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With the ending of hostilities the fuel situation has to some extent been improved. Notably in the direction of soft coal. It is then pertinent to discuss its probable effect upon the disposal of the 3000 cords of wood purchased at Algonquin Park. In approaching this question, it will be well to recall the circumstances which led the municipality to enter into the wood business. Last winter, coal was both scarce and dear. With a reduced supply, and a season unequalled in severity, the coal coming in had to be doled out. Even with an equitable distribution, suffering resulted in many households. The wood supply was inadequate. In numerous instances a rate of \$20 or \$25 a cord was paid for the limited offerings and almost as much for old fence rails.

Talls.

The Canadian Fuel Controller informed the people that during the winter of 1918-19, the supply of hard coal would be restricted and urged the use of wood as a substitute. A conference of municipalities was held in Galt, where leaders recommended that they go afield and obtain a supplement of wood.

The Fuel Controller fixed the supply of anthracite the people supply. In round fig-

at 70 per cent. of the normal supply. In round fig-ures, this city was to receive only 24,000 tons this compared with 25,000 tons received in the last fuel

This condition was the warrant the Council re-This condition was the warrant the Council received to obtain a supply of wood large enough to make up the shortage of hard coal. It will be remembered that when the contract in Algonquin Park was let, soft coal was at a premium and a curtailment to 70 per cent. mooted. Had the soft coal scarcity continued, the city would have been justified in ordering twice 3000 cords. It was believed that the war would continue until the summer of 1919. Unexpectedly an armistice was declared early in November. This may be said to have lessened the demand for soft coal but another important point should not be overlooked: the ration of hard coal will not be increased. The 70 per cent. allowance of hard coal stands.

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A prospective mild winter will enable folks to make their 70 per cent. allotment go farther than their supplies did a year ago. Granted, but every home will, seemingly, require to find substitutes, either of wood or soft coal.

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Seeing that the wood cut at Algonquin Park
has been bought and paid for with their money, the homes of the city should each make provision to buy a cord. If they do, the cut will be easily absorb-ed, for there are more than four thousand homes in

the city.

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Critics, who are troubled with hindsight, may say the wood is green. But it is they who are green. Its cutting was begun early in the summer and when it arrives it will be seasoned and ready for use.

Yet another critic asks: Why is it not here? The answer is that the wood cannot be hauled from the park to the track until there has been a snowfall. The contractor named November 15 as the shipping time, provided there was the customary snowfall. This had not until recently materialized.

Although not a car of it has arrived, the fact of the city having purchased 3000 cords has had a salutary effect upon the price. Instead of \$18 of \$20 being asked, the price has dropped to that set by the city.

from the car will be able to purchase a cord of city wood for \$13.00 or have it delivered for \$14.75. In both instances, this will be 4.75. both instances, this will be 4-root wood. When it is desired to have the wood cut, say, into 12-inch lengths, the price is \$14.50 at the yard and \$16.25

Were the public not at first to buy freely, hardwood is a commodity that will not spoil. There is no guarantee that hard coal will ever again be quite no guarantee that hard coat win ever again to during so plentiful nor cheap as it was before the war. Households who have been accustomed to burn coal until June, may find it advantageous to substitute wood ing the semi-warm months, conserving anthracite the frigid season. Ordinarily more wood is burnduring the summer than in the winter months. The point upon which stress should be laid is think, that consumers of hard coal are only to

receive 70 per cent. of their requirements and will require to use a substitute. A large sum has been expended in securing a supply of wood. It belongs to the ratepayers. It is up to them to patronize

their own enterprise.

Not to do so would not injure their public servants. Instead it would mean that the public would require to carry the cut for a longer period. The right thing for the households to do, as soon as the wood is available, is each to buy a cord and get rid of the whole lot.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS RE "PENS IONS"

What is Canada's yearly pension bill?
 The Minister of Finance says \$30,000,000 or more.
 How many pensions are being paid by the government at the present time?
 Over 60,000.
 What is the Board of Pension Commissioners?
 It is a government body composed of three men each appointed for ten years and each devoting his whole time to his duties as commissioner, for the purpose of administering pensions promptly, smoothly and fairly.
 Is it a civil or a military body?
 Civil.

At Ottawa.
6. Has it any branch offices?

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Yes.
7. Where are they?
At the following eighteen centres in Canada:
Calgary, Alta., 504 Herald Bidg.
Charlottefown, P.E.L., 150 Richmond St.,
Edmonton, Alta., 312 McLeod Bik.
Halifax, N.S., 405 Dennis Bik.
Hamilton, Ont., Bell Telephone Bidg.
Kingston, Ont., 51 Brock Street.
London, Ont., 53 Bank of Toronto Bidg.
Montreal, P.Q., 306 Drummond Bidg.
Ottawa, Ont., 11 Carlton Chambers.
Quebec, P.Q., 500 Merger Bidg.
Regina, Sask., 713 McCallum-Hill Bidg.
St. John, N.B., 43 Canada Life Bidg.
Saskatoon, Sask., 703 Canada Bidg.,
Sydney, N.S., Post Bidg.
Toronto, Ont., 59 Yonge Street.
Vancouver, B.C., 311 Rogers Bidg.

Victoria, B.C., 504 Union Bank Bldg. Winnipes, Man., 702 Notre Dame Ind.

There are also offices in London, England, and
The Pensions and Disabilities Board, St.

John, Nfld.

Where does a soldier's dependent apply for pension?
At the nearest branch office.

What else do the branch offices do?

They send visitors to call on pensioners in their homes, hold medical re-examinations, and handle medical re-examinations, and

handle complaints.

10. If a man is dissatisfied with a pension how should

he proceed?

He should apply to the district office where a medical re-examination will be held.

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11. What is a pension?

It is compensation paid as a right to any soldier or sallor who was disabled during his service, provided medical treatment fails to restore his full normal capacity.

12. Are all soldiers entitled to pensions?

No. Pension is not awarded for a service only, it is payable only for disability.

13. How is the amount of pension fixed?

It is based on the extent of the handicap suffered. The percentages have been carefully worked out so as to be both accurate and fair.

14. Who decides the percentage of the handicap?

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A medical board.

15. Is a man allowed to express his opinion about

his disability? Yes. The relationship between the Medical Board and the pension applicant is that of doctor and patient. Every opportunity is given to have the man's condition judged from his own point of view.

16. On what is the amount of pension based?

The amount is based purely on the extent of the handicap and is intended to enable to dis-abled soldier or sailor to live despite his handiabled soldier or sailor to live despite his handicap on equal terms with those who have
suffered no handicap.

17. Is a man's pension reduced if he is able to earn
a good living without it?

No, the money he may be able to earn, or the
money he earned before the war does not
affect the amount of his pension.

18. If a man increases his earning cancalty by the

a man increases his earning capacity by the Government Vocational training, is his pension 19. Does pension vary according to rank?

Yes, officers receive more than men, and officers of high rank receive more than those of low 20. Does pension vary according to a man's trade or

What is the minimum pension for a totally disabled soldier or sailor of the lowest rank?

How often are pension cheques distributed? Monthly.

23. Are widows of soldiers and sailors entitled to

so long as they do not re-marry. Are children of soldiers and sailors who died service entitled to pension?
Yes, boys up to the age of 16, and girls up to

the age of 17.

25. Is pension granted to parents of a soldier or sailor?

Only under the following circumstances: When pension is not payable to his widow and when it can be established that the deceased soldier sailor was their main support previous to

his death. 26. Where can one obtain a complete schedule of the pensions?

By writing to the Board of Pension Commissioners, Union Bank Building, Ottawa.

WAIT A MINUTE

"IN THE DAY'S NEWS"

to control vast business corporations and to live in a fifteen-million-dollar mansion in New York City, surrounded by one of the finest private art collections in America—this is the lot of William A. Clark, multiin America—this is the lot of William A. Clark, multi-millionaire mine owner and former United States senator from Montana, who to-day reaches the age of four-score years. Like so many other Americans who have accumulated vast wealth, Mr. Clark spent his boyhood days on a farm. In early manhood he abandoned the study of law to seek his fortune in the Western country, whence came stories of men getting rich over night. In Colorado, Idaho, and finally in Montana he engaged in trading and later in the banking business. With capital thus acquired he secured control of Montana mining properties which soon put him in the class of multi-millionaires.

TO-DAY'S ANNIVERSARIES
1628—The Duke of Luxembourg, comrade and successor of the great Conde, born in Paris. Died Jan. 4, 1695.

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1792—Lowell Mason, the first musician who received the degree of Doctor of Music in America, born at Medfield, Mass. Died at Orange, N.J., Aug. 11, 1872.

1821—Gen. James Longstreet, the "war horse of the Confederacy, born in Edgefield district, S. C. Died at Gainesville, Ga., Jan. 2, 1904.

1844—Congress refunded the fine imposed on Gen. Jackson at New Orleans in 1814.

1869—Admiral Sir James A. Gordon, the British naval officer who forced Alexandria, Va., to capitulate in 1814, died. Born in 1782.

1860—Separation of Church and State proclaimed in Brazil with religious liberty and equality.

1915—Graat Britain replied to American note on detention of neutral ships.

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ritish recovered line near Bullecourt after temporary German success.

President Wilson outlined 14 conditions of peace,

which, he declared, America with the Allies would fight to the end to achieve.

TO-DAY'S BIRTHDAYS

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Major General Sir Sam Hughes, former Canadian
minister of militia and defence, born at Darlington,
Ont., 66 years ago to-day.
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Rt. Hon. Sir Maurice de Bunsen, who was British ambassador in Vienna at the commencement of the war, born 67 years ago to-day.

Sir Frank W. Dyson, astronomer royal of Great Britain, born at Ashby, England, 51 years ago to-day-Major General George H. Cameron, who command ed the Southern and Western American troops in the Verdun region, born in Illinois, 58 years ago to-day.

Irving W. Drew, United States senator from New Hampshire by gubernatorial appointment, born at Colebrook, N.H., 74 years ago to-day.

Augustus Thomas, one of the most success-American playwrights, born in St. Louis, 60 years ago to-day.

Had Suffered For Fourteen Years

COULDN'T LIFT AN ARM OR
LEG FROM BED—TANLAC

"I wish I could have found Tanlac fourteen years ago." said William D.
Lawrence, who lives at 417 East 30th Street Tacoma Wash, a few days ago.
"I have suffered all the pangs of inflammatory rheumatism" just that many years," he continued, "and many times I have been in such pain and misery I would almost wish I could die and end it all. My whole body was racked with pain nearly all the time, and I would get terribly swollen all over, sometimes my feet would swell so bad I couldn't get my shoes on The swelling and pain would come so suddenly in my feet at times that I would have to cut the strings in my shoes so I could get them off real quick. I was so bad off at one time that J was flat on my back for two or three months on a stretch, and couldn't raise an arm or leg all during that time, and every part of my body just ached with pain all the time. I went night after night without a minutes sleep, just had to lie there and suffer.

"I tried everything I could get mhands on, thinking I would get something after a while that would do me some goos, but nothing seemed to hel me very much. I thought a change might do me some good, so I came to Tacoma a short time ago. and when I got there I heard a great many people talking about the good Tanlac had done them, and I thought I would try it out myself, well sir, it began to overcome my trouble right away. I am practically free from those terrible rheumatic pains now, and all that swelling is a thing of the past, and in fact. all that fou teen years of miser seems to be over. I sleep like a log and am ganing booth in weight and strength every day. I never lose a minute from my, work now, put in ull time every day and just feel good all the time. e. It sure is great to be in such fine shap after fourteen years of agony. I don believe there is another medicine in the world equal to Tanlac."

Tanlae is sold in Kitchener by E.O. Ritz & Co. in Galt by R.W. Meikleham, in Hespeler by Jno. R. Phin, in New Hamburg by W.H. Boullee,

A Toronto Report on Assessment and Population

POPULATION IS 489,681.

Toronto's assessment, according to the Assessment Commissioner's an-nual report, exceeds the total as-sessment of 23 other Ontario muni-cipalities by \$128,137,830. The a the Assessment Commissioner's account to total successful to total assessment of 23 other Ontario municipalities by \$128,137,390. The activy's assessment totals \$604,207, 889. compared with \$489,670,0050 for the following cities combined: Handling, Ottawa, London, Brautford, Windsor, Kingston, Peterboro, kilechener, Guelb, B. Thomas, Own Sound, William, Isult. Ste. Marie, St., Catherines, Stratford, Port Arthur, Chatham, Niagara Falls, Sarais and Woodstock.

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From December 15, 1917, to December 14, 1918, there were 10,270 transfers of property, an increase of 965 as compared with the previous year. The total number of assessments last year was 187,958, as compared with 178,707 in 1917, an increase of 9,251. Over 234,000 assessment notices were sent out during the year, while 164,060 post cards, notifying persons where to vote, were sent out at a cost of \$3,904.19.

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Vacant land sold by the department during the year realized \$29,-787.50, and 47 Island leases were renewed and two new ones granted. The new rentals show an annual increase of \$4,034.22 for a term of 21 years.

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E. Burton Holmes, noted traveler, lecturer and author, born in Chicago, 49 years ago to-day.

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