

## URGES BRITONS TO GRASP TRADE WITH RUSSIANS

Was World's Richest and Greatest Buyer and Can Be Once More

**GERMAN GETTING IT!**  
British Politicians Who Cannot Not Excited Over Split With France

LONDON, May 25.—The British politicians who count most, refuse to get excited because the French journals resent Lloyd George's firm adherence to the Versailles Treaty, even when it seems to work in Germany's favor.

They recall how often in recent times, the Parisian journals have failed to reflect the governing French opinion, and especially do they dismiss the suggestion of which the Morning Post makes itself the spokesman that the Silesian question is being used by Lloyd George as cover for an attack on the Entente and the Entente policy, assuming presumably to the United States, Germany and Russia.

The Morning Post says "With the Entente we know where we were, but in this dense mist through which new friendships loom vaguely we are completely lost."

Lloyd George, on the other hand, sees nothing hostile to the Entente in cordial co-operation with the United States and the resumption of trading relations with Germany and Russia.

The real impediment in the Anglo-Russian relations is the British traders' doubt as to whether he will be paid for such goods as he sends. Krassin's impending visit to Canada makes this question vital also to Canada.

Sir Francis Barker, of Vickers, Ltd., advises Britishers to begin trade with Russia as quickly as possible. He says "Russia was the biggest buyer in the world. Her resources were almost virgin and unequalled by any other country."

Germany Will Get Trade.  
"If we do not get into touch with Russia the bulk of her trade will pass into the hands of Germany. The Government has been criticized for not insisting that debts be recognized before trade was resumed. A nation's debts are one thing. Private debts are quite different."

"Even if the Russian Government recognized the validity of its debts how could they be collected unless trade was first resumed? Germany is already doing all she can to resume trade relations with Russia and setting aside part of the profits to redeem the debts due her. The big Russian traders have a sense of fair play and will not try to evade their responsibilities. Only by means of trade can Russia work out her salvation. The present Russian Government is alive to the influence of trade."

## Arrest Two Boys On Charge of Theft

Stephen Flagler and Harry Mattis boys of seventeen, living in Belleville, were this morning arrested as they were walking along the railway track near Foxboro by Provincial Officer A. H. Ward and Sgt. H. Harman. They were later remanded by Magistrate Masson on a charge of theft of two bicycles.

The youths went to Stirling on Saturday and it is alleged that this morning they stole a couple of bicycles and started back to the city. Near Chatterton they were overtaken by Stirling residents and allowed to go on, but had to leave behind the wheels they were riding.

## Improved Service on Lake Claimed

An improved boat service out of Belleville has resulted out of the decision of the owners of the Str. "Belleville" to withdraw her.

In her place comes the "Brookville," it was announced today with a tri-weekly service here to Kingston. Shipment will be made there.

## MRS. ELIZABETH WESTFALL

The death is announced of Mrs. Elizabeth Westfall, widow of the late Mr. George Westfall, at the home of her son, 27 Herchimer street, Belleville. She had lived there for the past eight years. Five sons and five daughters survive their mother. They are: Barton, Sidney Twp.; George, Toronto; James, Trenton; Jack, Saskatoon; Frank, Belleville; Mrs. S. Cassidy, Saskatoon; Mrs. H. Harrison, Milwaukee; Mrs. Wm. Ivey, Canby; Mrs. George Griffin, Stirling; Mrs. Frank Brook, Glen Miller.

## Egyptians Attack Whites Five killed, 72 Wounded, in Riots at Alexandria

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, May 23.—Five Europeans were killed and seventy-two others wounded in rioting here on Sunday night and this morning. It was announced at noon today. Police casualties were not announced.

**BRITISH TROOPS ON HAND**  
LONDON, May 23.—Many persons are reported to have been killed in an outbreak at Alexandria, Egypt, where the natives attacked Europeans, says a Reuter's despatch from that city. British troops have arrived and taken charge of the town.

## RIVAL SCHOOL PETITIONS

The rival petitions which will be read at the Special meeting of the Council tonight on the Coleman Ward School problem are:

### FOR THE SCHOOL

"Your petitioners, rate payers of the City of Belleville, desire to submit the following facts in support of the necessity of passing the second and third readings of the By-Law for the issuing of debentures for \$140,000 to provide at the earliest possible date further public school accommodation in our city.

"That at the meeting of the Board of Education held last evening, 20th May, the report of the Inspector of Public Schools, H. J. Clarke, B. A., contained the following extract:

"Every available room is now in use as a class-room, including the Assembly Rooms in the three large schools. More accommodation is needed just as soon as you are able to get it, for in view of the fact that the Adolescent Act will come into operation in part in September, you will probably have to take care of from 50 to 60 more pupils than is usual in September."

"The total attendance is 1617 with 36 regular teachers, the largest in the history of the city. A year ago the total was 1515."

"In view of the above official facts and the conditions at Grier Street School, it should not be necessary to further urge upon your honorable body the great necessity to hasten the passing of the second and third readings of the by-law."

### FUNERAL OF MRS. GIBSON

The remains of the late Hannah Fraeme, widow of the late George Gibson, of Belleville and mother of Mrs. H. E. Murphy of Toronto, arrived here at noon today and were taken to Belleville cemetery for interment. Mrs. Gibson died on Friday at the home of her grandson-in-law, Rev. J. W. Arnett of Kleinburg.

### PARCEL POST TO UNITED KINGDOM

Under arrangements recently entered into with the British Postal Authorities, a person sending a parcel to the United Kingdom may write on the wrapper a request that if it cannot be delivered as addressed, it may either be treated as abandoned or delivered at a second address. If there is no definite request for abandonment a parcel which cannot be delivered at the original address, or at the alternative address, (where one is furnished), will be returned to the sender at his expense.

The sender's name and address should be plainly written on the wrapper of every parcel sent by Parcel Post.

## RED CROSS TO RE-ORGANIZE WAR-TIME OFFICERS TO RESIGN PUBLIC HEALTH NEW OBJECTIVE

The Red Cross is planning to go over the top again. A new war is on, this time against disease and in Belleville there is to be an organization meeting tonight at the City Hall.

Public Health is the objective; good health for everyone possible, the prevention of disease, the restoration to normal conditions of health of those who through their own fault or for some other reason are slipping into poor health.

Mayor Hanna has called the meeting and it is expected that the Belleville branch of the Red Cross will be reorganized to meet the new emergency.

Some of the old officers here who "did their bit" in the war are, The Ontario understands today, ready to retire in favor of others.

Belleville raised \$25,700 for the Red Cross in the war and sent over one thing over 20,000 pairs of hand knit socks to the troops.

That achievement was not surpassed by many places in the Dominion of Canada and it shows that the people are here who can accomplish things.

The recent address here of Col. G. G. Nasmyth, C. M. G., was illuminating; it led up to this call for re-organization. Toronto and many of the cities in Canada ranking with Belleville have been engaged on the crusade for public health, and workers here are convinced it is time to do something.

Tonight's meeting will decide the extent of the local campaign.

## FOREIGNERS TRY HOLD-UP SCHEME IN TWO PLACES

In Both Cases One of More of Them Got Shot but No Money

### HYDRO PAY IS SAFE

Port Weller Store, Full of People, Sees Attempt by Bandit Gang

FORT WILLIAM, May 23.—Steve Severak, one of the bandits who attempted to hold up Paymaster Mayes of the Hydro-Electric, at Cameron Falls on Saturday afternoon, and who was shot through the abdomen by Constable Eady, died on a train Sunday morning as he was being brought to Port Arthur hospital.

Constable Eady is suffering from three bullet wounds but it is believed he will recover. According to reports received here, six men, all Austrians or Poles, took part in the attempted hold-up.

Three of the bandits escaped in the bush. Mayes had just stepped down on to the platform, carrying two suitcases, one containing between \$20,000 and \$30,000, the other a few personal belongings, when six men confronted him with guns. Mayes put up a fight, whereupon the robbers opened fire.

The hold-up took place in the midst of a crowd of about 30 persons, while two trains were still in the station. In the mix-up one of the bandits grabbed the suitcase containing Mayes' shirts, collars and pyjamas, in mistake for the one holding the money, and with his companions fled to the woods behind the station.

### At Port Weller.

St. Catharines, May 23.—Nate Waevods, Finlander, is dead and Jack Vinosky, Austrian, is under arrest following a sensational hold-up at the general store at Port Weller on Saturday night, when four bandits descended on the place, overawed proprietors and clerks and a store full of customers, with their revolvers, and got away with three hundred dollars out of the till. Waevods was fatally shot and another Finlander named Kurna Sapronik, badly wounded in the groin when they did not show enough speed in obeying the command of highwaymen to throw up their hands. Sapronik is in the hospital and may die.

### WHERE BANDITS MISSED CHANCE OF "EASY" MONEY

Ironwood, Mich., May 23.—William Jolo's bank book shows a deposit of \$1,000 made Saturday.

The \$1,000 represents his victory on a wager he made with friends in Hurley that he could carry \$1,000 in silver dollars in an open sack from Hurley to Bessemer, a distance of seven miles, with all the coins still intact, despite the wave of crime.

Jolo accomplished the feat and won the \$1,000. He covered the distance on foot and alone in an hour and 50 minutes.

## ROTARY DEBATES LOWER PRICES

Leaders in Business in City Give Own Views and Listen to Others

The problem of declining prices and the attitude of the retailer and wholesaler were the theme of the addresses at the Rotary luncheon today. Among the speakers were Col. L. W. Marsh, C. J. Symons, W. B. Deacon, S. Robertson, F. B. Smith, C. M. Reid and George Appel. The songs and choruses were all patriotic and fitting for Empire Day observance.

## Frustrated Plot to Steal Children of Hamar Greenwood

LONDON, May 23.—Secret service operatives are reported to have discovered a Span Plot to kidnap the three young children of Sir Hamar Greenwood from their London home. Sir Hamar Greenwood is Chief Secretary for Ireland.

An armed and mounted guard has been stationed at the Greenwood home and no unauthorized person allowed to approach the door.

**HAMILTON MILK PRICE CUT.**  
HAMILTON, May 23.—Action was taken by the Executive Committee of the Wentworth Milk Producers' Association on Saturday afternoon to reduce the wholesale price of milk for the summer months to \$2.20 per eight-gallon can.

## SCHOOLS OBSERVE EMPIRE DAY HERE

Patriotic Readings, Songs, Choruses and Exercises, a Feature of Day

**REV. D. C. RAMSAY TALKS**  
Minister of John Street Presbyterian Church at Queen Mary School

"The Empire" was the burden of songs, choruses, readings and addresses in the public schools of the city this afternoon. In most of the class rooms the teachers spoke on the Imperial theme and the children took part in the exercises.

At Queen Mary School, after each class had had its own observance, the children and the staff heard Rev. D. C. Ramsay lecture in the assembly hall on the subject of empire and patriotic duty.

The teachers of Queen Alexandra School this afternoon took charge of the patriotic exercises in the various classrooms.

This morning at Queen Victoria School the idea of patriotism was inculcated in the minds of the children, the exercises taking place in the class rooms. This afternoon an assembly was held, patriotic songs being sung and recitations given. Grier Street School also observed Empire Day.

## Succeeds Norcross as Managing Director of Steamship Lines

MONTREAL, May 23.—At the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Steamship Lines Limited today, F. S. Inard, Comptroller, was appointed to the position of managing director of the company, formerly held by President Norcross.

The letter will retain the position of president as well as chief executive officer of the company. The board also declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent, upon preferred stock of the company payable July 2 to shareholders of record June 15 next.

## Makes an Appeal For Larger Givings

A very earnest appeal for increased givings was made in Bridge Street Church last night by Rev. Dr. Cleaver, the pastor.

He told the congregation that the year's expenses were not met by approximately \$1,200. He suggested that the members increase Sunday offerings, as they could afford, some by one dollar, some by 50 cents, some by a quarter.

The annual meeting of the church takes place Wednesday evening. Reports for the year ended April 30th, were in many cases encouraging but the fact was that the ladies' organizations had to come to the aid of the managers in financial matters. This he hoped would not be the case another time.

## Belleville Visitors at Picton Ceremony

The annual church parade under the auspices of Bay of Quinte Lodge No. 143, I.O.O.F., Picton, was held on Sunday, May 22 at the Methodist Church, Picton. (The Picton citizens' band played suitable music for the march which was led by Belleville canton No. 8 under the command of Capt. H. W. Lindstrom and Picton canton No. 11 under Capt. F. Hubbs.

Other officers on parade were Col. E. C. Garbutt, Major A. Hubbs, Major W. R. M. Gilbert and Capt. F. W. Martin. They were followed by a large number of encampment and subordinate lodge members from Belleville, Trenton, Wellington, Thomasburg and Picton. A number of the members of the Rebekah lodges of Picton and Belleville were present at the service. After the usual service the pastor, Rev. A. Brown, D.D., preached an eloquent and instructive sermon, having taken as his subject the good Samaritan.

After the service the large parade, numbering as it did over 200, returned to the lodge room, large numbers being on the street. The march of the parade was P. G. Bro. T. Y. Hess. The members of the cantons in uniform were the largest number seen at any church parade in this district this year.

The indications of worms and restlessness, grinding of the teeth, picking of the nose, extreme peevishness, often convulsions. Under these conditions one of the best remedies that can be got is Miller's Worm Powders. They will attack the worms as soon as administered and they pass away in the evacuations. The little sufferer will be immediately eased and a return of the attack will not be likely.

## RITCHIE'S

### Attractive Prices In Our Mantle Department



#### Separate Skirts

White Gabardine Skirts in extra quality and a wide range of styles from which to choose ..... \$6.50

White Cotton Satin Cloth Skirts, retain their finish when laundered, look like satin ..... \$5.00

Cream Flannel Skirts of best quality flannel, very nice stylish skirt ..... \$20.00

Baronet Satin Skirts in Navy, Black, and white—dressy and smart ..... \$18.50

Plaid Skirts in a large range of colors and styles, \$10.00 to \$20.00.

### Jersey Suits at Popular Prices

Made of Hawthorn Jersey Cloth—a very special value in the popular sports style—

Heather Mixture	\$22.50, \$27.50 and \$45.00
In White Jersey	\$32.50

### Silk Jersey Underskirts

Made with elastic at waist band in a wide range of colors with contrasting band of color in the trim—a splendid fitting undershirt.

\$6.00

### Organdy Dresses

Organdy dresses in several styles in Lemon, Flesh White, etc., at \$12.50, \$15.00, \$16.50

White Voile Dresses for Misses and Children at \$3.75, \$5.00 to \$10.50

### Blouse Specials

White Voile Blouses in Balkan style and short sleeves, daintily embroidered in front, sizes 36, 38 and 40, at ..... \$2.50

Special Embroidered Swiss Voile Blouses in over blouse effect, nicely trimmed with narrow val. lace, short sleeves at ..... \$3.75

Special value in regular style Voile Blouses at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.75 and \$5.00.

### Children's Play Suits Coverall Style

In Khaki, Blue and White Stripe with Red Piping, Plain Blue, etc. Get the kiddies a couple of these play suits and let them "go to it" this summer. \$1.25 to \$1.75

TUESDAY, MAY 24TH, VICTORIA DAY  
This Store will be closed all day

## The RITCHIE Co., Limited

Arthur Tattersal, Sarnia, was arrested on a charge of forgery.

Fire did \$30,000 damage to the Auditorium Building at Windsor.

The new radio-telegraph station at Port Burwell has been opened.

Alfalfa crops in Embro district have been badly damaged by frost.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon, of Florence, celebrated their diamond wedding.

Thieves entered the home of Mrs. I. Stephenson, London, and stole \$12.

About 3,000 people attended the opening of Springbank Park, London.

Fire destroyed an entire business block at Benito, Man., and the loss is estimated at \$100,000.

It sometimes happens that a shady character basks in the sunshine of popularity.

It's advisable for a young man to make haste slowly if the girl has another string to her bow.

"You'll sober up in a week," said Magistrate Masson this morning remanding Richard Kelly on a vagrancy charge.

"And get the bay run out of your system," commented Chief Kidd, Kelly smiled.

He came into town on Friday, said Chief Kidd and has been begging freely as well as drinking bay rum.

Kelly thought he might have a chance of playing baseball here, he told the police showing three bent fingers on his right hand.

For reckless driving a motorist was fined \$10 and costs.

A charge of drunkenness against a citizen brought a ten dollar fine in its train.

The unexpected happens occasionally, but not so often as the unexpected fails to happen.