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RUTH'S 24TH WINS GAME FOR TEAM

Slugger Puts One Over Boston Fence.

Jim Corbett Sees Carpentier Workout — Dempsey Gets Another Opponent — Late News of Sport.

New York, June 21.—Better pitching marked the four major league contests yesterday. At Boston, Ruth blazed his twenty-fourth home run over the high fence in left field at Fenway Park, turning the Red Sox back after ten innings of a crisp struggle, 7 to 6.

Beaumont, Texas, June 21—Bill Bailey, left handed pitcher for the local club of the Texas League, left here today to report to the St. Louis Club of the National League.

Chicago, June 21—The Chicago White Sox added a recruit today—Edwin C. Tombly, right handed pitcher, formerly of Lehigh Valley University.

Boots Tonight.

New York, June 21—Joe Lynch of New York will defend his world's bantamweight championship in a ten round open air bout here tonight against Sammy Sandow of Cincinnati.

Four other ten round contests will bring together Leach Cross, veteran New York lightweight, and Gene Delmont, Memphis; Jack Sharkey, bantamweight, and Joe Burman, of Chicago; Andy Chaner, Baltimore, featherweight, and Charley Beecher, New York, and Eddie O'Dowd and Joe Dillon, flyweights.

Nanaimo, B. C., June 21—(Canadian Press)—Piling up the highest score of their Canadian tour, the Scotish professional football team defeated the Upper Island All Stars here yesterday 9 to 0.

The Big Fighters.

Manhusset, N. Y., June 21—Today was another mystery day at the Carpentier camp. The challenger worked in private. Yesterday visitors were admitted, including James J. Corbett, cleverest of all heavyweights, and Gunboat Smith. Corbett made no audible comment. The Gunner and Georges fought in London in 1914 and Georges got the decision on a foul in the sixth round. Frankly, I think that Dempsey is too young and too strong for Carpentier," he said, "but do not make the mistake of thinking that this Frenchman cannot fight. He hit me the most disgusting wallop in the first round of our fight that I ever received in my life, and put me down and nearly out. "Believe me he can punch and he can take them, for I saw Bombardier Wells land a few on him that looked like good night pelts, but he came back and gave the Bombardier a cure for insomonia."

Atlantic City, N. J., June 21—Kid Norfolk, negro light heavyweight today joined the champion's staff of sparring partners. Battling Ghee may be dropped from the champion's staff because of his inclination to keep away from Dempsey instead of forcing the champion to extend himself. Larry Williams appears to be the only sparring partner in camp who gives Dempsey any kind of a workout. He mixes furiously, despite the fact that he takes a lacing each day he performs.

Bridgeport, Conn:, June 21. — Louis Bogash of Bridgeport scored a technical knockout over Soldier Bartfield of Brooklyn in the third round of a scheduled fifteen-round bout here last night. Referee Terry Lee stopped the bout at the direction of the city boxing commission. Bartfield said that his left arm was broken, but after an examination by physicians the commission ordered Bartfield's share of the purse held up pending an investigation of the bout.

REV. DR. CHOWN ON CHURCH UNION

Berwick, N. S., June 21—At the closing session of the Nova Scotia Methodist Conference, held here last night, Dr. S. D. Chown, of Toronto, defining the attitude of Canadian Methodism towards church union, said:

"We believe, no more in the divine right of bishops than we do in the divine right of kings. We believe in the lordship of Christ and no other. We believe in the providence of God, working in the history of the church, in the power of the church to adapt its form to changing conditions. We believe in, and cannot go back upon the spiritual significance of our own history as a church. We are quite ready to unite with all Christians in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, when it is administered in the spirit of its founder. We believe in the priesthood of all believers and not of some only. And we hold these beliefs as true, until otherwise convinced by the findings of genuine critical scholarship."

It was announced at the meeting that fifty per cent of Nova Scotia's quota to the national campaign fund had been paid in. Another important announcement was that a great evangelistic campaign would be held throughout the province during the coming year.

Sydney was chosen as the meeting place of next year's conference.

FINES FOR LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION IN CAPITAL

Fredericton, N. B., June 21.—As the result of a search of a shop in Westmorland street by police and inspectors on Monday afternoon, and the arrest of two men there, fines were imposed this morning in the police court. One was fined $50 for consuming liquor procured from a person unlicensed to sell it, and the other was fined $100 for having liquor in his possession other than in his private residence. Both were fined $8 each for being drunk, in addition to the other fines.

An attempt to assault a girl between twelve and thirteen years old near the trotting park on Monday afternoon is believed by the police to have been made by a man who made a similar attempt last winter in the same section of the city.

SOLDIER GOT A DOSE OF GASOLINE

Devon Man Near to Death in Fredericton — Was Cleaning Feed Tube.

Fredericton, N. B., June 21—Edward Paul of the St. Mary's Indian Reserve, Devon, who is in camp here with the York Regiment, had a narrow escape from death on Sunday as the result of unintentionally swallowing gasoline. On Sunday some soldiers were brought here by motor and at Phillips & Pringle's garage the car stopped for gasoline. The feed tube was plugged and Paul, to start the flow of gasoline sucked upon the tube. He received about half a gill in his mouth by the sudden rush of the liquid and it went into his stomach. For a time it was thought death would result.

Dr. Ross was summoned and a stomach pump was used. Paul has recovered.

Training at the camps of the York Regiment and New Brunswick Dragoons began today. The weather is threatening rain. Devon Rifle Range will be used for musketry instruction for both units. A total of 446 of all ranks are in camp. The Y. M. C. A. has a tent on the field. Secretary McDonald of the Fredericton Y is in charge.

Chief Forester G. H. Prince has left for the north shore to investigate concerning sites for look-out towers for forest fire protection.

O. G. ESMONDE IN MONTREAL

Speech at a Meeting Last Night—Mayor Martin Presided.

Montreal, June 21—Addressing a crowded audience at the Monument Nationale there last night under the auspices of the Self-Determination for Ireland League of Canada, O. Gratton Esmond described on the programme as "special envoy of the Irish Republic to Australia," said, speaking first in French, that he regarded the presence of the Mayor of Montreal and the speeches of French-Canadians in defence of Irish freedom as proof that the citizens of Montreal and Quebec province were heartily in sympathy with Ireland, and he hoped that henceforth French-Canadians and Canadian Irish would fight together for faith and liberty. Proceeding in English Mr. Esmonde contended that the press in the British dominions was a hundred per cent more hostile to Ireland than the press in England. He referred to "the joke of the toy parliament at Belfast" and said that Lloyd George set it up, but you will notice that Lloyd George is sending to Belfast Queen Mary and he is staying at home."

Alluding to Premier Meighen he said that if he had not taken sides for Ireland, he had at any rate definitely refused to take sides against Ireland. He added that the people of Ireland were glad that Premier Meighen had refused to support by his presence the attempt to be made Wednesday "to cut in two the living body of the country." He concluded: "Ireland did not start this fight; they (the British government) started it; but now that they have started it Ireland will continue this fight until they have been removed."

The gathering was presided over by Mayor Martin. Other speakers included Lindsay Crawford of Toronto, and M. Monaghan of Quebec.

ESTATE OF LATE MRS. J. A. JORDAN

Moncton, N. B., June 21—In the Westmorland probate court here on the 18th inst. Hon. C. W. Robinson, M.P.P., was granted ancilliary letters in the estate of the late Mrs. Jeanette A. Jordan, who died on October 17, 1920, in San Francisco. Frank P. Deering, California, was named the executor of the estate elsewhere than in Canada. Probate value of the estate in New Brunswick reached $18,000.

BLOOD POISONING FOR P. E. I. DOCTOR

Charlottetown, P. E. I., June 21—Dr. Ira J. Yeo, who recently developed blood poisoning following an operation on the abcessed arm of a patient who had been bitten by a rat, and whose condition for several days was very serious, is now out of danger and is steadily improving, it is stated. Dr. Yeo is still under treatment in hospital.

FOR WOMEN'S DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE IN CANADA

Edmonton, June 21.—With representatives from practically every province in Canada, the second biennial convention of the Federation of Women's Institutes of Canada opened here yesterday.

Magistrate Emily Murphy, the president, advocated the inauguration of a women's division of the federal department of agriculture.

NEW AUSTRIAN MINISTRY

Vienna, June 21—Herr Schober, police president of Vienna, has been requested to form a new ministry by the Christian Socialist party.

It is understood he has stipulated he must have a free hand in the selection of his ministry. He is expected to form a non-political government to make an effort to retain at least the partial support of the pan-Germans.

CANADA AND THE JAPS.

Vancouver, B. C., June 21—The city council today decided to cable Premier Meighen asking him to use his influence to prevent any renewal of the Anglo-Japanese treaty which would not leave the admittance of Japanese into the various British dominions entirely within the jurisdiction of the dominion concerned. This action was taken on the ground that the present alliance provides for unrestricted entrance of Japanese into British dominions.

LOCAL NEWS

BABY BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nase, Garden street, are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a son last Friday.

REPORTED FIGHT.

When asked about a fierce battle reported to have raged in Brussels street early this morning, the police said that, although men had been sent to the scene, there were no evidences of a sanguinary encounter. It was reported that a free-for-all fight took place about 1.45 o'clock.

AGAINST REDUCTION.

At an executive meeting of the Scowmen's Union, held in their room, Long Wharf, last evening, a report was submitted regarding the decision of the lumber shippers to reduce their wages from $5.50 a day to $4.50. It was decided to refuse to accept the reduction and apply for a board of conciliation.

HON. MR. WIGMORE HOME

Hon. R. W. Wigmore, minister of customs, and Mrs. Wigmore, arrived in the city on the Montreal train at noon today from Ottawa. Hon. Mr. Wigmore announced that he was not prepared to make any statements regarding the extension of the Negro Point breakwater or harbor commission. He said regarding the visit of M. P. Fennell, secretary of the port of Montreal Harbor Commission, that he was prepared to come here whenever he was asked.

BURIED TODAY.

The funeral of Mrs. Annie E. Barnes was held this afternoon from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Hunter, 51 Sydney street, to Fernhill. Rev. F. J. M. Appleman conducted the service.

The funeral of Mrs. Henry Baird was held this afternoon from the residence of John Baird, 73 Queen street, West St. John, to Lorneville, where service was conducted by Rev. W. J. Bevis. Interment was in the Lorneville cemetery.

CITY EMPLOYMENT.

As soon as the city assessors have finished with the use of the committee room at city hall for the preparation of tax bills, the employment office, which has been operated by John Brooks, the mayor's clerk, will be moved downstairs. Signs which have been prepared and which will be displayed in the entrance hall announce that applicants for employment will make application in the committee room only between 9 and 10.30 o'clock in the morning and between 2 and 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

GOING TO SEA.

Arthur LeRoy Smith, only son of ex-Sergeant Gordon B. Smith of West St. John, accompanied by Heath Jennings, sailed this morning on the C. G. M. M. Aviator under Captain Randell. It is the inention of both boys to study navigation. This is Master Smith's second trip, he having formerly sailed on the Canadian Settler under Captain Riddley. Owing to an accident on that occasion, having fallen forty-two feet into the bunker hatch, he had to return home for medical treatment, but is now none the worse of his experience. Master Smith has been a member of the West St. John Cadet Corps for the last two years.

NEED EVERY NAME

W. S. Clawson, census commissioner, said this morning that he has received full reports from about a third of his enumerators in the city and expects to have them all in within a few days. When asked about the figures, he said, he could not give out any details, but feared that unless citizens co-operated the returns would be disappointing. All persons who have not yet been questioned by enumerators or who are residing in the country during the summer months, he said, should notify him at his office at the corner of Mill and Dock streets and he will make arrangements to have their names added to the lists. He said that employers could help by impressing the importance of the object to their staff. "If St. John is to make any kind of a showing," he said, "every name is needed."

POLICE COURT

Ernest Northrup was charged in the police court this morning with having stolen goods in his possession. It was alleged that the goods were in the custody of fthe Canadian Express Company for shipment to Halifax and had been stolen from their shed at the C. N. R. station. Norman Barden, a police officer with the C. N. R., told of seeing the accused at Sullivan's Siding last night with another man. He said the accused carried a parcel and his companion carried a box. He said that the companion had not been arrested as he had made a get-away but the witness identified the parcel produced in court as the one which the accused was carrying at the time.

James E. Emery, a clerk with Brock & Paterson, Limited, identified the parcel as one that had been sent out from their store by the agency of the Canadian Express Company for shipment to their branch in Halifax. Suspenders, hair pins and hat pins made up the contents of the parcel and the witness placed its value at $26.10. The case was postponed until noon tomorrow at the request of the prosecution for further witnesses. J. A. Barry appeared for the Canadian Express Company.

A case against Albert Sullivan, charged with an offence against Mabel Estey, a girl of fifteen years of age, was taken up. The defendant pleaded not guilty and evidence was given by the complainant and her sister. The defendant was remanded for three days. J. A. Barry appeared for the defence.

Three colored circus employes were charged with lying and lurking in a C. N. R. passenger coach. They pleaded guilty and were remanded. They were ordered by the C. N. R. detectives last evening to get aboard the circus train but they refused and were later found in a C. N. R. car. They will be sent back to the circus or deported to the United States.

Three men charged with drunkenness were each fined $8 or two months in jail.

As Hiram Sees It

"Look-a-here!" said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "If I come into town on Friday evenin' the market is closed an' the dry-goods stores is open. If I come in on Saturday evenin' the market is open an' the dry-goods stores is closed. What's the matter with you fellers down here? Don't you want my trade?"

"About how often in a year," said the reporter, "would you be likely to strike town in the evening on a Friday or Saturday?"

"That aint got nothin' to do with it," said Hiram.

"It has a lot to do with it," said the reporter. "Do you expect all the dry-goods stores to be open on Saturday night because you might want to buy a yard of ribbon once or twice a year on that night? But come over to King street and tell your story to the pretty girls behind the counters—I'll go with you."

"No you don't," said Hiram,—"no, siree. I aint a-gonto give you no story to put in the paper."

"You would not dare to face the girls," said the reporter.

"That aint it—nuther," said Hiram—"but Hanner she says that whenever I git where the's a good-lookin' gal I want to buy out the hull shop—By Hen!"

REAL ESTATE NEWS

The following real estate transfers have been recorded in Kings County recently:

G. W. Bruce to G. G. Brown property in Kars.

A. E. Chittick to Helen O. Ougler, property in Westfield.

Walter DeVine to Patrick DeVine, property in Hammond.

A. H. Gale to W. A. T. Thorne, property in Rothesay.

Heirs of Marabell R. M. Porter, to Myrtle S. Porter and others property in Westfield.

T. N. Vincent to Sarah M. Mott, property in Rothesay.

Sarah A. Vaughan to Town of Sussex, property in Sussex.

T. N. Vincent to Alex. Gale, property in Rothesay.

VICE ADMIRAL IS GRANTED DIVORCE

London, June 21. — Vice-Admiral William Nicholson was granted a divorce today after hearings of a suit which his wife did not defend. The correspondent named was a "Captain Georges Jones" of the U. S. air force, whom the admiral testified had been billeted near the Nicholsons during the war. The admiral said his wife had told him she desired a divorce.

The Nicholsons were married twenty-one years ago and have three children.

WHALES AT THE HARBOR MOUTH

Harry Belyea, of West St. John, said this morning that within the last few days he saw three spike whales near the entrance of the harbor. One, he said, was fully forty feet long and the other two quite small. The largest of the three rose to the surface about thirty feet from him on last Sunday and emitted, he said, a sound not unlike that of a moose call. He believes that the smaller whales have been mistaken for sharks. He said it is not uncommon for whales to come up the bay in warm weather in the wake of a school of herring or other fish.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—Pressure is high over the south Atlantic and the western portion of the United States while it is comparatively low in Canada. Local showers and thunder storms have occurred in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, but the weather is generally fair and for the most part fair throughout the Dominion.

Mostly Fair

Maritime—Light to moderate winds, showers in some localities, but mostly fair and cloudy and moderately warm today and on Wednesday.

Gulf and North Shore—Light to moderate winds, mostly fair with a little higher temperature today and tomorrow.

New England—Partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow. Not much change in temperature. Fresh northwest and west winds.

Toronto, Ont. June 21—Temperatures:

	8 a. m.	Highest Yesterday	Lowest during night
Prince Rupert	52	62	50
Victoria	..	60	..
Kamloops	..	76	..
Calgary	50	82	46
Edmonton	..	78	..
Prince Albert	60	74	56
Winnipeg	70	82	62
White River	70	84	54
Sault Ste. Marie	64	84	58
Toronto	69	82	52
Kingston	66	70	58
Ottawa	66	86	64
Montreal	68	84	58
Quebec	64	72	48
St. John, N. B.	56	64	46
Halifax	54	56	40
St. Johns, Nfld.	56	46	68
Detroit	74	84	60
New York	66	76	78

EARL OF BANDON IS KIDNAPPED

Taken from Residence in Bantry, Ireland.

Is King's Lieutenant for County Cork — King and Queen Given Hearty Send-off as They Leave for Ireland.

Cork, June 21—James Francis Bernard, fourth Earl of Bandon, was kidnapped this morning from his residence in Bantry, county Cork, by a band of armed men. Castle Bernard, his home, was set afire and early this afternoon was still burning. Earl Bandon's whereabouts is unknown.

Earl Bandon, who has been king's lieutenant of County Cork since 1874, was born on September 12, 1850 and succeeded his father in the earldom in 1877. He is the owner of about 41,000 acres of land.

King to Sail Tonight.

London, June 21—King George and Queen Mary prepared this morning to leave for a port on the Irish Sea, where they will tonight go aboard a steamer which will take them to Belfast. There they will preside tomorrow at the state opening of the parliament of Northern Ireland. The royal steamer will be escorted by two light cruisers and ten destroyers.

Elaborate precautions are being taken in Belfast to ensure the safety of the king and queen while in that city. King George and Queen Mary will face a strenuous round of functions tomorrow in Belfast. In addition to opening the parliament they will be called upon to preside at a levee at Ulster Hall, where the king will confer honors upon prominent Irishmen.

Considerable interest has been aroused by a rumor that the Irish Sinn Fein plans to make a proffer of peace to King George in Belfast tomorrow. Confirmation of this rumor is as yet lacking.

King George and Queen Mary were given a remarkable send-off at the railway station here today when they left for Holyhead on the way to Belfast. A great crowd which had gathered repeatedly cheered the king and queen and sang the national anthem. At intervals there were many shouts of: "Good luck and a safe return to Your Majesties." The station was gaily decorated. The king and queen will embark at Holyhead on the Royal yacht early tomorrow and proceed to Belfast.

SOME WORKING, BUT NO GENERAL RETURN TO MINES

London, June 21—(Canadian Associated Press)—Although some of the collieries have re-opened and a considerable number of miners have reported for work, there has been no general drift back to the mines. The industrial situation continues as chaotic as ever, awaiting the test of the miners call for a general strike of unions threatened with wage reductions.

The principal movements back to the mines took place in the Midlands, including Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Staffordshire, where the owners prediet a general resumption of operations. Apparently the Scotch, Welsh and north country miners are standing firm.

Premier Lloyd George yesterday, said the government would give protection to men returning to work, but intimated that no scheme was being entertained for paying a proportionate amount of the government's recent offer of ten million pounds to the mines in operation.

THINKS SON IS INTRUDER; DENIS TANSEY PLUGS HIM

Montreal, June 21. — Denis Tansey, well known in sporting circles, came near ending his son's career when he mistook him for a burglar last night. Aroused by his wife's screams that a man was climbing in through a window, the old-time athlete rushed for the intruder and administered a smashing punch on the jaw. Unfortunately the victim of Mr. Tansey's wrath was his own son, who had also gone after the burglar. In the confusion that followed, the real intruder escaped.

LABOR FEDERATION DECLARES UNIVERSITY PLAN IS IMPRACTICABLE

Denver, June 21—A proposal to take a referendum vote on a proposition to raise $10,000,000 to finance the establishment of five universities of industrial and agricultural economics—four in the United States and one in Canada—was rejected by the A. F. and L. convention yesterday. The education committee's report that such a plan was impracticable was adopted.

U. S. IMMIGRATION.

Washington, June 21—The Johnson bill to permit aliens who sailed on or before June 8 last to land at United States ports was passed yesterday by the House. The excess admitted over the June quota established under the percentage immigration law would be charged off against late monthly quota. The bill goes to the Senate.

BIRTHDAY OF HALIFAX.

Halifax, N. S., June 21—Halifax today celebrated the 172nd anniversary of its founding. A general holiday was observed.

TRAIN BOYS FOR SEA IN HALIFAX

Plans of Canadian Naval Service Department—St. John Sea Scout Work Praised.

Ottawa, June 21—The Canadian Naval Service Department will open a training school in Halifax this fall and enlist 100 boys. After they have been given the preliminary training they will be drafted to the Canadian Navy to fill the places of the boys now on board as the latter move up to take the place of the British seamen returning to England. This proceed will go on until the ships are entirely manned by Canadians.

The Sea Scouts, who flourish particularly in St. John, N. B., are giving the younger boys a valuable training in sailing, boating, swimming and all kinds of water exercises, without thought of preparing them for a sea vocation. All these activities are preparing, however, a basis of interest in sea matters for the future generation which it is hoped, will give recruits to carry on the mercantile as well as the naval marine.

IRISH DAY AT THE FEDERATION

Resolutions to be Dealt With in Labor Parliament — Lewis vs. Gompers.

Denver, Colo., June 21—Campaigners for both John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, and Samuel Gompers, candidates for the presidency, were working at top speed today. The election will take place on Friday afternoon.

The most important issue to come before the convention today was the Irish question, on which the resolution committee was ready to report. This committee, it is understood, would report against a boycott on British made goods and urge the convention to adopt a resolution expressing sympathy for the Irish cause and urging recognition of the "Irish Republic' by the U. S.

The group of Sinn Fein sympathizers supporting the boycott announced that they will attempt to have the convention repudiate the committee and adopt their resolution. They made public a telegram from Harry Boland, secretary to De Valera, which said "nothing but a water tight boycott can restrain Britain's abominations in Ireland." On the other hand other Sinn Feiner sympathizers headed by Peter Brady of New York, were prepared to vote against the boycott and support the other resolution. Their resolution also demanded withdrawal of the British troops from Ireland, urging U. S. officials to demand from Great Britain interest and loans due now and proposed a campaign to secure trial and punishment of members of the British regular and auxiliary forces, guilty of alleged atrocities in Ireland.

NO ACTION YET ON REPORT RE THE PLUMBERS

Toronto, June 21 Pending at least the outcome of litigation in respect to the investigation into the alleged grocers' combine, the attorney-general's department will take no action on a report made by W. W. Roebuck in regard to the alleged plumbers' combine. Mr. Roebuck, who conducted the investigation, declined yesterday to indicate whether his investigation convinced him that there was or was not a plumbers' combine. Neither was the attorney-general prepared to divulge anything of the contents of the report.

It is believed that the report sets forth certain facts without making any definite recommendation as to official action. The report has been with the attorney-general's department for three months.

OCTOBER 17 FOR REFERENRUM IN THE PROVINCE

(Special to The Times)

Ottawa, June 21—The referendum in New Brunswick on the question of stopping liquor importations is likely to be on October 17. The state department this morning said that this is the date in view.

MRS. H. H. McCAIN ILL IN WINNIPEG

Fredericton, N. B., June 21—Miss Hazel McCain, Supervisor of Women's Institutes in New Brunswick, left Monday night for Winnipeg, having been called there by the illness of her mother, Mrs. H. H. McCain, of Florenceville, who left last week to attend the dominion convention. On the journey she was taken seriously ill.

TO GREET LADY BYNG.

Edmonton, June 21. — A message of greeting and welcome will be sent to Lady Byng, wife of the new governor-general, by the Federated Woman's Institute of Canada. Included among the national executive present at the convention opening were Mrs. Laura Rose Stephen, Huntingdon, Que., convener on agriculture; Elizabeth Campbell, Fredericton, N. B., and Miss Eleanor Roach, superintendent of Quebec.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, June 21—The local stock market was quiet and steady during the early trading today. Abitibi advanced a half point to 30½. Brazilian was unchanged at 25. Brompton was fractionally weaker at 28. Laurentide went down a quarter point to 82¼. Breweries also went to 48 3-4. Spanish River was unchanged at 61.

FRENCH DEMOBILIZATION.

Paris, June 21—The cabinet today authorized the war minister to begin demobilization of the entire class of 1919 on June 25. The decision was reached upon receipt of a report that the classes of 1920 and 1921 had been trained adequately.

DO PIRATES SAIL THE SEAS AGAIN?

Strange Tale of Four U. S. Vessels.

Crew of One Missing and Three Other Craft Have Disappeared Off the Atlantic Coast — May be Soviet Work.

Washington, June 21—The crew of an American ship is missing and what seems to be conclusive evidence has been obtained that they were made prisoners on another vessel and taken away to parts unknown, if they were not murdered. A second American ship is long overdue and two others are unaccounted for under circumstances that lead to the belief that their disappearance is in some way connected with the capture of the crew of the first mentioned vessel.

The U. S. government has undertaken to solve these mysteries of the sea, which, in the opinion of officials, point either to old time piratical methods off the Atlantic coast or the seizure of the vessels for the benefit of Soviet Russia.

Several months ago the five masted schooner Carol Deering, of Portland, Maine, was found abandoned off Diamond Shoals, N. C., with all sails set and her officers and crew missing. The Deering went ashore near Diamond Shoals Lightship and when the men of the nearby life saving station went aboard they found evidence that she had been abandoned in a hurry for no conceivable reason.

A little later a bottle came ashore and in it was a note purporting to have been written by the mate of the schooner. It read as follows:

"An oil burning tanker or submarine has boarded us and placed our crew in irons. Get word to headquarters of company at once."

The steel steamer Hewitt, of Portland, Maine, owned by the Union Sulphur Company of New York, is also missing. She sailed from Sabina, Texas, several months ago with sulphur for Boston and Portland. The government authorities have been unable to get any trace of her. She might have been off Diamond Shoals about the time that the Deering went ashore and the authorities believe she is still afloat intact.

At the department of commerce it was said that the two other American steamers had disappeared under circumstances that led them to believe that they had not foundered, and it was admitted by these officials that they suspected the ships had been the victims of pirates, perhaps Soviet sympathizers who had sailed away with them to Soviet Russia.

If Soviet pirates have really been ranging the North Carolina coast, this is not the first time that freebooters have worked in that vicinity. More than a century and a half ago, Edward Teach, "Black Beard," used to run his pirate ships in through the few and dangerous inlets in the narrow sand bars that separate the Atlantic ocean from the sounds that front the North Carolina mainland.

Years ago the dwellers on the sand bar islands that form the coast, were known as "bankers," deriving their name from the sand banks on which they lived. They were a wild and free people' Nag's Head, a little coast guard station, is said to have been named because the "bankers" tied a lantern to a horse's head and sent the steed trotting up the coast on stormy nights to lure craft ashore in the belief that the bobbing light came from a vessel in the deep water.

CONDENSED NEWS

Crown Prince Hirchito of Japan returned to Paris last night from Holland.

The new Norwegian cabinet has been completed by M. Blehr, who, in addition to holding the post of premier, assumes the finance portfolio. Arnold Rasslad is foreign minister.

It is announced that the dominion government has decided to take over the shipyard and the uncompleted ships of the Victoria Shipowners, Limited, at Victoria, B. C., and complete the programme.

Hon. Hugh Guthrie, minister of militia and defence, and Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, minister of marine, fisheries and naval affairs, are to sail today from Quebec on the S .S. Empress of Britain for England.

HOUSEWIVES SAY STREET CARS ROUGH ON THEIR PANTRY STOCK

Hamilton, Ont., June 21. — Ascribing their troubles to the poorly ballasted roadbed of the street railway company's crosstown line on Sandford avenue, housewives on that street advised members of the city council yesterday afternoon that the street cars shook their homes to such an extent that "life was just one set of dishes after another."

BOMBING SUBMARINE.

Oldpoint Comfort, Va., June 21—scores of aircraft swept by here out to sea this morning to seek and bomb the former German submarine U-117 in the first of a series of tests to prove or disprove claims of aircraft experts that the development of the military airship has spelled the doom of surface war craft.

PREMIER MURRAY HOME.

Halifax, N. S., June 21—Hon. George H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia, arrived here today from Battle Creek, Mich., via Montreal, after an absence of two months for the benefit of his health. He said he was "feeling fine." He was met at the station by a large group of citizens. Mr. Murray was accompanied by Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Wilfrid Murray and his infant grandson.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, June 21—Opening: Wheat—July, $1.24 3-4; September, $1.20½. Corn—July, 63¼; September, 64 1-8. Oats—July, 37 3-4; September, 39 3-4.