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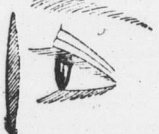
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NEWS TOPICS OF WEEK

Important Events Which Have Occurred During the Week.

The Busy World's Happenings Carefully Compiled and Put Into Handy and Attractive Shape for the Readers of Our Paper — A Solid Hour's Enjoyment.

WEDNESDAY.

A provincial Liberal convention will be called likely in May or June. Orillia Town Council has awarded paving contracts amounting to about \$180,000.

Allied gunboats and monitors have been ordered to Budapest and are likely to have started.

The Royal George docked at Halifax, but the Olympic could not do so on account of the wind.

A substantial increase in rural telephone subscription rates is allowed by the Quebec Public Utilities Commission.

President Ador of Switzerland has replied to a letter from President Ebert, thus recognizing the German Government.

Kostich and Capablanca, chess masters, played for five hours to a draw at Havana yesterday. They will resume on Monday.

Brantford G. W. V. A. branch wants the constitution changed so that the organization shall become political in future.

Sir Frederick Stupart told the Royal Astronomer Society that it may be possible shortly to forecast weather for a whole winter.

Wm. P. Sparrow was instantly killed by a ginpole striking him on the head while he was at work on the Hydro power canal construction at Niagara Falls.

Moses Beauchamp, living a couple of miles from Penetanguishene, died a moment after remarking that he guessed he would go like Charles McGibbon of Penetanguishene, who died of an apoplectic fit on Saturday.

Mr. McMaster's tariff amendment in the House of Commons was defeated on a vote of 115 to 61, all Unionists and Hon. W. S. Fielding, also Messrs. McGee (Sherbrooke) and Lapointe (St. James, Montreal) voting with the Government.

THURSDAY.

The Olympic's passengers were debarked at Halifax by tug.

Col. Vix, head of the French mission in Budapest, has been wounded. Senator Bradbury withdrew his bill aimed at the disfranchisement of enemy aliens.

Stiff fines were imposed on defaulters from New Germany in the Guelph Police Court.

Supplementary estimates, totalling over three million dollars, were passed by the Ontario Legislature.

A bill to enfranchise women for provincial and municipal elections was introduced in the Legislature.

The Home Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church met in Toronto and transacted important business.

Jose Capablanca of Cuba beat Boris Kostich of Serbia at Havana in the second of their chess matches.

Troops from the steamship Cedric, 317 in number, were demobilized at Exhibition Camp, Toronto, in seventy minutes.

A bill to create a Federal Department of Public Health was introduced in the Commons by Hon. N. W. Rowell.

Special cables from Petrograd state that the supply of food will determine the fate of the Soviet Government.

Mrs. Roland Barlow, of Philadelphia, won the women's North and South golf championship yesterday at Pinehurst, N.C.

Senator George Taylor, of Gananoque, died in St. Luke's Hospital, Ottawa, following a stroke of paralysis on Saturday.

Coal prices are to drop 50 cents a ton in Brantford on the 1st of April, dealers saying they can deliver more cheaply in the summer.

The Independent Socialists in Bavaria have demanded that the statues of all former regents and statesmen be melted for industrial uses.

The Miners' Conference in Britain has decided to recommend its members to accept the Sankey report for the settlement of their demands.

The Italian delegation to the Peace Conference has notified the conference of the suppression of the military and commercial blockade in the Adriatic.

FRIDAY.

Toronto's tax rate for 1919 will be 28 1/2 mills.

New Zealand dairy butter is being sold in Brantford.

The Minnekahda docked at Halifax with Canadian troops.

The Associated Boards of Trade are in session at Toronto.

The delivery of German merchant ships to the Allies continues.

A number of cities will adopt daylight saving themselves, anyway.

One robbery a night has been Brantford's record for some weeks past.

A big good roads deputation from Western Ontario waited on Premier Hearst.

According to reports, Edward De Valera has been in Dublin since Tuesday last.

Montreal is suffering an epidemic of crime, especially highway robbery and shooting.

Lt.-Col. Pratt, in the Legislature, made grave charges against officials of Argyle House.

Denial has been given to the report of the resignation of President Masaryk of Czechoslovakia.

The German authorities, according to report to Paris, have refused to allow 800 Polish refugees to land at Dantzig.

Fred Decoteau, of Hamilton, his wife and one child died during the night of "flu," and three other children are critically ill of the disease in hospital.

Pte. C. A. Palmer, of Tillsonburg, who returned home yesterday, and a chum of his in England in 1917, read of their own deaths in a St. Thomas paper.

Lloyd Smuck, of Richmond, a

well-known hockey player, has, while ill with a severe attack of influenza fever, recovered his hearing and is regaining the power of speech, which he lost through typhoid fever in childhood.

SATURDAY.

The 3rd Division troops are now practically all back in Canada.

Gen. Pau, who recently visited Canada, has arrived back in Paris.

Over \$60,000 will be spent this year in improving York county roads.

Hon. Geo. P. Graham was nominated by South Essex Liberals for the Commons.

Five train loads of Ontario troops arrived from the Olympic, including the 116th Battalion.

William Taylor, of Owen Sound, was elected president of the Associated Boards of Trade.

The Dominion Foundries & Steel Co., Ltd., showed net earnings amounting to \$1,228,614.

Capt. Jas. P. Delaney, a veteran mariner of the Great Lakes, died at his home in St. Catharines.

Brantford citizens will co-operate with the Chamber of Commerce in the new community program.

A quarantine against Skagway on account of influenza has been established by the Governor of Alaska.

John Vegrynink was hanged at Cornwall for the murder of Thomas Zveski at Winchester on Dec. 18.

The York and Peel Milk Producers' Association set the summer price of milk at \$2.50 per eight-gallon can.

Western Great War Veterans threaten to picket the ports of entry to prevent further influx of Menonites.

The British Government is to include in its claim for indemnity the cost of the new Hydro pipe line at Niagara Falls.

The first detachment of American railroad troops, destined for work on the Murman railway, has arrived on the Murman coast.

The Roumanian and Czechoslovak Governments have taken military measures against the Hungarian Soviet.

Two Roumanian army corps have crossed the frontier of Eastern Galicia.

Ex-Premier J. A. Murray, Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Hon. B. F. Smith and G. B. Jones were asked to resign from the New Brunswick Legislature by a vote of 22 to 14 on the motion of Premier Foster, acting on the commissioner's report on the "patriotic potato" inquiry.

MONDAY.

Many trainloads of troops arrived at Ontario points over the week-end.

The salaries of missionaries in the Presbyterian Church have been increased.

The commander of the Allied troops has declared Fiume to be in a state of siege.

The Labor Department's employment reports for the past week are quite encouraging.

Orders from France and Roumania for farm implements have been received by Brantford factories.

Haldimand County Council has appropriated \$100,000 for twenty-five miles of good roads construction during this year.

It is stated in a Paris despatch that Geneva has been definitely selected as the official seat of the League of Nations.

Canadiens defeated Seattle 4 to 3 in sixteen minutes overtime Saturday night, and the teams are now tied for the Stanley Cup.

A strong criticism of modern fiction was uttered by Archdeacon Patterson Smith in a sermon at Convocation Hall, Toronto.

An order-in-Council modifies immigration restrictions, now permitting British Columbia Hindus to bring in their wives.

The Montreal Herald has appeared under new management and is to be independent of party politics, devoted to business interests.

Rev. Robert Law was taken suddenly ill just before entering the pulpit yesterday morning in Old St. Andrew's Church, Toronto.

The recent note of the Allies to the German Government regarding the landing of Gen. Haller's Polish troops at Dantzig did not take the form of an ultimatum.

TUESDAY.

The Ontario Legislature has adopted new time.

A new Dominion coat of arms is to be designed.

The Social Service Council of Canada has been incorporated.

The Toronto police seized \$20,000 worth of liquor on Palmerston avenue, and arrested five men.

Samuel Gompers and his party sailed yesterday for New York on the steamer Rotterdam.

The Allied missions which were in Budapest when the Hungarian revolution broke out have arrived at Belgrade.

The Canadian Siberian Expeditionary Force is to return, the date being kept secret by request of the British Government.

Hamilton women may refrain from buying butter and even milk or cream until the prices fall to more reasonable figures.

Alex. Duthi, about 45 years of age, an Austrian-Ukrainian, was shot dead in the foreign quarter of Guelph on Sunday night.

Alex. Wood, an employee of the Lake Erie Coal Co., was instantly killed by falling from a coal hoist into a barge at Erieau.

The Grand Trunk Railway Co. has to meet payment to-day of principal and interest due on G. T. P. bonds amounting to \$10,754,040.

J. W. Dafee, editor of the Manitoba Free Press, in an address to the Canadian Club of Toronto, told of the work at the Peace Conference.

One hundred and fifty persons were executed by the new Budapest Government for looting when the political turmoil of last week occurred.

At the international boxing tournament final events in Toronto five of the championships were won by Canadian boxers and two by the Americans.

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