

# WILL PROSECUTE REV. BEN SPENCE.

## Case Respecting Publication of "The Parasite."

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Rev. Ben Spence, secretary of the Dominion Alliance, whose connection with the publication of "The Parasite," banned by the Censor brought him into conflict with the authorities, is to be again taken into Court. The Censor's Department of the Department of Justice has issued instructions to the Crown Attorney at Toronto to lay a charge against Rev. Mr. Spence.

When asked about the matter last night, Crown Attorney J. S. Corley admitted that he had received instructions from Ottawa to proceed to against the Dominion Alliance official. The instruction had been received several days ago, but it had been impossible to serve Mr. Spence owing to his illness with influenza. It is stated that he is still unable to appear in court.

The prosecution of Rev. Mr. Spence under the present instructions from Ottawa, will be the second instituted in connection with the publication of "The Parasite" which was banned for reflections cast upon the character of Canadian soldiers in England. The first action was to have been tried before a judge and jury, but technical irregularities resulted in the charge being withdrawn. The new prosecution will be launched in the Police Court, where Mr. Spence must be tried by a magazine.

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## WILL SINK THE RED FLAG.

Vessels under the red flag will be sunk without warning. Vessels without officers will be dealt with in accordance with the laws of war. If a single man is caught propagating Bolshevik ideas the entire crews of the vessels in question will be shot. This is an order from the British Admiralty.

Blue circular subscribers will be welcome visitors at the News' office when in Truro within the next week or so.

## THE SCOUTS INCREASING IN CANADA.

The Maritime Headquarters of the Boy Scouts Association, at Truro, N. S., are in receipt of the Census Returns of the Boy Scouts Movement in Canada for the past year. A very healthy growth in Troops, Officers and Scouts is shown notwithstanding the great drain upon all leaders of the Movement during the past four years.

A very encouraging sign is shown by the number of business men and heads of families, with growing boys of their own who are acting as Scout masters, instructors and examiners. More and more are men of affairs realizing that in the Boy Scout Movement has been discovered the most definite and practical program ever undertaken for the development of good citizenship and the formation of the character among boys. Leaders in educational, religious and commercial affairs have endorsed most strongly this world's greatest brotherhood of boys, and have accepted membership on the governing councils in all the 26 or more countries, where the movement is to-day organized, with a total membership of over two million boys. The Census Returns in Canada for this year as compared with last, are as follows:—

	1917	1918
Troops.....	655	705
Officers.....	1063	1200
Scouts.....	17,114	17,423

The Wolf Cub Movement which is the junior program undertaken by the Boy Scouts Association for boys 10 to 12 years of age, also shows a very healthy growth. The total membership in 1917 was 1237, while in 1918, it is 1807, with 56 Wolf Cub Packs and 59 Cubmasters.

The above statement of Scouts and Wolf Cubs shows that during the past year over 19,000 Canadian Boys received Boy Scout Training as members of over 760 Troops under the leadership of more than 1250 adult leaders.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin MacAloney and wee daughter, Eleanor of St. John, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. MacDonald, Laurie St., for the Xmas holidays.

The Truro Curlers played their first game in the morning New Years Day. The match was between the president and vice president.

The Municipal Council of Colechester will meet on Tuesday, January 14th.

A steamer on a New Year holiday trip struck ledges near Stornoway Harbor Scotland and 270 sailors out of 300 men were drowned.

Troopship Northern Pacific with 2400 returning American soldiers went ashore off Fire Island New York. The troops are mostly wounded men and will be rescued at once.

The ugly and ungainly monster Bolshevism not decent democracy by any means but murderous anarchy is showing its self in the war-cursed countries of Europe.

The funeral of Mrs. M. W. Cameron Smiths Ave. will take place at 8 o'clock Friday morning from the residence. The body will be sent to Sunny Brae on the 9.20 train.

The new time table will go into effect on the C. G. R. on Sunday, January 5, 1919.

Since 1912, pork has advanced in price up to 1918 some 111 per cent. While Shorts for feed have advanced only 55 per cent.

On December 24th there were reported in Winnipeg for the previous 24 hours, 100 new cases of "Flu" and 10 deaths.

Lieut. C. E. Horseman of Moncton, N. B., who recently returned from overseas, after being at the Front with the 7th Siege Battery for four years, spent a few days last week in Truro visiting friends.

Dr. D. L. McKinnon, Superintendent of the Ainslie Hospital left on the late train Tuesday evening for his home Lake Ainslie Cape Breton to visit his mother who is ill. The Doctor will return to town on Saturday.

Henry McKay chief engineer at the former home in New Glasgow in attempting to regulate the electric current got the full voltage of 2300 volts and death was instantaneous.

Miss Varma Ross, who has spent the last two years teaching in Alberta, is home for the winter with her mother Mrs. D. M. Ross in Brule.

Francis Andrea of North Sydney has been committed to stand trial for the murder of cable operator McDonald on November 21 last. The magistrate considered there was evidence enough, tho not strong, to put Andrea on trial.

Of the 14 women candidates in the English elections only one is elected—a Sinn Feiner, Countess Mackenzie.

Miss Marie Therieault, who has been visiting her home in Port Royal, C. B. has returned to her duties as day clerk at the Learment Hotel.

Mr. W. H. Boutin of West Arichat, C. B., was a guest at the Learment Hotel on December 31st, enroute to St. Stephen, N. B., where he will resume his position as manager of the Queen Hotel. Mr. Boutin resigned his position to go overseas.

REGINA, Sask., Dec. 12.—Hon. W. R. Motherwell resigned from the Saskatchewan Government, because Premier Martin refused to make a declaration denouncing the Union Government, which Mr. Motherwell in a letter to the Premier, declared was inefficient and extravagant and unsuitable.

## Bolshevik Very Active In Siberia.

Vladivostok, Dec. 26.—The Bolsheviks are displaying activity at various points on the Trans-Siberian Railway, apparently with the object of overthrowing Admiral Kolishak, the director at Omsk. At Kamarehaga station a thousand Bolsheviks seized the railway and entrenched themselves to give battle to Russian and Serbian troops sent from Omsk. The result of the engagement has not yet been learned.

## POISONOUS PLANTS IN THE HAY.

### (Experimental Farms Note.)

Much loss may be avoided by paying a little more attention to the quality of food that is fed to live stock. To use as food, hay which is 50 per cent coarse and unpalatable weeds is not the best means of keeping stock in good condition, nor is it more wise to feed them poisonous plants.

Most animals have an instinctive knowledge of injurious foods and will push aside and leave suspicious portions of their hay. But this refuse is often chopped up with the fodder in such a manner that they must eat it or starve.

Bracken is conspicuous in hay by its coarse foliage and rusty green color. A closer examination will reveal on the under side of the leaves a narrow band or margin of rusty brown. All bracken should be removed from the hay and burned. It will not do to have it for bedding, as greedy horses will eat their bedding while waiting for their regular feed. No ill effects appear after eating it once or twice, as bracken poisoning is slow and cumulative.

The leafless branches of horsetail are also readily distinguished by a difference in color being of a darker and more more bluish shade of green than the ordinary hay. Other differences are, the hollow stems, the leafless, furrowed and jointed branches with sharply pointed teeth around the joints.

The poisoning of cattle in the west has occurred from eating the seed-pods of larkspur dried with the hay; loss might easily have been avoided by picking out the coarse stalks with the three parted pointed pods. The leaves of the larkspur resemble those of the buttercups and are very toxic in a fresh green state. But with maturity they lose their toxicity which then becomes concentrated in the seeds. Thus a very small quantity of pods and seeds will cause death.

Another noticeable plant among hay, harmful to sheep, is the lupine. The pods and seeds are the most poisonous portions of the plant and these are often cut with the hay in the western provinces. The action of the poison is not cumulative and hence animals may feed upon the plant without much harm unless the toxic limit is reached. The toxic dose for sheep of the seeds alone is from 1 to 1 1/2 lb., and that of the seeds together with the pods is about 1 1/2 lbs. The pods are about an inch long, more or less hairy and arranged at intervals along the stem.

A few moments spent each day in looking over the hay will well repay even the busiest owner of stock.

## 30000 POLES MARCHING ON BERLIN.

Copenhagen, Jan. 2.—A Polish army of thirty thousand men is marching on Berlin, according to a despatch received here. Gustave Noake, member of the Ebert cabinet in charge of Military affairs, is said to have ordered the 58th German Division to meet the Poles.

## POLES IN DESPAIR OVER BOLSHEVIK INVASION.

London, Jan. 2.—Poland is in despair owing to the invasion of Bolshevik troops and the apparent indifference of the Western powers to the plight of the country.

"Telegrams are sent begging intervention by the Allies" the despatch stated, but no reply comes. The Poles admit the immensity of the numerous problems absorbing the Allies, but complain that they do not receive the "least sign of attention or a word of guidance."

## MUCH ANXIETY OVER RUSSIAN AFFAIRS.

London, Jan. 2.—Russian affairs are causing the British and foreign office considerable anxiety. The necessity of formulating a definite allied policy as to Russia is extremely urgent, and it had been decided that the Russian question will be the first to be discussed at the Peace Conference.

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2-1-2w.

## Vilna Falls to Bolshevik Troops.

London, Dec. 30.—Vilna has been captured by Bolshevik forces according to a Copenhagen despatch.

## PADEREWSKI GOES FROM PIANO TO PRESIDENCY.

The world's greatest pianist, Ignace Jan Paderewski, has entered Posen in triumph, and he will be the first President of the Polish Republic.

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