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PUBLISH THE REPORT.

What is this talk about considering the auditor's report on the New Brunswick Power Company's affairs in secret session at City Hall?

The company is seeking authority to make a stiff increase in rates, which the citizens would have to pay. The city council placed an auditor on the company's books to learn if there was any justification for the proposed further levy upon the pockets of the people. That auditor is a chartered accountant of high reputation. He has completed his report. It is a public document dealing with a public matter of great importance to the taxpayers. It was before the city council yesterday and should have been given to the citizens today.

Mayor Hayes and Com. Fisher favored that course, but were voted down. The commissioners who voted any must see that it is of the utmost importance that the people upon whom will fall the burden of any additional charges made by the New Brunswick Power Company have access to the fullest possible information concerning every move in the proceedings, and that there should be no secrecy whatever at any stage.

The question is naturally asked—Why should the city solicitor take an active part in the discussion and advise the council to withhold the report from the public until it came out as part of the evidence to be laid before the Public Utilities Commission? What possible injury to the cause of right in this affair could possibly come from immediate and full publicity?

The people who are asked to pay for years to come the heavily increased charges proposed by the power company have a right to know how much real money that company invested, what its revenue is and has been, and whether there is any justification for an increase in the charges for its various services. The report of the auditor would throw valuable light on that matter, and the public have a right to it without an hour's unnecessary delay.

A NOTABLE ADDRESS.

Commissioner Redfield states that he has been severely and accurately last evening before the Canadian Club when he said that this was a war, not of nations, but of mankind against a common evil. The Christian, the Mohammedan, the Buddhist, the Shintoist—all religions are arrayed against the worshippers of the tribal god of Germany. It is the world against a nation possessed of a demon. Mr. Redfield's review of German policy since Bismarck tore up the Schleswig-Holstein treaty—the original "scrap of paper"—made it perfectly clear that the dual policy of military and naval development and peaceful penetration had for forty years been directed toward the one definite aim; and its success had made the nation mad with the pride of power until German preachers and philosophers hailed the supernatural who was to dominate the world.

The distinguished speaker reviewed the whole world-problem from the standpoint of right versus might, and made out a case that was unanswerable. Not least interesting was his talk on what the United States has accomplished along scientific lines since the war began, in order to overcome the handicap Germany had gained over all the other nations in times of peace. It was just an illuminating glimpse of the workshop of a great nation gathering its mighty forces for a supreme effort to vindicate the principles of democracy and their ability to stand the test of war against a giant autocracy organized to the limit for war purposes.

It was a notable speech by a representative American, and the crowded dining hall was a clear manifestation of the interest in view of such a man arouses among the citizens of St. John.

CANADA AND UNITED STATES.

St. John is interested in the visit of Mr. William C. Redfield, Commissioner of Commerce in the United States, and his associates in the fisheries conference, and the welcome extended to him and them by the Canadian Club last evening is expressive of a feeling that is universal.

In an address delivered in New York recently Mr. Thomas W. Lamont told the Canadian Club there some interesting facts about the changed relations between Canada and the United States. He said that before the war this country borrowed very little money from the United States, the amount in 1910 being only \$3,600,000. In 1913 it was \$50,000,000, and in 1916 no less than \$207,000,000. The Canadian borrowings in England, on the other hand, fell from \$277,000,000 in 1918 to about \$5,000,000 in 1917.

Very significant also are Mr. Lamont's

figures in relation to trade. He said that nine years ago Canada bought \$180,000,000 worth of goods from the United States; while last year we bought \$684,000,000 worth. Nine years ago the United States bought \$20,000,000 worth of goods from Canada; last year that country bought from us \$280,000,000 worth. Commenting on the changed conditions, Mr. Lamont said:

"It goes without saying that if we Americans have increased our business with you and our investments in your great country, we have at the same time studied you more, studied your resources, and the character of your development. We know Canada, we think now, far better than ever before. We appreciate her fine spirit more keenly than ever."

"And I want you here, you members of the Canadian Society, to appreciate that the increase of our attachment to Canada must not be measured simply in the cold figures of growing trade and our increasing investments with her. On the contrary, there has been an expansion of our respect and of our affection for Canada, far more important than that indicated by the barometers of trade. We have greatly admired the manner in which Canada has handled herself in this world struggle. It is figured today that if the United States had in the field, in proportion to our population, the same number that you have funged into the battle trenches, we should have six million men under arms."

"Speaking therefore for a great body of Americans who, I know, feel as I feel, I cannot too strongly express our admiration for Canada's course, for the sound measures of her government war financing, for the skill with which she has developed great supply and munition works, and most of all, I repeat, for her noble sacrifice of men."

It can be said with equal truth that the feelings of Canadians toward the United States have undergone a very marked change since that country entered the war. Before that a degree of prejudice had been kept alive in this country by flag-waving politicians who sought partisan advantage. In the earlier period of the war there was keen disappointment that the American government apparently could not see as clearly as ourselves that the very life of democracy was at stake, although our people fully realized the patriotic advocacy of the Allied cause by leading men all over the republic. When President Wilson severed relations with Germany, and the whole nation approved his course, there came a revolution of feeling in Canada, as at that time passed the wisdom of his course in waiting until certain that the whole nation was behind him became apparent. Since that time our relations have further improved, our governments are co-operating heartily in all war measures, and there is no longer any room for prejudice. The coming of Commissioner Redfield to St. John is an evidence that even such matters as trade jealousy are not to be permitted to mar the friendly relations brought about under the stress of a great common danger. The two countries have so many problems that are similar in peace time, and they can serve each other's interests with mutual benefit to so great an extent that they must draw closer; and this without in any way loosening the bond that unites Canada to the rest of the British Empire; for Britain and the United States are also drawing closer together in a really wonderful way. Between Canada and the United States, as the Toronto Star observes, "there will be increased acquaintance and a better appreciation of the trade importance of each country to the other, and of the ideals and aims which give both countries pretty much the same general purposes in the world."

The German press continues to deceive the people and to nourish the belief that no American army worthy of attention can be placed on the western front. The German soldiers will soon know better.

Auditor MacIntyre's report on the New Brunswick Power Company's affairs should be published at once. There is neither good ground nor colorable excuse for delay.

Rumors of impending big battles on the western front are revived. Confidence in the ability of the Allies to withstand enemy attacks is freely expressed.

Again it is rumored that the negotiations between Germany and Russia have been broken off. The internal disorder in Russia shows no sign of abatement.

The conference in Berlin between German, Austrian, Turkish and Bulgarian envoys may develop news of interest.

The open door at City Hall is especially necessary when a power company is seeking approval of a scheme to get more money out of the pockets of the citizens.

USE THE WANT AD. WAY

THE HOUR OF STORM.

(Douglas Malloch.)
I have stood in the rush of the waters, I have waded the rivers of rain, When the lightning had sundered the heavens and the thunder had shaken the plain.
And the mountain called out to the mountain, and the mountain made answer again.

And a voice has come out of the tempest, a voice that no quiet has heard, As loud as the bugle of battle, as clear as the call of a bird— A word winging out of the vastness in search of the hand of a word.

'Twas the song of a soul, 'twas the shouting of something supernatural, A sound like the sound of the thunder, A gleam like the heavenly gleam, And something inside of me answered, a voice like the voice of a dream.

For there is some mortal within us that never we capture or clutch, That weeps with the magic of music, that swells at a clasp or a touch, That speaks when we joy or in pain, and we know the joy or the pain is too much.

And only in moments of tempest, when the thunders their revelle roll, When life is a tide and a torrent, when man is a part of the whole, The mountain-top calls to the mountain, and soul answers back out of soul.

LIGHTER VEIN

Low Wages.
"I didn't know he was that hard up." "What's the matter? He isn't hard up." "He must be. I see by the papers that he's working for the government for a dollar a year."

Geography Today.
"Are you studying geography in school?" "Not in school," replied the energetic boy; "in the war maps."

Father's Anxiety.
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Dr. S. P. Coffman, Vineland, Ont., states: "This is to certify that I know Mrs. Thwaites and the party to whom she refers, and her statements are correct."

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GETTING READY FOR AIR RAID

Ambulances Located and Awaiting Call for Casualties When London Hears Alarm

Among the organizations connected with the war is one very quietly but very effectively organized and directed—the London Ambulance Service. With the commencement of air raids need arose for extension of the L. C. C. service, especially at night, and the London Ambulance Service promptly obtained the services of volunteer ambulances. Easily distinguishable from the L. C. C. vehicles, these volunteer and service ambulances are painted a dark slate color.

The moment a report reaches headquarters that an air raid is imminent every ambulance volunteer receives a telephone message. Then, albeit the volunteer may be just sitting down to his dinner or supper, off he drives his ambulance to the headquarters of the London Ambulance Service, or to one of the chief ambulance stations, according to the location to which he may be attached, and there he waits until his services may be required to succor the wounded.

A peep behind the scenes at the headquarters on the occasion of an air raid reveals a perfect system. Up in the "L. C. C. Control Room" sits at a table whereon is a map of London mounted on a board, and showing the various ambulance stations. Beside the map is a little board containing some hundreds of glass-topped pins, colored red and blue, and a telephone switchboard communicating with the exchange and with direct lines to each of the ambulance stations, which is operated by an attendant, who continually receives messages from fire stations, police stations, etc.

A message comes in from an ambulance station announcing that an ambulance has arrived there for duty. The telephone reports it and a numbered glass-topped pin is stuck into the map indicating the ambulance's location. As the ambulance comes into the yard below a pin is stuck into the headquarters section of the map. So the pins on the map continue to grow in number, and the official can see at a glance how many ambulances are in readiness at each station.

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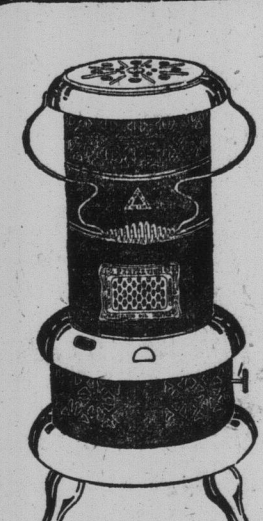
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tion, the glass-topped pin identifying it is transferred to the spot on the map whether it has gone, and thus the official can see at a glance exactly where every one of the ambulances is located at any moment.

Commercial Arts Open to Veterans

House Painters Become Interior Decorators Under M. H.C. Instruction

Soldiers in the Toronto Technical School come from all parts of the Dominion and follow all sorts of new vocations, but none is more interesting than the work which is carried out in the studios of commercial arts.

Men with talent whose fortune granted only a meagre means of expression are now being given opportunity to further their ambitions and many of them will go back into the industrial world better off, one might say, for their injuries. This is true of three men now under instruction who are making remarkable progress at their new occupations.

Pte. M. J. Chaire was a stone carver before he enlisted. He went overseas, and was so wounded that such work was out of the question. To make the most of his natural talent, a new work allied in some way to his previous experience must be found. He turned to industrial day modelling. Here his artistic ability will enable him to become competent to command a splendid salary.

Paralyzed Designer.

A veteran by the name of J. R. Champlion whose pre-war occupation was house painting is now engaged in stencil designing. Graduated from door-painting he is now being qualified to do the more detailed and better paid work of interior decoration. He is making good and turns out his work in spite of the fact that he is paralyzed partially in both hands.

Military Hospitals Commission, in arranging these courses for soldiers, attribute a large degree of the success with which men so disabled as to require occasional re-education are being placed again in condition to earn a good livelihood, to the care with which the courses are adapted to their previous experience.

Biting Comment.

Mr. Bellows—O wife, these look like the biscuits my mother baked twenty years ago.

Mrs. Bellows (greatly delighted)—I'm so glad.

Mr. Bellows (biting one)—And, by George, I believe they are the same biscuits.

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RECENT DEATHS

Samuel Baird.
There died on Saturday, Feb. 2, at his residence, Chipman, Queens county, Samuel Baird, aged eighty-four. Mr. Baird, who was a son of the late Robert Baird, one of the early settlers of Queens county, was born and lived his entire life on the farm where he died. He was widely and favorably known in the county and on the Grand Lake, and scores of friends who have enjoyed the hospitality of his home on the Salmon River will doubtless regret to hear of his death, which followed upon a brief illness of six weeks. His wife, who was Elizabeth Snodgrass, of Young's Cove, Grand Lake, predeceased him by about a year and a half.

The late Mr. Baird leaves a sister, Mrs. Henry Porter, of Salmon Creek; and a brother, Charles, of Eureka, California; also the following sons and daughters: Robert, farmer, of Salmon Creek; Thomas, lumberman, of Stevensville, Montana; Isaac W., on the house, president of the N. B. Farmers & Dairyman's Association; Rev. Frank, of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Woodville; Edward, of Boston; Mary, at home, and Margaret, wife of Chancellor C. C. Jones, of the university, Fredericton. Mr. Baird, of Fredericton, is a grandson, and Mrs. F. Hoar, of Moncton, is a granddaughter of the deceased.

John H. Stevens.

John H. Stevens, proprietor of the Star Hotel, died on Sunday, N. S., on Sunday last. He was 68 years old and a native of Wallace, N. S., where for years he was engaged in the mercantile business. He succeeded his brother-in-law, Stanley Murphy, as proprietor of the hotel, and was very successful and well liked by the traveling public as well as by the people of the town. He is survived by his wife and three daughters, the son is Arthur who was his father's assistant. The daughters are Mrs. Harry Brown, Port Elgin, N. B.; Mrs. Boyd Brownell, Amherst, and Mrs. Fannie, at home. He also survived by a brother in Vancouver, Elgin, N. B.; and a sister, Mrs. Wallace, N. S. He will be buried in Truro Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Robert T. Burnett.

The death took place at Vancouver (B. C.), on Jan. 27, of Rachel Lillian, wife of Robert Thomas Burnett, after a long illness. She was born forty-six years ago in New Brunswick, and had been in Vancouver twenty-one years.

The death of Mrs. F. W. Hechler of Grand Falls occurred on Sunday morning. Early in the morning Mrs. Hechler gave birth to a child which only lived but a few minutes. Later in the day Mrs. Hechler died also. She was thirty-two years old.

Mrs. Robert T. Burnett of Vancouver, B. C., died at her home on Jan. 27. She was a native of New Brunswick and removed to the west twenty-one years ago.

The death of William Guthrie of Oranmore occurred yesterday. He was eighty-two years old.

Mrs. J. Skiffington Murchie of Calais died at her home yesterday. She was seventy-two years old. Mrs. Murchie had been an invalid for many years. She was a highly respected woman and her loss will be keenly felt.

DAYLIGHT-SAVING.

(Buffalo News.)
We should imagine that the fact established through which the nation is passing will boost the plan for daylight-saving and that the proposed measure will speedily become a law. But the present condition of things regarding coal and its shortage or unavailability has brought us to the point where we are fain to believe that there is something in the project. There are many reasons why we should adopt this daylight saving measure.

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