

TOBACCO GROWERS ASK MORE THAN BUYERS WILL PAY AND LOSE MARKET

DUART, April 21.—Another large carload of tobacco was shipped from this district yesterday. The price realized was 42 cents per pound. Though several shipments have been made about half of the crop is yet in the growers' hands. Many of the producers

refused to contract at the buyers' offer of 40 cents, and the raise, some time ago, holding out for 50 cents. This the buyers refused to pay and stopped all buying, only taking what was then contracted for, with the result that the growers who still have their crop on hand are at their wits end to find a market. It is expected fully twice the acreage that was raised last year will be grown this year on the strength of reports that a dryer will be erected in the neighborhood during the coming summer.

PRINCETON

PRINCETON, April 21.—Mrs. Strode, who has been spending five months in Winnipeg, arrived home on Monday, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Ella Strode. It is six years since Miss Strode left Princeton. Steward Williamson left Monday to fill a position on the street railway in Hamilton. He will be much missed in local musical circles and in the Anglican Church.

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| Large 11-Skin Canadian Mink Cape. Price | Large Ermine Cape, with roll collar. Price | \$125.00 |
| Round Mink Muff to match. Price | Ermine Ties and Chokers. Prices | \$27.50, \$28.00, \$30.00 and \$35.00 |
| Large Beaver Shawl, with pockets. Price | Large Hudson Seal Crosstie, trimmed with ermine. Prices | \$30.00 and \$32.00 |
| Large Hudson Seal Shawl, with pockets and banding or grey squirrel. Price | Large Grey Squirrel Crosstie. Price | \$25.00 |
| | Taupe Squirrel Choker. Price | \$25.00 |

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- Tan and White Check Suit, dainty embroidered white tri-colette vest, coat artistically trimmed with tan military braid and fancy pearl buttons. Price
- Brown Jersey Suit, beautifully embroidered with tinsel and contrasting shades, silk corded girdle, silk lined, and trimmed with smoked pearl buttons. Price
- Sand Serge Suit, silk lined, full belt crossing in front, inverted pleat in back, and trimmed with sand military braid and pearl buttons. Price
- Brown Jersey Suit, beautifully embroidered in black sou-tache braid, and trimmed with contrasting pearl buttons, full belt crossing in front, and lined with silk. Price

Dresses

- Brown Taffeta Dress, embroidered bodice, short sleeves finished with knife-pleating, three-founce skirt, also finished with knife pleating. Price
- Navy Satin and Georgette Dress, beaded navy georgette over red satin bodice, georgette sleeves finished with fancy satin cuffs, crushed girdle. Price
- Black Satin and Georgette Dress, overdress of black georgette beautifully beaded with black beads. Price

Gloves

- Kayser Silk Gloves. Special at
- 95c, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75

Blouses

- Navy Georgette Blouse, round neck, beautifully beaded with red and steel beads. Price
- White Crepe de Chine Blouse, tailored style, tucked front. Price
- Wash Silk Blouses, with round neck. Special
- White Middies, navy collar and cuffs, trimmed with white braid. Price

Neckwear

- Net, Filet and Lace Collars. Prices
- \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$3.00
- Lace and Net Vestee. Prices
- \$1.25 to \$5.00

Spring Coats

- Mottled Polo Cloth Coat, Raglan sleeve, full belt, trimmed with contrasting two-tone pearl buttons. Price
- Taupe Velour Coat, fancy pleated back, geat pockets, fancy silk lining to waist. Price

Sweaters

- Wool and Silk Pullovers, in assorted colors. Prices
- \$8.50 to \$19.50

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- Plain, Clocked and Drop-Stitch Hose, in all shades. Prices
- \$1.25 to \$4.25



WILL TAKE PLEBISCITE ON QUESTION OF SUNDAY CARS

Upon Result of Vote Will Depend Future Service of Street Railway—Council At Best Will Only Assume a Limited Schedule.

ST. THOMAS, April 21.—Although an expression of the people has already been taken on the Sunday street car service with a favoring majority some years ago, a second plebiscite will be asked of the ratepayers, and upon its result will depend whether the amendment to the act just passed will be acceptable to a majority vote or not. A general service throughout the city will not be provided should the plebiscite be accepted. The most the council would assume would be a limited service to Pinafore Park.

The street railway department does not look upon the traffic to be had on Sunday as perceptibly reducing the periodical deficit. But with a possible increase in the rates to the lakeside on the L. and P. S. St. Thomas people may be coaxed to visit the municipal playgrounds in such numbers as will allow for a revenue sufficient enough to meet the overhead expenses of the system.

BUILDING CONDITIONS.—Building activities as compared with pre-war days have fallen off greatly, but as the spring opens, the indications are brightening up a bit. There are many

small contracts for repairs, remodeling and renovations. It looks as though every second householder was about to erect a garage, but there are no propositions of a costly character, nor are there many demands for building locations.

It is possible that the officers of the newly-elected directorate of the board of trade will again approach the Dodge people, Detroit, and revive the company's interest in the big possibilities of St. Thomas as a Canadian centre for the branch factory. The visit to the city some months ago, by the representative of the firm induced the board then to take option on several parcels of land adjoining the city and these plots were selected with the approval of the company's agent. The death of one of the brothers delayed the completion of negotiations.

A couple of permits have been issued by the city engineer, J. F. McLean, a 2-story concrete dwelling on Prince Albert street, \$2,500, and A. H. Goddard, a brick and cement residence on Elysian street, \$2,000, a concrete dairy building, Wellington street and second avenue, for Yarmouth dairy, \$1,200.

BRITISH LABOR DELEGATION LEAVING TO INVESTIGATE THE SITUATION IN RUSSIA

Three Representatives of Trades Union Congress and Four of Labor Party To Inquire Into Soviet Rule and Conditions.

LONDON, April 21.—The delegation of British Laborites which is going to Russia to investigate the general situation will be comprised of three representatives of the Trades Union Congress and four representatives of the Labor party. The delegation will leave London next Saturday.

The foreign office, after receiving San Remo advice yesterday that "the allied council approved of the mission," informed the Laborites that they would be granted passports for Rethonia, word having been previously conveyed from Moscow that the party would be persona grata to the Soviet Russian government.

The trade unionists will investigate the working and living conditions in Russia, while the political representatives of the delegation will confine their inquiries to Russia's governmental machinery and economic and trade matters.

A. A. Purcell of the Furnishing Trades Association; Miss Margaret Bondfield, who was recently defeated for Parliament and who will represent the British women workers, and H. Skinner, of the Typographical Union, were named today by the trades congress.

The labor party executive will name its representatives at an early date and decide whether correspondents will be permitted to accompany the party.

TILLSONBURG

TILLSONBURG, April 21.—The News Printing Company, Limited, have found it necessary to erect a large extension to their present premises owing to the increased volume of business.

The entire household effects of the Brodie estate, as well as the residence, was sold by public auction Monday afternoon and attracted hundreds of eager buyers. The house started at \$2,500, and was finally sold to George Benson for \$4,000.

Breaking all previous starting dates the local streets and bridges committees have been working a week on their big road program for the year, and four carloads of stone have been laid during the last few days on Tillson avenue, which will be one of the prettiest drives in Oxford County when completed.

A large number of local business men are attending the Made-in-Canada week at London.



GEORGE PARENT, M. P., who is asking the government to pay claims for damages arising out of the Quebec riots in 1918.

LOBO FARMERS START WORK ON THE LAND

ILDEKTON, April 21.—Many Lobo farmers have started work on the land for spring seeding, and if the weather holds good much grain will be sown this week, as the land is in fine shape.

Fall wheat and clover are looking fine, but the pastures will probably be later than usual and many cattle will be stabled for some time yet.

It is expected that a large acreage of oats will be sown this spring, as stocks of grain are quite low for the season. Some spring wheat has been sown already, but the acreage of this crop may be small.

FAREWELL PRESENTATION.

LUCKNOW, April 21.—A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cole, last week, when a large crowd of friends gathered to bid farewell to them before they removed to their new home near Wingham. Chas. Baechler was chosen chairman, and a pleasing program was carried out during which Miss Bertha Harrison read a complimentary address, expressing regret at the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Cole and Mrs. Cole with a gold watch for Mrs. Cole with a silver tea service, and Miss Ruby with a plate glass jewel case, on behalf of their friends. Mr. Cole made a fitting reply.

T. W. Smith, who some time ago bought the old McGarry hotel, is having it remodelled into a first-class garage with apartments above.

GERMAN ADVANCE IN THE RUHR DISTRICT WAS UNNECESSARY

Correspondent Convinced Advance Was Meant to Smash Liberalism.

NO BOLSHEVIK REVOLT

French Point of View That Expedition Was Uncalled for Seems To Be Correct.

Duisburg, April 21.—By Courier to Cologne.—This town is almost the extreme limit of the Reichswehr occupation, which stretches eastward to the River Ruhr. It seems unlikely that the White advance will continue further into the "Pink zone," where everything is quiet, work is going on normally and no armed workers are to be seen. The minds of German militarists are unfathomable, however, and they may yet think that English support will warrant their advance further south in defiance of the French.

Here everything is calm, but around the Rathaus there is a cordon of security and barbed wire barricades. In the square before the Rathaus there are drawn up automobiles, one of which is decked with the skull and cross-bones of the former Crown Prince's Guards. The Reichswehr captain, who was acting as town commandant, He gave me a courteous reception in the Rathaus and said: "We came here on the invitation of a big majority of the population, including the Majority and Christian Socialists, who are opposed to Red control. The Reds had committed many acts of pillage and were a menace to public safety."

I asked what pillage had occurred. According to the captain's story there had been some seizure of foodstuffs, which was hardly to be wondered at on the part of people almost starving, and some drygoods stocks had been commandeered so that the Red soldiers could give silks to their female companions. This appeared especially to me as a serious matter, as the French invaded towns I had visited in the course of the great war, whose inhabitants had been betrayed with German requisition papers, which were utterly valueless, and wondered where the difference came in.

Pillaging Occurred.—The captain admitted that the said pillaging occurred only after the Reichswehr advance had begun, that is to say, after the workers had realized that they had been betrayed, and that the compact they had made with Commissioner Severing at Munster was a scrap of paper.

When I asked if banks had been raided he replied evasively that money had been stolen, he believed, but that fortunately the banks had been able to remove all their money. In other words the revolted workers had allowed the banks to stay open and had also allowed freedom of movement, so that when they became desperate and attempted to raid the banks there was very little money to be found.

When asked whether the Reichswehr had taken any Red prisoners, he answered: "There are some wounded in the hospitals, but a most definite impression, corroborated from other sources, that the Reds taken by the Reichswehr did not long survive their capture."

The town commandant explained that there was great difficulty in fixing the status of the Red troops, as they wore no uniforms, but simple Red brassards. When they saw the guns they were naturally thrown away their brassards, hid their rifles and appeared as peaceful workmen. This I believe is true, and it was undoubtedly difficult for the Reichswehr to discriminate, which explains if it does not excuse—certain shootings of civilians that occurred after the white occupation.

Bolshevik Present.—The commander spoke bitterly of the presence of Russian Bolsheviks in the region—"men who have been heard to speak Russian to their followers," he said. But he admitted that this was only second and third-hand testimony. When I asked whether the Reichswehr would advance further—which appears to be unnecessary, as the whole region to the southward is quiet, and the workers are giving up their arms to the local civil authorities and going back to their jobs—he answered vigorously: "If it had not been for the utterly unjustified action of the French in occupying Frankfurt, we should have been able to advance and stamp out these bloody Bolsheviks once for all. It is I don't know, we may have to stand still, as we are doing at present, or even actually withdraw from the Ruhr altogether."

The trains going southward were crowded with passengers. Certainly over a thousand were waiting for the Dusseldorf-Cologne train this morning. Most of them were evidently workers fleeing from the white terror. The rest were upper-class bourgeois, who dread the workers' reprisals in case the Reichswehr withdraw. Also there were many women and children who were back to the front to leave regions where food is extremely scarce.

In the principal hotel in Duisburg, food there is little to eat except very expensive—eight marks each—veal cutlets and shrimps. Beer is lacking, though there is still plenty of wine and spirits, which are given the lie to stories that the Reds had pillaged all stocks of alcohol.

On the whole, I got the impression that during their occupation the workers had behaved remarkably well, and interfered as little as possible with normal conditions. That at the end, however, they had been betrayed and their discipline slackened, they got somewhat out of hand is not greatly to be regretted, as they then did nothing very bad, and there are reports, confirmed by non-German eyewitnesses, that they had been shot by their own people.

I have a firm conviction from what I have heard and seen that the French point of view is correct, namely, that in this region, at any rate, there was no Bolshevik revolution, that order was kept and property respected, and that, finally, the Reichswehr advance was an unnecessary expedition, whose object was primarily to smash the liberal movement at one of its principal sources of strength, and to establish a prestige in view of another coup d'etat.

DEBT SLAVERY IN MALAY
STATE TO BE ABOLISHED

The year 1920 is likely to be a notable one in the history of Malaya, one of the unfederated Malay states under British protection. For it is to see the abolition of "debt slavery," or, at any rate, to see the practice well on its way to abolition.

For many years, according to the recently published statement of the British agent in Tringuan, J. L. Humphreys, it has been a legal practice to enslave a person for a debt he could not pay. The slavery was perpetual. No amount of work on the part of the debt slave reduced his indebtedness.

Moreover, the debt was hereditary, the burden descending from father to son. Mr. Humphreys, however, reports that, after much opposition, a law has been passed which renders it illegal to create a debt slave in future, and also provides for the gradual freeing, by means of adequate payment for work done, of such debtors as are now enslaved.

Like many other reforms resulting from British rule, it would be difficult to overestimate the value of this achievement in Tringuan. An able authority on eastern questions declared recently that the best quality about all others which inspired the Oriental with reverence, and that was seven-handed justice, probably because he so seldom saw it.

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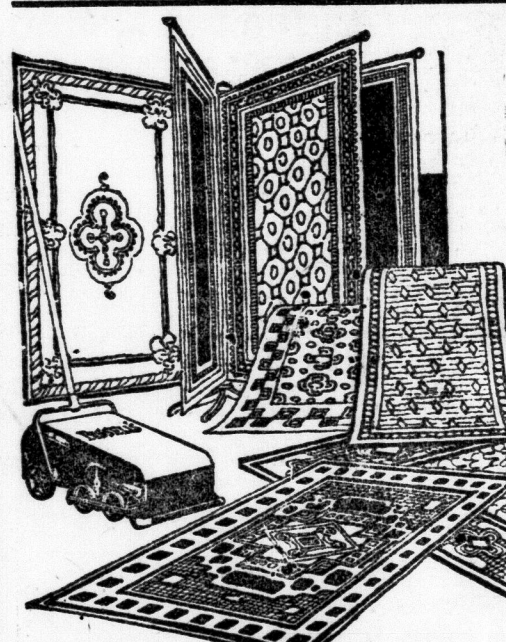
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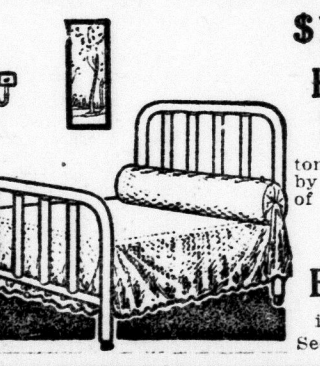
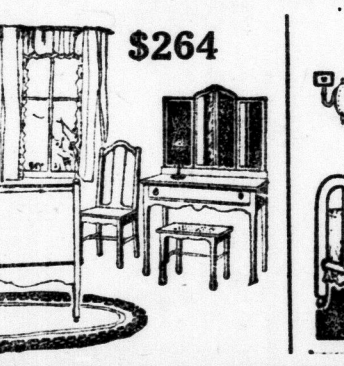
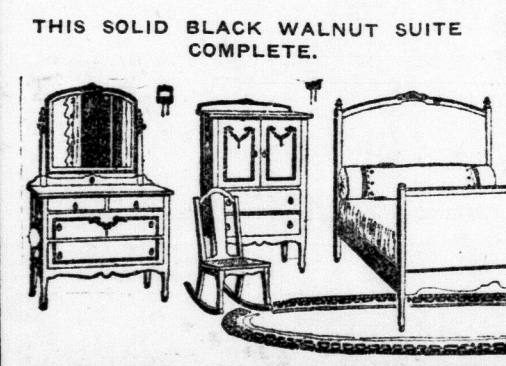
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