

HAPPENINGS IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Both the National and American Leagues Open Their Seasons Today

MONTREAL DUCKPIN LEAGUE

Laval Casino Golf Club is Being Formed—Mr. W. L. Thom, President Caledonia Curling Club—Items on Lacrosse.

The Allan Cup first went West because St. Michael's refused to defend it. The Minto and Mann Cups went to the Coast because they were won from weakened aggregations...

Nineteen preliminary bouts in the City Amateur Championships are down for decision at the M. A. A. A. to-morrow evening.

Both the National and American Leagues open to-day. Despite the war the expectation is that the season will prove a successful one.

The various golf clubs have decided to abandon all inter-club friendly matches for the coming season, and there is also considerable doubt as to whether the annual Provincial championship tourney will be held.

If the Canadians are to throw grenades with lacrosse sticks, why not stuff a few of the explosives into footballs and let the English soccer men shoot them over? Next winter they might build grenades like curling stones and let the Scotsmen curl them over the ice.

Gunboat Smith, California heavyweight, out-fought Charley Weinert, of Newark, N.J., in a ten-round bout in Brooklyn. Smith had the honors in five rounds. Weinert in three and two were even. The weights were: Smith, 189; Weinert, 177.

President Wilson is expected to attend the opening game at Washington between the team representing that city and the New York Americans. He will toss out the first ball.

The Laval Casino Golf Club is being formed with links situated at a distance of about twenty-five minutes from the city in the direction of St. Rose. A railroad line passes right by the club grounds and a station will probably be erected on the links themselves.

The Toronto Star says: The best lacrosse news from the east is the announcement to-day that none of the Montreal teams will come to Toronto to play this year.

Fleming is anxious to meet Freddie Welsh, if the lightweight champion will make 133 pounds at the ringside.

Controller Jos. E. Thompson, of Toronto, who has retired from the presidency of the Don Rowing Club, was presented with a miniature shell at the annual meeting.

Mr. W. L. Thom has been elected president of the Caledonia Curling Club and Charles Edlington vice-president. For the 28th successive year James Currie will fill the position of treasurer, and W. S. Wilson has been elected secretary to succeed Mr. Edlington.

Every year there is a fresh crop of candidates for first base on the Toronto baseball club, but when the smoke clears away Tim Jordan is always found on the job. The veteran's heart is in the game and he seems to never grow old.

Joe Jeanette, of New York, defeated Sam Langford, of this city, in a 12-round bout. The negro heavyweights mixed freely, but Langford's apparent lack of condition gave his opponent an advantage.

The Centreville O'ating Club has reduced its membership fee from \$7.50 to \$5. Mr. F. B. Brown has been elected president; J. W. Percival, vice-president, G. E. Radford; secretary-treasurer, E. W. Evans.

Mr. H. B. Hodges was the winner of the first prize at the weekly M. A. A. auction bridge, while F. Locker took the second prize.

Bill Sline, the former Providence artist, was handed the pink slip recently when he demanded an increase in his pay envelope from the Chattanooga management.

The Montreal Duckpin League has decided to hold the third annual duckpin tournament from May 5th to May 17th inclusive, at the Electra alleys.

Manager Lee Magee of the Brooklyn Federals, has been fined \$50 and suspended for two days on charges of rowdiness in the opening game at Brooklyn Saturday.

New managers in two cities in the major leagues will make their bows to-day. In the National League Roger Bresnahan will lead the Chicago Cubs on the diamond, while "Pat" Moran will perform a similar office in Philadelphia. In the American League, Clarence Rowland will appear as the new manager of the Chicago White Sox, and Wm. Donovan will begin the tutelage of the New Yorks in what their friends hope will be an upward course.

LAKE COPPER AT 18 CENTS. Boston, April 14.—Sales of prime lake copper are reported at 18 cents per pound.

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SECURITIES PLACED BY CALIFORNIA COS. IN 1914

San Francisco, Cal., April 14.—In its annual report the California Railroad Commission gives the following statistics on the securities authorized by it in 1914:

Table with 3 columns: Class of security, Amount, % of total. Includes Steam railroad, Electric railway, Gas and electric, Water, Warehouse, Telephone and telegraph, Pipe line, Car companies.

These securities were issued for the following purposes: New construction, Refunding, Collateral, Miscellaneous. From March, 1912, to December 31, 1913, covering the first period of the enlarged power of the commission...

Present output of copper from the mines of Lake Superior is about \$50,000,000 pounds daily.

NOTES ON PUBLIC UTILITIES

The Southern Power Company has let a contract for the construction of a 30,000 horse-power hydro-electric generating station on the Catawba River. The power will be generated under a 50 foot head. The new station will contain five generating units and upon its completion, about September, 1916, the company will have 10,000 horse-power generating capacity within a few miles on the Catawba River.

All Byllesby electric properties reporting for the week ended March 27 showed net connected load gains of 225 customers, with 228 kilowatts lighting load and 92 horse-power in motors. New business contracted for included 891 customers with 414 kilowatts lighting load and 322 horse-power in motors.

The Minneapolis General Electric Company will begin at once the installation of an additional 15,000 kilowatt turbo-generator in its Riverside station. The new generator will be ready for operation in time to care for the peak loads of the coming winter.

Gross earnings of the New England Power Company for March aggregated \$198,214. Net earnings were \$74,245 and there was a balance after interest charges and accrued dividends of \$21,202. For the three months ended March 31, 1915, gross earnings were \$313,829, compared with gross of \$256,951 in the same period of 1914.

GREATER WINNIPEG BONDS.

Messrs. Wood, Gundy and Company, and the Dominion Securities Corporation have purchased an issue of Greater Winnipeg water district 5 per cent five-year bonds, involving \$1,000,000.

WESTERN UNION ANNUAL.

New York, April 14.—At the Western Union annual meeting the directors were re-elected, and Donald G. Geddes was elected to fill the vacancy on the board.

SOME OF FIRST CONTINGENT STILL REMAIN IN ENGLAND

Walter Gordon, Formerly of The Journal of Commerce Staff, Has Been Promoted to be a Sergeant.

In a letter to his brother in this city, Private W. M. Bates, of the 23rd Battalion, C. E. F., now stationed at Shorncliffe, England, states that they are now having lots of work to do in preparation for the real thing.

"At present we are drilling until 5 p.m. with retreat at 6 p.m., and as we have to be in barracks at 9 p.m. we have only about three hours a day to ourselves. Saturday afternoon is generally a half-holiday and I intend to take advantage of next Saturday to visit some of your friends, namely, Walter Gordon and Bert Sargeant, who are with the 21st Battery here. By the way, Gordon is now a sergeant."

"Our work consists of physical drill for half an hour in the morning, then bayonet and musketry exercises from 9 to 12 noon, then from 2 to 5 p.m. we have extended order and sham battle work. They are certainly putting it to us and our Captain told us the other day that about another month's hard work would make us fit for the front, so that I guess they want us to be ready as soon as possible."

"The other evening while down town, I ran across an old Ottawa friend who came over with the First Contingent. He is now with the 17th Battalion. There is still about 4,000 of the first Contingent in England, but they are drafting them over steadily, a few hundred at a time. There are aeroplanes and biplanes flying over us continually, scouting for the enemy."

"I presume, on clear days we are able to see the French coast and today I counted ten warships out in the channel presumably watching for an escape German."

GERMAN PEOPLE NOW REALIZE NATION HAS "SHOT ITS BOLT"

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He said on his arrival that he noticed an extreme difference of feeling in the German people now as compared with the way they felt at the outbreak of the war, when he was in Germany. Mr. Davison told an interviewer that the common people of Germany were undoubtedly ready for peace. They seem to realize that Germany has "shot her bolt" and there is no longer any talk of marching on Paris, Petrograd and London.

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NEWS OF WORLD TOLD IN BRIEF

British Destroyer Made Ten Mile Dash up Dardanelles Under Heavy Fire

SENT HELP TO AUSTRIANS

Great Masses of German Reinforcements Trying to Save Situation—Reach Agreement Regarding Serbia's Claims.

Reuter's Tenedos correspondent, telegraphing Tuesday, says that the British torpedo-boat destroyer Renard entered the Dardanelles on Monday on a scouting mission and ran up the Straits at high speed for over ten miles, penetrating the waterway probably farther than any of the British ships have yet done. A heavy fire was directed at her, but the destroyer was not hit.

Representatives of the Triple Entente and Italy have arrived at an agreement regarding the claims of Serbia to a footing in the Adriatic. The arrival of the new Russian Ambassador at Rome, is now awaited in order formally to conclude the agreement.

U. S. State Department officials are considering the recent memorandum of the German Ambassador, Count von Bernstorff, on the question of the shipment of foodstuffs and the exportation of arms, but no intimation is given as to the character of the reply to be made.

Probably no session of the British Parliament since the opening of the war has been awaited with keener interest than the sitting which will begin this afternoon. A "dry" England, unknown except for a period of two years 150 years ago, is not beyond the possibilities, but the Government has given not the slightest official hint as to what action may be expected in its undoubted determination to attack the problem restricting the consumption of alcoholic liquors.

Thirty-three thousand women had registered themselves in England for special war service up to the end of March. This statement was made by Mr. Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Trade, to a deputation representing the various women's societies in London. Six thousand of the women, Mr. Runciman said, had declared themselves willing to work in armament factories, four thousand in clothing factories, 1,700 in dairy work, five hundred as gardeners, 2,000 in various branches of agricultural work, 1,100 as shop assistants, five hundred as leather workers and five thousand in clerical work.

Lieutenant-Captain Thierfelder, commander of the German converted cruiser Kron Prinz Wilhelm, has delivered to Collector of Customs Hamilton formal request for time to repair his ship at Newport News. The letters were forwarded to the secretary of the Treasury and their contents not divulged. While it is understood the German commander asked for three weeks as a maximum, he stated he would make every effort to complete temporary repairs and leave port before that time.

The British Government on April 14 will begin to issue an unlimited amount of treasury bills, payable in three, six and nine months. Controller of the Currency Williams, at Washington, issued a charter to the First National Bank of Cotton Plant, Okla., capital \$35,000.

The Whitaker-Glessner mill at Wheeling, W. Va., re-opened, following the action of the local union of the steel workers in accepting a cut in wages. The Interborough Rapid Transit Co. of New York lost its suit in the United States Supreme Court to escape paying \$500,000 in franchise taxes to the State.

Miss Margaret B. Owen, of Passaic, N.J., established her record for speed on the typewriter by writing 122 words per minute for 50 consecutive minutes. Petition of Fall River Savings Bank for authority to erect a banking structure to cost \$250,000, which is \$50,000 above statutory requirement, has been rejected in Massachusetts House.

The cooling plant of the Cudahy Packing Co. at Kansas City was completely wrecked by several heavy charges of dynamite, at a loss of \$750,000. Austrians living in the foreign colony there are suspected. Dr. Charles W. Eliot, speaking at Boston, said: "I cannot conceive of a worse catastrophe for the human race than peace in Europe now. Peace, with Germany in possession of Belgium, would mean triumph for German aggressive militarism. I believe that if the United States saw clearly that Great Britain or France was getting exhausted, most Americans would like to go to their assistance."

Pierre L. Bark, Russian Minister of Finance, says war has proven economic blessing to country. Savings deposited in January were \$30,000,000, as against \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000 average yearly savings before the war. M. Bark says the recent increase of 30 per cent in the tariff is only temporary, designed partly to make up loss of vodka revenue. Other means being employed to replace this \$450,000,000 revenue are special war tax on railroad transportation, matches, sugar and most ordinary commodities. Russia is expecting tremendous increase in her trade with the United States.

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FRENCH HEAVY ARTILLERY WRECK GERMAN

Paris, April 15.—The French official statement says: "Near La Boisselle our heavy artillery wrecked the German trenches and destroyed the German machine gun positions northeast of Albert, has been the fighting."

"In the Argonne near Fontaineaux engagements occurred from trench to trench were victorious. The extension of our front at Allennes has already been officially reported, it is a matter of counter attacks. Our men are masters of a portion of the main trench and also the ground north of it, and long by 140 yards deep. The trench gained by us near the mine through Essey and Flirey remains in our hands."

"Near Fay En Hayea a bombardment but not followed up with an infantry attack on the forest of Le Pretre, after a German line on April 13, we gained against counter attacks repulsing with our machine gun fire. In Alsace, north of La Lauche, we gained in the direction of Schœnenbergkopf."

FRENCH MAKE FURTHER GAINS Paris, April 15.—Further gains for the French in the Vosges region were announced. Despite the obstinate resistance of the French troops advanced 400 meters northeast of St. Mihiel, has been a sharp fighting. It is officially stated that the French have been completely victorious in the Alilly forest, southeast of St. Mihiel. The French are also gaining advantage.

AUSTRO-GERMANS DEFEAT AT KROUNEN, northeast of Uzsok Pass, has been completely smashed, the Russian War Office announced. In a 17-hour battle on Tuesday the attacking Teutonic troops suffered terrible losses. They charged Russian positions with the bayonet only to be repulsed. The night fighting was so intense that the Russian command had marked the Carpathian campaign as a success.

CROWN RESERVE'S NICARAGUA PROPERTY TURNING UP TORONTO, Ont., April 15.—To-day's shipment of Crown Reserve to par is accompanied by a very favorable nature regarding the Nicaragua property on which Crown Reserve lately took a loss. It is said to be turning out very rich.

NEW OIL COMPANIES. Baltimore, Md., April 15.—Sabine Petroleum Corp., of Baltimore, has been incorporated with a capital of \$200,000. Kenawa Oil Co., of Kenawa, Okla., has been incorporated with a capital of \$250,000.

BRITISH LOSSES UP TO APRIL. London, April 15.—Under Secretary of State, announced in the House of Commons that the total casualties among the British from April 11 were 139,847.

PRODUCTION OF MUNITIONS. London, April 15.—Premier Asquith and other members of the Government are in the campaign for hurrying up the production of munitions.

REPORTS NOT AVAILABLE. New York, April 15.—As government officials closed to-day out of respect to the president Lincoln, the usual weather reports were not available.