

Regina and District

NICE CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Christmas Day brought joyful news to all the employees of the Imperial Oil Limited in Canada in the form of a circular announcing the decision of the directorate to insure the lives of all employees who have been in the service of the company for one year.

The circular signed by W. J. Hanna follows: "On this Christmas Day I wish to announce that, becoming effective January 1, 1919, the lives of all employees one year or more in the service of the company, will be insured with the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, in connection with the Annuities and Benefits Plan of this company, and other employees in like manner as soon as they have completed a year of service.

"I want also to announce that on February 1, a plan for old age pensions will become effective, and on March 1, a Sickness Benefit Plan; all the above to be administered by a committee, to be known as the Annuities and Benefits Committee, under the direction of the Board of Directors.

"No medical examination is required for insurance, and the entire expense of the various plans is to be borne by the company. The benefits will have no bearings on the question of wages, this in the future as in the past, to be treated on its merits. All this I trust the employees will accept as a guarantee of our interest in the well being of all connected with Imperial Oil, Limited, in Canada.

"I take advantage of this opportunity to express to you the pride of the company in the war record of its employees, the faithfulness and zeal with which your duties have been performed during the past year, and to wish you all for the directors and myself, a very happy Christmas and a New Year filled with all the blessings of peace.

FIRE INSURANCE AGENTS TO MEET FEB. 13.

The executive of the Saskatchewan Fire Insurance Agents association was in session recently, making preparations for the annual meeting which is to be held in Regina February 13-14, 1919. As there are over 3,000 agents in the province who hold certificates, the convention in Regina is expected to be a big one as every agent will be invited to attend.

WORKS LIKE A MIRACLE

"I have been suffering from rheumatism ever since I was a boy," writes Mr. S. O. Bombena of Elyria, Ohio. "No treatment seemed to affect my ailment; every change in the weather would bring it on again. After using six bottles of Forni's Alpenkrauter I am no longer troubled with rheumatism; it is not too much praise to say of this remedy, that it works like a miracle." Thousands of ailing men and women have found health and strength in this old time-tried herb-remedy. It is not to be had in drug-stores, but is supplied through special agents who receive the medicine direct from the laboratory of Dr. Peter Fahrney & Sons Co., Chicago, Ill.

NEW X-RAY APPARATUS FOR GENERAL HOSPITAL

A new X-ray machine has been ordered for the Regina general hospital at a cost of approximately \$3,000, it was reported by a special committee at the recently held regular meeting of the board of governors.

DEMAND FOR HOUSES ACUTE IN CITY

"One of the greatest problems which the city of Regina must solve and one of the most difficult of solution is the furnishing of houses for the population of Regina," said a local real estate man to a Regina daily paper a few days ago. He said that the demand for residential houses was far greater than the supply and although 26 houses had been rented last month, which is an exceptionally good record for a winter month, he could have rented 200 had they been available.

SAN CARLO OPERA COMPANY WILL VISIT REGINA

The San Carlo Opera Company which will be remembered so well by many from their visit to this city last year, will appear again in Regina and give performances on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 6, 7 and 8 of January. The productions are: Rigoletto, Aida, Faust, Tales of Hoffmann and Il Trovatore.

The chorus of the San Carlo Grand Opera company, to appear here, constitutes one of the most unique and interesting departments of the organization, being composed largely of young artists who have sung with foreign opera bodies and the best American companies, while some fifteen of the members, forming the nucleus of the section, were imported from the celebrated Italian chorus schools where repertoire is an important feature of the study. It is a body of dramatic singers—singers who can act, the dramatic side of their training being, in the mind of the impresario, quite as important as vocal ability. The necessary ability to sing some fifteen different operas is another of the requirements in serving with the San Carlo company, that unusual number of productions being carried by the organization upon its present trans-continental tour of the United States and Canada.

A NEGLIGENT MOTHER

Mrs. Hill, a half-breed from Indian Head, who is now living with her five small children in the city, appeared in police court charged, under the Children's Protection Act, with neglecting her children. The police averred that she had been drunk for several days on Florida water and two per cent. beer. She was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION IN ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Splendid Program of Beautiful Music

The Feast of Christmas was suitably celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic church on Wednesday morning. Midnight mass was sung at 12 o'clock with Father Kim, celebrant. Hundreds of people received holy communion which was administered by Father Heys, provincial of the Oblate order, and Father Heintze, assistant to Father Kim.

Later in the morning, masses were said at 8, 8.30, 9 and 10.30. The latter was a high mass in which Father Heintze was celebrant and the sermon was preached by Father Kim.

A special program of music was rendered by the choir under the leadership of J. W. Ehmman. Many beautiful solos were rendered during the progress of the high masses and Mr. Ehmman himself sang the "Et incarnatus est." The ancient song, "Silent night, holy night" especially arranged by Rev. Fr. Habetz, O.M.I., with variations and interludes interwoven between the verses was beautifully played by the orchestra with Messrs. F. Bilék, Charles Anderson and A. Ehmman playing violins. Mr. Palm played the flute, M. Weist the cornet and John Kollenstein the clarinet.

It may be said, that the musical program was extraordinarily heavy and that the orchestra as well as the choir are to be complimented on the efficient manner, in which they interpreted the composers' ideas.

MRS. JOS. LEMMERICH DIED AT ST. BONIFACE

The death of Mrs. Lemmerich, widow of the late Mr. Joseph Lemmerich of Humboldt, Sask., took place at St. Boniface hospital early Christmas morning, December 25th, where she had undergone an operation two weeks previous. She was the daughter of Mr. J. W. Burton, and since the death of her husband a few years ago, has made her home with her father. She leaves a family of four children. Mr. Joe Burton, brother of the deceased, went to Winnipeg, and accompanied the remains back to Humboldt.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION IN THE EVANG. LUTH. TRINITY CHURCH

As usually, so also this year the Sunday school had a very appropriate program on Christmas Eve. Two nicely decorated Xmas Trees and a Transparent prepared by Mr. R. Geisel gave the church a real festive appearance. 165 children took part in the children's service, consisting of songs and declamation; glorifying the Christ birth as the savior of the world, the prime of Peace. The children were remembered by the Sunday school with sweets and picture books and story books. The children not only were remembered, they themselves remembered the orphans of our orphanage with a collection of \$46.00.

The Union Bank of Canada

Confidence in the stability of Western Canada's financial position is evidenced by the great efforts being made by the banks to enlarge their western business connections. For the week ended Dec. 19, no less than 49 new branches of chartered banks were opened in the three prairie provinces.

In this expansion the Union Bank of Canada, which has its head offices in Winnipeg, is taking an active part and in the week mentioned opened nine new branch offices in Manitoba, eight in Saskatchewan and four in Alberta.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders is set for Jan. 8. The annual statement will show total assets of \$153,000,000 as against \$143,000,000 for last year.

To facilitate the handling of its growing business, the bank announces the following appointments:

F. W. Ashe to be assistant general manager, with headquarters at London, England. Mr. Ashe has been manager of the London, Eng., branch of the bank since 1911.

F. W. S. Crispo, assistant general manager, with headquarters at Winnipeg. Mr. Crispo is chairman of the Winnipeg sub-section of the Canadian Bankers' association, and was formerly superintendent of branches and foreign agencies of the bank.

George Wilson, assistant general manager, with headquarters at Toronto, Ont. Mr. Wilson was until recently first agent of the bank in New York, and previous to that was manager of the bank's branch at Toronto, Ont.

J. S. Hiam, superintendent of the bank for the entire system with headquarters at Winnipeg. Mr. Hiam has been until recently superintendent of western branches.

W. M. Chandler, superintendent of western branches, with headquarters at Winnipeg. Mr. Chandler was formerly western inspector.

A. B. Jamieson, assistant to chief inspector, with headquarters at Winnipeg. Mr. Jamieson was formerly assistant inspector.

W. J. Dawson first agent of the bank in New York. Mr. Dawson was formerly manager of the bank's branch at Hamilton, Ont.

K. F. Gilmour, manager at Hamilton, Ont., branch. Mr. Gilmour until recently filled the position of assistant to the eastern superintendent, Toronto, and previous to that was manager of the bank's branch at Ottawa, Ont.

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC ON WANE IN UNITED STATES

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Recent snows and cold weather are aiding in stamping out the influenza epidemic in Illinois, health authorities said today. In the last 48 hours there were 43 deaths from influenza and 36 from pneumonia in Chicago. High records had been 340 deaths per day.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 27.—The second wave of influenza in the north-west is on the wane, officials here today said. St. Paul, where deaths have run anywhere from 10 to 25 daily when the epidemic was rampant, had only one death in the last 24 hours. The state board of health says the epidemic is passing. In Wisconsin and Colorado is the epidemic also on the decline.

FINDLAY REFUSES TO TELL STORY OF WHISKEY SCANDAL

Committed for Contempt. Taking the position that he would not give evidence before the Royal commission until the criminal charge of theft against him was first disposed of, W. C. Findlay, former prohibition commissioner, who was the first witness called this afternoon, refused point-blank to answer any questions and was committed to the provincial jail for contempt after Mr. Justice Clement had urged him to give his evidence, and C. W. Craig, counsel for the crown, had stated plainly to him that it was not his intention to ask any questions relating to the criminal charge.

His lordship, addressing the witness upon his refusal to answer even the first question, which was whether he was the former commissioner, pointed out that he was taking the wrong attitude if actuated by the so-called code of honor among thieves.

EGGS AT A DOLLAR

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 27.—New laid eggs have reached the dollar mark, the local dealers say. Storage eggs are retailing from 65 to 70 cents per dozen.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Lloyd George

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have only approximately 75, of whom 10 are coalitionists. Even this, however, is a much larger representation than Labor had in the old parliament.

A remarkable feature of the returns is the enormous majorities received by the winning candidates in many places and a dearth of very small majorities.

Under the provisions of the new Franchise Act, every candidate who fails to obtain one-eighth of the votes polled in his place forfeits his deposit of £150. More than 130 candidates are victims of this rule.

It is difficult to compare the results of this election with that of 1910, owing to the numerous rearrangements of constituencies under the last Reform Act, but a comparison between the country areas as a whole, shows that London has gone almost solid for the Coalition. Only three important Liberals were returned, and the two Laborites returned are both Coalitionists.

The returns in Yorkshire are no less astonishing. Of the 56 members from Yorkshire, 26 are Coalition Unionists, 18 Coalition Liberals, two members of the National Democratic party which supports the Coalition, are discharged soldiers' and sailors' representatives, eight are Labor members, and only one is an Independent Liberal.

In Lancashire, the 66 members returned do not include a single Independent Liberal. There are 38 Coalition Unionists, five Independent Unionists, eight Coalition Liberals, 13 Laborites, one Socialist.

Even in Scotland, the number of Independent Liberals returned can be numbered on the fingers of one hand.

Coalition leaders claim that the two main factors that contributed to their triumph are the votes of the women and soldiers. The former made the majority secure and the soldiers' vote, according to one leader, came later as a tidal wave, in favor of Lloyd George.

The twelve divisions of Birmingham returned Coalitionists, the only woman candidate in the city being at the bottom poll, and forfeiting her deposit. This forfeiture of deposit was also the fate of three other women candidates, including the only woman candidate in Scotland.

Most of the east-out ballots were those of soldiers, who wrote across them such remarks as, "Send us home and we will vote" and "We have no information about the candidates."

The net result of the election is summed up in today's numbers as a triumph for Premier Lloyd George in the disappearance of the two great parties, the Liberals and Irish Nationalists.

The papers, without exception, emphasize that the election is not merely a great triumph, but a great opportunity for Lloyd George, as the country insists on the carrying out of a vast program of social reform. They declare that the governing classes are on trial, and if they fail to satisfy the country, a painful reckoning awaits them at the next election, which may come sooner than is now apparent.

In this connection, it is pointed out that Labor largely voted Coalition, in the expectation that a policy agreeable to Labor would be pursued.

Why Labor Lost.

George Nicoll Barnes, Labor member of the war cabinet, in a statement issued in Glasgow, expressed the opinion that the Labor party had lost a great chance by trucking to the Pacifists and Bolsheviks. Minister of Food Clynes, in a statement, says his election tour of the centres of industry convinces him that Labor candidates had aroused great enthusiasm. The elections, in his opinion, proved that Labor was a living force which would be not merely a lever to parliament to secure reforms, but a safety valve, guarding the country against dangerous explosions.

An analysis of the polling shows that London and Scotland polled less than half the total electorate, while English boroughs and counties polled little more than one-half and Wales just one-half.

Asquith Explanation.

Ex-Premier Asquith's defeat, which caused a great sensation, is explained by the Liberals as owing to the fact that the constituency of East Fife had been enlarged and included a substantial Conservative element, which had the opportunity of voting against him. Nevertheless, the result emphasizes the tremendous sweep of the Coalition tide.

C. Trevelyan shared the fate of other Pacifists. He only polled 1,286 of 22,000, divided between Coalitionists and the Liberal-Labor candidates.

The well-known Laborite Jowett also suffered defeat at Bradford East, he being beaten by the Coalition-Labor, Captain C. Loesby, by 650.

One most remarkable result was the defeat of Ramsay MacDonald in Leicester by 14,000 majority. On the other hand at Glasgow, Minister of Labor Barnes, defeated the Bolshevik opponent by two to one.

PARIS, Dec. 29.—Russian troops have captured Perm from the Bolsheviks, taking 18,000 prisoners. M. Pichon, the foreign minister, made this announcement in the chamber of deputies today.

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Too Late to Classify

BACHELOR - STOREKEEPER

wants a young or middle-aged woman as housekeeper. Good salary. Apply and give full particulars in first letter to Box 35, ATLEE, Alberta.

DARK COMPLETED GENT

leman, over 30, living in Regina, would like to hear from German lady. Object: matrimony. State age in first letter. Address: Box 72, Courier, Regina, Sask.

WANT TO MAKE BEER

MONTREAL, Que., Dec. 27.—Montreal brewers have decided to ask the federal government to rescind the order-in-council stopping the manufacture of beer after January 1, 1919. They argue that the measure was a war regulation to save food. As barley is no longer being conserved the brewers contend the ban should be lifted. The brewers announce that if the regulation is kept in force steps will be taken in the courts to have it declared illegal.

FIVE CARLOADS OF WHISKEY MISSING

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 27.—Five carloads of whiskey, consigned through the McGuinness Warehouse and Forwarding company, Vancouver, from Montreal to Purodo, Mexico, were delivered to the McGuinness warehouse by the Dominion Express company since-November 4 of this year. The shipments were not further traced at today's proceedings before Justice Clement, who is investigating under the royal commission, the operations of the prohibition legislation commissioner.

The agent of the Express company said he thought Purodo was "somewhere in Central America." It was said that efforts to locate the place more definitely have not been successful.

BOLSHEVISTS BRUTALLY USED FAMILY OF CZAR

PARIS, Dec. 29.—In the course of his speech in the chamber of deputies, today, M. Pichon related details of the brutal execution of the whole imperial Russian family. The members of the former Russian emperor's family were placed as prisoners in a small room and jabbed with bayonets throughout the night. The next morning revolver shots ended their misery.

This information, said M. Pichon had been received through Prince Lvoff, the former Russian premier, while he was on a visit to Paris recently.

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

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Most men would rather be called knaves than fools. Some great and heroic souls have not refused, however, the fool's reproach.

SALE OF OLD POST OFFICE SITE

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for the purchase of site, corner South St. and 12th Ave., Regina," will be received at this office until 12 o'clock noon, Tuesday, January 7, 1919, for the purchase of old post office site, situated corner South street and 12th Avenue, being lots 18, 19 and 20, in block 306, having a frontage on South street of 75 feet by a depth along 12th Avenue of 125 feet to a 20-ft. wide lane at rear, in the city of Regina, Sask. The old brick building on the site to become the property of the purchaser. The party whose tender is accepted must make cash payment. Any further information may be obtained on application to the undersigned. Each tender to be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, equal to 10 per cent. of amount of tender, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to carry out his bid. War Loan Bonds of the Dominion will also be accepted as security, or war bonds and cheques if required to make up an odd amount. The Department does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender. By order, R. C. DESROCHERS, Secretary. Department of Public Works, Ottawa, December 24, 1918.

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