WALL ST. CENTERS ON METAL ISSUES

Steels Were Bought on Promising Outlook For Expansions in Construction.

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Jan. 23.—Wall Street, 1:30 p.m.—Speculation in public utility issues become lively following the judicial decision declaring the $1 gas law unconstitutional. Consolidated Gas bounded up four points to 67¾, and Brooklyn Union Gas rose 4⅝. Some of the sugars and motors were also strong, but other active stocks fell back when various railroads became heavy, and U. S. Steel and Studebaker began to give way.

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Jan. 23.—Wall street, noon Speculative interest was at low ebb during the morning with price fluctuations generally small and unimportant. Buying power was centered largely in the steels, equipments and coppers. Equipments were accumulated on the theory that they would benefit by the installation of automatic train devices ordered by the interstate commerce commission. Coppers improved in sympathy with the higher trend of metal prices. Steels were bought on the promising outlook for expanding operations and speculative examinations of an extra dividend disbursement by United States Steel next week. Railroads were largely neglected, although a good inquiry developed for Pittsburg and West Virginia, which moved up 1½ points. Corn Products extended its gain to four points, and Railway Steel Spring, U. S. Alcohol, American Car and Foundry sold 2 to 2½ points above yesterday's final.

Call money opened at 4 per cent.

LAURENTIDE AGAIN TAKES ADVANCE

Narrow Range of Issues Feature Trading on Montreal Stock Exchange.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Jan. 23.—Noon—Trading on the stock exchange this morning was conducted in a moderate way and the firm tone that prevailed in yesterday's session was present in today's market. The list of issues was narrow. Laurentide was the most prominent issue as regards to activity and closed at 97½ for a net loss of ⅝. The next most active stocks were Brazilian and Smelters. The former was up to 46¾, the latter registering an advance of ⅞ to 37⅞.

NEW YORK CURB

Reported for The Advertiser by Arthur E. Moysey & Co.

Industrials—	High	Low	Noon
Acme Coal	2½	2½	2½
Durant Del	31⅛	31⅛	31⅛
Durant Ind	8½	8½	8½
Reo Motors	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛
Radio com	4⅝	4⅝	4⅝
Tobacco Products	4⅛	4⅛	4⅛
Un Pro Sharing	7½	7½	7½
U R Candy	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞
Mining—			
Boston and Montana	17	17	17
Divide Exten	5	5	5
Eureka Croesus	12	12	12
Fortuna	7	7	7
Florence	40	40	40
Ton Divide	39	39	39
United Eastern	90	89	90
West End	63	63	63
Oils—			
Anglo-American	15⅞	15⅝	15⅞
Cities Service	153	151½	151½
Carib Syndicate	5⅞	5⅝	5¾
Engineers	8	8	8
Federal	35	35	35
Glenrock	57	55	55
International Petro	20½	20⅛	20½
Imperial	117½	117	117
Mutual	13	12¾	12¾
Pennock	13⅞	13⅞	13⅞
Standard Oil of N. Y.	46¾	46	46¾
Standard Oil of Indiana	66¾	66⅝	66¾
Standard Oil of Ken...	116½	116½	116½

Exchange

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Jan. 23.—Bar silver, 33¾d per ounce.

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, Jan. 23.—Prices were firm on the bourse today.

Three per cent rentes, 54 francs 10 centimes.

Exchange on London, 94 francs 10 centimes.

Five per cent loan, 71 francs 45 centimes.

The United States dollar was quoted at 22 francs 17 centimes.

Associated Press Despatch

New York, Jan. 23.—Sterling exchange weak. Demand rates: Great Britain, $4.21¾; France, 4.47½c; Italy, 4.34½c; Germany, .000000000023c.

Canadian dollars, 2 5-16 per cent discount.

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Jan. 23.—Bar silver, 63¾c per ounce.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Jan. 23.—Prices were firm on the stock exchange today.

Money, 2⅞ per cent.

Discount rates—Short bills, 3¾ to 3 7-16 per cent. Three months bills, 3½ per cent.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

Reported for The Advertiser by Johnston & Ward.

Call money—4 per cent.
Sterling—4.21⅝.
Francs—4.50.
Brazil—10.95.
Lires—4.36.

COTTON

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Jan. 22.—Cotton futures closed steady. Closing bids: Jan., Jan., 32.83c; March, 33.07c; May, 33.28c; July, 32.20c.

Spot cotton closed steady. Middling uplands, 33.25c.

Associated Press Despatch.

Liverpool, Jan. 22.—Cotton, spot, in limited demand; prices steady. American middling, fair, 20.84d; good middling, 19.79d; fully middling, 19.29d; middling, 18.79d; low middling, 17.79d; good ordinary, 16.79d; ordinary, 16.29d. The sales of the day were 3,000 bales, of which 2,800 were American. The receipts were 26,000 bales, including 13,700 American.

Futures opened and closed very steady.

DETROIT DISCOUNT RATE

Special to The Advertiser.

Detroit, Jan. 22. — Clearing-house banks' uniform rate of exchange on Canadian currency for Wednesday will be at a discount of $2.56 per $100.

ANNOUNCE MEETING.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Winnipeg, Jan. 22. — The annual meeting of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, with delegates attending from Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec, will be held in Regina on Feb. 29, it was announced here today.

How the Stocks Closed At Noon

(See Sporting Green for Quotations at the Three o'Clock Close.)

New York

Reported for The Advertiser by Jones, Easton, McCallum Company. New York, Jan. 23—2 p.m.

Stocks.	Open	High	Low	Close
Ajax Rubber	9½	9½	9½	9½
Allied Chem.	70	70	69¾	69¾
Allis Chalmers	49⅞	49⅞	49	49
Am. Ag. Chem.	15	15	15	15
Am. Bosch Mag.	33⅞	34½	33⅞	33½
Am. Can. Co.	107½	108½	107½	108
Am. C. and F.	164½	164½	164½	164½
Am. Hide pfd.	55½	55½	55⅛	55⅛
Am. Smelting	58	58⅝	58	58⅝
Steel Fd.	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝
Am. Sugar Ref.	55	57⅝	55	56
Am. Sumatra	25	25¾	25	25¾
Am. T. and T.	128⅝	128⅞	128¼	128¼
Am. Tob. c. B	150	150	150	150
Am. Woolen	75½	75½	75⅜	75½
Anaconda Cop.	37¼	38	37¼	37⅞
Atchison	98⅝	98⅝	98⅜	98½
Baldwin Loco.	123	123½	123	123½
Bal. and Ohio	58	58	57¾	57¾
Beechnut Pack.	56⅝	56½	56⅜	56½
Beth. Steel	54⅝	54⅞	54⅜	54¾
Cal. Petroleum	26	26	25⅞	26
C. P. R.	147½	147½	147½	147½
Cen. Leather	16½	16¼	16¼	16½
Cerro de Pasco	45⅝	46	45⅝	46
Chandler Motor	61⅛	61⅛	60⅝	60⅝
Ches. and Ohio	73½	73½	73½	73½
C., M. and St. P.	16¼	16½	16	16
C., R. I. and P.	24¾	24¾	24	24
Chi. and G. W.	5⅜	5⅜	5⅛	5⅛
do. pfd.	12⅞	12⅞	12½	12½
Chile Copper	27½	27¾	27½	27½
Coca Cola	74	74	74	74
Col. F. and I.	26½	26½	26½	26½
Computing	95⅝	95⅝	95⅝	95⅝
Consol. Gas	68¼	67¾	68¼	68¼
Con. Textile	7¼	7⅝	7¼	7⅝
Corn Products	172	174⅛	172	173¾
Cosden & Co.	35⅞	35⅞	35¾	35⅞
Crucible Steel	65¾	66¼	65¾	66¼
Cuba C. Sgr.	14⅞	15½	14⅞	15½
do, pfd.	63	64¼	63	63¾
Cuban Am. Sgr.	34⅝	35⅜	34⅝	35¼
Dome Mines	19	19	19	19
Dupont	129½	130	129½	130
Erie Railway	25⅞	26½	25¾	25⅞
1st pfd	33⅝	33¾	33½	33½
Famous Players	70⅝	70⅝	69½	70½
Fisk Rubber	10⅛	10⅛	10	10
Freeport-Texas	11½	11½	11½	11½
General Asphalt	43⅜	44½	43⅜	44½
General Electric	213½	215½	213½	214¼
General Motors	15	15	14⅞	14⅞
Goodrich Rubber	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛
G Northern, pfd.	56¾	56¾	56¾	56¾
Gulf States Steel	82¼	83	82¼	83
Hudson Motors	27¼	27⅜	27¼	27⅜
Hupp Motors	16½	16½	16⅜	16⅝
Inspir Copper	25⅞	26⅞	25⅞	26¾
Inter M M. pfd	30¾	31	30⅝	30⅝
Inter Nickel	13⅛	13¼	13⅛	13⅛
Inter Paper	38½	38¾	38½	38¾
Invincible Oil	15¼	15⅜	15	15
Kelly-Springfield	31	31½	31	31⅛
Kennecott Copper	34⅝	35¼	34⅝	35¼
Keystone Tire	3¾	3¾	3¾	3¾
Lima Loco	66⅞	67	66⅞	67
Mack Truck	83⅞	84⅝	83⅞	84
Maxwell Motor A	53	53½	53	53½
do, B	15¼	15¼	15⅛	15⅛
Miami Copper	22½	22½	22½	22½
Middle States Oil	6⅛	6¼	6⅛	6¼
M K and T	12¼	12¼	12¼	12¼
Missouri Pacific	11¼	11¼	11¼	11¼
Mother Lode	8⅛	8⅛	8⅛	8⅛
National Biscuit	51⅞	52	51⅞	51⅞
National Lead	144½	145⅞	144½	144¾
New York Central	101¾	101⅞	101⅝	101
N Y-N Haven	18¼	18¼	18¼	18¼
Norfolk & West.	104⅝	104½	104⅝	104½
North American	24⅝	24⅝	24	24⅜
Northern Pacific	53½	53½	53	53
Pan-American	50⅝	50⅝	48⅞	50⅛
do, B	49⅜	49⅜	47⅞	48⅝
Pennsylvania	44⅛	44⅜	44⅛	44⅜
Penn S Steel	4¼	4¼	4⅛	4¼
People's Gas	94¾	94¾	94¾	94¾
Pere Marquette	43	43	43	43
Pierce-Arrow	10½	10½	10½	10½
Pierce Oil	4⅛	4⅛	4	4
Pittsburg Coal	61	61½	61	61½
Lehigh Valley	71¼	71¼	70¼	70¼
Prod and Refin	42	42⅜	41¾	41¾
Punta Sugar	57¾	58¼	57¾	58¼
Pure Oil	24⅛	24⅜	24⅛	24⅛
Ray C Copper	10⅞	11⅛	10⅛	11
Reading Co	56¼	56½	56¼	56½
Republic Steel	13¾	14	13¾	14
Republic Iron	54	54	53¾	54
Huston Oil	70¾	71	70½	70¾
Reynolds Spring	17¾	18	17¾	18
Royal Dutch	54⅝	54⅝	54¼	54¼
Inter Transit	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞
Sears-Roebuck	92	92	91⅞	91⅞
Fleischmann	48¼	49⅜	48¼	49⅜
Sinclair Oil	23⅛	23¾	23⅛	23¾
Davison & Co	63	63¾	62⅝	63½
Southern Ry	42¼	42⅜	41¾	41¾
Stan Oil Cal	64¾	63⅛	64¾	65½
do. N J	40⅞	40⅞	40⅝	40⅞
Stewart-Warner	94⅝	95½	94½	95½
Stromberg	80	80	80	80
Studebaker	99⅞	101	99⅞	101
St L and S F	21¼	21¾	21¼	21¾
Miss Pacific, pfd.	32⅛	32⅛	31⅝	31¾
Tenn. C. & C.	9⅝	9⅛	9⅛	9⅛
Texas Co.	43¾	43⅞	43¾	43⅞
Tex.-Pacific Oil	12	12⅛	12	12
Tex. & Pacific	21¼	21¼	21¼	21¼
Temken Roller	38⅝	39	38⅝	39
Tobacco Products	89⅛	89⅛	89⅛	89⅛
Transcon. Oil	5½	5⅝	5⅝	5½
G. Northern Ore	29	29¼	28½	29¼
Union Pacific	129¼	129¼	129⅛	129¼
Southern Ry., pfd.	68½	68½	68½	68½
United Fruit	189½	189	185½	188¾
U. S. C. I. Pipe	74⅞	76⅜	74⅞	76⅜
U. S. Food	3¼	3¼	3¼	3¼
U. S. In. Alcohol	71¾	74¾	71¾	74
U. S. Rubber	39¼	39¼	39¼	39¼
U. S. Steel	100⅜	100¾	100	100¼
Utah Copper	65½	65½	65½	65½
Vanadium Corp.	30	30	30	30
Westinghouse	64½	64¾	64	64¼
St. Paul, pfd.	26	26⅜	26	26
Willys-Overland	12½	12¾	12½	12¾
do, pfd.	85	85	85	85
Woolworth	293½	293½	293½	293½
Wabash Railway	12¾	12¾	12½	12¾
do, A	38¾	38½	38	38¼
Reynolds Tobacco	72¾	72¾	72¾	72¾
Mex. Seaboard	15⅞	16⅜	15⅞	15⅞
May Stores	94½	94⅝	94	94
Continental Can	55⅛	55¾	55⅛	55⅜
C. Leather, pfd.	42¼	42¼	42¼	42¼

Toronto

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Jan. 23—Noon.

Sales	Stocks.	High	Low	Noon
25	B. E. Steel 2nd p.	13¼	13¼	13¼
162	Brazilian	47	46½	46⅞
5	Bird pfd.	89	89	89
265	Tel. Rights	4½	4¼	4¼
5	Bell Tel.	129	128½	129
161	Can. Bread	74¾	71	74¾
10	do, pfd.	97	97	97
75	Car and Fdy.	41	41	41
1	C. P. R.	151	151	151
10	Dom. Can. pfd.	89	89	89
15	Goodyear pfd.	79½	79½	79½
20	Mackay	115	115	115
30	Maple Leaf	92	91	92
52	Porto Rico Ry.	23	22½	23
10	Russell M. C. pfd.	48	48	48
5	Sales Book pfd.	92¼	92¼	92¼
20	Span. River pfd.	108½	108½	108½
1	Steel of Can.	75¾	75¾	75¾
25	Twin City	67½	67½	67½
10	Winnipeg Ry.	28½	28½	28½
200	Nipissing	635	635	635
4	Commerce	187	187	187
2	do, new	186	186	186
5	Standard	165½	165½	165½
2	Can. Per.	183	183	183
1500	Can. Brd. bonds.	100	100	100

STANDARD EXCHANGE

Associated Press Despatch.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—Trade was again light on the Standard Mining Exchange this morning, and the market showed weakness all down the list. A feature of the morning's session was the demand for Wettlaufer, with 40,000 shares changing hands at a half cent advance at 19. Other gains of the morning included Mining Corporation, 7 at 340, and Beaver 1 at 33¾. Prominent losses included Bidgood ¼ at 12⅜, Con. West Oome ¼ at 26, Indian, 2½ at 59, Crown Reserve ½ at 74½, and Kirkland Lake ¼ at 25¼.

Reported for The Advertiser by Jones, Easton, McCallum Co. Toronto, Jan. 23—Noon.

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Apex	2½	2¾	Everett	14	14½
Atlas	4⅜	4½	Vipond	106	107
Argon	55	56	Wakenda	3	..
Algon	1⅞	..	W Tree	6	6½
Baldwin	6⅞	6¾	Wasapika	3	3½
Bucking	3¾	4¼	Wright	285	305
Chaput	3	5	Temisk	31	32
W D L	26	26½	Tre'wey	9	9½
Clifton	5⅝	6	Beaver	33	33¾
Columb	5	10	Coniag	200	215
Dom	..	1½	Cr Res	74½	74¾
Dome	1915	1970	Castle T	63¼	63½
Davidson	5	15	La Rose	21	23
Gold'n	47	48	McKinley	12	12
GoldReef	2⅜	2¼	M Corp	340	342
Hattie	7⅜	7½	Ophir	4⅛	4¼
Hollin	1240	1245	Nipis'g	630	634
Keora	9	9½	Peterson	10	10½
Kirkland	25	25¼	Oro	29	31
L Shore	363	366	Indian	59½	60
Moneta	21½	22	Wettlauf	19	20
McInt	1740	1755	Bldwood	12¼	12½
N Ray	40½	41	Beatty	5	5½
P Crown	9	10	Hunton	6	6½
Preston	13¾	15	Vickers	21	22
T Oakes	65	65½	Keeley	227	229
Teck-H	125	126	Lorraine	13¾	14
T-Krist	6	7	Inspira	9	10½

Sales to noon, 218,210 shares.

GOVERNMENT LOANS

Wood, Gundy & Co. furnish the following prices and yields:

Year.	Bid.	Ask.	Yield.
5½% VICTORY.			
1924	100.65	100.75	4.75
1927	102.55	102.65	4.76
1933	105.50	105.60	4.79
1934	102.80	102.90	5.16
1937	107.85	107.95	4.74
5½% RENEWAL.			
1927	101.70	101.80	5.01
1932	102.40	102.50	5.17
5% WAR LOAN.			
1925	100.65	100.75	4.52
1931	101.00	101.10	4.73
1937	102.90	103.00	4.70
5% REFUNDING.			
1928	99.80	99.90	5.01
1943	99.80	99.90	5.06

HAY AND STRAW

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Jan. 22.—Hay, extra No. 2 timothy, $14.50 to $15; No. 2, $14.50; No. 3 and mixed $12.50.

Straw—$9 per ton.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Jan. 22.—There is little doing in the baled hay market. No. 2, per ton, carlots, $15 to $16.

POTATOES AND ONIONS

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—The wholesale quotations of potatoes and onions are:

Potatoes, 90-lb bags, $1.50.

Onions, 100-lb bags, medium size, $3.50; do, large size, $3.75.

FLOUR

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Jan. 22.—Demand for flour was steady. There continues a good amount of business in millfeed and prices for rolled oats were quoted unchanged.

Flour—Man. spring wheat patents, firsts, $6.20; seconds, $5.70; strong bakers, $5.50; winter patents, choice, $5.65 to $5.75.

Rolled oats—Bag, 90 lbs., $3.05.

Bran—Per ton, $28.25.

Shorts—Per ton, $31.25.

Middlings—Per ton, $37.25.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Jan. 22.—Manitoba flour, first patents, $6.20; second patents, $5.70.

Ontario flour—$4.60, in jute bags, Montreal and Toronto; $4.25, bulk, seaboard.

Good feed flour—$2.10 per bag.

BBran—Per ton, $28.

Middlings—Per ton, $36.

Shorts—Per ton, $30.

Associated Press Despatch.

Minneapolis, Jan. 22. — Flour unchanged; shipments, 28,509 barrels.

Bran—Per ton, $25.50 to $27.

SUGAR

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Jan. 22. — No changes occurred in the raw sugar market today, but the undertone was steady, and further buying interest was reported in nearby Cubas at $6.53 duty paid. There were sales of 5,000 bags of Cubas to an operator for prompt shipment.

After opening 2 points lower to 1 point higher, raw sugar futures firmed up on trade and Cuban buying, and at one time were 3 to 6 points net higher on the active positions. Reactions occurred later under realizing, and final prices were unchanged to 2 points net lower. January closed at $4.92, March $4.69, May $4.76, July $4.83.

Refined sugar was unchanged, at $8.25 to $8.60 for fine granulated, with a limited inquiry reported.

Refined futures were nominal.

W. RICHARDSON IS NEW LINCOLN COUNTY WARDEN

Canadian Press Despatch.

St. Catharines, Jan. 22. — William Richardson, reeve of the town of Merriton, was this afternoon chosen warden of Lincoln County for 1924.

ELMIRA MAN HEADS CATTLE ASSOCIATION

Canadian Press Despatch.

Moose Jaw, Jan. 23—John Low, of Elmira, was elected president of the Canadian Angus Aberdeen Association at the organization's annual meeting here yesterday.

G. C. Shannon, of Oakwood, Ont., was elected a director.

Montreal

Reported for The Advertiser by McDongall and Cowans. Montreal, Jan. 23.

Stocks—	High	Low	Noon
Abitibi	64	63¾	63½
Asbestos	30	30	30
Bell Telephone	129	128⅝	129
Brazilian	47	46½	46¾
Breweries	55	55	55
Brompton	39⅞	39½	39⅞
Can Cement	85	85	85
Canada Car	43	41	42
Converters	88	88	88
Detroit United	70	70	70
Dominion Bridge	68	68	68
Dominion Glass	104	104	104
Howard Smith	65½	65½	65½
Laurentide	98¼	97¾	97½
Montreal Power	148	147½	148
Ottawa Tract	60	60	60
Pennans	151	151	151
Quebec Power	68¼	68¼	68¼
St Maurice Power	111	110	111
Shawinigan	126⅛	126	126⅛
Smelters	37⅞	37½	37⅞
Spanish River	102	101½	102
Steel of Canada	75	75	75
Toronto	63	63	63
Toronto Rails	81½	81½	81½
Winnipeg	28	28	28
Crown Reserve	74	74	74
Preferred—			
Can Car and Foundry	87	87	87
Can Steamships	43½	43½	43½
Spanish River	108¾	108¾	108¾
B E Steel, 2nd	131½	131½	131½
Illinois	89	89	89
Tucketts	94	94	94
Cuban-Can Sugar	39	39	39
Can Woolen	35	35	35
Goodyear Rubber	80	80	80
Can Cement	19½	18½	19½
Banks—			
Commerce	187	187	187
Montreal	241¼	240	241¼
Nova Scotia	250	250	250
Royal	214	214	214
Bonds—			
Victory Loan, 1934	10270	10270	10270
do, 1937	10305	10305	10305

MACDONALD PLANS IMMEDIATE RELIEF

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surprise many people besides panic mongers, by its catholicity and its high level of ability.

The first meeting of the cabinet will be held at Number 10, Lowning street, at 4 o'clock this afternoon, when committees will be appointed to thresh out matters of pressing importance and make immediate reports. According to a well-informed source, MacDonald chose a large cabinet quickly because he wanted to organize the committee system thoroughly on business lines and get various lines of action started.

HUMBLE BEGINNERS.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Jan. 23.—If all the reports that are going the rounds wih reference to pressure having been brought to bear on the new premier, Ramsay MacDonald, by trade unions and other labor bodies to obtain portfolios for their members in the Labor cabinet are true, there is likely to be more disappointment within the wide ranks of Labor over the premier's selections than have been revealed on the outside so far.

Among the comments of the newspapers on the actual accession of Labor to power, probably the most striking features is the non-appearance of the erstwhile doleful predictions that the British Empire would be doomed if the Labor party got control.

The Morning Post and Daily Telegraph, alone of the Conservative papers, refuse to be comforted, although the Telegraph expresses the belief that Premier MacDonald's administration will last only a short time.

Seven Trade Unionists.

There are seven trade unionists among the new ministers, and some of these veritably have sprung from the loins of the people.

Biographical data, issued by the Labor press department, gives the following information about the new ministers:

Ramsay MacDonald, premier and secretary of foreign affairs, began to work on the land at the age of 12 years.

J. R. Clynes, lord privy seal and deputy government leader in the House of Commons, was working half time at the age of 10.

J. H. Thomas, secretary of state for the colonies, began life as an engine cleaner.

William Adamson, secretary for Scotland, started work in a mine when 11 years old, and for 27 years he earned his living as a miner.

Thomas Shaw, minister of labor, was working in a mill at half time at the age of 10.

F. W. Jowett, commissioner of works, was a half-timer at the age of 8.

John Wheatley, minister of health, was one of a family of eleven who for years lived in a single-roomed apartment in Lanarkshire.

Mixed Ministry.

These personalities whose humble beginnings are thus outlined in the labor press biographical data, are in somewhat striking contrast with the three peers in the Labor government, Lord Parmoor, lord president of the council; Viscount Haldane, lord chancellor; and Viscount Chelmsford, first lord of the admiralty. These, the Daily New says, "give a surprising and rather quaint air of respectability to the administration, designed for the comfort of weak-minded persons who might not be persuaded otherwise that a Labor government means anything but red ruin.

SOME SURPRISES.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Jan. 23.—The cabinet appointments of Ramsay MacDonald that attract most attention are those of Viscount Chelmsford as first lord of the admiralty and of John Wheatley as minister of health.

The naming of Lord Chelmsford comes as a complete surprise. One Conservative paper calls it a "great shock" for nobody had guessed he had any affiliations with Labor and the date of his conversion in quite unknown. The viscount is prominent as a former viceroy of India who introduced there certain administrative reforms which displeased the Conservatives at home. He also has been governor of Queensland and of New South Wales and has taken a conspicuous part in educational work.

Sop to Extremists.

Mr. Wheatley's inclusion in the ministry is generally regarded as a sop to the Glasgow extremists to which group he belongs. Born in humble circumstances, Mr. Wheatley worked for 22 years in the coal mines. He is now a publisher in Glasgow and is considered the most intellectual of the Clydeside socialists. As minister of health he will be responsible for the burning question of rents and housing, concerning which the Glasgow contingent has been much disturbed. His appointment was commended yesterday by his fellow M.P.'s from his home city.

Parliamentary seats must be found for three of the new ministers who are members of the Commons, namely, Arthur Henderson, secretary of state for home affairs; Sir Sidney Olivier, secretary of state for India and Brig.-General Christopher Thompson, air minister. However, it is expected that the new head of the India office will be made a peer and thus become one of the government's representatives in the House of Lords.

There is also a possibility that General Thompson will receive a peerage.

Planned Large Cabinet.

Whether all the ministers whose appointments were announced yesterday will belong to the cabinet is as yet unknown, for although some officers sometimes carry cabinet rank these are at the discretion of the premier. It is understood, however, that the new prime minister contemplates a large cabinet, intending to delegate a great deal of the work to committees of ministers.

Despite the fact that the seals of office were not exchanged yesterday between the outgoing and incoming ministers, the Daily Express says Arthur Henderson has already taken over his duties as home secretary and is devoting himself to the railway strike crisis. It is understood that Mr. MacDonald will hold his first cabinet meeting this afternoon.

SEEDS

Associated Press Despatch.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Timothyseed, $6 to $8 per cwt.

Cloverseed—$18 to $23.75 per cwt.

BARKING DOG SAVES LIVES OF 2 PERSONS

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tinguished. Owing to the close proximity of a house to the east of the burning apartment, several firemen were stationed in a narrow alleyway between the two buildings to prevent the fire from spreading.

Upper Flats Damaged.

The night shift of all the departments in the city responded to the call sent in at 7:15 this morning. They were relieved at 8 o'clock by the day shift.

The upper two flats of the apartment inhabitated by Mr. and Mrs. Pocock, who were not in the house at the time of the fire, and Mr. and Mrs. Munroe were damaged considerably by fire and water. The attic of the house suffered the greatest loss being badly burned.

SHIP'S CAPTAIN MEETS DEATH DURING STORM

Associated Press Despatch.

Vera Cruz, Jan. 23.—Captain Sparrow, one officer and two telegraphers of the U. S. cruiser Tacoma were killed in the storm which swept this city Sunday and Monday. After the Tacoma went onto the reef, Captain Sparrow and 19 remained aboard as the wind made it necessary to withdraw the crew which was working to get the Tacoma off the reef.

CANADA BREAD IS TORONTO LEADER

Takes Advance of Almost Four Points on Otherwise Dull Market.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—An advance of almost 4 points by Canada Bread was the feature of this morning's otherwise dull session on the local stock exchange. No reason other than the company's strong financial position was ascribed for the advance, while trading was only moderately brisk. Opening at 71, Bread quickly sold up to 74¾, closing at the high quotation for the session. Maple Leaf Milling was up a point to 92 on odd lot trading, while Brazilian closed ⅞ up at 46⅞. There was little change in the balance of the list, while trading was extremely light.

GOLFERS ARE PLANNING SUMMER RESORT COURSE

Special to The Advertiser.

Goderich, Jan. 22.—The Maitland Golf Club Limited appointed the following as directors for 1924: J. L. Killoran, James Donaldson, A. J. MacKay, C. C. Lee, C. W. Ellis, T. R. Patterson, D. D. Mooney and Rev. S. S. Hardy. The directors elected C. C. Lee chairman, J. L. Killoran vice-chairman and Douglas Mooney secretary-treasurer.

Royal L. Lloyd, who had been the president of the club the past year, resigned about six weeks ago, as he is a director of the Goderich Development Company, which company is promoting another golf course at their summer resort, Blue Water Beach, one mile south of Goderich. A. J. MacKay retired as secretary-treasurer after a two-year term in that position.

The club's finances were reported to be in a flourishing condition, with a balance on hand of $360 after all bills had been paid.

Waterworks Extension.

In his address at the inaugural meeting of the town council Mayor W. F. Gallow referred to the fact that the water and light commission had already asked for tenders for a 24-inch intake pipe, which is to be laid by July 1 next, at an estimated cost of $60,000, which sum the council would have to provide by issuing debentures.

A bill is to come before the legislature at the coming session to enable the town to consolidate its debt for the sum of $25,000. His worship advised the council to direct its efforts toward extension and development of the harbor and the cultivation and extension of the tourist traffic. He also urged that some definite action be taken during 1924 toward the erection of a new town hall.

Messrs. A. D. McLean, W. F. Naftel and Dr. L. E. Bolster were reappointed as members of the board of health; Mayor Gallow was appointed on the board of governors of Alexandra Marine and General Hospital, while Rev. J. E. Ford and John Galt were reappointed for a three-year term as members of the Collegiate Institute and Public Library boards, respectively. Charles A. Nairn was reappointed as member of the housing commission for the year 1924-25.

The following standing committees of the council were chosen: Finance, MacEwan, Munnings, Humber, Platt and Holmes; public works, Munnings, MacEwan, Worsell, Ryan and Turner; cemetery and parks, Humber, Holmes, Platt, Munnings and Turner; market, Ryan, Worsell, Humber, Turner and Holmes; special, relief and reception, Holmes, Humber, MacEwan, Ryan and Platt; fire, Worsell, Turner, Holmes, Humber and Ryan; water, light and harbor, Platt Ryan, Worsell, MacEwan and Munnings; court of revision, Turner, Platt, MacEwan, Munnings and Worsell.

G. C. I. Literary.

The Goderich Collegiate Institute Literary Society has as officers: Honorary president, Ronald J. G. Wilson, Toronto; president, Tom M. Cutt