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## NIAGARA DISTRICT HYDRO RADIAL UNION DECIDES TO ASK FOR A REPORT ON THE N., S. & T. R.

### Representative Meeting Held Yesterday; Question of Taxes Comes Up; Hydro Officials Were Present to Give Any Information.

Municipalities belonging to the Niagara District Hydro Radial Union met at the Hydro to make a report on the cost etc., of taking over the N. S. & T. R., and making it part of the Hydro Radial System as portion of the line from Toronto to St. Catharines and Niagara Falls and to Port Erie via Welland and Port Colborne.

At a well attended meeting of the union at the City Hall here yesterday the following resolution was passed asking the Hydro to investigate and bring in such a report. Municipalities will also be asked to pass the following resolution, which was made out for St. Catharines:

"That the Municipal Council of the City of St. Catharines requests the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario to investigate and report on the feasibility of taking over and acquiring on behalf of the municipalities in this district the Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto Railway Company. The value of the undertaking to the Municipalities to be served together with a statement as to the revenue and cost of operation of same and the said report to be prepared and presented at the earliest possible moment.

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hydro Electric Power Commission.

## Aliens Leave To Get Beer

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Alien residents of Chicago and adjoining cities who are leaving for Europe at the rate of 800 to 1,000 a day, are going back to the Balkans. They have made lots of money here and the tax collectors are impoverished. Europe doubtless will welcome them vociferously.

"We must have beer, or we die," is the general complaint in many cases the head of a family has been in Europe for three or four years and has lived in luxury in the rest of his life, is returning to search for his family in the debris.

There is still another reason. Some of the larger concerns are beginning to reduce their forces. There is a feeling that employers can not go on meeting the demands of labor and a period of retrenchment is set in. The weeding out process is in progress and the aliens, who are not us for this country, except in a place in which to make money to be spent elsewhere, are the first to be laid off. Rather than face a period of idleness, they are applying immediately for passports. They have no homes, no ties of any kind here, and are anxious to get where they have plenty of beer and opportunities to spend their American money in their own peculiar pleasures.

## ACQUAINTANCE OF RUSKIN TO SPEAK HERE

The Women's Canadian Club has been fortunate enough to secure Miss Warren to be its guest on March 4. Miss Warren is executing a commission for the Canadian Government of war pictures and her work and career have attracted attention. She was personally acquainted with John Ruskin and will give an address here on the famous art critic and political economist.

## DUBLIN MAYOR INSTALLATION TO TAKE PLACE IN LONDON

LONDON, Feb. 19.—A Dublin deputation to the Exchange Telegraph Company says that if the Lord Mayor-elect of Dublin, Tom T. Kelly, is unable to be present at the ceremony of his installation at Dublin next Monday, it is probable that the corporation officials, headed by the retiring Lord Mayor, will proceed to London and there confer the Mayorship on the former prisoner, who is now under conditional release.

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## HEAVY CROP OF HAIR SAVES LIFE

SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 20.—Because of his long hair, Sam Slutter, 55 years old, a carpenter, is alive today. Slutter was at work at the Scheuer Bakery plant on the south side, when the roof of the wagon sled, weighted down with the heavy snow, caved in, one of the rafters striking him on the head and inflicting a bad cut across the scalp. The exceptionally heavy growth of hair, physicians say, was the only thing that prevented a fractured skull. Slutter now says he will never depart from his custom of only having his hair cut on Good Friday, July 4th, Columbus Day and Christmas.

## A Disgrace To Canada

### Wealthy Men Untaxed While Widows Mothers of Soldiers Slain in Flanders Go Short of Cash.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 20.—"Certain clauses in the Pensions Act should be struck out, as they are a disgrace to Canada," said F. W. Law, organizer for the Provincial Command of the Great War Veterans' Association, in an interview yesterday. "Widows and mothers are discriminated against, and the wealthy man who probably has not lost any one at the front, reaps the benefit.

"I refer to the clause which states that the total income of a widowed mother should not exceed \$40 monthly unless it is from her own earnings. This means that if a widowed mother who had a son killed, and who happens to own a cottage, or even a shack, will have the value of the rental for this cottage deducted from her pension of \$40 a month. In other words, if her cottage rents for \$15, she will only receive \$25 pension, or if she has managed to save money for \$200 or \$300 worth of Victory Bonds, the interest on these is deducted from her pension.

"Now then, here is the injustice. A man who has, say, \$500,000 in Victory Bonds, evades the income tax on these bonds, and, in addition gets his 5 1-2 per cent. interest on them.

The matter will be discussed at the convention of the Provincial Command of the G. W. V. A. next month Law says.

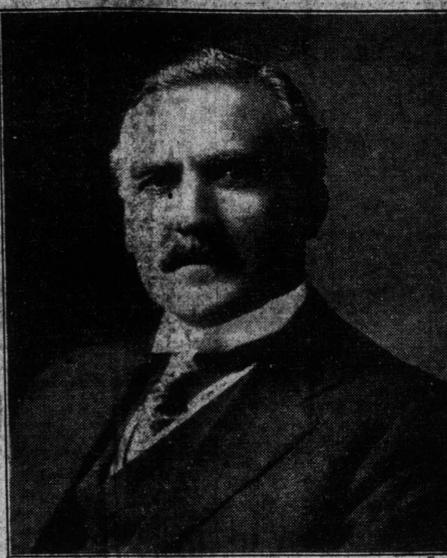
## WAITS END BY SINGING WEIRD NATIVE SONGS

KITCHENER, Feb. 20.—Stokely Boyce, who will be hanged on February 25 at the County Jail here, is spending the remaining days of his life in Bible reading and sob. Last night the prisoners in the jail were awakened by the weird songs of the condemned man sung in the Bulgarian tongue. There was no objection raised as Boyce possesses a pleasing voice and the prisoners in the jail enjoy listening to him. No confession of his crime has been made beyond the evidence he gave at the trial last November.

Investigation by Provincial officers into a fire which six weeks ago destroyed a pool room, rooming house, restaurant and barber shop on Dundas street, Thorold, resulted in the arrest yesterday of Robert Dayton, proprietor, on three charges, one of wilfully setting fire to the building, and two charges of making false statements that certain articles were destroyed, with intent to defraud the Employees' Liability Assurance Co. He was remanded for a week without bail.

class this lesson is intended to reach is there in the jail and I intend they shall have the lesson."

## MAY BE CANADA'S NEXT PREMIER



SIR THOMAS WHITE. Who has been mentioned as a possible successor to Sir Robert Borden.

## THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, Feb. 20.—The disturbance which was near the Connecticut coast yesterday passed over the Maritime provinces last night as a severe storm causing heavy gales attended by heavy rain and snow. In the west the weather has turned cold with some light snow falls.

FORECASTS—Fair and moderate cold today and on Saturday.

## NEWS BRIEFS

Jimmy Wilde stopped Frankie Rusell at Jersey City last night in seven rounds.

It is estimated that there are 140,000 Japanese in the United States, the majority of them in California.

It is the boast of the dairymen of Holland that in their country there is a cow to every inhabitant.

A bridge in Peru, more than 200 feet long is supported by ropes of Cactus fiber.

The zircon, found in Norway, Ceylon and other parts of the world, has been suggested as a substitute for the diamond.

The Punjab is so called from two Persian words, signifying "five" and "waters," alluding to the five rivers which flow through it.

Iceland, was first termed the "Emerald Isle" in a poem called, "Erin," by Dr. Dreanman, who lived in the latter half of the 11th century.

Runners on skis have made a record of 72 feet a second and in leaping on skis more than 100 feet a second is attained.

Ald. G. M. McDonald, a leading grocer of Marriiston, and prominent in sports, died after a brief illness from pneumonia.

Cruikshank, the noted British artist, once offered \$500 for proof of a violent crime committed by a teetotaler. To the day of his death the money was never claimed.

The United States has offered to Roumania an advance of eight hundred thousand pounds sterling in return for the exploitation of the Roumanian oil fields for sixty years.

Lobsters are very sensitive to cold and light, being accustomed to the comparatively steady temperature and the obscure light of the ocean bottom. Exposure to strong sunlight is soon fatal to them.

The decision of the Cunard line to preserve the names of the Lusitania and other vessels sunk in the war serves to recall the superstition of old-time sailors that it was exceedingly unlucky to name a ship after one that had gone down.

At the beginning of the war airplanes had a maximum speed of 85 to 90 miles an hour, and were capable of climbing to a height of 4,000 feet. At the end the greatest speed was over 130 miles an hour and the greatest height reached was over 25,000 feet.

A Swiss has invented a remarkable sick-room clock. When a button is pressed an electric lamp behind the dial throws the shadow of the hours and hands magnified upon the ceiling so that invalids can see it from bed, without putting themselves to any inconvenience.

## OUTSIDE SPEAKERS COMMEND WORK OF COMMERCE BOARD

### TO RUN FOR OFFICE ON "RED" PLATFORM

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Guarded by the police women who brought her here from New York to face charges of "advocating the overthrow of the government by force," Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes has announced her candidacy for representative in Congress from a New York City district on the "communist" party ticket.

### Meat Cheaper At Yards But Not to Public

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Meat prices are tumbling wholesale and, at the stock yards, but the retailers calmly assure the dear public that present prices will continue and may go higher. Hogs dropped \$1 a hundred pounds and there were numerous offerings of hogs at \$13.75 a hundred. Beef cattle selling a week ago at \$16.90, were selling at \$15.75. These prices represent a drop of about \$4 a hundred pounds in the last year, but Mr. Ultimate Consumer is still holding the hot end of the poker.

When announcement was made that Europe was buying no more beef or pork, the public chorled and figured this would throw back immense reserves on local markets and run prices down, but the retail butchers, with great unanimity, desire to know "where you get that stuff!"

Retailers say the demand for cured and smoked beef and pork products in this country is small. It was these products Europe was buying. Now, there is no market for them, the price of chops and loins, the "luxury" cuts, must be advanced to enable the packers and retailers to make up what they will lose by the cutting off of European demand.

Wholesale pork shoulders have jumped from 18c to 23c in the past two weeks, and spare ribs have advanced from 17c to 22c.

Butchers also point out that until two years ago, they were able to sell all the poorer parts of beef and pork to the Polish, Bohemians and Italians. Now these people are demanding the choicest cuts and will accept no other. This results in vast waste and raises the prices on all meats to make up the loss.

### MESSANGER GIVEN LONG PRISON TERM FOR BIG BOND THEFT

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Leo Julofsky, the broker's messenger, who calmly remarked when extradited from Los Angeles that he expected a suspended sentence for stealing \$141,000 of securities entrusted to his care, was sentenced yesterday to three years and six months to seven years in state prison.

His brother, Milton, found guilty of receiving the stolen goods from him was sentenced to from a year and six months to three years. Arthur Miller, also convicted of receiving some of the securities, was given a suspended sentence. It was said that he did not profit by receiving the bonds and aided in the recovery of many of them.

### BREACH OF PROMISE SUIT FIRST MAN HAS HEARD OF PROPOSAL TO MARRY GIRL

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 20.—Anna Rogers has entered suit against G. W. Boone for \$25,000 damages because he refuses to carry out his promise of marriage. Boone, on the other hand, in answering the complaint, declares that it is the first time that he knew of a proposal made to Miss Rogers, but that it probably being a "leap year" proposal, he is too gallant to refuse and will marry the young woman on sight if the suit was filed, but that she consistently refuses, yet the alienation suit against Boone has been listed for trial.

Miss Rogers refuses to talk about the suit.

### What Has Been Accomplished in London, Chatham and Guelph Reviewed at Get Together Meeting Last Night in Collegiate Institute

The Community Get-together, held last evening at the Collegiate, in connection with Chamber of Commerce campaign turned out much more successfully than even the directors of the campaign anticipated.

Those who were present received direct information as to what the Chambers of Commerce of London, Chatham and Guelph had done since their reorganization under the plan which is being used here, and the effect was very evident from the frequent applause which greeted the statements made.

Ald. E. C. Graves presided and after a short statement as to the opportunity which St. Catharines has at the present time for development, he introduced the speakers of the evening as follows:

Canon Broughall who spoke of the spiritual growth of a city, M. M. Maxwell, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Chatham who told of the fine work of the Industrial Relations Committee of his organization and how it had developed the real spirit of community co-operation; J. H. Laughton, a director of the London Chamber who described in some detail the conditions which existed in London prior to the organization of the Chamber of Commerce, and the fine feeling which now existed there.

Mr. Laughton's talk was frequently interrupted with applause, as he made point after point which showed community spirit. T. J. Hannigan of Guelph stated that he had come to St. Catharines on business and with no intention of speaking at the meeting, but that he was only too glad to speak his mind and give such statements as would be helpful. He said that the Chamber of Commerce of St. Catharines would be just what the men of the city made it; that Guelph had done things because they had pulled together, and that they were going to continue on the same basis.

Ex-Mayor Burgoyne spoke very briefly endorsing what the speakers had said.

Hugh M. Bell, the Campaign Manager, briefly outlined the plan of the team organization, and called attention to the need for working.

At the end of the meeting about forty men signed cards recording their willingness to work.

### WILL SHOOT ON SIGHT

Drastic Martial Law Ordered Enforced in Saar Region.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Martial law has been proclaimed in the Saar region, now occupied by Freyh troops and under control of an Allied commission, in consequence of new disturbances, according to an Amsterdam despatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

General Wirbel, commanding the French forces, issued instructions to the inhabitants of the region not to show themselves at the windows of their homes, the despatch says, declaring that the troops had been instructed to shoot at sight all those going so.

### IRISH HOME RULE BILL

Andrew Bonar Law Says It Will be Presented Today.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Andrew Bonar Law, the government spokesman, stated in the House of Commons today that it was hoped to introduce the Irish home rule bill today. The second reading of the bill would be taken as soon as the house had time to digest the bill.

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