

Stonington	34	24	Cloudy
Yonkers	23	8	Cloudy
Montreal	32	20	Cloudy
Quebec	24	20	Cloudy
Char. Point	18	10	Cloudy
Johns.	34	24	Cloudy

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
 The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 33; lowest, 22. The official temperatures for the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 28; lowest, 24.

DISCREDITS RUMOR OF LOAN COMPANY

Financial Post Reviews Position of Dominion Savings and Investment Society.

WILL NOT REOPEN

Ontario Inspector, V. Evan Gray, Declares Situation at Present Unchanged.

The Financial Post prints today the following article contradicting a rumor which appeared recently in a local contemporary:

"Reports from London are that the Dominion Savings and Investment Society may reopen its doors after the first of the year. V. Evan Gray, Inspector of Loan Companies for Ontario, whose action led to the closing, says that the situation is unchanged. This is taken to mean that governmental permission to reopen will not be forthcoming. He directed attention to a recent report which he made on the matter.

"In his report the inspector states that the matter deserves more than passing notice because it is the first occasion of a winding up of a loan company as the result of action taken by the inspectors of the department. The reasons for the step taken is given as follows:

"As a result of the investigation of the affairs of the company by the department's inspectors in February, 1922, the department and the minister in charge were convinced that the company could not be allowed to continue to receive monies on deposit or by sale of its debentures. This was due not only to anxiety as to the value of the securities which composed the assets of the company, but also to the character of the management of the company."

Deals With Investigation.

The report then deals with the investigation of a committee appointed by the Associated Loan Companies, which findings are said to have justified the anxiety shown by the department. This committee recommended that a purchasing company be found to take over the assets and public liabilities, and the report proceeds to outline the steps which ultimately led to the action of the department. It states that the committee finally recommended that the assets be sold to the public to continue to receive monies on deposit or by sale of its debentures. This was due not only to anxiety as to the value of the securities which composed the assets of the company, but also to the character of the management of the company."

After pointing to the fact that the transaction illustrates the usefulness to the public generally of the system of inspection of loan companies, the report proceeds to deal with the question of reopening. It says as follows:

Give Optimistic Color.

"The president of the Dominion Savings and Investment Society, and widely published in the press, continue persistently to put a most optimistic color on the prospects for the assets of the company. An effort is apparently being made to have it appear that the condition of the company, at the time of the intervention of the department, was not a serious one and did not justify the vigorous action taken. An intelligent consideration of the published statement of assets and liabilities of the Society will indicate to any informed person that a large proportion of the assets of the Society were of a highly speculative nature, that the monies of the Society should never have been invested in this class of security, and that the directors and managers of the Society showed very little comprehension of their status as trustees for the shareholders in the administration of the affairs of the Society. Any value which these assets had at the time of the winding up of the Society they still possess in the hands of the Huron and Erie Mortgage Corporation available to shareholders. They are now in the hands of competent managers who will realize the best that can be secured on their disposal, and the results will show whether or not the shareholders were well advised in putting their trust and confidence in the management of the Society, which they chose for the Dominion Savings and Investment Society."

JOLLY CHRISTMAS FOR ORPHANAGE

Children of Mount St. Joseph Deny Themselves Christmas Pudding.

The children of Mount St. Joseph will have their three Christmas trees as usual. One for the boys, one for the girls, and one for the little tots. High mass will be sung at midnight by the children, and two masses will be said Christmas morning. Santa Claus (representing the Theatrical Mutual Association), is expected about 11 o'clock. Great joy has been imparted to the little ones each year at the sight of a real Santa Claus in their midst.

The Christmas meals will be as usual, with the exception of their Christmas pudding, which the children voted unanimously to deny themselves in order to send what it would have cost to the under-fed or starving children of Austria.

They were not only cheerful but enthusiastic about this self-denial offering.

The Cheerio Club and the pupils of the Christian Brothers have arranged to entertain the children during the holidays.

CHESLEY AVE. PUPILS HOLD FINE CONCERT

Encouraging Record Made in Various School Activities This Year.

On Thursday evening, Dec. 21, an excellent concert was rendered by pupils of the Chesley Avenue Public School. The auditorium was filled, and the audience pronounced it the finest concert yet given at the school. The year has been a most successful one. The boys were successful in being Empress Avenue for the football championship. The entrance class and other classes of the school showed fine results.

Following is the program:

Chairman's address, V. K. Greer; chorus, "Santa Claus Is Coming"; Miss Nagle's class; recitation, "The Stocking's Christmas"; Frances Summerville; an exercise, "Christmas Acrostic"; Miss Tisdale's class; chorus, "Joy Bells"; Miss Clark's class; recitation, "Norma Reddick"; dialogue, "How Mr. and Mrs. Brown Were Converted to Christmas"; Miss Dockstater's class; "Sailors' Hornpipe"; Marjory Taylor, drill, "Christmas Dolls"; Mrs. Cooke's class; chorus, "Better Than Gifts of Gold"; Miss Hoffman's class; Virginia Reed, Miss Abey's and Shaw's class; "Waiting Up for Santa"; Miss North's class; "Christmas Drill"; Miss Mackenzie's class; pantomime, "Under the Mistletoe"; Mrs. Cooke's class; "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"; Mr. Secord's class; monologue, "Making Christmas Presents"; Kathleen Adams; "March of the Christmas Trees"; Miss Corbin's class; duet, "Silent Night, Holy Night"; Beth Wilson and Doris Sedgwick; play, "Christmas with the Ruggles"; Mr. Gibbs and Mr. Secord's classes.

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EVERYBODY'S "spying!" 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 "C. A. P." who contributed the winning item today. From my bedroom window, a tramp, enter a neighbor's garden, take a pair of clean socks off the line, put them on, and peg his old ones on the line in their place.—C. A. P.

A horse going down Dundas street, tied to a Michigan car—one horsepower.—"T.L. S.A.Y."

A young woman giving the ashman two quarters, telling him to give the other man one of the quarters. When the woman turned in, the ashman quietly slipped all the money into his pocket.—C. W.

A clerk, in a downtown confectionery shop, stand outside and throw several doughnuts across the road to a clerk in an opposite store.

Christmas Day Will Soon Be Here, Let's Spread a Multitude of Cheer

Christmas Day will soon be here with all its multitude of cheer, with candy canes and bulging socks and kegs of ginger beer. Old Santa Claus will come in mirth to scatter gifts upon the earth for Bu and Sis and little him, and all the kids who trust in him. The days are happy now, and when we deck the Christmas tree again and grab a cake and pie or two and tell the world our cares are few, we'll settle down in peace, by the kitchen stove, where the turkey roasts and the pudding flops, and the warm air hugs as the Christmas spirit is in the air. It makes me laugh; it curls my hair. I want to sing, I want to shout, I want to hug the folks at home, I want to be in Paris with yuletide laughter in their eye. A. M.G.

THINK FIREBUG LIT CHURCH BLAZE

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dollars damage is given by Mr. Laflamme, cure of the basilica. The fire was discovered by four members of the provincial parliament, who were returning from the house, and amongst whom were L. A. Cannon and Dr. Anne de Beauregard. According to Fire Chief Donnelly the fire must have been raging half an hour before it was discovered at midnight.

Second Serious Fire.

The destruction of the Basilica is the second bad fire in a sacred edifice in this district this year, the great shrine at St. Anne de Beauregard being destroyed by fire during the past ten years. The fire during the morning the firemen last night in trying with the firemen to save the building or some of its contents. Men were to be seen rushing into the burning pile and returning with sacred vestments and ornaments.

The danger of working near the fire was increased by the avalanche of snow and icicles which fell off roofs, released by the heat. Several firemen had narrow escapes when working on a low roof where the snow gave way. They were, however, prevented from falling into the street by an iron railing.

The firemen had to fight most of the time in the dark except for the light of the flames because the power was cut off soon after the fire was discovered.

A feature of the fire was the fall into the street of the great tower, containing a chime of bells.

HEAP OF RUINS LEFT.

Canadian Press.

Quebec, Dec. 22.—A heap of smoking ruins and scorched walls were all that was left this morning of the fine old basilica, which has been the pride of this district because of its age and the beauty of its interior. Fire, which broke out in the early hours this morning in the roof, defied all the efforts of the firemen to control and destroyed the church in a few hours. With the sacred edifice was burned the presbytery adjacent, while the choir and transept, estimated by Mr. Laflamme, cure of the basilica, at \$1,000,000, though the contents of the choir, which dates back to 1674, including many fine pictures, cannot be valued in money and are irreplaceable.

Thinks Firebug Cause.

Incendiarism is believed to have been responsible for the outbreak, as Daniel Lorrain, chief of the provincial police force, received a letter telling him the basilica was to be burned on the 24th of this month. The seminary, a part of the group of buildings around the basilica, was threatened, and during the night the students were marched out.

The firemen were greatly hampered in their efforts by poor water pressure. The hose were not used to be sending water only a few feet, and very soon after the outbreak it was obvious to onlookers that the church was doomed.

The flames jumped across the narrow street which separates the church from the business section of old Quebec. The firemen checked the progress of the fire in this direction, though not before heavy damage had been done by the smoke and water.

The offices of the Telegraph and Chronicle, the English newspapers of Quebec, were slightly damaged.

POSTOFFICE IS CLOSED PART OF CHRISTMAS DAY

Open Only Between 8 and 10 a.m. and 2 and 7 p.m.

The postmaster notifies the public that on Christmas Day the general postoffice will be closed except between the hours of 8 to 10 a.m. and from 2 to 7 p.m., during which periods postage stamps will be on sale and the general delivery and registration wickets will be open.

There will be one delivery by letter carrier, which will be in the morning, and all special delivery letters received will be specially delivered.

The mails will be closed and dispatched the same as on other days. Two clearances will be made from the street letter boxes at 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Money order, savings bank and postal note wickets will be closed during the entire day.

ADVERTISE IN THE ADVERTISER.

THREE CITY PUPILS WIN ONTARIO PRIZE

Get Awards For Safety League Drawings Offered Throughout Province.

Early in October, the Ontario Safety League announced cash prizes totaling \$225 for drawings from pupils of the schools throughout the Province of Ontario on accidents, fires, accident prevention and fire prevention. The cash prizes were divided into two classes, namely, class A 12 years and under, and class B 13 years and over.

The judges of the contest were a committee appointed by the Ontario College of Art.

Among the prize-winners are three pupils of the London public schools, class A, Aubrey Powell of Boyle Memorial School has been awarded a prize. In class B, prizes were won by Violet Gibson of Simcoe Street School and Ruby Smith of Tecumseh Avenue School.

Western University Briefs

The prize competition for new university songs, which will be used in compiling a Western "U" song book, will be extended until the end of January, to allow more time for the song-writers. The prizes, which are offered by the Glee Club, through the kindness of Sidney Kingsmill, in total amount to \$40.

Efforts are being made by the Western "U" Literary Society to introduce next year a series of home-and-home debates with Assumption College. A recent communication from A. Jacques, secretary of the Assumption College Literary Society, stated that on account of the limited time at their disposal, Assumption would not be able to participate in inter-collegiate debates this year, but that next year in all probability a series could be arranged.

The new Students' Directory will appear shortly after the Christmas vacation, as announced by Stewart McLean, convenor of the publishing committee. The directory will contain names, city addresses, home addresses and telephone numbers of all persons and students registered at the university.

Harold Dalglish, W. U. '22, will attend the National Student Conference to be held in Toronto next week.

According to Miss Helen Patterson, secretary of the S. C. M. at Western University, efforts are being made to bring several of the speakers at the National Student Conference to London to address students of Western "U."

Gilbert Tucker, M.A., W. U. '21, has returned home for the Christmas holidays from Wisconsin University, Wisconsin, Wis., where he has been taking post-graduate work in history.

Professor and Mrs. Meras, of New York University.

The Canadian Pacific Tel. Co. are accepting, via Imperial Cable, Christmas and New Year greeting messages for British Isles at 6c per word, 10 words minimum.

LOCAL ADVERTISING MAN GIVES PARTY TO STAFF

T. E. Walsh of Federal Agency, Ltd., Holds Enjoyable Christmas Party at Home.

One of the gayest parties of the Christmas season was held Thursday evening at the home of T. E. Walsh of Federal Advertising Agency Limited, when with Mrs. Walsh he entertained the officers and staff of the company.

Cards occupied the early part of the evening, followed by perior lacrosse and "consequences," into which were injected, most successfully, a number of advertising slogans.

A Christmas tree brought forth gifts for every member of the staff. Each gift had a gentle hint for some little fault or mannerism of the recipients, and were accepted with rare good humor. The motor fend received a toy automobile, the "duke" a toy walking stick, the late-arrival an alarm clock, the "light house-keeper" a washboard, the flapper a vanity box, the musician a toy mandolin, the good samaritan a Santa Claus, the canine enthusiast a toy bulldog, the flirt a sailorboy doll, the love-lorn youth a doll, the traveler a dog to look after the house while he is away, the long-winded one a telephone to phone to his best friend's house, and the aspiring office boy a diamond "O" ring.

Vim and enthusiasm for 1923 was renewed in the heart of each member of the staff by a vote of appreciation from their president, and the presentation of the annual bonus.

T. H. Yull moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Walsh for their hospitality.

MR. NORMAN KEENE of the Ontario Furniture Company has received a notice from Toronto that a new fee is to be levied for the registration of motor vehicles, in addition to the fee already imposed. This amount, whatever it may be, will have to be paid at the time of the filing of registration applications. No mention was made of the probable amount of this new fee.

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS
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DON'T MISS IT.

Many wonderful pictures are being sold at the exhibition given by Mr. J. G. G. Walton, formerly of England. On display are some wonderful studies by Sydney Cooper, R.A., David Cox, E.A., Prout, Wiggery, Morland, etc. The exhibition is at 182 Dundas street, upstairs, in the new offices of the Steel Bery, next to the June Cafe, over John A. Nash, My Jeweler, "where you will eventually buy"—Advt.

News From City Churches

ST. JAMES' FESTIVAL.

St. James' Anglican Church in South London has been appropriately decorated with evergreen and flowers for the great festival of Christmas. A beautiful rood screen has been erected and covered with evergreen, which adds greatly to the general effect.

The choir, under the direction of F. L. Willgoose, has prepared appropriate music, including "Dutley Buck's Festal Te Deum in E Flat," and Handel's "O Thou That Tellest," in which Mrs. Barrows will take the solo part. Miss Gertrude Clement will sing "The Angel's Song" during the offertory.

At the evening service on Sunday, the Hallelujah Chorus and Stewarts' Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis will be sung, and Christmas carols will form a large part of the musical service. Rev. Professor Anderson will preach on the all-important subject of the Incarnation.

Christmas Day will be observed by a "ure 8" service at 10 o'clock, 11 a.m. At the 11 o'clock service the choir will attend and render appropriate festive music.

LISTOWEL

Special to The Advertiser.

Listowel, Dec. 21.—Knox Church Guild this week elected the following officers: President, Miss Isia Austin; vice-president, Miss Edna McKenzie; treasurer, Griffith McDonald; secretary, Miss Eva Hamilton; director of games, Stanley Pelton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Malcolm are in Montreal.

Neil Hay, of Queen's University, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hay.

Miss Lottie Hammond, of the London Normal School, is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Harrison.

Wesley Ankerman, of the London Normal School, is home for Christmas.

Rev. J. M. Nichol was summoned to London this morning on account of the illness of his mother.

WALKERVILLE WOMAN'S SON KILLED BY TRAIN

Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 22.—A Clancy, brakeman on the Canadian National train running between Kindersley and Etona, was fatally crushed between two cars yesterday at Flaxcombe, Sask. His mother is a resident of Walkerville, Ont.



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RECOVERS HEALTH AFTER MINOR OPERATION

Washington, Dec. 22—Chief Justice Hughes underwent a minor operation Sunday at a hospital here, but said today to have virtually recovered. He was receiving visitors transacting business at his home.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES FACE INJUNCTION

Palmer Moves To Stop Building On Trafalgar Street Site.

HOLDS STORMY MEETING

Board Taken To Task Because Lowest Tender Was Refused.

The last regular session of the board of education, held yesterday afternoon, was a lengthy one, and for a time it appeared that there would be a pretty display of argumental fireworks.

The meeting was late in starting, and when the trustees meandered into the ancient southeast school labyrinth, with Ex-Ald. Adam Palmer cross-questioning them, the session gave promise of breaking all records for duration.

As it was, Mr. Palmer finally departed, but not until he had made his position clear to the trustees with the assistance of Trustee J. B. Wright, who supported him, nor until he had stated that he intended to take out an injunction against the building of the school on the Trafalgar site.

Was Filing Letter.

Mr. Palmer was accompanied by F. W. Renwick, president of the London Real Estate Board. At the very moment they were taking seats, the school board was casually passing a motion to file the communication from Murphy, Gunn & Murphy, solicitors for the Real Estate Board, warning against the building of the school on the Trafalgar site. The letter had been sent along from the last session of the building committee.

"Has the board made an effort to take care of the overflow from Chesley and Ealing schools?" Mr. Palmer asked.

Senior Inspector V. K. Greer as-

Walsh Woodcutter Dies Instantly When Rotting Tree Falls Suddenly

Special to The Advertiser. Simcoe, Dec. 22.—John Thorne, aged 62 years, of Walsh, met instant death on the farm of George Finch yesterday morning.

In company with Phillip Engell, he was employed in cutting timber in the Finch woods two miles south of Walsh. While they were in the act of levelling a huge balsam, a 30-foot black ash tree nearby, the trunk of which had rotted, toppled to the ground, striking Mr. Thorne with ter-

rrible impact, causing almost immediate death.

Engell had a very narrow escape from a similar fate. Several of the limbs grazed his clothes in their descent.

Mr. Thorne leaves a widow, two boys, Wilfred of Hamilton and Russell at home, and one daughter to mourn his death. The funeral will be held from the home of Mrs. Walter Hollings on Sunday afternoon to Oakwood Cemetery.

Reports of the Central Collegiate Institute, London South Collegiate and the London Technical High School were read by W. H. P. Mooney, Everett A. Miller and H. B. Beal, respectively.

The report of the inspector containing two recommendations was passed. It recommended that (1) the form of medical certificate for teachers (which was submitted for consideration at the November meeting of the board by a special committee) be accepted. The second recommendation had to do with the reduction in salary of three teachers on the public school staff.

Several reports of committees were read by the chairman of the building, the finance and the high school committees. It was unanimously agreed to delete the words "and black mortar" which was read in a report from No. 2 committee when it was learned that the black mortar would cost \$450 extra.

Build Ice Rink.

The Collegiate committee recommended that an ice rink be built at the Central Collegiate Institute, with an estimated cost of material of \$100. Labor would be extra. Trustee Silverwood pointed out that the labor would be supplied by the work department during the holidays. The sides would be built and put up in sections, so that they might easily be taken down, and used in future years. This will be built.

Trustee Bryden Campbell, chairman of the committee re attendance department, read the report. The original recommendation read: That the board reconsider the appointment of a co-ordinating officer, as per the resolution adopted at regular meeting of Nov. 16 (pp. 365-366 minutes, and, that, instead, a plan of co-operation be adopted between the principals of the secondary schools and the principals of the primary schools working through the public school inspectors, and that the secretary of the board be appointed chief attendance officer; that he be supplied with two assistants, to be known as attendance officers, one of these being Miss D. Radcliffe, and that the board advertise for a male attendance officer.

Trustee Campbell later submitted a notice of motion that the salaries stated in the report be reconsidered. Everyone present enjoyed a smile when Dr. George S. Weir, public school attendance officer, read his report stating that "Miss Radcliffe has been fully employed. Most of her time since last report has been given to work for Mr. Tanner."

The secretary took exception to the word "most" and thought that "part" would state the fact better. Dr. Weir agreed, but not until he had sent the parting thrust. "Well, there is a bushel of vouchers in my office now. You can see them if you want to come in."

It was explained that Mr. Kerr could have submitted a second tender along with the other contractors. Mr. Kerr was not to be treated differently than the others.

ITALIAN MINISTER DIES DAY AFTER RESIGNING

Rome, Dec. 22.—Prof. Vincenzo Tangorra, who resigned yesterday as minister of the treasury for reasons of health, died today.



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Twenty Eat Dinner in Bed, Four Years After War's Close.

Four years and a month and more after the firing of the last guns of the great world war, 175 soldier patients in the Byron Sanatorium participated in the annual Christmas dinner and feast. Of their number, 20 are still too weak and ill to go to the dining-room with its gay decorations and good cheer. Twenty were served on trays in their rooms, receiving there also the gifts from the Red Cross, I. O. D. E. Soldiers' Comforts and Knights of Columbus.

Never was there a merrier Christmas party at the "San," a white Christmas, but one with sunshine. Just as the sun was thinking of getting behind the horizon to give place to the lengthening shadows, clouds were drawn and the lights blazed forth.

A splendid Christmas tree, evergreens, holly, red bells, Union Jacks and red-shaded lights created an atmosphere of irresistible cheer and good-will, thanks to the Red Cross hospital committee and the conveniences of the Christmas party, Miss Shaw-Wood.

Dinner was served in two relays for the patients, the first at 4:30 o'clock, the second at 5:30, the D. S. C. R. supplying the turkey and staples, while the Red Cross added such trifles as the candy, nuts, oranges, ice cream, etc. Sandwiched between was a substantial filling of plum pudding, forwarded by the head of the soldiers' comforts department of the D. S. C. R. in Toronto, Mrs. Arthur Van Koughnet.

Adding a very personal touch to their giving, the members of the Red Cross visiting committee were present, serving at the tables before themselves being entertained at dinner as the guests of the D. S. C. R. The hospital staff enjoyed the Christmas dinner in the staff dining-room.

Soldiers' Comforts Ad Gfts
The blessing was asked by the chaplain of the sanatorium, Rev. Roy D. Mess, and honored guests of the occasion included Col. (Rev.) W. Beattie, D.D., senior chaplain of the Canadian overseas forces during the war; Col. E. G. Shannon, D.S. N. B. Alexander, G. G. Clegg, L. H. Goss, Mrs. C. E. Steacie, Capt. Gerald Thomas, E. V. Hession, representing the Knights of Columbus; James



SENT THE PLUM PUDDINGS.

At Arthur Van Koughnet of Toronto, whose picture appears above, is head of the soldiers' comforts branch of the D. S. C. R., which sent the plum puddings for the Christmas dinner for the soldier patients at Byron Sanatorium on Thursday afternoon, and, in addition, a generous gift box to each. Mrs. Van Koughnet, who is well known to many Londoners, has been in charge of soldiers' comforts since the early days of the war, continuing afterwards in the good work for the sake of the men suffering in hospitals as an aftermath of the war, previous to Christmas each year soldiers' comforts headquarters in Toronto is a veritable Santa Claus shop, where Christmas decorations, goodies and gifts are assembled and packed to be sent out to hospitals all over the Dominion wherever there are soldier patients.

Gray and R. Liddle of the Y. M. C. A.

When the Christmas tree was unloaded each patient received a Christmas stocking and a specific gift from the Red Cross, a box of paper, from the I. O. D. E. through the military hospital committee, consisting of Mrs. J. B. McKillop, convener; Miss Ella Davis, treasurer; and Mrs. E. B. Smith, executive; a surprise package from the Soldiers' Comforts, containing cigarettes, tobacco, pipes, socks, writing pad, chocolates, envelopes, etc., in addition to a greeting card.

All through the year the Knights of Columbus have kept the men supplied with "smokes." Last evening the final installment for the year was presented. The contribution of the Y. M. C. A. to the entertainment was a program, in which community singing was interspersed with numbers by the Brunswick Trio, immensely popular with the men. Major H. P. Snellgrove had charge of the D. S. C. R. arrangements, and the members of the visiting committee, the president, Mrs. Ronald Harris, were: Mrs. J. S. Asplund, convener; Miss Anna Shaw-Wood, joint convener and special convener for the Christmas dinner; Mrs. W. E. Allen, Mrs. George Fraser, Mrs. H. E. Gates, Mrs. Glennie Wilson, Mrs. Travers, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. J. Wilkie, Mrs. A. E. Turner, Miss Blackburn, Mrs. Ginge, Mrs. K. Cronyn and Mrs. C. E. Morris.

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Paris, Dec. 21.—Red and gray are giving in a popular comedy now playing here has achieved a triumph in combining hints from old styles with the mandates of the up-to-date. The gown is of old rose faille, with full skirt and snug bodice.

So far it is up to date, but it's little silver lace collar, in the folds above the shoulders, and its tiny puff shoulder sleeves are decidedly ancient, so ancient that they set a new fashion.

COMBINE RED AND GRAY.

Paris, Dec. 21.—Red and gray are combined in today's winter costumes. Even the outside coats are being made of dull red now, fastening on one hip with a large cut steel buckle. The gray is added in the collar, cuffs and front panel of gray foil.

WORE MUSLIN TO ROYAL DANCE

London, Dec. 21.—Muslin, which has come so oddly to be included among the winter fabrics, was effectively used on a gown seen at a little royal dance recently. The gown was of blue chiffon with a muslin cape in the same shade, and of very soft texture, enveloping it from shoulders to hem.

CLUB NEWS

FOURTH O. E. S. DANCE.

Forest City Chapter, O. E. S., is giving the fourth of the series of weekly dances, which are proving so popular, in the Masonic Temple on Friday evening. The music is to be provided by Ronnie Hart's orchestra. The proceeds are in aid of the building fund.

ENTERTAIN WESTMINSTER PATIENTS.

Saturday evening the I. O. D. E., through arrangement of the military hospitals visiting committee, of which Mrs. J. B. McKillop is convener, is giving a concert for the patients at Westminster Hospital, engaging the Brunswick Trio to present the entertainment.

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DEAR SANTA VISITS DAY NURSERY BABES

Talbot Street Church Builders' Class and Other Good Friends Make Event Success.

Even Christmas faded into insignificance for the little people of the Bay Nursery before the glory of the Christmas tree and party held at the creche, King street, Thursday afternoon. Babies in arms crowded with glee and stretched out their little hands towards the splendid tree or the dancing freight of the open hearth. The older grown, all the way up to eight or nine, raced about, almost too happy to keep still a moment.

Tree decorations, toys, a gift of a garment for each of the 44 boys and girls present, was the bountiful donation of the Talbot Street Baptist Builders' Bible Class, of which Mrs. A. T. Edwards, president of the Day Nursery board, is the teacher. In addition, the class served to the children sandwiches, cakes, ice cream and oranges, as much as they could tuck away.

After the "party" the little people sang songs, led by Miss Bodin, who, in addition, the class served to the children sandwiches, cakes, ice cream and oranges, as much as they could tuck away.

Following this the proud mothers present enjoyed afternoon tea and the last minute Santa Claus came down the chimney, so far as the children knew. He was too late to reach the grown-ups, until the unloading of the tree.

Amongst the many who helped to make the tree a success and to furnish the larger at the nursery, grateful thanks is extended by the board to the following: Lady in Detroit, \$10 through London Loan; Mocha Tenny, \$10; Mrs. Irwin, King street, \$5; Dr. Bateson, \$2; Talbot Street Baptist Church, five kindergarten chairs; new St. James Presbyterian Beginners' class, toys, Mission Circle, Arva Methodist Church, gifts for Christmas tree; Mr. J. Hunt, vegetables; Mrs. O'Dell, Queen's, blankets; Mrs. James Granger, flannellette blankets; Junior Class, Talbot Street School, fruit; Colborne Street Methodist primary department, tea and fruit; Mrs. B. Harris, bag of potatoes; Mrs. Robert Carter, liderton, oranges; Centennial Methodist Sunday school, white gifts; shower of fruit, vegetables, groceries; Miss White, \$5; Asklin Street Sunday school, white gift shower; Mrs. F. W. W. Leach, Armitage's class, St. James' Church, shower of fruit; Dundas Centre C. G. I. T. Christmas stockings; Class 11, Dundas Centre Church, kids for nursery; Knox Church Sunday school, shower of dolls.

Amongst members of the board present to take charge were Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. J. Slater, Mrs. Karm and Miss L. E. Young.

W. C. T. U. MOTHERS' CLUB

MAKE MINUTE SPEECHES

Innovation Introduced At Annual Christmas Dinner—Happy Event of Thursday Night.

Embossed with evergreens, brightened with holly berries and splashes of red in Christmas bells and streamers, the W. C. T. U. parlors at the Clarence street headquarters afforded a festive and happy event for the annual Christmas dinner of the Mothers' Club. In addition to special guests 75 club members sat down at the long table, softly lighted with green and red candles in brass stands.

Down the length of the table ran streamers of green and red, and placed at intervals, mounds of rosy apples and grapes. The favors were gay red baskets of sweets at each corner.

Variety was added to the time-honored program by having only one toast, to the king, and giving time for a series of minute and a half speeches. Mrs. Harrison, honorary president, first called upon three of the mothers to speak on "What does Christmas mean?" Mrs. Pretz told of its meaning to the world; Mrs. Martin, to the home, and Mrs. Proctor, to the individual. Mrs. Morrison's subject was "What brings greatest happiness at Christmas time?" Mrs. Young suggested ways of keeping the Christmas spirit throughout the year. "As a club, what are we willing to do?" was answered by the president, Mrs. Warren. A program by "assisting talent" that was much enjoyed included solos by Miss Gladys Udy; a recitation by Miss Hilda Rowell, and recitation also by little Peggy Taylor.

PERSONALS

Miss Julia Dibb, 440 King street, has returned home after visiting relatives in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Norwood of Galt will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. D. Fay, Richmond street.

Col. and Mrs. Claude K. Morgan are entertaining at a date at the Waverley on the evening of Jan. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Warner Hunt of Dorchester left on Tuesday to spend the winter months in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Whitman of Galt will be Christmas visitors with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Wheaton, 512 Oxford street.

Mr. and Mrs. Kellor of Galt will be Christmas visitors in town, guests with Mr. and Mrs. Bowman, Hellmouth avenue.

Miss May Wilson is spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Owen Sound.

Capt. and Mrs. A. H. C. Campbell and baby are leaving after Christmas for Halifax, where Capt. Campbell has been stationed.

Mrs. Arthur Masterman of Winnipeg is visiting in town for a few days, the guest of Mrs. G. L. Macdonald, Hyman street.

Miss Nancy Hunter and Mr. Fred Hunter of Ottawa will spend Christmas with their aunts, the Misses Fairbairn, Colborne street.

Miss Phyllis Richea, of Brantford, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Richea, 505 St. James street.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Cochran (formerly Miss Honor Cronyn) will spend Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hume Cronyn.

Mr. Tom Smallman, who is attending Ridley College, is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Smallman, Elmwood avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bradden, 546 King street, are spending Christmas in Windsor, guests in the home of their son, Mr. E. R. Bradden, 66 Hall avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. H. Chisholm and baby daughter will be Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Chisholm, Queen's avenue.

Mr. Edward Woolcombe, son of Rev. Edward Woolcombe, principal of the Central Collegiate, is spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. Adam Brown, "Tuellyn."

Mr. and Mrs. George Hutcheon of Weston, Ont., are arriving in town to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. Hutcheon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hutcheon, 624 Horton street.

Miss Laura Macdonald, until recently superintendent of the Kensington branch of the Y. W. C. A., "Lenmore," is leaving in the near future to spend the winter in California.

Mrs. Eric Reid was the hostess of a smart bridge and tea Thursday in honor of Miss Edith Greer, a popular bride-elect. At the tea hour the attractive table was presided over by Miss Reid.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ivey and sons, Peter and Charles, are leaving Friday to spend the Christmas holidays in the West Coast, guests with Mrs. Ivey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jamieson.

Dr. Hans Olding Foucar and his bride, formerly Hildegarde Steven, are arriving at their home in Rochester, Minn., the end of this week, after their honeymoon, and will spend Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Foucar.

Miss Myrtle McCoubrey and Miss Marjorie Sullivan of the Rainy River teaching staff, accompanied by Mr. John Davey and Mr. George Heaton, also of Rainy River, all well known in this city, are spending the Christmas vacation in Winnipeg, also had been keenly interested.

In honor of Miss Charlotte Baxter, a most capable and popular member of the staff of Talbot Street school, whose marriage takes place in the near future, the Mothers' Club on Thursday afternoon entertained at a delightful tea, the guests including the principal, Mr. Welsh, the former members of the staff, on behalf of the club, Mrs. Brennan, the president, present Miss Baxter with a shower of handkerchiefs and dolls, and a large number of other guests.

Representing the staff of which he was so long chief, Mr. Liddicoat next presented a handsome silver tea service. Reply for the bride-elect was made by Principal Welsh and Junior Inspector G. A. Wheasie. Warm tribute was paid to the success of Miss Baxter as a teacher, who ranks among the foremost primary instructors in the city. Regretful reference was also made to the departure of another popular member of the staff, Miss Plewes, who leaves to finish her course in the Western University.

The first gay round of festivities being held during the holiday season in honor of the not-outs was given Thursday evening, when Mr. and Mrs. James Kerrigan entertained at a delightful dinner-dance at the Kensington in honor of Miss Lillian Kerrigan and Mr. Charles Kerrigan. Bright Christmas decorations were arranged throughout the dinner table, where covers were laid for fifty. Lombardo's orchestra supplied an excellent program of dance music during the evening.

Mrs. Kerrigan wore a smart French gown, and Miss Lillian a dainty frock of pale blue georgette over pink satin, with silver trimmings, silver slippers and hose completed her costume.

The guests included: Misses Margaret Brown, Audrey Farncombe, Elaine Stevely, Norma Ferguson, Gweno Williams, Shirley Johnston, Connie Givins, Kathleen Cowan, Bernadette Murphy, Doris Mitchell, Allison Buchner, Lorraine Abbott, Eleanor Robinson, Helen Percival, Helen Boughner, Helen Little, Connie Masuret, Gussie Wilson, Edith Anderson, Miss Fleming (Windsor), Kathleen Richardson, Dorothea Kitchen, and Messrs. John Wismer, John McGivins, Ted Cowley, Grant Fells, George Callaghan, Donald Routledge and Callum, Bob Masuret, Bill Bramer, don Sceraton, Bert Mitchell, Tom Harry Lamb.

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The guests, numbering over one hundred, were received by the officers and their wives, including Lieutenant-Col. C. H. Hill and Mrs. Hill, the latter wearing a handsome blue headed gown; Col. and Mrs. R. J. S. Longford, Mrs. Langford wearing black georgette embroidered in all-overs; Major and Mrs. A. H. Hemming, Mrs. Hemming wearing in green and gold brocade; Capt. and Mrs. R. E. Balder, the latter in a black-headed gown; Capt. and Mrs. K. K. John, the latter in a black-headed gown; Capt. and Mrs. A. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Campbell wearing in gray crepe de chine, embroidered in bugles; Col. Philpott, Mrs. Philpott in green and gold; and Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Campbell wearing in gray crepe de chine, embroidered in bugles.

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THE SKY LINE OF SPRUCE

by Edison Marshall

BEGIN HERE TODAY.

BEN DABY, a prisoner, is paroled to an old friend of the Darby family because it is proven by a noted alienist that Ben is a victim of amnesia. The old friend, EZRA MELVILLE, takes Ben on a journey to the Yuga River to locate on a rich claim left by Ezra's dying brother, HIRAM MELVILLE. In Seattle lives Jeffery Neilson, leader of Ray Brent and CHAN HEMINWAY, notorious crooks. They plan to steal the claim left by Melville and locate there before his brother can arrive. Ben is in love with Neilson's beautiful daughter, BEATRICE, who repulses him. When Ezra and Ben arrive at the north woods, the latter's memory suddenly returns. On the road to Snowy Gulch, where they were to procure supplies and call for FENRIS, pet of the deceased Hiram, Ben and Ezra meet a frontiersman, MAUL. While Ben is otherwise engaged Ezra learns from the traveler that Neilson and his gang have started toward Hiram's claim. Not wanting to endanger Ben's life, Ezra suggests that Darby go alone to Snowy Gulch, leaving Ezra to travel toward their destination. At Snowy Gulch Ben finds Fenris to be a wolf that has just broken loose and stands ready to destroy a beautiful girl.

GO ON WITH THE STORY.

The fangs were bared, gleaming in foam, the hair stood erect on the powerful shoulders, and instantly Ben recognized its breed. It was a magnificent specimen of that huge, gaunt runner of the forests, the northern wolf.

He knew this breed—this savage, blood-mad, fierce-eyed creature that turned, snarling at his approach, Fenris was only a fellow wilderness creature, a pack brother of the dark forests, and he had no further cause for fear.

"Fenris!" he ordered sharply. "Come here!" His voice was commanding and clear above the animal's snarl.

There followed a curious, long instant of utter silence and infinite suspense. "Down, Fenris," Ben said again. "Down!"

Then slowly, steadily, Ben moved toward him. Watching, unbelieving,

Morris saw the fierce eyes begin to lose their fire. The stiff hair on the shoulders fell into place, tense muscles relaxed.

Ben stood beside him now, his hand reaching. "Down, down," he cautioned quietly. Suddenly the wolf crouched, cowering at his feet. Ben straightened to find himself under a wondering scrutiny by both Morris and the girl. "Good Lord, Darby!" the former exclaimed. "How did you do it?"

Suddenly Ben reached and took the wolf's head between his hands. Slowly he lifted the savage face till their eyes met. The wolf growled, then, whimpering, tried to avert its gaze. Then a rough tongue lapped at Ben's hand.

And now, for the first time, Ben found himself regarding Beatrice. He could scarcely take his eyes from her as she stared rudely, but he was with the power to turn his eyes. Her dark eyes fell under his gaze.

"There's nothing I can say—to thank you," the girl was murmuring. "I never saw anything like it; it was just as if the wolf understood every word you said."

"Old Hiram had him pretty well trained, I suspect." The man's eyes fell to the shaggy form at his feet. "I'm glad it happened along, Miss—"

"Beatrice," Ben finished. "I live here. Neilson! His mind seemed to leap and catch at the name. Just that he had heard it from the lips of the house next door where dwelt his fellow-traveler for the morrow.

"Then it's your father—or brother—who's going to the Yuga—"

"My father is already there, I'm here alone—"

Then the gray eyes lighted and a smile broke about Ben's lips. Few times in his life had he smiled in quite this vivid way.

"Beatrice, you're exulting, 'who is going to be my fellow-traveler to-morrow!'"

CHAPTER VI. Hitting the Long Trail. BEN found, rather than had expected, that the girl was not at all embarrassed by the knowledge that they were to have a lonely all-day ride together.

The frontier had taught her to judge men. As daylight broke they started out,

down the shadowed street of the little town.

"The last we'll see of civilization for a long, long time," the girl reminded him.

The man thrilled deeply. "And I'm glad of it," he answered. "Nothing ahead but the long trail!"

At the very headquarters of Poor Man's Creek, where the stream had dwindled to a silver thread between mossy banks, Beatrice and Ben made their noon camp.

But it was not to be that this journey should hold only delight for Ben. A half-mile down the river he suddenly made a most momentous and disturbing discovery.

He had stopped his horse to reread the copy of Hiram Melville's letter, intending to verify his course. His gaze came to rest upon a familiar name.

Look out for Jeff Neilson and his gang," the letter read. "They seem some of my dust."

At first he did not glance at Beatrice. Slowly he folded the letter and put it back into his pocket.

"I'm going all right," he announced. He urged his horse forward.

"It seems to me we must be heading into about the same country," Ben went on. "You see, Miss Neilson, I'm going to make my first permanent camp somewhere along this stretch."

"My father has come to the conclusion that it's really worth prospecting. He's in this same country now."

"I suppose I'll meet him—I'll likely meet him tonight when I take you to the cabin on the river. You said his name was—"

Ben's thought flashed to Ezra. The recovery of the mine had been the old man's fondest dream, the last hope of his declining years, and this hope would go hand with him. Ben would go hand with him. Ben would go hand with him.

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Ben had already decided upon his course of action. He knew perfectly well that it would only put Neilson on his guard if he stated his true position; and besides, he wanted word of Ezra's return.

"I may have a wrong steer," Ben said. "But no—I don't mean to do on the river-trail, out of Snowy Gulch, advised me to come of a claim up here and that his brother left him, and though it was a pocket country, he thought there'd soon be great things to come."

"I hardly know who could have been that you met," Neilson began doubtfully. "He didn't tell you his name?"

"Melville. I believe that was it. And if you'll tell me how to find him, I'll try to go on tonight."

"Melville? I guess I know who you mean now. But no—I don't know of any claim unless it's over down the river. Maybe further down the river."

Ben made no reply at once; but his mind sped like lightning. Of course Neilson was lying about that moment he was occupying one of Hiram Melville's cabins.

Ben hadn't come up this way?" Ben asked casually. "He hasn't come through here that I know of. Of course I'm working my claim—with my partners—and he might have gone through without our seeing him. It seems rather unlikely."

"He told me, in the few minutes that I talked to him, that his cabin was somewhere close to this creek—I thought he said up this creek."

"There is a cabin up the creek a way," Neilson admitted. "But it isn't the one he meant. It's not my claim, and my two partners are living in it. But when he said near to this one, he might have meant ten miles. That's the way we northern men speak of distance."

He said his farewells to the girl, refused an invitation to pass the night in the cabin, and made his way to the green bank of the stream. Four hundred yards from the cabin he pitched his camp.

Ben made his fire and unpacked his horses. He confined his riding to the horse of the creek, and the others he turned loose. Then he cooked a simple meal for himself and his gaunt servant at his heels.

With the night had come down in full, and as he sat about the glowing coals of his supper fire, he had time to devote serious thought to the fate of Ezra.

Impelled by an urge within himself, Ben suddenly knelt beside his lupine friend. He could not understand it, but he felt that the vague events that stirred him to the quick, he only knew, with a knowledge akin to inspiration, that in Fenris lay the answer to his problem.

"Fenris, old boy," the man whispered. "Can you find him for me, Fenris? He's out there somewhere—the man motivated toward the dark—and I want him. Can you take me to him?"

(Continued Tomorrow)

THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS RAISED BY LADIES' AID

St. Andrew's Organization Fixes Redecoration of Church as Next Objective—Helps Many Causes.

During the past year the Ladies' Aid of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church has raised over \$3,000. Announcement of this splendid total was received with much gratification at the annual meeting held this week, when the popular president, Mrs. D. A. Curie, was returned to the office she has filled with such acceptance.

The Aid has made as its next objective the redecoration of the church and, after achieving several important things, has \$400 laid by towards the purpose.

In the year harp stops and chimes have been installed in the organ; aid has been given for the deficit of the W. M. S. of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; the kitchen has been furnished, and donations have been made to the poor fund and board of management.

The officers for the ensuing year are: Honorary presidents, Mesdames William L. Laidlaw, W. H. Carson, A. S. MacGregor, George Wood; president, Mrs. D. A. Curie; vice-presidents, Mesdames Le Sellaire and W. R. Roomer; secretary, Mrs. Palmer Smith; treasurer, Mrs. F. G. Mitchell; press secretary, Mrs. E. Cumming; convener social committee, Mrs. R. Mercer; convener ways and means committee, Mrs. G. L. Macdonald; flower committee, Miss Margaret Hamilton; house committee, Mrs. E. Brick; visiting sick committee, Mrs. W. R. Roomer.

The large revenue for the year was raised by a Christmas bazaar, rummage and food sales, musicales, etc., all arranged under the capable and veneration of Mrs. G. L. Macdonald of the ways and means committee.

MOSSY WITH LACE. New York, Dec. 21.—Boudoir coats of amber and old blue satin today are mossy with row upon row of narrow lace. The lace runs from waist to hem in horizontal groups of delicate lines, pausing now and then to gather itself into a creamy or silvery swirl.

The swirls are repeated on the loose bodice.

COMBINES JET AND MARCASITE. New York, Dec. 21.—Jet and marcasite, the smart combination of the moment, is decidedly worth while when employed on the new handbags of black silk moiré.

Often the bags are brocaded in silver, the silver and black emphasizing the jet and marcasite clasps, and both contrasting with a rich and brilliant lining.

NOW IT'S LACE CLOCKINGS. New York, Dec. 21.—Lace clocks as well as lace panels were seen today in some of the holiday hostessery. A silver stocking has a silver lace to match or contrast with the gown. Lace insets for stockings are no less popular than ever.

DONS KNICKERS TO SKATE. New York, Dec. 21.—Tweed knickers are the proper wear for skating, and with the seen just opening the sports shops today offer knickers more carefully tailored and smarter than ever. Mixtures of brown and gray seem to be popular shades. The knickers are worn with a high-necked sports blouse and a short bright sweater.

UMBRELLA CASE GETS SWANKY. London, Dec. 21.—The newest umbrellas of today, besides being giddy in coloring, have a new idea in cases. Instead of the smooth, cylindrical effect which an umbrella in its silk sheath usually presents, the newest umbrellas are slid into cases made of ribbons sewn on a bias, giving a twisted swanky air.



BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

HOW UNC' BILLY SAVED BOBBY COON. By Thornton W. Burgess. More often than you would suspect things happen which you least expect.

Bobby Coon was in despair. High up in a tree in the Green Forest he flattened himself against the trunk and watched a flashing light slowly draw near and nearer. It was carried by a hunter who was climbing that tree, and was looking for Bobby Coon.

Fat as he was, and that was very fat indeed, little chills ran all over Bobby Coon. They were chills of fright. There was just one chance for him to fool those hunters. But it seemed as if there would be no chance to take that chance. That chance lay in creeping out alone a certain branch and jumping from that to a branch of a neighboring tree. But with the hunters on the ground looking up he did not dare be almost certain to see him, and he suspected that at least one of them had a terrible gun.

"If only something would happen to make them look another way!" moaned Bobby. "But, of course, nothing will happen!"

It was right then that something did happen that Bobby Coon did not expect. He saw a flash of light, and he saw a hunter who was climbing that tree, and was looking for Bobby Coon.

One of them went to look. There was no Possum there. Then all of them joined in the search. Of course, they didn't find Bobby Coon. They called the dog, and tried to make him find Bobby Coon. But that dog had been trained to hunt Coons, and he didn't find Bobby Coon.

Now, of course, Bobby Coon didn't know what all the excitement below was about, but he did know the next thing was the chance to get into the next tree. Even the hunter who had been climbing toward Bobby had stopped to look down and watch what was going on. Quickly Bobby ran out on that branch and jumped to a branch of the next tree, for the

two branches touched. Along this branch he moved quickly. On the further side he found another branch that almost touched a third tree. In less time than it takes to tell it, Bobby Coon was in that tree. This he swiftly climbed down, and keeping the tree between the hunter and himself, he took to his heels. There was a certain rocky ledge he knew of where he would be safe, and he headed straight for this. He didn't even look back to see the hunter in the tree continue to climb and flash a light along each branch.

So it was that Unc' Billy Possum saved Bobby Coon, and so repaid Bobby for having saved him. But Unc' Billy didn't know it then, and Bobby Coon didn't know it then. It wasn't until some time after when they were talking together that they found it out.

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The next story, "The Puzzled Hunters."

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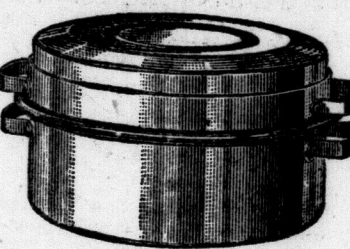
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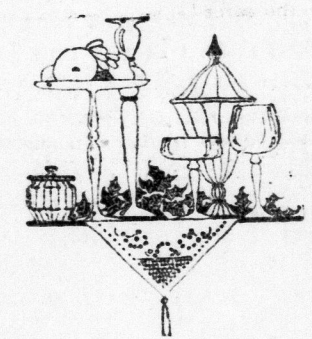
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REINFORCE CONSTABLES IN HUNT FOR MURDERER

Government Increases Reward Offered—Italians Reply To Ku Klux Threat.

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 21.—The three Ontario police officers engaged steadily on the Truman murder case at Thorold were reinforced last night by the arrival of Thomas Robb from

Toronto. The Ontario government has augmented the Thorold Town Council's reward of \$1,000 by another \$1,000 for information leading to conviction of the constable's murderer. Salaried police officers are not eligible for this reward.

The secretary of an Italian society is out today with a published demand, addressed to Chief Kleagle of the Ku Klux Klan, why he should conclude in his letter to the mayor of Thorold that an Italian committed the murder, when there are for-

signers of other nationalities in the district, and while crimes continue to be committed by English-speaking people.

SLAYER OF LONDON MAN COMPOSED AS END NEARS

Special to The Advertiser.
Windor, Dec. 21.—With the date for his execution a little more than a month away, Frank Bianchi, Italian,

sentenced to hang on January 25 for the murder of a former London young man, shows little concern over his fate. Under the eyes of the death-watch in one of the strongest cells in the county jail at Sandwich, the condemned man passes his days quietly. Except for regular calls from the prison chaplain, he receives no visitors, although many of the curious have applied to the jailer for permission to see him. At night Bianchi rests peacefully, undisturbed apparently by unpleasant dreams.

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BECK TALK ON RADIALS IS WARMLY RECEIVED

One Heckler Threatens To Disturb Meeting, Which, However, Turns Out To Show a Maximum of Devotion for the Hydro Knight.

ELECTRIFIED G. T. R. WOULD NOT SERVE

Special to The Advertiser.
Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 22.—An element of sportsmanship featured the meeting here last night in the I. O. O. F. hall by the hydro forces to hear Sir Adam Beck speak on the radial measure. The hydro knight did not like what Senator Lynch Staunton said Wednesday night at a gathering of radial supporters, and he flourished two crisp new fifty-dollar bills before the house, and said they were to cover the hundred Mr. Staunton had offered to put up to the meaning of the radial agreement.

"Mr. Staunton says the bylaw on which you are asked to vote isn't worth the paper it is written on," said Sir Adam. "He declares that under the terms of the bylaw the commission can build railways anywhere with just the consent of a majority of the municipalities. He is quoted in the press as saying he was a lawyer, and knew what he was talking about. Well, I'm not a betting man, but I do pretend to be something of a sportsman, and I'll just cover that hundred of Mr. Staunton's."

"The only stipulation I make is that whoever loses the money it goes to the Hamilton Consumptive Sanatorium."

Heckles Sir Adam.
The incident had the intended effect of stimulating enthusiasm and getting the gathering in good fettle. During the evening Sir Adam, though he spoke for an hour and a half, spent so much time wandering in the gardens of hydro-electric success, that toward the end of his address a rater, who seemed to have no fear in hearing any lion in his den, jumped up and shouted:

"We came here to get facts about the radials. You have talked for an hour and a half, and now you seem to be talking about hydro-electric, not radials at all."

Sir Adam came back with a sharp retort, and after shouting from the audience, "Put him out," "Sit down," and other expressive demands, the hydro knight went on, only to be interrupted a little later by the same citizen, who said that Sir Adam wasted too much time abusing Senator Staunton.

Sir Adam did, in fact, devote much of his evening to replying to what Mr. Staunton said. Sir Adam, warden of Ontario County, had said the previous evening. He also rambled into many other by-paths, taking flings at Sir Henry Thornton, Sir John Hendrie and others. So displeased was the rater at the meagre number of facts given, that he insisted on being heard, and even offered to put some money, with a lively betting spirit. But Mr. Halliwell, M.P.P., who was acting as

ACTIVE DRY AGENTS SPOIL FUN OF "WETS"

Rigid Enforcement of Temperance Laws Predicted New Year's Eve.

Special to The Advertiser.
New York, N. Y., Dec. 22.—An army of federal dry agents has captured New York. For the first time in months, cabaret diners in the "Wet City" feel qualms when they raise their glasses of liquor to their lips, as flying squadrons of enforcement agents are spreading as much terror as Carrie Nation used to spread in Kansas. Last night Dirty Moore's and The Tent, two well-known restaurants, were raided by the federales, while the police watched, taking no part in the proceedings. A tip has gone forth that an unprecedented series of raids will be conducted New Year's eve. The result is wholesale cancellation of plans for big wet parties, clubs and cafes, that had filled all their reservations for the night, announced that they would close at 6 p.m. This is the first time since the dry law went into effect that prohibition has been taken so seriously here.

PROVIDE EX-SOLDIERS WITH FORESTRY WORK

Unemployed Single Men Establish Model Camp in Timber Lands.
Montreal, Dec. 22.—A timber area of 250 acres about 70 miles from Montreal has been purchased to provide work for ex-fighting men by the Montreal Ex-Fighting Men's Association.

The timber standing will be used by the ex-fighting men's association to provide work for single men, the intention being to establish a model timber camp. Some of the wood will be sent into the city of Montreal to the rough to a timber yard which the association will set up. Here unemployed married men will be employed in the finishing of the wood. Altogether it is expected that the project will give employment to about 120 men, 40 of the wood will be sent into the city of Montreal and 80 in the Montreal yard.

A small hand laundry is also to be set up in Montreal this winter as soon as the plant can be installed, with a view to providing work for women dependents of ex-fighting men.

DEATH OF STEEL MAGNATE.
New York, Dec. 22.—William R. Walker, assistant to the president of the United States Steel Corporation since its foundation in 1901, died here yesterday.

PRaises WORK OF SAILORS ON LAKE VESSELS

Marine Official Declares Men "Heroes in Performance of Everyday Duties."

PERFORM DARING DEEDS

Action May Be Taken to Have Navigation Season Close December 1.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—"Heroes in the performance of their everyday duties" is the term applied by a high official of the department of marine and fisheries to the officers and crews of the lake freighters, who, particularly during the last thirty days of their seasons work upon the lakes, are facing dangers and death at almost every turn, and who during the last days of navigation work under conditions which would deter any but a hardy race of men from entering upon the work.

In order to protect these men from unnecessary dangers and hardships there is a strong feeling in favor of shortening the season of navigation on the Great Lakes in future years. A proposal has been advanced that the department of marine and fisheries lift its buoys and cease other aids to navigation on December 1 in future years instead of, as in the case of this year, attempting to keep navigation open until December 20.

Brought Up Before.
The question has been brought up before, however, and because there are times when a mild fall, following an unsatisfactory season for the shipowners, make it necessary for them to keep their vessels running as long as possible, it is unlikely that anything will be done in the way of setting an arbitrary date at which navigation shall close.

Officials of the marine department also point to the fact that while reasonable weather continues the men themselves are in favor of getting in an extra trip if possible before the season closes. "During the last thirty days of each shipping season, when every nerve is being strained in order that grain may be moved down from the north to the south, and from the east to the west, the men on the lakes in Canada before winter sets in, these men work under conditions, which at times it seems human beings could not endure."

Tales of Heroism.
Tales of heroism come to light during times of stress, when some of the men involved risk their lives in order to rescue their companions, but hundreds of other tales of heroism, perhaps barely less spectacular, go unrecorded. "During the last thirty days of each shipping season, when every nerve is being strained in order that grain may be moved down from the north to the south, and from the east to the west, the men on the lakes in Canada before winter sets in, these men work under conditions, which at times it seems human beings could not endure."

What the extra cargoes of grain which they bring out at the tail-end of the season mean to Western Canada, particularly may perhaps be gauged by the rush which has taken place in the last month of navigation, to get shipments away from the lake elevators, and not only save the cost of winter storage, but also avoid the payment of the additional charges of all rail freight haul, as compared with the lake and water charges.

Sometimes, it is stated, this difference is the cost of marketing his grain means all the difference between success and failure to the farmer.

Incidentally, it was pointed out, the Dominion government does nothing in the matter beyond light and chart the course and provide light and Pacific have the advantage of sailers and hospitals either kept up by the government or partly maintained by the owners, but the owners of lake vessels make no contribution to the fund for this purpose, so there are no marine hospitals or any shelters in any of the Canadian lake ports.

The men are, however, well taken care of by their employers, in the matter of hospitalization and medical treatment, it is stated, and as a result they do not suffer the loss of any privileges enjoyed by their brethren, who "go down to the sea in ships."

FIRES RIFLE SHOTS INTO PRIEST'S HOME

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—A man armed with a rifle fired several shots through the windows of the house of Rev. Fathon Macquim of St. Mary's, here noon yesterday, according to information received by the provincial police last night. The priest was not home at the time. The police are investigating.

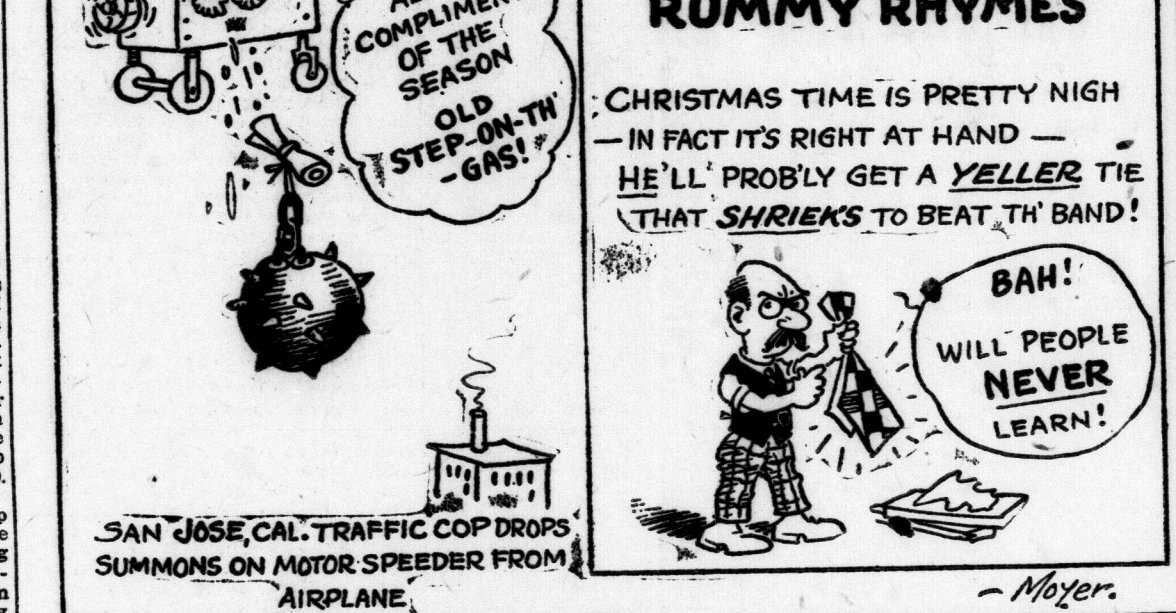
DENONCE ARBUCKLE

Washington, Dec. 22.—The United States National Catholic Welfare Council, acting on the decision of its motion picture bureau will call upon its affiliated organizations of Catholics and women "to prevent the showing of Arbuckle films," Charles A. MacMahon, director of the bureau, said in a statement today.

DIBS AND DABS



OLEAN, N.V. MOTORIST ENCOUNTERS BEAR ON PUBLIC HIGHWAY



LAST DAY OF SCHOOL CELEBRATED IN CITY

Song and Holly Takes Place of Birch and Books for Term Closing.

Birch and books gave way to holly and song at the public schools today. The last day of school and Christmas was only two days away. It was not surprising that excitement ran high, and the youngsters, from the smallest to the tallest, spent the day in gay exhilaration.

Each school had its own form of program, and in several cases, in several schools evening concerts were given, to which parents were invited.

At Victoria School was inaugurated the holding of a special service. Christmas merrymaking gave way to the holding of a solemn service, prayer, very beautiful and impressive.

The Victoria School choir, one of the best trained of children's voices in the district, rendered a number of specially-prepared anthems and carols, and the service was given by Principal McKone.

Large numbers of the parents were in attendance and several members of the school board.

At the Central Collegiate Institute, commencement exercises were held on Thursday afternoon, and Friday morning saw the halls empty except for a few teachers, who remained for extra work.

STATES CANADA HAS 15,000 DRUG ADDICTS

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Canada has between 12,000 and 15,000 drug addicts, Dr. J. A. Amyot, deputy minister of health, told officers of the St. John Ambulance Association here yesterday in connection with the conference of company centers.

Dr. Amyot stated that the department of health was doing everything possible to combat the drug evil. "It is one of the most vital problems which we have to deal with, because these addicts are entirely untrustworthy when they are in that condition and are a dangerous menace."

BEGIN TRIAL OF FIVE CHARGED WITH MURDER

Marion, Ill., Dec. 22.—The defence in the trial of five men, charged with murder in connection with the Heron riots last June, was ready today to begin introducing its testimony, which it has been announced would be designed to "prove an alibi for each of the accused men."

The first of several hundred witnesses summoned were in court, but it was problematical how many of them would be called to the witness stand before court adjourned tomorrow evening over the holidays. The state rested its case yesterday afternoon, and adjournment was taken to permit the defence to gather its witnesses.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS—So Alek Waited a Half Hour—By Blosser.



CONTROVERSY RAGING OVER NEW WAR BOOK

Alleged Superior Tactics of Haig Frequently Saved Situation—Disobeys Orders of Foch—French General Given Supreme Command on Advice of Haig.

CANADIANS FINEST TROOPS KNOWN

Special to The Advertiser.
Ottawa, Dec. 21.—The book entitled "Sir Douglas Haig's Command," which has been written jointly by Col. J. H. Boraston, Haig's secretary, and Geo. A. B. Dewar, a former editor of the Saturday Review, has provoked a great storm of controversy in Britain. Its general thesis is that after the great French losses at Verdun, and even more after the failure of the attack under General Nivelle, the bulk of the hard fighting was done by the British, who, in the "wearing down" battles of the Somme and Ypres, 1917, broke down the German strength.

It is further stated that Haig was responsible for Foch being given the supreme command, and that at one period thereafter the former found it necessary to disobey the latter's orders, subsequently bringing round the French marshal to accept his viewpoint, and finally that the plan of the final Allied offensive should be credited to Haig rather than Foch.

Safe as a Mills Bomb.
The book is reviewed at length in the London Outlook by a writer who designates himself "A former staff officer," and who declares, while it is the most fascinating of all the war books that have yet appeared in England, yet it is about as safe as a Mills bomb as the pin out.

Explosions must follow, and he shudders to think what will happen when it gets across the channel, where it is going to cause great excitement in many quarters.

The reviewer, however, takes occasion to pay a special compliment to the Canadian army in the following passage:

"The battle of Amiens began on August 8, 1918, when the Fourth British and the first French armies under Haig's supreme command routed the enemy. Here again the small part played by Demeny as compared with Rawlinson, is insisted upon. That the British played the greater part is true. It is also true that Haig insisted to Foch that he did not at that moment undoubtedly the finest body of troops in the world, the Canadian corps, which he had preserved from participation in any of the defenses against the great German attack."

Foch Paid Tribute.
It is also true that the attack on the French front did not start simultaneously with the British, but gradually extended. What is not true is the statement that the French troops on the immediate right of the British attacked three-quarters of an hour later.

Haig's apologists declare that when Haig's army was ordered to attack, the resistance had stiffened, refused, and broke off with Rawlinson, is insisted upon. That the British played the greater part is true. It is also true that Haig insisted to Foch that he did not at that moment undoubtedly the finest body of troops in the world, the Canadian corps, which he had preserved from participation in any of the defenses against the great German attack."

RAISING SEED POTATOES IS BEST FARMER POLICY

Many Aspects of Agricultural Situation in Western States To Be Considered.
Chicago, Dec. 22.—Decreased acreage, better marketing plans, increased storage facilities and new markets are being considered by the middle western farmers, who lost money raising potatoes this year, according to a summary of the situation in five potato-raising states. The five states, Michigan, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota and Minnesota, raised approximately 100,000,000 bushels this year, but reports from most sections indicate the growers lost money. The reason is variously ascribed to over-production, car shortages and lack of storage facilities.

Michigan, which led the country as a potato-producing state, according to the 1920 census, produced 3,866,000 bushels this year, an increase of 10,000,000 bushels. But the price dropped from an average of 55 cents a bushel in 1921 to 53 cents this year. To meet the situation, state agricultural officials advised Michigan farmers to devote more attention to raising seed potatoes, which command a better price than the commercial grades.

BRITISH CONSERVATIVES NOMINATE CAPT. GEE, V.C.

Lloyd Georgians and Independent Liberals Not Yet in Agreement.
Canadian Press Cable.
London, Dec. 22.—The Conservatives are making a strong bid for the New South East seat in the House of Commons rendered vacant by the death of J. N. Bell (Liberal), and have adopted as their candidate in the by-election Captain Gee, V.C., who astonished political circles by capturing the Labor stronghold of Woolwich on the death of the member, Will Crooks, but failed to retain it in the recent general election.

The Independent Liberals have nominated Major H. Barnes, who held the seat in the last parliament. Apparently the differences between the two groups of the Liberal party have not yet been bridged, because the Lloyd Georgians are approaching Gilbert Stone, who was their candidate in the November general election.

The Labor party has not yet announced a candidate, but undoubtedly one will be forthcoming.

PROTEST CLOSING DOWN OGDEN RAILWAY SHOPS
Regina, Dec. 22.—Strong protests against the closing down of Dec. 22 to Jan. 8 of the Canadian Pacific Railway shops at Ogden were voiced at a meeting of Ogden employees yesterday. A resolution was adopted authorizing a telegram to be sent to William Lester, Montreal, secretary of the system of Canadian Pacific Railway lines, asking him to try and get the shops opened on Jan. 2.

It was also resolved to bring to the notice of Premier Mackenzie King "the criminal folly of bringing workers of all classes to a country where we have worked short time for two years, and where the bare necessities of life have been denied us."

Police didn't go any further to investigate his identity. They merely recorded his name along with the thousand and one other John Does, who had changed their names. He then left the police station with a grin on his face. Detectives grinned back. They carried half a dozen or more "John Doe" warrants in their pockets, but they didn't arrest him.

CONSIDER SERVING CITY WITHOUT PAY

Swift Current, Sask., Dec. 22.—Shall the mayor and aldermen of Swift Current serve without remuneration during the next five years? That question is now the only barrier to the financing of the city's financial agreement with the debenture holders, according to statements given out for the regular meeting of the council this week. The debenture holders want the clause in the agreement passed wherein it is stated that the mayor and aldermen should serve without remuneration during the five years' term the agreement is in force.

No definite decision was reached. A special meeting of the council is to be held next week to further discuss this phase of the situation.

Man in Seattle Declares It Was His Name and He Would Stick to It.

Seattle, Dec. 22.—John Doe made his appearance in police court yesterday. Not the same John Doe, whose name is so often heard in police courts throughout the entire country, but a real John Doe, in flesh and blood.

"That's my name, and I'm going to stick to it," he told the judge when paying a fine of \$200 for having liquor unlawfully. "I have no other name, and my address is 1234 Broadway. Look me up some time," he added.

FIFTY MEN AT GALT SEEK POLICE JOBS

Gives Mute Evidence of Shortage of Work in Manufacturing Center.

FILL TWO VACANCIES

See Reduction in Total Assessment For 1922 Over Last Year.

Special to The Advertiser.
Galt, Dec. 22.—Evidence of the unemployment situation in this city was provided in the receipt of 50 applications for two vacancies on the Galt police force. Considered by the police commission yesterday, they resulted in the appointment of Patrick Styles of Coneston, Ont., and J. Scott of Puelich Township.

Both men are six-footers. Styles has had four years' experience on the B. C. provincial force.
While Galtians were staggered by the announcement that the city's share of the cost of provincial highways constructed in the Galt suburban area this year was \$65,257.78, it is found that in addition the taxpayers have spent practically \$100,000 on paving this year, \$21,591.46 on Dundas street to connect the city pavement with the Galt-Preston highway, and about \$10,000 to connect East Main street with the Galt-Hamilton highway.

Want Fuel Economy.
Mayor S. E. Charlton has received a letter from Provincial Fuel Controller J. A. Ellis, urging the public to use coal substitutes because of the shortage in anthracite.
The court of revision on assessment, after sixteen days of actual labor, in which every assessment in the city was considered and special attention given to 600 personal appeals, completed its work today. With a reduction of over \$100,000 in income assessment, there is a possibility that the total assessment for 1922 may be below that of 1921.

Boy Run Over.
Martin Hardy, 7 years old, was run over by a truck on Main street, when he ran from behind a car standing on the street into the path of the car. He was removed to the hospital, and although a wheel passed over his shoulder and chest, it was found he sustained no broken bones.

Ald. A. E. Willard, who yesterday



FIGURES IN BRITISH DIVORCE ACTION.

Lady Rhonda has been granted a divorce from her husband, Sir Humphrey Mackworth, with whom she is shown above.

Crossing Broadway More Dangerous Than Crossing Atlantic in Ketch

New York, Dec. 21.—Edward Fitzgerald, Duke of Leinster, who came to the United States to race William Washburn Nutting across the Atlantic in a 40-foot ketch, has done—and hopes to do—lots of dangerously thrilling things. But the most dangerous thing he has accomplished to date was crossing Broadway last night in the height of the theatre traffic, he declared today at the Ritz.

The youthful Irish nobleman told an interviewer he thought prohibition was "a great thing, because under its auspices liquor flows with a freedom unknown anywhere else."

But let critics loud or disparage as they will, there remains to Charlie one unassailable asset—he will maintain the power to make people laugh.

We saw him at the Grand yesterday in "Pay Day," and being of sound mind and not ashamed to confess that we laughed heartily.

It is to be frankly admitted that the picture was silly. The only touch of Charlie Chaplin (or is it "slapstick") missing was the custard pie. The fat men, the vanishing street cars and disappearing lunchboxes, and the shrewish wives easily made up for the absence of a dozen pies.

Through it all Charlie smiled and laughed, and his eyes twinkled with the faintest glimmer of intelligence staring inanely ahead.

It was a farce, of course, but it made the audience laugh with laughter, and because laughter is infectious everyone must have enjoyed it.

Only the most incurably dyspeptic could maintain a calm demeanour and watch Charlie in a sort of helplessness clinging to a roll of "black pudding" in a street booth, evidently under the impression it was a street car, as he handled the indignant proprietor a nickel; or scrambling like a drenched and incensed tomcat out of a bath tub full of cold water and a plentiful sprinkling of laundry, or meekly handing his week's wages to a wife (whom the audience thought was his sister, Maggie), his clearest and most dumb obedience which comes with long training.

Of course, "Pay Day" was silly, and it is not an entirely new release, but it was an ample evidence that Charlie still wields over the millions his power to make them laugh.

Twenty minutes of hearty laughter put one in a properly appreciative frame of mind for the vaudeville and features which followed a nicely balanced bill, cleverly and amusingly presented.

Alice Lake, a pretty young film star, was featured in "The Golden Gift."—ARGUS.

**JURY WOULD HAVE
RADIOS INSPECTED**

Believe All Outfits Should Be Examined As Result of Death.

SCORES TELEPHONE CO.

Finds Firemen Ignorant of Pulmotor Use When Lambert Died.

Special to The Advertiser.
Chatham, Dec. 22.—That all radio outfits connected with the local lighting system should be officially inspected, was the verdict returned by the coroner's jury impaneled yesterday afternoon to inquire more fully into the circumstances surrounding the death of Alfred Lambert, who was electrocuted while charging his radio battery on Sunday afternoon last.

It was originally announced that no inquest would be necessary, as the coroner's investigation on Sunday last pointed to the fatality being purely accidental. In view, however, of the number of local radio experimenters, it was later thought advisable to hold an inquiry with the view of bringing out, if possible, any useful information to radio enthusiasts which would also serve as a warning.

The following is the verdict as returned by the jury:
"This jury find that the said Alfred Lambert came to his accidental death on coming in contact with a vibrator of a home charging machine, when (charging a battery and standing on a wet floor."

"We recommend that the city council see that it is compulsory to have all such radio outfit inspected by a government inspector."

"We also advise that the chief of the fire department see that all men in his department are fully instructed in the use of a pulmotor, and find that the firemen in charge of the pulmotor on Sunday did not know how to use the same."

"Also, we would like to have it known that it came out in evidence that it took 20 minutes to get the central telephone office before they could get a doctor, and 20 minutes before they could get the fire hall."

(Signed) Benjamin Harper, Foreman.
J. C. Wanless, James Edgington, John Tewkesbury, Sen., Albert Oldershaw, C. W. Colby, Walter Lethbridge, Gordon Duff, J. J. Johns, Jurors; T. L. McRitchie, coroner.

**ALEX. DOYLE, SCULPTOR,
DIES AT BOSTON HOME**

Boston, Dec. 22.—Alexander Doyle, sculptor, died here yesterday at the age of 65. Since his retirement in 1911 he has made his home at Dedham, where he completed a statue of President Lincoln, his last work.

INDIA NEEDS CONCILIATION.
Ottawa, Dec. 21.—"What India needs today is a gospel of conciliation between the moderates and the British officials," Rev. R. A. King, D.D., principal of the Presbyterian College at Indore, Central India, for the past twenty years, told the members of the University Club.

CHAPLIN PIELESS, BUT GETS LAUGHS

"Pay Day" Is Silly, But Pleases Nightly Crowds At Grand.

"A feature of his age" is about the safest way in which historians will be able to classify Charlie Chaplin.

To say he is of the truly great might not go without dispute; there are those who say he is not laughable but ludicrous, and those who relegate him with a shrug to the ranks of the "slapstick."

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We saw him at the Grand yesterday in "Pay Day," and being of sound mind and not ashamed to confess that we laughed heartily.

It is to be frankly admitted that the picture was silly. The only touch of Charlie Chaplin (or is it "slapstick") missing was the custard pie. The fat men, the vanishing street cars and disappearing lunchboxes, and the shrewish wives easily made up for the absence of a dozen pies.

Through it all Charlie smiled and laughed, and his eyes twinkled with the faintest glimmer of intelligence staring inanely ahead.

It was a farce, of course, but it made the audience laugh with laughter, and because laughter is infectious everyone must have enjoyed it.

Only the most incurably dyspeptic could maintain a calm demeanour and watch Charlie in a sort of helplessness clinging to a roll of "black pudding" in a street booth, evidently under the impression it was a street car, as he handled the indignant proprietor a nickel; or scrambling like a drenched and incensed tomcat out of a bath tub full of cold water and a plentiful sprinkling of laundry, or meekly handing his week's wages to a wife (whom the audience thought was his sister, Maggie), his clearest and most dumb obedience which comes with long training.

Of course, "Pay Day" was silly, and it is not an entirely new release, but it was an ample evidence that Charlie still wields over the millions his power to make them laugh.

Twenty minutes of hearty laughter put one in a properly appreciative frame of mind for the vaudeville and features which followed a nicely balanced bill, cleverly and amusingly presented.

Alice Lake, a pretty young film star, was featured in "The Golden Gift."—ARGUS.

SAYS MAYOR WILSON GOING TO EXTREME

Alderman Watt Makes Helpful Suggestion to Keep Out Winter's Blast.

Mayor Wilson is stretching the point to extreme when he states that citizens with a shovelful of coal in their bins cannot draw on the city's emergency fuel supply, according to P. J. Watt, alderman-elect for Ward One.

Absorbing some of the Christmas spirit which pervaded the city hall Thursday morning, Ald. Watt, jokingly took exception to statements on the coal situation, accredited to "The Dying Gladiator," as he terms Mayor Wilson.

"Why the furnace in my chateau requires a half a ton of coal to fill it," began Ald. Watt. "How far would the mayor's shovelful go with me? I only have a half a ton in my castle, at that. Of course my old firebox in the cellar will burn anything, and at present I am feeding it the remnants of a barn which I tore down this summer, because buying wood is like burning diamonds."

"If the coal situation gets any worse I will close up my house and live in a hotel," continued the heavyweight member of the 1923 council. "Either that or go south for the winter."

"How about those who cannot afford to do that?" queried The Advertiser.

"Oh, they can wear boxing gloves and keep warm," advised Ald. Watt. "I know a chap who bought sixty pounds of coal every winter. He did not burn it, but put the bag on his shoulder and walked around from room to room to keep warm. When he died he had to leave his money behind because there was such a lot of it to leave for others to spend."

"If George Wenige gets that \$6,500 in service charges back from the City Gas Company I will ring in on eight or nine dollars, and that will fill my furnace for one night anyway," concluded Ald. Watt.

AILSA CRAIG CONCERT PROVES PLEASING EVENT

Special to The Advertiser.
Ailsa Craig, Dec. 22.—The Presbyterian Sunday School held its annual Christmas entertainment in the church auditorium on Tuesday night.

An illustrated address on the Prodigal Son was given by Rev. Geddes. During the program Santa Claus appeared and distributed presents from the Christmas tree to the children. The concert was enjoyed by a large audience.

Mr. S. G. McKay has been called to Brantford to see his daughter Ruby, who is in training for a nurse, but who is seriously ill.

Mrs. George Morton and daughter Agnes left yesterday for London, where they will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) Cree of Hamilton Road Church.

Mrs. John Walsh of Oliphant, who has just come from Owen Sound Hospital, arrived in town yesterday, and expects to spend the winter with her sister-in-law, Mrs. M. Menzies.

Dr. W. Geddes is visiting with his parents, Rev. W. H. and Mrs. Geddes, at the manse.

Word has just been received of the illness of Wilhelmina McKay, daughter of Mr. John McKay of Glenholm, and formerly of Ailsa Craig, at New York.

NAVIGATION CLOSING.
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 22.—The 1922 navigation season officially closed here last night. The steamer Emperor, for which one of the locks had been held open, gave up the battle against ice floes and will lay up at Midland for the winter.

All the Theatres

Grand—Charles Chaplin in "Pay Day"; vaudeville; Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Allen's—"The Half-Breed"; Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Loew's—Tom Meighan in "The Man Who Saw Tomorrow"; vaudeville; Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Majestic—Closed.

Patricia—Frank Mayo in "The Wolf Law"; Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

People You Know

THE JOKE ON BETTY.

Seems a shame to tell this one on Betty Blythe, but it's really too good to keep.

Betty went to a party with her husband, Paul Scardon. It was given in an Italian restaurant in New York. And Betty was, as usual, the life of it. In the middle of a bon mot, the beautiful statuesque star took a bite of bread. Suddenly a minute object shot across the table.

Betty groaned, "My tooth!" She'd been having some dental work done, you see; and should never have tried to eat any hard bread that evening. And to make matters worse, she saw the humor of it and had to laugh. She tried to stop and only laughed harder. Lovingly Betty gazed at her husband, who was at a front tooth missing! Not to quote Savoy and Brennan at all, but—you should have been there!

GONE—AND FORGOTTEN.

A husky, athletic looking chap walked up to Charles Bryant, husband of Mme. Nazimova, at the Fairbanks premiere and shook his hand. Bryant looked puzzled. "My dear chap, you've got the best of me," he said. "I'm Francis X. Bushman."

quietly explained the stranger. Bryant could easily be forgiven, for no one else in the big—and essentially anonymous—audience knew the erstwhile film idol. As Bushman and Bryant talked, a burst of cheering welcomed the arrival of Rodolph Valentino.

"The king is dead, long live the king," said Bushman whimsically.

POLA IN "OUR MARY'S" PLACE.

Pola Negri is occupying the dressing room that was Mary Pickford's before Mary left Lasky's. Of course it has been "done over" to suit the Polish star's tastes.

KITTY IN BUSINESS.

Kitty Gordon has, you might say, turned her priceless back on the stage and, as Lady Beresford, has opened a Fifth Avenue beauty shop. With her in the new venture is her pretty blonde daughter, Vera.

Of late Kitty has not been what you'd call a sensation in vaudeville; but when she took the august name of Kitty Gordon, she knew she had the attention any beauty craves. The stately Kitty is a genius soul if a trifle temperamental, and her beauty shop looks as if it might be a success.

CHARLIE AND POLA NEGRI.

Charlie Chaplin and Pola Negri. Yes, really, that's the latest.

The only man in Hollywood who seems to have won a place in Pola's affections is the great comedian. They met in Berlin some time ago and since Pola's arrival in Hollywood they have cemented their friendship.

To a screen star she said, wistfully: "All these girls in your Hollywood—they all love Charlie, is it so?" The other star laughed. "Oh, I wouldn't exactly say that. Charlie's a wonderful fellow, but he isn't exactly a heartbreaker."

"Oh?" said Miss Negri. "Oh, yes, he is. He is grand. All these girls, they must love him much."

ADAM'S RIB?

"Adam's Rib." Can you imagine that?

It is—it really is—the title for the new Cecil de Mille production which is nearing completion.

It came as a terrible jolt to Hollywood, that title! All the women are terribly annoyed and all the men are quietly chuckling. And everyone is talking about it. Which, of course, is exactly what C. B. intended when he chose it.

CONRAD NAGEL ON RELIGION.

Conrad Nagel electrified Hollywood and won a tremendous vote of esteem and admiration, when one Sunday morning recently he delivered a lecture in the Ambassador Theatre on the subject, "What Religion Has Done For Me."

The theatre was packed and the large and cosmopolitan audience listened enraptured to the hour's talk which Conrad gave.

"It was perfectly marvelous," said someone who was present. "I never heard such manly sincerity and such convincing arguments in my life."

WILL CONNIE WED?

Is Constance Talmadge to wed Irving Berlin, the famous song writer and author of a hundred or so million-copy hits since "Alexander's Rag Time Band"? So rumor goes, although the thing is denied in the Talmadge offices. Berlin was a suitor for Connie's hand way back in the days when his rival was Dick Barthelmess, then quipped. But Connie rejected them both to wed John Pialago. Berlin is said to be very wealthy. For one thing he is the guiding spirit of Irving Berlin's Music Box Theatre in New York, which last season broke all records for box office receipts. The revenue there averaged around \$30,000 a week all season.

FIVE STARS SHINE IN FILM AT LOEW'S

But Tom Meighan Is Official Lead in "Man Who Saw Tomorrow."

With a cluster of five stars about it, "The Man Who Saw Tomorrow," ought to prove a brilliant attraction for any theatre. Undoubtedly it proved a splendid drawing card at Loew's yesterday.

Tom Meighan is officially the star, or perhaps one might call him the comet, since the bright light he draws behind him beamingly portrays Leatrice Joy, June Elvidge, Eva Novak and the inimitable and valuable Theodore Roberts, not to mention William Francis and to forget utterly as unpromising a bunch of ruffians as ever smuggled a cargo of rum.

And the trail of this path of light, in the course of the picture, opens up an amazing stretch of scenery. All the way from No. 10 Downing street to the Durbur, and back again to the South Sea Isles, it dashes, revealing as it goes, a nice conglomerate of plot, which is after all nothing but a fantasy and romance, but interesting since so wide is its scope.

What the average man likes in a movie is a fight. The handsome hero manages a thrilling one. What the average woman likes is clothes. The tall and stately June Elvidge (not often seen here, more's the pity),

parades a regular fashion show. For the romantically inclined is the sad but happily-ended affair of Leatrice Joy, who forgets her usual exotic splendor and appears as the simple, quite adorable little South Sea girl very much in love with the hero.

It would have been nice had she forgotten her role long enough to doli up and play the brunette foil to Eva Novak's blonde vamp, a role in which the latter young lady quite excelled herself, and in which she ought to be seen oftener.

Theodore Roberts is, of course, an asset to any film. He creates a character with every new role and his "Captain Pring" is as delightful as any.

Tom Meighan, Theodore Roberts, and feminine beauty are usually sufficient to make any picture worthwhile. "The Man Who Saw Tomorrow" has three feminine beauties, making it more worthwhile, with much action, splendid scenery and abundant gorgeousness also included.—ARGUS.

"LEO" BARRYMORE'S WIFE OBTAINS HER DIVORCE

New York, Dec. 22.—An interlocutory decree of divorce from Lionel Barrymore, known as a motion picture star dramatic actor and a member of an illustrious theatrical family, was obtained yesterday by Mrs. Doris Rankin Barrymore, an actress.

Mrs. Barrymore, who has just completed an engagement in which she played in the same company with Lionel Barrymore's sister, Ethel, was given custody of the one child of the marriage.

ADVERTISER WANTS ADS BRING RESULTS.

HOUSING COMMISSION HOLDS FINAL SESSION

Addresses and Matters of Minor Importance Mark Closing of Year's Business.

Routine matters of minor importance and valedictory addresses only marked the final session of the 1922 housing commission last night. All members were in attendance.

D. J. Tullant explained that while he had found the work of the commission a distinct pleasure, he would be unable to accept a similar position next year. His associates expressed deep regret.

R. H. Hessel, chairman, thanked the members for their good attendance throughout the year, and for their strict attention to the consideration of the business at all times. The commissioners reciprocated, referring in the highest terms to the chairman's stewardship.

G. T. R. MEN WILL MEET TO INSTALL OFFICERS

A meeting of the maintenance-of-way employees of the Grand Trunk Railway, Local 497, will be held on Sunday afternoon in the Labor Temple, when the installation of officers for the coming year will be conducted.

E. H. Hodcroft, chief organizer, is expected to attend to conduct the installation. Members are requested to be present as this will be the last meeting of the year and will give them a chance to get acquainted with the new officers of the organization. J. A. Tilley, local president, will occupy the chair.

All Ready For the Big Day

Our Christmas Show is all up and in readiness for Saturday. The finest display of the Choicest Beef, Pork, Lamb, Veal and Poultry in the city.

Come and have a guess on the big pig, absolutely free. Merely make a purchase and get a ticket and guess the weight correctly and win a 15-pound turkey. As the contest is an annual event, we advise you to come early. The contest will close Christmas Eve, at 10 p.m. All butchers and meat cutters are barred from the contest.

Beef	Pork	Pigs' Feet	Veal
Shoulder Roast	Legs Pork	15c	Fillet Veal
Beef	Loins Pork	20c	Loins Veal
Rib Roast Beef	Shoulder Pork	25c	Shoulder Veal
Loins Roast Beef	Smoked Hams	25c	Breast Veal
Rump Roast Beef	Back Bacon	30c	
Pot Roast Beef	Breakfast Bacon	30c	
Boiling Beef	Chuck Pork	30c	
Stewing Beef	Fresh Hocks	12½c	
Hamburg	Pig Heads	8c	
Steak	Chopped Suet	20c	

SPECIALS

PORK NECK BONES	40c and 60c dozen
BEEF HEARTS	25c
HADDIES	25c
LAMB HEADS	25c
PORK LIVER	25c
BEEF LIVER	25c
PICKLED SPARE RIBS	25c
LAMB'S LIVER	25c
ORANGES	40c and 60c dozen
FRESH SIDE BACON	25c
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Rib Roasts Beef, lb. 30c

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for 25c
Choice Cranberries, quart, 30c
Celery Hearts, Lettuce, Radish, Green Onions, etc.

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Ham Roasts, any size, lb. 25c
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Loins Roasts Pork, lb. 35c
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Begins Long Journey On Foot 'Cross Canada

Henry Harris, Dragging 300-Pound Wagon, Walks
First Lap of Trip to Western Coast—
Is 58 Years Old.

To walk alone, pulling a 300 pound wagon behind him, from Toronto to Vancouver, a distance of approximately 2,800 miles, is the ambition of Henry Harris, of 141 Denison avenue, Toronto, who arrived in London on the first lap of his journey on Thursday night.

He is a hardy little man of 58 years, and is an old-time prospector, having been one of the pioneers in the great Calhoun and Calgum gold strikes in Western Australia in 1890.

"When I went to Australia," he says, "I didn't make a strike for the first four years, and had no fresh water to drink in all that time. The water was strongly alkaline, and we had to dig down over 300 feet at times to get that. Many a time I have crawled back to my tent on hands and knees, utterly exhausted, willing to trade my bag of gold for one drink of water."

Mr. Harris will leave London on Jan. 1 for Windsor on the Longwoods highway. He intends crossing into Michigan at Detroit, whence he will pass through Chicago and Milwaukee, and turn north to Canada again, traversing the prairie provinces and reaching the Pacific coast some time in June or July.

He is willing to advertise any firms along his route, and is making his traveling expenses by selling cards descriptive of his many adventures in all parts of the world. He has a wife and seven children in Toronto, supports them while on his globe-trotting expeditions.

With fair weather, Mr. Harris makes 20 miles a day, walking from 10 a.m. till 6 p.m., and he is quite confident that he will reach Vancouver by next midsummer.

Mr. Harris is out for any adventure and is willing to have any sportsmen or sporting men back him in any way they may care to make on his attaining any particular distance in a given time. His traveling costume is comprised of a white oil-skin coat and sou-wester such as sailors wear. In his prospecting days he has traveled over the length and breadth of Australia and a great portion of America.

When questioned today by an Advertiser reporter as to his experiences since he left the City, Mr. Harris said: "The people along the way have been very considerate, and the Y. M. C. A. officers in both Brantford and Woodstock were especially good to me. They could not have treated me better if I had been a brother."



HIKER TRUNDLES HIS OWN BED AND KEEP.
Henry Harris, aged 58, who arrived in London from Toronto yesterday, on a walking trip to Vancouver. He is here shown with a 300-pound wagon, in which he will carry food and bed clothing during his tour.

REPORT TWO BODIES RECOVERED IN LAKE

Believed To Have Been Victims
of Hooded Men.

Mer Rouge, La., Dec. 22.—It was reported here this morning that the bodies of two missing men believed to have been victims of hooded men, last August had been brought to the surface by fishermen in Lake Fourche Lake, twelve miles from here. A military detachment in automobiles was immediately dispatched to the place.

Monroe, La., Dec. 22.—Lieut. Louis Hayman this morning received a message from Captain W. W. Cooper at Mer Rouge to mobilize a detachment of forty men and rush them to Morehouse parish to reinforce the members of Company "K" Louisiana National Guard now on duty there. The detachment expects to leave at noon today on motor trucks.

With the arrival of the new detachment at Mer Rouge the military strength in Morehouse parish will reach one hundred.

The troops rushed to Cooper Lake early this morning to investigate reports of the presence of men wading in the water that was being explored for the bodies of two missing men returned here several hours later.

QUEBEC PUTS BAN ON NARCOTIC SALE

Convictions This Year More
Than Seven Times Those
of 1918.

Quebec, Dec. 22.—The bill to restrict the sale of narcotics was put through the Legislative Assembly yesterday. The bill provides for a license of \$25 for the sale of narcotics, in accordance with the federal law, and provides that any person, except physicians, surgeons, pharmacists, dentists or veterinary surgeons, who sell narcotics without a license shall be liable to a fine of \$1,000 and to imprisonment of six months, and upon failure to pay the fine and costs, to imprisonment for a further period of six months.

It also provides that any physician, surgeon, pharmacist, dentist or veterinary surgeon convicted of having given, sold, furnished, prescribed or administered any narcotic in contravention of the laws of Canada or of any law of the Province of Quebec respecting drugs or narcotics, is ipso facto deprived of the right to exercise his profession for at least one year.

Frederic Taschereau pointed out how serious the situation was. In 1918 the number of convictions for the illegal sale of narcotics in the Province of Quebec was 75, while this year there has already been 524.

WILL REMEDY DEFECTS OF CENTRAL COLLEGIATE

A. E. Silverwood Reports Equipment
In Departments Will Be
Improved.

It is expected that all defects in regard to equipment in the manual training and household science departments in the new central collegiate institute will be remedied immediately. This information is contained in a report which A. E. Silverwood, chairman of the collegiate committee, has forwarded to the board of education.

Yesterday afternoon the committee made a personal inspection of the two departments to consider the matters referred to in Inspector Leake's report. Since certain walls can not now be moved, the rooms will necessarily have to remain the same size as they are at present. However, blackboards, and other necessary equipment have been ordered, but have not yet been received. Upon their arrival the different equipment will be installed as expeditiously as possible.

Obituaries

MRS. ALBERT GRAY.
Mrs. Albert Gray, of 163 Galloway street, Toronto, died very suddenly on Thursday morning at 1 o'clock, death being due to heart failure, following a stroke.

Mrs. Gray, who was in her 52nd year, is survived by her husband and one son, and six sisters, five of whom are in Toronto, and four brothers. The funeral will take place tomorrow from the home of Mrs. Wm. Hitchman, 128 Galloway street, a sister of the deceased, and the burial will be made in the Cambervale Cemetery, Toronto, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. Charles E. Speiran, 49 Elmwood avenue, city, is a sister of Mrs. Gray.

Extension of Hours on Election Day Was Great Convenience to Residents

The extension of the polling day between that time and 2 p.m. at the recent municipal election by three hours meant that at least 30 per cent of the voters were put to less haste and inconvenience, according to statement issued today by City Clerk Sam Baker.

The latter regrets that this computation was not made in Ward 3, where the workingmen were greater effected by the additional hours, particularly in the evening.

The figures submitted for four subdivisions show that but 10 per cent of the electorate exercised the ballot before 11 o'clock, while the greater proportion of the people voted between that time and 2 p.m.

ARMAMENT PARLEY IS BORAH PROPOSAL

Suggestion Comes in Form of
Amendment to the Naval
Appropriations Bill.

Washington, Dec. 22.—A world conference for "economic disarmament," which will write a new international code, is the purpose behind Senator Borah's proposal that President Harding be empowered to invite the nations to meet. Borah's suggestion was made in the form of an amendment to the naval appropriations bill, which the senate will take up today.

Borah's move caused a distinct surprise in official circles and tended to transfer the center of interest on the negotiations looking toward intervention in Europe from the state department to the senate chamber.

Europe's economic troubles, her armament problem, and the ill will of the American farmer are all so vitally and closely linked that the United States should make another break in the vicious circle in which we are moving—a circle made up of attempts to palliate and postpone, without curing them.

JUNIOR EMPLOYED CLASS CONCLUDES COMPETITION

The Junior Employed Class of the Y. M. C. A. concluded their competitions last night, the Squirrels, under J. Noble, coming first, and the Rabbits, in charge of Jack Rankin, being second. A supper was served by the Ladies' Auxiliary under Miss Kilbourne, during which the boys were addressed by W. D. Beemer, chairman of the boys' committee, who took as his subject, "The Scope of the Canadian Standard of Efficiency," after which the classes gave a program of their work in the gymnasium.

These boys will give a special display of dodge ball as part of the entertainment arranged by the Y. M. C. A. for the open house week, which will prevail at New Year.

JUDGE LA FONTAINE IS CHIEF JUSTICE

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Judge E. La Fontaine of the Montreal Superior Court has been appointed chief justice of the Court of King's Bench of Quebec in succession to Chief Justice J. G. B. Lamotte. The vacancy created by the elevation of Judge LaFontaine has been filled by the appointment of C. A. Wilson, K.C., of Montreal, to the superior court.

ANNUAL CONCERT GIVEN AT AGED PEOPLE'S HOME

Residents of the Aged People's Home, known as the McCormick Home, at the north end of the city, were given a splendid treat, when J. Brown of 3 Horn street, put on his annual concert to the delight and satisfaction of all.

Mr. McDonald, with his bagpipes and dances, did splendid service, also Miss Brown and Miss Fitzgerald, and were enthusiastically received. The Sunset Quartet, consisting of Elliott, and fairly convulsed the audience. Miss Phinn of South London gave several solos, and was accorded a grand reception. The inmates were all treated to candies and cigars. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered by Mr. Green.

J. Brown acted as master of ceremonies.

AMES, HOLDEN & McCREADY, tire and rubber goods manufacturers of Toronto, have issued a writ, through their solicitors, Elliott, Moss of Glencoe, against Campbell Bros., of Melbourne, for \$249.75, which they claim is the value of goods shipped to the defendants and not paid for. The plaintiffs also seek \$30 as the costs of the action.

A SPECIAL MEETING of county court for the trial of actions without a jury will be held in the county court house on Jan. 11.

MANY CANDIDATES FOR SARNIA BOARDS

Mayor Crawford Nominated,
But Not Expected
To Run.

Sarnia, Dec. 22.—Nominations were received today for mayor, hydro commission and board of education. The names of Thomas H. Cook and Mayor George Crawford were endorsed for the chief magistracy but it is understood that Mayor Crawford will not seek re-election. A bitter contest for one vacancy on the hydro commission is anticipated with the nomination of James S. E. B. Phelps, late manager, who was dismissed by Chairman James S. Crawford, who also stands for re-election. The election will ascertain whether the ratepayers support the Crawford Brothers who were responsible for the dismissal of Mr. Phelps and the appointment of a new manager.

Ten are nominated for five vacancies on the board of education—T. F. Lowers, Jack Newton, L. H. Richards, Rev. J. R. Hall, W. T. Goodson, Wilfred S. Haney, Richard Brown, James Burkholder, Robert Irvine, and John Woolley. Mr. Haney, a local barrister and returned soldier, is only 23 years old. The youngest candidate on record here. Nominations for aldermen take place this evening.

SPEEDIER RETURN OF CARS DESIRED

Acting Railroad Minister Says
This Is Object of International
Appointment.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Canada's idea of securing the appointment of an international railway board has as its object the more speedy return of Canadian cars from American points rather than any attempt to govern international rates. It was stated this morning by Hon. George P. Graham, acting minister of railways, who returned from New York two days ago. The project has been discussed with American railwaymen and they are agreeable to its being developed.

Some years ago a proposal was afoot to appoint an international body, similar to the international joint commission which governs such matters as international boundaries and waterways, which would have full control of international rates, etc. This proposal made when Mr. Graham was minister of railways in the Laurier administration was never carried out.

Since that time, however, the car situation has become increasingly serious in Canada with the development of railway business, particularly in "peak load" periods of grain shipment. The Canadian railways from year to year make provision for handling this "peak load" and try to have several thousand extra box cars available for such periods. Thousands of Canadian box cars, at the time of the grain rush, however, are every year found to be in the hands of American railways, who reload them for journeys over their own lines or use them for storage purposes while allowing their own cars to go free. The same situation, of course, applies to American box cars on Canadian lines, though not to the same extent.

HOLD IRISH PRISONERS.
Dublin, Dec. 22.—A large number of Irish Republicans held prisoner in Mountjoy Prison will, it is understood, be released at Christmas, having signed a declaration of allegiance to the Free State. For the remainder no holiday parole will be granted.

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Perfection	 \$2.00
Aluminum	 \$1.69
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Made in England, from \$4.50 to \$9.00

Thermos Kits

Universal	 \$3.75
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Tea Kettles

Nickel-Plated	 \$2.65
No. 80, Perfect	 \$3.00
No. 90, Perfect	 \$3.00
No. 900 Model	 \$3.00
Enamel	 60c
No. 40	 \$1.00
No. 80	 \$1.00
No. 90	 \$1.25
Aluminum	 \$1.75
Extra special	 \$1.75

Coffee Pots
From \$1.60 to \$5.00

Silverware
Rogers' 1847, Adams' Community and Mayfair.

Flour Tins

25-pound	 \$2.00
50-pound	 \$2.25
100-pound	 \$4.00

Hockey Skates
From \$1.00 to \$6.00 pair

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It's no secret—anyone can make a half pint of the finest cough medicine in the world for a trifling sum.

Get from any druggist one ounce of Garmint (double strength)—to this add a little granulated sugar and enough water to make one half pint—that's all there is to it.

But now you've got a real medicine—just directly on the membrane of the throat and nose, the tickling ceases almost instantly—the inflammation begins to disappear—up comes the stubborn mucus and often in 24 hours every trace of the cough that frightened you is gone.

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The Bladder and Kidney Weakness

The bladder has only one purpose, namely, a receptacle for urine. But with even this limited amount of work, it is very often the seat of various disorders and diseases, due to imperfect action of the kidneys, which trouble is usually carried from the stomach and affects the bladder in bedwetting, irritation, highly colored urine, and when urinating, attention of urine and cystitis. When these conditions exist it is best to use Enuresol Tablets, which regulate the entire kidney system in a perfectly harmless and mild manner, yet furnishes all the elements necessary to rebuild the entire kidney system.

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If your druggist has not Enuresol tablets we would be pleased to send you information. Address
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15 W. London Street, Windsor.

One Hundred Ecclesiastics To Be Ordained on Saturday

Montreal, Dec. 22.—About one hundred ecclesiastics will be received into minor and major orders and one will be made a priest at the ceremony of the Christmas ordinations to be held Saturday morning at the St. James' Cathedral here under the presidency of Monsignor Georges Gauthier, apostolic administrator.

The list includes 56 names for the first minor order, 18 for the last minor order, 13 for sub-deacons, 12 for deacons, and 1 for the priesthood. Tomorrow afternoon 19 ecclesiastics will receive the tonsure at St. James' Cathedral. This ceremony will also be presided over by Mgr. Gauthier. The priest to be ordained Saturday morning will be Abbe Hugues Dandurand of the Diocese of Lafayette, La.

Deacons will include J. Herve Beausoleil of Albany; Victor Armand Cormier, Hallowell; T. J. Chancery, Hamilton; T. C. Coutu and Albert Lefebvre of Joliette; J. E. Portier, Regina; U. Leao Soares, St. Boniface; Marie Lalonde, Transist.

U. S. MUST ASSIST THE OLD COUNTRY

Predicted America Will Be
Compelled To Take Big
Part.

By LLOYD ALLEN.
Special to The Advertiser.
London, Dec. 22.—The United States recently made informal overtures to France through the French embassy at Washington with regard to the possible action in the reparations crisis, it is believed in authoritative quarters here.

The nature of the overtures is not clear, but apparently the United States recommended a reconvening of the international bankers' commission to consider the possibility of a loan to Germany, the London press today prominently displayed a Washington dispatch in which Secretary Hughes was quoted as denying that America had proposed a commission to investigate conditions in Germany. The Pall Mall Gazette pointed out that Hughes' sentence: "The state department cannot discuss tentative proposals which have been made with regard to the European situation," as a flat admission that overtures have been received, this newspaper continues:

"The main fact is that sooner or later America will be compelled by force of circumstances to play a big part in the world settlement."

CITY HOSIERY MILLS HOLD CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

C. D. Millman Given Great Credit
For Fine Program Arranged.

The London Hosiery Mills held their annual Christmas celebration and banquet last night at 6 o'clock, in the factory. Over 130 sat down to the turkey supper provided, and listened to the music of Miss May Letbridge's orchestra.

Following the dinner the evening was devoted to progressive games, in which the prize winners were: Ladies, L. Zimmerman, 2 Miss Vera Thomson. The gentlemen's prize was won by Fred Mann.

The arrangements for the evening were in the capable hands of C. D. Millman, who can claim credit for the management of a thoroughly enjoyable Christmas festival.

TUG ATTEMPTS RESCUE OF LIGHTHOUSE KEEPER

Patrols Shore of Caribou Island For
Day and Half Without Success.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 22.—The tug G. R. Gray patrolled the shore of Caribou Island for a day and a half while her crew made unsuccessful efforts to pick up the light-house keeper who had been blown overboard by a storm. The tug was driven away by the rising storm. The boat took shelter at Quebec harbor in Michipicoten Island. Early this morning she left for Otter Head, and after picking up the lighthouse keeper there, will renew her effort to effect a landing at Caribou. The wireless station received a message to this effect today. The tugs Gray and Favorite were keeping together for safety.

AUTO BURGLARS STEAL POULTRY AT ST. THOMAS

Special to The Advertiser.
St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 22.—Burglars traveling in a runabout drove up to W. A. McCallum's butcher shop at Talbot street, about 5:30 o'clock this morning, and after picking up the door and cleaned out his Christmas poultry window. Twelve turkeys, some 16 ducks and a number of geese are missing. Occupants of one of the apartments over the store saw the robbers, but thought it was the owner of the store bringing in a load

Everything the Farmer Trades

CHICAGO.
Chicago, Dec. 21.—Cattle—
9,000 active; beef steers strong.

grades weighty steers suitable for slaughtering purposes, reflecting most top matured steers \$13; few prime yearlings \$13; desirable yearlings \$11; bulk native beef steers \$9.75; medium grade yearlings \$9.75.

steers, light calves, stockers at steady to strong; canners and bulls strong to 10c higher.

Hogs — Receipts, 45,000; steady; closed firm; bulk at \$3.25; top \$3.30; packing soon \$7.55; pigs dull, around \$3.00.

Sheep — Receipts, 12,000; fat to 40c higher; top \$15.75 to bulk fat woolled lambs \$14.75; culls, mostly \$11.50 to \$12.50; horn lambs \$12.55; summer compound fed lambs \$14; feeders fully steady; heavy feeding lambs heavy fat ewes \$5.50 to \$6.00; lighter weights up to \$7.50.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y.

Receipts, \$800; slow.
Calves—Receipts, 1,200; \$1
to \$14.25.
Hogs—Receipts, 6,400; steers
\$8.90; mixed, \$8.90 to \$9; yearling
pigs, \$9 to \$8.75; roughs, \$7.50
steers \$4.50 to \$5.50

BRITISH CATTLE MARKET.
Ottawa, Dec. 21.—A report from the British cattle market, compiled from cables received by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics follows:
Glasgow offered no Canadian cattle last week; good supplies of Scotch cattle, 16c; baby beef 17c to 18c. The market was mainly 1,800 Irish sold, 10c to 11c, and a few dull.
Birkenhead reports no Canadian cattle. Irish sold 18½c to 20½c in small lots. London quotes Canadian cattle as follows: sides 16½c to 18½c; moderate

Stratford.
Stratford, Dec. 21.—The morning was somewhat better Tuesday. There were more buyers than sellers. The full swing, and the prices ranging from 40c per pound as 55c. However, there was no rush at this price. Due

per pound. Geese were very cheap and went from about 25c a pound. Chickens were offered 20c to 25c a pound. A few were offered at 85c, and a

bags of northern sples w
at \$1.75.

LINSEED

Duluth, Dec. 21.—Lin
\$2.68; Jan., \$2.50; bid;
asked; July, \$2.40 bid.

London, Dec. 21.—Close
linseed, £20 15s.

CHEESE

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Cheese
changed. Finest eastern, 2
New York, Dec. 21.—Che

Liverpool, Dec. 21.—Che-
Canadian white, cwt, 125s;
ed, 124s.

SEEDS
Chicago, Dec. 21.—Timothy
\$6.75 per bushel.
Cloverseed—\$16 to \$20 per

POTATOES
Montreal, Dec. 21. — Pot

CHEESE
Liverpool Dec. 22.—Cheese
finest white, cwt, 125s; do, c

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Special to The Advertiser
By a Staff Reporter

THE CHARGE preferred by Mr. C. Cowan, of Blenheim, for shipping turkeys in crates, which allowed the birds to escape at

drawn Wednesday morning to the county police court. Inspector H. J. Elgin Humane inspected the shipment on a truck and laid the charge. The inspector stated that he had been in business for many years and had endeavored to provide proper crates. Magistrate Maxwell ordered Mr. Cowan regarding future shipments and ordered him to pay costs.

County jail, stated Thuring that unless Provin John Ryan visits St. The Saturday, seven prisoners Christmas in the county jail. ing to Governor Lutton's inmates will probably be remaining here over the holidays. he anticipates a chicken dinner is doing all possible to make the day a merry one. The prisoners are prominently regarded as the most popular and successful inmates in Ontario.

from the St. Thomas Commerce has been accepted by the London City Council to attend a meeting in early in January, in connection with the requirements of the new facilities.

ST. THOMAS will be host to an event of great importance tonight, when, during the degree work, the St. Thomas Lodge, No. 546, A. F. and

masters who are connect
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will be held. Lunch will b
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port that the city fuel
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Shipments of anthracite
been received for several
information as to future
is obtainable. Small s

and meeting a heavy load. Dealers advise the company to wait until after the holidays, but they hope to see a change in the situation.

representative, A. L. Schatz
office, 648 Talbot street
information, news items
phone 1510; night phone

ADVERTISER WANT RESULTS.

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES

GRAND
Three Times Today—2, 7 and 9.
ALICE LAKE
In "THE GOLDEN GIFT."
Chaplain, in "PAY DAY."
MEXIS & GIBBLE
Canine Offering.
MCNEILL & MAY
Classical Musical Review.
SANTA CLAUS
—AND—
"HAY" NASH
In Novelty Review.
VINE & JAMIESON
Song, Dance and Music.
MATS. 15c. EVG. 15c. 25c. 35c.

MEETINGS
REGULAR meeting of Temple Lodge, No. 57, A. F. and A. M., this (Friday) evening, at 7:30 sharp. General business. Degree. Visitation. Welcome. A. M. Trick, W. M.; O. C. Barrie, Secy.

LONDON COUNCIL, No. 233, Royal Aquarium, Monday, 25th, 11th Friday.
NOMINATION of candidates for the office of R. C. Separate School Trustees will take place at noon at the Catholic Club Hall, on Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1922. T. J. Murphy, K.C., Returning Officer.

NOTICE: Dayton & McCormick's, Dancing Christmas and New Year's Night, also Wednesday and Saturday nights each week.

PERSONAL

APPLIANCES for the relief of rupture. Full particulars, write J. G. Smith, British appliances, 15, Darnley St., Stratford, Ont.

CALL 4828 and we will send for clothing and furniture. Poor People's Store.

DRESSMAKING by an expert. Phone 41238, or call at 83 Chesley Ave.

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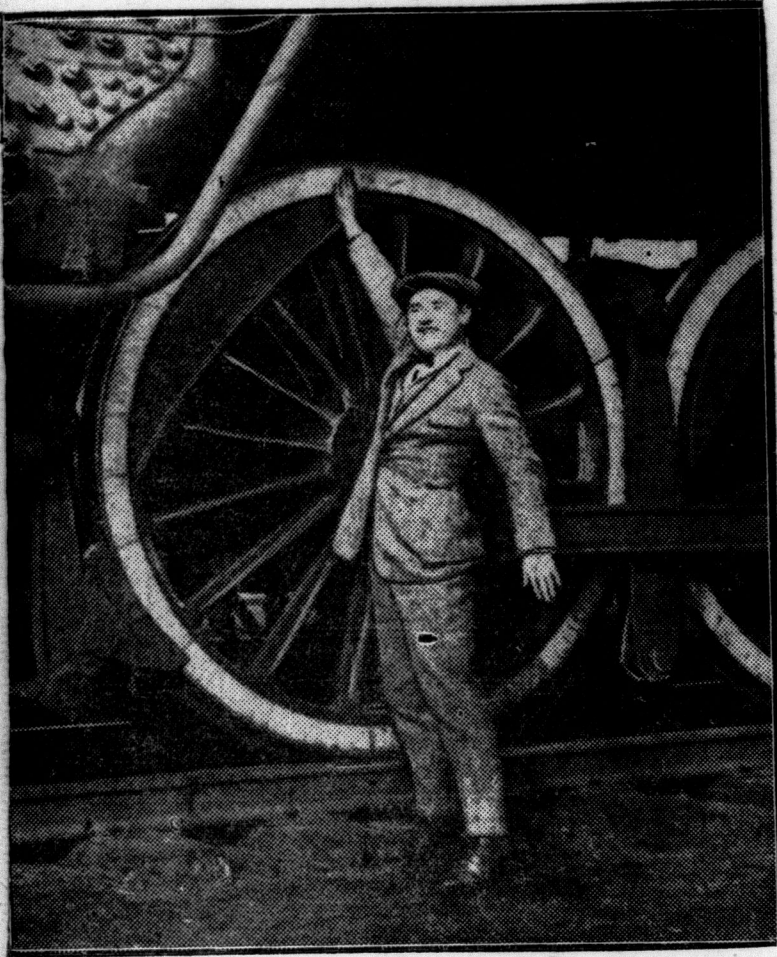
GLENWOOD Private Hospital, 435 Ridout St. Rest cure, electric baths, hydrotherapy and massage.

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HEALTH Bread contains more body-building, life-giving and life-sustaining elements than any other bread. Made by Thomas Alger, 50 Whenceville Rd. N.

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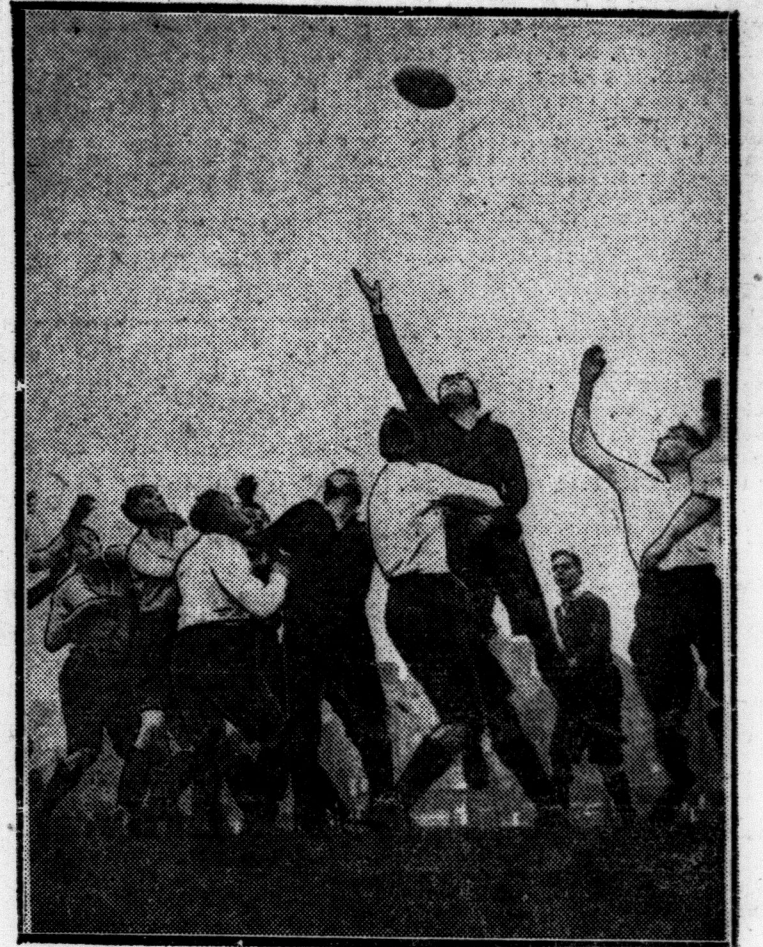
The Southern Pacific have just put on 54 new giant locomotives. Comparison of this man with one of the wheels gives an idea of the size.



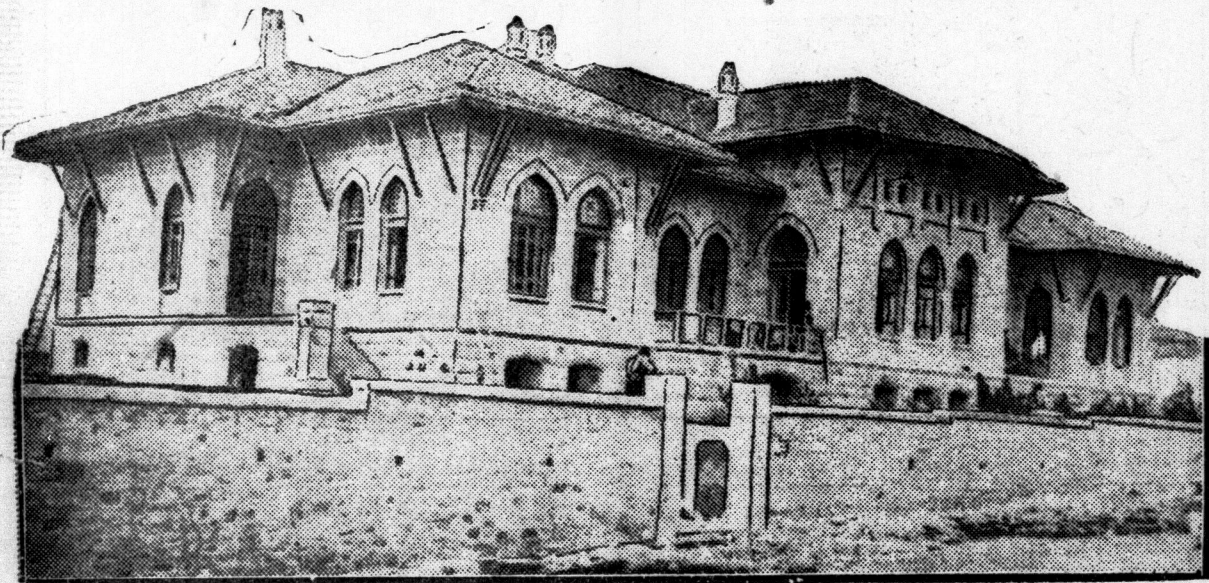
This royal Chinese costume is 350 years old. It originally belonged to Chao Yong, the warrior queen of China. It was worn at the recent Ypres ball in London, England, by Pauline Peters.



"Peace on earth, good will to men," sung by the famous boys choir of St. Thomas Church, Fifth avenue, New York.



Rugby still continues in England. London Scottish versus Oxford University at Richmond.



Headquarters of the Kemalists at Angora, the seat of the belligerent Turkish government.



Flies bothered this donkey working in the railroad yards at Oakland, California; so they made a pair of trousers for his front legs. His tail keeps the flies off his hind legs.



Early shipments of Christmas trees arriving in New York.



How would you like to ski in a coat of ermine and good warm knickerbockers, like this girl at St. Moritz, in Switzerland.



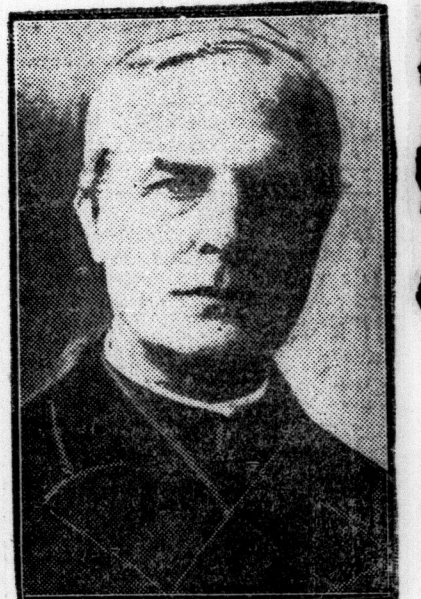
Miss Geraldine Watt, grand niece of the Earl of Ypres, who danced at a matinee in aid of the Sunshine Home for blind children in London, England.



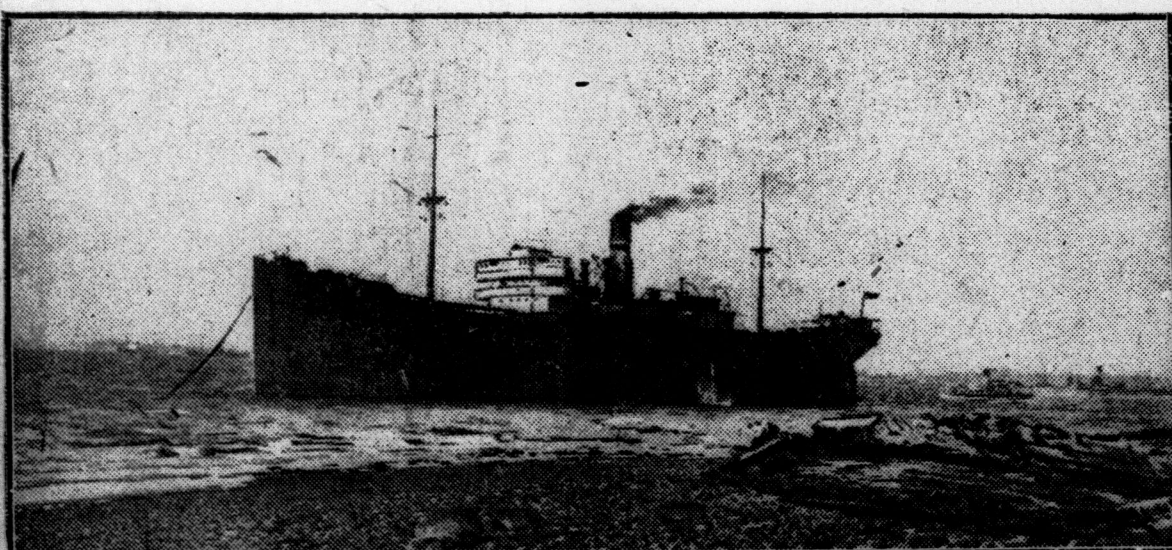
Miss Peggy Thayer of Philadelphia, who, it is said, will marry Harold Vanderbilt of New York. She has done some shooting, she says, in the Canadian woods.



Skoji Kimura, a 13-year-old Japanese boy and the portrait of his mother that he is just completing. His mother herself is on the right.



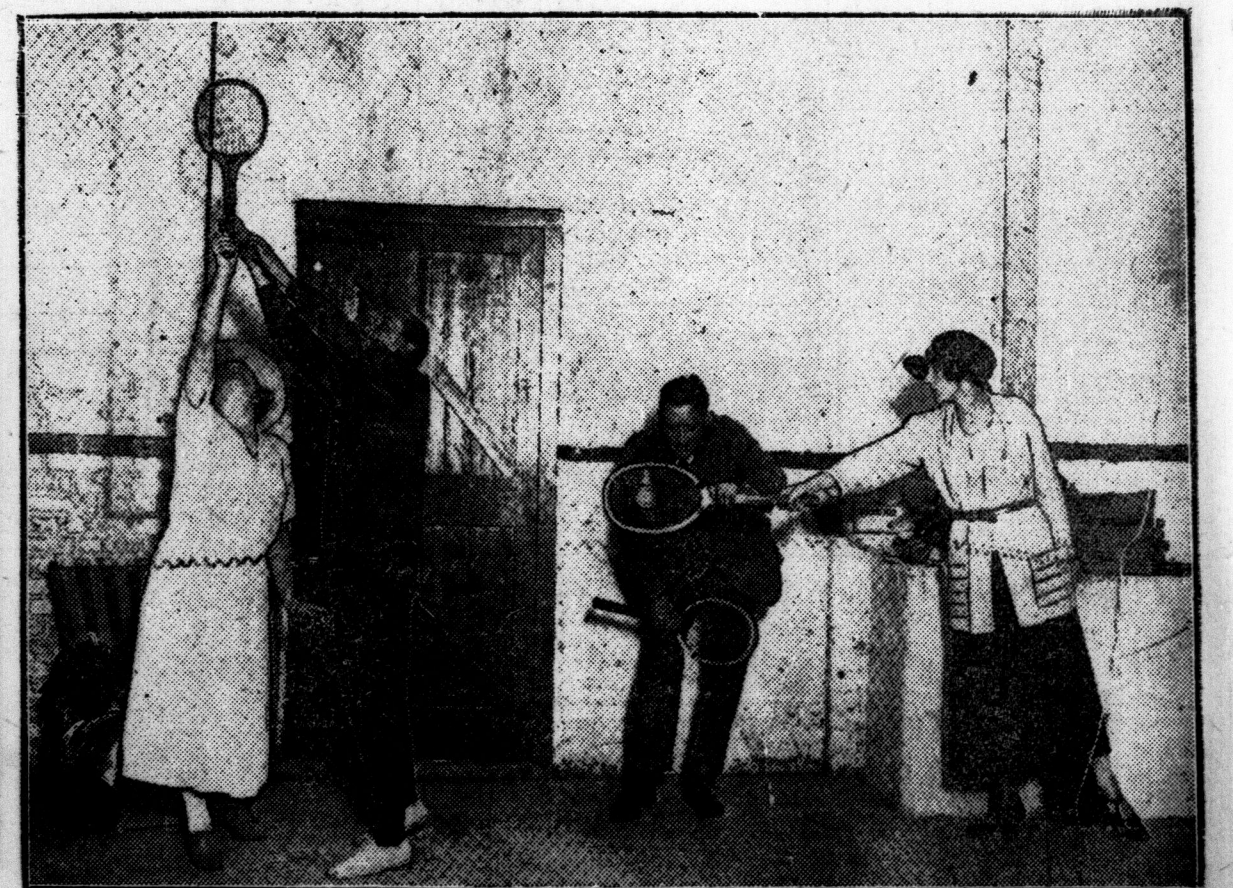
Father Ehrle, librarian of the Vatican, who has just been made a cardinal.



British steamer Manchester Spinner aground in Boston harbor. A fifty-mile gale started the anchors dragging and the steam windlass went out of commission.



Governor Campbell of Arizona, Governor Davis of Toledo and ex-Governor Townsend of Delaware, in the garb they wore when they visited a coal mine at White Sulphur Springs.



Mrs. Cochran (left) and Lady Clerawly receiving instruction in an indoor tennis academy in London, England.