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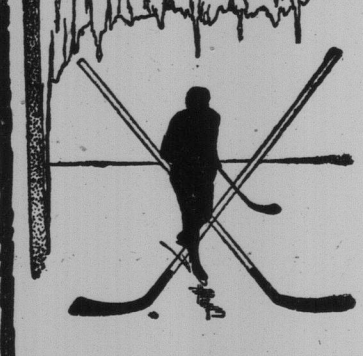
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LOCAL NEWS

THE BANK CLEARINGS.
St. John bank clearings for week ending Dec. 6, were \$2,178,897; corresponding period last year, \$2,800,835; corresponding period 1915, \$1,777,511.

LIQUOR SEIZED.
This morning Scott Act Inspector Asbell of Sussex made a trip to Hampton Station, seizing four gallons of liquor in a trunk placed with other baggage. There was no address on the trunk.

BURIED TODAY.
The funeral of Mrs. David McPherson took place this afternoon from her late residence, Manawagonish road. Services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Townshend. Interment was made in Cedar Hill.

IS DANGEROUSLY ILL.
Mrs. Thomas Penny, of 75 St. Patrick street, received word this morning that her son, Pte. Stanley Hedfield Penny, reported in a former issue of the Times as wounded in leg and buttock on Oct. 15, is now considered dangerously ill, and is at No. 2 Australian General Hospital, Wimmera.

ROYAL STANDARD CHAPTER.
In the report of the meeting of Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. O. E., the contribution to the emergency hospital patients should be stated as \$100 instead of \$50. It should be added that Mrs. F. A. Peters, convener of wool and sock committee, reported that a bale of socks, 189 pairs, most of them knit by members of the chapter, were sent to Major Wetmore for the 9th Siege Battery.

MERSEREAU-ALLEN.
The wedding of Miss Evelyn M. Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Allen of Gaspeau Station, and Allan S. Mersereau of Gaspeau Station took place last evening at the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. W. H. Sampson. The bride was becomingly carried in a gray traveling suit and carried a bouquet of roses. The bride was attended by Mrs. E. Roy Henderson and Mr. Henderson supported the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Mersereau left for Gaspeau, where they will make their home.

GERMANS ARE EVASIVE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS

The Opening of Meetings Re Armistice

QUIBBLING AT THE OUTSET

Enemy Refused to Agree Not to Send Forces From Russian Front to Other Lines and Would Not Give up Moon Sound Islands

Petrograd, Dec. 5, via London, Dec. 5.—(British Admiralty, per Wireless Press)—Representatives of Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria met the Russian emissaries at Brest-Litovsk to discuss terms of an armistice. The delegates of the Central Powers informed the Russians that they had power to negotiate only on the conditions of an armistice, which a Russian official communication calls an "evasive declaration." The requests of Russian delegates that all the belligerents be asked to take part in reaching an armistice on all fronts was met by the enemy with the statement that it did not possess such powers. The Russians then presented a project for an armistice on all fronts, the principal points of which were the proposition that the Austro-Germans would not send forces from the eastern front to other fronts and that the Germans should retire from the islands around Moon Sound.

The Russians were handed a proposal for an armistice on the eastern front, which is now being examined by the Russians. The official communication then says: "The first point regarding the proposed armistice was the duration of the armistice, which was first indicated as a fortnight to begin December 8. The German delegates expressed their readiness to agree to a prolongation to twenty-eight days. This may be automatically prolonged provided there is no refusal, and the armistice is to begin December 10, if our delegation leaves Brest-Litovsk tomorrow, but if it leaves later, the armistice will begin later."

"Before the commencement of the official armistice it must be definitely established that hostilities shall cease. We have requested the next meeting of the plenipotentiaries be held on Russian territory, and there be an interval of seven days in the negotiations, in order that our delegation may return to Petrograd."

London, Dec. 5.—A Russian official communication says the Russians proposed that the enemy should not undertake to send forces from the Russian front to the fronts of Russia's allies; also that the German detachments be withdrawn from the islands of Moon Sound. The enemy delegates refused these proposals.

"The enemy delegates submitted a project for an armistice from the Baltic to the Black Sea which, in view of their evasive replies to the Russian proposals, the Russian delegates submitted to the Russian military experts."

This Is Austrian Report.
Vienna, via London, Dec. 5.—The following text issued from the Austrian headquarters: "The commander-in-chief of the Russian-Romanian troops between the Dniester and the Black Sea yesterday afternoon approached Archduke Joseph and Field Marshal Von Mackensen with a proposal for introducing negotiations regarding an armistice. Our army leaders answered in the affirmative, and deputations will proceed with peace negotiations."

Held Firmly, Says Roumanian King.
A Pacific Port, Dec. 6.—A message from King Ferdinand of Roumania declaring his country would never make a separate peace is being carried to President Wilson by members of the American Red Cross mission to Roumania which landed at a Pacific port yesterday, according to a statement by Lieut. Frank Comer, interpreter for the mission.

POLITICAL HAPPENINGS

Local Meetings and So. e Through-out Provinces Last Evening

The union candidates, Stanley E. Elkin and R. W. Wigmore, held two rousing meetings last night, one in Brookville and the other in East St. John. Both were well attended and the women electors were out in force. The Brookville meeting was presided over by W. G. Drake, and W. R. Burditt was the chairman of the meeting in East St. John. The speakers at the meeting at Brookville were Mr. Elkin, H. A. Porter, L. P. Tilley and Mr. Wigmore. At East St. John the speakers were Mr. Wigmore, A. E. McGinley, J. A. Sinclair and Mr. Elkin.

A large Union meeting was held in the Opera House in Sussex last evening. The speakers were Rev. Dr. Campbell, Rev. G. B. Macdonald, Rev. A. V. Morash, E. A. Schofield, Hon. Mr. Carvell and Mr. Wigmore. Mr. Carvell is expected to speak there on next Wednesday evening.

Hon. Mr. Carvell and Hon. J. B. M. Baxter will address a meeting in St. George on next Monday afternoon, and in the evening they will speak in St. Stephen.

More than 8,000 people heard Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden, Hon. F. B. Carvell, Hon. E. N. Rhodes and Sen. Polier speak in the interests of union government in Amherst last night.

The taking of the soldiers vote in St. Lucia and Bermuda has been concluded. An Ottawa despatch says that a statement has been given out at Liberal headquarters to the effect that the federal government is now trying to give the impression that it does not intend to conscript farmers and that farmers who have been conscripted will be returned to the land. This, Sir Wilfrid Laurier declares a bluff. The Military Service Act, he says, cannot be changed without action by parliament.

A HARBOR MATTER

Frank D. Alward, harbor master, appeared before the members of the common council this morning to explain his action with regard to the placing of the dredge Fiddling at Quill's Wharf in Lower Cove and also for an alleged disobedience of the wishes of the council.

Letter was read from D. J. Seely & Son in which it was pointed out that unless the company was afforded facilities for the handling of fertilizer, they would not make St. John a distributing centre.

Harbor Master Alward explained that on Nov. 4 he allowed the dredge W. S. Fiddling to dock there. Up to that time, he said, there had not been a vessel there with fertilizer for ten months.

Two weeks later a vessel arrived with fertilizer and he endeavored to accommodate it. He said that he had tried to comply with the wishes of the council as to moving the dredge, but owing to the low tide was unable to do so.

RETURNED SOLDIER HONORED

Driver Albert W. Powrie, one of the first Canadian contingent boys, who recently returned from France on a furlough, was honored a reception last evening at the home of his foster father, C. A. Parlee, 31 Victoria street. Relatives were present and took advantage of the occasion to make the young soldier the recipient of a wrist watch. The presentation was made by H. W. Parlee. Games and music were enjoyed and refreshments served. Among those present was Miss Tillie Fox of Moncton, who is a sister of the guest of honor.

GERMAN AUXILIARY CRUISER BLOWS UP

Collides With German Mine—Residual to State Number of Lives Lost

Copenhagen, Dec. 5.—It is reported from Dragoer, at the southeast extremity of the island of Amager, that a German auxiliary cruiser, the guardship Batnia, was blown up after a collision with a German mine field off that coast.

The cruiser sank, but the number of men lost is unknown, the survivors refusing to give any information. The Batnia was formerly a Russian vessel, which was captured by the Germans.

SENTENCED TO GALLOWS

Jealous Montreal Youth Shot Soldier Husband of Girl He Loved

Pembroke, Ont., Dec. 6.—Satisfied that he was sane, a jury last night returned a verdict of murder against William Bennett, a twenty year old youth, of Montreal, who shot and killed Bruce M. Leitch, successful soldier's son of the girl he loved, at Sand Point, in July. Besides killing Leitch, Bennett seriously wounded the young bride and destroyed his own eyesight when he turned a revolver on himself.

Immediately after the verdict Mr. Justice Latchford sentenced the prisoner to be hanged here on April 17.

When asked if he had anything to say, Bennett replied calmly and clearly, "No, sir, I have nothing whatever to say," though he added: "I will die like a man."

UNDER THE RULE OF EXTREMISTS

London, Dec. 6.—A Daily Mail despatch says that the draft of a law has been issued in Petrograd respecting births, deaths and marriages. It abolishes church marriages, recognizing only civil ceremonies; legitimate children are given the same rights as legitimate; divorce is made easy and burials in consecrated ground without a religious ceremony is allowed.

Provisioning of Switzerland.

Paris, Dec. 6.—The project for the provisioning of Switzerland, presented by the blockade section and approved by the full inter-allied conference, was signed yesterday on behalf of the United States by Vance McCormick, chairman of the war trade board, and by the delegates of the Swiss government.

The death of Mrs. Ellen Tooke Hogarth Swann, formerly of this city, is announced at Brighton, Boston.

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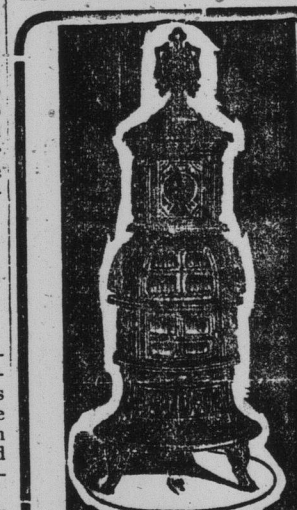
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