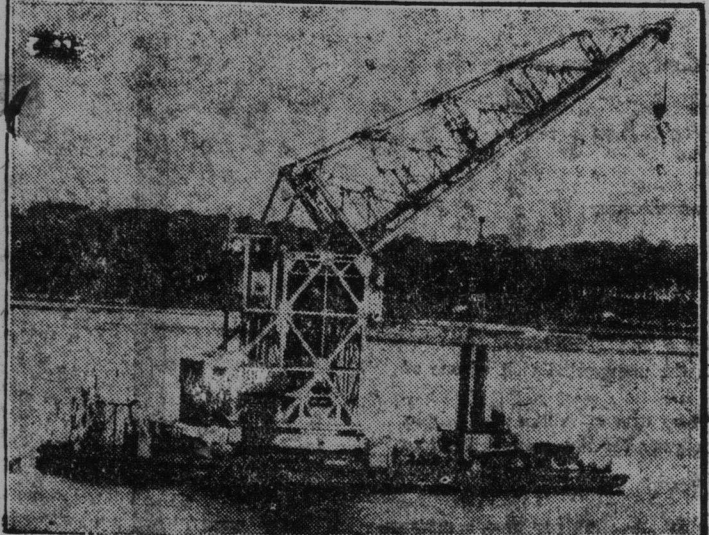


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The work of reclaiming vessels which have been mined or otherwise consigned to "Davy Jones' locker" is one of the big jobs about which little is heard these days; but the amount of shipping thus salvaged is understood to be very considerable. This is one of the huge machines used for raising derelicts and also for bringing up netted enemy submarines.

Higher Pay Is Asked For By The Teachers

Matters Of Importance Before The Board Of School Trustees Last Night.

Teachers of the St. John public schools submitted a resolution to the board of school trustees at its monthly meeting last night, asking for a proportionate advance in salaries to meet the increase in the cost of living. The resolution was adopted at the meeting of the Teachers' Association, held last week, and was signed by its president and other officers. The board laid the request on the table to be discussed at the special meeting, when finances for the coming year will be considered.

It was felt that laying granite block paving on Union street in front of the High school building, as proposed by the department of public works in its paving programme for next year, would make it practically impossible to carry on classes in the building, and a committee consisting of Commissioner J. V. Russell, Dr. Bridges and the visitors to the school, was appointed to wait on Commissioner Fisher and lay the case before him. Dr. Bridges stated to the board that it is now very difficult to teach effectively in the front rooms of the High school on account of the noise, and the laying of block paving would make it literally out of the question.

The meeting opened soon after 8 o'clock with H. B. Emerson in the chair. The following were present: Thomas Nagle, George E. Day, E. R. W. Ingraham, G. Herbert Greck, Dr. James Manning, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Dever and Dr. Bridges. Letters of application for positions as teachers were read from Miss Dorothy Mitton, of Salisbury, and Miss Janet Hallett, of Millville. One was filed and the other referred to Dr. Bridges.

W. Frank Hatheway forwarded a communication making known his willingness to offer as a prize for an essay in French on "The Leading French Writers of the 19th Century," four imported volumes of Les Miserables. It was thought that the requirement was rather too severe for High school students, and Mr. Hatheway in a conversation with the superintendent agreed to offer the prize under any conditions the board might deem best. The offer was accepted and the matter of conditions left to a committee.

Requests for increases in salaries were read from the janitors of Le Tour, Sandy Point, Winter street and Alexandra schools. These, together with the request from the Teachers' Association, were tabled to be taken up at a later meeting. Walter Cook, of 78 Brussels street, a returned soldier, offered his services as janitor through a letter, which was filed with other applications.

It was announced that as soon as the Alumnae Association had provided the inscription plate promised for the portrait of Lieutenant C. M. Lawton, a teacher of the High school who was

killed in the war, it would be formally presented to the school. Tentative arrangements were made to have the presentation come at the closing session, Dec. 22.

Mr. Day reported satisfactory progress on the new Bentley street school. He said a few minor changes had been necessary, and that a natural flow of water on the land would necessitate the construction of an inexpensive tile drain to a manhole. The board gave the necessary authority to have this built.

Following along the lines of what has been customary in the past, it was decided to name the new building King George school. Schools finished during the time of Queen Victoria, Queen Alexandra and King Edward had been named accordingly. Although steps had already been taken along these lines unofficially, the school was formally named last night.

Some discussion arose of the use of the assembly hall in the King Edward school for the use of the evening classes in marine engineering. Inasmuch as the classes were conducted under the jurisdiction of the board, questions were withdrawn, but it was voted that any agreement between the board and the teacher of the classes, Mr. McVicker, must be made out in writing. Arrangements were left with Dr. Bridges. A vote was passed instructing the secretary to pay no bills after Dec. 11 that had not been approved by the board. The report of the secretary, A. Gordon Leavitt, was very gratifying. The



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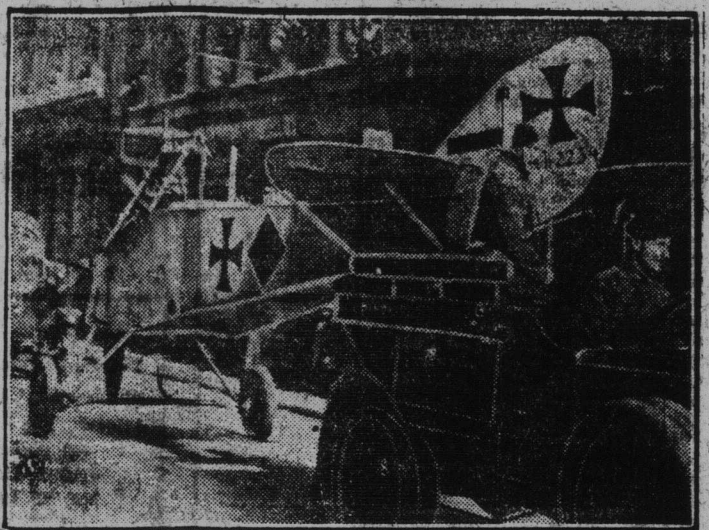
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CAPTURED ENEMY AEROPLANE CARRIED IN LORD MAYOR'S SHOW



The Lord Mayor's show, recently held in London, was a wonderful pageant, despite the predominating dull note struck by the khaki and blue uniforms. Many war trophies were carried in the procession, which was one of the most imposing the capital of the empire has yet witnessed.

which Vaughan reached in time to see Wagner climbing through a window onto a balcony overlooking the street. The detective yelled and rushed toward him, but Wagner was too quick. As Vaughan's hand reached for him, he dived over the balcony rail.

He struck on the sidewalk almost opposite the home of the late Mayor Gagnon, and was crushed to death.

Wagner was about fifty-five years old, was married and had four children. Meyenberg said that he believed Wagner had taken about \$15,000 of the company's money and asked for his arrest on the specific charge that, on Aug. 1, he had deposited to his own account in the Battery Park National Bank a check for \$1,000 drawn to the order of his company. According to Vaughan, Meyenberg said he believed Wagner had sent his family west intending to follow them soon, and then had had courage and decided to die.

Four Killed and Twelve Missing

As a result of the explosion which destroyed the plant of the Quaker Oats Company in Peterboro, Ont., there are four dead, twelve missing, five severely injured and ten less seriously hurt.

Nothing More to See
An old Scotman was threatened with blindness if he did not give up drinking. "Now, McTavish," said the doctor, "it's like this; you've either to stop the whisky or lose your eyesight—and you must choose." "Ah, weel, doctor," said McTavish, "I'm an auld man noo, and I was thinking I had seen about everything worth seein'!"

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"I am sorry, Mr. Wagner, but the directors decided this afternoon to arrest you for robbing the company. You must come with us now."

Mr. Wagner was in pajamas and bathrobe. Since last Tuesday, when he was nearly killed by gas—turned on accidentally, he had been in the care of a physician and confined to his room. So he asked permission to go to the bathroom to shave and dress. Detective Vaughan granted it, following close behind him.

On the fourth floor, the one below that they had just left, Mr. Wagner walked to the end of the hall and through a door.

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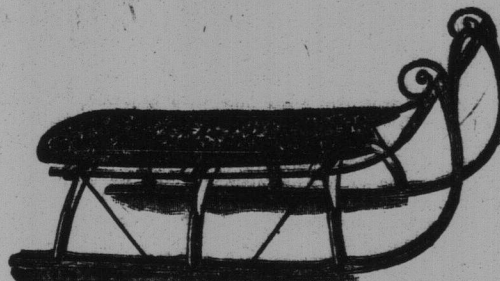
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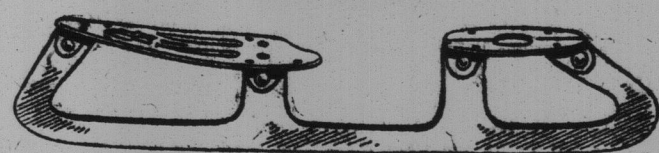
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