

HAPPENINGS IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

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COUNTRY CLUB ANNUAL

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Ottawa approach the three-quarter stretch in the National Hockey Association race with a margin of one game over Wanderers.

The reports submitted at the annual meeting of the Country Club in the Windsor last night, indicated that a most successful season had been experienced.

Ottawa have won more games away from home and have only one hard out-of-town game during the remainder of the season. They visit Toronto on February 17, after which they visit Canadiens and play the remaining games at home.

President Barrow denies that the International League will go over to the Federals as a result of the difficulties that have arisen over the proposed transfer of the Jersey City franchise to the Bronx.

Wanderers have two hard games out of town. They play Quebec in Quebec on Wednesday, February 24, while the previous Saturday they play the Senators at Ottawa, after which they bring their season to a close with games with Canadiens and Toronto at the local Arena and their postponed game with Shamrocks at Toronto.

Frankie Fleming, owing to ill-health, was unable to finish training for his bout against Johnny Schiff, which was scheduled to take place before the Canadian Athletic Club this evening. Steve Ketchell will substitute.

Torontos play four of their remaining games on their own ice, two of them being with Shamrocks and the others with Quebec and Ottawa. This will give them a chance to improve their position in the standing.

The second match of the season for the historic old Quebec Challenge Cup will be played at the Montreal Curling Club next Monday afternoon at two o'clock. The challengers are from the Arnprior Curling Club.

George A. Davis, of the world's champion Boston National League team, who pitched a no-hit, no-run game last year, broke all strength test records at Harvard College. Davis, who is a student in the law school, scored 1,437 points. The best previous mark was 1,381 set by Huntington R. Hardwick, the American football star.

The Quebec team, who are not yet out of the race, have a harder road to travel, playing the majority of their remaining games away from home.

Tommy Houek will reach the city on Saturday to finish his training for a bout that is to take place before the Montreal Sporting Club on Tuesday against Harry Bingham.

Guy Nickalls, the English oarsman, will sail from London on February 29, again to take charge of coaching the Yale University crew.

The annual intercollegiate boxing, wrestling and fencing championships will be held in Toronto this year on February 26th and 27th, while the swimming championship meet will be held in the same city on the afternoon of the 27th.

CANADIAN TRADE INQUIRIES

The following were among the inquiries relating to Canadian trade received at the Office of the High Commissioner for Canada, 17 Victoria Street, London, E.W., during the week ending January 29th, 1915:—

A London merchant firm has recently opened an office in Toronto, and are prepared to enter into relations with Canadian manufacturers wishing to develop an export trade with Great Britain, South Africa, the West Indies and other portions of the British Empire.

A Canadian lumber merchant stated to be in a position to ship four to five hundred thousand Canadian cedar railway sleepers would like to hear from importers in the United Kingdom or France.

A Canadian correspondent seeks a market in Great Britain for excelsior (wood wool).

A Toronto correspondent now in England is desirous of getting into touch with United Kingdom manufacturers of grocery lines, also with makers of soap powder, fibre or cardboard boxes for packing, and with label lithographers.

A Montreal firm of produce importers ask for names of United Kingdom shippers of tea (black and green), coffee, nuts, spices, etc.

A Nova Scotia correspondent asks for names of United Kingdom importers of laths, pulwood, handles, coat hangers, and other woodenware.

PENMAN'S ANNUAL

Penman's Limited, will hold its annual meeting in Montreal on March 1st.

DELIVERY SERVICE

Subscribers in the down town business section should receive the Journal of Commerce between 4 and 5 p.m. If received later, please telephone the Circulation Department, M. 2902, or M. 4702.

YOUNG MAN WANTED

Young man wanted to assist in editorial room of city daily—financial man preferred. Should be able to write shorthand. Reply in own handwriting to box 194 Journal of Commerce, Montreal.

NOTES ON PUBLIC UTILITIES

Henry J. Ghaubitz has been reinstated as general manager of the London (Ont.) Utilities Commission, which position he vacated some weeks ago because of opposition to his German birth and alleged pro-German sympathies.

A despatch from Ottawa says: That the City of Ottawa has spent no less than \$140,000 in gathering data and having reports made on various water schemes in the last few years was the estimate made by Controller Ellis at the Waterworks Committee meeting last night. This estimate covers all the investigations and reports from the time Allen Hasen five or six years ago reported on the Ottawa River and McGregor Lake schemes. "And we haven't got started on a water system yet," added Controller Ellis.

Judgment in the Tilbury Gas case has been given at Osgoode Hall, Toronto. On the 22nd of July, 1914, the Tilbury Town Gas Company made a contract with the Maple City Oil and Gas Company whereby the latter agreed to furnish as much gas from their lands as the Tilbury Company could use. In December of the same year the Maple City Co. entered into a contract with the Glenwood Natural Gas Company whereby they agreed to furnish them with gas. At the same time the Glenwood Company took over nine-tenths of the stock of the Maple City Company. The Glenwood Company used so much gas that the supply to the Tilbury Gas Company was practically cut off. Action was then brought, and Mr. Justice Lennox finds in favor of the Tilbury Gas Company, and holds that the second contract made with the Glenwood Company is an absolute breach of the first contract with the Tilbury Company, as the Maple City Company had agreed to furnish the Tilbury Company with all the gas they could use and they could use the whole output of the Maple City lands.

Gross earnings of the subsidiaries of the Northern States Power Company for December show an increase of \$137. Net earnings gained \$40,518 in December. For the year ended December 31, 1914, gross earnings aggregated \$4,407,746, an increase of \$417,104, while net for the year amounted to \$1,352,158, an increase of \$376,456 over 1913. After interest charges and preferred dividends there was a balance of \$437,645 for the common stock, which equals 7.32 per cent.

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, the operating subsidiary of the Central States Electric Corporation reports for December a gain in gross of \$6,073, or 1.61 per cent., while net earnings increased \$10,398, or 5.45 per cent., compared with December, 1913. The surplus for the common stock after interest, preferred dividends, amortization of bond discount and depreciation was \$125,242, an increase of \$8,192, or 7 per cent. For the year ended December 31, 1914, gross earnings gained \$347,167, or 6.17 per cent.; net increased \$59,229, or 3.6 per cent., and the balance for the common stock was \$1,142,161, an increase of \$21,250, or 1.9 per cent.

William P. Bonbright & Co., Inc. and H. M. Byleby & Co., are offering for public subscription, at an interest yield of over 5.99 per cent., the uncollected balance of an issue of first mortgage 5 per cent. bonds of the Consumers Power Company of Minnesota. The bonds are part of an authorized issue of \$10,000,000, of which \$7,379,000 are outstanding.

Chicago, February 12.—According to Chairman in January and further improvement is expected when farmers and others really begin spending the vast amount of new wealth, but he does not expect a boom. "Our January gross shows much less decrease than December," said Mr. Clough. "Operating conditions are good. We have had much snow but no bad storms. We are gradually reducing expenses and curtailing passenger train mileage consistently."

Paris, February 12.—The following are the principal items in the statement of the Bank of France for the week ending February 4th (in francs):—

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LIVERPOOL COTTON EASIER AT DECLINE. (Special Cable to Jenks, Gywnns & Co.) Liverpool, February 12.—Cotton futures market opened easier 1/4 points off.

Due off 2 1/2 to 3 points. At 12.30 p.m. the market was easy at a decline of 1/2 points. Sales, 5,000 bales.

SMART-WOODS DIVIDEND. Smart-Woods, Limited, has declared its regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. on the preferred and 2 per cent. on the common, payable March 1st to shareholders of record.

OGILVIE FLOUR MILLS. The Ogilvie Flour Mills Company has declared the regular dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. on its preferred, payable March 1st to shareholders of record February 18th.

GLEANED FROM MANY SOURCES

The Pennsylvania Rubber Co. at Pittsburgh resumed operations.

Russia, in 1913, bought 120,795,600 pounds of tea from China.

Robert McCulloch, of St. Louis, was elected president of the United Railways Co.

Fire destroyed the cotton plant of the Texas Compress Co. at Bellinger, Tex., at a loss of \$300,000.

The Salvation Army turned over to the Red Cross for distribution in Serbia five tons of bandages and first aid supplies.

Curtis Leather Co. at Ludlow, Pa., after several weeks on a shortened schedule, is now operating at full capacity. The change affects 600 men.

An issue of paper money of 10, 25 and 50-cent denomination, to be known as parcel post bills, is provided in a bill introduced at Washington by Representative Bathrick, of Ohio.

Lindon W. Bates, vice-chairman of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, says that Belgian bread line is now 600 miles long and that soon it will be 2,500 miles long.

Exports of Japan in 1914 amounted to more than \$80,000,000 yen (\$30,000,000), and imports to nearly \$25,000,000 yen (\$12,500,000). Total is more than \$105,000,000 yen (\$52,500,000) less than in 1913.

After a six months' shut down, the Pennsylvania Rubber Company plant at Pittsburgh has resumed operations. To the 800 men employed 600 will be added within the next fortnight, as a new plant will be opened.

The Magistrate in the Bow Street Court, London, ordered the extradition of Benjamin Hill Smith, of Rochester, N.Y., who is wanted by the New York police, charged with having withheld \$80,000 of bonds belonging to the estate of the late Harriet F. Newcomb.

Eight sawed-off shotguns, fifteen sticks of dynamite, a box of fulminating caps and two revolvers were discovered in the home of three Italians arrested in connection with an investigation of threatening letters by wealthy Italians of Chicago.

MAY FINANCE RE-OPENING OF OLD SHAMROCK MINE.

Cobalt, Ont., February 12.—It is reported that efforts are being made to finance the old Shamrock Mining Company and commence development work on the property in southeastern Coleman immediately north of the Beaver Consolidated mines. Mr. Alex. M. Bilsky, who is interested in the property was in Cobalt a few days ago and it is expected that he will take charge of the workings if sufficient capital is raised.

By diamond drilling some years ago a rich vein was cut, but on sinking the shaft to the 400 foot level, it was found that the drill had only cut a kidney of ore at that point, while the strong vein carried small values in the meagre amount of drifting done. It is now proposed under the new arrangement to continue the drifting on this level and sink to a further depth on the vein with a view of cutting a continuous ore shoot.

The recent results obtained at the Beaver and Temiskaming has been the incentive for the opening up of the Shamrock. The property lies immediately north of the Beaver and west of the Fisher-Epplert, the latter being owned by the LaRose Consolidated group. The underground work includes the main shaft with levels at 200 and 400 feet.

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NEWS OF WORLD TOLD IN BRIEF

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HOLLAND PROTESTS ALSO

Premier Asquith Explains High Prices and Says Reduction May be Expected—Will Take More Stringent Measures Against German Trade.

Publication by the U. S. State Department last night of the text of the notes sent to Great Britain and Germany respectively revealed that both countries had been warned in most emphatic terms against menacing the vessels or lives of American citizens traversing the recently proclaimed sea zones of war.

The Netherlands Government, it was learned in London yesterday has sent an emphatic note to Germany in answer to the war zone proclamation of the German Admiralty in which it is pointed out that ships carrying the Dutch flag must be protected in the war zone prescribed in the proclamation. While the Dutch note is couched in diplomatic language, it points out to Germany that unless full protection is accorded Dutch ships and Dutch citizens, the Netherlands Government will be compelled to take such steps as it considers necessary for the protection of its citizens and its vessels.

Premier Asquith in the House of Commons has declined to assent to the proposal of the Labor Party that the Government fix maximum prices for coal, food and other necessities of life, but at the request of this party, after an all-day debate yesterday on the increased cost of living, granted another day for the discussion of the subject. The prime minister, in a concise speech, quoted a mass of statistics to show the extent of the increases, and indicated the reasons for the advances, which included a shortage of ships, due to the Germans being driven from the seas, a shortage of labor, owing to workmen enlisting, congestion at the docks, to lessen which steps are being taken, speculation in wheat in America and the greater purchasing power of the people as a result of the heavy expenditure by the Government and the liberal allowances made to the families of soldiers and sailors. Mr. Asquith took a hopeful view of the future and expressed the opinion that with the arrival of the Argentine crop, the release of some 10,000,000 quarters of wheat by Russia and the employment of German ships captured by the Allies prices would fall.

Premier Asquith in an announcement made to the House of Commons yesterday afternoon said that the British Government was about to take more stringent measures against the trade of Germany, referring to a question from Admiral Lord Charles Bessborough, "whether the Government will place all food and raw material used in German munitions on a list of absolute contraband." The Premier said: "The Government is considering the question of taking measures against German trade in view of the violation by the enemy of the rules of war. I hope shortly to make an announcement of what these measures are to be."

The Russian commander-in-chief was made public last night: "It has been definitely established that the Germans are concentrating very great forces in East Prussia. These forces have started an offensive, which they are developing, especially in the direction of Wilkowyski (north of Augustow) and Lyck. This region is reported of units composed of new recruits from central Germany. Our troops, keeping the enemy in check, are retiring from the Mazurian Lakes toward our frontier. In the Carpathians the enemy made attacks to the west of Mszolaborch, to the east of the Uszok Pass. We repulsed all these attacks and also a German offensive on the heights of Kozulouka. We seized the heights near Rabbe, to the east of the Luppuk Pass, after a violent fight and captured as many as one thousand prisoners."

A large issue is expected of Russian treasury bills in London shortly, which will form an additional Russian credit there and facilitate commerce. An issue of Serbian treasury bills is also expected. The Government, it is understood, will redeem £1,500,000 (\$7,500,000) British Treasury Bills due on February 2, but subsequent maturities are likely to be renewed. Banks prefer that maturing bills be renewed because they form an advantageous means of employing money.

A Rotterdam despatch says that thirty-five German soldiers were killed in one of the Antwerp forts last Friday by a bomb dropped by British airmen.

AMERICAN WOMEN TO SUPPLY SOLDIERS WITH REFRESHMENTS.

London, February 12. (By mail).—Under the supervision of American women, canteens are to be established at all the leading railway stations in London, where sandwiches, coffee and other light refreshments will be supplied free to soldiers in uniform.

Thousands of soldiers pass through London daily, frequently without sufficient money to buy food.

In work at railroad stations, the American women, who have been looking after stranded Americans and Belgian refugees, have learned of the great need for canteens where the soldier can be promptly provided with nourishing food without cost.

The War Office is so well impressed with the women's plan that its assistance in carrying on the work has been assured.

Mrs. Viola Scott, Mrs. A. T. Stewart, and a score of other American women, who have been assisting travellers ever since the opening of the war, are the prime movers in the plan and have the backing of the entire American Women's War Relief Committee.

Mrs. Benjamin Lathrop, who is one of the most active workers in the French Emergency Committee organized to supply the immediate needs of hospitals in the north of France, has interested Mrs. H. C. Hoover and many other American women in this particular movement, and is collecting generous quantities of other and other hospital supplies so sadly needed in many of the isolated hospitals near the battle line.

The Duchess of Marlborough has accepted the Chairmanship of the Philanthropic Committee of the Society of American Women in London. This already has a number of work rooms established for the employment of women thrown out of work by the war, but the need is so great that a marked extension of this work is planned.

Mrs. A. T. Stewart, with the assistance of this committee, has just opened a work room at 123 Victoria street, where indigent gentlewomen will be afforded an opportunity to earn a living. At present fifty women are afforded employment there, most of them knitting supplies required by the army.

WEATHER: SLEET OR RAIN.

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GOVERNMENT WARNS GENERAL TO BEWARE OF WAR

Many Fictitious Films Appealing to Emotions Have Been Circulated in Canada—Quebec Board is Cautious.

Instructions have been issued by the Government to all the Provincial authorities to the Provincial boards of movie censorship instructing the censors to exercise care regarding war pictures. According to the Ontario board has received here the Quebec board office in Montreal, has for some time been saving pictures of the enemy which they were evidently genuine.

In the instructions issued by the Government it is stated that a number of war pictures have been prepared and are being shown in the Dominion. They are said to be more or less the result of unaided imaginations. The authorities have accordingly decided that they should be eliminated.

As a result of the effect the order would have, Mr. George M. Stinn of the Ontario board has stated that the board had been informed of a number of faked pictures ever since the war started such pictures coming before the censors, and where they were identified as fakes, they were destroyed. Mr. Stinn said that the board had been informed of a number of faked pictures ever since the war started such pictures coming before the censors, and where they were identified as fakes, they were destroyed.

AUDACIOUS WILL REJOIN BRITISH FLEET

New York, February 13.—The New York Herald states that the Audacious will rejoin the British fleet.

On October 27th last the battleship off Cape Cod was captured by a German submarine off Cape Cod.

The Herald says she was not sunk but was confined to a hole in her hull.

She was finally guided to dry dock at the shipyard of Harlan and Wolff and put into first class shape.

WESTERN ONTARIO CLAY WORKERS ASSOCIATION IN ANNUAL MEETING

Chatham, February 13.—Walter Clark, elected President of the Western Ontario Clay Workers' Association at the annual meeting.

The other officers are:—First Vice-President, Martin, Thamesville; Second Vice-President, Leathemdale, Dresden; Secretary, T. F. Wehman, Cairo; Executive, the office Hill, Essex.

BRANTFORD BOARD OF TRADE

Brantford, February 13.—At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade new officers were elected. H. H. Powell (acclamation) President; W. H. Whitaker, J. F. Schuchman, Secretary; Geo. Hatfield, Treasurer; Reg. Scarfe, W. Hoffat, S. Burnley, C. G. Ellis, F. D. Revilla, G. A. Scott, F. K. H. Bunnell, W. McEwen (acclamation) Executive. The following committees were appointed.

NEARLY GOT ONTARIO BOARDS

Toronto, Ont., February 13.—Aemilium Company, who, with Messrs. Kissel, Klarn, many of New York, have just purchased of Toronto one and two-year Notes, valued the \$2,000,000 Province of Ontario bond issue which was awarded on Jan. 21st, 1914, and accrued interest thereon with Messrs. White, Weld and Company against William A. Read & Company of 59 St. and accrued interest.

WOULD PERMIT SOLDIERS TO EXERCISE THEIR BARRIERS

Ottawa, February 13.—A. G. Tripp, M.P., will propose a resolution in the House to allow soldiers serving with the expedition to exercise their barrages should a general election be held on Monday.

SMART-WOODS, LIMITED

The annual meeting of Smart-Woods, Limited will be held on Monday.

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