

COMMISSIONS DETERMINING FLOATING DOCK TONNAGE FOR SCAPA FLOW SINKINGS

The Final Date for the Exchange of Treaty Ratifications Will Depend Upon the Speed With Which They Reach Conclusions.

GERMANS CLAIM MIS-UNDERSTANDINGS EXIST

Peace Delegation from the Great Enemy Claim it Has Been Their Purpose to Hurry Rather Than Delay Negotiations.

Paris, Dec. 25.—(By The Associated Press)—The final date of the repeated postponed exchange of ratifications of the Treaty of Versailles now depends upon the speed with which the Allied nations in Germany can verify the German figures of available floating dock tonnage demanded by the Allies as compensation for the sinking of the German warships at Scapa Flow, the Associated Press was informed this afternoon at the headquarters of the German Peace Delegation.

Baron Von Lersner, head of the German representatives, said he thought this would take at least a fortnight, if not longer, in view of the difficulties of transportation in Germany and the detail involved in verifying the figures. "A decided misunderstanding is reflected in the Paris press during the past two days regarding my projection trip to Berlin, which I subsequently abandoned," he said. "My object was to hurry, rather than delay, the putting of the Versailles Treaty into effect. From Monday night until Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock I was deprived of any communication with my government by either telegraph or telephone. In consequence of which Berlin had no knowledge of the Entente note, or of the verbal communication given on this subject by Dr. Dutasta, Secretary of the Peace Commission, until this morning.

"I thought that a trip to Berlin and a verbal explanation of the situation to the government would facilitate matters. The inference by the French papers that the German government wanted to delay the exchange of ratifications is absolutely unfounded. We want nothing more than effective restoration of peace.

"Peace means the repatriation of our soldiers, prisoners in France, who are obliged to spend another Christmas in captivity, though hostilities have been suspended for more than a year.

"The fact that Herr Von Simson arrived in Paris last Sunday to start negotiations for putting the Treaty into effect, proves that we had no intention to delay matters."

Regarding the Entente note, Baron Von Lersner said its tenor surprised him, as it seems so little in accord with the proceeding of the negotiations.

"The Paris papers," he said, "even announced our readiness to discuss over all the harbor material we could spare without endangering our economic existence as compensation for the Scapa Flow sinkings, and forecast an early agreement on this question. If we did not get that far, it was not our fault. Our experts have not been asked to talk the matter over since a week ago."

Baron Von Lersner asserted that, according to the verbal communication of Mr. Dutasta at the time of the delivery of the note, the Entente made a diminution of the port tonnage demanded, conditional upon verification of Germany's claim that the Entente estimation of the harbor material available were erroneous.

"I want to say in this connection," he continued, "that the statements in the French press that we were disloyal and gave out wrong figures on this tonnage is absolutely unfounded. This, the investigation would prove. I promised Mr. Dutasta to ask my government to give all facilities for such an investigation, and have no doubt that they will be accorded at once.

"We both agreed that it should be possible that a short time only would be necessary to verify our statements and come to a definite agreement regarding harbor materials to be delivered by Germany should be granted. I hope that our expectations will soon

Reclassification of Civil Service Producing Its Own Difficulties

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 25.—The reclassification of the Civil Service, which was postponed at the last session of Parliament, is, it is understood, bringing with it its own difficulties. It is stated that departmental heads are being handicapped in the preparation of estimates which must be ready for the coming session of Parliament, by the fact that the reclassification calls for drastic changes in salaries. Positions which formerly called for additional salary are found, under the new classification, to be worth much less, to the consequent discomfiture of the clerk or officer holding the position and the perplexity of the high officials in charge of preparing the estimates. Their classification has, it is understood, given rise to a good deal of discontent, and one of them stated that a large portion of his time is taken up in dealing with complaints of employees resulting from their being classed at a lower salary than they were paid under the old system.

Hun Given Life Lost Sentence for Misdeeds

On the Charge of Organizing the Pillage of Factories in Eastern France Receives Heavy Sentence.

Ambiens, Wednesday, Dec. 25.—A court-martial has sentenced the German officer, Robert Roeking, administrator of mines at Karlsruhe, to ten years imprisonment, fifteen years of exile and a fine of ten millions francs upon his conviction on a charge of organizing the pillage of factories in Eastern France. It was testified at his trial that he collected machinery and other material from the factories, and hived them up in November, 1918. His brothers, Norman and Ludwig, were given similar sentences by default.

The Roeking brothers are known as German "Steel Kings." Hermann Roeking, president of a steel association, was at Treves as a member of the German arbitration commission, for which reason he was not arrested. The other brother, Ludwig, went to Versailles as a member of the peace delegation and consequently was covered by diplomatic immunity.

The evidence presented by the prosecution was to show that the brothers had systematically destroyed the French metal works at Brire, Nicheville, Longwy and other places, transporting within two years' time millions of tons of material to their factories at Karlsruhe, containing a quantity of undamaged materials so as to make the operation of what remained of the French plants the next thing to impossible.

Robert Roeking in his defence, pleaded that he had acted by order of the German Government, but testimony was given to show that his action was on his personal initiative.

FLOODS IN FRANCE CAUSE DAMAGE

Continued Rain Storms Swell Rivers to Highest Freshet Pitch.

Paris, December 25.—Continued rain storms have caused floods in a number of rivers, causing considerable property losses. At Epinal, the Moselle overflowed and many persons were compelled to evacuate their homes. At Louan L'Esque, the Meuse overflowed.

be fulfilled and that peace will finally be put into effect."

The chief of the German delegation informed Mr. Dutasta that he thought it advisable to go to Berlin, communicating by special wire was restored according to information given out at the headquarters of the German delegation, and it was decided to telegraph the note and verbal communication, which, taking into consideration the time for sending, transmission and deciding, could not come to the knowledge of the German government before the morning of December 25.

MURDER OCCURS AT CELEBRATION IN MONTREAL

Man and Wife Held on Charge of Murdering a Guest Whom They Had Invited in for Supper.

VICTIM RECEIVES BULLET IN HEART

Husband Admits Shooting Man Who Was Said to Have Started Row at the Home.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Dec. 25.—One man was shot and killed in a fight which occurred early this morning at 26 Demontigny street west, and another man and his wife were later arrested. The man will be charged with murder, while his wife is being held as a witness for the coroner's inquest, and it is likely that a charge of attempted murder will be made against her.

The victim of the affair is Patrick Lahey, 32 years of age, of 109 Benoit street, who was shot through the heart and died at the Montreal General Hospital, a few moments after he was taken there. The man under arrest for murder is Victor Dupuis, 40 years of age, of 28 Demontigny street west.

The woman is Mrs. Florentine Dupuis, 33 years of age, at the same address. Quick work by Constable Belanger, to the City Hall avenue station, who was on duty opposite the Montreal General Hospital, enabled the police to make the arrest thoroughly and quickly. The constable was standing near the door of the hospital when Leahy was brought there in a cab. He saw the victim bleeding from a bullet wound in the left side and carried into the hospital. The constable hurried inside and found out that the man had been shot at 26 Demontigny street west.

He promptly notified Lieutenant Trapnell. The lieutenant sent out Sergeant Laporte and Constable Noel and Desroches to investigate the affair. The police officers, on entering the house, found the man and his wife cleaning up the place. There was blood on the sill of the front door of the house and a small stove in the middle of the front room was overturned while the stove pipes lay on the floor. Two rifles, one of 40-44 calibre and another of 22 calibre, were found in the room. From the story the police picked up from the prisoner and Leahy were friends. Dupuis had invited Leahy to his home and have some supper and refreshments, and they had several drinks. While the police were unable to find out the exact cause of the fight, it is believed that Leahy and his wife had become angry with Leahy. There was a fight and Leahy was running through the door when both the man and the woman picked up rifles and fired at the man. As far as a witness, who was next door, could say today Leahy was struck by a bullet from Dupuis' rifle. He staggered outside and fell on the sidewalk. The neighbor picked up the victim and took him in a cab to the hospital where it was found that the man had been hit only once, but the hole was a large one such as would be inflicted by the 40-44 calibre cartridges. Exactly ten minutes after his admission to the hospital Leahy died without being able to say anything.

Dr. Morrison, who attended him, stated tonight that the man was practically dead when he arrived at the hospital. There was blood one inch deep in the bottom of the cab which carried the victim to the hospital.

At the police station Dupuis after being interrogated, admitted that he would be used against him, admitted that he had shot Leahy. He said that he had invited the man to supper and that there had been a quarrel. He did not state what the argument was about and refused to say anything further.

QUEBEC FARMERS TO ORGANIZE POLITICAL PARTY

Meeting Called for Next Monday When Premier Drury of Ontario Will Address the Farmers.

Ottawa, Dec. 25.—The first serious attempt to organize the farmers in this side of Quebec Province has been set for Monday next when a meeting of the United Farmers of Quebec, Hull County, will be called at Kazubans, when officers are to be elected, constitution adopted and a platform laid down for the guidance of the United Farmers. The announcements state that the organizers of the Quebec movement are encouraged by the success of the Ontario Farmers' party. They think the time has come when the farmers of Quebec should also organize to secure their proper representation in the Government.

JAIL DELIVERY IN TOLEDO, O.

Toledo, O., Dec. 25.—One of the most daring jail deliveries ever accomplished in this part of the country occurred here early today, when six men called at the county jail, exchanged Christmas greetings with three deputy sheriffs on duty, overpowered and locked them in a cell, then liberated four notorious burglars and snafollowers. In the fight that followed the arrival of the visitors Leon Noonan, a deputy, was shot through the left breast. Hearing the noise, Sheriff Mathias, rushed from bed to investigate and was promptly carried off to the collar and imprisoned. The ten men then walked out of the jail, and

AFTER MIRACULOUS ESCAPE FROM DEATH CARDIGAN CREW ARRIVES SAFELY HOME

Resort Causes Death and Damage

Geneva, Dec. 25.—The avalanches which occurred at the mountain resort of Davos yesterday caused terror among visitors and residents and a number of deaths in the village itself. One huge powdery avalanche swept down upon a sanitarium, smashing doors and windows on the first and second stories, and killed a Russian woman and her nurse, and seriously injuring several others. Many were imprisoned in the upper floors throughout the night. It is considered a miracle that the sanitarium did not collapse as the walls were badly damaged.

Another avalanche fell on the Hotel Excelsior, killing two employees and doing much damage. A third avalanche almost overwhelmed the Penstun Germania. Five dead have been taken from this building, but it is feared that others are buried under the wreckage.

Soviets May Agree With Americans Dispose of Many Ships

Indications That An Agreement for Peace Between the Two Nations Might be Reached Are Observed.

Dorpat, Tuesday, Dec. 23.—Some indications, that an agreement might be reached in the negotiations for peace between Estonia and Soviet Russia were observable here tonight. The Bolsheviks were said to be showing a willingness to make further concessions in the matter of territorial adjustments which, it is believed, would obviate the necessity of the Estonian army falling back from the Narva front, to which the Estonian government has been offering strong objections for strategic reasons.

According to the Estonians the Bolshevik forces on the Narva and Pihov fronts combined now total 100,000 men.

From current developments the assumption here is that the question of General Yudenitch's troops, which fell back to the Narva front after the unsuccessful offensive last fall against Petrograd, will be satisfactorily settled and assurances given that there will be no further operations against the Bolshevik front.

CHRISTMAS DINNERS GO BEGGING IN BOWERY DISTRICT

Less Than Half of Usual Applicants Appeared for the Mission Feed — Sign of Prosperity.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 25.—Christmas dinners went begging on the Bowery tonight. Roast turkey with all its trimmings, candy and mince pie, failed to attract half as many hungry men as were served in former years. This was attributed to prevalent poverty and prohibition. The famous Bowery Mission served only four hundred persons, where in former years it had served over a thousand. At Hadley's Rescue Hall less than three hundred appeared for dinner. Many missions did not serve the usual Christmas repast because of the lack of applicants. The usual Christmas noon hour dinner at the McAlister Water Street Mission was postponed until tonight because of the lack of applicants. Not a man appeared at noon, although four hundred pounds of turkey and many good things had been prepared. A few years ago it was not unusual for the mission to feed fifteen hundred, but tonight less than three hundred hungry men appeared.

APPEAL MADE IN BEHALF OF PRISONERS OF WAR IN SIBERIA

Geneva, Dec. 25.—The International Red Cross has sent out an appeal in behalf of the prisoners of war in Siberia. Two hundred thousand prisoners, for the most part Austrians and Hungarians, many of whom were captured in 1914, are living without shelter and virtually without clothing and little food. Any contagious disease may make terrible ravages. Typhus has already killed 12,000 of the 16,000 men at the Troitz camp.

As it would need 225,000,000 francs to transport the prisoners to their homes, the Red Cross fears that the operation would be too long and hopes that their fate can be ameliorated quickly by assistance rendered from the outside, or all will be dead before relief reaches them.

FORMER EMPEROR ENTERTAINS AND ACTS AS SANTA CLAUS

Amerongen, Dec. 25.—(By The Associated Press)—The former German Crown Prince Frederick reached here today to spend with his parents their second Christmas in exile. J. B. Kan, secretary of general affairs of the Dutch government, Burgomaster Pereboom of Wiringen, members of the Von Bentinck family and some of the Amerongen functionaries were the guests at a banquet this evening in the great hall of the Bentinck castle. This was the celebration arranged by the former emperor personally. A huge Christmas tree was erected in the hall, and from this the former ruler distributed gifts.

Schr. "Barbara MacDonald," With Owner Aboard Buffeted About by Tempestuous Seas, and Finally Wrecked.

WAS MAKING HER MAIDEN VOYAGE

In Describing Experiences of the Trip Owner Declares That Only the Intervention of Providence Saved All from Watery Grave.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 25.—After a miraculous escape from death when the new three masted schooner "Barbara MacDonald" was dashed to pieces on Cape Pine, on the rock bound coast of Newfoundland, Hon. J. A. MacDonald, of Cardigan, P. E. I., the owner of the vessel, and surviving members of the crew reached the island on Christmas Eve. MacDonald tells a thrilling tale of suffering and hardship and what he regards as providential intervention, for on this section of the coast, the scene of past disasters, no other shipwrecked crew has ever reached shore alive.

They left Cardigan on December 4th with a cargo of produce for St. Johns, Nfld. At midnight on the 25th an northwest hurricane caught them when ten miles from Cape Pine. They have to under forecast, the wind increasing they started to take in the one remaining sail, when Captain Thomas Whittle was swept overboard and drowned and the sail blown to ribbons. This was the beginning of the morning. The captain's brother, Joshua Whittle, the mate, took charge. For fifty-two hours the ice increased vessel with deck swept clear of cargo ran before the gale in a blinding snow storm under bare poles. They were out of sight of land and had lost all reckoning. The temperature rose, the wind fell, but a thick fog came on and the vessel rolled in the trough of the mountainous seas. Finally calls were set and she was headed for where the land was supposed to be, but at seven o'clock on the night of Sunday, she crashed on the rocks, with their heads demolished. MacDonald and the others hung on by ropes over the lee side of the shattered hull for five hours continually drenched by the breakers and expecting death in the surf every minute. At midnight a portion of the vessel's stern dropped off and drifted toward them and the bank over this miracle they grasped plank they dashed to the shore.

Overhead towered a cliff 350 feet high. The climb was a seven hour nightmare and it was not till daylight that they reached the summit with bruised and bleeding limbs and a tattered clothing and saw themselves a few fragments of what was once a thirty thousand dollar vessel with her fifteen thousand dollar cargo.

GENERAL ELECTRIC STATIONS IN THE DOMINION

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 25.—Under the direction of Hon. Arthur Meighen, chairman of the Dominion cabinet on power, there were released for general distribution the directory of general electric stations in Canada which constitutes the first adequate governmental attempt to systematically compile a ready reference to the central electric stations of the Dominion.

A special effort has been made to secure from the various corporations and municipalities, information relative to blocks of electric power available for sale, the prices at which such power can be provided, the available sites for industry in the vicinity and the transportation facilities available. The corporations and municipalities have co-operated heartily in this connection.

R.R.'S REVERT TO PRIVATE OWNERS ABOUT MARCH 1ST

Washington, Dec. 25.—President Wilson last night announced he would return the railroads to private ownership March 1st.

The President also announced that the Railway Express companies would be returned at the same time.

Paris, Dec. 25.—(Havas)—Paris celebrates her first Peace Christmas today with great animation and enthusiasm great crowds thronged the churches and theatres. The boulevards and principal streets of the capital were filled all night with celebrators and the popular restaurants were carried by storm.

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BITUARY

Walter E. Baker l, Dec. 25—Rev. Walter of the First Congre- ch, died this morning weeks' illness of pneu- in his fortieth year. He of Brantford, Ontario, charize at Chebogue, N. rville, Vermont, before capital.

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the Worshipful Master JAMES W. McAFEE.

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Scarlet Fever Is Contagious

One of Most Contagious Diseases Known. Contractable by Means of Close Personal Contact — Some Sound Advice.

Scarlet fever is perhaps one of the most contagious diseases known, contractable by means of close personal contact. It may be also conveyed by clothing and, in rare instances, by household domestic animals, such as dogs and cats, especially the latter.

It is much more common in children and young people than in adults because, among other things, adults are less likely to contract it than the former class.

Although usually the disease is not very dangerous to life, yet occasional cases occur which are rapidly fatal. In any case, moreover, no matter how apparently light, serious constitutional effects may result after the fever itself has passed away, if proper precautions be not taken.

This calling of a physician is also most important in order that the disease may be reported to the health authority and proper measures taken to prevent the spread of the contagion.

In view of a recent paragraph in a local daily newspaper to the effect that scarlet fever often develops from a "cold" it is proper to say that such is not the fact.

Board Favors Juvenile Court

Directors of Y.M.C.A. at Meeting Adopt Resolutions Favoring Establishment of Juvenile Court in St. John.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A. the following resolutions favoring the establishment of a Juvenile Court in this city were passed unanimously:

"Whereas, the Directors of the Young Men's Christian Association of the City of Saint John fully realize the need for closer supervision of the public life of the boys and girls of this city, and we believe that this can only be done by bringing into full force the Children's Protection Act, passed at the last session of the New Brunswick Legislature;

"That the Mayor and Commissioners of the City of Saint John be petitioned to request the Provincial Government to establish a Juvenile Court under the above-mentioned Act, appoint a Judge and Probation Officer for the same.

"Also, be it Resolved: That the Mayor and City Council be requested to make provision for the salaries and maintenance of such a Court."

The funeral of Mrs. Rachel S. Curry took place Wednesday afternoon from her late residence, 18 Victoria Lane. B. Appel and Interment took place in Fernhill.

Autographed By Prince of Wales

Young Ladies Who Took Part in Pageant of Welcome at St. John Received Photographs Signed by His Royal Highness.

Before the Prince of Wales left Canada, twelve copies of the New York Times' excellent photographs of the pageant "The All-Canadian Welcome," executed at St. John on the historic occasion of the first arrival of His Royal Highness on Canadian shores were placed in the hands of Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey for the honored favor of being autographed by His Royal Highness.

Attached to the photographs were the names of the twelve young ladies taking part and the provinces they represented. Some days before Christmas these photographs were received from Admiral Halsey by Mrs. G. A. Kuhring, who designed the pageant, with the pleasing information that they were "for the twelve young ladies who took part in the pageant."

On each photograph is the autograph very clearly written, "Edward P."

This is another evidence of the generous response and appreciation with which every demonstration of welcome and patriotic devotion was met by the Prince, and such a gracious souvenir will indeed be treasured by the recipients as a most gratifying memento of a great national event in which they were given an honorable place.

The twelve young ladies, with the provinces represented, were as follows: Miss Rhonda Lloyd, St. John; Miss Elizabeth Foster, New Brunswick; Miss Alice Hayes, Nova Scotia; Miss Ollie Golding, Prince Edward Island; Miss Inez Ready, Quebec; Miss Ethel Powell, Ontario; Miss Audrey MacLeod, Manitoba; Miss Jean Anderson, Saskatchewan; Miss Catherine McAvity, Alberta; Miss Grace Kuhring, British Columbia; Miss Dorothy Blisard, Yukon; Miss Kathleen Sturdee, Northwest Territories.

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Diphtheria And Scarlet Fever

In Future Those Who Continue to Wilfully Cover up Such Conditions Must be Prepared to Abide by Penalties Under Act.

For some years St. John has had comparatively little diphtheria and scarlet fever.

The number of cases appearing the last few weeks are not at all alarming and no more than are occurring in many cities of like size and population at this season of the year—but any number of cases are, unfortunately, too great.

The health authorities have been making a special analysis of the present status regarding the above diseases, and as a result of such investigation find that one of the weak points in preventing their spread at this time rests with the attitude of many of our citizens and their families, viz., a tendency to either look upon a red rash or a sore throat as of no great importance, or, on the other hand, fearing the quarantine regulations, hope by not employing a physician, to escape such confinement.

It is not infrequent for a physician who, diagnosing a case to be scarlet fever and suggesting the quarantine, to be met with the statement by the parent, "Why, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Brown, just across the way, had this go through their whole family and had no quarantine upon their homes." The physician naturally asks, "Who was their physician?" "Why, they did not have one, fearing they would have to submit to the requirements of the law."

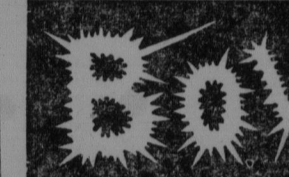
Readers are respectfully requested to consult the article on scarlet fever and diphtheria occurring in another column in this paper, which will be instructive along these lines.

Hotel Manager Married Yesterday

John T. Dunlop, Manager of the Dufferin, Wedded Yesterday Afternoon in Hotel Parlor — Received Many Beautiful Presents.

The guests at the Dufferin Hotel as well as other friends of John T. Dunlop, the popular manager of the house, were given a great and most pleasurable surprise yesterday afternoon when Mr. Dunlop was married to Miss Anna Luddington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Luddington, of New Harbor, N. S.

Only the immediate friends of the contracting parties were present at the ceremony, which was performed in the Dufferin parlors by the Rev. G. B. Trafton, and the happy couple were unattended. As the bride and groom entered the parlors the wedding march was played on the piano by Miss Irvine. The bride was attired in a wedding gown of blue satin with bridal veil caught up with orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of roses. The groom's present to the bride was a diamond necklace. The bride's going-away dress was blue serge with hat to match. A large number of friends assembled at the depot to give the happy couple a farewell. The bride and groom received a large number of pretty and valuable gifts, including a solid silver tea set from the employees of the hotel; a cabinet table set from E. S. Buchanan; silver cake basket from Mr. and Mrs. E. A. MacAulay, cut glass water set from Mr. and Mrs. Arthur O'Neill; silver egg set, Mr. and Mrs. George McCarthy; cut glass water set from the groom's sisters; silver and cut glass wine set from Messrs. Morris and Rogers, silver caskets, James Leitch; cut glass dish, Mrs. Doucette; silver cake plate, Kenneth Brown; piece of statuary and purse of gold, J. H. Doody, proprietor of the Dufferin; electric piano lamp, A. J. Brown; oak table, A. E. Everett; jardiner and stand, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown; leather easy chair, Fred McMulkin.



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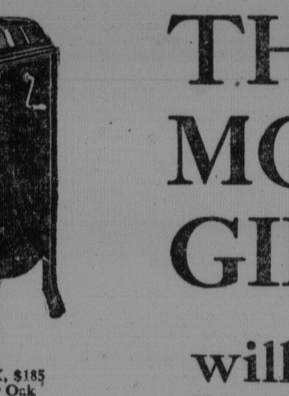


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AMERICAN REACTION.

The fact that Germany seized the opportunity of the withdrawal of the United States from the Allied Council to make protests against provisions of the Peace Treaty has evidently aroused the anger of American soldiers, and Republican Senators are expressing a willingness to reconsider the Treaty. By sending artillery across the Rhine the Allies have apparently overcome German obstinacy, but the episode of the revivification of German trade is likely to have a pronounced effect upon public opinion in the United States. When the United States finally came into the war her soldiers were in the main persuaded that they were embarking on a crusade, and if through the detection of the Washington Government Germany was able to evade just punishment for her crimes the ex-service men of America would undoubtedly be mad. Mr. Polk doubtless had this possibility in mind when he stated the other day that though Republicans and Democrats might have differences they were both agreed on one point—that Germany must fulfil her obligations.

American soldiers did not return home with any very warm feelings for France, believing the French to be a nation of profiteers, but experience of the home brand of profiteering may have moderated their feelings in this respect. But if Americans are not much concerned whether or not the action of Washington leaves France in the lurch, giving Germany an excuse for truculent insolence, another matter—a thing the American soldiers can only contemplate with chagrin.

PROTECTION IN NEW ZEALAND.

New Zealand is showing a new interest in tariff protection as a means of encouraging the development of its industries. The Industries Committee of the New Zealand Parliament has recently brought in a report, strongly recommending general tariff revision, and the immediate adoption of an Anti-Dumping Act similar to that in force in Canada. The Committee reports that nearly all the secondary industries of New Zealand are threatened by competition from abroad, and advises the Government that in many cases, even where protection is now given, further assistance in the form of duties or bonuses are essential. The Committee approves of a substantial preference to the Mother Country, but recommends that New Zealand's ordinary tariff should apply to other British Dominions not extending favorable treatment to New Zealand. Further recommendations are that the reciprocal treaty entered into with South Africa in 1907 be revised, and that an attempt should be made to enter into a reciprocal agreement with Australia and other British Dominions for the interchange of certain products. The imposition of a surtax of 50 per cent. on goods coming from countries with which the Empire has been recently at war is also approved. Generally the Committee recommends the Government to impose tariff duties sufficient to secure a fair and reasonable profit to local manufacturers, subject to the condition that manufacturers should produce articles equal in quality and workmanship to imported products and at a price approved by the Board of Commerce.

MIDDLE CLASS POLITICS.

In England a Middle Class Union is in process of formation, and there is much talk of running middle class candidates for Parliament. All sorts of middle class representatives from poets to clerics are talking about the rights and wrongs of the middle classes to more or less large and enthusiastic meetings. But so far the agitation does not appear to have developed any definite policies likely to unite the bourgeoisie on a program of political action. Whether the middle class in England or anywhere else can establish itself as a serious independent political organization is problematical; but they undoubtedly have political power if they want to use it, for they form the backbone of the existing parties. In Russia the bourgeois intellectuals made some progress towards political power, only to perish before the uprising of the sinister forces of Bolshevism under the leadership of intellectuals like Lenin and Trotsky. There are great difficulties in the way of the middle classes agreeing upon a political policy which could be adopted by all their candidates, because their material interests attach them to one or the other of the existing parties.

THE AMERICAN FARMER.

In his annual report Secretary of Agriculture Houston points out that the production of United States farms in 1919 was three times greater in value than the annual output during the five-year period preceding the war. In 1919 the value of American farm crops was \$15,873,000,000, compared with an average of \$5,329,000,000 for

the five previous years, 1913 to 1918. Even allowing for increased prices, a very substantial development of United States agriculture is indicated. There has been a big increase in the acreage devoted to cereals, and also in the number of live stock.

According to Secretary Houston the American farmer produces 2.5 times as much as his German and Belgian rivals, 2.3 times as much as the British farmer, 3.2 times as much as the French, and six times as much as the Italian farmer. With some prospects of a better system of distribution, putting the farmer still higher prices, Secretary Houston anticipates a further stimulus of agricultural production in the States. Canadian farmers who are becoming interested in the idea of free trade with the United States might study Secretary Houston's report with advantage.

MORE TROUBLE FOR THE ALLIES.

The overthrow of the Danish Cabinet appears to have been due to its attitude to the Allied proposal regarding the re-annexation of former Danish territory. The Allied proposal was that Denmark should take over portions of the territory wrested from her by Germany. Either because it feared to give offence to Berlin, or did not want to include many Germans in its territory, the Danish Cabinet rejected this proposition, and requested that the fate of the areas in question be decided by popular vote of the inhabitants affected. This cautious policy has not proved acceptable to many Danish patriots, who assert that Fiesborg, for instance, is a vital part of Sleisvig, though its population is now largely German. The new Cabinet is expected to request that the original proposal be carried out, possibly with a demand for a substantial modification of the three small zones delimited for plebiscites. Whatever attitude the new Cabinet takes it is likely to raise further embarrassments for the Allies, for the reopening of the question at the present time is bound to prove a difficult business.

CANADIAN ENTERPRISE.

Price Bros. & Co., of Quebec, have commenced the erection of a newspaper mill in the Saguenay district with a capacity of 400 to 500 tons a day. This will be the largest pulp and paper mill in the world. The project involves the creation of a town of 7,000 people. The company is also enlarging their plants at Jonquiere and Kenogami. Canadian paper mills now turn out 2,300 tons a day, as compared with United States' output of 2,900. When their Saguenay plant is completed Price Bros. will have an output equal to nearly two-fifths of the national production. Commenting on the Price Bros' project, the Quebec Chronicle says: "It is fashionable at this moment to worship at the farmer's feet, but in the long run Canadians cannot fail to recognize the decisive part that the manufacturers have played in the upbuilding of a great and prosperous Dominion, and among these the Ancient Capital may hold itself fortunate to be intimately linked with such a progressive, patriotic firm as that which has now bent its energies to capture first place among the world's producers in its own particular commodity."

NAVAL ESTIMATES.

The British naval estimates for the current fiscal year total £157,528,800. Britain's net naval estimate for 1914 amounted to £51,550,000. Her naval expenditures during the war were as follows: 1915-16—£295,733,597 net. 1916-17—£299,877,218 net. 1917-18—£227,358,891. 1918-19—(Estimated) £325,000,000. Britain's naval expenditures reached their maximum in November, 1918, when they amounted to £6,750,000 per week, or at the rate of more than £250,000,000 a year. The estimates for the current financial year make provision for various unforeseen expenses incurred during the past year. Increases over pre-war estimates are largely accounted for by the fact that increases in the cost of repairs and new construction have been more than doubled and pay of officers and men have increased about 100 per cent. The sum of £240,800 has been received from India and the Colonies as contributions towards naval expenditure. India heads the list with £100,000 for maintenance of His Majesty's ships in Indian waters, and £2,400 for Indian troop service. South Africa and New Zealand contribute £85,000 and £25,000 respectively for the general maintenance of the Navy. Canada and Australia jointly contribute £24,400 on account of liability for retired pay and pensions of officers and men lent from the Royal Navy, while Newfoundland contributes £5,000 towards the maintenance of a branch of the Royal Naval Reserve.

The Scotsman, of Edinburgh, and other British papers, published the

following despatch from Reuters, a very reliable news agency:

"New York, Dec. 4.—The Chamber of Commerce in New York has adopted a resolution declaring that 'to drop the Treaty of Versailles and seek a separate peace with Germany would not only imperil American business interests, but would be a base abandonment of our Allies and our own principles.'"

WHAT THEY SAY

Would Help Canada.

(St. John Standard.) A "Buy in Canada" campaign might encourage the movement of American capital and enterprise to this country. Today the United States has much capital seeking investment, but it will not be utilized to develop industries here if American products find an easy sale in Canada. If American or British capital is encouraged to come here by centric doing, American and British immigrants will come here, too, and business generally will be stimulated, and a larger home market developed for the farmer as well.

Holding Others to Scorn.

(Ottawa Journal.) The bankers and we suppose most bank shareholders, belong among the people whom Premier Durney of Ontario thinks of as plutocrats—the people he evidently had in mind when the other day he described the present chief issue in Canadian politics to be battle between "the plutocrats and the democrats." He was picturing the farmers' party as being the needed champions of true democracy, and his use of the word plutocrats was obviously intended to hold up, to scorn as plunderers some of the other classes of the community. But with eggs selling at a dollar and thirty cents, while the bankers are going business at the same old rates, one can't help admiring the nerve of the leader of the embattled farmers when he talks about the fight the farmers are putting up against the plutocrats.

Physician Heal Thyself.

(Indianapolis Star.) In advising the miners to go back to work some of our garrulous members of Congress might profitably take a little of their own medicine.

They Knew It Badly Enough.

(Kansas City Star.) Some of the actors ought to welcome the theatre closing order, for it will give them an opportunity to stay at home and practise.

Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE

Pop was in the setting room holding his hand to his head, and I was sitting on the floor, and pop sed, Now Benny, far be it from me to ask you to stop breathing or otherwise impairing your health, but I have a sick head ache tonight and it would give me grate pleasure and comfort if you could get along with an absolutely minimum amount of noise. Do you know what minimum means?

No sir, does it mean less than usual? I sed. Well, in this case, it does, sed pop. And he kept on holding his head, and I thawt a wife, and then I sed, If I just made sounds like difrent birds, would that be a minimum noise, pop?

It would not, and I positively forbid it, sed pop. Even if they was all as little as sparrows and canaries, pop? I sed, and pop sed, I dont care if theyre all as little as fees and infocenza germs, kindly drop the subject, the very thawt of it makes my head ache worse.

Yes sir, I sed. And I thawt another little wife, and then I sed suppose I gave a imitation of 2 clocks striking 12 at the same time, would that be a minimum noise, pop?

Absolutely not, dont you dare, sed pop. Well, how about jest one small size clock striking 12 all by itself? I sed.

Not even a lady's watch, now for the love of Peet lets call the discussion settled, sed pop. Meaning not to ask him about any more minimum noises, and I sed; Well jest one more, pop, suppose I—

Suppose you clear out of heer in duble quick time, or else suppose I dust your pants for you with a minimum amount of tenderness, sed pop.

Wich I cleared out.

And see you after rain the trace Of mound and ditch and wall? O that was a legions camping-place, When Caesar sailed from Gaul.

And see you marks that show and fade, Like shadows on the Downs O they are the lines the Flint men made, To guard their wondrous towns.

Trackway and Camp and City lost, Salt Marsh where now is corn; Old wars, old Peace, old Arts that cease, And so was England born!

She is not any common Earth, Water or wood or air, But Merlin's Isle of Glamoury Where you and I will fare.

A BIT OF FUN

Sufficient For Him. There's a Bible paragraph that begins, "What shall it profit a man?" And right there the profiteer drops the Scripture perusal and devotes his whole attention to finding the answer.

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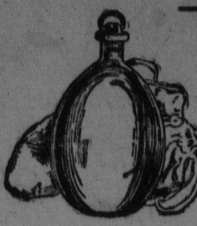
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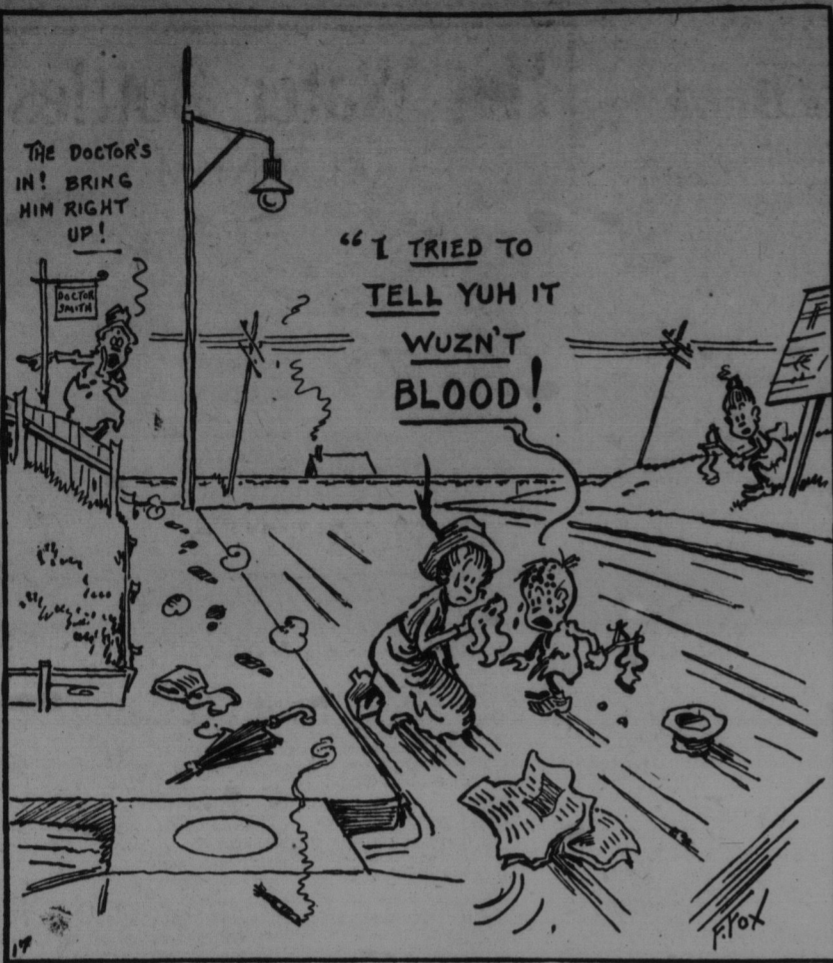
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There was certainly some excitement when Tomboy Taylor scored a hit while she and the little Jones boy were shooting cranberries at each other.

ORAM LASKEY DROPPED DEAD

Mate of Tug Neptune Dropped Dead While on Duty Yesterday Morning—Was Popular With Many Friends

Yesterday morning about 9:30 o'clock when the tug Neptune, Captain Harley, was about to leave the wharf Oram Laskey, aged 54 years, took suddenly ill with heart disease and dropped dead. The sudden death of a popular man on board the tug proved a great shock to the captain and crew as he was popular with all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. The deceased resided at 28 Sheriff street, and, besides his sorrowing widow, he leaves to mourn four sons, two daughters, and one brother, Melbourne Laskey, of Simonds street.

OBITUARY

Capt. Frank Journey. Digby, Dec. 24.—News was received on Saturday of the sad death by drowning of Capt. Frank Journey, of Weymouth. Capt. Frank has been ashore for several years and for the past few years has been in partnership with his brother, Herbert, under the name of Journey Bros., running a dry goods, ladies and gent's furnishing store. It has only been a little over two months ago that he dissolved partnership and decided to follow his calling of master mariner. He was appointed first officer of the S. S. Manxman. Only recently they left Portland on their way to Greece, but tempestuous seas stopped their voyage. The reports say the captain first officer and 39 of the crew were drowned and the rest rescued by the British steamer, British Isle. Captain Journey leaves to mourn their loss a loving wife, who was Jessie Wells, of Annapolis; and two daughters, Gertrude, of Halifax, and Helen, at home. Deceased was 58 years of age.

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WEDDINGS

Nicholls-Blackford. Digby, Dec. 24.—The wedding of John Alfred James Nicholls, of St. John, and Miss Gladys Blackford, of Tiverton, was solemnized on Thursday afternoon in the rectory of St. James' church, Broad street, St. John, by Rev. H. A. Cody. They were attended by Thomas Nicholls and Miss Gertrude Bickerstaffe, brother and half-sister of the bridegroom. Mr. and Mrs. Nicholls will reside in St. John upon their return after a trip to Nova Scotia. They will be the guests of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Blackford, in Tiverton, for the holidays, and return after New Year's. The groom is a returned soldier with many friends here to wish him and his bride happiness in married life.

Thomas-Thibeau. Digby, Dec. 24.—On Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, at his residence, 50 Spring Garden Road, Halifax, the Ven. Archdeacon Armitage officiated at the marriage of George Thomas, of Halifax, formerly of the 4th Battalion, 1st Division, son of Joseph Palmer Thomas, of Blantyre, Scotland, and Miss Mary Thibeau, daughter of John Thibeau, of Weymouth. The ceremony was a very quiet one the young couple being unattended. Mr. Thomas has done splendid work at the front, and since his return has done much in the way of social service for the returned men. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas will make a wedding journey to "Bonnie Scotland," and on their return to Canada will reside in Halifax. Wroom-Ditmars. Digby, Dec. 24.—A very pretty event

crope over white satin with bridal veil caught up with lilies of the valley, and carried a shouvet bouquet of white roses. She was attended by her sister Miss Louise Colwell, who wore a very pretty dress of midnight blue silk with black picture hat and carried a bouquet of pink roses. The groomsmen were John R. Vallis, of Mount Allison Commercial College, Sackville. Harry Dunlop presided at the organ and Miss Maud Camp, of Fredericton, sang "Love's Coronation." After the wedding the bridal party motored to the Royal Hotel, where a luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan will leave this evening for Boston, where they will reside.

RETURNED MEN AT THE HOSTEL

The Salvation Army Military Hostel Prince William street, was the scene of a very happy gathering last evening, when about eighty people were present at the Christmas entertainment. The room in which the festival took place was beautifully decorated with flowers and flags. A large Christmas tree also added to the beautifying of the room which was brightly illuminated with electric lights. About 10:15 o'clock Santa Claus appeared and presented to each person a gift from the Christmas tree. The following is the programme arranged: Opening Song and Prayer. Chairman's Remarks. Trio, Instrumental, "Oh! To Vocal Solo—Comm. Sheard. Recitation—Mr. Harris. Round Three Hilarious Mics. Quartette. Pianoforte Selection—S. Sgt. A. E. Tonkin. Cornet Solo—Mr. Owen. Trio—Instrumental—Bells of St. Mary's. Mandolin Solo—Mr. Harris. Vocal Solo—Mr. Minus. Trio, Instrumental,—"Till We Meet Again." Prayer. God Save the King. The Hostel is occupied by returned soldiers who find it a home worth living in.

REMEMBERED BY FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. E. Letrol King, of the Lansdowne House were the recipients of a gift from the guests of the hotel yesterday when a handsome silver sandwich plate was presented to them with many good wishes for Christmas and the New Year. Mr. and Mrs. Dickinson were also remembered at the Christmas season and their popularity shown by remembrances from the guests.

HMAS HITS HARD AT THE SYSTEM

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HOSPITAL PATIENT REMEMBERED

The staff of the Imperial theatre on Wednesday remembered one of the female staff, Mrs. Ogden, now a patient in the General Hospital, and sent her suitable gifts accompanied with wishes for her recovery.

Mrs. Catherine Dolan

Fredericton, Dec. 25.—The death occurred at Boston, Mass., on Wednesday of Miss Catherine Dolan, sister of James Dolan of this city. Miss Dolan was for forty years a business woman of Boston, but for the past year has been an invalid. She is survived by two brothers, James, of this city and John, of Boston. The funeral will take place from St. Dunstan's Church at 2:30 o'clock, Friday afternoon.

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THE STANDARD'S SPORTING SECTION

Old Country Football Results

London, Dec. 25.—(By Canadian Associated Press)—British League Football results today were:

First Division.
Aston Villa 5; Chelsea 2.
Bolton Wanderers 4; Breston North 2.
Bradford 1; Sheffield 1.
Bury 1; Middlesbrough 2.
Derby County 2; Arsenal 1.
Liverpool 3; Sunderland 1.
Manchester City 1; Everton 1.
Nottingham 5; Blackburn Rovers 0.
Sheffield United 2; Bradford 2.

Second Division.
Clapton Orient 1; Stockport 2.
Coventry 2; Stoke 1.
Fulham 3; Grimsby 2.
Huddersfield 2; Leeds City 1.
Lincoln City 1; Nottingham Forest 1.

Westham United 4; Bristol City 0.

Southern League.
Brighton 2; Crystal Palace 3.
Luton 0; Southampton 1.
Marbury 1; Cardiff 1.
Newport 3; Northampton 0.
Queens Park Rangers 2; Braintree 0.

THE CRIB

In the Carmelite Church, Dublin. For a fortnight the crib there kneels a little child. Behind him in her ragged swail his mother. For all the ages that have passed one still find God in another.

Now, look at how he wonders when he sees The shepherds with their lambs beside the manger. The cattle, poor dumb creatures, looking down Upon the little stranger.

And there's our Saviour lying in the hay, Behind Him in her jawl His watchful mother. Two mothers with their sons, each knows the joys And sorrows of the other.

The father kneels away there by the door, The hands he clasps in prayer are rough with labor. The likes of him that hunger and that toil Once called St. Joseph neighbor.

Outside the church the people travel by, The sick and sad, the needy, the neglected, But just across the threshold Bethlehem lies, Where none will be rejected.

—W. M. Letts.

London, Dec. 25.—Without the immediate cause for rejoicing which characterized last Christmas, when the armistice had just been declared, the present Christmas bids fair to surpass it in a display of the popular holiday spirit. Christmas Day, the day following it, known as "Boxing Day," and Saturday have been declared public holidays, and hence there will be an entire cessation of business from Christmas Eve until Monday, during which time virtually the whole population will give itself over to pleasure.

Throughout the past week there has been an unprecedented crush in the shops and stores and a more lavish expenditure for Christmas gifts than ever before experienced. Contrasted with last Christmas, when the streets were full of khaki-clad men on leave from the front, today is rather a rarity. There is less military evidence than ever of the newly-made wealth, and the more expensive of luxuries, in the shape of furs, jewelry and costly articles of every kind, and ready purchasers.

Every person on the streets tonight is carrying a load of parcels. The railways are ready for a record run of people to the country, and the hotels are preparing to provide their customary dances and other festivities. Two threatened strikes of the waiters and chefs and of stage hands threatened to throw a damper on the holiday spirit.

The waiters, however, decided to postpone their strike until after the holidays, and strong efforts are being made to reach a settlement of the theatre trouble. If the stage hands strike it would result seriously for the pantomimes and Christmas plays. The Ministry of Labor, therefore, has intervened in an attempt to settle the matter before "Boxing Day."

King George, Queen Mary, the Prince of Wales and the other members of the royal family will spend Christmas, as is customary, at Sandringham.

Amsterdam, Dec. 25.—The League Government in Russia, balked by the world financial blockade from sending money abroad for propaganda purposes, is now conducting a huge traffic in confiscated jewels throughout Germany to Holland markets, according to the Handelsblad in connection with a charge that Communist member Lasser of Amsterdam, offered the Russian Emperor's diamonds for sale. "During the first months of the establishment of the Soviet Republic," says the Handelsblad, "Communists in Holland and Germany were supported by the Russian Bolsheviks with money from their treasury. Many checks on the great Dutch banks were cashed. But this method became more difficult last year. Lasser and Trotsky had no choice but to spare for not only their Dutch friends, but the German Spartans especially used huge sums from the Russian treasury."

"Now another way has been found."

The Bout Was Slow And Uninteresting

Welling Wins from Benjamin in Philadelphia — Many Other Results of Less Interest.

Philadelphia, Dec. 25.—Joe Welling, Chicago lightweight, won by a shade from Joe Benjamin, California, in six rounds at one of the Christmas Day matinees here. The bout was slow and uninteresting.

Other results were as follows: Bill Brennan, Chicago, beat Sailor Petrosky, California, in a hard fought six-round bout.

Eddie Fitzsimmons, New York, defeated Young Joe Parrell, Philadelphia. Young Sacco, Boston, and Joe Lipitz fought a draw.

Johnny Murray, New York, defeated Joey Fox, of England, in a fast bout.

Hazlie Hutchinson, Philadelphia, and Jimmy Walker, of Illinois, fought a draw.

Barry Carlson, Boston, shaded Johnny Ray, Pittsburgh, and Joe Borrell won from K. O. Samsen.

BRITISH CHAMPION DEFEATED.
Paris, Dec. 25.—(Havas.)—Deputhen, the featherweight champion of Europe, knocked out the British champion, Tancy Lee, in the seventh round of a match here last night.

EDDIE McANDREWS WON
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 25.—Eddie McAndrews, Philadelphia lightweight, outpointed Charley Dunn in their ten round bout at Homestead tonight.

Soviet coutiers have brought in diamonds and jewelry through Germany to Holland, and the amounts realized on their sale are used to continue the campaign. A Polisher who occupied an important post under the Bolsheviks in Petrograd has returned to Holland with his wife, who also is a Bolshevik and settled down in a provincial town. The wife has made several trips to Russia, coming back with jewels. Once she was stopped at the German frontier, but finally was permitted to enter Holland. Many large jewels of mysterious origin recently have been offered for sale on the Amsterdam diamond market.

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British Promoter Reaches New York

C. B. Cochran Prepared to Offer Substantial Sum for Staging a World's Heavyweight Fight Between Carpenter and Dempsey.

New York, Dec. 25.—C. B. Cochran, British fight promoter, arrived here today on the steamer Mauretania, prepared to offer a substantial sum for staging a world's heavyweight boxing championship match between Georges Carpentier and Jack Dempsey, holder of the world's heavyweight belt. Mr. Cochran is on his way to see Jack Dempsey's manager. Although unprepared to give details of his plans, he intimated he had made arrangements to have it in France or Great Britain. Carpentier, he said, would have the solid backing of a large number of the French and English fight followers, because of his easy defeat of the English champion, Beckett. No matter where a Carpentier-Dempsey fight was staged it would be assured of a capacity attendance, he added.

The Mauretania left Cherbourg on December 10, and in spite of exceptional weather made the run to this port in less than seven days. There were more than 1,500 passengers on board, and from some of these it was learned that on last Monday the vessel suddenly dropped from the top of a "mountain high wave" into a deep trough of sea. The shock of the impact caused the vessel to quiver from stem to stern. Christmas Eve was celebrated on board.

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PROFIT-SHARING AS ENDORSED BY GEO. W. PERKINS

Would See That All Profits Are Left in Business Long Enough to Insure Its Growth and Stability.

(By George W. Perkins in Financial News.)
A good many years of actual experience have made me very optimistic regarding profit-sharing plans worked out along the following lines:

First: Every business has, first of all, to earn operating expenses, depreciation and fair returns on honest capitalization.

Second: I believe that every business should consider the compensation paid employees in the business. It means getting men on salaries and wages to have a live, keen interest in the management of the business.

Third: I believe that any profits ever and above such sum should, on some percentage basis, be divided between capital used in the business and the employees engaged in the business.

Fourth: I believe that in neither case should these profits be immediately withdrawn from the business; that they should be left in the business for a reasonable length of time, to protect and increase its financial strength and safety; that, in the case of capital, its share of these profits should be carried to surplus; that, in the case of employees, their share of these profits should be distributed to them in some form of security representing an interest in the business, and that each employee should be required to hold such security for a reasonable length of time, say three to five years.

Fifth: I believe that the employees' share of these profits should be allotted to them as nearly as possible on the basis of the compensation they receive. Up to date, this has proved to be the best method.

Results Attained by a Proper Plan. Now, let us see what such a plan means: In the first place, it means that under such an arrangement each employee becomes a working partner in the business.

He is on the same footing as the financial partners, for if the concern is a partnership, with say, four or five members, the partners themselves are drawing out each year what, in a way, might be called salaries, viz., approximately the amount of money necessary to meet their general living expenses, leaving their surplus profits in the business.

Any partnership or any profit-sharing plan that divided up the profits and withdrew them in cash at the end of every year could not last very long. Profit-sharing That Has Been a Success.

Some companies with which I am connected have realized the trend of the times and have for some time been practicing profit-sharing along the lines I have indicated. They believe that profit-sharing

plans based on such principles would so knit their vast organization together, and would so strengthen and develop the esprit de corps, as to make it possible for the companies to increase their business and their earnings; and they were willing to share this increased success with their employees.

In all parts of their business, at home and abroad, in the office force, in the factories, in the sales department, everywhere, the individual employee's interest in the business is much greater than formerly.

The saving in waste everywhere is noticeable. The employees are vying with one another more and more to improve their respective and other branches of the business.

It means getting men on salaries and wages to have a live, keen interest in the management of the business.

It means getting an organization of men to work as real partners.

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BRINGING UP FATHER

DADDY, COME HERE—I HAVE A LETTER FROM DAUGHTER WRITTEN FROM COLLEGE.

SHE SAYS SHE IS CRAZY ABOUT GETTING ALONG FINE!

SHE MUST BE CRAZY

SHE SAYS SHE IS IN LOVE WITH PING-PONG SIN

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Dec. 25.—Pressure is decidedly low tonight over Lake Superior and highest in the North Pacific States. The weather has been for the most part fair today over Canada, very mild in the western provinces and moderately cold from Ontario eastward.

Prince Rupert	40	44
Victoria	40	48
Calgary	28	42
Moose Jaw	28	37
London	2	23
Toronto	2	23
Kingston	2	16
Ottawa	0	12
Quebec	0	12
St. John	10	18
Halifax	18	26

Forecasts

Maritime—Strong winds and moderate gales, shifting to south and southwest, generally fair and moderately cold today, then becoming milder.

Northern New England—Cloudy and warmer Friday; Saturday, fair, moderate variable winds becoming south and southwest, and increasing Friday afternoon.

AROUND THE CITY

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

The boards of trade of Toronto and of Vancouver have wired their Christmas greetings to the St. John board.

PRETTY CALENDAR.

The Standard has received a very pretty calendar from the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation, R. F. Wright, acting manager.

THE MESSENGERS OF GREETINGS.

The Western Union and C.P.R. Telegraph Companies have special telegram blanks for the Holiday Season, while the Messengers have special holiday cards for their customers.

GAILY DECORATED.

The Japanese steamship Tokuta Maru, lying at the Pettibill wharf, was decorated from stem to stern yesterday in honor of Christmas day. The ship is loading grain for Greece.

GIVEN THEIR LIBERTY.

Seven defaulters were released from the county jail on Wednesday, taken to military headquarters where they were granted their discharge and given transportation home.

LOOKING FOR BROTHER.

James Walsh, now of Seattle, who left this province with his mother Elizabeth Walsh, for the United States in the year 1868, when he was about five years of age, is now in the city enquiring as to the whereabouts of his brother, Michael Walsh, and his mother's brother, Michael Carton and will be pleased if any person who knows anything about either of these persons or kin will give the information to the Commissioner of Harbors, City Hall.

MEETING OF CREDITORS.

A meeting of the creditors of Calvin W. Urquhart, a trucker, of Victoria Lane, was held on Tuesday afternoon in the law office of G. E. Burke Logan. Mr. Urquhart had previously made an assignment to Miles B. Innes for the benefit of his creditors. The appointment of Mr. Innes as assignee was confirmed and C. S. Huntington and Leonard A. Conlon were appointed inspectors. The liabilities amount to about three thousand dollars. It will be impossible to determine the amount of the assets until the next meeting. Adjourned until December thirtieth at three p.m. at Mr. Logan's office.

THE POLICE COURT.

A session of the police court was held early Wednesday morning to enable Magistrate Ritchie to leave on the early train for St. Stephen to spend the holiday.

Frank Tennant, arrested by Inspector McAlister and Merryman on Tuesday night for having liquor in his possession, was remanded to jail.

Thomas Grant, given in charge by Max Shecter, 125 Mill street, for stealing five pairs of moccasins valued at \$12 was also remanded.

William Cosmeak was up on his old familiar charge of vagrancy. He was remanded.

Three drunks appeared in court. One was taken to the hospital on the order of the jail doctor. The other two were sent below.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE.

L. R. Ross, local terminal agent of the C. N. R., received the following telegram this morning:

All Employees

Toronto, December 24th, 1919.

In this Christmas message I desire to express my hearty appreciation of the co-operative efforts of officers and employees who with gratifying results have worked hard to make the first year of the Canadian National Railways one of progress and success. During the New Year let us keep up the good work and show that Government owned railways in Canada can be operated efficiently. I do not believe that personal incentive and ambition are eliminated from the make-up of our officials and employees because they work for the Government. You may rest assured that the opportunities for promotion are yours and that good work will be recognized and rewarded. In a spirit of good will I extend the wish that a full measure of happiness be yours at this Christmas season and that well being attend you throughout the New Year.

D. B. HANNA, President.

Portrait agents wanting good prints and finishes—lowest prices on frames—ask for catalogue, United Art Co., 4 Brunswick Ave., Toronto.

Skating this afternoon. Admission fifteen cents. Skating this evening, with band.

SANTA CLAUS VISITED MANY LOCAL INSTITUTIONS YESTERDAY

East St. John County Hospital, General Public, Provincial Memorial Home, Boys' Industrial, Municipal Home, Orphans' Home, Children's Aid and Others Were Made Brighter on Christmas Day.

This year Santa Claus visited not only nearly every St. John home, but made a special call at the various institutions, and at each place the day was spent pleasantly, and in the case of the Children's Homes most joyously.

At the East St. John County Hospital the whole institution was decorated with greenery and bells, the entrance hall having a large Union Jack conspicuously placed. The Young Women's Patriotic Association took charge of the Soldiers' Wing, under the direction of Miss Beatrice Frink. In the children's ward a beautiful tree was provided by the Douglas Avenue Red Cross Circle. This was discovered by the children on Christmas morning and bore for the little patients all sorts of delightful gifts. They also found well-filled stockings by their beds.

At 8 o'clock Christmas Eve Santa Claus appeared in person and delivered presents from the trees which decorated each ward. Each soldier in the Soldiers' wing received a filled stocking from the Red Cross Society and from the Knights of Columbus Hospital Committee. The children's stockings were provided by the Red Cross.

The Mayor and Mrs. Hayes visited the Hospital yesterday afternoon. Only one or two of the soldiers returned to their homes for Christmas, and the day passed very pleasantly. All the patients were allowed to visit one another, and visitors were allowed all day, no rest hours being observed. At 12:30 a splendid dinner was served with turkey, mince and favor. All the up-patients were seated at nicely decorated tables set in the wards and waited on by the nurses. There are ninety patients at the Hospital, and all ninety patients gratefully appreciated the kindness shown by the many societies and friends who made it possible for such an enjoyable time to be spent.

On Christmas Eve Miss Lawlor's class from the Cathedral choir, accompanied by Mrs. McCarty, sang carols outside both the soldiers' and civilians' wings. Afterwards they gave some much enjoyed music in the hospital. Yesterday afternoon music was also rendered.

A Christmas gift of a piano was made possible by Miss Anna Haley, of the K. C. Hospital Committee, the fund being completed by \$125 being sent through Mayor Hayes from the J. Fred Belyea Fund for Soldiers and Patients. This fine instrument has been placed in the recreation room furnished by the Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. D. E., and will be the source of much pleasure. The generous gifts of the institution, for which Dr. Farris and the staff are deeply grateful, will be acknowledged later through the press.

General Public Hospital.

For the first time the hospital was decorated throughout with Christmas trees by a committee from the Women's Hospital Aid, under the co-operation of Mrs. J. H. Doody. From the same society, stockings, containing all sorts of delicacies were provided for each patient, including the children's Aid ward. Here, also, appropriate toys were sent by Miss Travers' committee of the Hospital Aid.

Prettily trimmed trees were placed in each ward, and the men were given, for the one day, the greatly appreciated privilege of smoking in the wards. Many visitors came to see their friends during the day.

At noon a dinner was served, whose bill of fare included turkey as well as all the usual Christmas articles.

In the children's ward a very lovely tree, loaded with every kind of useful presents, including boots, dresses, hats, caps, books and toys. Each child received a sled and each girl a small rocking chair.

Chief Justice McKeown introduced Santa Claus, impersonated by Dr. James Manning, president of the Home. Mrs. H. A. McKeown, Mrs. G. O. Akerley, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Kerr, Mrs. Kirkpatrick and Rev. W. R. Robinson assisted in the distribution of gifts. Those present were addressed by L. Potts, M. L. A., Dr. Manning, Francis Kerr, Mrs. Akerley, and Rev. W. R. Robinson. The matron, Mrs. O'Brien, and the nurse, Miss Brown, were handsomely remembered and the children gave three cheers for the matron.

Mayor Hayes and a number of visitors inspected the Home and expressed themselves delighted with it. The Board of Directors are most grateful to all who contributed towards yesterday's celebration.

Boys' Industrial Home.

The boys themselves got from the woods two large Christmas trees and decorated the Home. Yesterday morning they found Christmas stockings, which they greatly enjoyed. A fine chicken dinner was served. In the evening from the Christmas trees were distributed gifts of sweaters, hockey sticks, games, books and a present of money. The gifts were presented to the thirty-two boys by the superintendent, A. J. Parker. Donations were received from the following: P. W. Daniel & Co., Waterbury & Rising, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, R. Morton Smith, Vassie & Co., Mrs. L. G. Crosby, Mrs. Louis Green, Mr. Leonard A. L. Goodwin, Scovill Bros., Mrs. E. Robertson, Mrs. D. W. Meserereau (Frederickton Junction), W. C. T. U., Mrs. Seymour, Miss Fox, Mrs. Men-

Protestant Orphans Home.

In the morning the children of the Protestant Orphans Home attended St. James' church. They greatly enjoyed a Christmas dinner which included turkey and ice cream, sent by friends. Two Christmas trees, the annual gift of a friend of the Home, and the day passed very pleasantly. Each child received several presents, J. D. O'Connell's twenty-five cent scrip being one of the surprises of the day. Many visitors were present during the afternoon.

Orphans' Home, West Side.

The twelve children of the Orphans' Home on the West Side were treated to a turkey dinner through the kindness of C. L. Swanton. A fine Christmas tree handsomely trimmed was given by Mrs. Robert T. Worden. Miss Faith Henderson's class of Centenary church, and Mrs. Cobert's class of the Portland Methodist church sent gifts to the children, and presents were also received from St. Jude's church.

St. Vincent's Convent.

In the recreation room of St. Vincent's Convent a fine Christmas tree was set up, and yesterday afternoon each of the eighty children at this Home received a gift. A large number of donations towards the enjoyment of this day were contributed by the Sisters of the Convent and friends of the orphans. Each child was given a Christmas stocking and everything combined to make a happy Christmas to them. His Lordship's Christmas party visit to the children during the afternoon, and a number of other visitors were present.

Wiggin's Orphanage Asylum.

The twenty-six boys of the Wiggin's Orphanage Asylum were well remembered by their friends. They enjoyed an extra good Christmas dinner and are looking forward to a Christmas tree which will be held later.

The Children's Aid.

Christmas morning was a wonderful time of surprises for many thousands of little ones in St. John. It is doubtful, however, if the happiness of any, or all of them, was at all comparable to the feelings of the little girl in the Children's Aid Home, 48 Garden street. After she had had time to take in something of the glory of it all she exclaimed:

"Santa Claus never came where I lived before, but he comes here."

If all the ladies of Vancouver Chapter, I. O. D. E., who saw to it that the magnificent tree was well trimmed and loaded with such things as children prize; if all of the other ladies and gentlemen who contributed so freely of their time and means to ensure that when Santa Claus reached 48 Garden street he should be well loaded, all of them down to the nameless donor who left a pair of candy canes at the door late Christmas Eve could have heard the little girl exclaiming that in her artless way they would have been satisfied their usefulness had been well rewarded. More than that, they would have carried a glow in their hearts that would have made them looker through the 365 days of the coming year.

It is no use trying to describe Christmas in the Home in anything else than superlatives. They had everything that heart could wish, and had it in abundance. The day had been long looked forward to and prepared for. All the little ones had been keyed up to a high pitch of expectation, but the reality so far surpassed their most sanguine thoughts that words failed them and the din of trumpets, horns and other musical instruments supplied the deficiency. No one had been forgotten, and each had a well-filled stocking. All were happy, and for the day even the little ones who were sick forgot their ailments. Altogether Christmas day, 1919, will stand out as a red letter day in the history of the Children's Aid Home.

Besides the toys, however, many articles of substantial use were on the trees, including even little sweaters and mitts, warm and comfortable in the cold days ahead. Then most wonderful of all from far away Cuba J. D. O'Connell had sent thirty-two boxes of twenty-five cent scrip, one for each child and four more for the members of the staff.

Repairs for Hot Water and Steam Boilers. P. Campbell & Co., Prince William St.

AT STONE CHURCH.

It was announced at yesterday's service in Stone church that the Rev. H. Girling, who is expected to arrive on the S.S. Scandinavian, will preach at the Stone church next Sunday morning. Mr. Girling is a scholastic as well as a missionary, and has a most interesting story to tell of his adventures among the newly discovered tribes of the Amazon.

Was Killed Christmas Eve

Edward Thorpe While Returning Home to Mace's Bay Was Killed When Car Struck Rock—Was Former Policeman.

Killed on Christmas eve by the overturning of his car while on his way home with Christmas presents for relatives and friends was the sad fate of Edward Thorpe, of Mace's Bay, formerly of the police force of St. John. On an icy section of the Spruce Lake road near Armstrong's Mr. Thorpe's car skidded, struck a rock and turned over, falling down into a gully. That is the only explanation of the Christmas Eve tragedy which has shocked the community.

Mr. Thorpe came into the city Christmas Eve and did some shopping in the North End, buying Christmas gifts. On his return he stopped at G. D. Hanson's store in Fairville, where he bought some things, evidently intending to buy Christmas gifts. After wishing Mr. Hanson a Merry Christmas he got into his car and started for Mace's Bay.

About ten o'clock Mr. McCarthy, passing along the Spruce Lake road near Armstrong's noticed a car overturned at the side of the road, and on investigating found a man underneath dead, and with parcels done up in the festive manner of the Christmas season scattered around.

Dr. Keaney, the West Side coroner, was notified and the body was taken to Brennan's undertaking establishment on the West Side. Dr. Keaney stated last evening that he did not consider it necessary to hold an inquest, as his investigation had satisfied him that the death of Thorpe was quite accidental. Mr. Thorpe was on the police force of St. John for some time but resigned about six months ago. He was about thirty years of age and unmarried. He has been living with his mother at Mace's Bay. Besides his mother he leaves one brother and six sisters, most of whom are now residing in the United States.

"Mother" Tillotson Kindly Remembered

Official Visitor for G.W.V.A. Was Not Forgotten by War Veterans Who Look on Her With Pride.

The place held by Mrs. J. H. Tillotson in the hearts of the returned men was shown on Wednesday evening when she was asked to go to the great War Veterans Rooms on Westington Row. There she was presented with an address telling of the appreciation felt by the men for her faithful and earnest work among them which has earned for her the address was a table mirror and a cut glass vase filled with roses. The presentation was made by Sergeant Logan. Mrs. Tillotson was surprised but thanked the boys in her sincere way.

Mrs. Tillotson is the official visitor for the staff of employees on Wednesday evening, and is always ready and willing to assist any of the soldiers or their families in any way that it is possible for her to do. She is looked on as the "kind mother" to all the soldier boys, and will never be forgotten by those who went overseas.

PRESENTATION TO MANAGER W. C. MCKAY

Staff of Opera House Gave Christmas Eve—Performers and Staff Also Remembered.

The popular manager of the Opera House, Walter C. McKay, was not forgotten by his staff of employees on Wednesday evening, and he was given one of the greatest surprises of his life when his staff along with the performers and the orchestra assembled in his office, and David Latimer on behalf of his associates read the following address:

December 24th, 1919.

Mr. McKay, Opera House Manager.

Dear Mr. McKay—it affords me great pleasure at this season of the year to extend to you the greetings of your staff. We trust this expression of good will may assure you of our interest in you and the work in which we are endeavoring to assist you. We earnestly hope that this coming year may be one of continued success and prosperity in all you undertake. On behalf of myself and associates we wish to present you with this Christmas gift as a token of esteem.

Manager McKay was then presented with a seal cap and a large box of tobacco.

Mr. McKay was thoroughly surprised and made a brief address of thanks to those who were so thoughtful.

Mr. McKay did not forget every member of his staff who received from him a donation, while the actors and actresses performing at this popular theatre each received a Christmas present.

With music and song, and impromptu addresses a very enjoyable time was spent by those present in the theatre.

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A visit to the Dryden store will fully demonstrate that needs of Miss St. John in this respect have been anticipated to the fullest degree.

In Ready-to-Wear the latest modes are always on display, and in yard goods the lovely Fallottes, Satins, Tullestas, and Georgettes will speak for themselves; and speaking of yard goods it is well to remember that it is at this store that the celebrated McCall Patterns are to be found—the best all-round patterns on the market to-day.

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You will like the Lovely Silk Undergarments showing for women at this store—They are exceedingly attractive and just the kinds you would wish to own—Included are

Night Dresses of crepe-de-chine and wash satin in flesh color and white. Some are tastefully trimmed with medallions, lace and ribbons, others are very plain.

Underskirts for dainty gowns. These are made of silk, crepe-de-chine and wash satin, lace trimmed and hemstitched.

Camisoles are in especially attractive styles. Fashioned of georgette, crepe-de-chine and wash satin and beautifully trimmed with lace, tucks and ribbons.

Silk Vests, Combinations and Bloomers in "Niagara Maid" and "Queen Quality."

Envelope Chemise are in an assortment of dainty styles and very attractively trimmed.

"Billy Burke" Pyjamas, made of crepe-de-chine and silk.

Wonderfully Pretty Silk Kimonos are developed in all the attractive boudoir shades. Some are in Slip-over styles, others fasten in front and are tastefully hand embroidered or hemmed with plaitings.

Boudoir Caps can be found here in shades to match almost any negligee and in a variety of very charming styles.

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