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## CITY TAX RATE PERHAPS NO HIGHER THAN IN 1917

## MORE OUTBREAKS IN KAISER'S LAND

## Holland Hears News of Further Severe Disturbances

## FOOD NOT NEAR PRAGUE

## Pan-Germans Angered Over Statement That Czernin's Speech Had Been Submitted to President Wilson but One Editor Says Berlin Favored Idea of Dis- cussion With America

London, Jan. 28.—Reports of disturbances in Germany again are current in Holland and severe outbreaks are said to have occurred in the Rheinisch industrial districts. Troops with machine guns have been summoned to Mulheim, on the Rhine opposite Cologne, but there are no details.

## Food Riot at Prague

Zurich, Jan. 28.—Three thousand persons took part in a riot in a suburb of Prague on Friday against reduction of the flour rations, says a Vienna despatch. Shop windows were smashed and the mob had begun to plunder the streets when the police interfered. The rioters were dispersed with difficulty.

London, Jan. 28.—Nothing has so angered the pan-Germans, according to reports in special despatches from Holland, as a statement attributed to Count Czernin that his speech on peace previously had been communicated to President Wilson. The statement, it is said, was greeted with loud cheers by an outbreak of rage and contumacy by the pan-Germans whose fury it brought to a climax.

The idea of any exchange of opinions between Austria and America is criticized by the people, and according to Count Reventlow, can be regarded only as "endangering Germany's life interests."

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## TROUBLE WITH ESSENCES AND SOME MEDICINES

## Chief Inspector Wilson Says He Is Ready To Take Drastic Measures To Curb Evil

Rev. W. D. Wilson, chief liquor inspector for New Brunswick, expects to leave here for outside points some time today. Speaking to a Times reporter this morning he said that the inspectors throughout the province were having more than ordinary trouble with essences and medicines containing a high percentage of alcohol as a preservative.

Wherever the liquor regulations were more than ordinarily strict, these inspectors had trouble with the essences and medicines which were taken only as a means to intoxication.

"An officer 'phoned me this morning," he said, "and said that he wished something could be done about it. On Saturday night he had seen a crowd of soldiers in a store coasting the proprietor to sell them some lemon extract. In my opinion something must be done immediately if the enactment of the liquor law is to keep the province dry."

"On my trip through the country recently," I found exactly the same conditions prevalent. I am prepared to go to drastic lengths to stop the growth of the evil and necessary will propose legislation on the point."

On Saturday Inspector Wilson said he found, going through to Madawaska county, a large shipment most of which was not properly addressed. He commiserated ten bottles on the train and took them with him as confiscated goods. They will be placed in the Smythe street depot here.

## NOTED CANADIAN NEWSPAPERMAN DEAD

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 28.—T. J. Sharkey, chief editorial writer of the Hamilton Spectator, who was stricken with paralysis last week, died today in St. Joseph's hospital. He was born sixty-four years ago near Belleville and learned his trade as a printer with Sir Mackenzie-Bowell. He was on the Montreal Witness for a time and later joined the Wall Street Journal and in this position met Sankey and Moody, famous evangelists. For years he acted as Moody's private secretary and edited many of his books.

## PUBLISHED DIRECTORY OF BOSTON HALF CENT

Boston, Jan. 28.—William E. Murdoch, publisher of the city directory for almost fifty years, died suddenly last night, aged seventy-four years.

## Mayor Thinks Last Year Marked The Limit HOW IT WILL BE DONE

## Suggestions That Part Of Patriotic Fund Should Be Held Over On Bonds Issued—Sum of \$26,465 Less For Interest Account

The assessment rate prospects, which have been somewhat gloomy lately, brightened considerably at a meeting of the common council committee today. A pleasant surprise was sprung when Mayor Hayes announced that the assessment for interest and sinking fund would be \$26,465 less than last year, this being due to the fact that the sinking fund has been earning a higher rate of interest.

When the matter of assessing for \$150,000 for the present year was brought up, the suggestion was made that part of this might be held over and assessed for next year. It was also suggested that bonds might be issued for part of the amount and finally that the whole amount might be cared for by issuing ten year bonds, as authorized in the act.

The mayor expressed the opinion that the total assessment for civic purposes, apart from the increase in school estimates, which are beyond the control of the council, would not be so great as last year. He also felt that provision should be made in some way for at least \$26,465 to cover the deficit in 1918, and under expended balance account. In part of the patriotic fund amount, so that the assessment and tax rate should be no higher than that of last year.

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Consideration of the estimates will be continued tomorrow morning.

## OVER EXPENDITURE

General revenue, 1917	\$5,226.85
Truities schools	7,020.04
Assessment over and under	1,907.64
Expanded balances, 1918	1,907.64
Assessment interest and sinking fund	2,302.60
Severance interest and sinking fund	624.74
Union wharf	1,475.81
Perry steamers	7,112.90
South Rodney wharf	378.18
C. P. Railway	226.45
Street account	3,222.00
North End survey	216.43
Lamps	270.70
Severance department	1,229.24
Fire hydrants	629.44
	82,307.97

## UNDER EXPENDED

City Hall credit balance 31	\$1,469.85
Commissioner McClellan	\$10,980.12
Exhibition Building	617.48
Fire department	1,194.15
Market department	3,229.72
Police	6,104.63
Water maintenance	6,280.74
	\$21,469.85

Deficit for year, 1917, \$10,980.12  
1918 estimates:—  
Fire department, credit 1918, \$1,194.15  
Market department, 1918, 3,229.72  
Police surplus, 1918, 6,104.63  
Water surplus, 1918, 6,280.74  
Total, \$18,789.24

To be assessed for year 1918, \$24,567.62  
Mayor Hayes moved that the amount to be assessed for 1918 be reduced by \$6,280.74, the amount of the water surplus. Commissioner Fisher seconded.

Commissioner Wigmore protested against being deprived of his unexpended balance, especially as \$27,000 for hydrants and sewers for 1918 already had been ordered charged to water revenue to reduce the 1918 assessment.

Commissioner McClellan said that he was afraid the assessment rate for 1918 would be \$2.50, exclusive of the patriotic assessment. Last year the assessment for general purposes was \$2.18 and for patriotic purposes 80 cents.

Commissioner Wigmore said that he needed the full amount of his revenue for work which he considered absolutely necessary.

"There is no doubt but that the assessment will be a large one this year," said the mayor, "and the larger it is the more difficulty there is in collecting it. The chamberlain tells me that a larger number of citizens filed statements this year to secure reductions in their estimates and we had to wipe out \$18,000 debt appeals last year."

The motion was carried.  
Commissioner Wigmore said that the only way he could meet the situation would be by doing away with the ten per cent cash discount on the water rate bills.

A cheering feature of the meeting was the interest estimate for 1918, presented by the mayor. This showed a reduction of \$26,465 as compared with last year. This was due to the fact that interest earnings have been so much larger than the sinking fund had increased so rapidly that it was ahead of the legal requirements. The total to be assessed for this year is \$26,465, as compared with (Continued on page 2, sixth column)

## WOULD GIVE TO ALLIES BILLIONS SHE HAS LOANED

## Former Secretary of Treasury in American Cabinet Says America Should Do So

New York, Jan. 28.—Charles E. Fairchild, secretary of the treasury in President Cleveland's cabinet, told a Baptist congregation here last night that "a purely business proposition" the United States should give to England, France, Italy and Russia the billions of dollars loaned to them in the war.

"I have felt all along that England, France, Italy and Russia have been fighting our battles for us all this time," Mr. Fairchild said, "for I have always thought it was the final clash for freedom of autonomy, and that it was aimed as much at the United States as any of the Entente countries of Europe. For that reason I believe the United States should give to England, France, Italy and Russia the billions of dollars loaned to them in the war."

"While they were taking care of us we got immensely rich—too rich. We made a great deal more than we have loaned to our allies. Think of the prestige as the price of all nations if we should give, not lend, these billions to the Allies."

## THE ANDANIA HAS GONE DOWN

## Cunarder Torpedoed Off Irish Coast and Efforts to Get Her Into Port Fail

London, Jan. 28.—The Cunarder Andania, reported yesterday to have been torpedoed but not sunk, went to the bottom in spite of efforts to get her into port, according to information reaching the Associated Press today.

The Andania was torpedoed off the coast of Ireland, according to despatches from Belfast said it was believed no deaths resulted from the explosion. The Andania, 18,465 tons, was built in 1913, and had made many trips between British and American ports.

## TEN KILLED AND FIFTY INJURED

## Battle of Benzene Explodes on Ex- press Train in Germany

Amsterdam, Jan. 28.—An express train, while running between Berlin and Munich, Bavaria, caught fire at Schleissheim, six miles north of Munich, as the result of an explosion of a bottle of benzene, says the Saturday edition of the Voelische Zeitung of Berlin. Ten persons were killed and fifty were injured.

## FIRE LOSS OF \$225,000 IN GUELPH, ONTARIO

## Ryan Dry Goods Establishment Destroyed and Other Stores Dam- aged

Guelph, Ont., Jan. 28.—The most extensive fire which has visited Guelph in more than forty years occurred here early yesterday morning, when the dry goods establishment of G. B. Ryan & Co. in Upper Wyndham street, was completely destroyed, and several adjoining stores sustained more or less damage. The estimated loss is about \$225,000.

## NEWS OF CANADIAN OFFICERS

London, Jan. 27.—(Canadian Associated Press)—Brig. W. B. King, Canadians, is attached to headquarters units, replacing Brig. C. H. MacLaren.  
Captain S. A. Flavell and Lieut. C. A. Chisnall are gassed flying officers.

## FORMER NOVA SCOTIAN IS DEAD IN VANCOUVER

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 27.—William H. Anderson, a retired farmer, born in Nova Scotia sixty-seven years ago, who came from Champlain, Alberta, to Vancouver to live in last November, died here suddenly on Saturday evening.

## CHICAGO JEWELRY THEFT; \$100,000

Chicago, Jan. 28.—A woman and two men were being held by the police this morning in connection with the robbery of the Heller-Rose Company, jewelers, late yesterday in which four armed men obtained pearls and other gems estimated to be worth \$100,000.

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## CAN HALT GERMANS ON WEST NO MATTER HOW BIG DRIVE; BUT MORE MEN ARE NEEDED

## Lord Dummore Arrives in States on Mission to Stimulate Recruiting Among Englishmen Residing There

New York, Jan. 28.—Any offensive, no matter of what magnitude, that the Germans may launch on the western front, will be halted by the British, the French, and the Americans together, in the opinion of Lord Dummore, who arrived here yesterday as the head of a British mission to stimulate recruiting among Englishmen residing in the United States.

"We can beat the Germans and go through their lines, I am confident, any time we make the attempt," he asserted. "But this is the difficulty—and this is what I want to point out to all Britishers in the United States—the Allies have not yet sufficient man-power to exploit a drive like the one at Cambrai. We must have that balance of man-power."

## AMERICAN PATROL BOAT IMPALED ON ROCK ON OTHER SIDE OF THE OCEAN

## Hungarian Independence Party Let by Karolyi

Washington, Jan. 28.—An American patrol boat was today reported to the navy department here on a rock in European waters.

## OPPOSED TO THE NEW CABINET

## He is Strong Peace Advocate and Has More Than Once Taken Action Towards the Bringing of War to an End

Amsterdam, Jan. 28.—A Budapest despatch reports that the Hungarian independence party, of which Count Michael Karolyi is the head, has announced its attitude of opposition toward Premier Wekerle, but it will support the government's franchise bill.

## POLITICAL AGENTS OF RAILROADS IN STATES TO BE DISMISSED

Washington, Jan. 28.—Railroads were ordered by Director-General McAdoo last night to discontinue the services of legislative and political agents and all attorneys not engaged in the performance of necessary legal work, and to observe strictly the law regulating fee practices.

## CANADIAN FLYING MAN OF NOTABLE VALUE TO HIS COMMANDER, IS KILLED

London, Jan. 27.—(Canadian Associated Press)—Lieut. Godfrey Flower of the flying corps, killed in France, originally belonged to the Canadian siege artillery. One brother has been killed and two others stricken by the flu, writes his most reliable pilot "I had," writes his commander.

## GERMANY SENDS FLOUR TO SORE PRESSED ALLY

Amsterdam, Jan. 28.—It is reported by the Zeitung Am Mittag, of Berlin, that negotiations have been completed between the German and Austro-Hungarian food boards, in consequence of which Germany has placed 4,500 tons of flour at the disposal of her allies.

## WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, Director, meteorological service.

Synopsis—A disturbance which was in the lower Mississippi valley last night has moved quickly northward and is now causing snow in southern Ontario. The weather is extremely cold throughout the domain.

Forecasts.  
Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Strong northeast winds and snow. Tuesday, continued very cold and snow furries.  
Upper St. Lawrence and Ottawa Valley—Strong east and north winds, very cold today and Tuesday with snow.  
Lower St. Lawrence, Gulf and North Shore—Fine and very cold today. Tuesday, northeast winds, with snow.

Maritime—Northwest winds, fine and very cold. Tuesday, easterly gales with snow.  
Lake Superior—East and north winds, very cold today and Tuesday; light local snows.

Western Provinces—West and northwest winds, fair and extremely cold. Tuesday—Snow tonight; strong northeast and east winds shifting to west Tuesday.

## Thirteen Below Here This Morning; Snow Tomorrow

## Some Glasses Showed 16 Below The Cipher; Montreal 20—Severe Storm in States and Coal Output Affected

The mercury took another drop this morning and reached thirteen degrees below zero, official. A light wind made the cold very penetrating and many citizens cast anxious glances towards their coal bins. At noon the mercury began to ascend and reached seven degrees below, but indications later in the day were for another drop. In some parts of the city thermometers registered as low as sixteen degrees.

The probabilities for tomorrow are gales, with snow.

## SAYS GERMANY FORCED AUSTRIA INTO THE WAR

## Maximilian Harden Makes Out- spoken Statements

London, Jan. 28.—Maximilian Harden devotes thirteen closely printed pages in the latest issue of the Die Zukunft to reproducing the real texts of the recent speeches of President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George. He says that thought-ful and conscientious men should read the speeches quietly and without prejudice and be critical in an astonishing outspoken fashion. Germany's attitude toward Austria in the conduct of the Russian negotiations.

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