

W. M. DUNLOP WILL NOT BE BACK HERE IS NOW CERTAINTY

Word Received. But No Reasons Are Stated.

WON'T TALK OF PLANS

Tells Advertiser That Any Announcement Must Come Through City Clerk.

City Auditor W. M. Dunlop, now in Ottawa, will not return to London. This information was received positively in the city today. No reasons were given why he would not come back, but he made it definite that he would not return to this city, nor would he apply for the position of city auditor for 1917.

The advertiser called Mr. Dunlop at his Ottawa home today and asked if he had any statement to make regarding his intentions. He expressed his thanks for the courtesy, but said that any announcement of his plans, so far as London was concerned, must come through City Clerk Baker, who would have the facts. To have it made public otherwise, he considered, would not be right.

It was suspected for some days that he would not return, the city officials being aware that he was tired of his position. Interference by some of the members to give him the main reason, conditions were not such as were represented to him, and as a result, he found it unwise to remain.

"I have received no letter from Mr. Dunlop as yet," said City Clerk Baker. "He said he would write to me, but he has not done so as yet. Until he does, I will not know his intentions. He has not in any application to me for the position."

It is expected that the council will recommend that Andrew Dale and Arch Sorenson be named auditors, with Frank G. Jewell, senior city auditor, as consulting auditor, to prepare the annual statement and prepare the estimates.

The utilities commission will likely name these two men, and will also name a consulting auditor, to prepare the annual statement and prepare the estimates.

TRANSPORT SUNK IN MEDITERRANEAN BY ENEMY SUBMARINE

Canard Liner Invernia Victim—33 of Crew and 120 Men Missing.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—The British transport Invernia has been sunk, it was officially announced tonight. One hundred and fifty military officers and men are missing.

The text of the announcement reads as follows: "The Invernia was sunk by an enemy submarine in the Mediterranean on January 1, during bad weather and while carrying troops. At present, four military officers and 145 men are missing."

"The casualties among the Invernia's officers and crew are not definitely known, but hopes are entertained that the only officers of the ship missing are the purgion and chief engineer."

A supplementary report issued by the admiralty says that 33 of the crew of the Invernia and 120 men are missing.

The Canard Liner Invernia, 14,275-ton steamer, has been for some time in the British Government service as a transport, having at various times carried troops from Canada and between British ports and the Dardanelles. There has been nothing in recent reports regarding her movements. She was built in 1909 at Newcastle. Her length was 352 feet and she was 61 feet in beam and 37 feet in draft.

DIES OF HEART FAILURE.—Waterloo, Jan. 5.—George S. Ziegler, proprietor of the Alexander House, died suddenly of heart failure this morning in his 60th year. He was preparing to lay a carpet when he fell over it. He was a house painter by trade, and took possession of the Alexander House on December 6th.

DEFENCE STARTS.—Ossington, N. H., Jan. 5.—The prosecution rested and the defence opened today in the trial of Frederick L. Small, formerly a broker in Boston, who is accused of murdering his third wife, Mrs. Attorney Stevens, outlining the defence, said that it would be shown that the crime was committed at night while Small was in Boston and not in the afternoon.

PASSES RENEWED.—All permanent passes issued to tradesmen, visitors and others for the purpose of entering the camp grounds for 1916, have been made good until May 15th, 1917.

MILITARY SERVICES.—Church parade for the troops will be held in the First Methodist Church on Sunday, January 7th, No. 3 Section, D. A. C., the 63rd Battery, the 11th Battalion, the 10th Battalion and No. 1 Special Service Company, will parade at the church in time to be seated by 9:30 a.m. The Roman Catholic troops will parade to St. Mary's Church, Lyle street.

Believes She Was Saved From Stroke of Paralysis

All One Side Was Cold and Powerless When She Began Using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

A dead nerve cell can never be replaced. In this way it is different to other cells of the human body. But feeble, wasted nerve cells can be restored, and herein lies hope. In this fact is also a warning to take note of such symptoms as sleeplessness and loss of energy and ambition and restore the vitality to the nervous system before some form of helplessness results.

Nervous prostration.—Locomotor ataxia and paralysis are the natural results of neglecting to keep the nerves in healthful condition. The use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food when you suspect there is something wrong, will soon restore vitality to the nervous system, and thereby prevent serious developments.

Mrs. Merritt N. R. No. 2, Dundas, Ont., writes: "I take pleasure in writing to tell you the great

FLOUR GAINING SLIGHTLY, SUGAR SOMEWHAT EASIER

Wholesalers Find Themselves With Much Left-Over Poultry.

The following comment on the market situation as regards food stuffs will appear in Canadian Grocer this week: Flour, during the past week, has held a steady market with increasing firmness, due to the net gains in the upward price of wheat. An advance of 30c per barrel is recorded, and the market in continued firmness. Sugar declined in Canadian Grocer last week. This was stated in Canadian Grocer last week to be a strong probability. Conditions in Cuba continue favorable for a good crop of sugar. Butter is slightly weaker, with a weakening noted in the price of creamy solids. Egg prices are weaker. Owing to the increased arrivals of new-laid the price has declined during the week. Storage eggs, however, are firmly held, as supplies are diminishing. Poultry is in a dull market, many of the wholesalers having to place their left-over stocks from the holiday season in storage in order to save them from decay. Honey is in a fair demand, and prices are firm in this commodity. Shipments of dried fruits and other commodities from United States points are coming forward better. Embargoes recently in operation on certain railroads in that country have caused much inconvenience and delay to Canadian purchasers. Teas have held steady during the week, with possibility of higher prices through the constantly advancing freight rates and marine insurance. Salt has advanced during the week. Certain brands of coffee in the tin have also been marked up. Bulk pickles have registered an advance. Canned fruit, one brand of peaches, has registered an advance. Business during the week was quiet at the year-end, but opened up with much promise during the first days of the New Year.

FOUR BOXES OF COMFORTS NOW PACKED FOR SOLDIERS

Showers at Cronyn Hall Continue and More Contributions Are Wanted.

Four boxes of comforts for the Canadian soldiers in France have been packed by the members of the I. O. O. F. Chapters in charge of the shower for soldiers at Cronyn Hall.

Today the Campbell Becher and Lord Elgin Chapters are in charge, and it is estimated that there is material for several more boxes ready to be packed. More is needed and the members of the chapters are anxious that donations of gum, tobacco, Oxo, condensed meats and other articles be sent as soon as possible to Cronyn Hall.

Many contributions of money have been made in addition to the grants given by the various chapters of the I. O. O. F. It is hoped that the money will amount to nearly \$100. This will be used to purchase articles which were not contributed during the shower.

The shower will continue on Saturday and as it is thought that several days more will be required for packing, gifts may be sent in early in the coming week as well.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

DEATH OF CHARLES HARRIS.

Charles Harris, 50 Elmwood avenue, died today at his residence. He was 70 years old, and was born in London, Township. His wife, Mrs. Martha Harris, and one sister, Mrs. C. Harris, survive. The funeral will be private.

DEATH OF MRS. WATSON.

The death of Mrs. Lena Watson, 714 Princess avenue, occurred on Thursday at the family residence. She was the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hodgins of Gladstone. Two children survive her in addition to her husband. The funeral will be held on Saturday at Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Rev. M. Anderson of Lambeth will conduct the services.

DEATH OF MRS. MCKAY.

The death of Mrs. Catherine Anne McKay occurred at her residence, 127 Elmwood avenue, on Thursday. She was born in Scotland, and was 65 years old. She was the wife of Murdoch McKay, and had been a resident of London for 15 years. The funeral will be held on Saturday at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR HARDWARE TRADE STILL

Hardware and Metal, January 5, will say: The year just closed has been a prosperous one for the Canadian hardware trade, despite the great difficulties experienced in securing supplies. The outlook for 1917 is exceptionally bright, and retailers are buying freely, but cautiously. Deliveries of many spring looking orders will be made early this year than in previous years.

The demand for iron and steel is insistent, as ever. Deliveries of sheets are hard to obtain and jobbers' stocks are being rapidly reduced. Higher prices than the high prices now in effect will become inevitable before long. Owing to high costs of raw materials and production, many stove manufacturers have found it necessary to advance prices. A large number of other important price changes have gone into effect this week, and include advances on black and galvanized iron pipe, steel products, pipe couplings and nipples, machine screws, and strap hinges, revolvers, lathe vams, salsal cloths, lines, haws, new iron chisels, shovels, coal oil, axes, snow shovels, hay baling wire, conductor pipe, stoves, picks, grindstones. Many travelers are again out on the road, following the usual Christmas holiday period.

NEWS LOCAL

SERIOUSLY ILL.—Robert Allan, 423 William street, formerly of the Bank of Commerce, is seriously ill at his home.

MRS. ALLAN IN HOSPITAL.—Mrs. Allan, wife of T. P. Allan of the Canadian Electric Company, is very seriously ill in Victoria Hospital.

UTILITIES TO MEET.—The utilities commission will meet next week, probably on Thursday afternoon, to organize for the year. There is no change in the personnel of the board.

LEFT AUTO STANDING.—Samuel Harris pleaded guilty in police court today to leaving his auto standing on the street during the night without a light. He paid \$1 and costs.

TRAINS NOT AFFECTED.—The snow storm which has been centered over the State of Michigan for several hours past, has not yet affected train arrivals from Detroit or Chicago.

SNEEZERS GALORE.—A malignant form of la grippe has seized many Londoners, according to local physicians. It is said there is scarcely a block without its quota of sneezers and sufferers.

ARTHUR JOLLY ILL.—Arthur Jolly, one of the London's best known young businessmen, is seriously ill. Mr. Jolly went to Toronto recently and was there taken ill and removed home. Last night there was some improvement in his condition.

PAYS HIS FINE.—One person charged with intoxication appeared in police court today and pleaded guilty. One brand of Clarence street. Monday, he said, was the home of the whiskey he had consumed. He paid \$10 and costs.

SON IS ILL.—Rev. J. B. Silcox, pastor of the First Congregational Church here, received word last night that his son, Sgt. Albert Silcox, who was overseas with "London's Own," was seriously ill. The telegram was received on Wednesday, but was sent to Toronto, from where it was telephoned to Dr. Silcox.

RETURNED MEN IN CHARGE.

The Returned Soldiers' Association has asked the utilities commission to grant it the privilege of using the checking room in Victoria Park rink. General Manager E. V. Buchanan took the matter up with the commission, recommending that this be done. They have consented, so the soldiers will be in charge.

INSPECTS S. A. CITADEL.—Brigadier Miller, Salvation Army architect for Eastern Canada, was in the city yesterday inspecting the work on the Citadel on Bank of Commerce street, where extensive remodeling is under way. He found that satisfactory progress is being made. It is hoped that by February 1, or a few days after, the building will be ready for the official opening.

WANT "BOBBING" STOPPED.—Many of the members of the Motor League have requested Mayor Stevenson to have a bylaw introduced to prevent children from catching on sleighs and other rides. The motorists claim that the practice is a serious menace to them, and a grave danger to the children. The matter will be taken up by the council shortly.

SOLDIERS TOOK SERVICE.—The regular Thursday night meeting of the Salvation Army Citadel was conducted by the Salvationists in khaki last night. Pte. Woodrich gave two solos that were much appreciated. Pte. Chambers of the 14th Battalion, who met and great mutual benefit, both socially and in a business way, will result.

HELD NEW YEAR'S PARTY.

A jolly crowd of young people were present at the "New Year's Party" of the Catholic Club of London, which took place on Thursday evening in St. Peter's Parish Hall. The Ernest Cortese Orchestra provided music that was much enjoyed. The New Year's celebration has been held in previous years on New Year's Eve.

TO SPEAK AT CHATHAM.

B. G. H. Wright, president of the Associated Kin of Canadian expeditionary forces, has been invited to be the guest speaker at a meeting of the Young Men's Association of Chatham next Tuesday. The Canadian Club has asked that Mr. Wright should address it on the aims and objects of the Associated Kin, as the members are desirous of forming an organization of the Associated Kin in Chatham.

DRILLER HURT LEG.

Driller Hartley, who is sinking a well on Egeon street for the utilities commission, has gone about 40 feet, but has had to quit drilling owing to an injury. He was struck on the leg by a chain, and could not work today. It is expected that he will be at work in a day or two. The third well on the Foster property, near the Macgregor wells, is down 63 feet, but the prospects for water are not particularly bright, according to information received.

COME-TOGETHER IDEA.

Plans are being arranged by the local Y. M. C. A. officials to bring parties of businessmen, as ever. Deliveries of sheets are hard to obtain and jobbers' stocks are being rapidly reduced. Higher prices than the high prices now in effect will become inevitable before long. Owing to high costs of raw materials and production, many stove manufacturers have found it necessary to advance prices. A large number of other important price changes have gone into effect this week, and include advances on black and galvanized iron pipe, steel products, pipe couplings and nipples, machine screws, and strap hinges, revolvers, lathe vams, salsal cloths, lines, haws, new iron chisels, shovels, coal oil, axes, snow shovels, hay baling wire, conductor pipe, stoves, picks, grindstones. Many travelers are again out on the road, following the usual Christmas holiday period.

SERIES OF CONCERTS.—Every Wednesday evening throughout the winter months a concert will be put on for the soldiers at the Byron Sanatorium. The Y. M. C. A. officials have taken the matter in hand, and under their auspices the concerts will be conducted. The first concert will take place next Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The London street railway has agreed to provide a special car to bring those who attend back to the city after the concerts. Musical and literary talent from all over the city will be asked to lend their services.

CONCERT FOR SOLDIERS.

A party, under the direction of Miss Windsor, continued an excellent concert for the troops in Queen's Park last night in the Military Y. M. C. A. building. As usual the Munro children gave the applause of the men in their pretty dance numbers. Other numbers were: "Piano duets" by Misses Mountjoy and Brown; solos by Viola Stevens, Douglas Miliken, Charlie Rose and D. Westman; and a quartet by Elizabeth Brown, V. Stevens, L. Stevens and Kenneth McAlvaine. Miss Mountjoy and Mr. Westman were the accompanists.

POPULAR EVENING CLASSES.

The evening and special classes of the Technical and Art School, which open on Monday next, will again be crowded judging from the large advance registration. New classes in fine art and home nursing are attracting a large number of applicants. The courses in these subjects are very thorough. The classes for women and girls in dressmaking, millinery and cooking, which are opening in the Normal School,

For First 1917 Saturday (Tomorrow)

We welcome you, 1917, and we hope that now that you have taken the reins, you will be as good to our good friends and customers as we will try to be, and that the "lucky seven" may be a good omen to all. January is always a month of stirring activity. Preparations for inventory are going forward, and the great annual White Sale is in full swing. With so much crowded into one month we will not attempt to give you all the news of the various departments in detail, but will remind you of the more important events and the many opportunities for saving on before-inventory close-out lots of good merchandise, some of which are listed below in the Men's and Boys' Sections for Saturday.



Many Furs at Half Price Saturday

Six sets in one of the Saturday groups to go at just half-price. Muffs and Stoles and six Sable Sets greatly reduced; a Black Fox and a Black Lynx Muff will also be found on the sale table Saturday. See these early.

6 only Sets of Manchurian Wolf Muffs. Regular \$7.50, \$8.50, \$8.75 and \$10.00. On sale \$3.75, \$4.25, \$4.38 and \$5.00. Stoles. Regular \$6.95, \$8.50 and \$10.50. On sale \$3.47, \$4.25 and \$5.25. 6 only Sable Muffs, in pillow shape. Regular \$22.50 to \$30.00. On sale \$16.50, \$20.00 and \$22.50. 1 only Black Fox Pillow, trimmed with head and brush. Regular \$45.00. On sale \$29.00. 1 only Black Lynx Muff, cuff style. Regular \$40.00. On sale \$27.50.

BOUDOIR SLIPPERS HALF-PRICE.

One table of Boudoir Slippers, felt and silk, in light and dark shades, odds and ends and broken assortments, left from the holiday. Selling prices 75c to \$1.25. For half-price Saturday 37c to 62c pair.

SATURDAY AT TOILET COUNTER.

10 only Hot Water Bottles, white rubber, trimmed with red rubber, an extra heavy quality. Special 98c each. Dagget and Ramsdell's Perfect Cold Cream, for chapped hands and rough and irritated skin. In tubes 15c and 35c each. The Monster Buttermilk Soap, an excellent skin tonic, large oval cake 5c each.

FINE IRISH HUCKABACK TOWELS REDUCED.

Slightly mused and odd lines to be cleared Saturday. Irish manufacture and our old qualities, guaranteed all pure linen, in choice huckaback. Some quantities are limited; in some cases only one or two of each, but in all about 60 pairs. Get your supply early Saturday and do not miss this opportunity, as such values cannot be repeated. Regular 85c values, 59c; regular \$1.00 values, 69c; \$1.25 values 89c each. 50 only, exceptional quality, stripe and conventional border. Regular \$1.50, Sale, \$1.19. 32 only, exceptional Irish hand-embroidered, thistle design. Regular \$1.37. Sale, 98c each.

White Sale of Lingerie

Gowns, 85c; Corset Covers, 35c

5 dozen Ladies' Gowns, made of splendid quality white cotton, in open front and slip-over styles, trimmed with dainty embroidery and insertion. Special 85c each. Ladies' Corset Covers, of fine cambric, yoke back and front of wide embroidery and lace insertion. Neck and armholes trimmed with lace. Sizes 34 to 12. Special 35c each.

Sale of Men's Overcoats Saturday and Following Days, Price \$11.50 Each

One hundred and fifteen Men's Winter Overcoats, to clear before stocktaking. The very best styles in ulsters with shawl or convertible collars. The standard Chesterfield style with self or velvet collars and slip-on and pinch-back styles for young men. Materials are tweeds, chinchillas, vicunas and meltons. These coats are broken lines from our regular stock, ranging in price from \$15.00 to \$24.00 each. All to be cleared at one price commencing Saturday. Any customer looking for a good overcoat for little money will certainly find it in this lot. See our windows on Richmond street for display of these goods. Sizes from 34 to 44. Price \$11.50 each.

48 Boys' Fancy Winter Overcoats, Ages 4 to 8 Years Price, \$3.95

Fancy Overcoats for the small boy on sale Saturday. Many different styles and materials to choose from. This range of coats taken from regular stock are worth up to \$7.50 each. Mothers who are looking for a smart coat for the small boy will find here a splendid choice. Come Saturday and bring the boy with you. Sizes from 4 to 8 years. Price \$3.95.



SALE OF MEN'S UNDERWEAR SATURDAY, COMBINATIONS, 79c SUIT.

Men's Heavy Cotton Combinations, good winter weight, in white or natural shade. Very comfortable to wear, unshrinkable and of good wearing quality. Sizes 36 to 44. Price, per suit 79c.

Men's All-Wool Undershirts 69c Each

About 6 dozen fine all-wool shirts, in different weights and colors. Many of these are just slightly soiled and are worth from \$1.00 to \$2.00 each, but must be cleared out Saturday. Anyone wanting an odd undershirt or two will find it worth while to come early Saturday morning. Sizes up to 44. Price 69c each.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED



CANDY SPECIAL SATURDAY.

Home-Made Peanut Crisp (our own make), pure candy, 150 lbs. for sale while it lasts, 15c lb.

WHITE SALE—COTTONS.

Fine White Cambric, 36 inches wide. Special 12 1/2c yard. English Factory Sheet, two yards wide, good weight, clean finish. Special 28c yard. Bleached Sheets, ready to use, 50 pairs only; size 70x90. Special 65c each. Cream Flannelette, 28 inches wide, extra good weight for nursery use. Special 12 1/2c yard. White Flannelette, full 36 inches wide, nice soft finish. Special 23c yard.

AT NOTION COUNTER.

Out of Sight, Flesh Color Shields, quite invisible with the sheer waists. Price, 40c pair. The Never-Break Cap-Shape Hair Net, with elastic, in dark brown, mid brown, light brown, blonde and grey. Special, 6 for 25c. Real Human Hair, the three-cornered shaped net, in light, dark and mid brown and black. 10c each, or half dozen for 55c. The Queensway Cap Hair Net, easily adjusted, in grey or white 25c each. The Sharris Hair Net, real human hair, a bag-shaped net, does not flatten the hair, easily adjusted with drawing string. 20c each. The Satisfactory, extra large fine silk hair net, in all shades 50c each.



AFTERNOON TEA.

Steamed French Prunes With Whipped Cream, Cut Cake, Cup of Tea 25c. Coffee Cake, Cup of English Breakfast Tea 10c.

MONTREAL AGAINST IT.

MONTREAL, Jan. 4.—The Montreal Trades and Labor Council decided tonight not to sign the national service cards and the action of the executive of the Trades Congress of Canada called an interview with the Government at Ottawa, recommending that trades unionists sign the cards, was discussed and denounced.

SIR WILFRID URGES SIGNING.

[Special to The Advertiser.] OTTAWA, Jan. 4.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has received a great many letters from people living in the province of Quebec, asking his advice as to filling the national registration cards.

To each of them he has replied, explaining that every citizen living in Canada should promptly, accurately and cheerfully fill out the card he receives and send it back to the national service registration office.

CONSTIPATION POISONS

the blood. Perfect elimination is indispensable to health. Stimulate the liver, open the bowels, and get the system into a good habit by taking Hood's Pills, the old reliable family medicine. Do not irritate or gripe. Price 25c each of all druggists, or promptly by mail, C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass.

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indorsed the action of the executive council of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, in urging the wage-earners of Canada to sign the national service registration cards, according to their own individual conscientious conviction.

150,000 DISTRIBUTED IN TORONTO.—Toronto, Jan. 5.—It was learned at the Toronto postoffice today that about 150,000 national service cards had been distributed by the letter-carriers in the city. The distribution was practically completed last night after a difficult task, during which the postmen

VANCOUVER AGAINST SIGNING.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 5.—The Trades and Labor Council passed a resolution urging working people to decline to answer the questions on the national service card.

DECLINE TO ACCEPT.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 4.—The men appointed to distribute and collect the national service cards, declare they are not meeting with the success hoped for, as many persons decline to accept the cards when tendered to do so. Others state they do not care to answer the questions asked. Some 10,000 cards have been distributed.

SINGLE MEN WORST.

CHATHAM, Jan. 4.—The letter carriers of the city are experiencing the

greatest difficulty in collecting the national service cards.

They claim that the worst offenders are the single young men of Chatham.

25,000 CARDS IN QUEBEC CITY.

QUEBEC, Jan. 4.—Some 25,000 national service cards have already been distributed throughout Quebec City, and a good number have been returned fully filled in. Among the first that were returned, signed and fully answered to were those of Sir Lower Gouin, premier of Quebec, and that of his son, who is presently following a course preparatory to his going to the front.

All the members of the Quebec provincial cabinet have also signed their cards. As to the clergy, at the cardinal's palace today, it was stated that the cards have not yet been delivered, but it is also stated that the clergy will set the example in the signing of the national cards.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT BLAMED.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Denial of the Quebec story that national service cards were distributed there without envelopes, and a good number have been returned fully filled in. Among the first that were returned, signed and fully answered to were those of Sir Lower Gouin, premier of Quebec, and that of his son, who is presently following a course preparatory to his going to the front.

WANT WEALTH CONSCRIPTED FIRST.

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—At a regular meeting of the trades and labor council last evening, Secretary R. A. Riez, M.L.A., read a number of letters from affiliated unions opposing registration. Some stated that the reason for the action taken was that in the opinion of the members before manpower was mobilized the basic industries of the country should be nationalized and wealth conscripted.

The most important resolution adopted opposed registration, because the Canadian people have had no opportunity to express themselves with regard to its principles, because it may lead to conscription, because it involves coercion of labor by private capital, and because it is the duty of all trades unionists to support the decision of the trades congress which, at Toronto, opposed registration.