

# Clearance Sale!

**Doll Buggies  
Bicycles  
Artillery Waggon**

We have a few of the above left over, and in order to make room for Our New Spring Goods, we have decided to offer them at

**COST PRICE  
For This Week Only!**

**WESTERN MERCANTILE CO., LTD.**

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Hardware, 16R



**NO BETTER SPORT**  
for growing boys than roller skating. There are no better skates for the purpose—or for the money, either—than those we sell. We can show you skates at popular prices, or those with more expensive finishings, as well as everything in sporting goods that boyish boys find necessary for proper fresh-air recreation.

**SAMPSON HARDWARE CO.**

**NOTICE**  
All members of G. W. V. A. are requested to attend a meeting in the Rooms on Monday evening at 7.30. Important business.

A. MURDOCH, Pres.

**R. V. O. NURSE KILLED**  
BY TORONTO STREET CAR  
Toronto, Jan. 2.—Miss Lavinia Alexander, 40, attached to the Royal Victoria Order of Nurses, was instantly killed by a street car this morning.

## DECIDE NOW

To Improve Your Chances for Success by Enrolling for a Course at the

**SPROTT-SHAW**

A THOROUGH BUSINESS TRAINING WILL HELP YOU  
New Term Begins, Jan. 5th

**The Sprott-Shaw Business Institute**

(Nanaimo Business School, Ltd.)

Free Press Block.

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OF SERVICE

CASH OR EASY  
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A full stock of Tungsten Lamps

As Our Stock of House Furnishings is the Most Complete on the Island, we can readily furnish your Home from Top to Bottom.

Try Our EASY PAYMENT PLAN—It makes the PAYING so Convenient.

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**Model Furniture Co., Ltd**

Phone-201.

Brampton Block

Nanaimo, B. C.

WE PAY FREIGHT

## LOCAL BRIEFS

Miss E. M. Waugh, who spent New Year's with friends in Vancouver, returned home by last night's boat.

Mr. L. T. Davis, son of Dr. L. T. Davis of Parksville, who is a first year student in agriculture at the University of B. C., has taken a first class in French and Agronomy and a second class in Horticulture.

Start the New Year right by enrolling for a course at the Sprott-Shaw. New Term begins Monday, January 5th.

## A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

—and many Thanks for your valuable patronage extended to us during 1919 which we certainly appreciate.

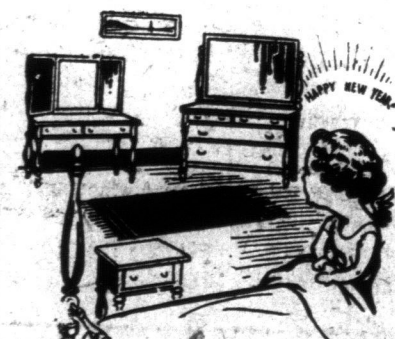
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THE CENTRAL DRUG STORE  
Phone 120. Commercial Street

Dress making at 277 Wallace St.

Cars for hire. Coal and other hauling done. Call Plummer. Phone No. 8.

Mr. John W. Coburn was a passenger by the Pat last night from the Mainland.

Mr. A. E. Fulton returned from Vancouver by the boat last night.



In a room newly furnished with furniture from our great offering. There is always plenty of choice to select a bureau, a dressing table, a bed or anything else that you may desire. Suffice it to say the offering is for furniture of class at very reasonable prices.

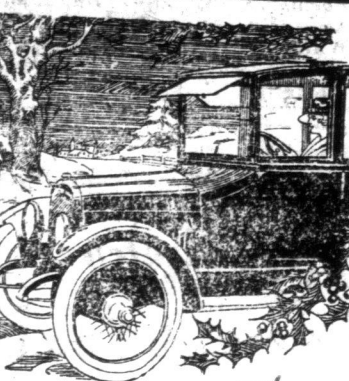
## MAGNET FURNITURE STORE

Nicol St., Opp. Fire Hall

W. B. WALKER  
Successor to Wm. Langton  
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Agent for Ostermoor Mattresses, Banner Coil & No-Sway Springs.

Dress making at reasonable prices at 277 Wallace St. 56-St



## To the Auto Owners--

Of Nanaimo and Surrounding Districts, We are Grateful for Our Share of Business, and We wish for you a HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR and invite your continued patronage in Tire Vulcanizing.

## ELCO TIRE SHOP

Jean Le Coque, Prop.  
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## ANDREW OGDEN GENERAL AUCTIONEER

15 Years' Experience Among the Dairy Farms of B. C.  
Live Stock or Furniture Sales Conducted on a Satisfactory Basis.

Office 49 Victoria Crescent  
Nanaimo, B. C.

## THE AFTERMATH OF THE FLU EPIDEMIC

Reappearance of Many Cases Leads to Discussion on Subject.

The reappearance of "flu" at many points brings up the old question as to whether it is a new disease or a new form of some very common ailment. The general consensus of medical opinion is that it is a germ disease of a virulent type which first attacks the membranes of the nose and throat and then spreads to some vital organ where it develops very quickly and does fearful work.

The symptoms of "flu" are about the same as those of a cold in the head, and for that reason it is now positively unsafe to allow a cold to go without attention. Treatment should be started as soon as the head starts closing up, the nose starts running or the sufferer starts sneezing. Let these conditions run for 24 hrs. and acute trouble is liable to develop, positively resulting in an attack of pleurisy, pneumonia or kindred ailments.

If Grip Fix is taken when the cold is starting relief may be expected in a single night. Even if the cold has reached the gripe stage, 48 hours' treatment is usually effective. Grip Fix contains nothing but the drugs your physician would order, a full list of which is given on every box. It comes in capsule form, and in a night will relieve the closed up condition of the head, overcome the fever, allay the muscular soreness and tone up the system.

Be prepared. Have Grip Fix in the house. Be sure to get the original Reid's Grip Fix. It's on sale at all druggists at 35c per box. Vancouver Drug Co. Limited, Special Agents. (adv.)

Mr. W. A. Owen returned to Cumberland yesterday afternoon after spending the holidays in Nanaimo.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman who spent New Year's in Vancouver, returned home by last night's boat.

Miss Violet Waugh, Selby street, has returned to her home after spending the holidays in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Mottishaw, Machlery St., have returned home, after spending the holidays with relatives in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sampson Kennedy street, have returned home after spending the holidays with relatives on the Mainland.

Miss J. Dick of Vancouver, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dick, Kennedy St.

The Misses Betty and Laura Sterling, who have been spending their holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.R. Sterling, Finlayson Street, entertained a number of their friends last night, prior to returning to their scholastic duties in Washington. A most enjoyable evening was spent with music, cards and dancing, and the merriment was kept up until an early hour this morning.

## OWLS INSTALLED OFFICERS FOR 1920 LAST NIGHT

At the regular meeting of Nanaimo Nest No. 1, International Brotherhood of Owls, held last night, the following officers were installed by Grand President W. H. Thorpe and Grand Warden L. C. Young:

President—O. A. Hackwood.  
Vice-Pres.—W. H. Dean.  
Chaplain—R. S. Burn.  
Warden—R. G. Kharston.  
Conductor—Allan Thompson.  
Inside Guard—Gilbert Hirst.  
Outside Guard—A. L. Smith.  
Secretary—A. F. Oliver.  
Treasurer—Alex Gibbons.  
Trustees—L. C. Young, W. H. Thorpe, George Johnson.

At the close of the business meeting a social session was held at which refreshments were served and a musical programme was rendered. Advantage was taken of the occasion to make a presentation to retiring Past President Alf. Dendoff.

## ODDFELLOWS' WHIST DRIVE

The following were the prize winners at the weekly military whist drive held last night:

First prize, Fort No. 1.—Miss Bennett, Mrs. Little, Mr. Little, Mr. Walter Bailey.  
Second prize, Fort No. 8.—Mrs. Parkin, Mrs. Crossan, Mr. G. Brown, Mr. Munroe.  
Third prize, Fort No. 11.—Miss McCourt, Mrs. Riley, Mr. Hasenfratz and Mr. Courtney.

The new term begins at the Sprott-Shaw Business College on Monday, Jan. 5. Enroll on the opening date.

Victoria defeated Vancouver at ice hockey last night by a score of 8 to 4, after an exciting and at times very rough contest.

Cars for hire. Coal and other hauling done. Call Plummer. Phone. 8.

Miss K. Dudley of Vancouver, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley, Prudeaux street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Griffith have returned from their honeymoon trip to the South, and are residing on the Townsite.

Mr. W. W. Lewis is about again after his recent severe accident, and was kept busy yesterday receiving the congratulations of his many friends on his recovery.

Mr. W. C. Mainwaring and his fiancée, Miss Latta, have returned to Vancouver, after spending New Year with Mr. Mainwaring's parents here.

Mr. Stanley McB. Smith, government agent, went down to Victoria yesterday on official business.

Mrs. A. Wilkinson, who has been on a visit to her sister Mrs. George Armstrong, Milton Street, has returned to her home in Vancouver.

If you can't attend the Sprott-Shaw day classes, come to the night school. Phone 715 for information.

Sheriff and Mrs. Trawford, and Miss M. McGregor, who have been spending New Years with relatives in Vancouver, returned home by last night's boat.

Mr. Peter Conroy, who has been under treatment in a Vancouver hospital for some time past, returned home by last night's boat. Mr. Conroy stated that while feeling very much better, he is still far from strong.

## DOMINION

TODAY

All the majesty and beauty of marine and submarine film art in William Fox's new, lavish spectacle, presenting

**ANNETTE KELLERMAN**

The Famous Diving Venus in

**"QUEEN  
of the SEA"**

Daring 85-foot Dive—Burning of Ship at Sea—Escape from Torture Tower—Battle With Surf—Also

RUTH ROLAND

IN

**"THE TIGER'S TRAIL"**

## MR. GEORGE WILKINSON RESIGNING INSPECTORSHIP

Changes are being made in the management of the Pacific Coast Coal Mines properties at South Wellington and Suquamish. Mr. Geo. Wilkinson, who succeeded Mr. Thos. Graham, as Chief Inspector of Mines is resigning his position to take up the office of general superintendent for the company. Mr. Wilkinson was formerly associated with the company in the same position, and it is generally understood that his resignation points to the adoption of a vigorous policy of development. Mr. William Roper has taken over the duties of manager at Morden under Mr. Wilkinson, taking charge on Thursday.

## ELECTED MAYOR BY NARROWEST POSSIBLE MARGIN

West Peterboro, Jan. 2.—Official returns at noon gave W. H. Taylor the Mayoralty by the narrow margin of one vote. His opponent A. A. McIntyre who ran on the labor ticket, may ask for a recount.

## BACK ACHE

Limber Up With Penetrating  
Hamlin's Wizard Oil

A harmless and effective preparation to relieve the pains of Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lamé Back and Lumbago is Hamlin's Wizard Oil. It penetrates quickly, drives out soreness, and limbers up stiff aching joints and muscles.

You have no idea how useful it will be found in cases of every day ailment or mishap, when there is need of an immediate healing, antiseptic application, as in cases of sprains, bruises, cuts, burns, bites and stings.

Get it from druggists for 30 cents. If not satisfied return the bottle and get your money back.

Ever constipated or have sick headache? Just try Wizard Liver Whips, pleasant little pink pills, 30 cents. Guaranteed.

## HAD BOTH LEGS FROZEN

Quebec, Jan. 2.—Paul Plante, a beggar found with both legs frozen, in front of a long dead fire in his cabin at St. Henry, has had both legs amputated. He may die.

## Le Roi est Mort! Vive Le Roi!

The Old Year is Dead. The New Year has Come, and the KING IS OIL.

Last year saw a wonderful expansion in the use of Oil. This year the expansion will be the limit of Production. No matter the amount produced and that will be enormous, there will still be the insistent demand for more and still more. And the Prices "High" you say? Well they have only started to rise. In all probability we shall see \$1.00 Gasoline, so say the Experts.

Now, if these be facts and they are patent to everyone who follows the trend of progress, the logical thing to do is to get into the Oil Game, and obtain your share of the millions waiting for the wise investor. Those who get in just ahead of Production, and buy stock in good Companies, or lease this thing and am now able to offer my friends Stock in the Best Companies in the Great Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Kansas Fields. Some good Wyoming Companies, and in any of the Companies operating in our Own Fraser Valley, which in a very short time will hold the centre of the stage. It is one of the Greatest Oil Fields on the Continent.

In this Great Field I am able to offer Choice Acreage at a Very Low Price, and would point out that those who own the Leases here will make Fabulous Fortunes, so soon as the first Well comes in. The Area is comparatively limited, hence Lease Owners can dictate terms.

I can offer acreage in practically all the other Great Fields, and have a Special Bargain in the Tularosa Valley, N. M., where there is feverish activity and prices rising steadily. All the Geologists and Oil Men declare this is certain to equal or surpass the Great Gusher Fields of Burkburnett, Ranger, or Homer, and it will come soon. Scores of Test Wells are going down Now, and in every case the results, so far, exceed the expectations of the most enthusiastic.

A Vancouver Co. has secured immense holdings in the Best Part of this field, and is drilling now at over 1200 feet. Near Oscura, at latest reports, the well filled up with Oil while waiting for Casing.

Close to this I am offering Good Leases for \$4.50 to \$5.00 and strongly urge you to secure a few acres here. They are sure to be very valuable and something you will own and control absolutely.

In any case Get Into the Game. You may possibly lose, but the chances are you will win, and if you do, you Win Big. Get into the Oil Game.

## JAMES YOUNG

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