

# LENGTHY ROUTINE SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD

## Various Matters Held Attention of the City Fathers Until a Late Hour Last Night—Meat Stalls on Market to Be Rented by Auction

The midnight oil was consumed once more by the city fathers last evening in a council session which endured until 11.20 and was then terminated before the business of the evening had been completed. Among the affairs dealt with, one of the most important was the recommendation of the buildings and grounds committee, to the effect that the meat stalls on the market be auctioned off to the highest bidder.

On the motion of Ald. Dowling, the minutes of the last meeting were taken as read.

**Notices of Motion.**  
Ald. Vary filed notice of motion calling for the extension of the storm sewer on West Mill street, from St. Paul's avenue to Morrell Street, also for the sending to the L. E. and N. railway of instructions to open up the Leonard street crossing and to put it in proper shape for traffic.

**Finance Committee.**  
The finance committee submitted the following report: That the Council accept the invitation of the Brant Historical Society to attend at the unveiling of the memorial tablet to the Indian Poetess, the late Pauline Johnston, on March 9th, 1917.

**Board of Works.**  
The Board of Works reported as follows: That the contract for special castings for 1917 be awarded to the Hartley Foundry Company in accordance with their tender of Feb. 13th and that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare agreement.

**Railway Question.**  
On the motion of Ald. Kelly, seconded by Ald. English, the council recommended to the employees of the street railway that they complete their term with the railway under the present rate, and that the railway commission be advised to establish a minimum wage of 25 cents per hour at the expiration of the present agreement.

**Wage Question.**  
Ald. Dowling, while favoring the payment of adequate wages, understood that the city employed certain men known as "not able-bodied."

**Estimates Committee.**  
The finance committee, together with the chairman of the standing committees, were appointed a committee to strike the tax rate for the year 1917.

**Investigating Committee.**  
On the motion of Ald. MacBride and Ald. Mellen, Aids. Hollnarake, English and Kelly were appointed a committee to investigate the present condition of the board of works department.

**Buildings and Grounds.**  
The buildings and grounds committee reported as follows: That your committee recommend that they be empowered to call for tenders for the sale of the old post house in Mount Hope cemetery, the same to be removed off the premises.

**Meat Stalls.**  
We also recommend that your committee be empowered to number the market stalls in the market shed, and that the highest bidder be the purchaser for the same with the distinct understanding that the price is paid for the year, the market to be open on each and every Saturday during the year, and that your committee be empowered to instruct the city solicitors to draw such agreement as will be binding.

**Selling Stalls.**  
Mayor Bowly objected to the selling of the market stalls by auction, as if the present rental for the stalls were raised, the additional sum must come out of the prices obtained by the commodities sold, thus defeating the purpose of community benefit for which the market existed.

**Other Matters.**  
Ald. Kelly stated that a number of butchers were at present unable to obtain a stall upon the market, and were willing to pay more than the present rental. It was proposed to place the stalls under the supervision of the buildings and grounds committee to avoid exorbitant expenses.

**Meat Stalls.**  
Ald. Bragg voiced the sentiment of the buildings and grounds committee, that the only fair way of distributing the stalls would be by auction sale. The present rent was an exceedingly low one. The dealers who purchased the stalls would be unable to raise the price of their goods because of the competition of outside vendors.

**Meat Stalls.**  
Ald. Bragg was supported by Ald. Symons, who failed to understand how it would be possible for dealers to raise the price of their goods with any success. Ald. Symons demanded also a more thorough inspection of the issuing of certificates by the meat inspector to be displayed by all the meat dealers on the market.

**Meat Stalls.**  
Ald. MacBride commended the action of the buildings and grounds committee.

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Ald. Mellen considered that the present occupation of the meat stalls constituted a virtual monopoly of all of which the mayor had earlier in the evening expressed his opposition.

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The Mayor recalled that he had last year introduced a bylaw to amend the market laws, which had been defeated by the council.

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Ald. Wiley advocated the establishment of a public abattoir and municipal inspection of all meat sold in the city. The report of the committee was then carried, opposed by the Mayor and Ald. Dowling.

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Ald. Jones filed notice of motion to have the public school of the city used for polling booths in future municipal elections.

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The Mayor objected to this motion, as infringing upon the authority of the Railway Commission. Ald. MacBride and Ald. Kelly considered that the council was doing nothing more than making courteous recommendation to the commission. Ald. English insisted upon fair wages for employees of the city.

**Meat Stalls.**  
Ald. Symons supported the plea of Ald. English, calling for fair wages to the employees of the city regardless of their earnings.

**Meat Stalls.**  
"That is not the question," declared the Mayor. "The affair is none of our business."

**Meat Stalls.**  
Ald. MacBride submitted that the matter was the business of the council, and that there was nothing ill advised in the motion of Ald. Kelly. The Mayor alone opposed the motion on the vote.

**Meat Stalls.**  
Ald. Jennings introduced a motion to the effect that complaints received by the city council in regard to city street cars being overcrowded and not running on time, be referred to the railway commission. The Mayor alone opposed the passing of the motion.

# War As It Really Is, Coming to Brantford

### The Courier Successful in Obtaining Great War Film; Realistic Views Show Verdun Under Shell Fire and Other Stirring Scenes

After two years of war films, some of them good, some uninteresting, the public will find a wholesome refreshment in these pictures to be shown at the Rex Theatre under the auspices of The Courier, Monday and Tuesday next. The pictures were taken by Captain. Donald C. Thompson, staff photographer for Leslie's Weekly, and the official cinematographer for the French Government.

With utter disregard for personal safety, Capt. Thompson has amassed a series of reels which show vividly the grim side of the great world-conflict.

Impressive scenes mark the approach to battle of 50,000 French soldiers. They are aptly termed the 'steel wall of France,' and they always insist on passing in review before their commander just before going into action.

A French aviator consented to take him over the German lines, and he (Capt. Thompson) of course, took his "box" with him. Up through the clouds they travel, thousands and thousands of feet, and always on the look-out for hostile aircraft.

Finally one is sighted, but Thompson's aviator, unaccompanied by a machine gun operator, declines combat. But another French aviator rises, then Capt. Thompson's camera did its most spectacular work. Every moment of the aerial fight is filmed from the time the French craft rose until finally the German machine was sent hurtling to the ground inside the French lines.

Verdun's battlements are also revealed, staunch after incessant pounding by the German howitzers. Verdun's buildings virtually ground to powder, are also shown.

The films are impressive and are deserving of success for they accomplish their purpose—to show "War As It Really Is." There will be two showings each day.

# America Willing But Unprepared For War

### U. S. Lulled to Sleep by Traitorous Pacifists and Visionary Demagogues, Declares Noted Writer

Take One America (By Henry Reuterhald, member of the United States Institute and authoritative writer on naval affairs.) At the outbreak of a war, we should have a war, we could do nothing which would directly harm Germany, except lend money to the Allies and consider the German shipping in our harbors. At the outbreak of a war, we should have a war, we could do nothing which would directly harm Germany, except lend money to the Allies and consider the German shipping in our harbors. At the outbreak of a war, we should have a war, we could do nothing which would directly harm Germany, except lend money to the Allies and consider the German shipping in our harbors.

we must present every fighting ship in commission and man every merchant vessel which can steam fast and carry a gun. Due to war prosperity and "war brides," the ammunition factories get men—not the navy.

It would be physically impossible to obtain men to man our ships except by bounty or conscription. Four years ago it would have been a simple question.

The shortage is some 10,000 regulars and 23,000 reserves after regulars and 23,000 reserves after regulars and 23,000 reserves after regulars.

The doctrine of making war without risks, or without fighting, would be dangerous and potential strength must be used when the gauntlet is thrown down.

What would our war measure be? The first phase of the war would be naval. Our action against Germany might be as follows:

To use all destroyers, cruisers and gunboats on our side of the Atlantic for deep water convoys of fleets of merchantmen. The Allies handle the other side. Commission hundreds of auxiliary cruisers, yachts, power boats and sea-going tugs for local convoy and patrol duty. Assist these with submarines and off-shore mine fields. Seize enemy ships in our ports for auxiliary cruisers and transport. Permit allies' ships to operate from any American port—furnish supplies to allies. Battle fleet to co-operate with allies where needed.

Have Five Fleet. We have a splendidly fine battle-ship fleet in the Caribbean, 15 strong—14 of which are dreadnaughts. Forty-nine excellent destroyers can protect it against submarines. But this fleet of ours has no battle cruisers as a fast wing, nor fast scouts as "eyes." It is underrmanned, particularly in officers. Strategists may think the peculiar naval position and the problems of tactics in such a war would make it inadvisable for our fleet to cross the ocean to reinforce the British navy. Our fleet must be properly screened by fast cruisers and four destroyers detailed to each battleship as submarine guard.

The British fleet is now twice and a half times stronger than the German fleet. The superior skill of the Kaiser's navy cannot balance the tremendous superiority in numbers of the British grand fleet. The brute force of British superdreadnaughts do not believe there will be another Jutland. It is now idle to think that starvation of the Germans will force the Kaiser's fleet to battle. Germany is hard up, but not starving.

See No New Jutland Germany's game would be to play her cards so that her high sea fleet stays intact after the war. Another possibility is that she will lose another Jutland. It is now idle to think that starvation of the Germans will force the Kaiser's fleet to battle. Germany is hard up, but not starving.

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OUR New Spring Stock of Chintz and Crottonnes are now being opened up. These consist of the best qualities in a splendid range of patterns and colorings of various combinations. The patterns are large floral designs, tapestry effects and bird patterns, also a showing of patterns of black stripes and Checks all of very soft tints in shallow effects. These range in prices at \$1.50, \$1.00, 75 and 50c. Curtains made to order.

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# Mounted Police Officer Killed

By Courier Leased Wire. Winnipeg, Feb. 20.—The Free Press today says: News of the death of R. A. M. Abich, a former sergeant of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, and also a former employee of the Department of Immigration in Winnipeg, has been received here. When killed Abich was an officer with a body of German scouts on the west front, and he therefore died while fighting the king to whom he had sworn allegiance.

Abich came directly to Canada from Berlin in 1903 and joined the R. N. W. M. P. at Regina. Later he became sergeant at Saskatoon and in 1911 he left the force and joined the staff of the immigration office in Winnipeg. He remained until the last week in May 1914, when he suddenly informed his friends that his grandmother in Berlin was very ill so he had to return at once to the Fatherland. He sailed for Berlin early in June 1914. Just two months before the outbreak of the war.

**HARDMEN'S ASSOCIATION.**  
By Courier Leased Wire. Hamilton, Feb. 20.—Mayor Book-er today welcomed two hundred delegates to the convention of the Hardmen's Association of Ontario. Col. J. B. McLean and Weston Wrigley, of Toronto, were speakers this afternoon. W. P. McPherson, of Prescott, is convention secretary. W. J. Carter, of Picton, is president of the association. The convention lasts three days.

**AMERICAN SHIP SUNK.**  
By Courier Leased Wire. London, Feb. 20.—The nationality of the schooner Dorothy, reported sunk by Lloyds shipping agency agency, some of the London newspapers, however, describe her as the American schooner of that name.

**PORTO RICAN BILL PASSED.**  
By Courier Leased Wire. Washington, Feb. 20.—The Porto Rican citizenship and civil government bill was passed by the Senate today without roll call. It already had passed the House.

**DID YOU LOSE A DOLLAR.**  
If so you can easily make it up by taking advantage of J. W. Burgess Big February Sale, 44 Colborne St.

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The photograph shows a Dutch soldier firing a rifle using the "Erasmus" periscope. This device was designed by J. H. Erasmus, a Dutch inventor, and is named in his honor. It is attached to the butt of the rifle and enables the soldier to aim and fire accurately without danger of death from the enemy's bullets. It is in use in the Dutch Army and should revolutionize sniping on the battlefronts.

# NOTICE SOLDIERS WIVES AND

In view of the fact that the list of those not on Fund cannot be obtained out cards for meeting this afternoon, February 22nd, 8 p.m., Y. M. C. A. to consider any situation in Brantford

# NOTICE BRANT RECRUITING

A meeting of all interested in Brant County Militia is being held on Thursday evening, Feb. 22nd, at 8:00 p.m. at the Y. M. C. A. Hall, with a view to reorganizing the Militia Act will be in

# Auction S

Central Auction Rooms, 81 opposite the Brant Mill On Thursday next, Feb. 1.30 p.m. sharp the following

For this sale we have a lot of new furniture, buffets, sets of diners, tables, rockers, a lot of ch. library tables, china cabinet, etc. etc. Also for sale, three heavy brass beds 4x6 so some Wilton Brussels, etc.

Sale room open Wednesday 2 to 5 p.m. for inspection goods have never been used class goods, and are cons. sale.

On Thursday next, Feb. 1.30 p.m. sharp, at the Central Rooms, 81 Wharf St., the Brant Milling Co. To no reserve.

# Mail Contr

SEALED TENDERS addressed Postmaster General, will be opened until noon, on Friday, 15th Feb. 1917, for the award of His Majesty's Mail Contract for four years, from the 1st of January 1918, between Brantford Post Office and St. Catharines, Ontario, from the General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing formation as to conditions of contract may be seen and blank tenders may be obtained at the Brantford Post Office. Deputy Minister of the Navy, Ottawa, Ontario. G. C. ANDERSON, Secy.

# DEPARTMENT OF THE ROYAL NAVAL SERVICE

THE next examination for the Royal Naval Service will be held at the local centres of the Civil Service Commission in May, 1917, successful candidates for entry will be advised by the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, Ottawa, from whom blank applications may be obtained.

Candidates for the examination next must be between the ages of sixteen and eighteen on the 1st Jan. Further details can be obtained on application to the undersigned.

G. J. BISHARA, Esq., Deputy Minister of the Navy (Ottawa, November 28, 1916). Authorized publications of the Government will not be paid for.

# Cook's Cotton Root

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# News Note

A new departure has been made by the Collegiate Institute, where in the organization of classes.

The 200-acre farm and lake owned by late Geo. E. C. P. St. Thomas, have been bought by William Lucas, of Glanworth.

Officials of the Canadian Seaport Commission, who have made a report to the Hydrographic Commission for a supply of power.

James Murray, nominated as Liberal candidate for the Commons in East Middlesex given up the nomination on account of ill-health.

The death occurred at V. R. C. of Miss Marjorie Leinster daughter of Senator James Leinster of Calgary. The remains will be buried in Calgary.

The Canada Steamship Line is endeavoring to have some steamer take over the delivery mail between Alexandria and Clayton next season.

The double funeral of Mrs. Connor, who died within hours of each other, took place at Ancester. The deceased couple each over 90 years of age.

Corpl. Wm. R. Bannerman, filed off his appointment to a position in the Customs Office of the City of Toronto. Mr. Bannerman is a returned wounded soldier.

One of the few remaining portraits of Puelich has died in the person of Miss Jane Patterson of Brantford, at the age of 82.

The Ladies' Curling Club has in a healthy state of membership, there being twenty active members.