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# THE NEWS RECORD

KITCHENER, ONTARIO, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1919.

PROBS.  
Easterly winds with light snow-falls, Thursday — Northwest winds and becoming colder.

## May 1920 Bring Peace, Health and Prosperity to You All!

### WILL BE SIGNED JANUARY 6TH

Paris, Dec. 31.—Exchange of ratifications of the Treaty of Versailles will take place January 6th at the Quai d'Orsay. Baron von Lersner, head of the German delegation, and Paul Dastuta, Secretary of the Peace Conference, to-night settled all points in connection with the signature, except that relating to naval material, which will be solved shortly.

The Germans will sign the protocol, and at the same time the allies will hand a letter to them agreeing to reduce their demands to 400,000 tons, if the total available tonnage has been overestimated, or Germany is gravely menaced economically. In any case, after the signature, the allies will get 242,000 tons of material, and the balance based on the reports of the experts who are now checking up at Dantzig, Hamburg and Bremen.

The British Prime Minister, David Lloyd George, will be present at the ceremony. Diplomatic relations with Germany will be resumed the following day, when the French Charge d'Affaires will go to Berlin and French Consuls will resume their posts.

Allied troops will proceed on January 12 to the territories which must be evacuated by the Germans, or where plebiscites are to be held. It is estimated that 100 trains will be needed for this purpose.

### ANOTHER DELAY MAY BE POSSIBLE

Paris, Dec. 31.—Although the supreme council today fixed January 6 as date for signing the protocol and exchanging ratifications for the German peace treaty, complications are developing which it is believed by some persons in Council circles may again cause a postponement of the ceremony, of putting the treaty into effect.

It has developed that the German technical delegate arranging the details connected with the plebiscites to be held, do not appear to have full power to act. The signing of the protocol on January 6th, therefore may depend upon whether the Germans can secure powers immediately in order to complete the arrangements which ought to precede the exchange of ratifications.

### BRITISH BYELECTION

London.—Lieut.-Col. Cuthbert James, Coalition Unionist, has been elected to the Commons in Bromley, Kent, by 1071 majority.

### AIR SEEMS TO BE CLARIFIED BY CHIEF HYDRO ENGINEER

Ample Power Coming to City in The Next Few Months, When Demands Will Increase.

CHIEF ENGINEER GABY MET COMMISSION

From what can be gathered the visit here and address by Chief Engineer Gaby of the Hydro Electric Power Commission has clarified the air considerably in the matter of the Elmhurst Hamilton radial railway by-law to be voted on by the respective seven municipalities to-morrow.

While no definite statement has been made by the Light Commission with whom Mr. Gaby had a conference yesterday, when the questions of power and the city streets and street railway were discussed it is announced that that information was given by Mr. Gaby which was not known before to the commission.

More Power is Assured.

This point has been settled: the city's power shortage. Assurance was received from the Chief Engineer that this matter would be attended to. When Superintendent V. S. McIntyre of the Light and Street Railway Department was seen by the Record this morning he was optimistic as to the future power situation in this city.

Evidently the objection to the hydro railway on this point has been removed.

As to the other matter, the city's streets and the city street railway and the intentions and powers of the Hydro Power Commission the Chief Engineer, it is understood, firmly repeated his assurances and statements of the previous evening, which denied any right to the Hydro Commission and related any intention of their wishing to take the street railway from the city or using any streets without the city's consent.

Mr. Gaby again submitted a proposal to have the city street railway extended its line to connect with the Hydro radial to the benefit of both. The

### Figures For The Year 1919

Over \$1,000,000 in Building During Year.

	No. of Permits	Value
Residences	111	358,300.00
Business Buildings	38	708,896.00
Alterations or repairs	59	31,135.00
Garages, etc.	116	17,331.00
Public Buildings	2	61,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>1,176,662.00</b>

**VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1919**

Births	516
Marriages	238
Deaths	246

**For December**

Births	44
Marriages	9
Deaths	26

### SIR ADAM BECK ILL

Sir Adam Beck is reported to be dangerously ill in London, England, ever since his arrival a week ago. He is suffering from pneumonia and a weakness of the heart causes anxiety.

### POLLING PLACES

1. 10 Grove street, residence of Joseph Weinstein.
2. 45 Waterloo St., Wellhouse's Grocery.
3. 7 Pinke St.
4. 132 Ahrens St. (Kam's Grocery).
5. Margaret Avenue School.
6. 100 Weber street west, Schiebel's Boarding House.
7. 43 Margaret Avenue.
8. Water Works Office Queen street.
9. 84 Mansion Street.
10. 210 Frederick street, McDonald's Grocery.
- 11-A. City Hall.
- 11-B. City Hall.
12. 225 Frederick street.
13. 220 King east, residence of Mrs. Shoemaker.
14. 15 Pandora Avenue.
15. 65 King East.
16. Rummel's Factory, Queen St. and Courtland Ave.
17. Miller's Wagon Shop, Cedar and King Street.
18. Courtland Avenue School.
19. 155 King street west.
20. 11 Joseph street, residence of Peter Dietrich.
21. 461 King street west, Orphanage.
22. 92 Wilmot street, residence of Harry Gluckstein.
23. King Edward School, Agnes Street.

### THOUSANDS WITHOUT WORK

WINNIPEG, Dec. 31.—With less than three hundred positions available, there are about 1,300, of whom 720 are returned soldiers, seeking employment in Winnipeg. There is plenty of work for laborers and men with trades, but there is a decided shortage of clerical and office jobs.

### RECORD TAX FIGURE

WINNIPEG, Dec. 31.—The city tax collector announces that the property owners of Winnipeg have paid since November 1, a sum of \$4,200,000 in taxes, a record figure in the city's history.

### President Wilson issued 18 pardons to convicts this Christmas.

### MORE FRENCH BABIES.

Paris, Dec. 31.—A large increase in the birth rate is shown by statistics for the month of December, the rate in Paris having doubled since the beginning of the year.

Last January the birth rate was 9.5 per thousand, while for the present month the rate exceeds 18 per thousand.

### ELECTION RETURNS

The Record election bulletin will be displayed to-morrow evening from 7 to 9 o'clock in Knell's window, next door to the Record Office.

### AMERICAN WHISKEY BANNED

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—An order in council has been passed banning the importation of American whiskey into Canada to be held in bonded warehouses or to be imported. Hereafter, the bonding privilege was allowed where the provincial authorities consented.

### To Our Friends

#### An Appreciation

It is the season of New Year Greetings in all the homes where subscribers to this paper dwell.

A Happy New Year, with all that term implies, to one and all of you!

As you have put into anything, that much will you get out of it. Out of the interest you have taken in this paper during the old year we hope you have derived an equal personal pleasure. Your appreciation has made this paper's issuance a congenial work to us of the staff.

And likewise in that same spirit, we take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to the business men of this community, and of the territory wherein this paper circulates, for their cordial co-operation in practical ways which has made it possible for us regularly to present our best efforts to the community in a creditable manner.

May the kindly glow of this holiday season color life for you and yours throughout the coming years.

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### CROSSED ON MOVING ICE

QUEBEC, Dec. 31.—The Canadian Recruit, which went aground on December 17, is not a total loss. The ship has a large hole in her side. When the ship was abandoned on December 23, the crew, numbering 28 men, started on foot over the moving ice to the shore, a mile and a quarter away. It took the party five hours to make the short distance. Howbeit, which started from shore to their rescue were useless in the ice and slush. Much of the time it was necessary to draw the boats across the ice, and then row in the open spaces.

Three of the sailors broke through the dangerous slush and were pulled out of the water by comrades. One, named Dave Ellis, had both hands and feet frozen.

The crew got to Tadoussac and were taken to Murray Bay by the Canadian Government steamer Lady Grey. From there they came by train to Quebec.

### GIVE PROFIT TO EMPLOYEES

Detroit, Dec. 31.—The Ford Motor Company will announce to its employees the establishment of a bonus and profit-sharing plan so broad in its scope and provisions as to include every employee, from the humblest floor-sweeper to the departmental executives.

A cash bonus of a million dollars, payable immediately, and based upon daily income and length of continuous service with the company, to its 90,000 employees, with a total expenditure of close to ten million, is contemplated. Employees will also be made partners in the Ford enterprises by the introduction of a system of investment certificates. These will range from \$100 to \$1,000 and will be non-negotiable and non-assignable.

### EXPECT GOVIN TO STAY IN OFFICE

(Special to the Record).

QUEBEC, Dec. 31.—Sir Lomer Govin says it is useless for him to comment upon the frequent rumors regarding his possible retirement. In reply to a direct question put to him to-day by your correspondent, as to whether there was any truth in the rumor that he was shortly leaving from the provincial premiership, Sir Lomer said: "No matter what I say these rumors will go on just the same."

There is a stronger feeling now that in the intentions of Premier Govin to remain for some time. A few days ago, everybody was talking of his approaching retirement, but to-day it seems to be conceded that Sir Lomer may not go, at least until the present session of the Legislature is over and probably not even then.

### FIFTY-FIFTY COUNCIL BREAKS

(Special to the Record).

WINNIPEG, Dec. 31.—Labor aldermen no longer claim equal representation in city council. This is on account of the recent utterances of Alderman Wiginton, who has indicated that he will not support all labor issues, but will be independent.

On the other hand, non-labor aldermen expect Alderman Wiginton to break up the 50-50 council and thereby make less tense council sessions during the year.

Rumors that a coalition may be established between Labor and Citizen aldermen have not carried much weight, because the aldermen have not been able to figure out how certain aldermen of the opposing factions would be willing to work together peacefully, after the numerous rows during the last twelve months.

### RECOVERY DOUBTFUL

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 31.—The hope that the heroic work of the sailors of the steamer Ingraham, who saved three survivors of the wrecked Belgian steamer Anton van Dril yesterday, had not been in vain, was held out here today. They were severely frostbitten and the chances for recovery are still doubtful.

### AN INTERNATIONAL CITY

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The internationalization of Constantinople has been decided upon along lines laid down by Premier Lloyd George in a recent speech, according to the Matin.

The seat of the Turkish government may be transferred to Asia Minor, either to Brusa or to Angora. The details of the form of international control to be established over Constantinople are not yet known.

A St. Paul train jumped the track near Mitchell S. D. overturning six coaches, but injuring only four of the passengers.

### THE CANDIDATES IN THE ELECTION

Polling Day To-morrow, January 1

#### FOR MAYOR.

Eden, J. R.  
Sass, W. T.  
Zettel, G. E.

#### FOR ALDERMEN.

(15 TO BE ELECTED).

Ahrens, Fred H.  
Armbrust, Addison  
Bastz, Charles J.  
Bowman, H. M.  
Breithaupt, L. O.  
Emmerich, Carl.  
Feick, A. W.  
Goffen, R. F.  
Goffen, B. F.  
Gray, H. M.  
Grab, Charles  
Halliwell, W. M.  
Hartung, Walter  
Holts, John L.  
Iler, Wilson  
Kospe, L. A.  
Lang, Jerome  
Lippert, George J.  
Masse, G. J.  
McKay, J. F.  
Minster, Michael  
Near, W. J.  
Plummen, A. P.  
Ratz, E. E.  
Schreiter, A. A.  
Shantz, Ele. J.  
Shantz, Roy  
Steinberg, J. P.  
Wing, W. E.

#### FOR WATER COMMISSION.

(2 TO BE ELECTED).

Beam, E.  
Braun, Casper  
Hainsworth, John.

### DEATH'S RESULT FROM MISTAKE

Owen Sound, Dec. 31.—After lingering in agony for nine days, Mrs. William Charlton of Derby township died at the General Hospital of burns caused by an explosion of gasoline. On the evening of Dec. 19 she went to fill a lamp, and by mistake picked up a can of gasoline which had been left in the shed by men who had been running a sawing machine. She was close to the kitchen stove, and the fumes caught fire, causing an explosion that enveloped the whole room in flames.

Catching her fifteen-month-old daughter from its cradle she rushed out and rolled it in the snow bus before the flames were extinguished and she and the child were horribly burned. The little one died the next morning, and from the first but little hope was entertained of her recovery. Her husband and one son are left.

### WET IF OUT FAR ENOUGH

Montreal, Dec. 31.—All United States ships, unless owned by the United States Government, are at full liberty to be "wet" outside the three-mile limit, is the statement made by Leo S. Tobin, Passenger Agent of the White Star Dominion Line, who has discussed the question with headquarters in New York.

### NEW SHORTHAND RECORD

New York, Dec. 31.—The world's official shorthand speed record was broken by Nathan Behrin, an official stenographer of the Supreme Court of New York, county, who wrote 324 words per minute, with two errors.

The contest was held under the management of the Certified Shorthand Reporters' Society of New York at the annual convention of the New York State Shorthand Reporters' Association.

Mr. Behrin held the former official speed record, having written 278 words a minute in a contest held in 1913.

### WON'T TAKE A CHANCE

WINNIPEG, Dec. 31.—Mischa Elman, the Russian violinist who was to have appeared in Winnipeg this evening, cancelled his engagement at the last moment. He declined to allow his \$100,000 arm to undergo vaccination at the border, he wired from Chicago.

### ON THE WESTERN COAST OF ENGLAND

The average rainfall is four times greater than on the eastern coast.

### THE NEXT YEAR

"No backward glance shall hinder or appal me:  
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