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### BRITISH BOMBARDING BELGIAN COAST HELD BY GERMANS--ALBERTA'S PREMIER VISITS RUPERT

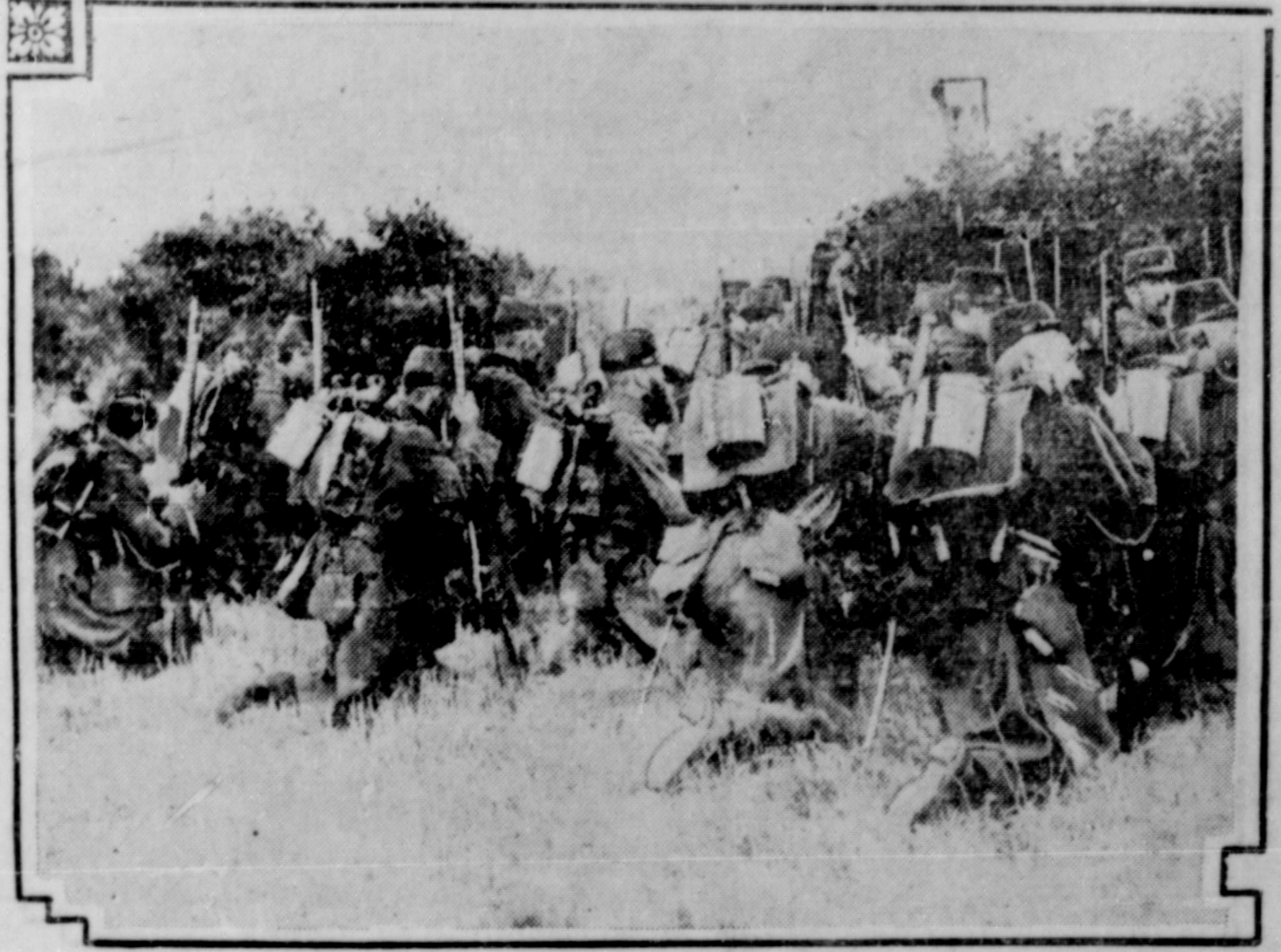
#### NEW ATTACK ON THE ALLIES FORCE GERMANS TO RETIRE

BRITISH WARSHIPS AGAIN BOMBARD THE BELGIAN COAST  
IN CONJUNCTION WITH LAND OPERATIONS--  
GERMAN HEADQUARTERS WITHDRAW.

(Special to The Daily News)  
London, Dec. 9.—A dispatch from Rotterdam says another bombardment of the Belgian coast by British warships between Dunkirk and Nieuport began at 3 o'clock on Tuesday in conjunction with the land operations.

**Allies Advancing.**  
London, Dec. 9.—The German official headquarters was re-located from Roulois when the British shells began falling on the town after the British recaptured Passchonaele, northwest of Ypres. This is an important advance for the Allies.

**Allies Gaining.**  
Paris, Dec. 9.—(Official).—There was artillery fighting from the sea to Lys yesterday. All the positions won by the French in the past two days were strengthened. In the Aisne region artillery exchanges and fighting resulted in considerable gains for the Allies. Several German trenches were occupied.



**AWAITING THE THRILLING ORDER TO CHARGE.**—French infantry crouched behind underbrush awaiting the order to charge on the German trenches. They have their bayonets fixed. Of the very company shown in this picture only six of the men came out of the assault alive. The rest were mowed down by German machine guns.

#### DEPART OVERSEAS CONTINGENT MAY SOON LEAVE FOR FRONT

(By P. F. G.)  
Willows Camp, Victoria, B. C., December 5, 1914.

The fourth week of the north-western arrival at The Willows is tonight and within that time of us—eventful period has advanced from squad, and company drill and led out the first month with initial battalion drill on the ground this morning. Under the immediate command of Lieutenant-Colonel Hall and his nine companies, including the base company, signallers, machine gun section and the other bearer corps were put through their paces as a complete drill. Afterwards, with our official photographer and the folks in the north will be presented before them the members of Canada's Overseas Contingent.

now moving forward more rapidly and that the Canadian Pacific Railway had been authorized to make arrangements for the moving of some 1,200 infantry and 500 cavalry, between December 25 and January 5 from Victoria. Of course no definite date could be set, as the 30th has barely been outfitted and much is yet to be accomplished in drill, etc., but the informal mention of the prospect of moving at a very early day is received with satisfaction by all ranks, and it is now up to the men to make good for the final inspection. The past week has, thanks to improved weather conditions, permitted a far larger amount of out-door drill and what with route marches, company drill and skirmishing the interest of the boys has been kept alive from early morning until the close of the afternoon parade. B. Company is now complete with its 119 men and officers and the past week saw the return of Capt. C. W. Peck to take over the command of the company.

One of the pleasing features of the week has been the distribution of the splendid assortment of socks, gloves, wristlets, helmets, etc., sent down by the Daughters (Continued on Page 4)

#### JAPANESE NAVY STILL IN THE FIGHT

(Special to The Daily News)  
Tokio, Dec. 9.—Vice-Admiral Rokuro Yashiro, Japanese Minister of Marine, touching on the war in his speech in the Diet, said that while the war in Europe lasted the Japanese navy's duties will still continue. In the meantime the fleet would work in conjunction with the British fleet and seek German ships in the South American waters.

#### EX-MAYOR VANCOUVER, C. F. GARDEN, IS DEAD

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Vancouver, Dec. 9.—C. F. Garden, ex-M. L. A., and a former mayor of Vancouver, is dead.

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#### S. HAZELTON MURDER CRIME RECONSTRUCTED

On the reassembling of the court after the noon adjournment yesterday, Mr. F. S. Peters preferred not to call any witnesses for the defence. He felt satisfied that the Crown had made out no case. Mr. Fisher then addressed the jury. He did not think his case so weak as suggested by counsel for the defence. After careful consideration of the facts he had reconstructed the crime in his own mind.

There was no evidence that made it morally certain that the two men were at Hazelton station about 10:30 on the night of the murder. Taylor had taken a day off and on his way home from the Old Town passed Johnny May's cabin. He offered the Indian a drink and they spent the rest of the evening together. After leaving the station and approaching the Sealey Gulch bridge, where he should have been on duty, Taylor asked the Indian for the bottle, intending to treat his partner, who was doing overtime. The Indian refused to part with the whiskey, a drunken quarrel ensued and culminated in a brutal murder. The drunken Indian immediately started homewards, taking the broken bottle with him, intending doubtless to conceal all traces of the crime before daylight. He took off his blood-stained coat. (Continued on Page Four.)

#### VANCOUVER HOCKEY TEAM BEAT PORTLAND

(Special to The Daily News)  
Portland, Dec. 9.—The Vancouver hockey club defeated Portland by 6 to 3 in the first game of the season. The game was played here.

#### FORMER GERMAN CONSUL GUILTY OF TREASON

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, Dec. 9.—Nicholas Ahlers, the former German consul at Sunderland, has been convicted of treason here for spying. He was sentenced to death.

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#### THREE GERMAN CRUISERS SUNK IN SOUTH PACIFIC

(Special to The Daily News—2:30 P. M.)  
London, Dec. 9.—Official.—It is officially announced that the German cruisers *Schornhorst*, *Gneisenau* and *Leipzig* have been sunk in the South Pacific.

#### SERIOUS ACCIDENT FROM THE CARELESS HANDLING OF DYNAMITE

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Scranton, Pa., Dec. 9.—Nine men were killed and five injured in the Diamond Colliery here today. They were in the cage descending and one dropped a stick of dynamite, which blew the bottom out of the cage, dropping the men into the dump.

#### CHOLERA IS RAGING IN ALIEN COUNTRIES

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Rotterdam, Dec. 9.—The Berlin Board of Health reports thirty-six cases of cholera in Germany. In Austria, during November, especially in Galicia, cholera is spreading very rapidly. Ninety deaths occurred in Vienna alone during the first week in November.

#### SWEDES INDIGNANT AT GERMAN MINES

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Stockholm, Dec. 9.—The Swedish press is indignant about the planting of mines along the Finnish coast, which have destroyed three large Swedish steamers and caused the loss of over forty men. The Germans are blamed. Navigation has been suspended until sweeping is completed.

Girls' boots, sizes from 11 to 2, felt tops, leather soles; regular price \$1.85, reduced to \$1.25. Jabour Bros.' Sale. 284tf.

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#### FIRST DEATH SENTENCE GIVEN IN PRINCE RUPERT

At 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon the jury in the case of Rex vs. May brought in a verdict of guilty against the Indian, John May. The evidence was purely circumstantial but evidently no reasonable doubt remained in the minds of the jury as to how Albert Taylor met his death. Their decision was arrived at much more rapidly than was expected. After one hour's discussion they brought in an unanimous verdict. His Lordship, through the interpreter, Mr. W. E. Collison, asked if the prisoner had anything to say. He replied nothing except that he was innocent. His Lordship, addressing the prisoner, said:

"You have had a fair trial and have been very ably defended and I have no other course but to pronounce sentence as the law requires. The sentence is that you be taken to the common jail at New Westminster and detained there until the 5th day of March next and then be taken to the place of execution and there hanged by the neck until dead. And may God have mercy on your soul."

#### THEFT CASE POSTPONED— DELAY FOR NEW EVIDENCE

When the case of Rex vs. Harris was called this morning, Mr. Patmore, for the defence, asked for a postponement. The prosecution was bringing some evidence of which he knew nothing until this morning and he wished to work up his case today. His request was granted, and His Lordship instructed the registrar to arrange for civil cases, today, if possible.

It is expected that Burrowes vs. Harrison will be taken up this afternoon.

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#### PREMIER SIFTON OF ALBERTA ON A VISIT TO PRINCE RUPERT

IN COMPANY WITH DISTINGUISHED PARTY OF BUSINESSMEN  
HE SEES RUPERT FOR FIRST TIME—BELIEVES IT  
HAS GREAT FUTURE.

Hon. Arthur L. Sifton, Premier of Alberta, was a visitor in the city, coming in on last evening's train and returning this morning. He traveled in the private car of Mr. J. D. McArthur, the prominent railway contractor, who was also along. Others included in the party were: Mr. Balfour, superintendent of the Union Bank; Mr. S. B. Woods, of Edmonton; Mr. Charles Young, of the National Transcontinental Commission, and Mr. Fisher, a prominent lawyer of Winnipeg.

Mr. Sifton was interviewed by a representative of The News and proved to be exceptionally congenial and interesting. This was his first trip over the G. T. P. and he referred to the excellent roadbed and quality of service. The scenery, too, while perhaps not so lofty as that on the C. P. R. allowed a bigger scope of vision. The mountains were farther apart, showing a much more valuable country. He was quite satisfied that the route would become a popular one for tourists.

When asked if he thought Prince Rupert would bear the same relation to Edmonton that Vancouver did to Calgary, he replied: "In a sense it will, but the traffic from Edmonton to Prince Rupert will be much greater than that of Calgary to Vancouver. You see, the best part of the Prairies is in the northern half. Edmonton in the last few years had increased in population very much faster than Calgary. Then the Peace River country belonged to the G. T. P. Edmonton and Prince Rupert would benefit greatly from the development of that country. The road from Edmonton to the Peace River, of which Mr. J. D. McArthur was president, was built for 250 miles and would soon be completed. Mr. Sifton doesn't think that the P. G. E. will hurt this town. This being the main line and having the big shops and drydock will naturally make it the headquarters for the G. T. P. Premier Sifton is a brother of the Hon. Clifford Sifton, formerly Minister of the Interior in the Laurier government.

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#### AUSTRIA TO PAY FOR ITALY'S NEUTRALITY THROUGHOUT WAR

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Rome, Dec. 9.—Prince Von Buelow, the new German ambassador to Italy, is authorized to negotiate a transfer of the province of Trent to Italy in exchange for the maintenance of her neutrality. He asserted that Austria, on Germany's invitation, will proclaim the independence of Trent, where the majority of the population is Italian, and after this is done Italy may occupy Trent. Austria will make a protest for the sake of appearances but Germany will recognize the annexation of the province to Italy. Besides this Trieste will be proclaimed free, although under Austrian protection.

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