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the end that I have indicated, and that we shall in that way be able to deal, without serious detriment to the public interest, with the tremendous problems of transportation which will lie at the very threshold of our parliamentary work when the next

Now what advantages will flow from the government doing in Canada what has been done by President Wilson in the United States?

In the first place we will have all our lines and equipment busy all the time. Freight will be carried by the shortest possible route to its destination. All terminals and sidings will be used for the common purpose of expediting traffic: embargoes of one road upon the freight of another will cease, and freight will be carried thru without delay. Duplication of service will be stopped, as well as duplication of construction. We may hope, too, that the government, by a self-denying ordinance, will stop for the war at least, the private car nuisance, which impedes the passenger train service in this country. We will have, in short, under the cooperative management of which the premier speaks, conservation of energy and co-ordination of effort, which may be expected to increase by 100 per cent. the production of transportation.

Nor will it be necessary to increase rates. On the contrary, lower rates can be charged as a result of economies to be effected.

Instead of a dozen railway magnates drawing fifty thousand dollars apiece, we will have a central national commission of three experts.

The high-priced legal departments, the expensive freight rate solicitors and experts, the publicity departments, under which elastic term may be included parliamentary lobbies, subsidized newspapers and campaign contributions, will be scrapped.

The money earned by the roads in the future will go into the national treasury unsweated and unimpaired. As it is the roads grant freight rebates to all the big shippers. Moreover their freight earnings are sweated at both ends before they get into the treasury. Little companies of insiders, as middlemen, sell equipment and supplies to the companies, and the most profitable earnings, like fast freight, pullman service and express, are often creamed by other middlemen.

The World will not be satisfied with the suggestion that we should take over the Grand Trunk Pacific or any other road that does not pay operating expenses, while the Canadian Pacific remains under private ownership and control. The first road to be nationalized should be the Canadian Pacific. With all the roads, strong and weak, welded into one system the nation will have a road that will pay from the start. The surplus of the Canadian Pacific will redress the deficits of the National Transcontinental, the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern. The Globe sees this and advocates it after a fashion, but with the friendly suggestion that we must guarantee the C.P.R. stockholders a ten per cent. dividend.

The World favors taking over all the roads—the Canadian Pacific first. What compensation, by way of guaranteed dividends, should be paid the stockholders of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is a matter for consideration and adjustment. We do not agree with The Globe that the government should say in advance that the stockholders of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company are to be guaranteed a ten per cent. dividend upon their stock. What we do say is that all the railways of Canada must be nationalized and must be nationalized now.

But we need not labor the argument. Overwhelming public opinion will direct and uphold the government. How rapidly that opinion is mobilizing may be gleaned from the fact that The Toronto News, which on Thursday thought it unspeakable for Canada to follow the example of the United States, yesterday printed a despatch from Ottawa, whose opening paragraph runs as follows:

The first big problem the cabinet will have to deal with when it reassembles after the New Year is the railway question. This has been forced to the front by the decisions of the Canadian Itailway Commission to increase Canadian passenger and freight rates and the announcement of President Wilson that the government will operate all American roads.

NEW FRENCH WAR LOAN MUCH OVERSUBSCRIBED

Ten Billion Francs Were Asked For, But Incomplete Returns Show Subscriptions Are Far in Excess of This Total.

Paris. Dec. 28.—The ten billion | those from abroad, aggregated 10,276, francs asked for in the third war loan 000,000 francs. has been exceeded, according to a M. Klotz recalled that the 1916 war statement made in the chamber of loan, excluding foreign subscriptions. deputies today by M. Klotz, the minis- realized 9,613,600,000 francs. He said

M. Klotz said that the returns for number of sut scribers to the new loan. the loan were still incomplete, but but that cash subscriptions representthat the subscriptions, not including ed-about half the total.

it was impossible as yet to state the

GOVERNMENT TO SEIZE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC ARMISTICE IS IN FORCE

dred Miles to Trackage of State-Owned Railways.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.-The Ottawa Citizen says: "While the pr bability of nationalizing the railways of anada along the U ited States plan is very remote, it is quite likely that a out fifteen hundred miles of trackage will be added text y ar to what already is under government ownership.

When the legislation respecting the Canadian Northern was to come down, it was exp cted that whatever was done in regard to that company would also be applied o the Grand Trunk Pacific. Instead of acquiring the G. T. P. a loan was made to it to tide over its financial embarrassment. As he remedy was ny cf a t mporary c aract r it is anticipated that the line will have to be taken PEACE NEGOTIATIONS over, and this action is looked for in the coming year."

ZEPPS. USED BY GERMANS FOR SPYING PURPOSES

Enemy Airships Keep Tab on Neu-trais and Wa ch W ters for Be fit of Subs.

Washi gton, Dec. 28.- Use of zeppelins in connection with the G rman spy system in netural countries, as well as for surveying navigation for the benefit of submarines, is described in an off cial despatch received today from Fra co. The message tells particularly of how the inhabi ants of Mandil, a small port on the Norwegian coast, observed a zeppelin sailing low and signaling, apparently to persons in the interior.

WILL NOT CLOSE

No New Year's Eve Holiday on Mon-

below the decision. It is the government in this country for Russia will be taken over as a part of the government's plan for quick improvement in American the plan the as an extra holiday on the Montreal Stock Exchange. Present indications of improvement in business are given as the reason for the decision. It is used by every Civilized Nation.

Incompleted and awaiting shipment to Russia. Some of them will be sent to France, after helping to relieve the given as the reason for the decision. It is used by every Civilized Nation.

Reeping the Quality Up

LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE, the World-Famous Cure for Colds and Grippe, is now 30c per box. On account of the advance in the place of the six different Medicinal, Concentrated Extract and Chemicals contained in LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE, it was industrial way, according to a big importer here. The importation of steel and raw material which in the past the reason for the decision. It is used by every Civilized Nation, delay will now be expedited. treal Stock Exchange.

BOLSHEVIK-COSSACK

opposing lines.

Several surrendered the keys to the bank vaults, but Stevens refused.

STOPPED FOR TEN DAYS

Petrograd, Dec. 28.-The delegates of the central powers to the peace conference at Brest-Litovsk have agreed to a ten-day recess in the WHITE RUSSIA SETS UP sumed January 4 at a place not yet determined.

Leon Trotzky, the Bolsheviki foreign minister, is reported to be drafting a new note to the entente allied assies, again asking them to participate in the peace conference. Trotzky is also said to be preparing new message to the people of the grad today or Saturday.

TO TAKE OVER LOCOMOTIVES.

Washington, Dec. 28.-Two hundred ocomotives under construction in this

Dominion May Add Fifteen Hun- Neutral Zones Arranged Between Lines at Rostov-Private Banks at Petrograd Seized.

> Petrograd, Dec. 28.—An armistice is reported to have been reached be-tween the Bolsheviki forces and the troops of General Kaledines at Rostov, with a neutral zone between the

> Soldiers, acting under the orders of Finance Commissioner Menshinsky, surrounded and seized all private banks in Petrograd, including the branch of the National City Bank of New York. The manager, R. R. Stevens, was arrested for a short time. Many bank directors were arrested.

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Legi lative Body at Minsk Will Proclaim Independe ce or New

London, Dec. 28.-The establishment of a republic in white Russia

been assembled at Minsk, at which pl ce a decree will be issued place a decree will be issued pro-claim no the independence of the new state.

Censor Motion Picture Films Sent From U. S. to Neutrals

Ogdensburg, N.Y., Dec. 28 .- Orders to cen or mo ion picture films consigned from this country to neutral rations have o en received by United Sta es ésutoms of icers al og this world. The Russian delegates to the has been an ounced, acc rding to announced today. The ruling, it was part of the (anadian border, it was le rograd adv ces today. A rada, or said, is to prevent military informalegislative body, for the territory has tion from reaching the enemy. Films consigned to Canada are not affected.

WILL AFFECT BRANTFORD.

DESERTERS FACE HARSH MEASURES

Government Will Deal Severely With Absentees Without Leave.

up of the first draft next week strong measures will be taken agai st me who have failed to register under the illiary S rvice Act. Announcement of a reward "o any civil colice or peace of icer for the apprehension and delivery into military custody of

rave been issued, and the general holiday trade in the history of "the policy determined. Generally s eaking, there are five different groups of are always splendidly assorted and nien who, from a mil tary point of our buyers never cease sending us view, may be dealt with as absentees along new lines, so that any time is wi hout leave. The groups and the a good time to choose at Score's penalties to whi h the nen in each And by-the-way, was there not some case are liable are as follows: (1) Men who have failed o comply with the proclamation calling out cl ss 1—liable for any term of im-

grisonment of exceeding five years, w th hard labor. (2) Men who, having reported or cla med exem tion under the Military Serv ce ct, have failed to attend for medical examination when ordered to do so-punishable by civil agis rates by a figure not xceeding \$200 and not 1 ss than \$25, and to not more than three months' imprisonment. If not fined, punishable by mi itary law as absentees without

leave or deserters.
(3) Men who, having been ordered isliable in the same way as absentees of the foll wing group, group four, if before they were required to report for duty they were taken on the relief. 50c.

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(4) Men who, hav g been taken on the str ngth of a un't of the C. E. F. or of the active militia, either as v 1unterrs or as drafted men, and either bef re r aft r he ssue of the proclamation under the Military Service

ma is ra'es by two years' imprison ment, with the consent of the general off cer commanding the district in which the resecution is brought, or

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by military law.
(5) Men who, having been granted leave of a sence without pay, ccase or fail to comply with the conditions upon which their leave was granted, urish be in the same way as mer

in grow 4.
Men in all the five groups men tioned, it is pointed out, are alike in that they ar all soldlers absent without lave, a d ubject to military as Ot'awa, Dec. 28.-With the calling well as civil arrest for their absence

> SCORE'S-THE EXCLUSIVE SHOP AT MODERATE PRICES.

Supposing Christmas has come and gone, there are always those who are looking for the and delivery little littlife custody of a deserter or absentee without I ave is the fererunner of further steps to insure that all members of Class 1 comply with the law.

Instructions for dealing with deserters and ab entees without leave have been issued, and the general holiday trade in the history of "the house that quality built," the stocks

little holiday gift for someone, some where, that was overlooked? Select it today. It will be just as acceptable for New Year's as it would have been

HAIG MENTIONS AMERICANS.

Lordon, Dec. 28.—Field Marshallaig, the British commander-inchief, has submitted a list of names of ersons serving on the front as deservi g special mention The list, which was published today in The Lond n Gazette, contains the names of many attached to the American army nursing corps.

SPEEDERS AT BRANTFORD.

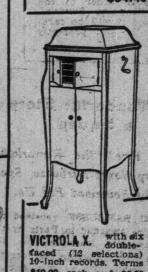
Special to The Toronto World. Brantford, Dec. 28.—Chief Slemir was irate this morning over the nonobservance of the speed limit by tax' drivers. One proprietor was warne Act, or the pesting of that act, are now, or hereafter become, absentes without leave—punishable by civil are generally the same.



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Casualties in Imperials

The following casualties to N.C.O.'s and en serving in the imperial forces are Killed—Lance-Corp. W. G. Daniela, West Surreys, Manitoba; W. E. Ross, Machine Gun Corps, Ontario; J. F. Allender, A.M.C., Toronto; R. Elliott, West Sur-reys, Ontario; H. Meehan, R.A.M.C., On-

Prisoner in German hands—J. Mitchell, Middlesex Regt., Sayabee, Canada. Wounded and missing—A. J. Blanchett, Houcestershires, Ontario; J. W. Vickery, ER.R.C., Oak street, Toronto.

Gloucestershires, Ontario; J. W. Vickery, M.H.C., Oak street, Toronto.

Wounded—S. H. Merritt, Leleestershires, Ontario; L. Conley, Scottish tiffes, Toronto; H. J. Benger, Berkshire Legt., Winnipeg; Sergt. D. McFarlane, Welsh Regt., Melford, N.S.; J. Brown, xford & Bucks, L.I., Aldershot, Canada; Lance-Corp, T. Anderson, Shropshire L.I., Canada; A. Evans, Rifle Brigade, Burton City, British Columbia; L. Farquhar, Machine Gun Corps, Toronto; W. F. Thurston, A.S.C., Ontario; L. I. Cleworth, A.S.C., Ontario; L. I. Cleworth, A.S.C., Ontario; Lance-Sergt. W. N. Goatcher, West Surreys, sontreal; Sergt.-Major A. P. Giroux, A.S.C., Brookville, Ont.; C. Frame, F.A. M.C., Winn peg; Driver S. Bayley, R.F.A., Ottawe; Driver C. Peacock, R.F.A., Winnipeg; Corp. E. Richards, R.F.A., Winnipeg; Corp. E. Richards, R.F.A., Nelson, B.C.; Sapper J. M. Munnis, R. Engineers, W. Vancouver; W. H. Atkinson, Warwicks, British Columbia; E. Daly, Norfolkegt, Manitoba; A. Whiting, Bedfordshires, Ontaria; R. Hunter, Lancashires, Sury, near Compton, Canada; Lance-Corp, K. Halst, Essex Regt., Grimsby, Ont.; A. Pittendriech, Berkshire Regt., Alberta; C. Stanley, Manchesters, Winnipeg; A. Fortune, Durham L.I., Nova Scotla; Lance-Sergt, A. Nicholson, Cameron Highlanders, Vancouver; Sergt, R. D. Tupper, M.G.C., Halifax, N.S.; S. Legge, A.S.C., Tillsonburg, Ont.; C. H. Manger, A.S.C., Calgary; C., S. Powell, R.A.M.C., London, Ont.

LIEUT. SMYTHE INTERNED AT BURG-BEI-MAGDEBURG

Canadian Associated Press Cable. London, Dec. 28 .- Of the Canadia prisoners of war it is reported tha Lieuts. W. D. Chambers, previously at Karlsruhe, is now at Trier, and Conn Smythe is now at Burg-bel-Mardeburg. C. E. French is now at Hohen linden. The following are interneds At Nurren, Capts. J. E. Streight, L. S. Morrison; at Vevy, Lieut. T. C. Fryer.

APPOINTED TO TORONTO

Ott wa, Dec. 29,—Staley G. John-stone has been appointed assistant in p c or of as a d electricity for the district of Toronto. If Yo is

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