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The Northern B. C. Fair just closed was a distinct success considering all the opposing forces. The quality and variety of the products shown are convincing that not only can fruits and vegetables be successfully grown here but land itself which can turn out such a high standard of crops is worth going after.

At the recent annual meeting of the association handling the Fair there were only twenty-five present out of a membership of some four hundred. Only a dozen or so of these were citizens of Prince Rupert. It appears that everybody thinks it is the other fellow's business and forgets to attend. In other cities the Fair has the whole-hearted support of all the citizens. If we are to make the Fair a great event in the life of this city the people will all have to get together, and push the thing along. Those who have already put their hand to this business have done so with enthusiasm and success but the majority of the citizens have nothing to do with it. This is not right. The Fair can be made one of the biggest and best assets that Prince Rupert possesses and it is suicidal not to develop it.

Prince Rupert has a reputation for allowing public affairs to be run by a few. Nearly all the public and charitable affairs of the city are taken care of by a handful of men. These men are not necessarily seeking self-advancement but have these duties thrust upon them and in most cases have handled them well. The point is, however, that the circle of interest gets too narrow, and perhaps a little jealousy or antagonism is developed among a few who may be suspicious. The only cure for this is a more general public interest, and when this is done the rest will take care of itself.

Considering all the criticism that has been offered in connection with the judging in the band contest case, it might be pointed out that it is an impossible task for any one man to please everybody, no matter how competent he may be. Perhaps, indeed, considering this, it is hardly fair to ask one man to undertake so strenuous a task. There should be some way of securing the services of a musical committee in such cases, which would be so representative that all would be satisfied.

A CANADIAN PRIEST COMMANDS REGIMENT?

Abbe Casgrain Probable Colonel. Was Major in the British Army in India.

Montreal, Oct. 5.—Promises of subscriptions totaling \$125,000 toward the equipment of the French-Canadian war contingent have been made. It is expected that 2,500 men will compose the force, while reinforcements will be mustered to keep it at this strength.

It has been suggested that the force shall be led by Abbe Casgrain, of Quebec, who before his ordination as a priest served as an officer in the British army, in India and elsewhere, retiring four years ago with the rank of major.

JESTS OVER "JACK JOHNSON" GUNS

The German howitzer shells are reported to be from eight to nine inches in calibre, and on impact they send up columns of greasy black smoke. On account of this they are irreverently dubbed "coal boxes," "Black Marias," or "Jack Johnsons" by the soldiers. Men who take things in this spirit are, it seems, likely to throw out the calculations based on the loss of morale so carefully framed by the German military philosophers.

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PASSING EVENTS

The Swedish railroads are experimenting with peat for fuel.

Gasoline in London, is reported to be eight shillings a gallon, and many Englishmen are trying to sell their cars.

Among the subscribers to the German war loan are the Krupp firm and family, who have taken \$7,500,000 of the bonds.

The Japanese House of Representatives have unanimously passed a war vote of 53,000,000 yen (about \$26,500,000).

It is officially admitted in Vienna that Archduke Frederick lost 120,000 men in the recent Galician battles, or one-fourth of his entire command.

The German bark Urania, bound from Tocopilla, Chile, for Hamburg with a cargo of nitrate valued at \$175,000, has been captured by a British warship.

The Labor party has come off victorious in the Australian general elections. The returns were: House of Representatives, Labor 41, Liberal 33, Independent 1; Senate, Labor 32, Liberal 4.

The New York World says: Germany has made itself the enemy of mankind. Its destruction will be the emancipation of the German people themselves as well as the salvation of European republicanism.

A German aeroplane brought down by Belgians at St. Ypen, East Flanders, resulted in the capture of three well known experts from Krupp's, Jacobs and Scheljenk, who delivered guns to the new Belgian forts, and von Reetzen, prominent in all Krupp experiments.

The Kaiser intends to have the big battles of the present war put on canvas. He has commissioned Theodor Rocholl, noted battle painter of Dusseldorf, to go to the front and make studies for paintings. We wonder if he will have the battle of Marne and the retreat from Paris painted.

The Hamburg-American line steamer Bethania was captured by a British cruiser last week, and taken to Kingston, Jamaica.



THE BATTLE OF THE AISNE.

Showing the chief points in the battle that has been going on for more than two weeks. Owing to the German line having been pierced several positions are in danger of being isolated. General von Kluck has heavy fortifications on the ground between Nyon and Chauny. The map shows the Marne, where the Allies were victorious in the last great battle.

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