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## ULTIMATE FATE OF GERMAN SHIPS AT SCAPA FLOW NOT YET DECIDED BY ADMIRALTY

ARE NOT LIKELY TO BE BLOWN UP

**Secret German Documents Unearthed by a Swiss Newspaper Gives the Lie to the Hindenburg-Ludendorff Contentment That Enemy Front was Stabbed in the Back—Retreat was Due to Slashing Attacks of Allies.**

(Special to the Mail.)

London, Jan. 9.—The Admiralty has issued a denial of the comment that it has been decided to blow up the German warships sunk at Scapa Flow.

Their ultimate fate will be decided by the Supreme Council in Paris.

A Secret Out.

Berne, Jan. 9.—A Swiss newspaper has just obtained a secret document of the German General Staff sent from headquarters at the western front to the German War Office dated October 31, 1918.

The document gives the lie to the Hindenburg-Ludendorff contention that "the front was stabbed from behind"—that is, that Germany collapsed owing to internal revolution. It shows that the collapse and retreat was due to Allied attacks and the exhaustion of the German army.

## BIBLE SOCIETY CHOSE OFFICERS LAST NIGHT

Collected \$550 in City During the Year—Large Increase—Rev. F. S. Porter the Speaker.

The annual meeting of the Bible Society was held last night in the Brunswick Street Baptist Church. A large congregation was in attendance. Mr. J. J. Weddall, Vice-President of the Society, occupied the chair. Mr. C. A. Sampson, the veteran secretary who for forty years has capably filled that office, gave a brief report of the work of the local branch. Over \$550 was collected in the city last year, representing an increase of more than a hundred dollars over the contribution of the previous year. The offering of the evening exceeded fifteen dollars. The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, J. W. Spurdun.  
Vice-Pres., J. J. Weddall.  
Sec.-Treas., C. A. Sampson.  
Major Rev. F. S. Hooper.

The speaker of the evening was Rev. (Major) F. S. Porter of St. John the newly elected secretary of the Bible Society for the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland. In an able and eloquent address he presented the claims of the Society which is disseminating that Book whose principles constitute the only stable foundation of an enduring national life, produce great characters around whose names history clusters, and give to the gospel ministry the basis of its message of redemption to men.

## NEW ZEALAND REMAINS WET

(Special to the Mail.)

London, Jan. 9.—A despatch from Wellington, New Zealand, says that on the referendum count prohibition has failed to secure the necessary absolute majority. New Zealand therefore will remain wet.

Meeting Tomorrow

A meeting of the United Farmers will be held tomorrow at the County Court House to consider the taking over of the Sanson & McNally store for a cooperative business.

## MORE PRIZES WON AT THE POULTRY SHOW

York County Poultrymen Make a Good Showing in Prize List—Many Varieties Exhibited.

Moncton, N., Jan. 9.—The poultry show which has been going on here since Tuesday, has been well attended and favorably commented upon. Mr. J. W. Clark, of Cainsville, Ont., an expert poultryman, completed the judging yesterday with the exception of the special classes. York County winners in the list include the following:

S. C. Anconas—Jas. Stickels, North Devon, hen, 2nd, 4th; cockerel, 3rd; pullet, 1st, 3rd.

R. C. Anconas—Jas. Stickels, North Devon, cockerel, 1st, 2nd; pullet, 1st, 2nd.

Silver Spangled Hamburgs—Geo. F. Lockhart, Fredericton, cockerel, 1st; pullet, 1st.

Silver Campines—Barter and Dibb, Fredericton, cock 1st, hen 2nd; G. F. Lockhart, cockerel 1st, 2nd, pullet, 1st.

Emden Geese—Joseph Ellick, Nashwaak, 1st and 2nd on cock, hen, cockerel and pullet.

Utility Barred Rocks—R. P. Allen, Fredericton, 1st pullet, 2nd cockerel.

S. C. Black Minorcas—Baxter and Dibb, Fredericton, hen 3rd.

White Wyandotte breeding pen—P. D. Morgan, North Devon, 1st and 3rd.

Ancona breeding pen—J. W. Stickels, 1st and 2nd; Baxter and Dibb 3rd.

Barred Plymouth Rock pen—Baxter and Dibb, 1st.

White Wyandottes (utility)—Percy Morgan, cock, 1st, hen 1st and 2nd; cockerel 2nd and 3rd, pullet 3rd.

Indian Runner Ducks—Joseph Ellick, drake 1st, duck 1st.

## WATCHING FOR BOOTLEGGERS ON BORDER

Sarnia, Jan. 8.—A bulging pocket particularly if it takes a flask or bottle shape, is the subject of the closest scrutiny at the Michigan side of the river when trains and ferryboats arrive. Prohibition detectives are engaged in "hunting hippies". Suspicious-looking persons coming off the ferry get a slap on the hip pocket to ascertain if liquor is being carried.

A trio were caught on the ferry tonight, and tomorrow will face a Police Court charge in Port Huron. A warning was issued by the United States officials that they were going to stop illegal traffic from the Canadian side. The inspection is very rigid and few get past with liquor.

## STOCK MARKET PRICES TODAY

(Furnished by J. M. Robinson & Sons, Bankers and Brokers, Queen street, Fredericton.)

New York.	
American Sugar	139 1/2
American Wool	162
Bethel Steel B.	98
C. P. R.	132 1/2
Crucible	214
Chile Copper	19 1/2
General Motors	328 1/2
Marine Pfd.	109 1/2
Mexican Pete	212 1/2
U. S. Steel	106 1/2
Utah Copper	77 1/2
Wills Overland	30 1/2

Montreal.	
Brazilian	50
Canada Cottons	95
Canada Car	73
Canada Cement	75
Dominion Iron & Steel	75
Detroit United	110
Laurentide Pulp	280
International Breweries	198 1/2
Sugar	90
Victory Bonds—1937	103
" " 1933	101 1/2
" " 1927	100 1/2
" " 1923	98 1/2
" " 1922	98 1/2

## REPORT ON REVISORS' FEES IS REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE; FLAT RATE WANTED BY SOME

Representatives of Populous Parishes Support Fixed Amount per Name—Spirited Discussion in Municipal Council—Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, Minister of Agriculture, Asked for Opportunity of Conferring with Council on Matter of Dog Tax and Getting Basis of Readjustment.

The York County Municipal Council devoted almost all the session Friday morning to discussion of the pay of revisors for placing the names of female voters on the electoral lists. A special committee appointed to consider the matter reported through Coun. Stairs and opposition to adoption of the report developed. The committee recommended payment on a basis of five cents per name for the names of female voters. This practically meant payment on the basis of population of the respective parishes, and councillors from the smaller parishes wanted the rate doubled, irrespective of the number of names which were placed on the lists. Finally the report was sent back to the Committee for further consideration.

Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, through Councillor Dougan, asked for an opportunity of conferring with the council on the matter of dog tax to obtain the views of the councillors and decide on a basis of readjustment.

In the absence of Warden Everett Friday morning, ex-Warden Hallett took the chair.

### Report on Pay of Revisors.

Coun. Stairs reported for the special committee on revisors' fees. He claimed that in future it would not be necessary for the revisors to prepare lists of female voters, as the Act required the assessors to furnish the revisors with lists of names of all residents over twenty-one years of age. The committee had decided upon five cents per name instead of a flat ratio for each parish. Coun. Stairs read a statement of the money to be paid in each parish.

On the motion of Coun. Walker, the report was received.

### Objection from McAdam.

Coun. Lawson said it should cost as much to put a woman's name on a voters' list as a man's.

Coun. Stairs said that in Coun. Lawson's parish, McAdam, only 112 women's names were added; otherwise there would be larger fees.

Coun. Lawson said there must be a mistake, as there were as many women as men in McAdam. The male voters numbered almost five hundred.

Coun. Walker said that it was more trouble to get women's names than men's. In Marysville there were more female voters than male. Revisors should be paid as much for getting them as for getting men's names. If not, there would be incomplete lists.

Coun. Lawson made a similar argument.

Coun. Stairs said that there always had been incomplete lists and the payment of revisors at a higher rate would not alter that. Women should put their names on from a sense of duty.

Coun. Noble said this report did not give revisors enough. Coun. Christie said that the women themselves should take sufficient interest to have their names placed on voters' lists.

Coun. McMullin said the revisors should be paid enough to make it worth their while to get full lists.

Coun. Manuel said he could not see why the assessors should be expected to secure the names of all women.

### Position of the Assessors.

County Solicitor quoted from the act to the effect that the assessors would be required to furnish to the revisors lists of the names of women on the assessment rolls, and not of all women of age.

Coun. Lawson moved, seconded by Coun. Murray, that the report be not adopted and that the revisors receive double pay.

Coun. Brewer said it was most discourteous to refuse to adopt the report. The latter, however, might be amended. It would be unfair to give each revisor \$40, irrespective of population and extent of territory. Personally he was satisfied with the report of the committee although he came from the most populous parish. Coun. Seymour had to go to Napodogan at his own expense and spend two days in getting twenty names.

Coun. Walker said the committee evidently had been laboring under a misapprehension in preparing the report.

### Reconsideration Asked For.

In amendment, Coun. Walker moved that the committee be requested to reconsider the matter and report at a p. m.

Coun. McMullin and Coun. Graham wanted no further delay.

Coun. Lawson said he had made his motion to expedite matters. If matters went as they were, night sessions would have to be held.

Coun. Cowperthwaite said if matters dragged, the United Farmers would turn the council out and elect a new one.

He was content with the committee's report. In St. Marys parish, school secretaries had been requested to furnish names. Mr. John A. Young, M. P. P., also had helped.

Coun. Lawson said that the revisors should do the work and not depend on their friends.

Coun. Cowperthwaite said he did not depend on his friends. The act did not require revisors to make a house-to-house canvass for names of voters.

A motion of Coun. Brewer that the report be accepted was defeated and the motion for referring it back to the committee for reconsideration was carried.

## ITALIANS ANGRY WITH FRANCE

(Special to the Mail.)

Rome, Jan. 9.—Attacks against France for the publication of the yellow book and the letters of Prince Sixtus, which, it is claimed here, aim at discrediting Italian participation in the war, her efforts and sacrifices, show no signs of ceasing or diminishing, and if anything are becoming more violent.

Globe: Major C. E. Gregory, K. C., who is a passenger on the Empress of France is expected to arrive in St. John on Sunday or Monday. While in the city he will be the guest of his cousin, Fraser Gregory. When in London Mr. Gregory won an important suit before the privy council.

## HALIFAX WILL ASK FEDERAL GOVT. FOR GRANT TO OFFSET EXEMPTIONS FROM TAXATION

### LOCAL FIRM OFFERS TROPHY TO HOC. LEAGUE

R. Chestnut & Sons Will Put Up Trophy—A. J. Wheeler Elected Treasurer of the Club.

A meeting of the Fredericton Hockey Club was held last evening and it was announced by the president A. McM. Staples that R. Chestnut & Sons would donate a trophy to the New Brunswick Hockey League. The secretary was asked to communicate with the other teams in the league re this trophy.

The Club is greatly indebted to the public for the hearty response to the call for funds. Over \$300 was collected by Mr. A. J. Wheeler who was unanimously elected treasurer. The final organization meeting of the club will be held tomorrow night when the personnel of the team will be selected.

After the meeting last evening all feel optimistic that hockey will be boomed in this city the coming winter and Fredericton sure looks like a winning team with a number of old players in line.

Public acknowledgement of all funds donated will be made later.

Marysville and Fredericton will play Thursday the 15th inst at the Arctic Rink in the first game of the schedule.

## HIP POCKET SALOON NOT PROTECTION

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 9.—When does the hip pocket cease to be a part of a man's person and thus lose protection of the nation and state constitution?

"When it becomes a saloon," according to Judge Houghton, of ay County. Two inspectors walked into a place. They stood at a counter and ordered whiskey. The man who waited on them reached into his hip pocket, brought out a flask, poured out two drinks and returned the flask to his pocket. The inspectors rushed the tradesman and took the flask from him.

His attorney argued that the officers had violated constitutional rights by searching his person. Judge Houghton argued that a hip pocket used as a grog shop ceases to be part of a man's person.

## HEADS OF NEW BANK UNION SENT TO EXILE

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Officials of the Canadian banks are not apparently going to allow the newly organized Bank Clerks' Union otto proceed on its way without trying to check the movement and already have given it a setback. One of the prominent officials of the union a few days ago received a notice from the inspectors' department that he had been "promoted" to a branch in a prairie town and must get ready immediately and sojourn for a time in the "wild and woolly West."

Almost simultaneously another official of the union received notice of promotion to a small town branch in Central Ontario, so two of the moving spirits of the Bank Clerks' Union have now the length and breadth of a continent between them.

In St. John Today

Mr. Fletcher Peacock, Director of Vocational Training went to St. John this morning to confer with the Vocational Committee of that city.

Phone & Chronicle: Dr. W. S. Carter of Fredericton, is at the Queen Hotel.

### SETS AN EXAMPLE FOR FREDERICTON

The Dominion Government an Extensive Property Holder in the Nova Scotia Capital—Immense Terminals and the Military Property Are Now Exempt—Brief Prepared by a Committee for Submission to Ottawa.

Halifax, Jan. 9.—The city of Halifax is making a concerted effort to obtain from the Dominion government a substantial grant to offset the ex-large property holdings of the government from taxation because of the ment in this city. The city of Ottawa and the Federal grant it receives is taken as an example of what should be done here.

The greater part of the water front of this port, on the Halifax side of the harbor, is owned by the government and pays no taxes to the civic treasury. The great terminals of the Canadian National Railways pay nothing and the large areas for the Militia department and the Military also are exempt. This means a heavy loss to the city. The loss has always existed but of recent years the holdings of the government have become greater and consequently the loss to the revenue from taxes has become correspondingly larger.

At the Rotary Club yesterday John McKeen stated that he was chairman of a committee, representing citizens and city council. He said this committee had prepared a brief for presentation to the Dominion Government on the subject and that a delegation on behalf of the city would soon proceed to Ottawa to present the case for the city. He mentioned that municipalities in other parts of the Dominion had been promised they would not lose taxes because of the taking over by the government of the Canadian Northern Railway and the Grand Trunk. Halifax had always been subject to loss of revenue because of government ownership of the railways, and it was felt that now this city should be put on a level with other municipalities who have been promised that they would not suffer from the change from company to government ownership.

## LIBERALS MAY OPPOSE NEW MINISTERS

Toonto, Jan. 8.—A decidedly broad hint that Ontario ministers who as yet have no seats in the legislature would not be permitted to slip into the House without vigorous opposition is contained in a statement issued last evening by a committee of Liberal members which met yesterday in the Parliament Buildings. The statement dwells upon the "anomalous" situation created by the continuance of these Ministers to transact affairs of vital importance to the Province, long after the time for filing petitions against elections had expired, without holding mandates from the electors, and points out that, although Premier Drury has stated that there is no lack of members willing to sacrifice themselves to provide seats for the unelected ministers, the choosing of the victims must await the return from Winnipeg of Mr. J. J. Morrison who is attending a Farmers' convention in that city.

Returned to Toronto

Mr. Walter H. Irvine, son of Dr. W. J. Irvine of this city returned to Toronto the first of the week to resume his dental studies.