

NEARLY A QUARTER MILLION CHILDREN DYING MONTHLY IN PETROGRAD, RUSSIA

FORECASTS: — Moderate to fresh westerly winds, mostly fair today and on Sunday. Not much change in the temperature.

THE EVENING JOURNAL

3 P. M. EDITION

ESTABLISHED 1859.

ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 1919

PRICE—TWO CENTS.

The Allies May Be Forced To Evacuate Sebastopol

CHILDREN ARE DYING FAST FROM HUNGER

Two Hundred Thousand is Monthly Death Rate of Infants in Petrograd. Paris, April 12.—Hjalmar Branting, the Swedish Socialist leader, and Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, head of the Norwegian Food Mission to the United States and several other prominent Scandinavians and Swiss subjects, have been conferring with members of the Inter-Allied Relief Council in an effort to arrange for the feeding of the large cities of Russia, especially Petrograd.

EVAUATION OF SEBASTOPOL BY THE ENTENTE IMMINENT Paris, April 12.—The advance of the Bolsheviks is likely to force the Allies to evacuate Sebastopol, on the Black Sea, near the southern extremity of the Crimea, according to Intransigent.

MERRITTON The killing of dogs by cars on the local line of the N. S. & T. is becoming very prevalent in town, two more being put out of business on Friday afternoon.

Victor Railton, of the parsonage, elm Street, was at Thorold last night taking part in the High School program which was held at Grenville Hall.

WAR CHEST HOLDS WIND-UP MEETING The final meeting of the St. Catharines War Chest was held last night with His Honor Judge Campbell in the chair.

LOCAL MAN INVENTS MILK BOTTLE RECEIVER One of the most useful articles on the market for sale today is the new milk bottle receiver which has been invented by Mr. S. J. Pratt, 200 Welland Avenue, and patented by Featherstonhaugh and Company, of Toronto, on July 30th, 1918.

DEER HUNTING SEASON HAS BEEN CHANGED Royalties on Muskrats, Fishers, Martens and Other Fur-bearing Animals to be Extended

Several important changes in the game laws of the Province will be recommended to the Legislature this session by the Committee on Fish and Game. The committee yesterday decided to extend the royalties on muskrats, fishers, martens, and other fur-bearing animals, and also to recommend to the Provincial Treasurer that bounties on bush wolves be increased from \$5 to \$10, and on timber wolves from \$20 to \$40.

It is likely that this year several reinstatements will be applied for at the O. A. L. convention by lacrosse players who turned out last season with the Mailands and St. Catharines in their patriotic series. Some of these men helped to fill in early in the season before all the professionals got out and they retired without having received any remuneration.

TOO MANY MEN ON FINANCE COMMITTEE Trade and Labor Council Endorsed Report of Municipal Committee Which Voiced Disapproval of Present Plan

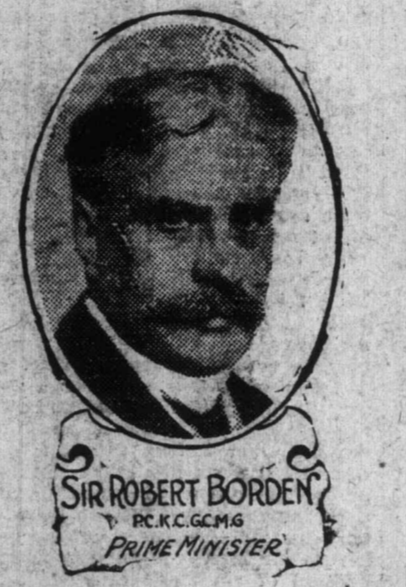
Considerable important business was transacted at the regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council last night and during the evening President Greenlaw was kept busy appointing committees.

WANTED—To rent 100 acres or more stock farm, some fruit, good buildings. Would purchase stock if suited. Apply J. A. Tembrock, P.O. Thorold. a 19

WANTED—To rent small modern house, about May 1st, must be in good location. Will have the best of care. Box 3860 Journal. a 12 14 15

CANADIAN MINISTERS TO SIGN PEACE TREATY AT VERSAILLES

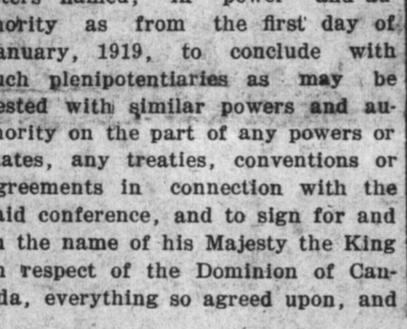
Ottawa, April 12.—An announcement by Hon. N. W. Rowell, President of the Privy Council, in the Commons yesterday afternoon that Sir Robert Borden, Sir George Foster, Hon. C. J. Doherty and Hon. Arthur Sifton have been appointed plenipotentiaries to sign the peace treaty on behalf of Canada at the conclusion of the Peace Conference marks a new step in the development of the status of Canada and the other overseas Dominions.



SIR ROBERT BORDEN PRIME MINISTER



HON. C. J. DOHERTY.



HON. A. L. SIFTON.

conclude and to transact all such other matters as many appertain thereto." Second Change. The chief party to the signing of the peace agreement, it is explained in his Majesty the King, represent-

ing the United Kingdom, and Ireland, the Overseas Dominions and India. The order in Council is a request to his Majesty to issue a

commission to each of the four Canadians as representatives of Canada to sign the Peace Treaty. As the other overseas dominions are on the same footing as Canada this means that instead of the treaty being signed by one set of plenipotentiaries it will be signed by plenipotentiaries representing the United Kingdom, and each of the self-governing dominions of the Empire.

This is the second distinct change in the status of the self governing in respect to the signing of treaties. At first treaties were signed by the representatives of the Empire and

were binding on the whole Empire. More recently as the status of the overseas dominions have become more fully recognized it has been proved that treaties should not apply to the dominions unless they indicated their assent thereto, and procedure was outlined whereby the dominions might indicate their assent. A comparatively recent instance was the assent given by Canada some years ago to the treaty between Great Britain and Japan.

immigration on the matter. Action Condemned. The question of the rejection of organized labor's nominee, Peter Grant for the position on the employment bureau was taken up and much indignation was expressed on all sides. It was felt that not only was the action a slight to the Trades Council and the Board of Trade but an insult to the City of St. Catharines. Various suggestions were made, from boycotting the Bureau to the organization of a public petition but after a lengthy discussion a committee was appointed to handle the matter and the Council delegates were instructed to bring the matter before the Board of Trade at their next meeting. All the delegates were asked to bring the question up before their locals and to send protests to the proper quarters.

CLEAN UP WEEK Mayor Elson, as Chairman of the Board of Health stated today that he would request the citizens to observe next week as a Clean Up week in order to keep the Garden City as free from dirt and refuse as is humanly possible. During next week every household is asked to clean up his back yard and the ground around the house and in every way help to make the City one of the cleanest in the Province.

QUEBEC VOTE PUZZLES THE LEGISLATORS Ottawa, April 12.—Federal legislation on prohibition will be brought down in the House shortly after Easter. In the meantime, the Government is considering the situation which has arisen in view of the heavy majority given in Quebec Thursday in favor of light beer and wine.

AUCTION SALE Tuesday, April 15th, at 1:30 corner of St. Paul and Lincoln Ave., Western Hill, horse, carriage, wagon, chickens, ducks, sideboard, carpets, beds, chairs, dressers, mangle, couch and a lot of other things. W. J. WESTWOOD, Auctioneer.

Man to work this city refinishing chandeliers, brass beds, automobiles, by new method. \$10 daily without capital or experience. Write Gunmetal Co., 315 Elm, Decatur, Ill. a 12 WANTED—6 roomed house, garage desired. Careful tenant. No children. Apply G. H. Moase, 5 Richmond Ave., phone 1992. a 15

PUBLIC MEETING.

All citizens interested in the holding of a monster banquet in the Armory at St. Catharines men who fought overseas with their wives and sweet hearts are asked to attend a public meeting to be held in the Council Chambers at the City Hall on Monday afternoon at four o'clock when plans will be discussed and final arrangements made. This meeting has been called by His Worship Mayor Elson and a large attendance is requested, the ladies of the city being asked to turn out in large numbers. The proposed date of the banquet is Tuesday evening, April 29th.

THOROLD

Another important business change has taken place on Claremont Street, when James Lynch and G. Haines took over the major part of the Warner Livery Stable and converted it into an up-to-date garage. Mr. Warner has partitioned off sufficient space to accommodate the horses and rigs he wishes to keep and will continue his teaming & delivery business, the livery business having become merged into jitneys instead of the old time horse rigs.

Mr. Joseph Savage has returned from a visit to Buffalo, where he visited his sister, Mrs. H. McBride, who is a patient in a hospital in that city.

Mrs. A. Wallace of Hamilton, is visiting her brother, E. Taylor, for the week, having come to attend the birthday party of his eldest daughter, Martha Jane, who entertained a number of friends it being the thirteenth anniversary of her birth.

The inspector work in the public school systems of the two counties has been again arranged in such a way that Thorold is once more under the supervision of Inspector Marchall, of Welland, and he paid an official visit to the town schools yesterday.

Mr. Thomas Dupont of the Donnee & Grassie music store, Front Street, is confined to his home through illness.

The programme of the annual commencement exercises and entertainment of the Thorold High School was held in Grenville Hall last night. Professor DeChamp, of Toronto, was present and gave a very interesting lecture on "France at War", which proved very instructive to the many who attended. The rest of the programme was rendered by the students of the school, and the diplomas and prizes were awarded by the Principal, Mr. Bonis. Special mention should be made of the Valedictory "Vale at Eve," by Miss Ethel Warner, and also the chorus "My Native Land" which was sung by Miss Margaret McMananny assisted by the High School girls.

A very enjoyable time was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Holland Carlton Street, on Thursday night they were at home to the Lady True Blues who attended in a large number. The evening was spent in various amusements including vocal and instrumental music, the latter being furnished by Mrs. Ernest Burlby, of St. Catharines. A dainty repast was served and at the close of the evening every person present reported having had a very pleasant time.

MOVIES AND CHILDREN Hamilton Spectator: Magistrate Jel's delivered himself of this dictum on Saturday: "I would impose no restriction or age limit on children seeing moving pictures—providing the pictures are of the right sort." That is the crux of the whole matter—"providing they are of the right sort," and, as the Magistrate remarked, "that is up to the censors." All sensible people will agree, we fancy, with this opinion. If the quality of the films were improved so that they would be fit for all to see, there would be no necessity to bar any section of the community, however young. What is not good for the unspoiled boy or girl is not good for the grown-ups.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL COST \$40,000

Welland Avenue Church Boards Consider Plans for Building and New Organ. Eckardt Property Purchased.

A joint meeting of the Trustees and Official Board of Welland Avenue Methodist Church was held in the Board Room last night and was marked by the largest attendance in many years. Four vacancies on the Trustee Board were filled after which the meeting considered the plans for the new Sunday School and Church organ. Mr. A. E. Nicholson, who drew the plans was present at the meeting and explained the many features. The plan calls for a Modern Sunday School building, on the Akron and Departmental style which is suitable to the requirements of this city. It will contain individual class rooms, board rooms, and an auditorium with a seating capacity of 600. The Old Sunday School building will be moved back on the property and will be converted into a gymnasium with apparatus and shower baths.

Deal Completed. The board have completed the deal for the purchase of the Eckardt property at the corner of Elizabeth and Henry streets and the Church now owns all the property from Welland Avenue to Elizabeth street.

The Eckardt House will be remodelled and will be used as a new parsonage, while the present parsonage at Beecher and Welland Avenue will be sold. The whole scheme involves an expenditure of some \$60,000. Of this sum the Sunday School will cost \$40,000 and the organ about \$20,000 including equipment.

L. R. Grimshaw expounded the budget and explained the new system of financing both the building and general church funds. This will be done by a weekly systematic offering instead of by pulpit appeals for money. The financial campaign will be launched at a congregational meeting on the 23rd of April. The building operations will be commenced as soon as the plans are completed and the tenders awarded.

LIQUOR ACT IS INTRODUCED IN ACT

The long awaited bill to provide for the referendum on the Ontario Temperance Act was introduced in the Legislature yesterday afternoon by Premier Hearst, who was in his place after his absence through illness yesterday. No discussion on the scope or purpose of the bill took place on its first reading.

A largely attended and lovely tea was given by Mrs. James Mills, on behalf of the Y. M. C. A. at her fine residence on King Street, yesterday afternoon.

It is understood that a number of applications for the Matronship of the Children's Shelter have been received by the Committee of Management, who will likely make a choice next week.

An Easter offering on behalf of the Orphans Home in this city will be taken up in the Public Schools next Tuesday afternoon, to which our citizens are requested to assist with contributions.

The market was not very well attended today and no special changes were noted except that eggs are again soaring, 45 cents per dozen being the rule. Butter is still firm the all round price being 79 cents per pound.

THE WEATHER

Toronto, April 12.—The area of low pressure which was centered over Lake Superior yesterday is now passing eastward across Quebec. The weather is cloudy with much the same temperature throughout the Dominion.