

GERMAN PROPOSED NAVAL BASE BLOWN TO PIECES

BRITISH NAVY DO GOOD WORK FOR ALLIES--KAISER WITNESSES GERMAN DEFEAT IN POLAND

SIR WILFRID LAURIER IS SEVENTY-THREE YEARS YOUNG

GREATEST CANADIAN CELEBRATES ANOTHER BIRTHDAY IN HARNESS—WITH HEALTH AND VIGOR UNIMPAIRED, RECEIVES THE WORLD'S CONGRATULATIONS—SKETCH OF PERSONALITY AND LIFE WORK OF THE OLD CHIEF.

Ottawa, Nov. 20.—Seventy-three years ago today at St. Lin, a Quebec hamlet nestling in the shelter of the Laurentians, there was born to Carolus Laurier, a son, Wilfrid Laurier. Probably there is no one now living in the village who remembers the event. Probably no one at the time ever imagined that across the span of three score and ten years the steadily growing personality and influence of the obscure land-surveyor's son would dominate Canadian political development as no other personality has ever done in the life of the Dominion.

Today, Sir Wilfrid Laurier stands recognized throughout the world as the greatest of all Canadians, as the most conspicuous statesman in Greater Britain. For nearly half a century he has stood unscathed and unshamed in the fiercest light of party politics, a prize to all Canadians. After forty years continuous membership in the House of Commons, after twenty-six years as leader of the Liberal party, over fifteen of which were spent as Prime Minister of his country, he is still erect of bearing, there is still the would-be fire in his words, still the same keen, virile and undiminished leadership. He stands today the most dominant personality, as well as the most picturesque and most influential figure in the Dominion. Today, from all parts of Canada, from Great Britain, from all the overseas dominions, from scores of his devoted personal friends, from his political supporters and from his political opponents, came a flood of congratulatory messages, coupled with the prayer that he may long be spared to the public service of the country and Empire. And with health and strength, still apparently unimpaired with the passage of the years, with the eye undimmed, with the hand still steady, with courage, faith and optimism undiminished, there is every indication that this hope will be realized. As long as his strength remains, Sir Wilfrid will carry the burden of leadership upon him, both in victory and defeat. "Whether it be twenty years or ten or five," he said, to his followers in the Commons last May, "whatever may be the length of my time, is in the hands of God; but so long as God spares me, I shall continue to give my best, however poor that may be, to the service of those principles which we all hold so dear."

Scotch Influences.

Sir Wilfrid's mother died when he was but six years old. His father sent the young lad to be educated at a school in a neighboring Scotch settlement, where he boarded for a time with Store-keeper Murray, a good Scotch Presbyterian. There the coming Premier of Canada first learned the English language and religious tolerance, two endowments which have helped to give to the man of French descent and Roman Catholic faith, the grace and facility of expression and the breadth of vision irresistibly appealing alike to both the great races in Canada, English and French, Catholic and Protestant.

For seven years he attended L'Assomption College, where at the age of sixteen he was recognized as the leader of his class with a brilliant career predicted for him. In 1860, he began the study of law as a student at McGill. Four years afterwards he was graduated with honors, and gave the valedictory of his class. In that valedictory—his first recorded public utterance—he gave expression to the essential principles which have animated his whole public career. "The work of the maker and of the student of law," he said, "is to cause justice to reign."

Immediately after graduation, the young lawyer began to take an active interest in public questions, joining a group of progressive young French-Canadians, assisting in the editing of a weekly paper and taking part in debates on public questions of the moment. The young barrister went to Arthabaskaville to practice his profession. In 1868, he married Miss Zoe Lafontaine, of Montreal, in whom he has found, during all the succeeding years, a true and loyal helpmate. Their married life (Continued on Page Three.)

Those odd jobs around the house, Fritz does them. Also children's toys repaired. Phone 583.

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GERMANS ON OSTEND BEACH.—A squad of German infantrymen marching on the Ostend beach, for many years the seaside resort of Europeans.

KAISER SAYS THE VIRGIN MARY URGED HIM TO GO TO WAR

Petrograd, Nov. 15.—The Russian papers are more and more inclined to take the view that Emperor William is insane. They cite today his proclamation to the Poles at Czenstochow, in which he referred to the miraculous ringing of bells at Syatogorosky Monastery, and declared that it denoted his decision to make war on Russia, restore the sacred possessions of Poland, and unite Poland to Germany, the most cultured country.

The Kaiser adds: "I had a wondrous dream. The Virgin appeared to be and entrusted me with the rescue of her sacred habitation. She gazed at me tearfully, and I went forth to execute her holy will."

The Kaiser called on the Poles to meet the German troops as their brothers and saviors. Those who were with him, he said, would be amply rewarded, while those who were against him would perish.

He concluded with these words: "With me are God and the Holy Virgin, who have drawn the German sword in aid of Poland."

WANTS ALDERMEN TO SERVE CITY FREE

Editor, The Daily News.

Sir,—As the city fathers have decided upon a reduction in the staff at the City Hall, would it not be a good idea for them to effect a further saving to the city by foregoing their own salaries for the last quarter of this year.

It may not be generally known that aldermen have served the city who have not employed themselves on city business more than from one to two hours a week, yet they have been drawing down \$100.00 per annum just the same.

This might be a good time to start a campaign for aldermen to serve the coming year without pay. If this were done, I think that the city would, generally speaking, get better men to take office. It would result in securing men anxious to serve the interests of the city, rather than men to whom the salary of \$400 looks like easy money.

"RATEPAYER"

BRITISH DESTROYERS DO DARING WORK

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Nov. 26.—Dispatches from Dover say that British destroyers played an important part in the bombardment of Zeebrugge, steaming with great daring close to the shore. The vessels drew the fire of the German guns, which disclosed their position to the British naval guns. The British ships withdrew without casualties, returning to home ports for stores.

That distant friend will be tickled all over on receipt of a dainty Xmas card as sold by McRae Bros. 273-74-75

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

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Band practice in City Hall tonight at 8 o'clock.

The City Band will give the ball of the season next month.

Office and Pocket Diaries. Gem Calendar Pads for 1915 at McRae Bros. 273-76-77

Mr. M. Jamieson, manager of the Copper Tavern, Skeena Crossing, came in on the train this morning.

Mr. B. G. Moore, of 241 Ninth Avenue West, was the winner of the ton of coal donated by the New Wellington Coal Co. to the Society Circus. Ticket No. 25.

A Junion demonstration will be held in the Salvation Army Hall on Monday at 8 p. m. Refreshments will be served. 274-7

The Prince Rupert Towing Co., general towing; the new crude oil tug "P.R.T. No. 4." Phone Red 391 or Black 322. Address: P. O. Box 96. Agency for the "Avance" Crude Oil Motor. 1654f.

The Acme Importers are busy fitting up their Third Avenue store with some of their choicest stock as well as some stock from the old store. They will open on Saturday with prices that will stagger all former ideas of prices.

For a comfortable room, come to the St. Elmo Hotel, 836 Second Avenue, near Eighth Street. Newly opened. Steam heat and hot and cold water in every room. Free baths. Rates reasonable.

The G. T. P. train which should have arrived here on Tuesday night got in this forenoon. The delay was caused by a mudslide in the vicinity of Hazelton. The service, however was not interfered with, as the regular Wednesday morning train proceeded as usual.

LOCAL CONSERVATIVES ENDORSE NAVAL POLICY OF SIR WILFRID LAURIER

The Conservative Association, last night, on motion of M. M. Stephens, seconded by M. Albert, passed the following resolution without dissent:

"That this annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Conservative Association desires to place on record its confidence in the Hon. Sir Richard McBride, Prime Minister of British Columbia, and his government, and our approval of the policy of the government on the issues of the day. We heartily endorse the action taken by Sir Richard McBride in urging upon the government at Ottawa and the Imperial authorities the need for providing defence for the Pacific Coast, which, in view of the recent hostilities, is more than ever felt to be necessary; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Sir Richard McBride."

SIDELIGHTS ON THE WAR

Copenhagen, Nov. 15.—According to information from Berlin preparations are being made for the public proclamation of the annexation of Belgium, mentioned as happy German Reichslands under the illustrious sceptre of Kaiser Wilhelm von Belgium.

It is reported from Berlin that the defeat of the Germans by the Indian troops has made a very disheartening impression in Germany.

The Germans say the Indians personally are much stronger and more nimble than German soldiers, and it is, therefore, impossible for the latter to vanquish them in hand-to-hand fighting, unless the Indians are outnumbered.

It is also reported that the English are adopting tactics which spare the Indians until the moment when a hand-to-hand struggle begins.

It is generally believed 200,000 soldiers will arrive from India, but it is hoped some of them will now be ordered to South Africa.

I am informed Germany hoped the insurrection in the Transvaal and Orange Free State would have broken out in August in consequence of settled agreements and secret treaties with Generals De Wet and Beyers so that Indian troops would have been sent to Capetown and not to France.—London Times.

Mr. G. A. McNichol came in on the delayed train this morning from the Interior. He says that the large crowd on board accepted the delay with the best of good humor. They had lots of good food aboard and everybody was happy.

WASHED NUT COAL—\$8.00. New Wellington Coal Company, Phone 116.

GERMANY'S NEW NAVAL BASE DESTROYED BY BRITISH NAVY

SIX SUBMARINES TAKEN OVERLAND IN SECTIONS NOW MASS OF TWISTED IRON—MILITARY TRAIN AND SUPPLIES DESTROYED.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Nov. 26.—The German scheme to establish a naval base at Zeebrugge has been thwarted by the British warships, says The Daily Mail correspondent.

Zeebrugge is burning and the Selway works near Bruges and the shop at the canal is a mass of ruins.

The sections of six submarine boats which were brought there overland have been reduced to twisted iron. A large quantity of stores were also destroyed. The bombardment lasted three hours on Monday. The coast guard building and the public schools were destroyed; military trains were blown up, and a large crane used for putting submarines together has disappeared.

KAISER WITNESSES GERMAN DEFEAT AT HANDS OF RUSSIANS

THE EMPEROR VIEWED DEFEAT IN EAST PRUSSIA FROM A HILL—LONG COLUMNS OF GERMAN PRISONERS PASS THROUGH WARSAW—MANY WITH FROZEN HANDS AND FEET.

London, Nov. 26.—A Warsaw dispatch says long columns of German prisoners are passing through the city, among them many of the Prussian Guard, many of the wounded Germans having their hands and feet frozen through lack of warm clothing.

The Emperor of Germany witnessed, from a hill, the German defeat at the hands of the Russians. The Emperor took abrupt leave of the commander-in-chief, asking him to convey his greetings to the troops.

LARGE GERMAN FORCE SURRENDERS

(Special to The Daily News.)

Petrograd, Nov. 26.—A correspondent, describing the fighting on the River Bzura, says that three German regiments were caught on the banks of the river and suffered heavily from the Russian artillery fire. Their only way to escape was across the river, but this was frustrated by the Russian cavalry. Seeing their position was hopeless, the whole force, amounting to two and a half regiments, surrendered.

GERMANS RENEWING ATTACK ON CALAIS

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Nov. 26.—The Allies have been attacked in force from Ypres to La Bassée. A terrific battle has been commenced. The Germans have heavy reinforcements and fresh guns for this renewal of their efforts to cut their way through the Allies' line. The British artillery has thus far thwarted all the German attempts.

SMITHERS MAN TO PLAY HOCKEY IN ENGLAND

In the hockey team which the Canadian contingent in England have selected there is one member from this district, Jack Aldous, who, last winter, played rover on the Smithers team, has been given that position with the Canadians.

Jack is reported to be one of the best amateur hockey players that Canada has produced. The Canadian hockey players are likely to do credit to themselves.

A REMARKABLE COMBINATION.

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Draw a line through the center of the names, and on each side of the line you have still the names of the two generals, a rather curious coincidence.

WANTED.

To know of reliable party going to Eastern Canada within a month. Apply Box 1, Daily News.

BRITISH NAVAL LOSSES TO DATE

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Nov. 26.—During the war the navy has lost 4,327 officers and men killed and 473 wounded, 980 missing and 575 captives or interned.

LONG HAIR MEN.

Editor, The Daily News.

Sir,—If we are going to reduce the cost of living why not begin with the barbers, who are the greatest extortioners in the city. Merchants may charge a small per cent more for their wares than Southern cities but these fellows are not satisfied without doubling their prices. It is perfectly ridiculous that it should cost fifty cents here for a haircut when the same can be had in Vancouver for twenty-five cents and that in first-class shops. A man with a large family of boys will need a government bonus if he is to patronize those artists. A reduction must be had or the city will become famous for its long haired men.

TWO-BITTS.

YOUTHFUL PATRIOTS HELP RED CROSS

Two energetic members of the coming generation have been successful in adding something to the Red Cross fund. Misses Violet Mortimer and Doris Pattullo got busy a few weeks ago with their little needles and made a number of kettle lifters which they sold to their friends and sent the proceeds to the British Red Cross Society. They have now received back an acknowledgement from the secretary of the society for the sum of one pound, four shillings and ten pence.

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People to come and see our immense stock of Second Hand Furniture. We must dispose of it at once. Prices to suit everybody. Corner of Third Avenue and Seventh Street. Furniture Stores. Phones No. 86 and 465.

To Insure Men At The Front

Editor, Daily News.

Sir,—Will you be good enough to publish through the columns of The Daily News the following statement in regard to the insurance of the married men who have gone to the front from Prince Rupert:

The committee appointed to deal with the matter met yesterday and had full information submitted on the subject. There are eight married men from this city and it was decided to insure their lives to the extent of \$1,000 each.

The insurance has been placed with a local firm who have waived all commissions as well as the fees for medical examinations, reducing the premiums very materially. The committee is therefore able to insure the men for a year for about \$500, and have decided to ask for subscriptions of \$1 each to defray the cost of insurance.

Subscription lists have been distributed at different places in the city and the scheme is commended by the committee to the support of the citizens. Any one who is not present with a subscription list and who wishes to contribute may do so to Canon Rix, secretary-treasurer of the committee. It is felt that nothing could be better for the protection of the families of the men who are risking their lives in support of the Empire than a policy of insurance for a sum of money, and no one who is staying at home and is able to should hesitate to contribute the nominal sum of \$1 for such a purpose.

Yours very truly,
WM. MANSON,
Chairman of Committee.

Prince Rupert, B. C., November 26, 1914.

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