

ENLARGED CANADA TO BE DISCUSSED IN IMPERIAL CIRCLE

Union of Newfoundland and British West Indies.

IMMIGRATION BIG ISSUE

Uniform Systems of Naval and Military Defense Will Be Mooted.

[Special to The Advertiser.] OTTAWA, Feb. 21.—The chief question for discussion at the imperial conference was the further details of the war program of overseas British possessions, both military and naval. In addition the conference will endeavor to work out after-war plans for the Empire in regard to immigration to British colonies; in regard to trade, with the expectation of working out a general plan of mutual tariff preference; to defence, with the hope of creating uniform systems, naval and military; and foreign policy, with expectation of defining the voice which in overseas Britain may hereafter have in peace and war questions. The status of Egypt and the admission of India as a self-governing colony will also be dealt with.

The union of Newfoundland and the British West Indies with Canada will be considered by representatives of those colonies, and the British Government.

Tentative decisions will be reached, and the representatives will lay them before their people on their return home for confirmation. Final ratification of decisions will be given at a conference to be held in London upon the conclusion of war, probably immediately after the peace terms have been settled.

Prepare This for a Bad Cough—It's Fine

Cheaply and Easily Made, But Does the Work Quickly.

The finest cough syrup that money can buy—costing only about one-fifth as much as ready-made preparations—can easily be made up at home. The way it takes hold and conquers disease is simple. It soothes the throat and chest, breaks up the cough, and makes you enthusiastic about it. Any drugstore can supply you with 34 ounces of Pinex (60 cents worth). Pour this into a 16-oz. bottle and fill the bottle with plain granulated sugar syrup. Shake thoroughly and it is ready for use. The total cost is about 34 cents and gives you 16 ounces—a family supply—of a most effective, pleasant tasting remedy. It keeps perfectly.

It's truly astonishing how quickly it acts, penetrating through every air passage of the throat and lungs—loosens the inflamed or swollen throat membranes, and gradually and surely the cough will disappear entirely. Nothing better for bronchitis, spasmodic croup, whooping cough or bronchial asthma.

Pinex is a special and highly concentrated extract of genuine Norway pine extract, combined with guarana and is known the world over for its prompt healing effect on the throat membranes.

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For Dyspepsia, Indigestion.

Heartburn, Belching, Sour Stomach, Gas in Stomach, etc., take a teaspoonful of Bisurated Magnesia in a half glass of hot water after eating. Is safe, pleasant, and gives instant relief from all forms of stomach disorders. Sold by all druggists everywhere.

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STOP CATARRH! OPEN NOSTRILS AND HEAD

Says Cream Applied in Nostrils Relieves Head-Colds at Once.

If your nostrils are clogged and your head is stuffed and you can't breathe freely because of a cold or catarrh, just get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm to use at any drug store. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream into your nostrils and let it penetrate through every air passage of your head, soothing and healing the inflamed, swollen mucous membrane and you get instant relief.

How good it feels. Your nostrils are open, your head is clear, no more hawking, snuffling, blowing, more headache, dizziness or straining for breath. Ely's Cream Balm is just what sufferers from head colds and catarrh need. It's a delight—Advt.

"TIZ" EASES TIRED, SORE, SWOLLEN FEET

Instant relief for aching, puffed-up, calloused feet and corns.

"Tiz" makes your feet glow with comfort, takes down swellings and draws the soreness and misery right out of feet that chafe, smart and burn. "Tiz" instantly stops pain in corns, callouses and bunions. "Tiz" is glorious for tired, aching, sore feet. No more shoe tightness—no more foot torture.

Use "TIZ"

Why go limping around with aching, puffed-up feet—sore, tired, chafed, sore and swollen you can hardly get your shoes on or off? Why don't you get a 25-cent box of "Tiz" from the drug store now and gladden your tortured feet?

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Rowell Has Bill Allowing Women To Sit in Legislature

[Special to The Advertiser.] TORONTO, Feb. 21.—Mr. Rowell, the Liberal leader in the Legislature, today when he introduced a bill to remove the disqualification of women as candidates for the Ontario Legislature.

The Opposition leader expressed the opinion that not only should the women of Ontario be given the privilege of voting for the Legislature, but also that they should have the right to sit as members of the assembly. There was no discussion of the proposal, but it was warmly supported by the Liberal members when the time comes.

MUNICIPALITIES TO FIGHT CORPORATIONS FOR HYDRO RADIALS

Hamilton Selected as Pivotal Point of Campaign.

MCGARRY BILL SLAMMED

Repeal Is Demanded—Quarter Million Already Spent on Plans, Etc.

TORONTO, Feb. 21.—That the question of Ontario's project for municipally-owned hydro radial railways versus privately-owned railroads will be fought out, with Hamilton as the pivotal point, was determined at a large and representative gathering of the Hydro Radial Association today. They were sharp comments from the speakers regarding the Canadian Northern interests, which were alleged to be combating the municipal ownership scheme. Vigorous resolutions were passed to demand a wiping out of the McGarry Bill, and a repeal by the Dominion Parliament of the 15-year-old charter granted to the Toronto and Niagara Power and Continental Light and Heat companies.

Sir Adam Beck read an editorial from a Hamilton paper stating that if he would spend a month in Hamilton discussing the question, that the city would change its hitherto hostile attitude. Mayor Bookout of Hamilton, promptly extended an invitation and arrangements were made for the meeting in Hamilton of municipal representatives, and on the suggestion of Sir Adam Beck it was unanimously decided to pay full land taxes to such municipalities as provided tests for hydro electric and hydro radial works.

Quarter Million Spent

Sir Adam in his address said that 56 municipalities had voted on their last municipal elections to support the hydro radial scheme. But five of them had turned the scheme down. A quarter of a million dollars had been spent in preparing plans and estimates on hydro radial. In his opinion all this money would be wasted as far as the hydro project fell through.

Great enthusiasm was aroused by the announcement that the Provincial Government would stand solidly behind the association in its protest against any interference with the hydro radial movement by private corporations and the granting of special privileges to the Canadian Northern Railway for construction of a new line between Hamilton and Niagara frontier. The announcement was made in a letter from the premier, Sir William Hearst, to Secretary Hannigan.

Officers Elected

The following officers were elected: Honorary president, Sir Adam Beck; vice-presidents, Hon. I. B. Lucas and W. K. McNaught; president, J. W. Lyon; Quebec vice-president, T. C. Chubb; Toronto vice-president, A. F. Wilson; London vice-president, J. J. Stevenson; fourth vice-president, Duffus; Peterborough vice-president, C. G. Bookout; Hamilton vice-president, W. B. Burgoyne; St. Catharines vice-president, Fred Newman; Picton vice-president, G. Powell; Hamilton secretary, T. J. Hannigan; Guelph secretary, T. J. Hannigan.

Absolute Prohibition, Importation Barred, Carries in the States

Bone Dry Measure Passes the Senate by Big Majority.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—Absolute prohibition legislation took its longest forward stride in the nation's history today when the House, after two hours of uproarious debate, approved, by a 4 to 1 majority, a Senate measure which would raise an iron barrier against importation of liquor into prohibition states. It is expected to receive the approval of President Wilson within a week and add one-third of "bone-dry" territory about one-third of the continental United States.

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Evil Will Be Mitigated

Sir Edward, claiming no magic remedy for the evil, expressed the confident belief that the evil would be gradually mitigated. He admitted that the Allied losses were serious enough, but were not equal to "the blatant and extravagant bravado" of the German account of them.

Citing 40 encounters of British ships with German submarines in the last eighteen days, he gave interesting details.

The Government, he said, was unable

to lay down a number of large battleships, of which there were a good many, thanks to Winston Churchill. What was wanted was to build craft most readily available and make good the losses in the mercantile marine, the junta of the admiralty, the shipping controller and the board of trade had been appointed to arrange how these two programs should best be carried out.

Anti-Submarine Department

Sir Edward informed the House that an anti-submarine department should be established in the admiralty, composed of the most experienced and capable men in the navy. The number of armed merchant ships had been increased 47.5 per cent in the last two months.

The House, said Sir Edward, would expect him to deal mainly with the growth of the submarine menace, and he would do so by surveying the work of the navy. He emphasized the importance of what the grand fleet was doing, pointing out that it was assisting the expeditions in Mesopotamia, Saloniki and Egypt, and had to keep the seas clear.

8,000,000 Tons Transported

Upon the whole, he continued, the country had suffered less privation than any of the belligerents. The total number of the personnel carried across the seas up to the end of last October was 8,000,000, he added.

In the first eight days of February, the first lord of the admiralty announced, 89 Allied and neutral steamers of more than 1,000 tons had been lost, their total tonnage amounting to 258,000. This was compared with losses of 69 vessels of 201,000 tons in the first eighteen days of December, and of 65 vessels of 182,000 tons in the first eighteen days of January.

Up to the end of October, also, added Sir Edward, the naval forces had moved more than 3,000,000 tons of explosives and other material; 1,000,000 sick and wounded; more than 4,000,000 horses and mules; more than 4,000,000 gallons of petrol. They had examined on the high seas or in harbors 15,150 ships. In January last, alone, in British ports they had examined 1,754 ships, and the total for February would not be less than that for January.

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The navy's figures, Sir Edward Carson, today, showed that 75 per cent of the ships escaped after a submarine attack, while only 24 per cent of unarmed vessels escaped.

Including smaller vessels, said Sir Edward, the total number of ships lost, both Allied and neutral, during the first eighteen days of December, the first eighteen days of January, and the first eighteen days of February, were, with their tonnage, as follows:

Months	Ships	Tonnage
December	69	201,000
January	65	182,000
February	89	258,000

13,000 Ships to and From

The total number of vessels going to and from the United Kingdom during the first eighteen days of February was 12,349, of the number of arrivals being 6,076, and of departures, 6,273.

The estimated number of ships in

the so-called danger zone at any one time was 3,000.

In the case of all these sinkings and the accompanying sacrifices and trials, the first lord of the admiralty said he had not heard of a single sailor who had refused to win the war, he declared. Neutrals might be nervous and frightened, but they would follow the British example, and he believed that they would resume their sailings.

Sir Edward said he proposed in the

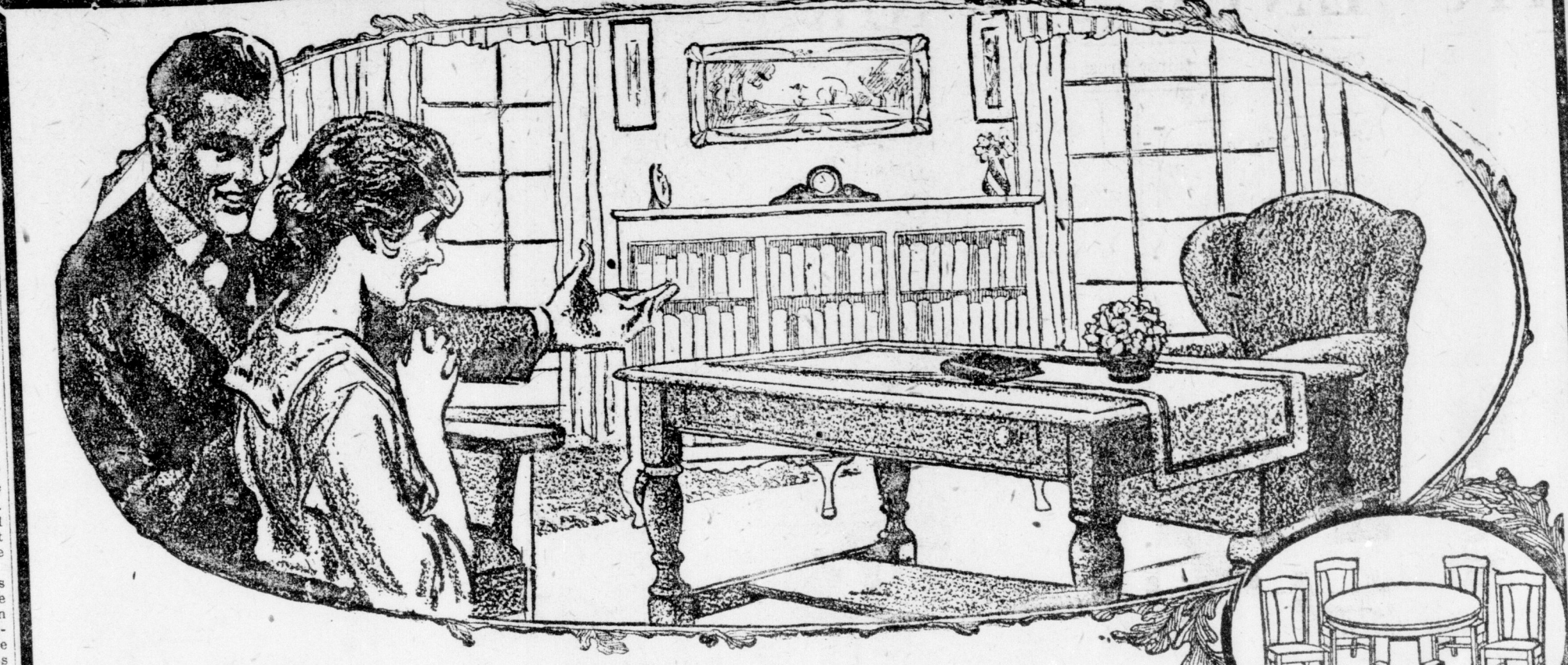
future, daily if possible, to publish together the number of losses by mines and torpedoes, and the number of ships entering and leaving the ports of the United Kingdom. He would also publish a list of vessels which had been attacked by and escaped from submarines.

At Grips With Times

In announcing that he had reports of forty encounters with submarines in the first eighteen days of February, Sir Edward said, "the fact that we got to grips with them more than forty times in eighteen days was an enormous achievement."

Sir Edward quoted from some of these reports dealing with the various encounters to show the varying degrees of certainty or uncertainty as to the fate of submarines. As an instance, in which the result positively was known, he cited the capture by a destroyer of a submarine and her crew. Two other cases from which he quoted disclosed some of the methods adopted for fighting the submarines.

In one of these he referred to reports from a ship which had dropped bombs where a submarine had submerged. A similar report came from



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ONLY A FEW MORE DAYS and the sale will be over. Our stock is still very complete and the bargains are as numerous as ever. Everything is reduced. If you need Furniture or Rugs this spring, come at once. Goods will be held on payment of a small deposit. Practically all goods were purchased a year or more ago, when prices were at the lowest point. We guarantee our prices for this sale to be positively the lowest in Canada. In most cases our sale prices are much below the present factory prices.

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If You Miss This Sale You Will Be the Loser

- 12 Chesterfield Davenports just placed on our floor, 25 per cent to 40 per cent discounts.
- Fumed Oak Library Tables, Chairs and Rockers, in great variety at big discounts.
- Parlor Suites and Parlor Tables, at every price, are reduced 25 per cent to 50 per cent.
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- Curtains and Draperies are reduced one-third. A beautiful stock to select from at bargain prices.
- A carload of Baby Carriages has just arrived and are on display in our Basement. Over 50 different designs.

The Ontario Furniture Co., Ltd.

226-228-230 Dundas St. London's Largest Homefurnishers.

400,000 Men Are Wanted For Navy Something Doing

Admiral Beatty Commands Greatest Fleet Which Ever Sailed the Seas.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—In introducing the naval estimates in the House of Commons today, Sir Edward Carson said the vote for 400,000 men which the Government was asking demonstrated the strength of the navy. He expressed the opinion that the country was extremely fortunate in having Admiral Jellicoe at the head of the admiralty. In his record of service and experience, Admiral Jellicoe occupied a unique position, the speaker commented.

As an officer at the admiralty for two and a half years he had held the destinies of the country in his hands. Admiral Beatty, continued Sir Edward, was now commanding the greatest fleet which ever sailed the seas, and he was evidently in good luck, he announced, with the port of troops had been transferred to the shipping controller.

HAS A BROTHER HERE

Mrs. Chas. Wingfield Died Very Suddenly at Stratford.

STRAITFORD, Feb. 21.—Death came suddenly today to Mrs. Charles Wingfield. She spent Tuesday evening visiting relatives, and retired in apparently good health about 10 o'clock. Before her husband left for work today they had been talking of different matters, and she was evidently in good health. About 10 o'clock, Michael Dolan, her brother, came home, and when he did not receive any answer to his call, he investigated, and found her dead.

M. W. F. TRUB AGAIN IN HAGUE CABINET

LONDON, Feb. 21.—A Reuter dispatch from The Hague says that Dr. Marie F. Trub, former minister of finance, has been appointed to succeed the present finance minister, Dr. Van Glyn, who resigned owing to serious differences with the cabinet on its responsibilities and duties.

FOOD RIOT IN PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 21.—A "food riot" tonight by the wives of striking employees of the Franklin Sugar Refining Company resulted in the killing of one man and the serious injury of

DISTRICT CASUALTIES

WOUNDED KEPEL, Pte. John Robinson (on duty). DANGEROUSLY ILL STRATFORD, Gunner T. V. Waldon.

RUSSIA OPENS OFFICE FOR TRADE IN CANADA

Col. Kovaleff Reaches Ottawa With Big Prospects.

FROST STOPS SUPPLY OF POTATOES FOR GERMANY

Socialist Organ Announces Distribution of Flour Necessary.

Amsterdam, via London, Feb. 22.—The Vorwarts, the German Socialist organ, says the German minister of interior has issued a proclamation stating that, owing to the complete stoppage of the potato supply, due to frost, the distribution of flour in many large towns has become necessary, and that consequently the socialist calls on the country people to save grain and potatoes.

The Vorwarts adds that at the final auction of the stock of potatoes will occur some time before the new harvest, the cereals stocks will again be drawn upon. It then requests agricultural authorities to take extreme measures to prevent farmers from withholding foodstuffs.

BAVARIAN AND PRUSSIAN SOLDIERS KILLED IN ROW

Thirty-Two Slain, Result of Quarrel in Belgium.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Thirty-two Bavarian and Prussian soldiers were killed and 200 wounded as the result of a quarrel, which resulted in a fight, last week, according to the Maastricht, the land newspaper, Les Nouvelles. The trouble took place at Beverloo, Belgium.

ASKS LEGISLATURE TO CHECK C. N. R. AMBITIONS

TORONTO, Feb. 21.—Thomas Marshall, member for Lincoln, is to move in the Legislature that the House should pass a resolution expressing its disapproval of the plans of the C. N. R. Company of its subsidiary lines, for a railway running from Toronto to Niagara Falls, through Hamilton, and the approval of the plans for any portion of the route, because the hydro-electric commission has voted, by a large majority, in favor of construction, with but one exception, of the said road by the hydro-electric