

FOUR SPECIAL TRAINS WILL BRING SHRINERS ACROSS ARD DISTRICTS TO LONDON

Spring Ceremonial of Mocha Temple To Be Held Friday, the Thirteenth—Great Preparations Have Been Made For Reception of Visitors.

No less than four special trains are arranged for, according to a statement made today by W. H. Abbott, to bring Sons of the Desert to London on Friday next to aid in the celebration of the spring gathering of Mocha Temple Shrine. These special trains will bring the Shriner's across the Ard districts to the London oases and the oases of Montreal, Niagara Falls, Hamilton and Windsor, along with their camels, drivers, potentes, romtoms, etc., before the sun has reached the meridian.

Preparation for the reception and proper welcoming of the visiting train will be made by the local shriners early in the day, and in order that mundane matters may not obtrude upon the reception of candidates seeking admission within the precincts of the temple, the business session will be placed between the tenth and eleventh hour of the day.

The usual spring ceremonial will begin between the third and fourth hour after the sun has crossed the meridian. As dusk falls the Mocha potentes will escort their guests to the Winter Garden, where the pleasures of the cooling hours of the day will be enjoyed. At midnight favored sons of the desert will be introduced to the magic picture at the Patricia Theatre, where will be revealed to their wondering gaze marvelous scenes in the life of great cities far from the drifting sands.

Notifications of the acceptance of the invitations sent to the tribes that wander far across the desert have been received from Toronto, Montreal, this latter tribe will come 100 strong, and will bring a wonderful musical collection. Niagara Falls, Cleveland, Toledo, Detroit, Saginaw, Buffalo and Windsor will be here in force, and it is expected that the number of Shriner's that will visit Mocha Temple will total between 2,000 and 2,500.

GERMANY'S NOTE OF ACCEPTANCE IS DELIVERED

Dr. Shamer Presents Document to Lloyd George.

ATTITUDE OF PRESS
Allied Newspapers Urge That Careful Watch Be Maintained.

Berlin May 11.—Germany's reply to the Allied ultimatum, accepting the terms laid down by the Allied supreme council in London, is contained in a despatch to the exact terms of the decisions of the Allies with regard to guarantees, disarmament, the trial of war criminals, and financial conditions. The reply states that Germany adheres unconditionally to these decisions.

London, May 11.—Germany's unconditional acceptance of the entire reparations terms was delivered to Prime Minister Lloyd George by Dr. Shamer, German minister to Great Britain, here today.

GERMANY ACCEPTED TERMS, BUT WILL SHE EXECUTE THEM?

Paris, May 11.—Newspapers of this city this morning see in Germany's acceptance of the Allied reparations demands proof that Germany complies with the terms of the ultimatum. At the same time they express doubts as to her fulfillment of her undertakings.

"German statesmen," said the *Figaro*, "made up their minds only at the moment when they finally decided to accept in principle. As for the execution of the agreement, we will see what time will bring."

"Let the German Government pay and disarm," declared the *Journal*, "otherwise, like all faithless debtors, she will have only held up to blame if she finds herself sold up."

NECESSARY MEASURES ARE DISCUSSED BY FRENCH OFFICIALS

Paris, May 11.—Premier Briand, the ministers of war, finance, marine, public works and liberated regions, Marshal Foch and Gen. Weygand, met this morning to discuss measures necessary for the execution of the demands prescribed in the Allied ultimatum to Germany on May 8.

The clauses prescribing the acts to be performed by Germany in case of her acceptance of the ultimatum relative to disarmament of the military, naval and aerial branches of her service, were discussed. The application of the financial measure laid down by the Allies in their ultimatum was likewise discussed.

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THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest 74, lowest 42.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest 54, lowest 45.

TOMORROW: COOL, SHOWERS.
Forecast: May 11—8 a.m. Forecasts.

Today—Fresh to strong east to north-east winds; fair and comparatively cool. Thursday—Easterly winds, with occasional showers.

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	52	44	Clear
Calgary	58	38	Clear
Winnipeg	64	54	Cloudy
Port Arthur	64	44	Fair
Port Huron	66	46	Clear
Buffalo	64	44	Clear
Toronto	61	45	Clear
Kingston	62	44	Clear
Montreal	58	42	Clear
Quebec	54	34	Clear
St. John	44	34	Clear
Halifax	44	34	Clear

Weather Notes.
The depression which was in the Southwest States yesterday is now centered in Indiana. An area of high pressure has developed over the St. Lawrence Valley. Showers have occurred locally in western and Maritime Provinces. Elsewhere the weather has been fair.

OFFICIAL REQUEST FOR ARBITRATION MADE BY S.R. MEN

Accept President Currie's Reply As Final Answer to the Proposed Agreement.

NO FURTHER ACTION
Pending Reply of Labor Department, Employees of Road "Carry On."

Presuming that President Currie of the London Street Railway will take no further steps to comply with the request of the men for either a yearly agreement or the alternative of a 52-cent-an-hour wage scale, the employees of the road have asked the Federal Government for an arbitration board. The request and the necessary papers were forwarded to Ottawa Tuesday evening by President John Colbert of the Street Railway men's union.

Mr. Colbert said, when interviewed by The Advertiser today, that evidently Mr. Currie had given his final decision when he announced several days ago that he could see no reason why the men should object to a 30-day clause. He believed, however, that there was still a possibility that some word would be received from Mr. Currie before the request for an arbitration board is granted.

It will be probably several days before the Government takes any action regarding the request of the board. Until that time there is little possibility that further action will be taken by the men.

The company has no further developments to report today.

Experts Analyze Substance To See If It Is Radium

Kansas City, Mo., May 11.—Five experts today were verifying their analysis of the glowing substance found in a capsule by one of Mrs. Bobey Murray's daughters in a Chicago elevated train several days ago, to establish if a reward of \$500 has been offered.

A chemist yesterday pronounced the substance a phosphorescent material of scant value, dashing the previous hopes of Mrs. Murray, who had read in the newspapers of the missing tube and the reward. Burns on the neck of one of her children who had worn the tube as an ornament were to be investigated by specialists today. The tube lost in Chicago contained 15 milligrams of radium, and was valued at several thousand dollars.

JAPANESE PRINCE IS WELCOMED TO BRITISH CAPITAL

Ovation Is Tendered by the Crowds in Great Metropolis.

London, May 11.—Crown Prince Hirohito of Japan, who arrived here Monday for a three weeks' visit to Great Britain, was officially welcomed to London today by Lord Mayor Roll and the city authorities. With the Prince of Wales and an escort of cavalry, Prince Hirohito proceeded from Buckingham Palace to the Guildhall for cheering crowds. The historic edifice was crowded as Prince Hirohito, accompanied by the Duke of Connaught, the Duke of York and the Prince of Wales, entered. The Japanese prince was given an enthusiastic ovation and was markedly pleased with the reception.

COMMITTEE PREPARING REPORT.
Ottawa, May 11.—(By Canadian Press.)—The parliamentary committee on soldiers' re-establishment is in executive session today preparing a report based on the evidence secured during the hearings.

Victoria Hospital Graduating Nurses Who Received Diplomas This Afternoon



Top row, left to right, the nurses are—M. G. Hardie, London; H. D. Cuming, Blythe; A. McKnight, Galt. Second row—H. Haskett, R. R. 3, London; F. M. Wilson, Lansing, Mich.; D. I. Wickerson, R. R. 4, London; L. J. McGugan, Strathroy. Third row—E. Weir, R. R. 3, London; C. E. Miller, Beeton; E. M. Gray, Komoka; I. F. Hobbs, London; E. M. Stephens, London; M. C. Lyons, London; M. Hodgins, London. Bottom row—G. C. Gibson, London; W. M. Jones, London; G. M. Rozel, Hanover; G. B. Slater, London; M. Munro, Alvinston; E. Robinson, Zurich; G. Pearce, Dutton.

AUSTRALIA'S TAX BURDEN LIGHTEST IN THE EMPIRE

London, May 11.—(Canadian Associated Press.)—Speaking at a luncheon tendered to Hon. W. McPherson, treasurer of the State of Victoria, Australia, Winston Churchill, secretary of state for the colonies, remarked that Australia had the smallest burden of taxation of any British country today, its total levy being at the rate of £2 per head of population. It was almost dangerous to state such a fact for fear there might be a rush of British people to the next Australian liner. Mr. Churchill added that Victoria has excelled itself more than any other overseas state in offering facilities for the reception and settlement of ex-servicemen. Mr. Churchill continued.

DR. MANNING IS CONSECRATED AS BISHOP OF N. Y.

Anglican Church of Canada Represented by Bishop Sweeney.

New York, May 11.—The Rev. Dr. William Manning today was consecrated tenth bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of New York amid pomp and splendor.

Only about three thousand clergy and laymen were able to behold the ceremony within the walls of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, but outside a crowd several times as large watched the procession file into the edifice.

One of the largest gatherings of clergy in the history of the Protestant Episcopal Church in America formed a pageant of rich color. Garbed in the rich vestments of their high rank, the bishops, including 33 bishops, marched with slow and solemn step into the great house of worship.

New York, May 11.—Distinguished churchmen from all parts of the country gathered today at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine to witness ceremonies attending the consecration of the Rev. Dr. William T. Manning, rector of Trinity parish, as tenth bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of New York. He succeeds Bishop Charles Sumner Burch, who died recently after a year's service.

Faithful Dog Meets Death in Electric Chair

New York, May 11.—His eyes fastened upon the Rev. Joseph H. Ives, chaplain of New York's fire department, Jerry, a Dalmatian dog, mascot of Engine Company 58, went to his death in the electric chair yesterday.

Jerry had committed no crime. His electrocution was merely the most painful method of ending his sufferings from injuries received in discharge of his duty.

For six years Jerry had answered every call his company made, always running behind the engine which he had learned to love. But the terrific pace was crowded as Prince Hirohito, accompanied by the Duke of Connaught, the Duke of York and the Prince of Wales, entered. The Japanese prince was given an enthusiastic ovation and was markedly pleased with the reception.

ONTARIO MEMBERS IN MEIGHEN GOVERNMENT CONSIDERING BUDGET

Ottawa, May 11.—(Canadian Press.)—Ontario members of the Government party were in caucus this morning, when it is understood that the budget proposals and other matters coming up during the balance of the session were under discussion. As a result, the public sitting of the civil service committee was adjourned, and Ontario members were absent from their committees which sat during the morning.

TWENTY-THREE GRADUATE NURSES OF VICTORIA HOSPITAL RECEIVE THEIR DIPLOMAS THIS AFTERNOON

Wesley Hall Scene of Pleasing Ceremony — Presentation Made by James Gray—Dr. Robert Ferguson Addresses Nurses On "Evolution of the Modern Trained Nurse."

Wesley Hall, First Methodist Church, was the scene of a pleasing ceremony this afternoon when the 1921 graduating class of the Victoria Hospital School for Nurses of London, twenty-three in number, were formally awarded their diplomas and badges. On behalf of the trustees and officers of the institution, James Gray made the actual presentation.

Lieut.-Col. W. M. Gartshore, chairman of the hospital trust, presided, and in his opening remarks expressed deep regret that two of the participants of the ceremony were unavoidably absent by reason of unfortunate illness. He referred to the Hon. Lionel H. Clark, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, and Miss M. E. Stanley, R. N., who recently retired after many years of faithful service as lady superintendent of Victoria Hospital. The present graduating class had been mainly under her care and direction during their three years of intensive training, and she has been largely instrumental in the splendid showing of the other classes of past years that came under her supervision.

Choosing "Evolution of the Modern Trained Nurse" as his theme, Robert Ferguson, M.A., M.D., as the chief speaker of the afternoon, compared the conditions of the Chinese to the state of affairs during the war in South Africa, and the more recent conflict among the European powers. Reverting again to the very early days, Dr. Ferguson traced the evolution of nursing from the primitive to the modern.

"Nursing as a distinct profession is wholly an instrument of modern development," he asserted. "In 1840 we have on record an account of the birth of nursing in England, of the first nursing institution, with Mrs. Fry as superintendent. But the nurse of her day ruled with an iron hand. Then Florence Nightingale, with a band of trained high rank, with their untiring enthusiasm to the Russian war. By contrast the conditions they were forced to contend with, and the record of the medical activities in the late war, you have a graphic picture of the complete revolution as the result of the advent of the skilled nurse upon the battlefield. Incidentally the transformation of nursing in civil life is equally marvelous."

"In the middle ages practically the only nursing attempted was by members of religious orders as part of their divine duty. It was as late as the early sixties, before imperative demand was made by the public for improved methods. But the strongest factor in the demand for trained nurses came from the medical profession, and skilled nursing has now become a necessary feature in the advance of scientific medicine. It is difficult to over estimate the boon to any community of the existence in their midst of a supply of trained nurses. They are the educators of the people in public health."

Congratulates Graduates.
In conclusion, the speaker congratulated the graduates upon their successful termination of three years' training, thereby receiving the coveted diploma signifying their capability and readiness to pursue for life the great work they have chosen to undertake.

An inspiring lecture of the afternoon was the administration of the sacred Nightingale pledge to the class, Lieut.-Col. Gartshore officiating. By this the nurses pledge their loyalty to the medical profession, and their devotion to the welfare of those committed to their care.

Mrs. A. P. Brander, Miss Edna Bray and Miss Hilda McMillan, vocalists, contributed to the program. Hazel Miles, organist, leader of the choir, and Mrs. Thomas Symington, Knox Church, conducted the opening prayer.

The following are the names of the class that graduated this afternoon: Martha Hodgins, Gertrude Maude Rose, Frances Miriam Wilson, Irene Florence Hobbs, Ethel May Stephens, Adelaide McKnight, Dorothy Isabel Wikerson, Helen Korfanty, as did A. D. Jordan, Edna Elizabeth Weir, Gertrude Jones, Frances M. Pearce, Mabelle Munro, Gladys De Beaugel Slater, Marjorie Clarke Lyons.

Children Turn In Alarm; Mother and Infant are Saved

Mrs. J. Richards and Two-Day-Old Babe Carried From Burning Building by Neighbors — Oldest Building in West London Is Totally Destroyed by Fire.

Only the prompt action by neighbors saved Mrs. J. Richards and her two-day-old babe, 37 Saunby street, from death about 10 o'clock this morning. When their home was completely destroyed by fire. No other person was in the house at the time, and although Mrs. Richards smelt the smoke which was unable to get out of bed and raise an alarm. Some children who were playing nearby, however, noticed the smoke issuing from the roof and ran to a grocery store where a telephone alarm was turned into central station.

The central fire station apparatus sent a fire on Horton street when the alarm was received. The fire engine, North London, had arrived at the station, and this was sent out, but by some misunderstanding went to 37 Saunby street.

Shortly after the telephone alarm was received a box alarm was turned in, and Chief John Aitken, with No. 10, which had just returned from the Horton street fire, went to the scene.

When the firemen arrived practically the whole of the roof was ablaze and the flames were eating their way along the side of the building. Six lines of hose were soon in operation, but the fire had got too big a start.

The children who saved the first alarm were all admitted, saving Mrs. Richards and her babe's life. The children's warning was heard by some men, who went to the house and succeeded in getting Mrs. Richards and her babe out before the fire assumed serious proportions. They were taken to a neighbor's house. A little of the furniture was saved.

EMPLOYEES GETTING BIGGEST SHARE OF RAILWAY PROFITS
Washington, May 11.—Stagnation in railroad building in the United States must be attributed to the disparity between the cost of construction and the return to the investor, Julius Kruttschnitt, chairman of the board of directors of the Southern Pacific, today declared in resuming his testimony before the Senate interstate commerce committee, which is inquiring into the United States railroad situation. "In 1920 only \$25,264,000 went as a return to those who paid for the properties, while sixty times as much went to those employed on the railroads," he said. "This answers the question, 'Why don't we build more railroads?'"

MERCY SHIP IS ON ANNUAL CRUISE TO AID FISHERMEN

Halifax, May 11.—Somewhere off Nova Scotia and the Banks of Newfoundland the Mercy ship, "Sainte Jeanne D'Arc," is engaged on her annual mission of picking up the ill and sick among the fishermen who so dwell on the sea in ships. Her hospital ward has 37 cots, and there is a well-equipped dispensary aboard, enabling her to take care of the sick fishermen until they can be landed at the fishermen's homes at Saint Pierre de Miquelon, or at Paskinford, Ireland.

She is a neat little craft of 300 tons, carries a crew of 31 picked Breton sailors. The French navy puts a doctor on board, and the captain and the chaplain are both war heroes, who have won the Legion of Honor and the Croix de Guerre. The expenses are met by voluntary subscriptions among the fisherfolk in Brittany and Normandy.

TRUCE ARRANGED IN U. SILESIA

Inter-Allied Commission Negotiations With Insurgent Polish Leader.

London, May 11.—It is reported that negotiations between the inter-Allied commission in Upper Silesia and insurgent Polish leader, the Polish insurgents in that area, resulted last evening in the suspension of hostilities, says a dispatch to the Central News from Warsaw today.

It was agreed according to this report, that the insurgents would occupy a line of demarcation agreed upon, and remain in the stipulated positions, pending the final settlement of the Upper Silesia question, which is still pending in Allied councils, where it rested, following the taking of the recent plebiscite in this area in dispute between Poland and Germany. The industrial territory, which has been largely overrun by the Poles, therefore would remain under Polish occupancy.

ARTILLERY DUEL

Oppeln, Silesia, May 11.—French troops engaged in an artillery duel with insurgent Poles near Groschowitz, about six miles south of this city, yesterday. The Poles replied to the French fire with several small field pieces. A number of slightly wounded French soldiers have been brought here, and other wounded Frenchmen have been brought in by motor lorries from other towns in the disturbed area.

It is rumored that a German officer who formerly held a high position in the army has taken charge of German operations in Silesia. Inter-Allied officials here fear there will be serious developments in the next few days unless the Poles indicate their intention to begin a withdrawal. In the city there has been arriving a continuing stream of wounded German refugees, and the situation has grown more intense. The German civilian guards have completed their organization.

The officers say they have sufficient rifles, and will feel safe if they can secure artillery.

Blown 20 Feet In Gas Explosion

Robert Klee of Harrow in Hospital Badly Injured.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Harrow, May 11.—Robert Klee was blown 20 feet away when he attempted to solder a gasoline tank yesterday. He thought he had taken every precaution by drawing off the tank and letting it stand in the sun for 24 hours. Evidently he had stood the tank with the opening near the bottom and gas that had accumulated exploded immediately the hot iron was applied to the outside of the tank, and Klee, who is a successful young farmer, was blown out the barn door. The door itself being knocked to pieces. Klee's right leg is badly fractured, and Dr. Baker thought it wise to take his patient immediately to Hotel Dieu, Windsor, for an operation.

LASSOS LIVE EAGLE.
Sioux City, Ia., May 11.—Thomas Hale, a cowboy on a ranch near Gregory, S. D., captured a live eagle with a larva yesterday. Hale saw the eagle swoop down on a calf. Waiting until the bird had eaten its fill he rode toward it, roped it, and carried the captive home.

WOULD LIKE TO EXCHANGE PULPITS WITH CLERGY OF OTHER DEMONINATIONS

Synod of Huron Will Ask Provincial Synod To Modify Canon Restricting Ministers of Other Denominations From Preaching in Anglican Churches.

The synod, including all the clergy and the Bishop of Huron, dispatched a telegram this morning to Bishop-elect Manning of New York, who was formally consecrated into this office today in St. Johns Church. "This will show how that right-minded people all over this continent appreciate his appointment to the bishopric," said the Bishop. Loud applause followed the announcement by the bishop that such a telegram would be sent.

The committee appointed on the bishop's charge presented its report this morning and heartily endorsed the method of payment for the apportionment as recommended. "The objective of the church can better be reached by monthly payments. This system has been carried out in other dioceses with gratifying success," said Dean Tucker.

The bishop's address on church unity was brought before the synod, and it was moved that an appeal be made to the Provincial Synod asking that the canon restricting ministers of other denominations from preaching in the Church of England pulpits be modified to some extent and give the bishop of the diocese freedom to allow such ministers as he judges suitable to preach in the Anglican pulpits and for Anglican ministers to preach in the churches of other denominations as they may be approved on condition that their subject deals with church unity. The modification of the clause will allow the application of suggestions made by the Lambeth Conference in connection with church unity.

A discussion followed, in which several of the clergy expressed candid opinions on the matter, one of whom declared any minister imitating such barriers that prevented church unity being obtained. Rev. R. D. Moss, addressing the bishop and synod, said he thought it was merely getting off a little easier baggage in the way of canons, which have more or less hampered the idea of church unity. This was passed unanimously.

The report on the bishop's charge also commended the address regarding lack of candidates for the ministry and urged that the clergy constantly bring the matter before their congregations, hold classes in regular attendance. Nothing in putting the high ideals of a clerical life before their children, and further that a layman be appointed in each deanery who will keep it before the people and with whom prospective candidates might confer.

The report on social service was continued by Dean L. N. Tucker this morning. He pointed out the breadth of work carried on by the social service department of the Anglican Church, and in view of the anticipation of increased immigration the work would be much heavier.

The report on Sunday schools was given by Canon C. R. Gunne. The financial report showed an increase of \$1,585.55 over that of last year, and \$744.58 in regular attendance. Nothing on the various synod appointments taken place this afternoon.

SIR WILLIAM GAGE LEAVES AN ESTATE OF OVER \$900,000

Number of Bequests Made to Institutions.

Toronto, May 11.—The late Sir William James Gage, merchant, publisher, philanthropist, left an estate valued at \$900,680.

By his will, the remainder of his income, after providing for annuities to his family, is divided equally between the Toronto General Hospital for Consumptives, the National Sanitarium Association and the Ina Grafton Homes, corporation for widows and their dependents. \$10,000 is also provided for the Dixie Cemetery as a memorial to his father and mother.

During the last seven years Sir William Gage gave to charities some \$375,000. The largest gifts were to the National Sanitarium Association, \$202,000; to the Ina Grafton Homes, \$130,000; and Trinity Methodist Church also received during the past year \$102,000. There was also a gift of \$5,000 to Mount Allison University.

The will, made on May 5, 1920, with a codicil of the same date, was filed for probate today by Mr. J. M. Godfrey.

Thugs Left \$20 To Buy Flowers

Chicago, May 11.—An old felt hat and a sawed-off shotgun were the only traces discovered by police of three men who early today shot and probably fatally wounded Anthony D'Andrea, nineteenth ward political leader, tucked in the band of the hat was a \$20 bill, with a slip of paper marked, "For flowers."

PARLIAMENT SUMMARY

Ottawa, May 11.—Canadian Press. Today in Parliament:
In the Commons: Debate on the budget will be continued.
In the Senate: The Senate meets at 3 o'clock.
YESTERDAY IN PARLIAMENT.
In the Commons: Opposition amendment moved by Hon. W. S. Fielding (Queen's) and Mr. (Shelburne) got. Others who participated in the debate were: Sir George Foster, minister of trade and commerce; Mr. A. R. McManis, (Brome), J. W. Ed-wards (Laurier-Outremont), W. K. Baldwin (Stanstead), O. R. Casselman (Dundas).
Bankruptcy act amendments given third reading.
In the Senate: Bill amending the Canada shipping act put through committee.
Mr. Frowse (P. E. I.) drew attention to the delay in appointing a supreme court judge in that province.
Committee investigating diversification of Canadian trade asked that Hon. T. A. Cresser appear to give information on grain business.

PAYMENTS SUSPENDED IN HAVANA'S BANKS

Havana, May 11.—Three small private banks in this city suspended payments yesterday, and another in the city of Camaguey closed its doors. All the institutions had sustained runs by depositors for the last few days, and the larger banking institutions of the island have been forced to bear heavy withdrawals. One large bank remained open all night Monday night, with great heaps of currency piled on the counters, for the purpose of reassuring depositors. Every check presented was paid by the bank.

LARGEST CONCERN IN BRITAIN WILL CLOSE UNLESS STRIKE ENDS

Vickers' Plants Employ More Than 150,000 Men

CONDITIONS ARE SERIOUS
Fuel Shortage Is Growing Worse Every Day

London, May 11.—Further indications of the seriousness of the economic crisis caused by the strike of the miners which has been in progress since April 1 is furnished by the announcement that the Vickers shipbuilding and engineering works at Barrow-in-Furness, the largest concern in the United Kingdom, employing 150,000 men, will be forced to close at the end of next week unless coal mining is resumed by that time and fresh supplies of fuel are obtained. The iron and steel works of the plant already are shut down.

Complete closing of the Vickers plants would accentuate the unemployment situation notably and would appreciably the total of unemployed men, women, boys, and girls on the register of the labor exchanges, which at the end of April totalled 1,866,800, with the number working on short time totalling 1,077,000. These figures are exclusive of the 1,200,000 idle miners.

The number of workers idle in the shipbuilding trade was given as 300,000 and in the iron and steel trade as 200,000. It is estimated that each day of the stoppage of coal mining adds 15,000 people to the unemployed list. The idleness of the miners is the chief cause of 1,160 ships of 1,767,262 tons being laid up in the docks of the United Kingdom, while the effect was further reflected in the board of trade returns yesterday, showing a decrease for April of nearly 290,000,000 in the value of imports and of more than £160,000,000 in the value of exports.

CONTRACTORS SAY LOCAL MEN WILL BE EMPLOYED ON C. I.

Apparent Reluctance To Recognize Employment Bureau Cards Merely Incidental.

That an application card from the local branch of the Ontario Government Employment Bureau is practically useless when applying for work at the new collegiate institute site, was the emphatic contention of certain unemployed men today. One man in particular complains that from his reception when he sought employment the foreman on the work appears loath to consider the cards seriously, and fear is expressed that outside laborers may be possibly shown preference.

J. C. Spencer, superintendent of the bureau, explains, however, that the Kingston Construction Company has already given assurance that local men will be taken on directly circumstances warrant, despite any apparent reluctance to consider men coming straight from his office. The company has already intimated that it will also hire any capable person who applies whether directed thence by the bureau or acting independently. There will certainly be no attempt to import men for the occasion, it is said.

GREATER ORE TONNAGE.
Nelson, B. C., May 11.—A 50 per cent lead over last year's figures in tonnage of ore received for this year is the record achieved by the Trail Smelter. To date 149,577 tons have been received against 97,741 one year ago. The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company's own properties produced 147,519 tons of this.