

## PRINCIPAL MUNRO TO BE RETAINED

Board of Education Show  
Their Approval of Stand  
Taken.

Last night the regular meeting of the board of education was held in their administrative building on College street, and resulted in several decisions that had been hanging fire being settled. A wordy Waterloo was staged for a few moments when Trustees Hunter and Bell disagreed upon the appointment of supervisors in the physical culture training.

The question of the stand of Principal Munro was the tid-bit of the evening. At present there is an appeal before Sir William Meredith to stop payment of Mr. Munro's salary from the finances of the school board, and also to remove him from office. Trustee Boland moved to the effect that Mr. Munro be retained in his position, and the motion was carried, although Trustee McClelland stated that the confirmation as moved by Trustee Boland was illegal.

With regard to the sending of members of the board as delegates to various cities to inquire into the educational system in vogue there, Dr. Noble criticized quite severely the members who alluded to these trips as "joy rides." He moved that the recent delegates who had visited St. Catharines be the ones sent to Ottawa on Jan. 6, and that their expenses be paid. Trustee Boland nearly spoiled the speaker's effect by whispering quite audibly that he moved the whole board be sent. The motion was at length adopted.

Dr. C. A. Brown introduced a representative of the Canadian Jewish Congress, who requested that the board allow all the Jewish children to have next Tuesday afternoon off to assist in a memorial campaign that the Jewish Council is holding to protest against the outrages committed upon the Jews in Russia.

A motion of Mrs. Groves, seconded by Trustee McClelland, to the effect that the teachers who lost time due to vaccination be granted their salary was passed.

The motion of Dr. Brown, as to setting aside \$130,000 for the purpose of relieving Dawson Street School, was referred to the management committee, as were also several other motions concerning proposed school alterations.

Major Blaney Appointed.

After lengthy and at times hot discussion the appointments of Majors Blaney and Wray as assistant supervisors of drill were approved of.

The other clause referring to art supervisors and supervisors of physical training for the girls were sent back to the management committee. Before these last two clauses were decided Trustees Bell and Noble envied the proceedings with a series of

oral scraps, in which each accused the other of using his influence to secure appointments. Eventually peace was restored and the bill referred back.

Delegates were on hand to plead for some form of education for the inmates of the Jail Farm between 18 and 20 years old, of whom over 300 are there at present.

The question of the best method of election of trustees, whether by ward, as at present, or by general vote, was thrashed out and the majority find that the election by wards is the best method devised up to the present.

## KOLCHAK' MINISTRY DECLARES POLICY

Fight Against Excesses, No Matter What Party is Guilty of Them.

Trkutsk, Siberia, Dec. 4.—The newly constituted all-Russian ministry under the head of Premier Pelepiayev, has issued the following declaration of policy:

1. The supreme authority is represented by the cabinet of ministers invited by Prime Minister V. Pelepiayev and appointed by Admiral Kolchak.
2. The emancipation of the civil administration from the political influence of the military leaders.
3. Decisive struggle against excesses and injustices, no matter what party or faction commits them.
4. The extension of competency of the future congress of Zemstvos and municipalities.
5. Close relation between the government and the people, co-operation with all healthy elements of the opposition.
6. Close and friendly relations with the Czechoslovaks.
7. Strong support of the volunteer movement.
8. Radical measures against the shortage of supplies for the army.
9. Further reduction of the ministerial staff.

The entire program, says the announcement, is based on the principle of a decisive struggle against Bolshevism for the regeneration of free Russia.

The new cabinet has decided to increase the number of elected representatives of the peasantry, co-operators and various other organizations in the congress of Zemstvos and municipalities. The cabinet has presented to Admiral Kolchak, head of the all-Russian government, a proposal to exclude from the congress all members appointed by the government.

Major-General Jules Janin, commander-in-chief of the Czechoslovak forces in Siberia, has arrived here for a conference with the representatives of the allied armies.

## FORESTERS HOLD BUMPER CONCERT

Nearly Two Thousand Turned  
Away From Massey  
Hall.

### ORPHANAGE BENEFITS

Children Made Richer by Subscription of Five Hundred and Forty Dollars.

Four thousand of an audience within and according to one of the speakers another two outside who would like to have been in was the size of the gathering at Massey Hall last night. The occasion was the grand and complimentary concert of the independent Order of Foresters given under the auspices of the Toronto hospital board of the order.

A proud house, a generous program by first-class artists and a sweet-voiced and well-trained chorus of children from the orphanage of Foresters at Oakville, a large assemblage of prominent Canadians on the platform and addresses by leading Foresters made the evening an outstanding occasion in the history of the order.

In the early part of the evening His Worship Mayor Massey, in a brief speech complimented the Foresters on the development of their organization and on their businesslike methods which had conferred benefits on many homes. The children on the platform said the mayor, showed the men before him how their children would be treated if the need arose for their being cared for outside their own homes. His worship also referred to the large number of the order who had gone overseas and to the amount of money contributed for noble work for the sick and suffering. The speaker expressed himself as proud of what the order had done for the war and to help returned soldiers and for the manner in which the lodges had looked after the dependents of those who had gone overseas. As the mayor retired the chair was taken by F. Darch.

The "Battle of Stirling," sung with fine spirit by Charles H. Leslie, was the opening musical number. Patriotic airs together with the melodies of Old England, Bonnie Scotland and the Emerald Isle followed. The numbers of the children from the orphanage were a special feature, their singing of "Canada, the Land for Me," to the accompaniment of waving flags, being a spectacular feature. Others who took part were the Misses Lina Craigne, Myrtle Brown, Marion Moore, Barbara Foster, Martha Hogz and Messrs. Harold Jarvis, William Moore, Albert David, Donald C. MacGregor, John Dewiler and Harvey Lloyd, the popular comedian. The children's chorus was under the baton of E. R. Bowles, and amongst the 50 boys and girls present there were representatives from all parts of the Dominion, from

Vancouver to Halifax, all now making their home in the Foresters' Orphanage, Oakville, under the superintendence of Mr. J. C. Morgan, affectionately known as Daddy Morgan.

### In Toronto Hospitals.

The supreme chief ranger, W. H. Hunter, said that the hospital board of the Toronto courts of the Independent Order of Foresters, composed of representatives from the courts, looked after the welfare of members of the order, whether belonging to Toronto or not, in hospitals in Toronto. During the year three hundred and sixty-six members of the order were in Toronto hospitals and the visiting brethren of the board made thirteen hundred and sixty-three visits to such sick, bringing delicacies and comforts and making gifts of money where needed or advances to tide such members over until they were able to make claim for their sick benefits. These three hundred and sixty-five were in civil hospitals, and in addition about fifty of the returned soldier members of the order were in military hospitals.

The Foresters' hospital board kept in constant touch with our returned soldier members in hospital and helped them in every way. This work was purely voluntary and was an outcome of the spirit of fraternity in the order. Just like the work of the order for orphans of members of the order and in the sanitariums of the order. It was not a matter of contract, but of fraternity. In these days of extreme self-seeking and individualism, fraternity with its lessons of duty to one's fellowman was helpful to the community.

It was an encouraging sign of the times that the membership of the order was increasing; that so far this year some seventeen thousand applications to join the order had been received, and that new insurances of a million and a half per month were being granted to members.

That the large audience present showed confidence in anything the order might present was the statement of the assistant chief, George A. Mitchell, and when they saw before them the large number of the order from coast to coast it showed the influence which their order had thrown into the Dominion. Because of the difficulty of admitting all who would like to have been present, Mr. Mitchell said that next year the concert would be held either in the armories or in the Arena. The speaker concluded by making an appeal for funds. They had, he said, promised the children from the orphanage that they would get five hundred dollars. A collection taken up at the close of Mr. Mitchell's address amounted to \$546. The band of the 48th Highlanders under the leadership of Bandmaster Slater contributed some stirring selections.

### On the Platform

Among those on the platform were: His worship, Mayor T. L. Church, chairman; Hon. H. C. Nixon, prov. secretary; Hon. Peter Smith, prov. treasurer; Hon. R. H. Grant, minister of education; Hon. Harry Mills, minister of mines; Hon. F. C. Biggs, minister of public works; J. R. 2, Starr, Thos. Foster, M.P., Harry Smallpiece, Dr. R. J. Nidrie, Clarence Bell, W. J. Jas. Fisher, Commissioner Harris, F.

S. Mearns, Geo. L. Wilson, Rev. C. E. Luce, H. G. Levstus, Hon. J. C. Crawford, Col. W. W. Wallace, Dr. W. D. Sharpe, Jas. Gilmour, T. H. Saunders, H. C. Hocken, M.P., Con. Sam McBride, Con. Alf. Maguire, Con. R. H. Cameron, Geo. P. Sharkey, A. M. Hoberlin, W. H. Hunter, Supreme Chief Ranger; F. J. Darch, supreme secretary; R. Mathison, supreme treasurer; Dr. T. Millman, supreme physician; Dr. C. Day Clark, asst. secretary medical board; Alex. Stenop, S. H. Pipe, S. Martin, Rev. Dr. Alex. MacGillivray, W. W. Dunlop, Geo. A. Mitchell, asst. S. C. R., T. B. Frankish, J. C. Morgan, G. R. Cottrell, E. B. Schroeder, H. L. Smith, Mr. Lynn, Capt. E. P. S. Allan, J. W. Fielding, Jas. Gorrie, Lieut. Ramsden, M.L.A., Ald. Ramsden.

## INTERVIEWS WILSON ON MEXICAN AFFAIR

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to have based their argument on a statement to the committee by Secretary Lansing, who was said to have declared the administration was carrying out a well-defined policy of dealing more vigorously with Mexico, and to have questioned the wisdom of any precipitate action at this time.

The decision to take a more decisive attitude against invasion of American rights in the southern republic, Mr. Lansing was quoted as saying, was reached some months ago and now was about to develop whether the Carranza regime would accept or disregard it. He was said to have added that the administration was prepared to go to whatever length was necessary to enforce that policy.

During the day Henry P. Fletcher, American ambassador to Mexico, also went before the committee and was said to have covered many of the same points as did the secretary in reply to questions about the attitude of the state department. For some weeks he has been stationed here and has assisted in the diplomatic correspondence now in progress regarding the case of William O. Jenkins, the American consular agent, under arrest at Puebla.

### Reply From Carranza Awaited

A reply now is awaited from Carranza to the latest American note requesting in sharp tones that Jenkins be released, and advices reaching here today indicated that a commission might be asked for by the Mexican president to settle the dispute. It was said Mr. Lansing did not indicate what course this government might take should the reply prove unsatisfactory, but was very emphatic in his declaration that the United States was ready to shoulder any consequences which might result from its demands for protection of American rights.

## DECLARES EX-KAISER HAD MENTAL DISORDER

Berlin, Dec. 4.—Dr. Paul Tesdorpf of Munich has published a brochure in which he says that Prince Bismarck, before his brief with former Emperor William, obtained medical opinions on the emperor's health from leading specialists, who unanimously decided that he was suffering from a mental disease and that there was a possibility of permanent madness in two or three years.



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Large Business Offices Begin  
to Use Substitutes for  
Coal.

There is every possibility of Ontario having to face an unprecedented, serious industrial crisis within a month, if the strike of the bituminous miners is not settled within that time, which at present seems unlikely. It is understood, from information received in Toronto from Seranton yesterday, that the operators are about to authorize the request Fuel Administrator Garfield to pass on to the miners an offer of a 20 per cent. increase, but it is expected that the workers will refuse this also, and financially they are in a position to hold out indefinitely.

The one possibility of a settlement being arrived at shortly is in the event of the United States declaring war on Mexico, which would restore wartime measures to force and the miners would be compelled to return to work at the 14 per cent. increase.

Not one of the 150 cures of coal, the daily quota under the arrangements made by the fuel commissioner, has been in Canada as yet. Some manufacturers are already using it; others are in better position and have enough to "get along" with. Some of the civic departments are hard pressed, and several plants are undergoing a process of gradual closing down. Theatre managers report that they are using "screenings" and "buck-wheel," which are easy to obtain, and several large office buildings are keeping the home fires burning with various substitutes. Florists, who use a large quantity of coal every winter, are hard pressed and are using coke and screenings, where possible.

A. H. Harrington, fuel controller for Ontario, has a stock of soft coal on hand, but this will only be used for desperate cases. The hospitals and public utilities must come first. Mr. Harrington warns the province that every possible conservation is necessary, and has praised Ontario manufacturers for the manner in which they are accepting the shortage. Several firms in the province, that have by some fortunate chance a good supply of coal, says the fuel controller, have very generously volunteered part of it to help other firms, and there is a case of where one firm sent coal to help out a competitor.

Coal dealers who have been taking advantage of the strike of the bituminous miners to charge exorbitant prices for their stock will receive a check when the board of commerce returns to the city today. It is understood that the board will be here again, and that coal prices will be investigated.

## Sleeping Sickness is Cured By Applying Electric Needles

New York, Dec. 4.—Application of electric needles to the spine cured a case of sleeping sickness today in St. Mary's Hospital, Brooklyn. Miss Lena Pasco, 25 years of age, who has been in a sound slumber since last Friday morning, was brought back to consciousness by electrical treatment.

Brantford, J. and J. Cash of South Norwalk, Conn., and England, will open their new plant at once here, and all merchandise held at Montreal is being removed to this city.

## MAYOR CHURCH IN C. N. R. CAMPAIGN

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people have a great opportunity. Of course, they can't make any fight of their own about the headquarters' location, but they are interested in wiping out the yearly deficit on their lines, and should know how to use their chances to turn popular sentiment their way and increase traffic accordingly.

But the immediate thing for the people to do is to make sure that the headquarters don't go to Montreal. They must be sure the Grand Trunk chief offices happen to be there. In the National system the Grand Trunk will be the minor section. Having got rid of the Grand Trunk Pacific—which is now being run by the government as receiver—the Grand Trunk, as a Canadian enterprise, is an Ontario and Quebec railway, with three times as much mileage in Ontario as in Quebec. For the country as a whole Toronto is the best business centre. Its importance in transportation will be immensely increased with the completion of the harbor and the radial expansion.

For the general advantage of Ontario this fight must be made and won. Lines, and the Hydro municipalities will be with us from the drop of the hat. So will the provincial government, as it was when the effort was made to get the Grand Trunk here over twenty years ago. I was very glad this morning to see The World's interview with Mr. Hugh Blain. He has worked harder than any other citizen to bring play in transportation to Toronto. When he tells how the city, the board of trade and the provincial government joined together to bring the Grand Trunk here, he makes it clear how our forces have been strengthened by the development of the Hydro as the biggest public ownership organization in the world.

"Everybody must get together on this, and instead of being satisfied with being told that we shouldn't lose the C.N.R. without hearing about the decision before it is finally made, we must bring about the decision in the right way, and without loss of time. Next month, or during February, at latest, the campaign should be over and the victory won."

The question will be dealt with by the board of trade council next Tuesday.

## Hopes Pact Will Be Ratified Before End of the Month

London, Dec. 4.—Premier Lloyd George, speaking in the house of commons today, expressed the hope that the peace treaty would be ratified before the end of the month. He thought parliament would rise December 23 until February.

Lecturer: "Yes, gentlemen, the poet's words are still true, 'Worth makes the man, and want of it the fellow.'"

A Voice: "How much does he have to be worth?"

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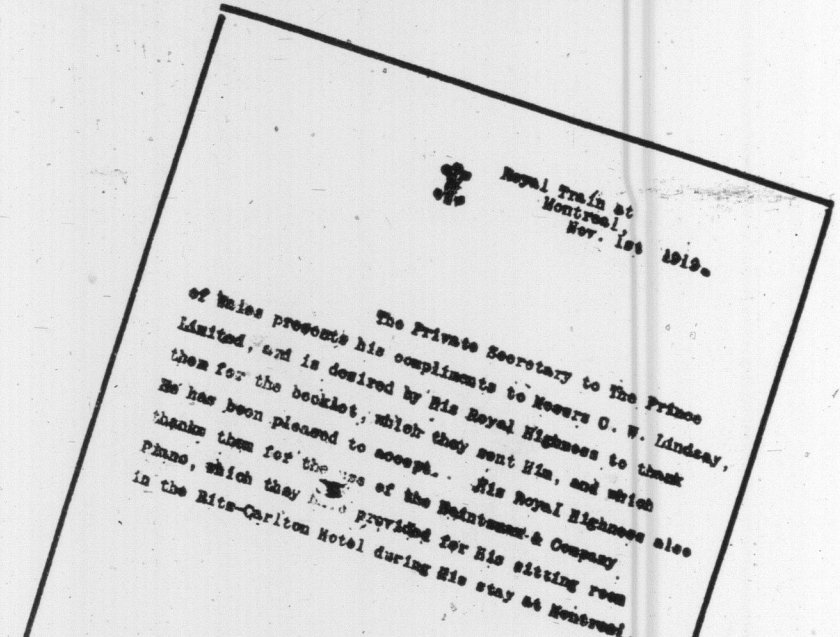
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## Prince of Wales' Farewell

"The last four months will influence the whole of my life, and I shall never be happy if many months elapse without a visit to my home on this side of the Atlantic. My best wishes to all of the people of Canada till we meet again."—Edward, P. H.M.S. Renown, Barrington Passage, as the Renown is weighing anchor.

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