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## WILL VOTE ON SUMMER TIME

### Daylight Saving Still a Matter of Controversy in East

TORONTO, Dec. 28. — (Canadian Press) — This is the height of the battledore and shuttlecock season for poor old daylight saving in Eastern Canada. Sporting organizations, mothers' guilds, school boards and other institutions are busy passing the question on to the city councils and city councils are knocking it back to the people at municipal elections.

Perhaps the Canadian parliament will unexpectedly take a hand in the matter during the coming session. It has been suggested that the Dominion government may either present an Act making daylight saving general throughout the Dominion or provide an amendment to the criminal code making it illegal for municipalities, industrial concerns or individuals to meddle with standard time.

Indications at present are that various cities in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime provinces will have a referendum during the summer of 1924, of the clock juggling, watch tinkering and general inconvenience caused in recent years by the variance of time in train, town, country and church. However, the people are getting used to it. The conscientious three-on-the-dot citizen who carries three watches in three separate pockets set at three separate hours, in order to keep his appointments promptly, has not of late years been considered so much of a joke after all.

### Railways on Standard

The railways will conform to standard time next summer as usual, it is expected. None of the provinces are proposing to interfere with "God's time" by the sun. Montreal, Toronto and other cities, however, are in the throes of municipal agitation about it. The ratepayers of Toronto, for instance, will on January 1 vote on the question: "Are you in favor of continuing Daylight Saving Time during the ensuing three years?" In a vote taken on a similar question last January, deciding it for one year only, the "yeas" had it by a few thousand votes. This year there will be an additional woman vote. The wives of owners and tenants on the municipal voters' list will for the first time be eligible to vote.

The outlook in regard to Daylight Saving for Montreal and district for the coming year is that in all likelihood a referendum on the matter will be held at the same time as the Municipal elections in April. The matter will then be put up to the people generally and the question finally decided. It was thought at one time that the City of Montreal had not the right to call a referendum on this matter but the city's legal advisers now report that such a referendum would not be ultra vires of the city council. Opponents of Daylight Saving, among them Mayor Martin, have taken the ground that while the system is popular with industrialists it is distinctly bad for school children. The Mayor's idea is that the mothers of these children ought to have the opportunity to express their opinion in a referendum. Many Roman Catholic priests have also objected to the change because of the disorganization it brings with it in the schedule of



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## FORMER PALACE OF KAISER IS PUBLIC DINING PLACE NOW

BERLIN, Dec. 28. — Mrs. Fritz Kreisler, the American wife of the Austrian violinist, and a number of other Austrian women have worked wonders in the kitchen of the old imperial palace overlooking the Spree in Berlin. This kitchen, where the food of the Hohenzollerns was prepared for many generations, has been converted into a cheery dining room where middle-class Berliners may buy a mid-day meal at small cost. Professors, actors, doctors, lawyers, scientists and writers now sit in the renovated rooms where Hohenzollerns used to give instructions about their food.

There is no air of charity about the middle-class feeding established by the Austrian women. It isn't charity. They are merely assisting Berlin intellectuals to help themselves through a hard winter. Flowers stand on the dining tables in the great castle kitchen and volunteer workers assist in serving the food and giving an air of hospitality.

The meals are served only to persons who have tickets, and a small charge is made for these. Applicants are inspected by a committee to make sure that only congenial persons will be admitted to this meal center.

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## WIRELESS REPORT

8 a.m.  
BULL HARBOR. — Rain; fresh west wind; barometer 29.56; temperature 38; sea moderate; 8 p.m. spoke steamer Cordova towing steamer Starr 272 miles south of Ketchikan southbound; 11 p.m. spoke steamer Prince John entering Seymour Inlet bound False Bay northbound; 1.15 a.m. spoke steamer Princess Beatrice off Pine Island northbound.  
DEAD TREE POINT. — Clear, calm; barometer, 29.52; temperature 26; sea smooth.  
DIGBY ISLAND. — Overcast; calm; barometer 29.67; temperature 32; sea smooth; 8 p.m. spoke steamer El Abeto 1422 miles from San Pedro bound for Anyox; 8 p.m. spoke Canadian Highlander 241 miles from Prince Rupert bound for Prince Rupert; 1.45 a.m. spoke steamer Mogul left Stewart 11.30 p.m. southbound.

Noon  
BULL HARBOR. — Overcast; strong northwest wind; barometer 29.56; temperature 40; sea choppy; 11 a.m. spoke Canadian Highlander abeam Langara bound for Prince Rupert.  
DEAD TREE POINT. — Clear, calm; barometer 29.60; temperature 33; sea smooth.  
DIGBY ISLAND. — Cloudy, calm; barometer 29.70; temperature 36; sea smooth.

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## UNCERTAINTY AND CONFUSION

Should Daylight saving for Montreal be rejected on the referendum vote, it is not unlikely that a similar condition will arise as prevailed last year (1923) when advanced time was turned down by the City Council, but was put into force by a majority of the big corporations and industrial organizations of the city and district. The result was that Daylight Saving was the rule in most offices and shops of Montreal. This gave rise to much uncertainty and confusion.

## MAY CHANGE DATE TORONTO ELECTION

People to Decide if New Year's Custom of Many Years is to be Changed

TORONTO, Dec. 28. — (Canadian Press) — For a generation or more the citizens of Toronto have celebrated New Year's Day by electing a Mayor and City Council, School Board or Board of Education, and voting on by-laws that sometimes proved so numerous as to make the loyal and conscientious exercise of the municipal franchise practically a holiday job. On Jan. 1 next the Toronto electorate will vote on the question of changing the day for municipal elections to the first Monday in December, which is the favorite date for Ontario and cities. The principal argument against elections on New Year's Day is that the vigorous electioneering necessary to victory upsets the candidate's Christmas festivities and spoils his New Year's dinner. On the other hand it is argued that the holiday election brings out a larger per centage of the vote, as the citizens vote in their residential sub-divisions for Mayor and Controllers.

Los Angeles Timber Products tanker El Abeto is due at Anyox tonight with fuel oil from San Pedro. When she has discharged, she will proceed to Buckley Bay to load lumber for California.

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## YOUNGEST COLONEL IN WORLD IS HEIR JUGO-SLAV THRONE

BELGRADE, Dec. 28. — The heir to the crown of Yugoslavia holds the distinction of being the youngest colonel in any army of the nations of the world. Having recently reached the age of seven weeks, his elevation to the military rank of regimental commander coincided with his christening.

Young Karageorgevitch took the record away from Jaime of Bourbon, of Madrid, the eldest son of King Alfonso, who was made a colonel upon celebrating his first birthday.

## SYNOPSIS OF LAND ACT AMENDMENTS

PRE-EMPTIONS  
Vacant, unreserved, surveyed (Crown) lands may be pre-empted by British subjects over 18 years of age, and by aliens on declaring intention to become British subjects, conditional upon residence, occupation, and improvement for agricultural purposes.  
Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emption is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, "How to Pre-empt Land," copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., or to any Government Agent.  
Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timberland, i.e., carrying over 5,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 8,000 feet per acre east of that Range.  
Applications for pre-emption are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.  
Pre-emption must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of \$10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.  
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PURCHASE  
Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland, for agricultural purposes; minimum price of first-class (arable) land is \$5 per acre and second-class (grazing) land \$2.50 per acre. Further information regarding purchase or lease of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 19, Land Series, "Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands."  
MILL, factory, or industrial sites on timber land, not exceeding 40 acres, may be purchased or leased on conditions including payment of stumpage.  
HOMESITE LEASES  
Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.  
LEASES  
For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 400 acres may be leased by one person or a company.  
GRAZING  
Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranged, priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free, or partially free, permits are available for settlers, campers and travellers, up to ten head.

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