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## JELlicoe's ADVICE WILL NOT BE ON MATTERS OF POLICY

Not Expected That the Naval Question will Engage Much of the Attention of Parliament at the Approaching Session—The Opposition is Likely to Demand Full Particulars of Policy Agreed Upon by Dominion Premiers.

Ottawa, Dec. 26—As it is not expected that Admiral Jellicoe will reach Canada until the spring is well advanced. It is not believed that naval matters will occupy much of the attention of the parliament which opens in the second week in February. The advice of Admiral Jellicoe will not touch matters of policy, it is understood, the policy having already been determined of each dominion building and operating its own navy in close co-operation with the British navy or possibly under a general board representing the whole empire. He will simply advise as to the proper personnel, ships and equipment in order that these should be standardized throughout the empire. Such a report could not be ready for the next parliament and so the question may remain in abeyance.

There is a probability, however that the opposition will demand full particulars of the policy agreed upon by the dominion premiers and that they will seek to discuss it in the light of discussions and agreements made as to "The freedom of the seas," at the peace conference, but no legislation is designed at present.

Discussed by London Press

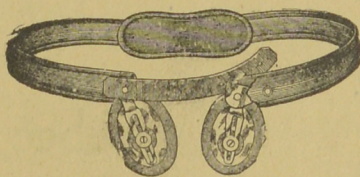
London, Dec. 26—Announcement that Admiral Jellicoe is going to visit the dominions in turn to advise on naval matters is the subject of free discussion in the London press, many papers having articles dealing with it. The Times, in its comment seems to assume that the whole question of the form of naval activities by the dominions is still open for discussion looking to the adoption of a policy. It notes the promptitude with which the dominions placed their naval resources at the disposal of the empire, but adds that "this should not obliterate the fact that the problem of the dominion's share" in peace times has not been solved and adds, "The broader question of peace control of naval accessions in the dominions can hardly be usefully discussed at a moment when the whole balance of sea power throughout the world has been altered. That the Times does not appreciate the actual situation is made clear by a public statement of Sir Jos. Cook, minister of the navy for Australia, as follows:

"It is fundamental to the ideas of empire naval defence that, though the dominions retain control of their ships, there should be a complete standardization of personnel, ships and equipment, and that this should be up to the level of the best."

The statement is in strict keeping with the memorandum adopted by the dominion premiers defining a basic naval policy for the dominions, drawn up by Sir Robert Borden and a summary of which was given in a former despatch. Lord Jellicoe is thus to advise the dominions on the basis of the policy which has been adopted.

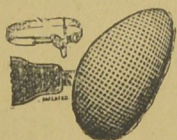
Session in February

Ottawa, December 26—Parliament will be called it is expected for the second week of February. Although the cabinet has not yet decided on a definite day for the opening arrange-



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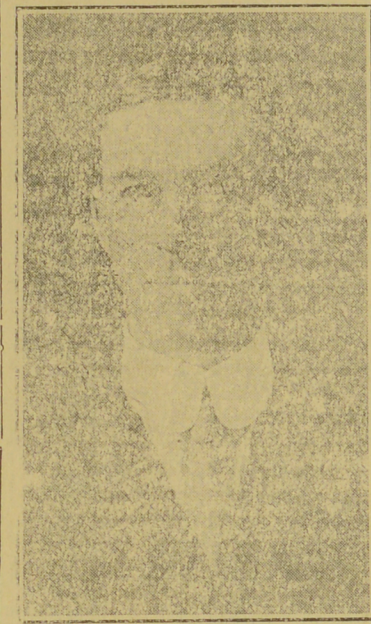
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ments are being made with the middle of February in view.

It was at first expected that session would be opened about the second week of January. Such a course was, however, found to be impracticable.

For the last few weeks there have been practically daily sittings of the cabinet council with preparatory work under discussion.



MR. FRANK HARRIS

Manager of the N. B. Telephone Exchange, Fredericton, recently transferred from Sackville.

## PRESIDENT MUCH PLEASED WITH RECEPTION

London, Dec. 26—Dinner at Buckingham Palace tonight was a private function, covers being laid only for King George and Queen Mary and President and Mrs. Wilson. After dinner the President had a long talk alone with the King. The President is desirous of becoming personally acquainted with the leading personages in England before beginning his more formal conversations. He had an earnest talk with Queen Mother Alexandra, this afternoon when he called to leave cards at Marlborough House.

The President was greatly pleased with the warmth of his reception in London, which, in the opinion of his suite, exceeded even that of Paris.

## LONDON PRESS GIVES WILSON PROMINENCE

London, Dec. 27—London's morning newspapers having suspended publication since Tuesday for the Christmas holiday, had to find space today for three day's news from the world. Nevertheless, by far the largest part of every paper is given over to President Wilson's visit, other news being severely condensed. Throughout the descriptive articles, as well as the editorials gratification is expressed over Mr. Wilson's presence and the people's joyous welcome, which is declared to have been the warmest tribute to a distinguished visitor that London has ever known. There is a strain of sympathetic personal greeting running through all the stories and the writers regard the popular acclamations of the president as being animated by the same spirit.

To Wed in France

Woodstock Press: The engagement is announced of No. 297888 Pte. Thomas Lawson, son of Mrs. Luke Lawson, Green Lake, York County, to Jeanne Dubos, daughter of Piere Lucien Dubos and Marie Dubos of France. Pte. Lawson left here nearly three years ago, and has been attached to the 45th Overseas Company, Canadian Forestry Corps, France. The wedding will take place in the near future in France, where Pte. Lawson is still in service.

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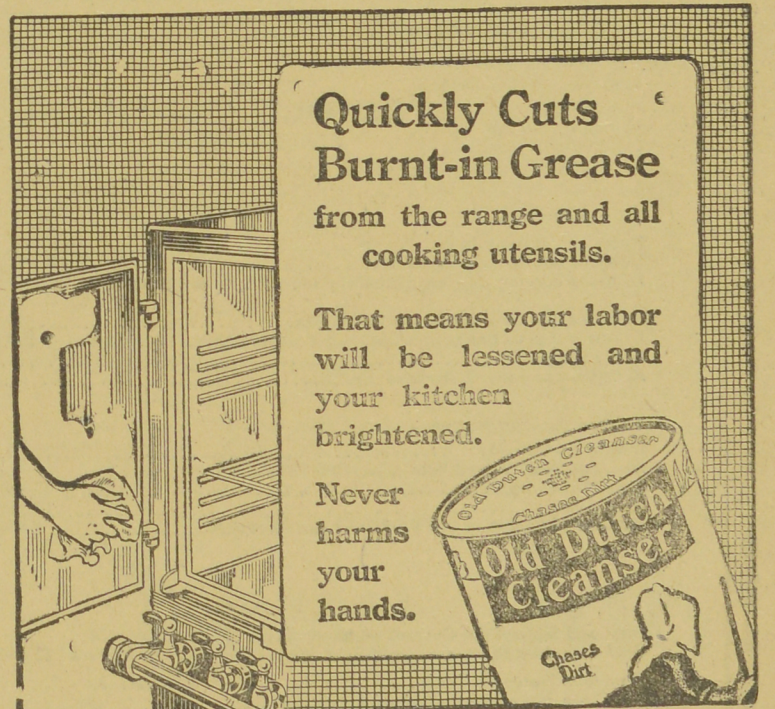
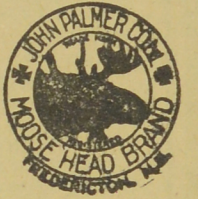
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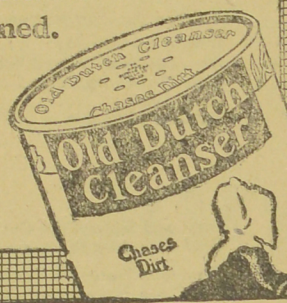
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## CANADIANS FOR SIBERIA

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 26.—Two thousand men under command of Brigadier General Bickford left her today for Siberia on the steamer Proteus.

## BY-ELECTION IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Dec. 27.—The bye-election in St. Lawrence division for the Quebec Legislature is being held today the polls closing at 5 p. m. There are two candidates in the field, Henry Miles and Isaac Lande, the former being the official Liberal candidate while Mr. Lande has the support of the leader of the Conservative Opposition at Quebec, Mr. Arthur Sauve.

Mr. Elmer P. Loose of Wakesha, Wis., is in the city today. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mitchell of Keswick are in the city today.

## GENERAL STRIKE THREATENED

Stratford, Ont. Dec. 27.—Late last night the local trades and labor council passed a resolution demanding the release of Arthur Skidmore, or, if that is not done within reasonable time, threatening to call a general strike throughout Ontario. The end of the week seems to be looked on as a reasonable time.

## REPORT WAS EXAGGERATED

Bulletin, Paris, Dec. 27.—Rumors that the former Emperor of Germany has been assassinated became current in Paris notably in the Chamber of Deputies, last night. There is not the slightest confirmation of the report up to the present.

## MRS. WILSON ENTERTAINED

London, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Wilson was entertained at a small luncheon party today by the Countess of Reading. The guests included Mrs. David Lloyd George, Mrs. H. H. Asquith and Mrs. John W. Davis, wife of the American Ambassador.