

CITY RETAILERS REED TO FIGHT NEW SALES TAX

Will Take Decided Stand If Businessmen Unite in Protest.

The London Retailers Association, in special session at the Tecumseh House this morning, decided that it would stand behind a united effort of businessmen to secure the abolition of the stamp tax on all receipts amounting to \$10 or more, which becomes effective on January 1, 1923.

Beyond agreeing on this, the merchants would take no action as a body until the plan had been tried out for two weeks, or longer. At the end of that time, it was thought, local businessmen would find that the tax would not be such a hardship after all. It was decided to call an "experience meeting" to be held in two weeks time. The effects of the enforcement of the act will then be discussed, and such action as is deemed advisable will be taken.

London Not Responsible. It was distinctly pointed out that London merchants are not responsible for the protest, although several of them acknowledged that they had witnessed the protests as individuals. The first and loudest protests have come from outside the city. Sarnia was particularly emphatic in its claim that the new tax would only add to the already heavy burden of the businessmen.

Requests have been received in London from Sarnia and other cities requesting support. It was said that the London Chamber of Commerce has already wired its members in Sarnia, Rowed, local automobile dealer pointed out that the merchants, as a body, ought to take any contemplated action immediately.

Two weeks after the act has been effective is no time to protest, he claimed. "When the sales tax went into effect, I and several others went to Ottawa about it, and we were told that we should have protested before the act went into effect."

Back Up Protests. R. H. Dowler thought that to back up the individual protests of the merchants, that the protests from other cities, the Retail Merchants Association should make its protest right away.

Gordon Phillips, secretary of the chamber of commerce, pointed out that the regulations governing the enforcement of the act had been revised, and that the changes were so modified that it was a question whether there was going to be the trouble that was at first anticipated.

While the act was largely due to the loss of time that would entail in the sending of receipts to and from the office, and in the actual stamping of the receipts, this was strongly countered by several merchants, who claimed that the counter check system would obviate this difficulty.

It was claimed by the Regent Tailors that the act, notwithstanding provisions noted, would be a constant trouble-maker for them. The sales were such that a receipt was necessary in every case. They were agreeable, however, to throw in their lot with the other merchants, and to give the act two weeks' trial. The decision to this proposal was unanimous.

The proposal to link up a "Shop in London Week" with the Motor Show, which is to be held in this city, February 6-10, was unanimously received. Some of the merchants were in favor of having the "Shop in London Week" take the place of the Dollar Day, which was to be held in February. This did not meet with general favor, however, and it was decided to hold the Dollar Day on Thursday of the week previous to the Motor Show, which was to be held in February.

Big Publicity Plan. The big publicity plan, covering the territory from St. Catharines and Brantford to Sarnia and Windsor, would not entail expense to the merchants. They were simply asked to use signs of cuts, in the window display, shaped like an automobile radiator, and on which would appear a slogan "Shop in London, Feb. 6-10."

What would happen if all street cars made fast connections at the corner of Dundas and Front streets, there will come a big potential. Out-of-town shoppers shop substantial amounts, and we would like to have the co-operation of the merchants.

Offer for Co-operation. A model poster was displayed, in which publicity the merchants might have a part. If they so wished, the proposals were accepted with alacrity by the merchants, and several took occasion to state that they would like to have the co-operation of the merchants.

ESCAPES DEATH AS G.T.R. TRAIN STRIKES TRUCK

Alfred Broome, Driver, Seriously Injured at Egerton Street Crossing.

Alfred Broome of 338 Salisbury street, and an employee of Gorman & Eckert, narrowly escaped death this morning, when a truck he was driving was struck at the Egerton street level crossing by Grand Trunk passenger train No. 163, from Stratford.

The injured man was rushed to the downtown station on the train where his injuries were attended to by Dr. S. Henry. He was removed to Victoria Hospital in the police ambulance, where he was further attended by Dr. Henry and Dr. F. R. Clegg. He was badly cut about the face and severely bruised, but no bones were broken. At 2 o'clock his condition was reported by hospital authorities to be fair.

Eyewitnesses of the accident say that the train was traveling at a fast rate, and it was indeed a miracle that the driver was not killed or injured more severely. The truck was completely wrecked for some yards, and is a complete wreck.

The fact that Mr. Broome was thrown clear when the impact occurred, is probably responsible for his not being injured more seriously. The Stratford train is due in London at 11:15, and Friday morning was in charge of Conductor Richard Addie of Toronto.

KU KLUX MINISTER FIRED FROM CHURCH

Attempt to Enlist Members of "Invisible Empire" Causes Expulsion.

Oscar Hayward, klorkard, or lecturer, of the Ku Klux Klan, was expelled from the Church last night. He came to New York with the avowed purpose of enlisting clergymen and members of his congregation in the "Invisible Empire."

The board of deacons of the church voted unanimously to oust the Rev. Hayward from his position of evangelist, because he was "employed in an incompatible way with his position in the church."

"This action shows beyond a doubt," said Dr. Stratton, pastor of the church, "that Dr. Hayward's charge that I was afraid to bring the matter to a conference was unfounded."

AMERICAN DRAFT EVADER STAYS ON GERMAN SOIL

Special to The Advertiser. Bergdoll, American draft evader, has not left Germany, according to advice from Eberbach today. A dispatch received here said he spent Christmas there. It was recently reported in the United States that Bergdoll was en route to America aboard a steamer which will dock shortly at a Pacific port. This report said he was on the vessel in the disguise of a sailor.

BELIEVE "LITTLE VAMP" MAY HAVE SHOT SELF

Special to The Advertiser. This theory was reached after the detention of Benjamin Prandeville, a laborer, who boarded in the same house, who saw the child was fascinated by his revolver.

CRIMINAL HAND SEEN IN MONTREAL BLAZES

Montreal, Dec. 29.—After investigating two recent fires which totally destroyed a stable and a grocery store, Commissioner Latulippe affirmed that coal oil had been poured on the floor.

Stranger Finds London's Car Service Pretty Poor, and Tells Conductor So

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Closing Markets and Latest News of the Day

STERLING REACTS ON WALL STREET

Market Displays Surprising Animation Considering Near Close of Year.

By STUART P. WEST. Special to The Advertiser. New York, Dec. 29.—Considering the usual reluctance of the trading element to engage in new ventures at the close of the year, today's market displayed a surprising animation. Proof was given both on and off the stock exchange that the markets were not worshipping about the apparent impending break-off of the Lausanne conference or about the possibility of unpleasant developments in Turkish affairs over the New Year's holiday.

Fluctuation in the exchange were very slight, with a little further reaction in sterling and Italian lire balanced by increasing firmness in French francs.

Once more the sensitive wheat market refused to respond to the political news, and instead of rushing up, as it would have to grain trade been at all alarmed, was rather inclined to sag off again.

No doubt much of the buying and selling in the wheat market was merely the closing out of old speculative contracts. Some of this included purchases or sales for cash by those who wished to put through their transaction today instead of letting them go in the usual way.

Other than the clearing house, Tuesday, the market was very quiet. The market testified to the quiet feeling of confidence with which Wall Street approaches 1923.

Buying of some of the oil shares was in some instances based on reports of prospective deals with other producers, and in other instances was due to the expectation of larger dividends during the coming year.

The public utility group came in attention with sharp advance in Consolidated Gas, and in the latter part of the day, the latter getting ready for an early increase in dividend. Railway stocks did little except in one or two instances, the St. Paul and Missouri Pacific preferred, where a short interest had accumulated.

JEFFERSON ENTRIES

First race, claiming, 2 years, 6 furlongs.—Sir Sidney 109, xMargarite Wood 106, xBedazzle 104, Goldsmith 102, Standard 100, Fernandez 100, Pat 112, xJosephine C. 107, Irish Sawyer 104, Amole 103, xJoe 101, Radcliffe 100, xBoris 112, xSophie Goldman 101.

Second race, claiming, 3 years and up, mile race.—Pirate 112, Edna 109, winks 107, xTyranny 107, xMoore 106, xHull 112, Anna Gallant 106, xSolid Rock 107, xTokalon March 107, xHarvey Smarr 112, Grace Foster 107, xWaukegan 107, Booneville 112, Royal 112, Belmont 112, xCleveland Bergdoll 107, xWadsworth's 107, xHeather 112, xHerald 112, xThunder Bird 119, Neapolitan 107, xMalbe 104, xBill and Coe 98, Cockade 112, xHerald 112, xHerald 112, xKirk Lexington 100, xHadrian 111, Prince Wells 107, xSpringer 107, xChicklen 104, xTricks 104, xFloyd 107, xSpectacular Girl 109, xWadsworth's 107, xHerald 112, xHerald 112, xThunder Bird 119, Neapolitan 107, xMalbe 104, xBill and Coe 98, Cockade 112, xHerald 112, xHerald 112, xKirk Lexington 100, xHadrian 111, Prince Wells 107, xSpringer 107, xChicklen 104, xTricks 104, xFloyd 107, xSpectacular Girl 109, xWadsworth's 107, xHerald 112, xHerald 112, xThunder Bird 119, Neapolitan 107, xMalbe 104, xBill and Coe 98, Cockade 112, xHerald 112, xHerald 112, 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Generous-Hearted Londoners Remember "Shelter" Children

Aid Society Grateful for Christmas Cheer Contributed By Interested Citizens.

The Christmas season for the little folks at the Shelter of the Children's Aid Society, in South London, was made very bright with a bountiful supply of good things donated by friends of the society's work in the city and county.

The generous supplies sent in during the month of December of staple articles, of groceries, as well as Christmas cheer of various kinds, will prove a great help, and will brighten the remaining winter months for the children.

Following is a list of donations, which are most gratefully acknowledged by the officers and board of management of the society:

Knox Presbyterian Church, bread and pie; Mrs. Land, jar of fruit; Mr. James H. Stanley, 10 lbs. chocolate; Mrs. Reynolds, 3 jars fruit; Masonic Lodge, pies, tarts, cheese and rolls; Community Bakery, Cynthia street, cake; Ladies' Aid of Aikin Street Methodist Church, packages corn-starch, 3 lbs. tapers, 15 lbs. rolled oats, 12 lbs. cream of wheat, 3 lbs. rice, 12 lbs. sugar, 1 package each of custard powder, beans, prunes, cocoa, macaroni, 3 lbs. flour, ginger, bread, 1 lb. butter; Temple Lodge, supper and entertainment; Social Service Club, supper and entertainment; Aikin Street Methodist Church, bread and butter; Chivas, cakes, etc.; Nut Kruet, bread and buns; Oak Hall, 10 lbs. honey; Mrs. John Hunt, goose; Home Circle Bakery, Stanley street, pies, cakes and buns; Home Bakery, Bruce street, pies, cakes and buns; Community Bakery, Cynthia street, cakes; Mrs. Jukes, Longwood, 3 tins

Jam: Mr. Bank's class, Boy's Memorial Sunday School, bag of oranges; St. Andrew's Sunday School, toys.

Mothers' Club Helps.

Victoria Mothers' Club, 16 new kerst garnishes; Mrs. Brady, 2 jars fruit; two little Mitchell boys, Christmas bags for each child in shelter; City Creamery, 2 gallons ice cream; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hartford, 3 mince pies and fruit cake, candy, nuts, oranges; Rowland Hill, 4 pairs felt slippers and pair moccasins; Mrs. Bell, Oxford street, 100 lbs. sugar; Arcadia Club, 5 cakes, 4 pies, sandwiches; Mrs. E. N. Hart, 10-lb. pail honey; Mr. A. E. Barbour, 27 boxes candy, one for each child in shelter; Mrs. J. E. Chubb, 6 pairs stockings; A. M. Hamilton & Son, 6 lbs. cornmeal, 6 lbs. rolled oats, 6 lbs. cream of wheat, 6 lbs. beans, 6 lbs. split peas, 6 lbs. pot barley, bag of salt; Langford & Edwards, 8 dozen oranges; Mrs. J. Ferguson, roast of beef; Catalano & Sansone, box of apples; Anderson's, turkey and cranberries; A. M. Smith & Co., 100-lb. bag of sugar, large bag of nuts, 8 boxes milk chocolate bars (4 dozen each); Mrs. J. M. Chubb, 6 pairs stockings; Baxter & Willis, fruit cake, bag of popcorn and candy; C. I. C. Boys' Class, Southern Congregational, 10 new books.

Gives Christmas Bags.

Senior Girls' Class, Wardville Methodist Sunday School (Miss Helen Aitchison, president), 29 Christmas bags of candy, etc., 33 small toys, 8 picture books, pair stockings, 2 handkerchiefs, 2 pinafores, bib, pair mitts; Mrs. J. W. Little, 24 pairs boys' stockings; Centennial Methodist Sunday School, 100 lbs. flour, 8 1/2 dozen oranges, candy, nuts, 20 jars fruit and jelly, 4 cans of corn; Mrs. Arthur Maxwell, 6 jars fruit; Johnson & Murray 10 pairs rubbers; Mrs. A. MacGarvey, bunch of bananas; Mrs. E. E. Hunt, turkey and cranberries; Graham biscuits, 5 lbs. chocolate, 2 dozen oranges, nuts, 5 lbs. table raisins; Edward Adams & Co., 3 lbs. butter, 1 lb. sugar, 1 lb. cocoa, 16 lbs. nuts; Aikin Street Methodist Sunday School, 28 books, 12 toys, sleigh, 9 dresses, 9 garments, pair rubbers, pair shoes, 2 pairs mitts, 1 lb. each of rice, nuts and raisins, 2 cans corn, 3 jars fruit, apples and oranges; Miss Emery, 4 lbs. nuts, 2 dozen oranges, 1 lb. each of raisins, nuts; Mrs. D. S. Perrin, large box mixed fancy biscuits; Miss Elsie McCullum, 10 sweaters; Mrs. Kenny, 4 quart jars; Mrs. A. C. Miller, 1/2 pail candy; Worley Road Mothers' Club, \$10 for Christmas cheer; Miss Helen Gibbons, \$10 for Christmas cheer; Palestine Shrine (treasurer, Ida Howey), \$5 for Christmas cheer; St. George's Masonic Lodge, No. 42, \$10 for Christmas cheer; Victoria Mothers' Club, \$5 for Christmas cheer.

Trainmen Offer Aid.

Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, London Lodge, 415, C. P. R., \$10 for Christmas cheer; Ruth Chapter, Eastern Star, \$10 for Christmas cheer; Miss White, \$5 for Christmas cheer; A. Friend, through Mr. J. W. McCullum, city relief officer, \$5 for Christmas cheer; Forest City Chapter, Eastern Star, \$5 for Christmas cheer; Miss Baker's class, Wellington street Methodist Sunday School, Christmas gifts for each child in shelter; Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Fenlin, 11 toys.

The following Christmas contributions in cash were received at the society's office, and are also gratefully acknowledged:

- St. John's Masonic Lodge, No. 205a \$10.00
- Union Masonic Lodge, No. 380 15.00
- Mr. A. N. Udy 1.00
- Dr. C. Windesor 5.00
- Mr. G. E. Bingham 5.00
- Middlesex Motors, Limited 25.00
- Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Robinson 5.00
- Forest City Lodge, No. 28 10.00
- O. O. F. 16.00
- Mocha Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine 50.00
- Masons No. 415 10.00
- Corinthian Masonic Temple, No. 330 5.00
- Sir Adam Beck 10.00
- Mrs. J. W. Jones 10.00
- King Solomon's Masonic Lodge, No. 878 20.00
- Judge Talbot Macbeth 20.00
- Tuscan Masonic Lodge, No. 195 10.00
- The Commercial Travelers' Association 60.00
- St. George's R. A. Chapter 5.00
- Richard Coeur de Lion Preceptory, Knights Templars, for relief 15.00
- Kilwinning Masonic Lodge No. 64 10.00
- Miss Parry 5.00
- Employees of Forest City Laundry, gifts and for Christmas cheer for needy children 3.50
- Mrs. J. E. Harris, Miss Craig, Christmas dinner for needy family.

USED TODAY

EVERYBODY'S "Apying!" Why not you, too? Keep your eyes open for news and win one dollar. It's news that is wanted; something you see, not a funny conversation or an old joke.

One dollar awaits "M. M." who contributed the winning item today. While on my way home from school one day, I waited to have a slide with the chers. There were a slide there. But among them all one little fellow, of about four summers, attracted my attention. This little fellow, was greatly enjoying himself, sitting on his mother's lap, and going swiftly down the slide. When asked if his mother did not want the club bag, he quickly replied: "Oh, no; it's the meat for supper."—M. M.

A colts dog which had great difficulty in keeping its feet on the slippery pavements.—EARLY PEDESTRIAN.

A spare street car conductor on a Dundas car leaning up against the stove, while a cloud of smoke arose from behind. The amused glances of the passengers finally made him aware of his predicament. He was hopelessly scorched, to say the least.—SIX.

Going down Dundas street a young man driving a coal wagon wearing a white sweater.—OPEN EYES. A little boy powdering his face after being admonished by his mother to "keep your face clean the way I do."—HIRUM.

FIRE CHIEF UNABLE TO ANSWER APPEAL

Lacks Equipment to Fight Country Blaze—Will Install Engine January.

Ordered by the retiring city council, the new pumping engine for the central fire station, will be installed in January. Fire Chief John Aitken explained today.

The latter was in a quandary this morning. An appeal was registered for assistance to combat a fire in a farmhouse, north of the river road, and at a considerable distance from the city.

While the chief could not locate the proper authorities to sanction a trip to the conflagration, he acknowledged that any effort on the part of the local brigade would avail little.

"We could do but little or nothing if we did go," he explained. "We do not possess the necessary equipment to fight fires in the country. If it were a big blaze in some community, it would be a different proposition, however."

"We have gone to other fires in the country, and found we could do nothing but stand by."

The chief related incidentally that several months ago he traveled at high speed with a few of his men to a neighboring community, willing to assist wherever possible. "And they didn't even say thank you," he commented.

WILL OPEN POSTOFFICE CERTAIN HOURS JAN. 1

Postmaster Notifies Public That Wickets Open for Part of Day.

The postmaster has issued the notification that on New Year's Day the general postoffice will be closed except between the hours of 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., during which periods postage stamps will be on sale, and the general delivery and registration wickets open.

There will be one delivery by postmen in the morning, and all special postal note wickets will be closed, specially delivered.

The public lobby will be open the entire day for the convenience of box holders. The mails will be closed and dispatched the same as on other days. The street letter boxes, commencing at 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Money order, savings bank and postal note wickets will be closed, the entire day.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS IN GENERAL INCREASE

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—Comparison of Canadian cold storage holdings on Dec. 1, 1921 with those of Dec. 1, 1922, is reported by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, indicate the following changes:

- Butter, creamery, 20.23 per cent increase; butter, dairy, 59.54 per cent decrease; oleomargarine, 1.73 per cent increase; cheese, 47.01 per cent decrease. Eggs, cold storage, 80.63 per cent increase; eggs, other classes, 27.84 per cent increase; eggs, frozen, 21.74 per cent decrease; pork, frozen, 49.83 per cent increase; pork, not frozen, 36.67 per cent increase; pork, dry salted, 35.56 per cent increase; pork, sweet pickled, 24.04 per cent increase; lard, 51.83 per cent increase; beef, frozen, 32.83 per cent increase; beef, not frozen, 21.25 per cent increase; lamb, not frozen, 29.88 per cent decrease; poultry, 26.47 per cent decrease; fish, 11.17 per cent decrease.

AGED WROXETER WOMAN, MRS. GRAHAM, SUCCUMBS

Special to The Advertiser. Wroxeter, Dec. 29.—An old resident of Wroxeter passed away this week in the person of Mrs. Graham after an illness of two weeks.

Deceased is survived by three sons and three daughters, two of the latter, Miss Jean Graham and Mrs. Jas. Ballantyne, residing in Wroxeter. The funeral was held Tuesday morning, interment taking place in the Atwood Cemetery.

Imported From France

By REX. Clothing and novelties imported from France for American women this year have eclipsed all previous records.—News Item.

When a lingerie salesman seeks to impress His clients with the good of his wares, it's seldom he'll say that the price is much less. Or vow that his line never tears; But suavely and smooth he'll lay out his stuff. And say with a smile that enchants: "Although this material is a bit rough. It's just been imported from France."

When the "Deb," who has learned that it's best to dress smart. In order to capture a spouse. Begins to prepare for "affairs of the heart." And enters a fashion-craft house. The saleswoman takes her to see a new fez. But like all the young debutantes, She can't be persuaded until the girl says: "It's just been imported from France."

The time is approaching when all single men won't stand, with their girls, in a chance; For when they propose, the reply will be then: "You must be imported from France."

MESSIAH SOLOIST ENGAGED BY CHURCH

Frank Outhbert, New York, to Sing at First Methodist, Jan. 8.

Frank Outhbert, of New York, bass soloist, has been engaged to sing at the performance of the Messiah to be given in the First Methodist Church Monday evening, Jan. 8, under the direction of A. D. Jordan. A chorus of 150 voices has been formed, including many of the most prominent singers of the city. In addition to Mr. Outhbert, soloists will be Hilda McMillan, Mrs. Frederick Schofield, Ruth Betzner, Charles Auld and George Sweet.

The Lindsborg choir of 600 gave two performances of the Messiah in Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 18 and 19. For more than forty years the annual Messiah Festival has been an important part of the life of the people of Lindsborg, their ideal being to give a perfect performance of Handel's inspired oratorio. For the Kansas City performance Frank Outhbert of New York was chosen as bass soloist, and that he did his share in making the oratorio the great success it was is evidenced by the excellent press notices he received, critics uniting in proclaiming him one of the outstanding Messiah soloists in America.

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CALLoused MOTORIST LEAVES LADS TO DIE

Indian Girls Witness Accident, But Fail to Report Plight.

Hamilton, Dec. 29.—Billy Bray, second victim of the sleighing accident at the Valley Inn, on the Waterdown road, on Christmas night, died at 9 o'clock this morning. George Cartledge, the other victim, died almost immediately after the accident, but the Bray lad at first showed signs of improvement.

The lads were bobbing, and in order to avoid a motor car, they turned out a motor car. The callous motorist laid the dying boys on the side of the road and drove on without giving notice to anyone. The boys lay on the roadside for several hours before they were discovered. Two Indian girls from Cayuga witnessed the accident, but failed to report it or the plight of the unfortunate boys.

RETURNS FOR NEW YEAR AFTER REPORTED DEAD

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 29.—Officially reported to his family as having "died of wounds" while serving with the Canadian expeditionary forces, Albert Thompson, son of Byron Thompson, of Oxford, Cumberland County, was delighted when he arrived home for the New Year festivities. He had been absent fifteen years.

The mistaken notification sent to the Thompson family arose from the fact that there was another Albert Thompson in the same Western Canadian battalion with the Oxford man, and who had really died of his wounds. The long-absent man now owns a ranch near Saskatoon.

WARWICK SUNDAY SCHOOL STAGES ENTERTAINMENT

Special to The Advertiser. Watford, Dec. 29.—The Christmas tree and entertainment of the Zion Methodist Sunday School, Warwick, was held Thursday evening and was an unqualified success.

The church was crowded, and E. Collier proved himself a most genial chairman. A splendid program of choruses, recitations, drills and dialogues was creditably given, under the capable direction of Miss Florence E. Edwards, who had proven a most efficient trainer of the young people.

At the close of the program Santa Claus made his appearance, and distributed the numerous presents from the tree.

WOODROW WILSON FUND SUCCESS IS ASSURED

Washington, Dec. 29.—Friends of Woodrow Wilson, who are raising a \$1,000,000 fund for the perpetuation of his ideals, celebrated his 66th birthday today by sending him word through a delegation which called at his home, that the success of their movement was assured.

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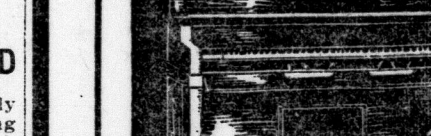
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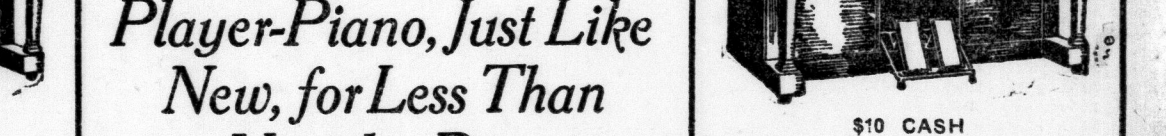
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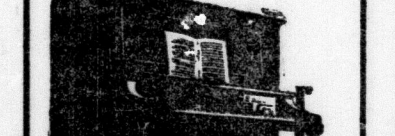
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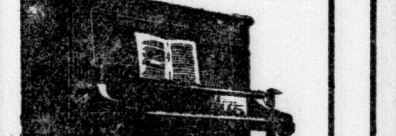
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BERG TO ADDRESS

Is Cabinet Session Due to Near East?

London, Dec. 29.—Meeting of the British cabinet today, ostensibly to discuss reparations, was believed to be a large measure to the critical Near East situation.

WILL OPPOSE USE OF ONE-MAN CARS

Action of Railway Officials Brings Protest From Several Aldermen-Elect.

While the London Street Railway Company announces that it will introduce for use in January next five one-man cars, members of the 1923 city council tendered The Advertiser definite assurance this afternoon that they would question the legality of this move.

TWO OF ALDERMEN SEEK FINANCE POST

Lively Tussle Expected for Position of Chairman of Committee.

Who will be chairman of the council during 1923? This is one of the details to be settled by the aldermen-elect at an early date.

FRANCE ADVANCES CONFERENCE PLAN

Suggestion Given Whereby Proposal to Harding May Be Carried Out.

Special Cable to The Advertiser. Paris, Dec. 29.—France today, through semi-official channels, advanced a suggestion whereby the proposal that President Harding call a world economic conference can be given effect without the American president taking any further initiative.

NOVEMBER POOR MONTH FOR DEEP SEA FISHERMEN

Marine Department Reports Decrease of Catch on Atlantic and Pacific Coasts.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—(By Canadian Press.)—A decrease in the quantity and value of sea fish landed in both Atlantic and Pacific coasts during the month of November, as compared with the corresponding month of last year, is reported by the department of marine and fisheries.

MISS GARIBALDI SAYS CANADA ENCHANTS HER

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—"Please say that I am enchanted with Canada, its weather and people," was the request made by Miss Italia Anita Garibaldi of Rome, Italy. She explained last night that the Fascist movement is a reactionary movement against Bolshevism. She says it is a conservative movement, one for the people and by the people. She points out that the Italian people are the only ones in Europe conducting a bloodless revolution.

GIVE POSTAL EMPLOYEE 3 YEARS IN PENITENTIARY

Montreal, Dec. 29.—In the court of special sessions Albert Renaud, a postman, who pleaded guilty to stealing letters and parcels, which he was supposed to deliver, the thefts being distributed over a period of nine months, was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Renaud confessed that he had stolen hundreds of letters in the course of the summer.

NOTABLE IRISH WOMAN, MRS. MAX GREEN, PASSES

London, Dec. 28.—The Times announces the death in Dublin on Wednesday night of Mrs. Max Green, daughter of the late John Redmond. She was the author of several plays. Her husband, who was the chairman of the Irish prisoners board, was shot and killed last March.

SEVERE GALES ALL THROUGH THE DOMINION

Maritime Reports Blizzard Sweeping Through Provinces.

SHIPPING IS TIED UP

Largest Snowfall in Many Years Registered at St. John.

Canadian Press. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 29.—The maritime provinces today are in the grip of the storm king. Blizzard conditions are reported from many centers, and train schedules have been disarranged through the heavy fall of snow.

AMAZED AT NUMBER OF DESERTED WIVES

Salvation Army Distributes Many Baskets to Needy Families.

Watchnight services will be held by the Salvation Army on Sunday evening, in charge of the following officers: No. 1 hall, Adjutant and Mrs. Atkinson, and No. 2 hall, Staff Captain Penfold. The latter service will be held in the Wharfedale high school auditorium. In No. 4 hall, Captain McGillivray, Brigadier and Mrs. Crichton will be in St. Thomas to take charge of the services there on Sunday and Monday. The army has supplied over 320 Christmas baskets, and also distributed the baskets purchased with the moneys raised by the Santa Claus Fund, numbering some 360.

DEPENS MINERS' STRIKE OF COMMUNIST ORIGIN

Statement of Federal Minister of Labor Refuted by District Union President in Alberta.

Calgary, Dec. 29.—William A. Sherman, president of District No. 18, United Mine Workers of America, in an interview with the Canadian Press today indignantly denied there was the slightest truth in the statement made by Hon. James Murdock, federal minister of labor, that communism was behind the strike of the coal miners in the Edmonton field.

LOVE SHOOTING FATAL TO INDIAN; VICTIMS LIVE

Benton Harbor, Mich., Dec. 29.—Local hospital authorities announced yesterday morning that unless unforeseen developments arise, Mrs. Florence Huston, 29 years old, and Mrs. Louise, 27, will recover from revolver wounds inflicted Tuesday night by James Negick, also of Benton Harbor.

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HEAD OF MOSLEM FAITH. Here is an intimate photo of the new spiritual head of millions of Mohammedans, Abdul-Medjid, former heir apparent to the Turk throne.

TURKEY FLAVORED WITH GERMAN CARP KILLS CHRISTMAS JOY AT PETITE COTE

Special to The Advertiser. Windsor, Dec. 29.—Residents in vicinity of Petite Cote and other points, who had braved the cold for dinner this year arose from their tables with a queer taste in their mouths. They were mystified, as the birds were plump and juicy, the condiments seemed excellent, and neither could fault be found with anti-Volstead beverages that graced the board.

PIRATES CAPTURE RICH LIQUOR SHIP

Rob Vessel of Cargo Valued At \$1,000,000—Steal Money Also.

New York, Dec. 29.—A report received yesterday from Nassau of a \$1,000,000 liquor robbery on the high seas, was taken by United States customs officials as proof of reports that pirates were raiding rum-runners off the Atlantic coast.

MRS. CONNAUGHTON STANDS FOR TRIAL

Sudbury, Ont., Dec. 29.—Mrs. Sadie Connaughton of Chapleau was yesterday committed by Magistrate Stoddard to stand trial at the next court of competent jurisdiction on the charge that she "did willfully slay and kill John McKee at Chapleau on or about Dec. 16 last."

VESEL DRIVEN ASHORE

Special to The Advertiser. Montreal, P.Q., Dec. 29.—The British schooner Madonna, carrying 4,000 cases of liquor, is breaking up near here after having been driven ashore by a storm, according to the customs house stated that the Vintner A. White, which cleared from Nassau for Miquelon on Oct. 21 with 10,000 cases of liquor, had been boarded off the New York coast and all the liquor and money she carried taken.

AGENTS BOARD SHIP

Special to The Advertiser. New York, N. Y., Dec. 29.—Federal prohibition agents, fought their way through a line of alleged bootleggers on the British steamer Guiana to the fireroom, where they claim to have found 14 sacks of liquor, covered with coats.

TURKS AGREE TO PERMIT GREEK SHIPS IN BLACK SEA

Vessels Must Be Under Escort of U. S. Destroyers, and Can Not Fly Own.

Constantinople, Dec. 29.—The Turkish Nationalist Government has notified the United States embassy here that it has decided to permit Greek vessels to enter Black Sea ports for the embarkation of Christian refugees from Asia Minor on condition that the ships be escorted by United States destroyers.

ST. THOMAS A. O. F. LODGE NAMES 1923 OFFICERS

Special to The Advertiser. St. Thomas, Dec. 29.—The following officers were elected Tuesday, Dec. 26, at the annual election of officers for Court Elgin, No. 5563, A. O. F.: C. R. Bro. Tanager; S. C. R. Bro. McGregor; treasurer, G. Petty; secretary, J. Boyle; S. W. R. Reid; J. W. F. Watson; S. B. W. Frost; J. B. J. Cluskey; recording secretary and correspondent to Ancient Foresters, F. Smithson; trustees, W. Frost, C. S. C. and R. Sanders; auditors, J. Cluskey and F. Smithson; medical committee, J. T. L. Gray; room committee, J. Tanager, J. Boyle, J. Grantham, J. Cluskey and G. McGregor. Dr. T. L. Gray tendered a vote of thanks to Messrs A. Taylor and W. Gray for the splendid way in which they carried out the counting of ballots. On behalf of the officers-elect all members wished a happy and prosperous New Year.

Work of Montreal Juvenile Bandits Astounds Police Who Make Arrests

Montreal, Dec. 29.—A well-organized gang of embryo burglars, none of the members over 16 years of age, with a leader, a go-between, and three "fences," using all the skill and technique of a band of "old-timers," came into juvenile court yesterday charged with robbing nine stores and taking goods valued at as much as \$3,000, besides a horse and pig, an automobile and other "incidents."

C.N.R. HEAD REFUSES TO SIGN RADIAL BUY

Sir H. Thornton Wary On Purchase of Toronto Suburban.

WANTS MORE TIME Will Protect People of Canada From Attack and Encroachment.

Canadian Press. Toronto, Dec. 29.—The Toronto Star has the following as local news item: "Sir Henry Thornton, president of the National Railways, has declined to sign the papers for the purchase of the Hydro-Electric Commission on behalf of Toronto, of the Toronto Suburban Railway, which operates from this city to Woodbridge and Guelph, until at least he has had a chance to look into the whole matter personally, and decided whether the radial is necessary as part of the national system."

"This information was secured today by the Star from Sir Henry Thornton in Ottawa when he was asked what was meant by a statement of Toronto Mayor Maguire of Toronto, that his worship was waiting for a telegram from giving orders to tear up Toronto suburban tracks on Davenport road."

Regarding the announced plan of the Canadian National to electrify the Toronto Suburban Railway, Sir Henry Thornton made a statement in Ottawa today, which, according to the Toronto Star, was in part as follows: "The announcement on behalf of the Canadian National Railways was only made after mature and conscientious consideration and consultation with those responsible for the administration of the system. It is well within the ability of the Canadian National Railways to accomplish what is set out in that announcement, which means precisely what it said."

"The Hydro radial advocates propose to construct and operate an independent railway between Cobourg, Toronto and Hamilton, and other points in the vicinity. This railway is to be of standard gauge and of sufficient capacity to handle standard passenger and freight car equipment. It would closely parallel the lines of the Canadian National Railways in that territory, and in doing so, it would encroach upon the territory of the Canadian National Railways and would inter-change passengers with them."

"The very existence would force it into active competition with the Canadian National Railways, and there can be no doubt that this is a matter which, in the opinion of Sir Henry Thornton, is a matter of public concern. It is my understanding that the Canadian National Railway system is to be administered on a business basis, and in doing so, the people of Canada expect it not only to furnish a reasonable and adequate service, but also to protect its interests from attack and encroachment. Any theory would be cowardly and constitute a betrayal of trust."

"Therefore, the Canadian National Railways, as has already been said, proposes first to furnish such a service as the needs of the public may require."

OFFER NOT CONSIDERED

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—An offer from the Hydro-Electric Commission on behalf of Toronto for the purchase of the Toronto Suburban Railway was today rejected by the board of directors of the Canadian National Railways about a year ago, it was said here tonight by a high official of the National Railways, but being approved in principle this offer was not dealt with.

"There is nothing more definite than this in the minds of the directors of the lines in question being held by the commission."

"The new National Railways board of directors, Sir Henry Thornton, has not dealt with the offer since their appointment, and Sir Henry Thornton has not made any offer until he has investigated the matter himself to see whether the Toronto Suburban Railway, owned by the Canadian National system."

DIRECTORS INDORSE RAILROAD MERGER

Five Lines Representing Authorized Capitalization of \$105,500,000 to Consolidate.

Cleveland, Dec. 29.—Consolidation of the New York, Chicago and St. Louis ("Nickel Plate"), the Chicago and State Line, the Lake Erie and Western (Cincinnati and Louisville), the Toledo, St. Louis and Western, was approved here yesterday by the boards of directors of the five railroads, representing an authorized capitalization of \$105,000,000 and operating 1,695 miles of railroad, W. A. Coulston, vice-president and general counsel of the "Nickel Plate" announced.

"The directors of the roads in the consolidation, sometimes referred to as the 'Van Sweringen Lines,' approved and executed an agreement for the consolidation of the five roads into a single railroad to be known as the New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad."

VALERIA REPLIES TO PRESIDENT COSGRAVE

Dublin, Dec. 29.—The Irish Bulletin today prints a statement from Eamon De Valera, replying to the recent criticism of his attitude by President Cosgrave. In the communication the Republican leader says: "The present government of the republic is acting as the emergency trustee of the government, and it is prepared to surrender its authority to determine the legal and constitutional differences, which both sides are now trying to solve by force."

DESCAMPS WINS BOUT

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Oscar Descamps, French-Canadian lightweight, won the French decision over Wally Hopwood, London, England, fighter, in a 16-round bout here last night.

BOYS' PARLIAMENT FAVORS PARTY PLAN

Youthful Politicians Order Bolshevik Ejected From Toronto Session.

FOLLOW LEAD OF ELDERS Pass Bill For Boosting Canadian Standard Efficiency Work in Province.

Seemed in Peril. The party system in politics for a few moments seemed to be in peril. One member, with all the enthusiasm of youth, subjected it to a vigorous attack. The party system, he said, "has fallen into disuse throughout the country. It is being replaced by the group system. The party system does not allow a member to vote according to his conscience. He is bound by the rules of his party and frequently must vote for a man with which he is not in accord."

Against this arrangement, however, the much-criticized party system found defenders which turned the tide of opinion in its favor. It made possible, it was pointed out, the presentation of a party platform and on an issue. Finally—and this was the point which eventually swayed the youthful legislators toward it—"the senior parliamentarians have not been able to improve on it, so how can we expect to do so?"

On Practical Basis. These amendments will feature one of a day's arduous legislation by the "members." They attacked with all the vigor which parliamentary procedure affords the party program of legislation calculated to enhance the boys' work movement and to replace the junior parliament itself on a practical basis. The proceedings were strictly in accord with the best parliamentary etiquette.

The practical results of the sitting of the standing committee of boys' work was a bill providing for the boosting of Canadian standard efficiency work by a publicity campaign throughout the province, and a bill providing for the organization of the parliament along party lines and for the election of its members on the last Saturday of each November. An official bill providing for badges for efficiency in radio work.

WARNS MERCHANTS OF CLEVER FORGER

Montreal Postal Service Official Advises Business Houses Not to Cash Orders.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—J. Taylor, district superintendent of the postal service, has issued a warning to business houses here advising them not to cash postal orders under any consideration.

"During the past week a swindler, who does very neat work in the raising of the amounts on postal money orders, has been victimizing a number of business houses. To date four cases have come to the attention of the postal authorities, where amounts running as low as 25 cents have been cashed."

"The work of raising the amounts is done so cleverly that it cannot be detected except under a powerful magnifying glass."

BURSTING OF MAIN FLOODS GALT ROAD

Biggest Break Ever Experienced Occurs When 18-Inch Pipe Gives Way.

Special to The Advertiser. Galt, Dec. 29.—The biggest break in a water main Galt has ever known occurred yesterday morning on the 18-inch pipe at the junction of Simonds and North Water streets. The street was flooded. A heavy iron cover on a manhole bobbed about like a cork under the great pressure of water.

St. Mary's separate school board for 1923 has been elected by acclamation. It is composed by G. McCarrey, J. B. Ferguson, C. McIlhenny, J. P. O'Neill and Thomas Barrett. The school is in good condition, and financially very satisfactory.

The late Major W. Napier Keefe, a former Gallantian, a son of the late Peter Keefe, a former resident. Deceased married Alice Wilks, sister of Miss K. L. Wilks of Cranston Park, Osborn Spiers of this city is a nephew. The Keefe family moved away from Galt about 29 years ago.

Inquiries made throughout the city today produced no information to confirm the rumor emanating from Guelph that the Klu Klux Klan was making an effort to organize a branch in this city. The police had no knowledge of the plan of the hooded clan here last night. It is claimed that there is one member of the order here who came from the southern states.

FASCISTI, COMMUNISTS FIGHT FOR SUPREMACY

London, Dec. 29.—A dispatch to the Central News from Rome reports sanguinary encounters at various places during the Christmas holidays between Fascist and Communists.

At Pini, near Venice, Communists destroyed Fascist property and surrounded with a girdle of fire the houses in which Fascists had taken refuge and compelled them to fight their way out. During the disturbance two persons were killed and many wounded.

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Is Efficiency Popular?

A correspondent of The Advertiser, living in the north end of Middlesex county, holds but little faith for any political government being thoroughly efficient from a business standpoint. He says in part: "I do not believe it is possible for any political party to get down to a basis of running the business of the country as a private concern would conduct its affairs."

Where did this idea come from? The answer is that that idea is the outcome of years of practice, particularly in the time when getting a government job was regarded as the finest thing under the sun. It was always supposed to carry with it two very desirable characteristics, (1) that the work would be steady and not too hard, and (2) that there was practically no danger whatever of getting fired for inefficiency or anything else.

It is a hard matter for a country to go through a long period of years, during which political service was rewarded by a government job, and not have the people in general grow up with the idea fairly well fixed in their minds that the government service was not based entirely upon efficiency.

There can be no doubt that the government that succeeds in the future in winning and holding the respect of the people will be the government that can demonstrate its ability to work away from the old order of things, and toward something better. It is not an easy task to perform. A government that sets its face sternly in that direction is going to a certain extent, but there comes a time when its unpopularity with certain classes turns out to be its greatest asset.

A government with lots of money to spend is bound to be a popular government, and a government with plenty of jobs to hand out has its feet on the way to popularity. But at what a price! Not so many months ago the militia department at Ottawa dispensed with the services of a number of employees, some 800. Not a popular thing to do, but the right thing to do. The trouble about any such move is that the public hears more about and from those who have been hurt than from those who have been relieved by the elimination of that section of the country's payroll.

The Motor Bus in London.

If all the facts and figures that can be collected mean anything at all, neither the street car company nor the bus drivers in London are making money now. The Advertiser has been given a number of facts from the standpoint of the bus drivers, the information being from a source in which we have every confidence. The bus owners went into the business in the first place not to make what they could make out of it. Some of them thought there would be a good thing in it, as it would be a cash business, and they estimated they should carry enough people to make it pay, but they did not know definitely. They have been at it for some months, and our informant claims that he has now three or four of the city busses on his list, ready to be traded in on commercial trucks, which are used for long-distance hauling. According to his statement, there is not a bus driver in the city who would not sell if he could get out on an even break.

The average cost of the bus such as is used in London is \$3,000 ready to be put on the street. Some firms sell them for one-third cash and the balance in one year; others spread the payments over a period of three years. Instructions have been received at one agency just this week to sell street busses for one-half cash and the balance in six months, owing to the fact that there has been difficulty in securing some of the payments on these vehicles. So the driver has an interest charge of \$180 per year. The police commission have placed the tax at \$5 per seat, which means an average outlay of \$85; it will be necessary in future to take out liability insurance. This

costs at least \$250, and if the bus carries more than the actual seating capacity the rate increases. In all it makes a charge of \$515 per year. This does not take into account daily running expenses and depreciation, which are very high. The average run per day in London is about 200 miles, the Richmond line from the Victoria Hospital to the bridge being the shortest, and on this the run is 180 miles per day per car. It is necessary to renew the entire tire equipment on an average every six weeks, as in that time the bus has traveled a distance greater than the average life of a tire on a car of this class. The tires are large, and the renewal charges are heavy.

Asked as to what the bus owners make out of their business, the reply was that there was not a man in the business in London who would average \$100 per month; it takes two men to operate, and the owner drives one shift himself, paying a man to take the other. There is not a depreciation account kept in connection with most of the busses. Some of them may do so, but it is not general practice. It is hard service for the truck all through, and depreciation is, or should be, fairly heavy as a result. So the drivers are eating up their investment as they go along.

A glance over the figures and the known results of bus operation for a period of some months in London would lead to the belief that it is not possible to operate at six tickets for a quarter and meet the demands that are generally placed on a business by the necessity of renewal, insurance, etc. The Advertiser has placed these figures before the public simply that they might know the problem of operating the motor bus in London from the standpoint of the men engaged in the business.

Giving Charity or Jobs.

The Ottawa Journal believes that the giving of charity is not a desirable thing from the standpoint of the recipient. It says: "To give money is to pauperize, even to the extent of helping a hungry man. It is infinitely better to put him in the way of earning his own dinner, and then he will be able to earn other dinners and find his self-respect conserved as well as his self-containment strengthened. To build up independence should be the aim of all sound philanthropy. Anything short of that almost invariably does more harm than good."

In theory, very excellent, but in practice how impossible. If it could be worked out on the Journal's idea it would mean that we had practically eliminated unemployment, except for those who would not work, and they are not a very numerous lot.

Allow for those who would rather sprain a spine dodging work than blister a hand reaching out for, or performing it, there are men who want to work, and yet can find nothing to do. The experience of every community can be called on to prove this to be a fact. What, then, for the man who would earn if he could, but can find no buyer for the one thing he has to sell, viz., his labor power? If he is hungry he doesn't want a theory, he wants something to eat.

There is not even room for an argument about working better than charity. That is admitted, acknowledged and all the rest of it. The real problem comes here— who is going to supply the work? That is the point that has not been cleared up.

The Police Commission.

The question of giving publicity to meetings of the police commissioners has been brought to the front in London. In the past the public have known very little of these sessions, except as some of the proceedings might be given out afterward or come to light in developments following the session. On the ground that where a large amount of public money is being spent, the public are entitled to information, a fairly strong case could be built up for publicity being given to these sessions.

On the other hand, it is a fact that there are many matters dealt with at these sessions that are not suited to publicity and where full reports might have the effect of defeating the aim and the purpose of what was being sought by the commissioners. In between these two points, viz., closed sessions and open sessions, there must be the middle course, and the one that would be fairest to the commissioners, the police force and the ratepayers.

The commissioners themselves would probably view the matter in this light. Telling the public what they were doing from time to time would be one of the best means they could secure for safeguarding their own interests, and for taking the thunder from any possible charge that they were handling public business entirely behind closed doors.

Russia has ruled out Santa Claus. Henceforth there is no such a person over there. Santa Claus is a greater person than the pudgy old chap who drives reindeers over the housetops and brings bass drums in through stovepipe holes. He is love, good cheer, kindness, sympathy and in fact everything worth while that cannot find expression in any other way. When Russia kills that force, she will no longer stalk over the great north, not even as the great bear, but as a thing of dry bones, unloving and unloved. God pity the children whose misfortune it is to be ushered into such an atmosphere.



Note and Comment.

A house of cards is all right as long as it stays up.

So far as we learned there were no whisker fires this Christmas.

Our turkey is down to soup, having passed the giblet pie stage yesterday.

Here's one expert who writes that Canada has enough coal for 50,000 years. Bah! How can we burn this expert knowledge?

A Massachusetts woman tore her skirt in a polling booth, and is suing for \$17.50 damages. Another reason why women shouldn't have votes.

From all parts of the country come stories of fires. It is hard to believe that natural contributory causes have conspired to set a new record.

An actress sues for \$20,000 because a dentist bungled a job on her teeth. Good land, she could knock them all out, and get 37 new sets for that amount.

Vain world this. The Christmas tree a few days ago, decked with tinsel, toys and candy canes, now leans against the garbage can waiting for the rigs to call.

The man who invented the hip pocket did so long before the O. T. A. came along. Had he looked this far ahead no doubt he would have patented the idea and made a fortune.

A Michigan Central train made the run from Bridgeburg to Windsor, 224 miles, in 205 minutes, thus affording U. S. passengers an excellent chance to see western and southern Ontario.

Three men risked their lives in order to cross the Detroit River with a boatload of moonshine whiskey which they intended to smuggle into Canada. Several times it looked as though they had been lost in the floating ice. Such heroism is well worthy of a better cause.

We have parliaments all over the country, county, municipal, provincial and federal, all grinding out new laws and amendments to the old ones. And yet people go on just about the same as ever. This multiplicity of governing seems neither to hurt much nor harm greatly.

Reports today state that London bankers may compete with those of New York for the business of loaning money to Canada in 1923. This is nice news, but it would be nicer were we able to announce that we were out of the borrowing market for a spell.

Robbers in New York held up three men. From the first they took \$90 in cash, from the next \$50, and when they tackled the third it was found he had less than a dollar in change. He was told to hustle back and get to work at the newspaper where he was employed.

Things go not smoothly in China. Wu Pei-fu, a few months ago, was doing well, and it looked as though he would succeed in forming a government that would travel on all fours. Now Chang Shao-teng has kicked his way to the top of the gerously like a 25-cent plate of chop-gerously like a 25-cent plate of chop-suey.

There is danger in Germany securing a loan from United States. She would have to undertake repayment and give guarantees for interest charges. In so doing Germany would really be putting up her national credit as collateral, and that is heavily mortgaged to the allies now. A loan now from U. S. to Germany might create a fine muddle to clean up later on.

TO THE EDITOR

TARIFF AND TRADE.

Sir,—Will you allow me a few lines to put a question? In the first place, it is well for us all to remember that all trade is barter, and that no nation can be a seller only. A nation may be self-contained and only trade among its own people and still exist, providing always that the community produces just the same amount as the community consumes, no more or less. But no nation can expect to enter foreign trade as a seller only, but must be prepared to trade dollar for dollar. Under no other law can international trade exist for any length of time. A nation accepting cash for its exports is compelled to make some use of it, and this can only be done by importing goods to a like amount. This is the sole reason why nations adopting free trade instead of withdrawing it, and imposing a tariff, take a new lease of life, and flourish as never before.

Take Great Britain for an example, previous to 1870, when the last of the protective tariffs were removed. She was practically the only trading nation in the world. Since then, however, she has seen rival manufacturing nations arise; her commercial travelers have had to contend with the competition of the Yankee, the efficient German, and the clever Jap. Yet in spite of this, she not only held her own, but doubled her exports, and sent another three or four million of her sons and daughters overseas, spent millions every year on her armaments, insurance act, and national health, and sanitation, thus reducing the death rate in her big cities to the lowest in the world. She has spent billions on the world war, and then after appearing to everybody to be down and out, with the pound sterling at a reduced value, and a population that we thought would not get back to work, Great Britain has just staged the most sensational comeback in all history, and is now a little four-by-two island that you could put into a corner of Ontario and lose it. Not such a bad advertisement for free trade, is it?

The Canadian farmer will soon have to meet the competition of Russia in the European markets. The real Russian is a hardy, energetic, and stuck by their country, and fought for her under three successive governments, or preferring the worst Russian government to the best foreign one, are gradually making themselves felt, and will shortly emerge as Europe's bread basket. Russia for the manufacturer farmer is to hold his own in the European market, which he can easily do, he must be prepared to give as well as take. No one would dream of absolute free trade for Canada, but the Canadian farmer does ask the privilege of exchanging his surplus products for the manufactured goods of other countries to a limited extent, to enable him to trade with them, a privilege which no one has a right to deny him. S. WOOD, McKay avenue, Manor Park.

EXCHANGES

Enough Smells of Our Own. Brantford Expositor: There will be no "come-back" for Arbuckle's films in Ontario. In this part of civility, Mr. Will Hays has no jurisdiction.

Not a Canadian Idea. Brantford Expositor: Major T. J. Murphy, a London lawyer, suggests that the four Ontario universities be given seats in the Legislature. Such a proposal is quite in line with British precedent, but it is too suggestive of class representation to meet with favor in Canada.

Now the Fight's On. Kitchener Record: The Fat Stock Show at Guelph being over, that city now simms back into its normal condition of obscurity.

SEATS FOR UNIVERSITIES. The proposal of a London, Ont., lawyer, Major T. J. Murphy, that four Ontario universities be given seats in the Legislature, is worth discussion. It will be one of the things to suggest upon the Canadian electoral system, a principle that has become a tradition when the British House of Commons was a club for educated gentlemen, but that, in listed, can be an argument. The only basis upon which the proposal ought to be discussed is the simple one as to whether it would help in promoting things of consequence, that university representation would create class distinctions hardly holds good. Universities are not for one class, but for all the people, and in this country most of those who are graduated from universities spring from the people.

Your Health

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M.D., Commissioner of Health, New York City, U. S. Senator-Elect from New York State.

A PERFECTLY normal nose should have exactly the amount of secretion necessary for its lubrication and no more. To require the use of a handkerchief, or at least the frequent use of the handkerchief, is an evidence of abnormality. The amount of the nasal secretion should be like the salivary secretion—there should be just enough to fulfill its function. The necessity to expectorate frequently is proof of disease. No absolutely healthy person has any excess of secretion. Likewise, your nose should be free and clear at all times. Nasal breathing ought to be possible under all circumstances.

As a matter of fact, however, one side or the other of the average nose is stopped up a good deal of the time. It is a common experience for one to have, first on one side and then the other, more or less closure of the nasal passage. This is due to thickening of the mucous membrane of the nose, enlargement of the blood vessels and the ready congestion and engorgement of these elastic tissues. There are other cases where one or both sides of the nose may be completely blocked. On examination, it will be observed that the nasal passage is filled with a translucent, nearly round and smooth mass. This indicates nasal polypus.

Sometimes, when the trouble occurs in early life, the contour of the face is changed, giving a peculiar flat or frog-faced appearance. Fortunately, nasal polypus rarely appears in children. It is more common in adults, and particularly in men who work in dust and dirt. In many cases there are many polypus, there may be a mass, varying in size from a kernel of corn to an English walnut. I have seen many a polypus the size of a small oyster, and not unlike an oyster in appearance.

It is not sufficient to snare off this surplus tissue. It is essential to treat the underlying difficulty. Otherwise the polypus quickly reforms, and in a few weeks after its removal there is found a mass as big as before. The presence of nasal polypus indicates, in most instances, disease of one or more of the cavities opening into the nose and known as the nasal sinuses.

The condition is not serious, but it is disagreeable, and demands attention to a specialist in nose diseases. I wish I could get every mother to realize how important it is to keep the nose of her child clean. The child must be given clean, fresh, and clean handkerchiefs, and be taught how to use it. By avoiding catarrhal conditions in the nose, the child will be avoided deafness, middle-ear disease and nasal polypus. This last trouble is secondary always to some original disease in the nose.

ANSWERS TO HEALTH QUESTIONS.

STEADY READER. Q.—Regularly every two months I suffer from styes on my eyes. Will you kindly tell me how to cure this? A.—Have your eyes examined, as you most likely need glasses. A. W. Q.—I have been suffering from pain in the lower part of my back for about 12 years. When I stand, my legs and arms become very weak. Will you kindly tell me how to treat this condition? A.—Have your back strapped with adhesive plaster. This will help the condition you complain of. Have your urine tested to discover the possible cause of your trouble. V. K. Q.—Will you please tell me what to do for yellow jaundice? A.—If you have this trouble you should eliminate from your diet all fats, sugar and starch. A restricted diet is indicated. Milk, eggs, broths and lean meats can be safely taken. Drink plenty of lemonade and alkaline waters. The patient should be put to bed and kept quiet. Hot water compresses placed over the liver may promote comfort. For the itching of the skin, bathe the parts with a solution of hypophosphite of soda, one tablespoonful to one ounce of water. The attending physician will prescribe remedies with a view to restoring normal action of the bile ducts. A careful examination should be made to make sure that the trouble is really simple and not due to causes of a more serious nature. (Copyright, 1922, by Newspaper Feature Service, Inc.)

The Daily Story

PREPAREDNESS PAID. By Corona Remington.

"I am absolutely convinced that there was a later will made, and if I could find it I feel certain my client would be better off by a good many thousand dollars." "And if you could prove somehow that there was another will, and then find it or make the person holding it give it up, you'd make a whole lot more money, wouldn't you, George?" "You met my little girl, probably had to do with her, I, or rather, we, would make a good bit more."

"It makes me feel all thrilly when you say 'we' like that," she told him. "It is we. The fact that we aren't quite married yet, Elsie, doesn't make any difference. We will be soon, and we will be sooner if I find old Thomas left another will." "Who would be apt to have it if he did?" "I'm chiefly afraid it's been destroyed, but if it ever really existed, Bill, if it has not been destroyed, Bill Thomas, my client's brother, probably has it. You see, it's this way: Five years ago old Thomas and his son Jim, my client, had a frightful row about a girl Jim wanted to marry and whom he would marry. The father first threatened to cut him off and even to kill him if he had anything more to do with her. It made no difference how the young chap turned a deaf ear to his father's threats, and not only went everywhere with her openly, but married her a few months later. When he heard of it, Thomas flew into a violent rage and had a slight stroke as a result of his wanting to kill Jim, but that very night, hearing he might die, he made a will cutting Jim off entirely, and leaving everything to Bill. Since then, however, time seems to have softened his attitude, and he not only grew very fond of Jim's wife, but lived in his house the last two years of his life, and the day he died he tried to say something to Jim about a will, but he was so weak he could not make himself understood. Now, since he had become reconciled, even attached, to the young wife, it seems natural that he would want to remember her in his will, that is, through Jim, of course, and he believes, and I do, too, that Bill knows something about another will. Wonder what he naturally against his interest to give it away, he's keeping it pretty close. Bill was always a good bit of a black sheep, although no one could convince his father that he could do wrong. It was impossible—Bill was Bill, therefore it was all right whatever he did."

"What do you think about it? Do you think he's honest?" "Somehow there's something about him I don't like. Good gracious, here it is after 6 o'clock and I've been keeping you here all this time. Won't you let me walk home with you? I haven't my car, but I think it would be fun to walk. We could talk on the way."

"I'd love it, but I haven't told you what I came to the office to tell you. Mamma says she won't make us wait till next year if it would really make us happy to—marry sooner." "She's a trump!" exclaimed Caruthers, sweeping the girl into his arms. "Now, I've simply got to find that will."

They looked the office and went out into the street. Daylight was nearly gone, and the street lamps blinked weakly out at them through the half dark. "See, that's Bill Thomas's office up there," said Caruthers, stopping in front of a tall building. "See that light on the sixth floor? Wonder what he's doing there? It's way after office hours."

"Do you know him, and does he know his brother has engaged a lawyer?" "Yes, I've met him, but of course we're working in the dark. If our suspicions are correct and he got on to the fact that we're trying to catch him, he'd be sure to destroy the will, providing it exists. On the other hand, if he is not afraid of discovery and everything seems to be maily, he'll probably hold on to it and hide it somewhere, because the penalty for destroying such papers is pretty steep. You see, we think it was written in California, when the old man was on that last trip two months before he died, and of course there are witnesses, but who were they? That's the one thing that makes me think the will is safe, because Bill would be afraid that some day, with proper investigations, those people could be found, and that would give him away." "I'd love to see this man," said Elsie, greatly interested. "I'd love to know what you think of him. I'll tell you, he's secretary of the Golf and Country Club. Suppose I run up and pay my dues now, then it would be easy enough to introduce him to you." A moment later they landed on the sixth floor of the Burton Bank building and hurried into Thomas's private office. Caruthers walked to the door marked "Private" and rapped. "Come in," a voice said from inside. Thomas sat at his desk reading some papers. "You didn't empty my waste paper basket this morning, Noah," he said without looking up. "Oh!" he gasped a second later.

thought you were the janitor." In a flash Elsie stood petrified as she saw her fiancée pointing a revolver at Thomas's head. "As chief city detective I demand that you give me that will of the late Ebenezer Thomas that you were reading when we came in." Caruthers turned the label of his coat and showed his button, and Thomas, seeing that he was trapped, handed over the papers without a word. That evening as the two lovers sat in front of the fire and read the will Elsie was lost in admiration. "You're simply wonderful, George, dear," she declared over and over again. "And to think that your client will get over \$150,000! But I didn't know that you were connected with the city police." "Neither did I," laughed George. "Those pins cost fifty cents apiece—anyone can buy 'em. And they're very impressive sometimes. That revolver wasn't loaded, either." "You wonderful fraud!" Your bark is certainly worse than your bite," laughed Elsie. "But effective, you'll admit." "Very!" declared the girl warmly, her eyes glistening with admiration.

Arrived at Last. "Shobon is always talking about his 'dobe coming in some day.'" "Well, it's come—a receivership. Came this morning."

A Real Piano Bargain. \$335.00 Payable \$10 per Month. This is a new 7 1/2-Octave Piano, fully guaranteed, in a beautiful mahogany case, colonial design; three pedals. You have not been able to purchase a similar piano for as low a price for years. Let us demonstrate its lovely tone to you. Note the... PHONE 5608.

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Start the New Year right! —on Long Distance—. "Ring out the old—ring in the new! Ring out the false—ring in the true!" —and so she rings Long Distance. "Happy New Year" she calls to distant friends, as midnight strikes the hour. Keep the Bell a-ringing through the year! Heed the lesson business teaches: Riches come to him who reaches Out beyond the city gates. Take the line of least resistance—Telephone, and use Long Distance. C. H. BEARD, Manager. Every Bell Telephone is a Long Distance Station.

Present-Day Shaving Custom Fast Refuting Monkey Theory

Ask Sid, He Knows—Says There Won't Be Anything To Shave Soon, But Fringe on Spats.

Gradually the theory of the monkey descent being wiped off the face of the earth. If man keeps on shaving he just won't have anything to shave one of these days, except the fringe on his spats.

Expected McCormick Wedding Today Stirr All Chicago Society Circles

Chicago, Dec. 29.—All Chicago society today awaited word of the marriage of Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick and Edward Krenn, a Swiss architect.

N. Y. Irish Fractions Reach Compromise

New York, Dec. 29.—An amicable arrangement, which precludes violence, but permits picketing, was in effect today at the Irish consulate here, which has been besieged by Irish Republicans since Wednesday night, when Lindsay Crawford, with official papers appointing him Free State consul, took over the office.

Obituaries

MRS. GEORGE COCKBURN. Mrs. Margaret (Hunter) Cockburn, widow of the late George Cockburn, 72 years of age, a former resident of London, Ontario, died at her home, 241 St. George Street, East, London, Ontario, Dec. 27.

MRS. FRANK TURTON.

Mrs. Frank Turton, of 354 Simcoe street, passed away at Victoria Hospital this morning in her 93rd year. Mrs. Turton had been a resident of Ontario for 75 years, and was widely known in the city. Her husband, before his death, was an engineer on the Grand Trunk.

JAMES SPROAL.

The death occurred in Victoria Hospital this morning of James Sproal, 13 McKinnon place. He was in the city for the past 35 years. He is survived by three sons—Louis, Murray and Manuel, and one daughter, Hannah Rosa, all residing in Victoria. Also three brothers—Charles Haskin of Toronto, Reuben Haskin of Toronto and Abram Haskin of California.

SCHUMANN-HEINK ABLE TO RESUME CERTS

Garden City, N. Y., Dec. 29.—Mrs. Ernestine Schumann-Heink has recovered from her recent attack of pneumonia, and will sing in Meadville, Pa., Jan. 5, it was announced yesterday.

GRAND MASTER PONTON TO VISIT LONDON MASONS

Most Wor. Bro. W. M. Ponton, grand master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, will visit London Thursday, Feb. 15. The Masonic Lodges are preparing plans for his reception.

PRaises Activities OF HUMANE SOCIETY

Head Office Letter Speaks in Glowing Terms of City Work.

Speaking in glowing terms of the work accomplished by the London Humane Society in the city and in the County of Middlesex was the letter from the head office at Toronto, read last night at the regular meeting of the society, when the president, Miss J. Elliott was in the chair.

RETAILERS TO FIGHT NEW RECEIPT TAX

Continued from Page 1. They regarded the offer of the Motor Show officials as an offer of cooperation, which they would only too gladly accept.

LONDON CLERKS' UNION LOSES MEMBERSHIP

Eighty Per Cent Decrease Attributed To Excess Supply.

London, Dec. 29.—The National Union of Clerks reports a loss of 80 per cent in membership since the troubles are due to numerous causes. The chief difficulty is in organizing the clerks working in thousands of small businesses.

MUST READ THE BIBLE IF PAROLE EXPECTED

Jerseyville, Ill., Dec. 29.—Bible reading and church-going will be required hereafter of persons sentenced to the State Prison, if parole is expected.

NORWOODS PLAY HERE

Take on Elks at St. Peter's in Exhibition Tilt.

HOLD NO MORE MEETS OF TRADE COUNCIL

Stratford, Dec. 29.—Not even enough members of the local trades and labor council showed up for last night's annual meeting to enable that body to decide on formal disbandment.

KINGSVILLE

Special to The Advertiser. Kingsville, Dec. 29.—F. Smith, an employee of the Cooper Bakery, met with a very painful accident Tuesday.

BLENHHEIM

Special to The Advertiser. Blenheim, Dec. 29.—Among many other things spent Christmas with relatives here were: Mrs. C. N. Greenwood of Stratford, Dr. and Mrs. W. Rutherford of Sarnia, William Raney of Talbotville, Miss Grace Bond of Woodstock, Miss Moyna Gibb of the continuation school, Miss Gough of Stratford, Miss Maud Kindee of Winchester, Ross Taylor of Cleveland, Laird Story and Russell Roycraft of Western University, London; Grant Smith of Hagersville, Mrs. W. A. Clarke and daughter of St. Catharines.

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WILL PROBE ENTIRE REPARATIONS PLAN

Allies Decide to Hold Conference in Paris Next Tuesday.

Paris, Dec. 29.—As a result of exchanges of views since the London meeting of the premiers, the Allies have decided to go over the entire questions of reparations in detail at the Paris conference, to begin next Tuesday. It is expected now in official circles that it will require at least a week, and perhaps two weeks, to complete the discussion.

The general situation in Germany, the possibility of putting her on her feet through an international loan and moratorium, and estimates of the length of the moratorium necessary for her recovery, will probably be the first items of the order of business. The Allies have collected a great deal of data bearing on these questions.

While the conference will go into the question of reducing the total of reparations due from Germany, it is thought in French official quarters that little will be accomplished by this conference further than the fixing of the moratorium and reaching a decision regarding guarantees that may properly be taken.

French public opinion, it is maintained, is still as unprepared to accept any reduction in the reparations total as it is to accept the idea of a moratorium without guarantees.

M. Poincaré's attitude at the conference will be that neither the present total as it is to accept the idea of a moratorium without guarantees.

NEWSPAPERS GO UP.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—The street and news stand price of local morning newspapers has been boosted from two to three cents per copy, the new rate to take effect January 1.

WABASH

Special to The Advertiser. Wabash, Dec. 29.—The marriage of William John Kelly of Wabash

Thrice-Married Women Say Brains Bring Bliss

Londoners Review Qualifications Necessary To Secure Proper Husbands—Does "Decorated" Flapper Always Secure the Best Type of Man as Mate of Life?

The reporter wanted to interview certain married women in London. One of the qualifications was that they had to be thrice married. The reporter could only find two such fortunate persons. Here are the questions he asked them:

"What sort of wife do men want? Is the bobbed-haired, party, cigarette-smoking, 'linker' of today the ideal of the masculine sultor, or is it the desire of the modern male to mate with a woman in whom sweetness, gentleness, dignity and graciousness are the predominant qualities?"

Here is one of the answers: "Most men choose their wives because they are head over ears in love, and they do not care what she is, if only she is she. It is something beyond eyebrows, and elbows, and eccentricities which makes a man decide that such a one, and such a one alone, shall be the partner of his life. She, be what she may, is his heart's desire, and he won't be happy till he gets her."

"But man in a more reasonable mood will not be carried away by mere bright eyes and charms ebullient. He will ask: 'Is she as kind as she is fair?' He will ask if she has the instincts of orderliness, of good temper, good sense and good nature. Has she a low voice, that 'excellent thing in woman,' the kiss that is like the kiss of wild roses, the glance that is that of waters stilled at even?"

and Miss Margaret Burnette of Florence was solemnized last week. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Button at the Methodist parsonage in Florence. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly will reside on the Base Line.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Holmes are spending a few days with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyons, of Lounsbury.

BOY MISSING IN STORM.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 29.—Traffic, crippled yesterday by the worst snow storm in Western New York for many years, again faces another day of difficulties as flakes began to fall at dawn after a lull during the night. One person is known to have been hurt as a result of the storm. A boy, 14, who left his home to visit the business section, has not been heard of since.

His Master's Voice Victor Records Out to-morrow JANUARY RELEASE. Includes a list of records such as 'A Kiss in the Dark', 'The Serenaders', 'The Sunshiners of Michigan', etc., with prices and release dates.

One-Time Victoria School Pupils Pay Their Tribute To Mr. MacQueen

Generous Purse Presented By Committee At Dinner Given By Ray Lawson.

Last evening was one of surprise for Mr. Alexander MacQueen, London's own honored veteran educationist. Returning from Tavistock, where he has recently taken up his residence, to pay a visit to Mr. Ray Lawson, Mr. MacQueen was greeted affectionately at the dinner hour by a dozen of the pupils who had attended Victoria School, South London, at some period during the forty or more years he ruled there with firmness and kindness.

Lines of communication were established several months ago with men and women up and down the length and breadth of Canada, away to the sunny south and the far east and west of the States. In reaching former pupils of the school the self-selected committee was handicapped by the lack of old school records, anything like complete registers dating back only ten years. From memory and inquiry, however, lists were compiled, letters of explanation sent out, and soon afterwards the letters came pouring in to the treasurer, Thomas Main.

Presentation of the resultant generous purse was made to Mr. MacQueen at the close of the dinner by Librarian Fred Landon. Mr. MacQueen evidencing not only profound appreciation, but deep emotion in his reply. Nothing, he declared, could have given him greater happiness than to be thus affectionately remembered by his former boys and girls.

The committee members who shared with Mr. MacQueen in the hospitality of Mr. Lawson were Kent Campbell, D. George Clarke, Oliver Gidley, John K. Pope, Chester Rowntree, Bryden Campbell, Norman Koenig, Fred Landon, Dr. Ross Thomas, Ernest Weld and Thomas Main.

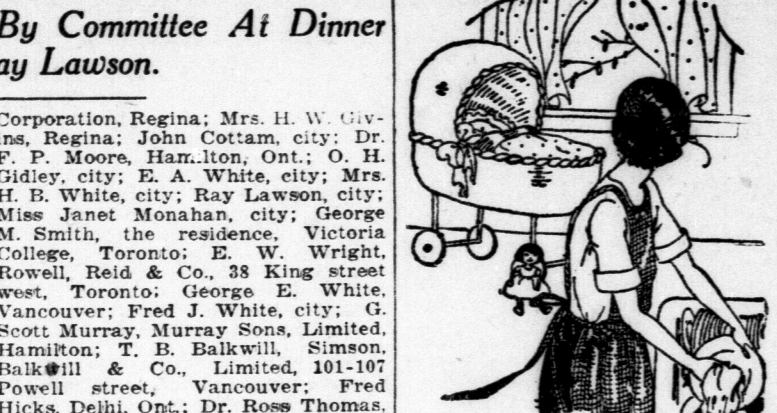
The following is the list of ex-pupils who shared in the gift: R. A. Coates, city; Miss Kate Ferguson, city; Harold Thompson, city; Dr. L. G. Rowntree, city; Rochester, Minn.; C. R. Rowntree, city; Miss Rose, city; Miss Florence Wilson, city; John Petherborough, city; V. C. Reeve, city; J. Herbert Scandrett, 15 Wellington street east, Toronto; R. P. Baker, Huron & Erie Mortgage Corporation, Toronto; Ernest O. Kerrigan, Windsor, Ont.; Dr. W. C. Fawcett, Sterkewitz, Ont.; Dr. Robert D. McAlpine, Dresden, Ont.; Miss Annie Munson, city; Paul A. Kompas, Wilkinson, Kompas, Limited, Hamilton; H. L. Wilkinson, Wilkinson, Kompas, Limited, Hamilton; H. W. Mortgages manager Huron & Erie Mortgage Corporation, Regina; Mrs. H. W. Ovington, Regina; John Cottam, city; Dr. F. P. Moore, Hamilton, Ont.; O. H. Gidley, city; E. A. White, city; Mrs. H. B. White, city; Ray Lawson, city; Miss Janet Monahan, city; George M. Smith, the residence, Victoria College, Toronto; E. W. Wright, Rowell, Reid & Co., 38 King street west, Toronto; George E. White, Vancouver; Fred J. White, city; G. Scott Murray, Murray Sons, Limited, Hamilton; T. B. Balkwill, Simson, Balkwill & Co., Limited, 101-107 Powell street, Vancouver; Fred Hicks, Delhi, Ont.; Dr. Ross Thomas, city; John Dewar, British Sales Company, 117 Dundas street, Toronto; W. B. Henderson, city; D. George Clark, city; Mrs. J. McCleary, Moore, city; Mrs. Frances McKersie, (nee McKernan), 17 Margaret street, St. Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. Chester McFarlane, 9182 Martindale avenue, Detroit; D. F. W. Clark, 2511 14th street, Toronto; George E. White, G. Sabine, city; S. D. Thornicroft, Regina; Mrs. T. Van Dinder, 1512 Fourth street west, Calgary; Harry Burnes, 1070 Dundas street, Chicago, Ill.; Ven. Archdeacon McElheran, 138 Maryland street, Winnipeg; Miss B. Mabel Richter, city; H. A. Johnson, 1440 St. James street, Ottawa; Burns Jones, 206 Percy street, Ottawa; Mrs. H. B. Moyer (Christie Perry), 37 Fulton avenue, Toronto; Norman Johnson, 1000 West Beaver, Wheatley; Curtis O. Westland, London-Lawrence Company, 608 S. Dearborn street, Chicago; M. E. (Mrs. Harry) Shute, 1000 West Beaver, Campbell, city; Miss Bertha B. Jarvis, 653 S. W. Second street, Miami, Florida; Fred Dewar, Bell Telephone Company, Windsor; W. B. Richardson, city; George Reid, city; Morley Adams, city; A. M. Dillon, city; J. O. Adams, 1536 Woolworth Building, New York; Frank T. Pector, 282 Yonge street, Toronto; W. Harrison, 219 Wright avenue, Toronto; W. H. Somerville, Mutual Life Assurance Company, Waterloo; Arthur Munson, 7012 Army avenue, Detroit; Mrs. Grace Munson Hardy, 735 Artillery avenue, Detroit; Mrs. A. M. Hunt, city; Miss Maud McFarlane, city; Tom Hill, city; W. E. Greene, city; A. J. Brenton, 229 Portage avenue, Winnipeg; A. E. Cutler, care of General Motors, Ltd., Oshawa; Miss Clara Brenton, city; Mrs. Ada Brenton Wilson, 19 Laurier avenue, Toronto; H. Frank White, city; Fred Landon, public library, city; Margaret Moore Robinson, 31 Carrick avenue, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Lewis, city; Mrs. M. A. Jones, 1000 West Beaver, Pherson, Mtd.; 11420 94th street, Edmonton, Alta.; Mrs. Louie M. Summers, 543 Broadway avenue, Toronto; Harry and Jean Jarvis, city; H. S. Campbell, 1000 West Beaver, D. McLaren, 814 3rd street, W. Calgary; McEwen and Douglas, city; Mrs. U. A. Buchner and family, city; William Bruce, Edward Dewar, city; Rev. L. E. Davis, St. Paul's Rectory, Brockville, Ont.; Miss Gwendoline Gillingham, St. Paul's Rectory, Brockville, Ont.; W. L. Dewar, Royal Insurance Building, Montreal; S. W. Reid, city; Dr. J. R. H. Childs, city; Norman Kane, city; Friend, city; G. E. Main, care of McClary Manufacturing Company, Hamilton, Ont.; T. H. Main, city; G. B. Sutherland, 146 South West, 4th floor, Salt Lake City, Utah; Chas. E. Sreaton, care of H. S. Howland, Sons & Co., Ltd., Toronto; Gordon Hunt, city; J. M. Stewart, city; Miss Hattie Blackwell, city; Dr. John G. Hunt, city.

Rideau Hall Coffee advertisement with logo and text: 'Blended and Roasted for Particular People'.

Happy New Year With Flowers advertisement: 'FLOWERS RADIATE HAPPINESS WHEREVER THEY GO'.

Lascelles Cafe advertisement: 'DINNER 35c, 40c, 50c. Home made cooking. Do you lunch uptown today? Try Lascelles Cafe and you will come again.' Phone 2873.

Mothers and Their Children



We never go around the house "hushing" for fear of disturbing the baby, because we raised him on a little noise from the very start. If we had made everyone be absolutely quiet when near his room we would have had a child who would waken every time a slight noise was made. As it is, we go about the house as we have been in the habit of doing, and he sleeps right through it.

GRIEVES FOR SOUL DRAWING DUD NAME

Had Harold Wished On Himself After Hero in "The Lights of London."

Dear Editor, Women's Page, London Advertiser:

I have read with a great deal of concern what everyone in general, and Sheriff Cook, in particular, has to say about names, whose privilege it should be to choose them, and the results in after life to those who must bear them.

Personally, I have nothing but sympathy for the persons unfortunate enough to have been presented with, or had wished on them a "dud" name—no matter whether boy or girl. It has been my misfortune to tote around for quite a number of years now a name that is a cross between that of a new stitch in knitting, and a tropical plant—or nut perhaps—Harold.

ONE OF THE UNFORTUNATES. London, Dec. 28, 1922.

Fashions by Wire advertisement: 'Paris, Dec. 28.—Long and narrow strips of fur, a good deal like elongated cat tails, only more sumptuous in appearance, are hung at every possible angle on the new afternoon gowns, shown here at a dress show. Sometimes they fringe the sleeves, and sometimes they hang in long streamers from the waist.' Includes an illustration of a woman in a dress.

Several Good House Dresses Can Be Made for the Price of One. Advertisement for a dress-making business, including a list of sizes and prices.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Muir have left on a holiday visit to Windsor, Ontario. Mrs. A. E. Yeo of Windsor is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Wood.

Mr. J. J. Hopper of Algonac, Mich., is visiting his brother-in-law, Mr. W. G. Moore.

Mr. Walter Cook, Talbot street, is holidaying with his relatives at Watford, Ontario.

Mrs. John Chapman of Toronto is visiting her sister Mrs. Sinclair, Yorkville.

Mrs. Delisle of Texas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Legg, 83 Cathcart street.

Miss Newton of Sarnia is a holiday guest visitor in town, staying with her sister, Mrs. Ray Lawson.

Mrs. W. E. McGillicuddy of Detroit is a guest with Dr. J. E. McGillicuddy and Mrs. McGillicuddy, Wortley road.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Corby spent Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Fralick, Bruce street.

Mr. Fred Portsmouth of Petrolia, Ont., well known in his city, will be delegate at the Boys' Provincial Parliament which is being held in Toronto this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Young of Windsor, accompanied by their two children, are guests with Mr. and Mrs. William Bell, Maitland street.

Mr. William Hendrie, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hendrie, Detroit, "side" Hamilton, will be a week-end visitor with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith.

Miss Edna Gale is in Sarnia attending the wedding of her cousin, Miss Vera Smith, to Mr. Robert Caswell, which took place Thursday morning.

Miss Marian Beck has returned to Toronto after spending Christmas at "Headley." She is coming back to her home, 23 Gerard street, every dance Friday evening, December 29.

Mrs. Charlotte S. Ruddle and son Billy of Kenmore, New York, are spending the Christmas holidays in town with the former's mother, Mrs. L. H. Henstridge, 202 Adelaide street, city.

Mrs. Charles J. Bosquet and daughter, Miss Beatrice, Detroit, Mich., have returned to their home after attending a reception at the guests of the Ursuline Convent, Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. R. Smith have returned home after a delightful motor trip to Rochester, N. Y., where they spent Christmas with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. C. M. Beattie.

Mrs. J. W. Reynolds (nee Marjorie Hepburn) will receive informally at her home, 23 Gerard street, every Thursday during the month of January and afterwards on each second Thursday.

Mrs. Alba Armitage is entertaining at her home in Central avenue in honor of her daughter, Miss Grace Armitage, whose marriage takes place New Year's Day.

Miss Kitt Schofield of New York will be among the out-of-town guests at the Manuel-Armitage wedding, taking place New Year's Day. Miss Schofield will be the bridesmaid, and Mrs. C. S. Manuel, Marley Place.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dalton and two sons, Billie and Jimmie, Mr. and Mrs. William Dalton, N. Dalton and Mr. and Mrs. William Dalton, all of Detroit, spent Christmas with friends and relatives in London.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith are entertaining at a dinner on Friday evening in honor of their son, Mr. Adam Smith, and his guest, Mr. Woolcombe of Ottawa, the guests going on later to Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Baker's dance.

The marriage of Miss Grace Armitage to H. Douglas Schofield Manuel is taking place New Year's Day at 11:30 a.m. at St. James' Church, London South. Miss Dorothy Bell will be the bridesmaid, and Mr. Stuart Manuel will be the best man.

Mrs. Richard Grindley has arrived in town from Chicago to attend the wedding of her sister, Miss Edith Green, on Saturday. Mr. Grindley is joining her in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Greer, for New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conroy and daughter, Mrs. Conroy, of Windsor, where they attended the wedding of Mrs. Conroy's sister, Miss Mabel E. Duggan, formerly of London, to Mr. Hilliard D. Stewart, and Mrs. C. F. Elliott of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. James Russell Elliott of Lansing, Mich.

The "All Scotch" Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire of London, is almost a year old. The chapter is the "chapter" of which Mrs. R. M. Tagg is the president, and capable regent, will celebrate its first birthday by a grand banquet on January 23.

The Girls' Auxiliary of St. James' Church, South London, held a jolly party Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. A. F. Hallett in Cathcart street. Mrs. Hallett presided and presided during the evening. A happy feature was the shower of handkerchiefs given to Miss Phyllis Hallett, who is entering Victoria Hospital as a student nurse. Prior to the party, a business meeting was held, presided over by Miss Thelma Semford.

Miss Ella Rindhart was the hostess of a dinner at her home in Oxford street Wednesday in honor of Miss Grace Armitage, a popular bridesmaid. Covers were laid for twelve, and following the dinner the guest of honor received many attractive gifts from a gayly-decked Christmas tree. Among the gifts were Mrs. Luta Laymon-Durst, Mrs. Wilson Hodgins, Mrs. A. B. Yeo of Windsor, Mrs. R. A. Milne, Misses Dorothy Green and Gertrude Green, Mrs. Kathleen Milne and Aggie Wood.

A nuptial event of the near future which promises to be exceptionally smart and picturesque is the wedding of a popular bride, Miss Dorothy Bell, to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Greer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Greer, and Dr. H. W. Piggemeyer of Detroit. Mrs. W. H. Kippen, Mrs. M. J. Dorsey, and little Mary Louise Kelly of Detroit, flower girls. Mr. George Harrison Phelps of Detroit is coming to be best man, and the ushers will be Messrs. Lee Baker, Richard Grindley, Chicago, Kenneth Ingram and Major W. H. Kippen.

Complimenting Miss Grace Armitage, a bride-elect, Miss Dorothy Bell was the hostess of a bridge and miscellaneous shower Thursday evening. White streamers fell from the chandelier and attached to these

GRAY'S, LIMITED

Store Hours—9 a.m. to 6 p.m., including Saturdays. A New Year's Resolution: Repeat daily to yourself: "I will not—I will not shop Saturday nights, and so bring to pass the Big Forward Movement of 6 o'clock closing."

DRESS SALE

THREE GROUPS SPECIALLY PRICED. EXTRAORDINARY VALUE. All-Wool Serge Dresses. Canton Crepe Dresses. Ladies' and Misses' Dresses. Special to clear \$6.95. Ladies' and Misses' Dresses, of tricotine, poret-twill and serge, trimmed with contrasting colors, of duvetyne and braid; navy and black; all sizes. Specially priced from \$10.50 up.

This Is A REAL OPPORTUNITY To Save Money

After-Christmas Clearing Sale of LIBRARY SCARFS, linen shade, colored embroidered. Regular \$1.25 to \$1.75. To clear \$0.79c. BOUDOIR CAPS, Assorted styles and colors. To clear, at each \$0.25c, 35c, 50c. Main Floor. Saturday Specials. HEMSTITCHED PILE LOW CASES, excellent, heavy quality. Special, a pair \$0.89c. 40 only, ENGLISH BEDSPREADS, double-bed size. Big snap \$2.50 at, each \$1.99c. Staple Department, Main Floor.

Children's Knitted Suits

Fine wool, 4 pieces—mitts, cap, sweater and overalls; sizes 2, 3, 4 years; colors navy or brown. Regular \$4.50. To clear at \$2.95.

Children's Knitted Overalls

With feet (union), sizes 2, 4, 6, 8 years. Regular \$1.75. To clear at \$0.98c. Third Floor.

Big Serge Values

40-INCH, ALL-WOOL SERGE, firm weave, bright finish; colors black, navy, gray, brown, garnet, copen and rose. Big value at, a yard \$0.75c. 54-INCH NAVY SERGE, soft finish. Special at, a yard \$1.87. 54-INCH NAVY SERGE, extra fine quality, soft finish. Extra value \$2.50 at, a yard \$1.99c. Second Floor.

Gray's, Limited

Wong's Cafe advertisement: 'Full Course New Year's Dinner. Served Monday, January 1st, from 12 noon to 8 p.m. Music by Angelo Russo's Orchestra 12 to 1 p.m. (noon); 6 to 7:30 p.m. and 10:45 to 1 a.m. Saturday, 10:30 to 12 midnight. Sunday, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Phone 3463 Early for Reservations.' Includes an illustration of a dining table.

Beauty Hint for Women

When food is only imperfectly digested, it gives rise to fermentation, clogs the bowels, and renders the blood impure. This results in dull eyes, muddy skin, blotches, pimples and other disfiguring marks. Beecham's Pills act immediately on the stomach, liver and bowels; regulate them and keep them in a vigorous condition. They are mild, harmless and dependable. They are compounded of remedies of vegetable origin having great medicinal value.

Beecham's Pills

Best Cough Mixture Is Home Made. Acts With Speed—Loosens the Phlegm—Stops the Irritation and Coughing Causes. Fine for Chest Colds Too and Is Cheaply Made at Home.

TO DEPORT CHINESE FOR PEDDLING DRUGS

Canadian Press. Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Deportation of Chinese and other aliens for peddling drugs and for other infringements of the opium and narcotic drug act is being carried out by the department of immigration. Deportation in these cases was authorized at the last session of parliament, and is effected after the offenders have completed their prison sentences. Approximately 12 aliens have been returned to their native lands so far. It was stated this morning. A considerable number of aliens have been sent to prison during the past six months on charges under the opium and narcotic drugs act, and a majority of these will be deported when their sentences are completed.

Robert's Syrup advertisement: 'A real cough remedy. Robert's Syrup of the Extract of Cod Liver & Tar. A considerable number of aliens have been sent to prison during the past six months on charges under the opium and narcotic drugs act, and a majority of these will be deported when their sentences are completed.'

Psychology

Results in Treating Subconscious Mind

Healing Factor.

The chance for cure for the individual depends entirely upon his ability to put away his will power and all the other qualities of his conscious mind during the period of his treatment and completely surrender himself to his subconscious self, using the imagination to visualize the desired results.

Upon entering his clinic at Nancy, Professor Coue speaks to each individual regarding his health. If it is a new case he asks them for a brief history of their case and the diagnosis of their physician. If it is the case of a patient who has been there before he invariably answers the inquiry by the cheerful reply, "I am getting better."

Ridiculous Disease. The importance and seriousness of disease is so ridiculed that only a person of extreme courage can stand against the loss of reasoning current of affirmative suggestions and optimism and reply, "I don't believe I am any better." I have never heard any patient utter such a statement in Monsieur Coue's clinics.

Here is a woman who has had a hernia and the aperture has never healed. She has had a cure in a certain but very slow. The woman sitting next to her has an acute form of dizziness and is possessed with a fear for throwing herself from any height which she happens to be. Coue assures her she will leave the room a cured woman. There sits a chemist, a painter, a carpenter, a sign painter, iron workers do that sort of thing because they know they can do it. But the moment you conceive your inability to do a thing your fear makes you incapable of doing it. The more you bend your will to the execution of it the more you are at the mercy of your imagination.

Do not form the erroneous conclusion, however, that Coue or his new school of applied psychology underestimates the value of will power. It is only when the will power and the imagination are not in accord that the imagination proves itself to be the first prerogative of man.

Method of Self-Healing. Professor Coue's method of self-healing through the use of the subconscious mind is based upon the two following ideas: First, that an idea or thought is capable of becoming a reality for the individual (providing it is within the realm of reason) if his imagination and not the will is the greatest faculty of man.

We have within us two distinct individuals, the conscious mind, in which resides our will, memory and conscious faculties of the brain and the subconscious mind, in which resides our imagination. The domain of the former is that of all conscious thought and action; the domain of the latter, all unconscious thought and action. The chief task of the unconscious mind is to take care of all the internal functions of our body without our conscious order or knowledge. It is through the knowledge, development and direction of the newly-discovered power of the subconscious mind that Coue's method of applied psychology has attained its marvelous results in healing.

gives them. They come with their stiff knees, their chronic backaches, their lumbago, rheumatism and asthma. They are so completely free from all doubts and hesitations that they are usually cured in a few moments. Coue places the hand over the ailing spot and says in concert with the patient, "The pain is going, going, is gone, gone. Then he poses the dramatic question, "Is your pain gone?"

It is always interesting and often amusing to note the individual reaction. One person will hunt for the first pain. Another will blink his eyes, as though seeing a new world for the first time—a world without suffering. Still another will almost seem to regret the absence of his life-long companion—the topic which rivaled with the weather for first place in his daily conversation.

Coué Radiates Optimism. Then comes the radiant smile of optimism over the sympathetic face of Monsieur Coue. His eyes sparkle, his face is alight with triumph. He has made one more victory over malady, disease, suffering.

You see, it is so simple, my friends. Just imagine and believe that you are well. Let your subconscious mind heal you. You must learn to leave you and never think of fear of its return.

To avoid any misunderstanding, I would state plainly that Professor Coue does not believe that disease is imaginary or that denying it will make it disappear. He does believe that many diseases have their origin in the mind, as we all know, but regardless of the origin or history of an illness, it can in all cases be cured if not entirely cured by positive suggestions and letting that unknown but incalculable force bring about the cure in its own infallible way.

This explains the efficacy of his very simple formula. Twenty times every night before going to sleep and twenty times every morning on the moment of waking repeat in a low voice, loud enough to hear your own words, but without any effort to think or analyze, "Every day and in every way, I am getting better and better."

Works With Medical Profession. Professor Coue also believes in working hand in hand with the medical profession. In each case he is the patient for their physician's diagnosis, and when it is lacking asks them to procure it before he proceeds if it is a case that demands scientific knowledge.

He most persistently disclaims any power or inclination to be a healer, but says that autosuggestion is an instrument of healing which everyone carries within himself. He endeavors to procure the best medical aid possible, but he believes that only cured for the moment, but possessing a means of self-mastery by which they can not only effect their own physical cures, but by which they can also wrest from life its greatest possibilities.

When Monsieur Coue comes to America in early January, it is to be hoped that it will be adopted by the medical profession, the universities, the man of science as well as those interested in the advancement of social reform.

Methods Provoke Admiration. The study of autosuggestion and the power of the subconscious mind invites analysis and the most thorough examination. Profound study of Coue's method provokes nothing but admiration, not only for its efficacy, but also for the scientific basis upon which it rests.

It is most decidedly not a tool to place in the hands of quack doctors, hypnotists and so-called mental and faith healers. It is an instrument which Coue hopes to give freely to every man, woman and child in America, so that they may themselves master their own physical, mental and moral imperfections.

No one as yet knows the far-reaching results which can be attained by the scientific study of the subconscious mind. But if launched as a psychological study and not as a passing sect, it should develop into a most potent factor for healing not only the body, but the mind and spirit.

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THE SKY LINE OF SPRUCE

By Edison Marshall
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(Continued From Yesterday.)
The sat dry-eyed, incoherent prayers for treatment. Mentally she did not touch the man, only sat at his bedside in the crude chair Ben had fashioned for her.

The hours dragged by, the night sloped down to the forest; and the dawn followed the night. Ben's life still flickered like a flame in the wind, in the twilight land between life and death.

Yet Hille could see do for him these first few days, except, in her simple faith, to pray.

But in the morning of the fourth day he opened his eyes vividly, muttered, and fell immediately to sleep. In the days that followed he was conscious to the degree that he could drink broth, but never realizing Beatrice nor seeming to know where he was.

It would be long weeks before Ben could hope for sufficient strength to start the journey down to the settlements, even if the way were open. At it was their only chance for life, the fall rains that would flood the Yuga and enable them to journey, not to the native villages in their canoes, but to the north.

Yet she still waged the fight, struggling with high courage and tireless resolution against the frightful odds that opposed her.

But now the real hour of crisis was at hand—not from his illness, but from the depletion of their food supplies.

She walked to the mouth of the cave and examined the stock close, waiting in the shadows. She gazed out into the gathering gloom.

The forest was silent tonight. Not a bird sang, not a squirrel chattered. It was hushed, breathless, darkly sinister. All at once her eyes peered and strained into the dusk.

Far across the valley beyond the beaver marsh and on the farther shore of the lake she saw a little light of light through the rift in the trees.

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"I suppose you know what she was doing. She was trying to steal food. It looks to me like she's gone over to the opposite camp."

Neilson sighed. "Is that so, Chan?" he asked simply. "I was trying to take some of your food—to Ben," Beatrice replied softly in his need of it.

"You see, they're on intimate terms," Ray suggested viciously. "Ben was in need of food—so she came here to steal it."

But Neilson acted as if he had not heard. "Why didn't you speak to us—and tell us you were safe?" he asked. "We've come all the way here to find you."

"Perhaps you did, if you had been here alone, I would have told you."

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Slowly he father shook his head. "But I can't save his son. He brought this on himself."

"Remember, he was in the right," the girl pleaded brokenly. "You won't—you wouldn't be partner to murder."

Neilson straightened, his eyes steely and bright under his grizzled brows. Only too well he knew that this was the test. Affairs were at their crisis.

Each step with consummate care, gently thrusting the tree branches from her path.

One of the three men looked up, and she saw his face plainly through the misty spruce boughs. It was with a distinct foreboding of disaster that she saw that the man was Ray Brent.

One side, quite to the edge of the froilight, she saw a kayak—one of those square boxes that are hung on a pack saddle—which seemed to be heaped with jerked caribou or moose flesh. For the time of a breath she could not take her eyes from it.

Chan and Neilson were seemingly asleep, and now Ray was knocking the ashes from his pipe.

He got up, and removing his outer coat, rolled in his blankets. The night hours began their mystic march across the face of the wilderness.

The fire was a heap of gray ashes except for its red-hot center; the kayak was in gloom. Very softly Beatrice crept through the thickets, meanwhile encircling the dying fire, and came up behind it.

Now it was almost in reach; now her hands were at its coals. She started to lift it in her arms.

But disaster still dogged her trail. Ray Brent had been too wary of attack. He had been too quick to movement and with a startled oath sprang to his feet.

Still trying to hold the kayak of food that meant life to Ben, she turned and darted into the shadows.

The moonlight showing after her, figure in the trees, and shouting she would sprang through the covert to intercept her flight. Emburdened by the heavy box she could not watch her step. She was hurled with stunning force to the ground.

Desperate at the thought of the realization of impending triumph Ray's strong arms went about her.

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Ray was aiding his confederate now, and in an instant more she was helpless. Her voice rose shrilly to a scream. "Ben—help me!"

"If one of you dares to lay a hand on Beatrice I'll kill him where he stands. Even as he spoke his thought went to his rifle, leaning against a dead log ten feet away. The jealous and rivalry between himself and Ray had reached the crisis.

Ray leered, his muscles bunched. "And I say to you, you're a dirty traitor too," he answered.

But Chan leaped forward with all his power, and if his blow had gone home Ray would have been shattered beneath it like a tree in the lightning blast.

The barrel gleamed. The roar resounded in the silence. Neilson's head bowed rapidly forward for a moment he stood swaying, then pitched forward in the dew-wet grass.

Beatrice's last defense had failed, she was seriously wounded; and Ray's arm, raised as if to strike, was held aloft.

The shot that wounded Jeffery Neilson carried far through the forest aisles, it came clear as a voice to the cavern where Ben lay.

The man started violently in his cot. His entire nervous system seemed to react.

The truth was that the sound acted much as a powerful stimulant to his restful nervous system. He awoke, a great leap and remembered its familiar world.

The only possible explanation for the man's reaction was that he had been fired by some invader in their valley—in all probability Neilson or one of his men.

He looked out of the door of the cavern, trying to get some idea of the lateness of the hour. The very quality of the darkness indicated that the night was far advanced.

Instantly his keen eyes saw the far-off gleam of the camp-fire on the distant margin of the lake. His straining ear caught the faintest, almost imperceptible vibration in the air—but Ben recognized it in a flash. In the sudden light of that distant camp fire Beatrice had screamed for aid.

Swiftly he started down the glade toward her.

Yet in a moment he knew that unless he conserved his strength he could not hope to make a fourth of the distance. At the first steps he swayed, half staggering.

Likely he would come too late to change the girl's fate. Yet even now he knew he must not turn back. If the penalty were death, there must be no hesitancy in him; he must not withhold one step.

He fell again and again as he tried to make headway in the marsh. Only too plain he saw that the time was now upon him when he could no longer keep his feet at all.

But at that instant he remembered the canoe. He plunged down into the tules. Yes, the boat was still in place.

It took all the strength of his weakened body to push it out from the reeds. The canoe was strongly but lightly made, so that it could be portaged with greatest possible ease; and his strokes, though feeble, propelled it slowly through the water.

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FIRST ICE, THEN FLAMES, FIREMEN'S MANY DUTIES

London Brigade Frees Team of Horses From Water, Afterwards Extinguishes Fire.

Firemen have a variety of duties to perform. Late yesterday afternoon they were called to extricate a team of horses from the ice on the Second Cove. These horses were employed by the Public Utilities dragging a scraper over the municipal skating rink. The ice gave way under them, and they were unable to get back on solid ground without the aid of the block and tackle.

FOREIGN CAPITAL GETS MEXICAN OIL RIGHTS

Mexico City, Dec. 29.—An international scramble for Mexico's vast oil reserves reached a climax today when British, French, Belgian and Italian capitalists secured one of the largest petroleum contracts since concessions ever issued by the Mexican government.

Col. J. L. O'Connor, president of American Foreign Oil Corporation, representing entirely foreign capital, signed the contract, whereby his country will have the exclusive rights of boring and working all federal zones covering oil and bitumens.

The Mexican government will receive forty per cent of the production against which no duties or start within six weeks.

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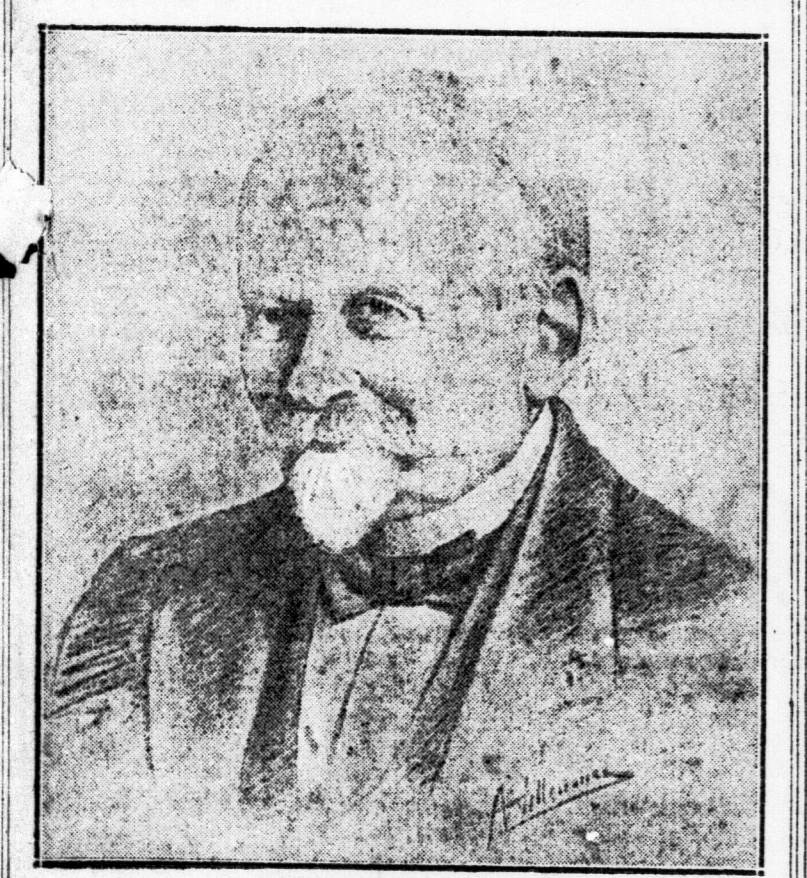
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Emile Coue, Man of Wonder, Will Write New Articles, Only For The Advertiser



PROFESSOR EMILE COUE.

"Every day and in every way I am getting better and better."

Thousands of people in every country and in every language have uttered these words. They began in an obscure little druggist's shop in Nancy, France. The name of the obscure little druggist is Emile Coue. Today he is the man of the hour, wielding a tremendous influence among the sick and depressed throughout the world.

Emile Coue's story is a romance, and his words are an inspiration. Within the last few weeks he has written seven articles explaining his doctrine of autosuggestion. These articles are new; they have never been published in any paper. Now they are to appear in The London Advertiser, beginning early in January.

Emile Coue arrives in New York on January 10th to carry his teachings to this continent. How he will be received and how he will judge the mentality of people here are points awaited with interest throughout the world. Emile Coue will tell you himself, because, in addition to his seven new articles, he is to write his experiences here, with the results of his clinics and observations in American cities.

These articles—his own signed reports—will also be written only for The London Advertiser and the other leading newspapers which comprise the North American Newspaper Alliance.

YOU WILL FIND COUE'S LATEST AND MOST INTERESTING ARTICLES ONLY IN THE ADVERTISER.

Baked Whole Cauliflower

By BERTHA E. SHAPLEIGH, Of Columbia University.

1 large head cauliflower (cooked until tender)
3 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup milk
2 cups milk, or 1 cup milk and 1 cup water in which cauliflower was cooked
Yolk one egg
1/2 cup grated cheese

Soak the cauliflower, head down, in cold water one hour. Trim, leaving the tender leaves nearest to the head.

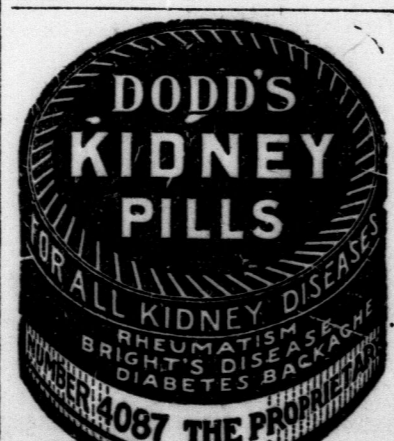
Cook in boiling water to which one-half tablespoon of salt is added, until the end of stalk may be pierced with a fork. Do not cook too long, a time, or the flowers will break apart. Cook with cover off kettle.

Drain, place in baking dish (if possible, one which may go to the table), cover with sauce and cheese, and bake 15 minutes in a moderate oven. Serve at once.

GO TO OTTAWA TO PLEA FOR MERCY FOR BIANCHI

Special to The Advertiser. Windsor, Dec. 28.—Frank W. Wilson, counsel for Frank Bianchi, condemned to be hanged at St. Catharines, Jan. 25, will go to Ottawa Jan. 2 to plead with Sir Lomer Gouin, minister of justice, for clemency for the prisoner.

Additional petitions were forwarded to the minister of justice by Mr. Wilson today, with arguments in favor of mitigation of sentence. Named in the petitions include eleven of the jurors who convicted Bianchi of murder, all members of Essex County Council, and practically every member of Sandwich and Windsor Councils.



BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

WELCOME ROBIN EXPLAINS.

By Thornton W. Burgess.

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One mistle, one rustling branch or crackling twig might give her away; but she took no heed.

It was winter and Peter Rabbit had found Welcome Robin living in the cedar swamp. He had supposed the Welcome Robin was the same as the Sunny South, and finding him there in the cedar swamp was one of the most delightful surprises of his whole life.

"I remained up here because I had to," explained Welcome Robin.

"Had to?" exclaimed Peter. "Why did you have to?"

"Because," replied Welcome Robin rather mournfully, "just about the time I was ready to start for the Sunny South I met with an accident."

Peter picked up his ears. "What kind of an accident?" he demanded.

"I hurt one of my wings," said Welcome Robin. "You see, Broadwing the Hawk came swooping to my window. I was sitting on a branch, and he came looking a little ashamed as he confessed this. 'The only way I could escape was to plunge into the midst of a thick tree, and I did so. I tried to pick my way. I just had to plunge right in among those branches. I got away from Broadwing, but I hurt one of my wings so that for a day or two I couldn't fly at all, and when I could fly it was only for a short distance at a time. Meanwhile all my friends were going on their way to the Sunny South. You know that is a long, long journey, and one has to be in the best of condition to take it. By the time I was caring enough to get up, I thought of it. Jack Frost had frozen everything up, so there was nothing for me to do but stay right here.'"

"But if you were strong enough to fly I don't see why you couldn't have gone on just as well as you could remain here," protested Peter.

"Food, Peter, food," replied Welcome Robin. "One has to have food on a long journey like that, and with everything frozen what chance would I have had to get any?"

"But everything is frozen here," cried Peter.

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Every garment the product of our own factories, on the premises, and like all the merchandise bearing our name, is of the highest order and absolutely reliable. Having provided for a largely-increased output in the fall, which business conditions did not measure up to, we have in consequence now on hand a surplus of the most desirable garments of the season, which we are offering

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Plaid back materials, in mixed color fabrics of heather green, gray, tan, green and taupe. All sizes. Regular \$26.50. Clearing at **\$18.75**

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This is the first time this high-class merchandise, made in our own factory, has ever been offered at clearing prices in London. Although we have had unusual success in the sale of this line our capacity for production has exceeded our output, and we are forced to sacrifice these coveted garments at clearing prices. This collection embraces all the newest features in outer garments, such as Blouse Style, Mandarin and Flowing Sleeves, semi-Dolman and Cape Back effects. Artistically embroidered and richly fur-trimmed models are all to be found in this showing. Only the newest fabrics, such as Panvelaine, Fashiona, French Normandy, Bolivia and Ripple Cloths are used. The colors also are the new popular shades of Nubian, Beaver, Tan, Midnight, Black and Navy. The following described garments are only a few representative models of our big collection:

FASHONA COAT IN NUBIAN BROWN

Shade, richly embroidered with new mandarin sleeve, trimmed with rich Isabella Raccoon fur, and lined throughout with satin. Regular \$97. Clearing at **\$85**

BROWN NORMANDY BOLIVIA COAT

Lined with Canton Crepe, richly trimmed with fringe and Isabella Raccoon collar and cuffs. Regular \$100. Clearing at **\$87**

NORMANDY BOLIVIA COAT

In Beaver shade, trimmed with rich Canadian Beaver, collar and cuffs, and lined with satin throughout. Regular \$115. Clearing at **\$97**

NAVY PANVELAINE MODEL

Lined with Pearl satin, collar and cuffs are of rich gray Siberian Squirrel. This model is made with dolman sleeves, and is richly embroidered. Regular \$140. Clearing at **\$115**

Dark Midnight French Ripple BOLIVIA COAT

Richly embroidered. Lined with Pearl satin, and trimmed with Black Fox collar. Regular \$105. Clearing at **\$85**

BLOUSES

Special clearing sale of Wash Silk Blouses with tailored, tuxedo and Peter Pan collars, trimmed with pleated edgings. Regular \$7.50 and \$6.75. Clearing at \$4.98. Regular \$3.75 to \$6.00. Clearing at **\$2.98**

HOSIERY

All Wool Hose, ribbed and plain, in colors, Brown, Blue, Gray, Fawn and Green mixtures. Price **\$1.25** and **\$1.50**

GLOVES

Broken lines of Chamousette Gloves. Regular \$1 and \$1.25. Clearing at **75c**

SCARFS

Two dozen Silk Scarfs left over from Christmas. Regular \$4.50. Clearing at **\$2.98**

Phone **1319** **ROSS' LIMITED** **196 Dundas Street**
 MANUFACTURERS

YEAR-END SALES WILL SATURDAY AT 5:30

Saturday, the last day of After-Christmas Sales, will include some of the most important events of the week. Extraordinary preparations have been carefully planned to make Saturday (the last shopping day of the year) the most attractive from the buyer's point of view of the whole season. Tomorrow will be a profitable day for you to shop at this store, and below is a partial list for your guidance.

New Year's Dinner, Saturday, 65c.

Course Dinner, with Roast Young Goose and Apple Sauce.
 Restaurant—Fourth Floor.



Trimmed and Tailored Hats, \$2.49.

One table of Trimmed and Tailored Hats, in latter's plush, straight and rolling brim sailors, chain-chins and close-fitting off-the-face hats. In violet, red, navy, black with peacock, all black and nigger. Clearing Saturday **\$2.49**

Clearing Sale of All Untrimmed and Tailored Hats.

About two dozen Untrimmed and Tailored Hats, latter's plush, panne and Lyons velvet, combined with facings of duvetyne and leather. Some banded in grosgrain ribbon, a few Large Shirred Velvet Dress Hats in the lot. Colors of red, navy, nigger, French blue, black, jade green, gray and black with sand. Special Saturday, half of regular price. Sale prices **\$2.75 to \$5.25**

Fancy Boxed Chocolates One-Third Off.

What is left of these Christmas Chocolates will be cleared Saturday at one-third off.
 2 boxes. Sale price **\$2.25**
 4 boxes. Sale price **\$1.50**
 8 boxes. Sale price **\$1.75**
 2 boxes. Sale price **\$2.00**
 Christmas Stockings all to clear at Half Price
 Chocolate Bells **25c each**

Saturday Sales in Basement.

21 only "Wear-Ever" Aluminum 14-Quart Dishpans **\$1.49**
 18 only "Wear-Ever" Aluminum Roasters **\$4.49 and \$5.49**
 23 only "Wear-Ever" Aluminum Frypans. **98c**
 10 only Round Aluminum Roasters **98c**
 15 only Nickel-Plated Coffee Percolators, one-third off **\$2.98**
 19 only Nickel-Plated Teapots, one-third off. **\$2.98**
 12 only Nickel-Plated Coffee Percolators, one-half off regular **\$3.75 to \$5.50**
 16 only Banner Ash Sifters. Special **\$2.98**
 Market Baskets, extra special, half price. **25c**
 24 only White Enamel Metal Bathroom Shelves. Special **\$1.19**
 19 only De Lux Electric Toasters. Special **\$3.49**

Dresses for Afternoon and Evening

The social season promises to be exceptionally active and brilliant during the next six weeks, and we are showing a most beautiful collection of frocks.

In Velvets, Georgettes, Canton, Taffetas. Colors in Flame, Orchid, Apricot, Henna, Jade, trimmings, show beads and embroidery. Evening dress of Flame Velvet Bateau neck, skirt draped at sides, bead ornaments trimming sleeves and side trappings. Price **\$52.00**
 A very handsome Sequin Model, made over Blue Satin, drapings of Maline at sides. Price **\$59.00**
 Georgette dress in Pink, blouse beaded, crush girde finished with corsage of flowers, skirt shows uneven hem and smart draping. Price **\$47.50**
 Georgette dress in Malze, waist and skirt prettily beaded, girde of silver metallic ribbon, side drapings. Price **\$27.50**
 Georgette dress in Flame color, pretty frill blouse, finished with beaded girde of material, long flowing side draperies, dainty rosettes finishing girde and drapes. Price **\$35.00**

Hemstitched Pillowslips, 39c.

Here is a special you cannot afford to pass up, a beautiful hemstitched slip, well made of good wearing cotton that will stand hard wear, sizes 40 and 42 inches only. To clear on Saturday **39c each**

Sleighs and Boys' and Girls' Books at 1-3 to 1-2 Off.

8 only Boys' Sleighs, one-third off **98c**
 12 only Sleighs, one-third off **89c**
 19 only Sleighs, one-third off **83c**
 14 only Sleighs, one-third off **67c**
 14 only Sleighs, one-third off **50c**
 50 only Sleighs, one-third off **44c**
 7 only Sleighs, one-third off **\$1.50**
200 BOYS' AND GIRLS' BOOKS AT HALF PRICE.
 Young Airplane Scouts, The Boy Scouts, Boy Allies and the Girls' Somewhere Series, half price **25c**

Special Purchase of Gingham, Saturday 23c Yard.

A special purchase that came our way just in time for Saturday selling. About 700 yards of good quality Canadian Gingham in check and plaid designs. Choice of pinks, black, mauve, blue and red. Some in two-color effects. Here is a splendid year-end opportunity of securing a serviceable material for children's dresses, rompers, house dresses, etc., at a money-saving price. Be sure and come early, for this will be a fast selling line. Special Gingham, 27 inches wide, Saturday **23c yard**

Year-End Sale of Curtains, \$1.79 and \$2.29 Pair.

ON SALE SATURDAY, SEE DUNDAS STREET WINDOW.
 At such low prices our stock of both lines offered here should go out quickly. An opportunity to purchase new curtains for spring housecleaning at much less than by the yard. If you will need curtains for the new home soon, this should be doubly attractive.

MARQUINETTE CURTAINS, SALE PRICE \$1.79 PAIR.

79 PAIRS—Lace-Edged Marquissette Curtains, 33 inches wide and 2 1/2 yards long, hemstitched band at edge, a very neat curtain for bedrooms or dining-rooms, all made of good quality marquisette, ivory color only. Sale price **\$1.79 pair**

FILET NET CURTAINS, SALE PRICE \$2.29 PAIR

128 PAIRS—Filet Net Curtains, in five very attractive designs, neat borders, with small figure in center, edges all overlapped, double thread weave, ivory only, 36 inches wide and 2 1/2 yards long. Amongst this lot we are also offering 25 pairs of Nottingham Lace Curtains, 44 and 47 inches wide by 2 1/2 yards long. All to go on sale Saturday at **\$2.29 pair**

Factory Sheeting, 39c Yard

A very good number from stock, marked for a rush sale Saturday. Here is a very nice quality 8-4 Factory Sheeting that will give satisfactory service, washes up heavier; a limited quantity only of this wide sheeting Saturday at **39c yard**

Saturday Yard-Wide Dress Velveteens, \$2.75 Yard

Black, Mid-Brown and Nigger came our way at a very special price. Tomorrow we pass them on to you at a like special price. These are the famous Worrall dye and silk finish Dress Velveteens. Saturday special **\$2.75 yard**

Two Pieces Priestley's Scotch Wool Coatings, \$2.50 Yard

When you buy Priestley's fabrics you buy the best. Here is an opportunity of the two last pieces in stock of pure wool coatings, in Fawn and Brown effects, 54 inches wide **\$2.50 yard**

Three Pieces Stripe Homespuns, \$1.98

Less than half price, these beautiful Homespuns. These are the very finest smooth weaves, in rich dark effects, in brown, taupe and dark blue, with narrow dark stripes, 56 inches wide. Special **\$1.98 yard**

Four Pieces Men's and Boys' Pure Wool Suitings, \$2.48 Yard.

Solid wool, 16 to 18 oz. suitings, in rich mixed dark colorings, Blue and Black, Brown and Black, Oxford Gray and Black, and also plain Oxford Gray, 56 inches wide. Special **\$2.48 yard**

Fancy Silks, Plain Silk Duvetynes and Baronette Satins, All in One Group for \$1.98 Yard

An accumulation of many kinds, some in limited quantities, and mostly reduced at much less than half price. It will be necessary to come early to participate in this sale. 36-Inch Silk Duvetynes for trimming, best quality for trimming and millinery, colors—Jade, Tangerine, Burnt Orange, Orchid and Navy and Black. 39-Inch Satin Baronettes for skirts in colors Shell Pink, Princess Mary Blue and Black. Also one piece Courtaunes, 40-Inch Brocade Crepe Silk in Orchid for dresses, waists and kimono. One price for this lot **\$1.98 yard**

Outstanding Values In Men's and Young Men's Suits and Overcoats, \$35

A "buy now" policy will prove real economy to men and young men here tomorrow. Rich fabrics and high-grade tailored clothes for men are featured in these special groupings.



OVERCOATS

Great Warm Motor Coats, Ulsterettes, Chesterfields, in rich, fleecy materials, plaid back with piped seams, some lined throughout, half belt, full belt or no belt at all, sizes for every type of man.

SUITS

Single and double breasted models, in tweeds, imported fine worsteds, two and three button styles, suits that are tailored with utmost skill, in sizes and styles for men and young men. See these tomorrow.

Men's "Jaeger" Shirts, Special \$7.50

Jaeger Shirts for men, in a large range of conservative patterns, exceedingly fine in quality, made of wool taffeta and silk and wool. Specially grouped Saturday. Sale price **\$7.50**

Men's Pyjamas, \$2.95 and \$3.50

Better quality pyjamas for men, in neat conservative stripes, heavy-weight flannelette, trimmed with silk frog or braid. All sizes.

Flannelette Nightshirts, 89c

Not many of these. A clearing of slightly soiled stock. Medium weight flannelette in neat stripes, collar attached, cut full and roomy. These are extremely low priced to clear the lot tomorrow **89c**

Men's Combinations, All-Wool, \$2.85

Men's medium weight winter combinations, all wool, made to give maximum wear and comfort. All sizes. **\$2.85 suit**

After Christmas Clearance of High-Grade Ties, 49c

Beautiful Italian Silk Neckties for men, in a great range of conservative patterns, narrow or flowing end. Greatly reduced for clearance. Sale price **49c**

Boys' Flannelette Pyjamas, \$1.95

Boys' good quality flannelette pyjamas in one or two-piece styles, good wearing and warm. Special **\$1.95 suit**

Men's Sweater Coats, \$3.95

Men's All-Wool Sweater Coats. "Jumbo" knit, with large shawl collar, in plain shades of gray and heather. All sizes. Price **\$3.95**

Boys' Knitted Suits, One-Quarter Off

Clearing balance of Boys' Knitted Woolen Suits, Sweaters, with cap and mitts to match, made of fine quality wool yarns. Colors of gray, brown, camel, etc. For boys 4 to 8 years. One-Quarter off tomorrow.

Wool Scarfs, \$1.39

Knitted Wool Scarfs, in tan, gray, brown, emerald, camel, etc., with contrast stripes at ends. A special purchase of these high-grade mufflers enables us to sell these at considerably below usual price. Sale price **\$1.39**

Boys' Sweater Coats

Boys' All-Wool Sweater Coats, with shawl collar, in several shades, two pockets, made of fine all-wool yarns. **\$3.75 and \$4.50**

SATURDAY—LAST DAY FOR "DESIGNER" SPECIAL SUBSCRIPTIONS YEAR 1923 FOR 90c.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED

PHYSICIAN WILL BATTLE OFFICERS TO LAST DITCH

Mandate of Supreme Court of United States Will Be Required To Remove Dr. B. W. McKoin—Is Unaffected by Seriousness of Crime With Which He Is Charged.

DECLARES INNOCENCE OF MURDER

By JOHN ARCHER CARTER. Special to The Advertiser. Copyright. Baltimore, M. D., Dec. 29.—It will require a mandate of the supreme court of the United States to remove Dr. B. W. McKoin, alleged by federal agents, who are probing the Mer Rouge terrorist killings to be Louisianian Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde, back to the jurisdiction of that state.

McKoin again and again has publicly proclaimed his innocence of the torture and murder of Thomas Richards and Watt Daniels, whose mutilated bodies were recovered from the marshes of Lake La Fourche, near Mer Rouge. Governor John Parker, in a series of telegrams to the local authorities and Governor Ritchie asserted that McKoin was the head and brains of the murder conspiracy.

McKoin's friends here are very strong for him. Already also he has won the respect of the official police force. Desk Sergeant Stempel, who is looking after him in the station, has said that he is not, and never has been a member of the Klan.

So far the local Ku Klux Klan leaders have not taken any action. As a matter of fact, while he speaks in terms of warm approval of the work of the organization in his home city, he insists that he is not, and never has been a member of the Klan.

Klan Assisted Him. "But the Klan was of great value to me when I was trying to put an end to bootlegging and concealing in Mer Rouge," he said. "Not that they ran anybody out of town, but by tactful persuasion they were able to break up much of the outlaws."

In appearance, Dr. McKoin is a typical country doctor. He is short and fat, with a perpetual grin, keen eyes, and ruddy complexion, he is speaking much outdoor life. He admits killing a rival doctor, but points out that the jury accepted his view that he acted in self-defense.

"I knew Richards," he said. "That is I knew him just as one knows any man who does odd mechanical jobs around a town. He was a doctor, but I did not know it when I used to meet and josh with him on the street."

He laughs rather grimly when discussing Governor Parker. "He seems strong on helping communities purge themselves of outlaws, but he is not in evidence when I was trying to clean up my own little city," declared McKoin. The doctor says he was one of the organizers of the Arkansas-Louisiana Law Enforcement League, but explains it has nothing to do with the Klan being mentioned in the outlaws, but he had more than a dozen, a farmer in his bed. He is a deacon in the Baptist Church, a Shriner, and a member of several fraternal organizations.

Enjoys Breakfast. The accused slept like a child on his cot in a cell in the police station last night. It was not until late in the morning that he awoke and had his breakfast in from a tiny restaurant across the street. He ate this meal as he has all of his others with apparent ease, and had no trouble about it because I owed it to my wife and children to protect my life that I came here to take a post-graduate course. I had planned to go back and attend the law school, but now, they have accused me of a dastardly crime, and my fighting blood is up. I won't be forced to attend that fight extradition to the very last ditch.

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DIBS AND DABS —BY HARRY MOYER



72 YR. OLD YONKERS, N.Y. MAN ANNOYS DAUGHTER-IN-LAW WITH HIS 'PERSISTENT DANCING AND SINGING'



SUSPECT 45 MEN OF DUAL MURDER

Troops Surround Town to Prevent Escape of the Accused Plotters.

Special to The Advertiser. Mer Rouge, La., Dec. 29.—Full details of how masked terrorists kidnaped Watt Daniels and Thomas Richards, and tortured and murdered them last August, are in possession of federal and state investigators today.

Two members of the band who made a confession, implicating forty-five other persons, many of them prominent, are being carefully guarded. If the men whom they have betrayed could get at them their lives would be forfeit.

The whole hooded terrorist plot will be exposed to the public when the open hearings of the case start at Bastrop, La., Jan. 6. A virtual cordon of troops and state officials has been thrown around Moorehouse Parish today to prevent escape of any one of the forty-five men implicated.

Every road and bridge was guarded. A million dollar defense is being organized for the accused men. Some of the most noted criminal attorneys in the country have received overtures to act in behalf of those implicated on charges of murder and outrage, federal investigators learned.

The sources of funds for this gigantic defense were being traced by department of justice operatives today as a clue to other members of the hooded mob which flogged and murdered the two men last August. Friends of Dr. B. W. McKoin, former mayor, were also raising a fund of \$20,000 to prevent his return here from Baltimore, where he is held charged with the two murders.

The report of pathologists who have examined the bodies of Richards and Daniels, expected tomorrow will tell of horrible tortures. It was learned. An undertaker who helped prepare the bodies for burial after they were recovered from Lake La Fourche, said the heads of both men were missing. Broken and bruised condition of their hands, ribs and spinal column and other parts of the bodies, told of horrible punishment from the frenzied mob, he said.

WILL DISCUSS DETAILS OF REPARATIONS AT PARIS

Paris, Dec. 29.—As a result of exchanges of views since the London meeting of the premiers, the allies have decided to go over the entire question of reparations in detail at the Paris conference to begin next Tuesday. It is expected now in official circles that it will require at least a week and perhaps two weeks to complete the discussion.

Tenants Won't Pay Landlords, Landlords Won't Pay Government

Canadian Press Cable. London, Dec. 29.—A chaotic situation has developed along the Clyde-side owing to the refusal of tenants to pay rent for many months past, at least 20,000 householders in Glasgow alone participating in the non-payment of rent. The result is that the landlords are not paying their taxes to the local government, and the consequence of the whole matter is disorganization of the administration.

Keeping Up With Joneses.



HOT CAMPAIGN NEARS CLOSE IN QUEEN CITY

Two Candidates for Mayor and 62 for Toronto Council.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC PLAN

Six-Track Radial Project the Storm Center of Interesting Election.

Canadian Press. Toronto, Dec. 29.—Two candidates for the mayoralty and sixty-two for the city council are now in the home-stretch of what is probably the warmest municipal election campaign in the history of the city of Toronto. Never before has the issue been so definite and the lines so sharply drawn among the candidates.

Political, sectarian and racial affiliations of the candidates have been eradicated, so far as the present campaign is concerned. Newspaper support and the support of powerful organizations has been divided entirely on the question as to whether or not the candidates are in favor of an agreement between the city of Toronto and the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission regarding the entrance to the city of the six-track radial railway along the city's newly-developed waterfront.

Submitted to Ratepayers. The agreement itself will also be submitted directly to the ratepayers on Monday next. It might be summed that under such circumstances the candidates for municipal honors might be considered from some other standpoint than their racial, bylan opinions. Such is the cleavage of feeling in the matter, however, that the "pro" and "anti" insist that they must have the people decide for themselves on the agreement, but they must have a city council next year that will faithfully implement the will of the people in that regard.

Winnipeg, Dec. 29.—John Stanton, for whom a warrant for arrest on a charge of murder has been issued, admitted slaying 74-year-old John Penny, whose body, with head battered in with a claw hammer, was found on Dec. 18, according to the testimony given by Albert E. "Happy" Horton, charged with complicity in the murder, at the coroner's inquest last night. Horton said that robbery was the motive.

AGED MAN KILLED, JEWELRY STOLEN

Reports John Stanton Came In With Bloodstained Hands.

Horton described how Stanton, with bloodstained hands, had entered the room in which he was sleeping and calmly said: "I'm afraid I have done for the old man." Witness said he was frightened and fled to a neighbor's house. Stanton entered the room shortly after.

Stanton told Horton, according to the latter, that he got \$110 in bills, two diamond earrings and a pearl necklace. "He offered me some of the money, which I refused," Horton said.

Arthur L. Searle, also charged with complicity, refused on advice of his counsel, to tell what he knew of the murder. Stanton said a verdict could not be given without the evidence, Deputy Coroner W. G. Campbell sentenced Searle to fifteen days imprisonment or until he should decide to give evidence in the case.

MURDERS HIS COUSIN, THEN SHOOTS HIMSELF

Special to The Advertiser. Lang, Hillsboro, N. D., died today from wounds, self-inflicted, after shooting his cousin, Mrs. H. B. Merrill, while they were speeding through downtown streets in a taxicab.

Police said Lang met Mrs. Merrill in Hillsboro and followed her to Chicago, where she lived with her husband, a physician.

ANTICIPATE DEFEAT OF BORAH PROPOSAL

World Economic Conference Bill Expected to Get Short Shift.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Confidently predicting its defeat, administration leaders hoped for final disposition by the senate today of the Borah proposal for a world economic conference, although the list of senators prepared to speak on the amendment made a vote doubtful, with the possibility of a delay over the New Year's holiday.

Not only were administration leaders predicting its defeat today, but upon the present status of the battle, supporters of the amendment were conceding it. They were endeavoring, however, to be still endeavoring to gain support for it among doubtful members. Senator Borah himself on the floor late yesterday said he expected the amendment to be thrown out.

FIRE LOSSES \$1,966,900.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Fire losses in Canada during the week ended December 27 are estimated by the Monetary Times at \$1,966,900, compared with \$93,000 the previous week.

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Poor Old Hamlet Garbled by Russ

Special Cable to The Advertiser. Moscow, Dec. 29.—The Soviet commissariat of education has ordered Shakespeare's "Hamlet" rewritten with Polonius in the role of George makeup and Hamlet depicted as a communist leader fighting the bourgeoisie and capitalism in the investigation. Excerpts of Lloyd George speeches on international affairs, especially those affecting Russia, to be substituted for the lines of Polonius. Marxian revolutionary rhetoric will replace the soliloquies.

WAGES TAKE HEAVY DROP DURING YEAR

Prospects for Some Improvement in Pay Reasonably Assuring in Britain.

Canadian Press Cable. London, Dec. 29.—A review of the wage position this year in Great Britain shows that the heavy fall, which began in 1921, has been continuous, and, with the exception of railway services, has reached the irreducible minimum in practically all the chief industries. The reductions have amounted to as much as £5,000,000 in the weekly wages in 1922, following the drop of £7,000,000 in 1921.

The prospects of some improvement in wages are reasonably assuring. The coal industry is already absorbing all its unemployed. In the iron and steel engineering trades, however, there is still much unemployment. The loss of working days through trade disputes has not been as great in this year, chiefly as a result of differences between employees and employers in the engineering and shipbuilding trades.

METROPOLIS' COAL GREATLY DWINDLED

Only Two Days' Supply in New York as Result of Blizzard.

Special to The Advertiser. New York, Dec. 29.—New York's coal reserve dwindled to a two days' supply as a blizzard howled over the city today.

Fuel administration officials estimated the reserve tonnage undelivered to dealers at 61,500 tons. Hundreds of tenements reported only a few days' supply on hand. On an average, however, there is enough fuel in the hands of dealers and householders to last two weeks, the fuel officials declared, adding that if strict conservation is adhered to the city may escape suffering.

One man was killed and another injured in accidents during the storm here. The hurricane that blew in from the sea wrecked two schooners on Long Island. Nearly a foot of snow fell during the night.

AUTHORITIES START PLANS TO EXECUTE TWO SLAYERS

Despite Pending Appeals Work Begun for Hanging of Water and Mrs. Thompson.

Special Cable to The Advertiser. London, Dec. 29.—Preparations to execute Mrs. Thompson on January 9 and Frederick Edward Bywaters the following day were tentatively begun by officials today, despite pending appeals before the home secretary.

Mrs. Thompson and Bywaters, alleged affinites, were condemned to death in Old Bailey court for the murder of the woman's husband, Percy Thompson. Evidence showed they plotted his death by slow poisoning and finally stabbed him to death, so they would be free to marry.

At the home office it was said that no action would be taken on the appeal, which is accompanied by petitions for clemency bearing a million signatures, this week. Mrs. Thompson's principal plea is that she is about to be executed for the murder of her husband, Percy Thompson, who was executed for the murder of his wife, Mrs. Thompson.

MONGOLIAN HEIRESS MAY BE OSTRACIZED

Washington, Dec. 29.—Unless she returns home within the next few days, Mildred Weng, Chinese heiress, who twice fled to escape marrying George Nunn Lee, son of a millionaire Chinese merchant of New York, will be disowned by her parents and ostracized from every Chinese home in the United States. It was indicated Thursday afternoon.

From her wedding place, the obdurate Mildred served notice on parents Thursday that she would not return home until the plans for the marriage had been abandoned, and Lee had gone back to New York.

HAMILTON COMPANY GOES INTO LIQUIDATION

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 29.—The W. E. Sanford Manufacturing Company, Limited, has gone into voluntary liquidation, and has appointed G. T. Clarkson, Toronto, trustee, to wind up the business, which was one of the largest concerns in the city. The liquidation will not affect the Oak Hall stores, which were recently sold to Messrs. McCutcheon and Patterson.

ANTI-LABOR GOVERNMENT LIKELY IN AUSTRALIA

Canadian Press Cable—Via Reuter's. Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 29.—The formation of an anti-labor government for the Australian commonwealth is foreshadowed, it is surmised, as the result of an interview which Dr. Early Page, leader of the Country Party, had had with Hon. W. A. Watt, a former treasurer of the commonwealth, and Hon. S. M. Bruce, the present federal treasurer. Nothing definite, however, is known about the matter.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE C.N.R. BIG PROBLEM

Sir Henry Has Given No Information as to Location of Main Arteries.

LEAVES FOR THE WEST. Hoped That New Policy Shall Reduce Huge Annual Deficit.

Special to The Advertiser. Ottawa, Dec. 29.—Sir Henry Thornton is busy in his offices at the Jackson Building, with an accumulated mass of correspondence, and is trying to digest some of the information which he acquired on his recent trip through the maritime provinces before setting out for the west. His western trip will occupy him till the end of January, and when he returns he will have at least a nodding acquaintance with the major part of the great system, which has been entrusted to his care, and will be able to meet his directors and begin the settlement of some larger questions of policy which have to be faced.

Of these, the most pressing is the question of the headquarters of the unified C. N. R. system, and so far not a hint has been disclosed of his views and inclinations. He has, however, frankly declared that there will be no division of the offices, but that they will be concentrated in one place or another.

Ottawa Undesirable. The suggestion of Ottawa does not find much favor, as the capital is not a railway center of the first rank, and with headquarters established there the elimination of the political influence which is so undesirable would be made doubly difficult.

Naturally Toronto's prestige as an ancient stronghold of public ownership and the fact that the old Canadian Northern system had its headquarters within her bounds, give her a good prima facie case for becoming the headquarters of operations for the C. N. R., but Montreal is eager and importunate for the prize, and her champions are unremitting in their activities. It must also be remembered that today the political influences of Toronto at Ottawa is negligible compared with that of Montreal, and that this handicap is serious. Naturally the Ontario ministers are strong advocates of Toronto's claim. Obviously the final decision must rest with Sir Henry himself.

After all, he is only human, and if he is subjected to wanton abuse by representatives of Toronto's political party, he may be tempted to retaliate for her claims cannot be increased.

C. N. R. Improving.

Sir Henry assumed his duties with the prospects of the C. N. R. distinctly on the upswing. A semi-official estimate reckons that deficit on the C. N. R. for the calendar year which will expire in a few days at roughly \$50,000,000, which is about \$17,000,000 less than last year's deficit. On operating costs the system has practically broken even, for in 1921 there was an operating deficit, of about \$17,000,000.

The \$50,000,000 deficit will arise from the interest which must be paid on the fixed charges. Of this sum ten million dollars are due on obligations held by the government itself, and the balance is owed to outside bondholders. The reduction of fifty million deficit means so much addition to the fixed charges which will have to be met next year, and Sir Henry must expect a reduction of affairs which will end the annual increment of the fixed charges.

If Parliament, however, had not decreed a substantial reduction of rates last session, there would have been a substantial surplus to allocate to the fixed charges.

At the end of the year, the Grand Trunk is expected to show a net operating revenue of about ten and a half million dollars, which will just pay the interest on the debt, and the weakest part of the country's railway possessions is the Grand Trunk Pacific, which continues to be a sink hole for public money.

When Sir Henry goes west he will be confronted with vigorous demands for the completion of the Hudson Bay Railway, but before he sanctions it, he will want clear convincing that the operation of this line will not swell rather than curtail C. N. R. deficits in years to come.

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PASHA REAFFIRMS MOSUL DEMANDS

Sends Letter to Lord Curzon Asking Oil Fields For Turkey.

DENIES CONTENTION Claims Kurds Are Anxious to Remain Under Arab Government.

Lausanne, Dec. 29.—Armed Pasha sent a letter to Marquis Curzon this afternoon, reaffirming his demands that the Mosul district, with its valuable oil fields, be turned over to Turkey. The note denied the British contention that the Kurds who inhabit the district are not friendly to the Turks, and want Mosul to remain under the Arab government of Iraq.

Marquis Curzon, British foreign secretary, and head of the British delegation to the Near East peace conference, plans to leave Sunday for Paris, where he will remain until Tuesday for the purpose of conferring with Prime Minister Lloyd in regard to the Near Eastern situation.

By HENRY WOOD. Special Cable to The Advertiser. Lausanne, Dec. 29.—Final decision as to peace or war in the Near East rests with the Turks today. The conference's work practically suspended, waiting for word from Ismet Pasha. The Turk delegates had a few days in which to reply to Allied insistence that mixed tribunals and judicial guarantees replace capitulations. If he had final formal rejection of the demand, it would mean the immediate ending of the peace conference, delegates declared.

Meanwhile, the British were reported making preparations to meet an open break with a return to armed watchfulness at the straits. A British fleet was reported under full steam for the Dardanelles. The Angora government proved to block any concessions on the part of Ismet Pasha, even in the face of this veiled threat of force. The Kemalists took away the Turk delegates' mandate, and required that any decisions reached at Lausanne be referred to Angora for ratification.

The conference having become a struggle between British and Turks to shift the blame upon each other for the break now regarded as inevitable, the former has won the backing of all other delegations except the Greeks.

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GREEK-TURK WAR COMING.

London, Dec. 29.—Resumption of war between Greece and Turkey is considered inevitable in the former country, according to a cable from Athens to the Daily Express today.

EXPECT LARGE GATHERING AT FOREST CITY REUNION

Reports of Promises to Attend Reach City From All Parts of Country.

Reports from every section of the country north and south of the boundary line, indicate that the London Old Boys' reunion, set for August next, will be "greater and grander than ever."

DECIDE TO SUE WELLAND FOR KEEP OF BLIND MAN

Hamilton, Dec. 29.—The board of control here today decided to sue the municipality of Welland every month for the keep of an aged blind man, who has been noticed at the Welland hospital.

DELINQUENT MILKMEN MAY BE APPREHENDED

Some Still Continue to Ignore the Municipal Bylaw.

There are district milk dealers, the health authorities announce, who will shortly face charges in the London police court if they continue to ignore the municipal bylaw compelling the tuberculin milk test.

TUCKS FOR TRIMMINGS.

Fine tucking is used on many of the first summer frocks made up for Palm Beach wear. This is most effective on fine voiles, batistes and handkerchief linens.

BAIL ALLOWED MAN ON NEGLECT CHARGE

Recovery of Injured Woman Gives Williams His Freedom.

When Magistrate Graydon learned today that Mrs. Helen Murchison, 238 Nelson street, who was injured when an auto crashed into the Salvation Army parade Sunday evening, was out of danger, he consented to release Henry R. Williams, 755 Adelaide street, the driver of the car, on bail.

Personal bail of \$2,000 and two sureties of \$1,000 each were furnished for the most part by Mrs. Williams who came before the court within a week to face a charge of negligence in not having his car under control, and in doing bodily harm to Mrs. Murchison.

LEON'S MECHANICAL ABILITY COSTS HIM STIFF PENALTY

Hamilton, Dec. 29.—There is something very queer with the hydro electric meter in the home of Leon Jasinski, 46 Imperial street. On Sept. 26 it registered 472 but after two months' use on November 28 it only registered 464.

SHIPS IN DISTRESS IN RAGING STORM

Five Known Dead as Result of Terrific Gale.

New York, Dec. 29.—Five ships are in distress on the Atlantic coast, many others are overdue, scores are held in port unable to venture out, seaboard cities are sheathed in ice and the weather is clearing today.

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The London postoffice received pamphlets Friday morning, in which are being given directions for wrapping and being heavy lists of a fragile nature: hats and millinery, pictures, drawings, paintings, maps, liquids and oils, fruits, etc.

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GUEST OF TRAVELERS

Ontario Association in City Hears Many Speakers at Annual Banquet.

Features of the twenty-sixth annual banquet of the Ontario Commercial Travelers' Association held last night at the Tecumseh House were addressed by R. E. Brackin, M.P., of Chatham; Major Hume Cronyn, J. F. White, M.P., and Edgar Watson, M.P.P., chairman of the hotel investigating committee recently appointed by the Provincial Parliament to look into the hotel situation and remedy its defects.

E. N. Hannah, president of the Travelers' Association, in giving the opening toast to "The King," said: "We are here to honor the association to which we belong and which has stood for the past 28 years for the betterment of hotels and railroads, and which has further attended to the wants of sick fellow-members and mortuary benefits."

James Gray, president of the local chamber of commerce, recommended the Travelers' Association to the Ontario Government, who then spoke on "Inns of the Future."

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He stated that the hotel investigating committee had already traveled 15,000 miles in their work, and breaking the ground for the opening of a better system of hotels in the future.

"The first thing we asked the people," he said, "was that if they thought government action was necessary. The conclusion arrived at was that the hotel business is the first point of contact of the visitor to the province. It is the medium through which the community extends the hospitality of the town to those entering that town."

Need Good Hotel. "A good hotel system is an absolute necessity for the good of the country; it is in every way as important as good railways, and when it falls down it is the duty of the government to revive it."

Years ago reformers sought to close up saloons and make hotel men handle liquor. This action was wrong, and forced legitimate hotel service to follow the trail of saloons. Many hotels were built to satisfy the demand for saloon services, and now that liquor has passed these places have become run-down, dilapidated and inefficient.

Eke Out Living. "There are many towns and villages in Ontario where there are three and four hotels eking out an existence for their owners."

"Today there are as many people traveling in autos as there are on trains. The successful hotel is now

Arrest N. Y. Postal Clerk In Death of "Little Vamp"

Police Hold B. Prenderville In Mysterious Murder of Theresa McCarthy Found Slain In Bathroom With Faithful Poodle Standing On Guard.

New York, Dec. 28.—Benjamin Prenderville, a clerk in the Brooklyn general postoffice, last night was arrested on a charge of homicide in the slaying of 10-year-old Theresa McCarthy, whose body, with the heart pierced by a .22-calibre revolver bullet, was found in her Brooklyn home last Tuesday.

Police asserted that Prenderville boarded at the McCarthy home. The mysterious murder of Theresa McCarthy, known in the Brooklyn neighborhood in which she lived as "the little vamp," because of her winsomeness and beauty, completely baffled the best detectives for some time.

The girl was found dead from a bullet wound in her breast by her mother, Mrs. Pauline McCarthy, when the latter returned from work late Tuesday night. The body lay on the floor among scattered Christmas toys in the dining-room.

The one which is strategically situated to meet this tourist traffic and accommodate it. "It is an absolute necessity for the government to separate the departments which enforce the O. T. A. and those interested in encouraging good hotels. Let us put some milk of human kindness into our attitude toward the hotelmen that we may help them along in their endeavor to overcome their many obstacles and eventually put forth a province-wide system of efficient hotels."

Establish Group. Mr. Watson then gave some of his own views of the hotel question. "It would," he said, "be a good thing if the system of improving hotels were placed in the hands of a group of responsible citizens who would not be hindered in their work by thinking of the enforcement of the O. T. A."

The enforcement of prohibition in the province has cost the people millions of dollars. It would be worth a great deal to the province if we could show the hotelmen that he is appreciated by all.

It is possible to increase the tourist business in Ontario to \$100,000,000 a year by having efficient hotels. When this comes about we will all naturally benefit.

Encourage Hostels. With this in mind every good citizen should encourage the betterment of hostels.

In one great American university the young men may take college courses in hotelkeeping. This should be done in Canada in order to place our hotels on a higher plane.

Any solution of the hotel problem of Ontario will need not only legislation but also co-operation of the motor leagues, travelers' clubs, and in fact all public spirited bodies.

Frank White Speaks. The next toast, "Canada," was proposed by J. Frank White, M.P., who treated of the value of complete loyalty to the flag on all occasions.

"We should," he said, "give the

The child had been alone all day while the mother, a divorcee, was at work. When Mrs. McCarthy returned she found the apartment door locked and was forced to call the janitor to get in. Police who were called immediately declared that there was no evidence anyone had been in the apartment other than the girl. Search for fingerprints on the kitchen window, raised a few inches failed to reveal any clue.

Detectives described the murder as one of the most complete crime puzzles they ever have known. The only living thing that may have witnessed the tragic killing was the child's poodle dog Rags, found whining in the bathroom.

The girl was slain with a small bullet. There were powder marks on her gown and flash, indicating close range.

first preference in matters of trade to Canadian manufacturers. "Canada has many problems, the greatest of which is immigration and the need of peopling the newer sections of the country. We also have our railway and agricultural problems. The days of homesteading and land speculation have gone, and the farmer is again the idea of conducting actual farming."

Make Canada Greater. "Canada is the granary of the British Empire, and we must all work to make her greater."

Major Hume Cronyn in response to this toast stated there were three fundamental problems of the country, and these were the large extent of unsettled districts, the diversity of races in Canada, and the great national debt.

"Every businessman should make the attempt to visit yearly the great western provinces," he said, "and thus widen his outlook on the possibilities lying before Canadians."

Reach Common Ground. "The east and west are gradually coming to a common ground, and their ideas are merging. Canada can be compared to an enormous plant all ready for gigantic production, but lacking sufficient workers to turn such a liability into a well-paying asset."

"We need to encourage the better class of immigration and discourage the emigration of good Canadians from the country. We must pay more attention to agriculture with end in view of bettering the Canadian race, and we need as our watchword, 'assimilation' and 'Canadianization,' and must ban those immigrants who are not willing to adopt these mores."

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Sarnia, Dec. 28.—The preliminary hearing in connection with the charge against William Inch of stealing farm stock, harness and household furnishings from the farm on the townline of Moore and Sarnia, owned by Mrs. James Kerr of Sarnia, was adjourned until Tuesday, Jan. 4, with consent of both parties before Magistrate C. S. Woodrow yesterday, \$6,000 bail posted after his arrest being renewed.

It is charged Inch drove the stock from Mrs. Kerr's farm, which he was operating on a share basis for the latter, and drove them to Kerwood, where he conducted an auction sale and disposed of them, the value of the stock and goods being placed at \$2,000. Inch, it is stated, took this method of securing money which he claimed Mrs. Kerr owed him.

Edward Gatzke and Harold Murdoch, two Wallaceburg youths, were acquitted on the charge of having liquor in other than a private dwelling here today.

At a dance in Post Lambton a bottle of liquor was found in the car, but in court they denied ownership or any previous knowledge of the bottle.

Magistrate Woodrow advised the defendants to be careful in the future.

Waits for Conference. London, Dec. 28.—(Canadian Press cable.)—In response to representations from the Association of the British Chambers of Commerce, the president of the board of trade, Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame, states that the association will be consulted when arrangements for the proposed imperial conference are definitely settled.

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TONIGHT'S BOXING SHOW AT ARMORIES CREATES BIG SQUAD CROQUI ACCEPTS TERMS ICE WORKOUT

Boxing Makes Debut At Local Armories Tonight

No Championship Crowns At Stake, But Some May Be Created—Socking Bee Attracts Big Interest—Points Way To Revival.

There'll be no championship crowns tilted at tonight's socking bee at the armories, the first of the boxing shows to be staged under the auspices of the London Garrison Athletic Association, but there are sure to be some ambitious setting a bit avary when the fracas is all over and the medals are being handed out.

Cy Cook is the only one of the contenders who can lay claim to a title recently acquired, and though Cy may not bill himself as the amateur light heavyweight champ of Canada, his one-round knockout of "Ted" Campbell of Hamilton a short time ago gives him the right to spread the ink after his moniker if the ginger-haired party from Hamilton City had a vestige of claim to the title. Canada's a big place, and the local fans want to look over Cy's credentials, in case of future claims.

Several Others. Several of the other contestants can claim city championships they won several years ago when the Army and Navy veterans made a valiant attempt to start boxing here, but tried mixing pro and amateur with sorry results, and with St. Thomas and St. John's mitting men making it in the event with these city champs, there might be some tri-city titles created and claimed.

Tonight's show will go a long way toward proving boxing and wrestling strictly amateur can be successfully introduced in London as a staple part of the city's sport schedule. The game has never had the chance it has this season in the way of stable backing, and it is believed tonight will show results. The fans will be seeing some more than average material, and many a fine pretensions of future champions of fistiana on their upward climb. Aside from this view,

Boxing is perhaps needed among the sports patronized by Londoners, it's the game that has stood the test of centuries amongst the Anglo-Saxons, despite a good many setbacks, and it still stands as the sport which demands the most in the way of manliness, courage and sportsmanship from its exponent.

Value of Refereeing. Physical instructor Blake of the Central Collegiate, probably one of the best-posted men on boxing in the Dominion, will be the third man in the ring tonight. Blake's experience will enable him to keep the boxers strictly at their business.

Probably nowhere else is the services of a competent arbitrator needed so much as in an amateur ring. The promoters, with the money in view, know better than to pull any of the obvious tricks they know, but some of the perplexed amateurs are more careless, and from then on the officials intend to keep the procession moving right along.

Set Dates For L. O. B. A. Groups. The schedule of the Ladies' Ontario Basketball Association will be announced at the first of the week, it is expected, President Carrie Blackwell announced last night. The ten teams have been divided into three groups. The eastern group is composed of Toronto, Oshawa and Peterborough; the central group, of St. Catharines, Guelph and Niagara Falls; and the western group, of St. Thomas and Woodstock.

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Stratford Opens Bill In Kitchener Tonight. Kitchener, Dec. 28.—The local O. H. A. season will get off to a good start tomorrow night, when the local intermediates will take on the Stratford team in the city, emphasized the O. H. A. intermediates in the first home game of the season. There has long been rivalry between Kitchener and Stratford, and for that reason the battle between the two teams followed up their defeat at Preston by a win from Elmira in an exhibition game. The play in Elmira ended 2-2 in favor of Kitchener.

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Criqui Accepts O'Rourke Terms. New York, Dec. 28.—Tom O'Rourke, New York promoter, announced tonight he had received word from his Paris agent that Eugene Criqui, French holder of the European featherweight boxing title, had accepted terms for a world's championship match at the Polo Grounds next Decoration Day with Johnny Kilbane of Cleveland, the present titleholder. Kilbane already has signed for the bout.

HOCKEY RESULTS. O. H. A. Intermediates. Grimsby 7, Burlington 3. Exhibition. Argonauts 6, Toronto C. C. 3. Grimsby 8, Oakville 5. Boston College 3, McGill University 1.

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NEW ORLEANS RESULTS. First race, all ages—Freemarket, 10 to 1, 4 to 1, 2 to 1, won; Leo Fisher, even, 1 to 1, 2 to 1, 3 to 1, 4 to 1, 5 to 1, 6 to 1, 7 to 1, 8 to 1, 9 to 1, 10 to 1, 11 to 1, 12 to 1, 13 to 1, 14 to 1, 15 to 1, 16 to 1, 17 to 1, 18 to 1, 19 to 1, 20 to 1, 21 to 1, 22 to 1, 23 to 1, 24 to 1, 25 to 1, 26 to 1, 27 to 1, 28 to 1, 29 to 1, 30 to 1, 31 to 1, 32 to 1, 33 to 1, 34 to 1, 35 to 1, 36 to 1, 37 to 1, 38 to 1, 39 to 1, 40 to 1, 41 to 1, 42 to 1, 43 to 1, 44 to 1, 45 to 1, 46 to 1, 47 to 1, 48 to 1, 49 to 1, 50 to 1, 51 to 1, 52 to 1, 53 to 1, 54 to 1, 55 to 1, 56 to 1, 57 to 1, 58 to 1, 59 to 1, 60 to 1, 61 to 1, 62 to 1, 63 to 1, 64 to 1, 65 to 1, 66 to 1, 67 to 1, 68 to 1, 69 to 1, 70 to 1, 71 to 1, 72 to 1, 73 to 1, 74 to 1, 75 to 1, 76 to 1, 77 to 1, 78 to 1, 79 to 1, 80 to 1, 81 to 1, 82 to 1, 83 to 1, 84 to 1, 85 to 1, 86 to 1, 87 to 1, 88 to 1, 89 to 1, 90 to 1, 91 to 1, 92 to 1, 93 to 1, 94 to 1, 95 to 1, 96 to 1, 97 to 1, 98 to 1, 99 to

Canada Boasts Nine Women Who Star On Silver Screen

Beautiful Canadians Hold "Balance of Power" Among Twenty Leading Actresses—"Our Mary" Remains Undisputed Queen of Them All.

BY MARION E. RYAN.

Hollywood, Calif., Dec. 23.—Seated on the broad veranda of the Writer's Club of Hollywood, a group of America's leading professional scenario-writers began talking about the star created in this center of the motion picture industry by the visit of Lord and Lady Mountbatten. The Mountbattens stopped off, it will be remembered, during their honeymoon tour to get a close-up of movie life, and were the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Fairbanks. "Awww, just like about 'em," grumbled one writer. "I was glad to see it," quickly answered another. "They are the real class. We don't get enough of them kind out here. Some of our bright young actors and actresses would do well to observe them in the picture against the next picture in which they are cast for English nobility. We need a touch of English atmosphere out here, we're too much Iowa and Kansas and—"

"What! Need for more English atmosphere?" "Why, man, Hollywood is getting as English as a blooming suburb of London. There are English men and girls in every picture, and gone it, they're doing the best work out here, too. Perhaps I shouldn't say English, but at least Canadian. Count 'em up, the big stars and the big character people—you'll find every other one is a Canadian."

Canadian Women Lead. After an hour's ebb and flow of chatter the consensus of opinion was that Canada, without the aid of England or Australia, had seized the "balance of power" in motion picture stardom. Out of twenty of the most talented women acting on the screen, for instance, no less than nine are Canadians. On the same side, the percentage was somewhat lower, but the surprising fact was adduced that Canada is looming larger and larger as the source of the world's best film talent.

No one, not even jealous imitators, have the temerity to dispute the ascendancy of Mary Pickford in the whole world of pictures. Her place is secure. She is the queen of motion pictures beyond question. She was born in Toronto, and to this day her interest in her birthplace is lively and constant.

"Our Mary" Rules Society. Mrs. Fairbanks is the arbiter, not only of fashion among the girls of the studios out here, but of motion picture social comings and goings as well. Recently the notorious Peggy Hopkins Joyce, between changes of millionaire husbands, came to Hollywood, just after a young South American had killed himself because of her in Paris. Perhaps she expected to create something of the same sort of stir that followed her movement abroad. Charlie Chaplin, indeed, did "fall" for a bit of her allure. But when he drove up in his big machine with Peggy Joyce, and she smiled, he was brought up with a jolt. Mary, from upstairs, sent word by the butler that she was not at home. The next day, Peggy, flustered and looking a little unwell, remarked that Hollywood was a "dead hole."

New Canadian Stars. Who are some of the newer stars who are Canadians? Probably the most recent arrival in the innermost circle is the charming Marie Prevost. Marie was born and attended the public schools in Starnia, Canada, and her relatives still live in the Dominion. She made her first appearance in motion pictures under the most favorable conditions of rivalry, in the "bathing girl crew" of the noted Mack Sennett. Marie is now 22 years old, and on the threshold of genuine fame. Stardom is already here for her.

Another Canadian girl who easily takes rank with the first twenty young women of the films is Claire Adams. She was born in Winnipeg and received her early education there and later in England, where her people originally hailed from. She is regarded in the motion picture colony as an actress of genuine ability, and from whom even greater things are to come.

Best "Character Actress." The title of the "best character actress" in pictures belongs to a Canadian woman, Josephine Joseph. She is a native of Montreal. There is no question about her rank. Her first big work in films was in "The Birth of a Nation," and since that time she has placed her mark on such big productions as "Intolerance," "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," "Hearts of the World," "Crooked Streets," "Held by the Enemy," "Bunty Pulls the Strings" and others.

Another character actress, and one closely rivaling the fame of Miss Josephine, is Ricca Allen, who was born in Victoria, B. C. Her work in "Song of Love," in which Vivian Martin was starred, was so good that four producers were shortly after bidding for her services. She has put a part of her savings in a great farm in British Columbia.

On motion picture lots where comedies are made, the star still shining at the mark set by Marie Dressler in her burlesque of Carmen and other laugh-provoking vehicles. Everybody knows, of course, that Marie Dressler is a Canadian, born in Oshkosh, and owns several substantial pieces of property there. She is far away from the first figure in not only stage comedy, but film comedy.

Beverly Bruce from Montreal. Beverly Bruce, who has done excellent work in films, and who was the first to essay the role of "Evangeline" on the films, is a Montreal girl. She also noted the title role in "Tess of the Storm Country" several years before Marie Pickford starred in the same part. Miss Bruce is now in New York and has not appeared in screen productions recently.

Vivian Rich is one of the most delicately beautiful girls acting for the screen. Her people formerly lived in Quebec, and it is there that she was born. She will be remembered in "The Crime of the Hour," "Vengeance Is Mine," "Sins of the World" and "The Last Straw." It is reported that a prominent Hollywood producer is shortly to star her in a new super-production costume play.

Another actress who is rapidly attaining the goal of all young motion picture actresses through sheer ability to act coupled with a sweet "screen face" is Gladys Fairbanks, who hails from Halifax. She will be remembered in the Metro production "The Outsider" and in "The Face in the Dark."

Mildred Manning, formerly of Hamilton, Ontario, began her acting career in musical comedy. Her first work in pictures was for the old Biograph and later for Vitaphone. She has starred in a number of western pictures and at present her pictures are being released. She ranks well into stardom.

A Star from Winnipeg. Musical comedy also paved the way for the screen career of Ethel Grey

Terry, a native of Winnipeg. She is unusually talented, being a singer and classical dancer as well as an accomplished actress. She was first brought into prominence through her work in "Intolerance" in the part of an Egyptian slave girl, and since then has been starred in a half dozen really big pictures.

Edna Shipman, a Toronto girl, began her work in "Canadian photographs" and later moved to Hollywood, where she was given a generous contract by Metro. Her superb acting in "Back to God's Country" will be remembered.

Gladys Hulette, who hails from Montreal, is another young actress from whom experts in films expect great things in the days to come, though already she has attained unshakable standing in the picture world. She was one of the early stars of Biograph and kept up the standard. "The Last of the Carnabys," "Miss Nobody" and "The Crooked Romance" are some of the notable pictures in which she has won fame.

There are many other young women from Canada in the films, but whose names have not yet appeared in the electric lights on the theatre entrances.

ARREST OF NEPHEW ENDS GAS MYSTERY

Police Find Owner's Relative Driving Missing Zoccanno Auto.

For a long time Nick Zoccanno had been thoroughly convinced that gasoline thieves were operating in the city. Each morning he went to his garage he found the supply in his auto very low, and he knew he did not use it all himself.

Believing Louis Kaufman, the owner of the garage, should be held responsible, he requested him to keep his weather eye open. Kaufman did, and much to his surprise, found not only the gas gone, but the auto missing last night.

The police were notified. They found the car. The driver was none other than Zoccanno's nephew John. At police headquarters the matter was straggled out without the necessity of bringing it before the courts.

OCEAN LINES SLASH RATES FOR CATTLE

Reduce Freight Charge 25 Per Cent On Animals Shipped To Britain.

Winnipeg, Dec. 29.—Word was received yesterday by the United Grain Growers, Limited, of a substantial reduction in ocean freight rates on cattle by the White Star Line.

Three of its boats, the Welshman, the Cornishman, and presumably the Irishman, will carry cattle out of Portland, Maine, to Great Britain for \$15 a head.

This is a drop of \$5 a head since the last quotations, which were \$20, and is much the lowest rate since the war. The highest rate was \$45 a head.

MYATT MAY COST INDIANS \$30,000

Milwaukee Clubowner Lips Figure—Johnson Arguing Again.

BY JOHN B. FOSTER. (Copyright.) New York, Dec. 28.—It was expected today that the Cleveland American League club will announce the addition of Myatt, catcher of the Milwaukee club, to its playing staff shortly after Jan. 1. Cleveland, however, is not going to get Myatt without putting out a healthy amount of cash. The price claimed by some to have been \$20,000, and certainly the roundelay Otto Borchert, the Milwaukee club owner, has been singing about Myatt always had 30,000 notes in them.

American Association managers believe that Myatt will be sold to the American League. He batted like a wildman in 1922, with an average well up toward .350. If he does as well as the men who have watched him in the majors, and that he will do, he will be a valuable asset to the American League. He is a right-handed batter and a right-handed pitcher. He has a man who will make a winner in the majors, and that he will do as well with the Reds as he did on the coast in 1922. If that is the case, Cincinnati appears to be the team that will challenge the Giants at the start.

President Ban Johnson of the American League appears again to have got into an argument. This time it is not only another with Landis, but with the latter's partner, Johnson. His assistance on his banning of Benton has brought forth word from Landis that there is nothing in the latter's office records against Benton, and now comes Johnson to say Benton should have a gold medal instead of criticism from Johnson.

RACING ASSOCIATIONS EXPECTED SMALLER TAX

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—We anticipated a much bigger reduction, said Secretary Gorman of the Connaught Jockey Club today in connection with the recent legislation brought down in the Quebec house for the relief of the racing associations. "Our club had a heavy deficit last season and could not possibly have continued under conditions as they existed in 1921 and 1922."

Mr. Gorman added that the matter would be considered at a meeting of the board of directors, to be held shortly. Until then it would be impossible to state what action the Connaught Jockey Club would take.

All the Theatres

GRAND.
Thursday, Friday and Saturday: Elaine Hammerstein in "Under Oath"; five acts of vaudeville.
New Year's Week: "The Man From Glenary" and opening of winter season, with De Wolf Hopper Light Opera Company presenting Gilbert and Sullivan operas, including "The Mikado," "Pinafore" and "Iolanthe."

ALLEN'S.
Thursday, Friday and Saturday: "To Have and To Hold," featuring Bert Lytell and Betty Compton.

LOEW'S.
Thursday, Friday and Saturday: Elaine Hammerstein and Conway Tearle in "One Week of Love"; vaudeville.

PATRICIA.
Thursday, Friday and Saturday: Herbert Rawlinson in "Other Man's Shoes"; vaudeville.

MAJESTIC.
Closed.

FILM "UNDER OATH" HAS BRILLIANT CAST

Beautiful Elaine Hammerstein Stars in Production of Magnitude At Grand Theatre.

"Under Oath" is the best release seen at the Grand Theatre for some weeks.

Elaine Hammerstein, the star, is a young woman of such grace and dramatic ability that her name spells guarantee for any production which is fortunate enough to bear it, but "Under Oath" boasts as well an excellent supporting cast and filming of beauty and exactness.

The plot suggests medieval feud and bondage brought up to date and is, however, nothing stilted or mediocre to be found in "Under Oath."

With many of the elements of the average screen plot introduced there is, however, nothing stilted or mediocre to be found in "Under Oath."

The story is unusual, romantic, and at the same time quite possible. It depends not at all upon coincidences of wide stretches of the imagination.

Apart from Miss Hammerstein with her rare beauty and expressive features, the central character, "Big Jim" Powers, played convincingly by Mahlon Hamilton, the erstwhile villain, who later becomes the hero.

It is not spoiling the story to say that he becomes the hero because from the moment of his first appearance one feels that he is, without any doubt, eminently more worthy of Shirley Marvin (Miss Hammerstein) than Martin Peters, to whom she is betrothed.

Niles Welch as Hartley Peters was a trifle theatrical, but he made a satisfactory position in the part as the younger Marvin.

"The Cop and the Flapper," an original and clever vaudeville pair, were received at their opening performance with much enthusiasm. They present an extremely humorous act.

The art of step dancing is usually decided as to a vaudeville turn, and a member of the "Litter and Wise" team possess it to a skillful degree. They are a worth-while attraction.

"Tom and Addie Leon" and "Gordon and Jolice" are also features of the program.

"Williams and Bernice," who present an European act, were unable to appear at the afternoon performance, on account of delayed baggage and stage settings, but were well received in the evening.

A Harold Lloyd comedy and a Pathe Review completed the bill, which attracted large audiences both afternoon and evening.—By Argus.

PROVINCIAL MARSHAL DECLARES BLAZE AT KITCHENER DUE TO NATURAL CAUSES.

Special to The Advertiser. Kitchener, Dec. 23.—Fire Marshal Heaton, investigating the fire at the Kitchener Rag and Metal Company's plant which occurred last Saturday, declared at the conclusion yesterday that all the evidence showed clearly the blaze was caused by spontaneous combustion and that there was no evidence of incendiarism.

The owner, Abraham Jacobson, was completely exonerated of any blame in connection with the fire. Several witnesses were heard, including Fire Chief Guerin and employees of the Rag and Metal plant.



J. A. CHESLEY, EX-M.P., PASSES AT MONTREAL
Montreal, Dec. 23.—John Alexander Chesley, formerly a member of the House of Commons, and Canadian trade commissioner in South Africa from 1907 to 1913, died in the Western Hospital here yesterday.

SHIP IN DELAWARE RIVER SENDS OUT CALL FOR AID

Philadelphia, Dec. 23.—The "S. O. S." of a steamer in distress off Cape May has been picked up by the British steamer Niceto de Sarrinaga in the Delaware River. The name of the ship is unknown.

MUSSOLINI DECLINES TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Rome, Dec. 23.—Premier Mussolini informed his cabinet yesterday that he would not attend the conference of allied premiers in Paris next week.

BERNHARDT IMPROVES

Paris, Dec. 23.—Madame Sarah Bernhardt's condition continued to improve throughout the day, it was announced last evening.

ST. PAUL EVENS SERIES

St. Paul, Dec. 23.—With Joe McCormick back in the line-up, St. Paul evened the two-game series, with Duluth, winning last night's United States Hockey League game by 3 to 0.

CEEDAR SPRINGS BOY WINS SCHOLARSHIP

W. Sterling Achieves Honors in Mathematics For 1922.

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The county police, assisted by Provincial Officer Lowe, are scouring the county looking for Florenz Brent, who left his home several days ago and has not been seen since. Complaints of his continued absence were received by the police from his wife yesterday, who is anxious to learn his whereabouts. The police believe that he had a quarrel with a neighbor on Christmas day.

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A DERAILED FREIGHT BLOCKS G. T. R. TRAFFIC

Brookville, Ont., Dec. 23.—Main line traffic on the Grand Trunk is at a standstill as the result of the derailment at Yonge Mills station at noon today of one car on an eastbound freight train. The local wrecking crew has left to clear the tracks, and in the meantime all passenger trains are blocked.

CAUSEY GOES TO BALTIMORE

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 23.—Red Causey has been sent to Baltimore by the New York Giants as part payment for Jack Bentley. The Giants agreed to pay the local club \$65,000 cash and three players. The other players have not been named.

P. TASUER, CLINTON LAD, STRICKEN AT WORK, DIES

Special to The Advertiser. Clinton, Dec. 23.—Percy Tasuer, a young man of 19 years of age, and employed at Wendell's confectionery store, died suddenly yesterday. He was in charge of the store, and had gone to the postoffice, just across the street, and while there took a weak spell and collapsed, but after reviving somewhat, was taken to his home in an auto, and the doctor was called. He died shortly after, as a result, it is said, of heart trouble. His mother is a widow, and he has two brothers.

BRITISH DIRECTOR DIES

London, Dec. 23.—Windham Baring, managing-director of the Baring Brothers & Company Limited, and director of the Buenos Aires Great Southern Railway Company, died today. Mr. Baring was born in September, 1850.

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TRADE BELIEVANT AT CLOSE OF YEAR

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By STUART P. WEST. Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 28.—There were few changes of importance in today's early stock market. The bulk of operations consisted of the evening up of old contracts. This involved quite as much as the closing of a selling out of long stocks. A number of stocks were sold in what is called "over-the-counter" trading, meaning by this that the stocks dealt in were to be delivered today instead of being delivered on Tuesday, as they would in the ordinary course of things.

Financial Briefs

The Bank of England rate remains unchanged at 3 per cent. The Bank of France approved the recapitalization plan which calls for a preferred issue, making class 2 new preferred and class 3 new common.

United States Rubber advances prices of tires from 10 to 12 1/2 per cent. The New York stock exchange committee on securities ruled late today that Pan Petroleum "A" will not be sold outside today, and until further notice.

Inefficient wire service was a great factor in the early weakness of wheat in Chicago and Winnipeg.

The refusal of foreign buyers to enter the grain markets in volume, coupled with the receipt in both the United States and Canada, prompted considerable realizing.

Cash wheat was relatively steady in all markets. The selling of corn and oats recently has been attributed to the failure of these markets to receive the support of the arguments of farm feeding value, etc., and also in the heavy receipts in the Chicago market.

STOCK MARKET OPINIONS. Bacon & Co. market continues strictly professional. Block, Maloney & Co.—All dips should be used to buy the best stocks.

GRAIN MARKET OPINIONS. Lentils—Bread situation in all grains is strong, and advantage should be taken of recessions to make purchases.

WINDSOR HOTELS, LTD., SELL BONDS IN MONTREAL. Montreal, Dec. 28.—One of the most important financial transactions of the year-end was concluded here today, when the Montreal houses of Nesbitt, Thomson & Co., Limited, Rene T. Leclerc and Hanson Brock purchased \$2,000,000 6 1/2 per cent. bond.

BRADSTREET'S REPORTS SATISFACTORY TRADE. LONDON.—Reports to Bradstreet's say that conditions here are rather usual at this time of the year.

NEW YORK CURB (Reported by Jones, Easton, McCallum & Co., Inc.)

METALS AND OILS. New York, Dec. 28.—Copper quiet. Electrolytic—Spot and nearby, 14 1/2 to 14 3/4; futures, 14 1/2.

RESULTS OF TENDERS. The town of Timmins sold \$70,000, 6 1/2 per cent. bonds, guaranteed by the Province of Ontario to Mackay, May, at 102.60. At this price the money is costing the town 5.87 1/2.

INDIA NOT EXPORTING. Ottawa, Dec. 28.—There is as yet no evidence of any export movement in India wheat, according to reports received by the department of trade and commerce from Calcutta.

How the Stocks Closed at Noon

(See Night Extra or Night Final for Quotations at the Three O'Clock Close.)

New York

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Table of stock prices for New York, Dec. 28. Columns include Stock Name, High, Low, and Noon. Stocks listed include Amn. Can., Amn. Sugar, Amn. Smelters, etc.

Toronto

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Noon.

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Montreal

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Noon Stock Notes

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Trading continues light on the local Stock Exchange, and fluctuations are kept within narrow limits. Barcelona, the leader on floor this morning, held steady during the session, closing unchanged at 157 1/2.

NEW YORK BONDS.

New York, Dec. 28.—The bond market was active in today's early trading, although gain had a number of setbacks by fractional losses sustained by others in those groups.

STANDARD MINING EXCHANGE.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—The gold stocks were active in the Standard Mining Exchange today, but with only fractional changes in prices.

BANK OF ENGLAND.

London, Dec. 28.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve increased £12,000,000.

C. N. R. GROSS EARNINGS.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Gross earnings for the Canadian National Railway, including the Grand Trunk Pacific, Canadian Pacific, and the Montreal, Ottawa & Atlantic Railway, show an increase during November of \$38,623, while the working expenses decreased \$15,685.66.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Sterling exchange rates: London, 100 s.d. = 25.14 1/2; New York, 100 s.d. = 20.93 1/2.

RAILWAY EARNINGS.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Canadian Pacific Railway Company's gross earnings for the month of November were \$21,427,727, against \$20,855,355 for the corresponding month of last year.

OPTION SKEAD CLAIMS.

Porcupine capitalists have obtained option on six claims which form part of the holding of the Porcupine Mining and Development Company.

BANK CLEARINGS.

Weeks ending Dec. 28, 1922. Halifax: \$2,778,723; Montreal: \$2,117,723; Toronto: \$2,117,723.

UNLISTED SECURITIES.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Unlisted securities: Alcoma Steel 5's, 40.00; Alta Pac. Grand, 65.00; Alton, 65.00.

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TRUSTEES BANQUET AT CLOSE OF YEAR

Good Fellowship Marks Last Gathering of 1922 School Board.

An event which was pervaded throughout by a spirit of enjoyment and good fellowship that was catching, was the farewell banquet held in the Tecumseh House Thursday night, when the members of the 1922 board of education, the trustees-elect, the public school inspectors, the secondary school principals, the superintendent of works and the secretary were the guests of Chairman Edwin Smith.

The tables, in the form of a square, were artistically decorated with holly and "mums." At the head, "A Happy New Year" was spelled out on the cloth with tiny red berries, and in the centre of the square were two beautiful ferns on pedestals.

A splendid spirit of "camaraderie" abounded at the last gathering of the 1922 board. The addresses of the evening were many and interesting, and all the speakers were full of praise for the co-operation displayed by their colleagues during the past year, and the non-members of the board spoke highly of the ideals of the body during the year, which is fast coming to a close.

The first toast of the evening proposed by the retiring chairman, Edwin Smith, was "to the retiring chairman of the four committees, Trustees Udy, Bice, Silverwood and Wright. In their replies the four officers dwelt particularly on one thing, the willingness of the committee members to co-operate with the board in assisting in the proper legislation of the various phases of board of education work.

In responding to the toast, "To the Inspectors," Senior Inspector Greer paid tribute to the board for many ways in which they have aided in the inspectors' work. From the academic standpoint, the year has been a tremendous success, said Mr. Greer. The speaker stated that he was anxiously looking forward to the time when the second form in the public school would be consolidated into one year's work.

Inspector White also referred to the fair attitude of the board during the past year. In their replies to the toast, "To the Principals of the Secondary Schools," Inspectors Mooney and Miller of the Central and South-End Collegiate, respectively, both were optimistic of the city's future from an educational point of view.

Principal Beal of the London Technical High School was unavoidably absent. The secretary will telegraph the happy bridegroom the best wishes of the 1922 board of education.

In his address Secretary Tanner confined his remarks more or less to the press, and caused much amusement by the unassuming way in which he spoke of the "inquiring m. ds" of the reporters with whom he comes in contact. One of the heartiest laughs of the evening followed when the secretary casually mentioned in his remarks that he had attended every meeting, both "secret" and otherwise during the last year. The toast to the "happy members of the board, those who have been in

office one year, was responded to by Trustees Campbell and Casselman, while the toast to the retiring members was answered by Trustees Langford, Hayman and Bice.

"Capt. Bill" Robinson, the genial and active superintendent of works, in the response to his toast, thanked the board for the many considerations shown him during his term of office. One of the most interesting features of the banquet was the few remarks made by the three new members present of the 1923 board, Trustees-Elect Rev. Quintin Warner, Dr. A. J. Grant and S. F. Lawson.

Mr. Warner pointed out that it was a coincidence that he should take the place as it were of the retiring Rev. A. A. Bice, as he had succeeded Mr. Bice as the rural dean of the Diocese of Huron. Mr. Lawson declared himself to be a strong advocate of the adolescent act and promised his whole-hearted support in furthering the interests of secondary education in the Forest City.

"It is a lamentable fact," he said, "that boys and girls thirteen and fourteen years of age should present themselves at a factory door seeking work. Some of them are large for their age and are supported by their parents when they claim to be sixteen or even seventeen. These children have practically no education and it is really a crime for them to go to work at that age, because in the members of the age of twenty-one is reached they are the lowest class of common laborer."

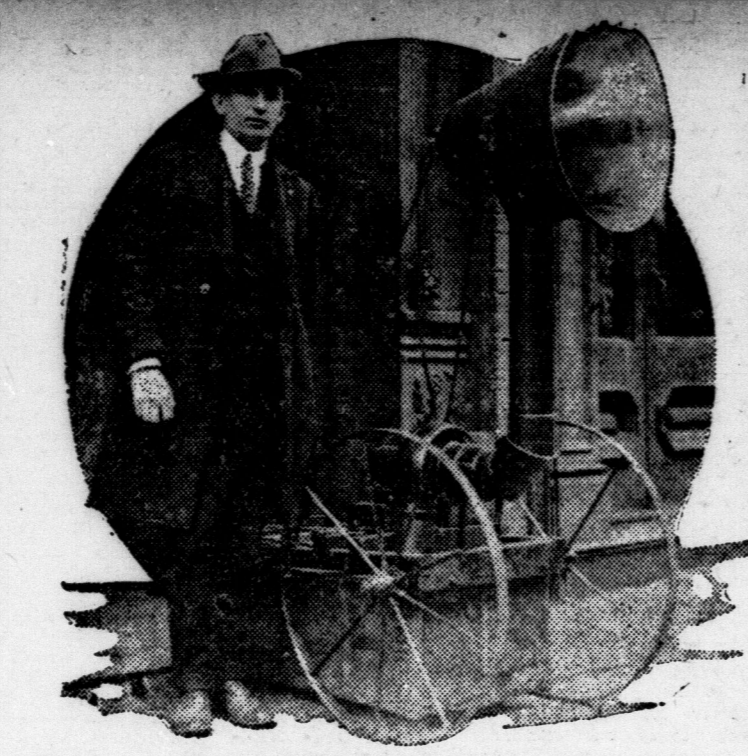
"It needs only a small class of that kind of crop back from progressing our country of 3,000,000 or 10,000,000 people. Among his remarks Dr. Grant stated emphatically that what the country needed was a higher average of education. There are those even in London, he said, who will criticize expenditures on education in their effort to reduce taxes. Those who talk like this fail to reason the problem soundly, the trustee-elect declared.

After a brief speech by Trustees Rowe, toastmaster of the evening, Mr. Smith voiced his appreciation of the splendid assistance given him by the members of the 1922 board, and spoke feelingly of the sterling qualities of the trustees as men as well as members of the board of education.

Special to The Advertiser. Waford, Dec. 29.—A rare musical treat was provided for the people of Waford on Sunday evening, when, following the regular church services, the choir of the Congregational Church, augmented for the occasion, gave an excellent rendering of the Christmas cantata, "Around the Manger," by E. S. Lorenz.

The church was capacity overflowing, and that the large congregation enjoyed the execution was evinced by the rapt attention displayed throughout the cantata, and the many expressions of appreciation given at the close. Special features of the cantata were the "Lord, Abide With Us," acceptably rendered by Mrs. J. Brush, Miss Beatrice Macnally, Miss Elsie Brown and Mrs. R. H. Brown, sopranos; Mrs. T. De Courcy Rayner, Miss Lily Grisot, Miss Ida Richardson and Miss Estelle Craig, altos; also the male duet and male quartet, "Wonderful Night," and "To Thee, O Blessed King," given by Rev. T. De Courcy Rayner, A. Rumford, S. Welch and W. G. Connolly.

Miss Estelle Craig, at the piano, provided a most efficient accompanist, and the readings were well given by Russell Duncan. The following formed the church choir: Sopranos, Mrs. J. Brush, Mrs. Hattie Brown, Mrs. R. Duncan, and the Misses Elsie Brown, Marie Warwick, Beatrice Macnally, Alma Morris, Dora Richardson, Mildred Duncan, Daisy Macnally, Hilda Morris and Gladys Lamb. Altos: Mrs. T. De Courcy Rayner and the Misses Lily Grisot, Ida Richardson and Jean McCormick. Tenors and Basses: Rev. T. De Courcy Rayner, A. Rumford, Dr. Geo. Hicks, S. Welch, W. G. Connolly and R. Duncan.



MAKES SHORT WORK OF BUGS. Beware, you bugs, boll weevils and such, when crops begin to grow next year. A Tennessee inventor has just designed this bug-catching machine, a combination of bright light and big wind. The light at the top attracts the bugs and the wind sucks them in. The inventor trapped from 10 to 15 bushels of boll weevils a night with one of these machines.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Chaffe of Mitchell Celebrate Fiftieth Wedding Day

Special to The Advertiser. Mitchell, Dec. 29.—Two well-known residents of Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. William Chaffe, quietly celebrated their fiftieth anniversary of their marriage at their home in this town last Wednesday. They were married in Wolborough Church at Newton Abbot, Devonshire, England, and ten years later came to Canada, settling in the township of Logan, one mile and a quarter from Mitchell.

For the past four years Mr. and Mrs. Chaffe have been residents of Mitchell. Their family composed of two sons, Harry of Logan and Samuel of Dresden. Representatives and salesmen of the McClary Manufacturing Company branches in Toronto, Hamilton and Montreal are in session at the head office of the firm in this city at their yearly convention, and all report a favorable increase in business in their respective districts. A banquet will be given by the London district representatives to their visiting fellow-salesmen, and afternoon tea is being served each day by the McClary Welfare Department, under the supervision of Miss Mallock.

The salesmen in convention did not forget their sick friends of the welfare department, as a purse was made up to supply seasonal remembrances to the sick and needy. A cablegram was sent to Col. Gartschore in New Zealand, reporting a very successful convention, signed, "Some of your boys." The completion of this program on Friday finishes a series of the most successful sale demonstrations ever held by the McClary Manufacturing Company.

During the week of Dec. 11 all of the Maritime Province representatives visited London. Following is a list of the representatives in session: Montreal branch—A. Brodeur, J. St. Jacques, L. Lapointe, J. Nelson. Hamilton branch—C. Barton, J. Dixon, W. Bowyer, N. Brooks, G. S. Powell, H. Burnison. Toronto branch—C. Long, A. MacKenzie, B. McVicar, E. Emmett, R. Rouson, K. B. Turner, W. Jeffrey, W. Dickson, J. Bartlette, F. J. O'Grady.

1922 ENTRIES ARE RECORD FOR ELGIN POULTRY SHOW. Special to The Advertiser. St. Thomas, Dec. 29.—The Elgin poultry show opened Thursday morning with a record entry of 833 chickens, 7 pens of breeders, 368 bantams and pigeons and 63 rabbits. An exceptionally fine exhibit of Poland was received from Mr. D. Bogue of Byron. The Dominion Government Farms, Ottawa, sent a valuable exhibit of fowl and a pictorial panorama of poultry craft. A demonstrator from the Ottawa farms is attending the show and giving illustrative lectures on the latest methods of poultry dressing. Judging of the poultry by Mr. A. W. Tyson of Guelph, and W. W. Cadman of Tilsonburg, commenced Thursday morning. Mr. Lightfoot of London judged the pigeons. Keen competition prevails owing to many of the entries consisting of birds from the recent winter fair at Guelph.

FAMOUS COMEDienne DIES. Special Cable to The Advertiser. London, Dec. 29.—Margaret Cooper, famous comedienne and concert singer, died here last night of asthma and neurasthenia. Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—The Legislature of Manitoba will not convene until Jan. 15, according to an announcement made by Premier Bracken today. It was formerly stated that the session would commence Jan. 11.

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KU KLUX ORGANIZES BRANCH IN LONDON

Official Asserts Society Formed To Rid Community of Corruption.

The Advertiser has received information from a self-styled "official" of the local branch of the Ku Klux Klan that the society had been completely organized, and would probably commence operations some time in the middle of January. Simultaneously, persons fearful of such Ku Klux perpetrations are so common in the Southern States are seriously considering founding an anti-Ku Klux organization. A certain man, alarmed at the predicted activities of the hooded brigade, is endeavoring to procure members. He has taken upon himself the responsibility of leadership.

"Only hood-bound reactionaries are opposed to our progressive platform," he claimed. "Ku Kluxers in the States have shown that the police are virtually helpless in combating the actions of the secret order. So it becomes necessary for patriotic citizens like myself to form an anti-Klan society," said he. The Ku Klux executive, in an interview, stated that more Londoners sympathized with the ideals of the clan every day. "Only hood-bound reactionaries are opposed to our progressive platform," he claimed. "Is that your program?" he was asked. "About the middle of next month we intend to hold a mass meeting. It will likely be some place like Erie flats or in the abandoned Cushing Ice Company buildings. Our policy is a tolerant one. We intend only to ride down any and all who are a menace to the community. They will be carried to the city limits on a spiked rail and told to hoof it to another city on pain of punishment of severe physical and mental injury.

"Hard-headed individuals do not belong in our society because they are not familiar with its objects. 'Justice, liberty, fraternity' is our motto. We are not going to assault negroes any more than white men. We are neither anti-Jewish, anti-German or anti-Mongolian. Every man is not born equal, and for that reason those who try to equalize suffering humanity for their own selfish interests are going to be kicked out of town. We urge all grafters, corrupters of public conscience and quacks to cease their activities or the clan will get them in the end."

"If the clan of malcontents rears its ugly head within our midst, it will be promptly exterminated," declared the anti-Ku Klux leader. "If the laws of Canada are not good enough for them they can go to Greenland." As indicated by the striking difference in their views with regard to the necessity of such an organization, onlookers may expect some pretty fireworks before the winter is over.

WHEN CHAMPION GOES TO CHAMPION. Persons who delight in consuming the choicest steaks and fine tender roast beef, and who gaze longingly at prize displays of meat exhibited at restaurants and stores, will be given an opportunity to satisfy their desire at the New Service Lunch on Richmond street opposite the hotel. Four luscious beefs, the choicest in the province, raised by McGugan Bros., have been secured by this other restaurant to consummate the desire of the proprietor to provide his many patrons with a "banquet beef" week.

The animals, which won first prize in their class at the Royal Show at Toronto, and fed personally by Norris McGugan, were purchased by Anderson's Meat Market as one of the features in their Christmas display. After being carefully prepared and frosted by the chef they were exhibited by the popular meat store on the market, and much favorable comment was heard from the many patrons of the store who inspected this interesting display of meat. This select product, combined with the unexcelled cooking of the head chef at the New Service Lunch, is ample proof that a savory dish unequalled in the Forest City will be served to the restaurant, this popular Richmond street restaurant during the present week.

While it has always been the policy of the chef to select the best of the best foods that were available, the management feels that in being able to purchase this extremely choice meat they have reached their crowning achievement in their months of splendid service to the citizens of London. The proprietor has given his assurance that he will personally inspect the preparation of this special food, and feels that the present week will long be remembered with pleasure by his patrons. Advt.-b

MANITOBA LEGISLATURE WILL MEET ON JANUARY 18. Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—The Legislature of Manitoba will not convene until Jan. 15, according to an announcement made by Premier Bracken today. It was formerly stated that the session would commence Jan. 11.

EAST WILLIAMS PIONEER, MRS. JOHN ROSS, EXPIRES

Special to The Advertiser. Ailsa Craig, Dec. 29.—The funeral of Mrs. John Ross was held from the home of her son, Alexander F. Ross, 16th concession, East Williams, on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock to Nairn Cemetery. Rev. W. H. Geddes of Ailsa Craig conducted the services.

The pallbearers were her son, Alexander Ross; her grandson, Archie Ross, and four nephews, John Fortune, George Stewart, George Ross, and Hugh Ross. One sister survives her, Mrs. George Fortune, and three sons and two daughters, William F. and Alexander of East Williams, and John of Nebraska. U. S. Miss Elizabeth at home, and Mrs. James Dewar, Nairn. The late Mrs. Ross was an active member of the Presbyterian Church, and was a regular attendant despite her advanced age of 93 years.

GAME—FISH—POULTRY

No need to tire of any one kind. Look over the variety offered for this week-end: Whitefish, Halibut, Lake Trout, Mackerel, Flounders, Sea Salmon, Fresh Cod, Smelts, Ciscoes, Kippers, Bloaters and Fillets. GAME—Venison, Rabbits (skinned free). POULTRY—Chickens, Ducks, Geese, Turkeys. SHELL FISH—Winkles, Shrimps, Scallops.

GROCERY SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY. Why carry them, when we deliver to your door? SUGAR Granulated, 15 pounds for \$1.25. PALMOLIVE SOAP 4 Cakes for 25c. ONIONS While they last, 10 pounds for 19c. Seeded Raisins, 2 pkgs. for .25c. Currants, per lb. .22c. New Dates, 2 lbs. for .25c. Rolled Oatmeal, 4 lbs. for .25c. Cream of Wheat, 4 lbs. for .25c. Cooking Flax, 2 lbs. for .25c. Whole White Beans, 4 lbs. for .25c. Canned Corn, 2 tins for .25c. Canned Peas or Tomatoes, tin 15c. Salad, Red Rose, Tea, per lb. 55c. Our Special Tea, per lb. .45c. Light Sugar, 2 1/2 lbs. for .25c. Shirriff's Marmalade, 4-lb. jar 75c. Pastry Flour, 24-lb. bags .87c. Creamery Butter, per lb. .41c. Choice Grapefruit, 3 for .25c. Oranges, per dozen .25c. Rabbit Cleaner, 3 for .25c. Shortening, 2-lb. pails .50c. Cornstarch, 2 pkgs. for .25c. Pure Lard, 3-lb. pails .50c. Carnation Milk, 5 large tins .45c. Good Quality Eggs, 4 lbs. .25c. Pearl Tapioca, 3 lbs. for .25c. Ivory Soap Flakes, 2 pkgs. for 25c. Snowflake Ammonia, 3 pkgs. for 25c. FREE DELIVERY TO ALL PARTS OF THE CITY. Two Phones: 1296-7720. ONN'S 3 Cars Four Deliveries. UP-TO-DATE-MARKET. "SERVICE THAT COUNTS." 143 KING ST.

MARTIN'S CHOICE MEATS

Table listing various meats and their prices: Sirloin Roast 8 to 10 lbs. 20c, Choice Rump Roast 20c, Sirloin Steak 23c, Round Steak 23c, Family Roast 15c, Brisket Points 8c, Pork Leg Roast 25c, Pork Shoulder Roast 23c, Beef Rib Steak 10c, Shoulder 12 1/2c, New England Sausage 23c, Oxford Sausage 15c, Lamb Shoulder Roast 20c, Peas, Corn or Tomatoes 2 cans 25c. 177 Dundas St. Phone 47, 65 Dundas St. Phone 705.

William Davies Company, Inc. First Mortgage 20-year Sinking Fund 6% Gold Bonds. The holders of 6% Bonds due 1925 of the William Davies Company, Limited, may anticipate redemption of their Bonds at 105 and accrued interest by exchanging them now for this issue at 99 and accrued interest. The Davies Companies are the largest packers of hog products in the British Empire, and the fourth largest exporters of hams and bacon on the North American Continent. Particulars on application NESBITT, THOMSON and Company, Limited. Royal Bank Building LONDON. Montreal Toronto Hamilton Winnipeg 154.

THINK COPPER WILL GO UP. New York, Dec. 28.—Important interests with close connections in the copper industry are talking new high prices for copper in 1923. Some of these people are forecasting as high as 18c to a pound before the end of next year.

An Ideal Investment for 1st January Funds 5 1/2% DEBENTURES OF The Ontario Loan and Debenture Co. Issued in amounts of \$100 and upwards, and from terms of one to five years. Interest payment half-yearly on dates to meet the investor's convenience. CAPITAL \$1,750,000 RESERVE FUND \$2,350,000. A. M. SMART, President. T. H. MAIN, Manager. 287-29.

HENDERSON WILL ADOPT UNEMPLOYMENT AS PLEA. Labor Candidate in East Newcastle Election To Use Situation As Weapon. Canadian Press Cable. London, Dec. 29.—Hon. Arthur Henderson, former Labor M.P. for Widnes, who was defeated at the recent general elections and who has been formally adopted as the Labor candidate for East Newcastle, stated today that he was going to place the unemployment situation in the forefront of his program. He added that he intended to fight for the seat on political principles, not on personal ambitions. METHODISTS AT WATFORD HOLD PLEASING CONCERT. Special to The Advertiser. Watford, Dec. 29.—The Methodist Sunday school of Watford held its Christmas tree and entertainment on Friday evening in the Lyceum. The hall was well filled, and Dr. George Hicks, the superintendent, acted as chairman and introduced the various numbers on the lengthy program. The program consisted of kindergarten songs and recitations by the children, also drills and dialogues by the older pupils. The "rose drill," given by 16 little girls, was particularly worthy of mention, while the "scare-crow drill" by the boys "took the cake" from the standpoint of amusement and recitation. The program closed with the distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree and treats from the Sunday school.

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Friday and Saturday Specials For This Week-End ARE CHRISTMAS BEEF AND FRESH-KILLED PORK. Christmas Beef: Pot Roasts Beef 15c, Oven Roasts Beef 18c, Rump Roasts Beef 25c, Steak Roasts Beef 25c, Rib Roasts Beef 30c. Fresh-Killed Pork: Shoulder Roasts Pork 18c, Ham Roasts Pork 25c, Loin Roasts Pork 33c, Fresh Pork 20c, Spareribs, lb. 10c. 5-Cent Specials: Pork Liver, lb. 5c, Pork Hearts, lb. 5c, Beef Hearts, lb. 5c, Choice Creamery Butter, our own brand, lb. 40c, 3-lb. pails Lard, each 55c, 5-lb. pails Lard, each 90c, Peas, Corn, Tomatoes, Pumpkin and Pork & Beans 2 for 25c, Old Cheese, lb. 35c. FRESH-KILLED POULTRY, NO CHARGE FOR DRAWING. BULK OLIVES, BULK PICKLES. KINDLY LET US HAVE YOUR ORDERS EARLY. FIRST DELIVERY LEAVES STORE BY 8 A.M. SATURDAY. MAKE THIS BRIGHT SANITARY STORE YOUR STORE. CLIFF ROBINSON. 2 PHONES: 7111-7112. 292 DUNDAS STREET. 3 CARS.

Another Big Meat Sale For Saturday. Our counters will be flooded with High Quality Meat and Poultry at low prices. Get in line. Do not hesitate. We cannot advertise everything. Be sure to make this store your shopping place, and kindly phone your orders early. Dairy Butter, lb. 38c. Fresh Side Bacon, lb. 25c. Medway Block Creamery, lb. 40c. Clover Blossom Gr. Prints 40c. BEEF: Beef Shanks .8c, Brisket Beef .8c, Boiling Beef .10c, Stewing Beef .12c, Pot Roast Beef .15c, Oven Roast Beef .18c, Rib Roast Beef, 25c or 30c, Rump Roast Beef (first cut) .20c, Rump Roast Beef (center cut) .22c, Rump Roast Beef (corner cut) .25c. PORK: Pure Pork Sausages .25c, Shoulder Roast Pork, 20c, Chuk Roast Pork .23c, Loin Roast Pork .30c, Ham Roast Pork .25c, Ham Roast Pork (center cut) .28c, 5-lb. Pails Honey .60c, 3-lb. Pails Shortening 50c, Cooked Ham .60c, No. 1 Eggs, dozen .45c, Pork Tenderloin .55c, Lamb Heads (corner cut) .5c, Neck Bones .5c. LAMB: Legs of Lamb .37c, Breasts Lamb .15c, Shoulder Lamb .28c, Loin of Lamb .32c. VEAL: Veal Shank .30c, Stewing Veal .10c, Breast Veal 12 1/2c, Shoulder Veal .25c, Rump Roast Veal .25c, Loin Roast Veal .30c. Rolled Corned Beef .15c, Pickled Hocks .20c, Pickled Shoulder .20c, Pickled Bacon (by the piece) .25c. Market House: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Stalls. Store Opens at 6 a.m. Closes at 10 p.m. Phones: 1643-1644. Deliveries: 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., and 8 p.m.

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THE LONDON GARRISON AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION. BOXING Tournament. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29. HOGMANAY DANCE. Aspies Daughters of Scotland.

LIBERAL CLUB. Installation of Officers. TONIGHT, 8:15 P.M. EVERYBODY COME.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES. COUNTRY general store, well established, beautifully located on lake front.

LOST AND FOUND. LOST—Pearl necklace on Tuesday afternoon between Grand Theatre and Dundas street.

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PERSONAL MALE HELP WANTED. APPLICANTS for the relief of rupture. Full particulars, 15 D'Arny St., Toronto.

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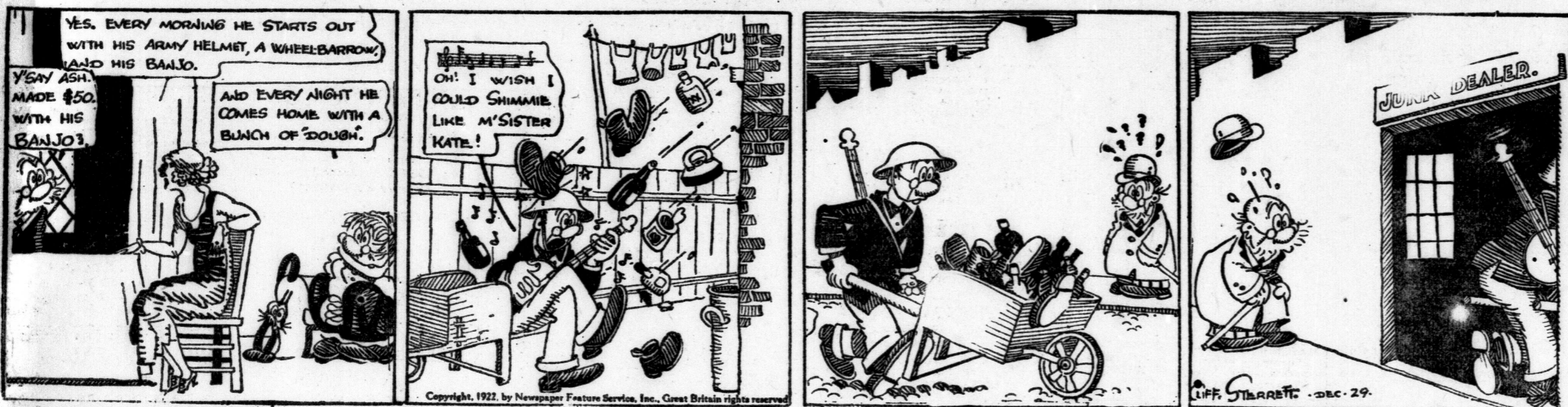
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SAYS WORLD NEEDS VOICE OF EMPIRE

Sir Robert Declares Britain Must Heed Desires of Her Dominions.

SPEAKS AT NEW HAVEN Tells U. S. Historical Society United Commonwealth Essential To Peace.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 28.—(By Canadian Press.)—It is essential as much for Great Britain as for her sister nations that the voice of the whole commonwealth shall speak; it is mightier than the voice of the United Kingdom alone.

These words by Sir Robert Borden were part of an address which Sir Robert delivered before the American Historical Association here last night on "The British Commonwealth of Nations: Features of External Relations."

The address was a highly important contribution to discussions on Canada's constitutional relations. Throughout it was of interest to note Sir Robert used the term "British Commonwealth of Nations" in preference to "British Empire," pointing out how the former term had been recognized both in the constitution of the Irish Free State and in the oath to be taken by members of the Irish Free State Parliament.

Need Prompt Decision.

"In what manner, by what authority, shall the external policy of the Commonwealth be determined and announced?" Sir Robert asked, sketching recent constitutional development. "Often there is need of prompt and firm decision. How shall the voice of the Commonwealth be ascertained when the delegates have scattered from the council table? Here we encounter difficulties of great seriousness and complexity which, notwithstanding the contrary decision reached in 1921, must eventually be met and solved at a constitutional conference as was unanimously agreed in 1917.

"The failure of the Dominions to accept and support a policy of vital concern would seriously affect the Commonwealth's influence and prestige. It is essential as much for Great Britain as for her sister nations that the voice of the whole Commonwealth shall speak; it is mightier than the voice of the United Kingdom alone.

Consult By Cable.

"While the present situation continues the best that can be hoped for is a system of frequent consultations by cable, and occasional consultation and discussion by conference when domestic political duties permit the Dominion ministers to attend."

And, with increasing voice and influence in external relations, the dominions must necessarily accept and realize their wider responsibilities. "It is impossible," Sir Robert declared, "for them to assert a national status unless they are prepared to assume corresponding national obligations for the commonwealth's safety. It cannot be doubted that within the British league of nations their security is greater and their responsibilities in this respect less burdensome than if they should withdraw.

It is in the interests of six nations under a single allegiance and with a developing status in their political relationship. Their unity rests upon the ideas of liberty, autonomy and co-operation.

Find World Unity.

"In like manner the world's unity for peace must be found in the realization of public right and international justice and in the understanding and co-operation that can only be gained around a common council board; and these essentials cannot be secured without a recognized system of periodical conferences at which representatives of the nations shall meet upon equal footing.

"Although denied the powerful aid of the United States, the League of Nations has accomplished great things for the world's peace during the past three years. Never before has the habit of international consultation and co-operation so impressed itself upon the nations.

Prevents Four Wars.

"On at least four occasions the league has prevented the outbreak of war in Europe. It has settled more than one difficult and dangerous question after the supreme allied council had abandoned the task; it has established a great court of international justice, and it is continually exercising a potent influence for the determination of international differences by peaceful means."

Sketching constitutional development, Sir Robert said the political unions of the self-governing nations within the British Commonwealth were of modern growth and not yet fully developed. For the most part they were set forth in any written document, but were expressed in constitutional conventions which had not the force of law although they effectively controlled the exercise of legal power.

DROPS DEAD SPEAKING TO LITTLE COBALT GIRL

Cobalt, Dec. 28.—Abraham Solomon, 75, of Turkish birth, who was a prospector in the north, dropped dead while talking to a little girl in her home here. There are no relatives of his in this country.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and indorsed "Tender for Equipment, Dry Dock Machinery" will be received at this office until 12 o'clock noon, Monday, January 15, 1923, for the new, Montreal, Quebec, dry dock, construction and installation of pumping and other machinery for the Dry Dock at Esplanade, B. C.

Plans and forms of contract can be seen and specification and forms of tender obtained at this Department, at the office of the District Engineer, Post-office Building, Victoria, B. C.; Post-office Building, New Westminster, B. C.; Customs Building, Main Street, Winnipeg, Man.; Equity Building, Toronto Ont.; and Shaughnessy Building, Montreal, Que.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on printed forms supplied by the Department and in accordance with conditions contained therein.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted check on chartered bank payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to 5 per cent of the amount of the tender. War Loan Bonds of the Dominion will also be accepted as security, or war bonds and check of required to make up an odd amount.

NOTE—Blue prints can be obtained at this Department by depositing an accepted bank check for the sum of \$10 payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, which will be returned if the intending bidder submit a regular bid. By order.

R. C. DESROCHERS, Secretary. Department of Public Works, Ottawa, November 25, 1922. D1.15.29

PEEL'S GREAT After-Christmas Clearance SALE

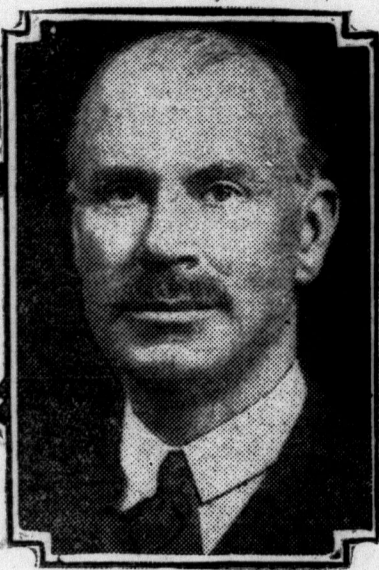
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- Mama Dolls, talking and walking, about 21 inches long ... \$1.85
- Do dreams come true? Get our Dreambook.
- Force or Suction Cups for cleaning the drain pipes of closet bowls, sinks or wash basins. Short handles ... 45c
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- Gillett's Lys, 2 for ... 25c
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- Toilet Soap, big special, per dozen ... 45c
- Wash Boards, Royal Globe has zinc face, full size ... 48c
- Palmolive Soap, 6 cakes ... 39c
- Stem Wine Glasses, fine quality, clear glass, dozen ... \$1.20
- Spirit Glasses, fine quality, clear glass, dozen ... \$2.40
- Decorated Tea Pots, \$1, \$1.50 and \$2 ... 50c, 75c and \$1
- Red Bird Matches, 3 boxes ... 33c
- Kitchen Tumblers, dozen ... 39c
- \$28 Plush Horse on platform and rocker ... \$14
- \$20 Plush Horse on Rocker ... \$10
- \$11 Plush Horse on rocker ... \$5.50
- \$30 Velocipede, cushion tires ... \$15
- \$2 Dressed Dolls, 15-inch steel frame ... \$1
- \$1.50 Doll Carriages, 75c
- Playing Cards, fine ivory finish, per package ... 25c
- Hoyle's Book of Official Rules for Card Games, 1923 edition ... 25c
- Genuine White Castile Soap, dozen cakes ... 45c
- 2-in-1 Shoe Polish, 4 boxes ... 49c
- Wright's Coal Tar Soap, 4 cakes ... 49c
- Police and Fireman Suspenders ... 45c
- Men's Guaranteed Garters ... 45c
- Coates' 200-yard Thread, dozen ... 84c
- Coates' Mercer Crochet Cotton, dozen ... \$1
- Nickle-Plated Flashlights, complete with battery, ready for use; vest pocket size ... 27c
- Pocket size ... 54c
- Toy Picture Books, at less than half price. See our display.
- English decorated Milk Jugs, pint size ... 19c
- Vases of clear glass, about 8 inches high ... 35c
- Chocolate Bars, 7 for ... 25c
- Writing Pads, 8x10 inches, 400 pages, ruled or plain, 3 pads ... 29c
- Blades for Gillette Razors, per dozen ... 68c
- Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas, straight and crooked handles ... \$1.09
- Red and Green Candles, twisted 3/16, about 6 inches, 7 for ... 25c

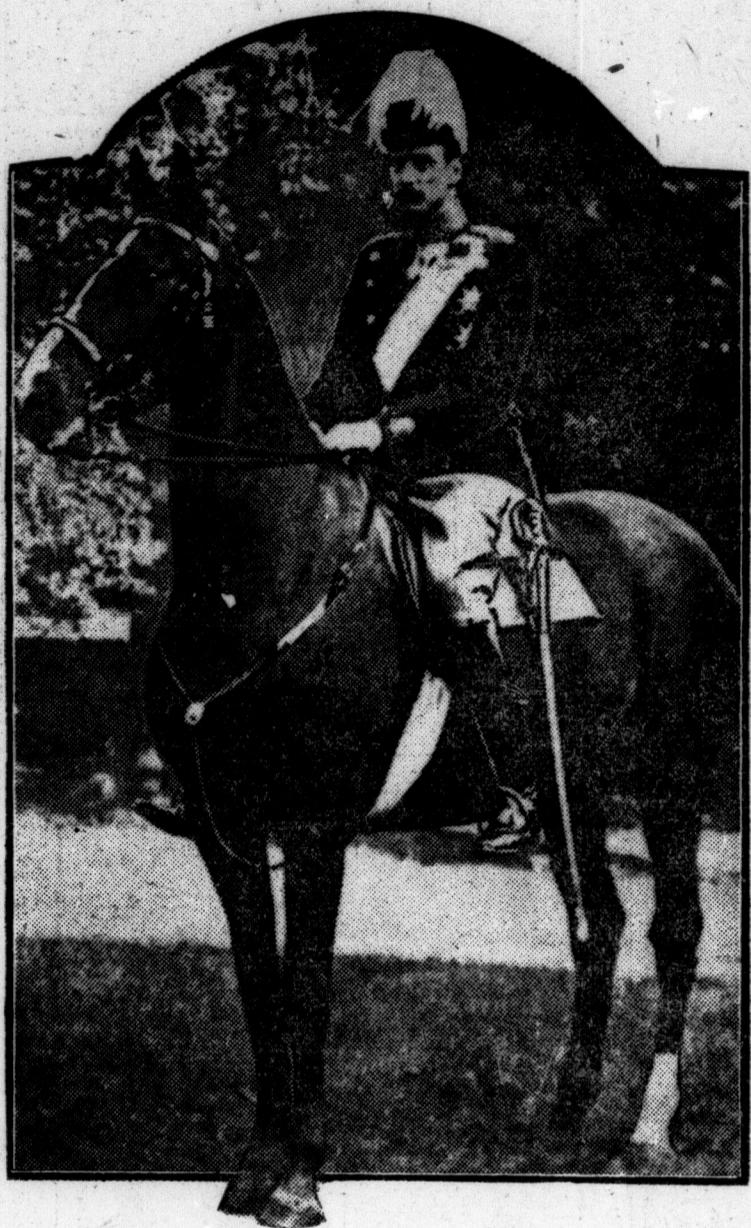
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The engagement is announced of the Hon. Joan Dison Poynder, daughter of Lord and Lady Islington, to Sir Edmund Grigg, M.P., who was one of Lloyd George's private secretaries, and who accompanied the Prince of Wales on his Canadian tour.



King Christian of Denmark is the tallest monarch in the world, even taller than King Albert of the Belgians. He is nearly seven feet, and rides a high horse.



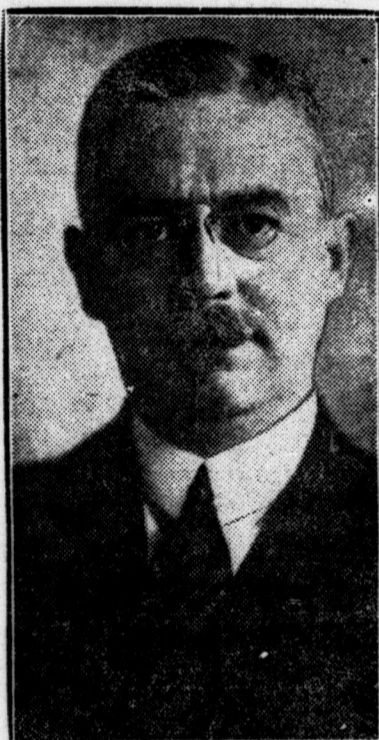
Doris Isell of Washington is known as the "pigeon girl." She feeds the birds daily.



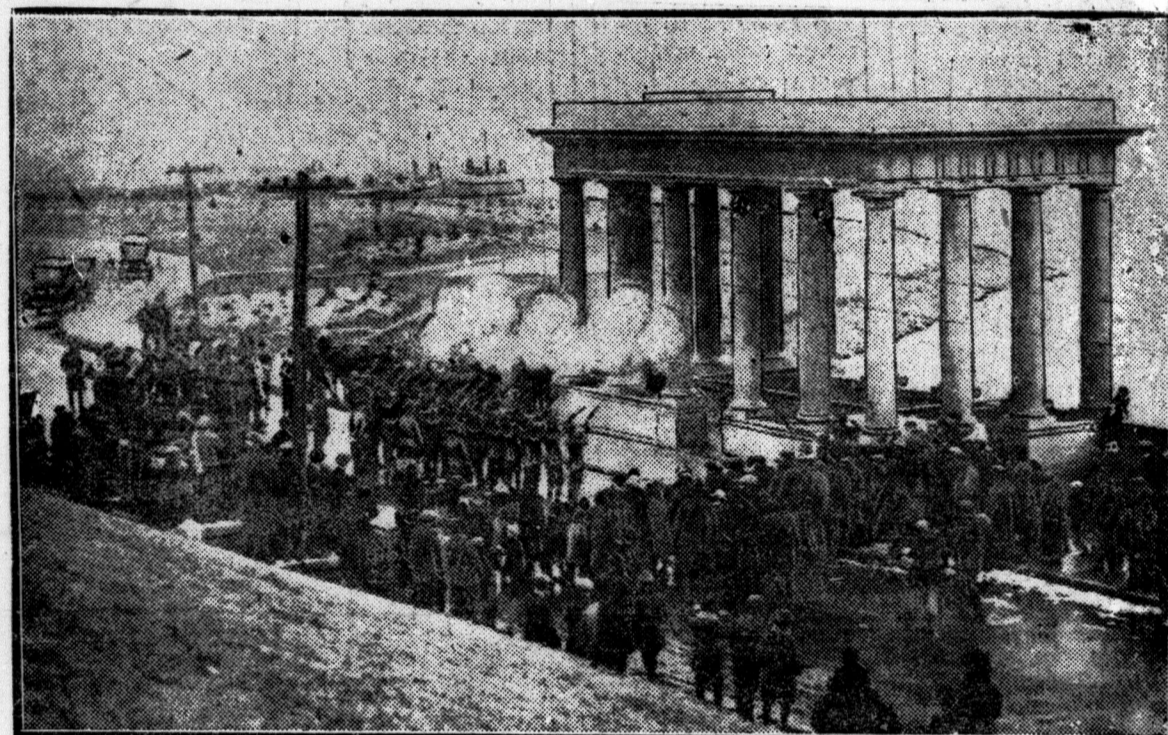
Mrs. Jess L. Paton is now an official handicapper for the American Amateur Athletic Union. She is the first woman to hold such a position.



The girls of the Northwestern University, Chicago, have taken up shooting.



Dr. Von Rosenberg, Germany's new minister of foreign affairs.



The State Militia Company of Plymouth, Massachusetts, firing a volley in front of the canopy over Plymouth Rock, in memory of the landing of the pilgrim fathers in 1620. The celebration is an annual event.



Cup tie football in England. St. Albans and Dulwich in spirited play in fourth preliminary round.



The panjolin of Central Africa is covered with thick scales as a body protection.



Eleanor Boardman, film star, who may lose her arm as the result of a camel's bite.



The King of Egypt (nearest the camera) and his premier.



Miss Maude Dakin, selected as Seattle's prettiest girl.



The 1923 skating girl should wear a knickerbocker suit of double-faced satin, trimmed with chinchilla.



Lakshami Lavan, the first consort of the King of Siam.



Jimmy Blouin, Chicago, the world's champion ten-pin bowler.



Chorus girls of the New Oxford Theatre, London, learning the art of boxing.