

W. J. HANNA'S DEATH IS REPORTED

Hon. W. J. Hanna Dead Died Today in Florida.

WAS FORMERLY PROVINCIAL SECRETARY
TORONTO, March 20.—Hon. W. J. Hanna, President of the Imperial Oil Company and former Provincial Secretary of Ontario, died today at Augusta, Ga.

DIED OF A STROKE
TORONTO, Ont., March 20.—A telegram which reached this city shortly before noon today announced that Hon. W. J. Hanna, President of the Imperial Oil Co. of Canada, former Food Controller, also Provincial Secretary of Ontario, died this morning at Augusta, Ga., following a stroke. Feeling unwell, Hon. Mr. Hanna two weeks ago went south with a party consisting of his wife, Dr. S. Cummings, his attending physician, his son Walter Nesbitt and C.O. Stillman vice-president of the Imperial Oil Co. They took up their quarters at Partridge Inn, Augusta.

Word reached Toronto today that Mr. Hanna's health was improved and the announcement of his death today came as a surprise to his friends. It is believed that the death of his only son, Lieutenant Neil Hanna, while flying in Italy last November, hastened his end.

Beside his widow two daughters survive, Mrs. H.B. Spalling of Toronto now in New York, and Miss Katharine Hanna, student at Dassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York. The body will be brought home, to Sarnia for interment.

HANNA'S DEATH REGRETTED
TORONTO, March 20.—The province of Ontario has lost a very capable citizen in the death of Hon. W. J. Hanna, said C. M. Bowman, chief Liberal whip in the Ontario house. "During his term of office as Provincial Secretary he brought about a very businesslike system in regard to the institutions under the control of his department. Since assuming the presidency of the Imperial Oil Company, he clearly served his generation by the profit-sharing system which he put into effect."

News of the death of Hon. W. J. Hanna, former Provincial Secretary of Ontario, has been greeted with a sense of loss by many of the house alike received the tidings with regret and were outspoken in their tributes to the character and ability of the deceased. Premier Hearst declined to make any comment until the opening of the house this afternoon, when official recognition will probably be taken by the government of the passing of the former cabinet minister.

Colonel Donald Sharp, Conservative member for Welland, expressed regret at the death of Mr. Hanna, and stated that while overseas he had met Mr. Hanna's sister-in-law, Miss McAdam, who is a member of the Alberta legislature, and who was serving as a Red Cross nurse.

"He was the strongest man in the Whitney cabinet, in point of ability and strength of character," so Allen Studholm, Labor member for East Hamilton, said. "He and I fought frequently on the floor of the house, but personally we were the best of friends. He was working toward a spirit of cooperation between employers and employees in the Imperial Oil Co., and his death will be a serious loss to the province."

Some of the Men That are Coming

The Soldiers' Aid Committee have received word that the following men have arrived via the "Celtic" and will arrive here in a day or two. Private Held of 14 Grove St. Corporal Greve of 55 Mary St. Sapper Pontin of 76 Mill St. Sapper Schultz of 38 Braun St. Sapper Wismer of Poquegan Block, Frederick St.

Sapper Livick of 328 Courtland Ave. Other returning men who arrived at Halifax on the evening of March 18th on the Celtic are the following, they being expected to arrive here soon: On. Brett, 155 Margaret Ave; Pte. Spallinger, 18 Heins Ave; Cadet Washburn, 59 King St; Cpl. Schmidt, 296 Frederick Spr. Wynousky, 115 College.

**BRITISH FLYING BOAT
TO TRY TO CROSS
ATLANTIC**
LONDON, March 20.—The British air ministry announced that the steamer Montauk will start across Atlantic today to make daily air tests with kites, the results of which will be made available to all aviators attempting a trans-Atlantic flight, regardless of nationality.

An official announcement was also made that a government flying-boat has been shipped to Newfoundland from where it will start across the Atlantic.

Conference March 29 on Provincial Highway

CITY ASKED TO SEND DEPUTATION
On Saturday afternoon, March 29, next, a deputation from Central Ontario will be heard by Premier Hearst and Mr. McDiarmid, Minister of Public Works regarding the Provincial Highway.

Toronto Daily News Purchased by Group

WILL REAPPEAR AS TORONTO TIMES
TORONTO, Ont., March 20.—The undertaking, assets and liabilities of the Toronto Daily News have been acquired by a group of Canadians.

The new proprietors have decided to produce an entirely new journal in keeping with the requirements of a progressive period. The new daily will be called: "The Toronto Times" and will make its appearance on Thursday, March 27th. It will be published under the direction of Mr. C. W. McDiarmid, as general manager, and Mr. F. D. L. Smith, as editor in chief. The Toronto Daily News will make its last publication on Wednesday, March 26th. The name of the new company will be: "The Toronto Times Limited."

Improved C. P. R. Connections to City

Also Better Lake Erie and North-ern Facilities
Better C.P.R. train connections for this city are a certainty. Certain changes have been decided on by the Grand River Valley Railway Company for the benefit of this city. As a result the officials of the company immediately set about to work out a plan whereby the connections will be improved.

The most important change is the putting on of an early morning car which will leave here at 6.05 every morning and will make connections at Galt with the 6.55 a.m. train for Toronto besides Hamilton and Buffalo. This connection will enable citizens who want to get to Toronto early to reach there at 8.40 o'clock, twelve minutes later than the time at which the first train for Toronto leaves this city. The connections with the Galt train are the first class through train which carries a cafe-parlor car. This connection will also enable one to go to and get back from Buffalo on the same day. It will, therefore, be a convenience for many busy business men who may wish to meet someone over on the American city for an hour or two consultation. They have the alternative of leaving Buffalo via two ways and still arrive home the same evening. At present one cannot reach Buffalo until about five o'clock in the afternoon. The new connections, it is calculated will also be an advantage to business men who wish to reach Toronto before the Saturday hours close.

The Lake Erie and Northern connections are also improved, after the new time table goes into effect the Port can be reached at 8.50 o'clock in the morning. This is two hours earlier than at present. In the evening there will be a great improvement in these connections. Leaving the Port at night on the last car one can reach home on the twelve o'clock car, which will be an extra car on the Grand River Railway into this city.

Other improved facilities are the Paris and Brantford connections which will be found advantageous to many of the Twin City's commercial travellers.

In addition to these this city's name will be added to the regular C.P.R. time-table which will mean that the nuisance experienced by many a passenger to and from this city will be eliminated. It will facilitate the buying of tickets to this city and also the checking of baggage consigned to the city.

Speaking about the improved facilities, Mr. C.J. Whitney, the General Passenger Agent of the Company who was in the city yesterday said: "This is something which we have had in mind for some time but we couldn't do anything. We simply had to sit tight owing to war conditions."

In view of the fact that our neighboring city of Galt has about seventy opportunities in a day for its people to leave the city either via the steam line or the electric the importance of the extra facilities can be seen.

Complete details of the new connections will be found in another column of this issue.

Reached Home! his son
Corporal Dempsey of 947 West King Street and Pte. A. Martin of 47 Henry Street arrived here on the 11.32 train this morning.



UNEMPLOYED DEMONSTRATION IN QUEEN'S PARK, TORONTO, TUESDAY.

Covenant Ready for Inclusion on Saturday

NOW NEARING COMPLETION
PARIS, March 20. (By Fred S. Ferguson).—The league of nations' covenant, as it will be incorporated in the preliminary peace treaty, will be practically completed on Saturday, according to general belief today. On that day the committee, which drew up the constitution, will hold its first meeting since the initial draft was finished.

The S.S. Baltic is at Halifax Harbor

BROUGHT NUMBER TORONTO TROOPS
HALIFAX, N.S., March 20.—The White Star liner Baltic, bringing the 58th Battalion of Toronto, the 43rd Battalion of Winnipeg, the first C.M.R. of Brandon, part of the second C.M.R. of Toronto and the Tenth field-ambulance of Winnipeg, arrived in port at eleven o'clock this morning.

She had expected to enter the harbor at an early hour but was delayed off the coast.

Let's Capture Mitau

BOLSHEVIKI ARE BEING DRIVEN BACK
COPENHAGEN, March 20.—The important railroad junction town of Mitau, southwest of Riga, has been captured by Lettish troops, so a Lettish official statement announces. The Bolsheviks, the statement adds, are retreating along the whole front.

Britain to Build Two Enormous Airships

OF 1500 HORSEPOWER AND 80 TONS LIFTING CAPACITY
LONDON, March 20.—Following the successful trial of new British dirigibles of a rigid type of construction, the government, according to the London Mail has ordered the building of two enormous airships. Each will be eight hundred feet in length and will have a capacity of three million cubic feet.

They will have 1800 horsepower and lift 80 tons.

Divorces End One of 9 Marriages in States

SAYS AMERICAN BUREAU OF CENSUS
WASHINGTON, March 20.—Approximately one out of every nine marriages in the United States is terminated by divorce, according to figures compiled by the Bureau of Census and made public today. In 31 per cent. of the cases in 1916, divorces was granted to husbands, while the husbands rate in 1906 was 67 per cent.

Desertion is shown by figures to have been cause for about 38 per cent. of the divorces.

Among other leading causes were cruelty, infidelity and failure to provide.

CABLE NEWS In Tabloid Form

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The British Coalmining Report Made Today

PARTIES HERETO AGREED ON MOST OF POINTS
LONDON, March 20.—With the report of the special parliamentary committee on the coal-mining situation due today, British miners were discussing the possibility of joint action with American miners to force an accession to all their demands, in case the report is unsatisfactory.

British miners were taking this attitude as the result of a dispatch describing the American miners' program, outlined by Frank Hays, president of the United Mineworkers of America, which coincides with the British demands. The British are asking a six hour day, an increase in wages and the nationalization of the mines.

"It is a bit of interesting information and pretty good news," Robert Smillie, head of British miners, told the United Press in discussing Hays' statement. "Their demands are the same as ours. It will considerably strengthen us if American miners make up their minds to demand these things. It would equalize competition, wiping out the strongest point of the employers, which is that the granting of our demands means the success of American competition, in coal and steel."

An Exchange Telegram said today it understands that the coal commission has agreed on most points but there is a serious conflict regarding the nationalization of the mines.

Water Commissioners Call Public Meeting

For Friday Evening to Discuss Water Question.

INVITE RATEPAYERS TO ATTEND
A public meeting, on the call of the Water Commissioners, will be held to-morrow (Friday) evening in the Council Chamber to discuss the water question.

The main issue is whether water from Shoemaker's lake should or should not be used. The object of the meeting is to present the reasons for and against its use.

The Commissioners extend an invitation to all interested ratepayers to attend.

Dr. Charles W. Elliot, president of Harvard University for 40 years and one of the most famous of American educators, will celebrate his 85th birthday today.

Denial has been given to the report that Premier Clemenceau would resign the office of Minister of War.

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VALERA SAYS IRELAND WILL GET INDEPENDENCE

DUBLIN, March 20.—The ultimate success of the movement for Irish independence was predicted in a message received here on St. Patrick's Day from Professor Edward De Valera, it was announced here today.

VON HINDENBURG DEFENDS KAISER'S FLIGHT

BERLIN, March 20.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg today issued a statement defending the former Kaiser's flight.

"He chose the best course to serve the fatherland, to save us from further losses and misery and to restore peace," Von Hindenburg said.

BOLSHEVIK ARMY DEFEATED NEAR ARCHANGEL

LONDON, March 20.—Bolshevik forces were defeated in an attack on the Allied positions north of Archangel, it was announced in an official communication received here today.

AUSTRALIA OFFERS \$50,000 PRIZE

MELBOURNE, March 20.—The Australian government has offered a prize of \$50,000 for the first flight from England to Australia. Only Australian aviators are eligible to receive the prize.

Woodstocks May Take Place of Patricias

IN GAME WITH U.T.S. ON SATURDAY
TORONTO, March 20.—Secretary W. A. Hewitt, of the Ontario Hockey Association, intimated this morning that Woodstock, the runners up for O.H.A. Junior Championship, may be substituted for the Patricias of Regina, for the game on Saturday night against U.T.S., who gave the Patricias such a beating last night.

The Patricias may be asked today to default their second game and give Woodstock an opportunity for a good exhibition game with U.T.S.

The decision will probably be reached this afternoon.

Bolsheviks Virtually Control the Ukraine

FRENCH FORCES WITHDRAW TO ODESSA
LONDON, March 20.—Virtually all of Ukraine is now in the hands of the Bolsheviks. In heavy fighting at Nikolaiiv, northeast of Odessa, the Bolsheviks lost between 5000 and 8000 men but forced the French gas-

THE WORK OF A CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OUTLINED

Big Meeting Appoints a Representative Committee to Further Look Into the Plan Outlined by Experts.

The work and the advantages of a Chamber of Commerce were explained to a big meeting of representative citizens last evening in the City Hall by Mr. C.W. Otto of the New York City Bureau, who at present is organizing a Chamber in Stratford. The speaker made the fact clear that he came here to tell of what the Bureau which he represents has done in other cities, the work and purpose of Chambers of Commerce, their system of organization and that he would not ask the citizens to buy this system of organizing, perhaps they could do it themselves but considering the experience in other cities it was found that the Bureau was more successful in undertaking the organization than the citizens themselves. Reasons why this is so he explained later in the evening.

The result of the education of a meeting was that a big committee consisting of the chairman of the various public bodies of the city and Waterloo, including the Mayors of the two municipalities, was appointed to investigate further and decide whether the two places are to organize a Chamber of Commerce and if so who is to organize it? It might be stated that the big meeting went on record as favoring having Waterloo be represented on this committee, there being a manifest feeling that if such an organization is brought into being it should include Waterloo. This committee will meet next Monday evening when the whole matter will be gone into. The charts which Mr. Otto used to explain the workings of a Chamber of Commerce and the organizing of the same will be available for that one of the first matters that was desired in any city was peace. This object might be attained in several ways but one essential must accompany this peace; that was a connecting link. There still might be a disconnection even with peace. He said that there was no connecting link in this city, and instanced one example, that was where two important events recently were scheduled for the same evening, these were the lecture of Lt. Beverly Robinson the noted escaped prisoner of war, and the Board of Trade meeting. Had there been a connecting link in the city this overlapping would have been avoided. "It is up to us to decide whether we want some such organization here. As to the name of such an organization you can call it a discussion club, a get-together society, call it any name you like. We have with us tonight, one who will tell us how such an organization may be formed and when he has told you his views it will be up to you to judge the merits or demerits of the plan. Remember this meeting is being conducted by you and it rests with you to say what is to be done."

Mr. Davidson then informed the meeting that he regretted that Col. Foster who had intended to be present to address the meeting had been called to New York and regretted he was not able to be present. One of the other members of the Bureau who are conducting campaigns throughout the continent, who numbered eight two of whom are now in Western Ontario, had consented to speak. This was Mr. C.W. Otto, who is conducting the organization of a chamber of Commerce in Stratford.

Mr. Otto among other things said "I come here upon request in order to tell you the work and purposes of a Chamber of Commerce and the ways and means of organizing used by the American City Bureau of New York. We are not going to ask you to buy these from us. Perhaps you can do it yourselves, that is a matter for you to decide."

A Central Link Needed
The purpose of a Chamber of Commerce is to create thought and arouse discussion of matter of interest and importance to your city. For that reason, as Mr. Davidson, has pointed out you need a forum as a central link. The purpose is community development. I propose telling you how other cities have undertaken the organization under the system of the Bureau which I represent. I will tell you this regardless of what you here may propose to do. I do not know whether you are considering the services of the Bureau or not and I do not care. That is immaterial."

By use of a chart Mr. Otto, impressed the fact that the membership of the Chambers of Commerce is built on three principles, \$25 annual dues for each member; plural membership; and a three year guarantee. Regarding the twenty-five dollar fee he referred to the amount. There was an advantage in having the fee placed at this figure because everybody who became a member would take a greater interest in the work. "It will teach the habit of appreciation of public services. Some there are who we meet with who ask what do I get out of it? Now that is the wrong way of looking at the matter. The foundation of the idea of a Chamber of Commerce is unselfishness. What can I do for others and for the benefit of my city? should be the idea. We frequently in our campaigns meet men who ask 'what do I get out of it?' and it requires some talking and explaining. But they seldom fail to change their mind and see the matter in the right light. We have had men change their point of view

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Was a Graduate of St. Jerome's

THE LATE REV. FATHER CARL BOHRER MANY YEARS IN SOUTH AMERICA.

Visited Here Last Eighteen Years Ago.

Regarding the death of Rev. Father Carl J. Bohrer, in Cayaz, Brazil, which was reported in yesterday's issue. The late Reverend Father was reared and received his early education in this town. He was born in Strasburg, Alsace Lorraine in 1859 and came to this country many years ago with the family. He attended St. Jerome's College, subsequently studied at Rome for nine years under the Order of the Resurrection and was later ordained to the priesthood. He became a missionary and filled that position with success. For many years he was stationed in South America, remaining there until he was called from this earthly life.

His death occurred on November 17th. It therefore required four months for the intelligence to reach his relatives here, a letter from the bishop in South America reaching his mother, Mrs. Eleanor Bohrer, 112 Young street, on Tuesday, which stated that he had passed away in Cayaz, Brazil on the date mentioned. Death was primarily caused by influenza.

Surviving him are his mother, one sister and brother, namely, Mrs. Thompson of Washago, Simcoe County, and one brother, Mr. Emil Bohrer, the late Reverend Father visited here last eighteen years ago.

Poles and Ukrainians Order to Stop Scrap

BOTH HOLD PART OF PRZEMYSL

PARIS, March 20.—The supreme war council has again ordered the Poles and Ukrainians immediately to cease fighting, it was announced today.

This action taken at yesterday's session, and was expected to avert further bloodshed in the region of Lemberg, and Przemyśl, both of which cities were recently partially occupied by the Ukrainians.

POLES WORST BOLSHEVIKI

COPENHAGEN, March 20.—Bolshevik troops, under pressure of Polish forces, have been compelled to retire and evacuate Pinsk, 100 miles east of Brest-Litovsk, according to Warsaw dispatches.

Covenant is to Go Into

PRELIMINARY PEACE TREATY
PARIS, Mar. 20.—The Temps says an agreement has been reached by all the allied governments to include the league of nations in the preliminary treaty of peace with Germany.