowal the means and the authority to safeguard in practice the rights of a great people who are at peace, and who are desirous of exercising none but the rights of peace, to follow the pursuit of peace in quietness and goodwill—rights recognized time out of mind by all the civilized nations of the world. No course of my choosing or of theirs will lead to war. War can come only by wilful acts and aggressions of others.

Power to Arm Ships.

"You will understand why I can make no definite proposals or forecasts of action now, and must ask for your supporting authority in the most general terms. The form in which action may become necessary cannot yet be foreseen. I believe that the people will be willing to trust me to act with restraint, with prudence, and in the true spirit of amity and good faith that they have themselves displayed thruout these trying months, and it is in that belief that I require that you will authorize me to supply our merchant ships with defensive arms should that become necessary, and with the means of using them, and to employ any other instrumentalities or methods that may be necessary and adequate to protect our ships and our people in their legitimate and peaceful pursuits on the seas. I request also that you will grant me at the same time, along with the powers I ask, a sufficient credit to enable me to provide adequate means of protection where they are lacking, including adequate insurance against the present war risks.

Rights of Humanity.

"I have spoken of our commerce and of the legitimate errands of our people on the seas, but you will not be misled as to my main thought, the thought that lies beneath these phrases and gives them dignity and weight. It is not of material interest merely that we are thinking. It is, rather, of fundamental human rights, chief of all the right of life itself. I am thinking not only of the rights of Americans to go and come about their proper business by way of the sea, but also of something much deeper, much more fundamental than that. I am thinking of those rights of humanity without which there is no civilization.

No Selfish Aims.

"My theme is of those great principles of compassion and of protection which mankind has sought to throw about human lives, the lives of men who are peacefully at work keeping the industrial processes of the world quick and vital, the lives of women and children, and of those who supply the labor which ministers to their sustenance. We are speaking of no selfish material rights, but of rights which our hearts support and whose foundation is that righteous passion for justice upon which all law, all structures alike of family, of state, and of mankind must rest, as upon the ultimate base of our existence and our liberty. I cannot imagine any man with American principles at his heart hesitating to defend these things."

WOMEN CANVASS WOMEN.

Preliminary Steps Taken at Kitchener for Big Campaign for Patriotic Fund.

Special to The Toronto World.

Kitchener, Feb. 26.—This afternoon a number of ladies met to take the preliminary steps in organizing a "canvass of women by women" campaign in connection with the big $150,000 patriotic fund appeal, to be launched here in the middle of March. Mrs. E. C. Kabel, Mrs. D. W. Houston and Miss Stroh were deputed to arrange for a mass meeting of ladies, to be held in the city hall, Friday afternoon, March 2, when the executive and auxiliary committees will be chosen, teams appointed and the city divided into 23 districts.

DR. REAUME DENIES.

Special to The Toronto World.

Windsor, Feb. 26.—Dr. J. O. Reaume, former minister of public works, reports untrue information given Lambert Wigle, M.L.A. for South Essex, that he (Reaume) received $50 per day and $5000 worth of stock in Western Racing Association, for helping to promote the Devonshire Racetrack. He admits he made efforts to ascertain if the charter taken over by the racing association was valid.

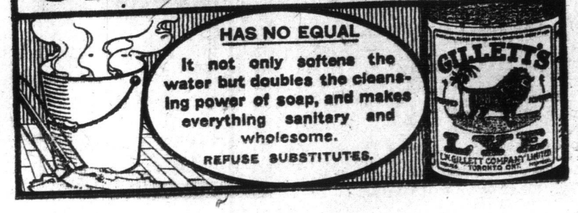
CANADIAN APPOINTMENTS.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

London, Feb. 26.—Major H. E. Kendall has been appointed to command the 9th Stationary Hospital, replacing the late Colonel R. C. McLeod. Lieut.-Col. W. B. Hendry, assumes command of No. 4 Stationary Hospital, replacing Col. A. Roberts, who has gone to Taplow.

Capt E. D. MacLaren has been appointed senior chaplain at Crowborough. Chaplains T. G. McConigile, J. F. Belford, M. C. Graham and F. R. Costello has gone overseas. Chaplain Fairful is returning to Canada.

GILLETT'S LYE



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Golet, Harris and Morey; Tabor's Seals and Sea Lions; Collins, Elliott and Lindsay; Hill and Acker; Moore and Jenkins; Canaris and Cleo; "Keystone" Film Comedies.

ARENA
SKATING TONIGHT
BAND IN ATTENDANCE
WED. NIGHT---8.30
O.H.A. SENIOR FINALS
DENTALS vs. RIVERSIDES
Seats on sale at Arena and Moodey's

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STEAMERS SUNK

Vessels yesterday reported sunk were:

	Tonnage.
Laconia (British), steamer	18,099
Maria Adriana (Dutch), sailing ship	88
Vigda (Norwegian), steamer	1,354
Kleber (French), sailing ship	277
Algiers (British), steamer	2,361
Eries (British), steamer	1,343

Vessels sunk since Feb. 1 (trawlers not included), 163; total tonnage (estimated), 359,136.

ITALIANS ENCOUNTER RAIDS BY AUSTRIANS

Repulse Enemy Attempts With Heavy Casualties—Take Some Prisoners.

Rome, Feb. 26, via London.—"The usual artillery actions took place yesterday, particularly in the Suganа valley in the Plava sector and east of Gorizia," says today's communication from the war office.

"Raids attempted by the enemy against our positions on the northern slopes of Col Bricon, in the Travignola valley, at Navagiust, in the Upper Degano and on the slopes of Monte Nero were at once repulsed with heavy casualties.

"In the area southeast of Gorizia, enemy detachments, after a violent bombardment, attacked one of our advanced positions south of Vertoibs. They were driven back and dispersed and some prisoners were taken.

"Considerable aerial activity is reported."