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PRICE FIVE CENTS

IRON PRINZ WILHELM SINKS FOUR BRITISH SHIPS

"WATERFRONT BLOCKADE" FINDS BRITAIN CALM AND READY--SEVERE FIGHTING REPORTED IN GALICIA

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WARD GREY SAYS GERMANS HAVE ALL ALONG SUNK EVERY SHIP THEY COULD--A TORPEDO PROOF FLEET IS BEING BUILT IN BELFAST.

(Special to The Daily News.)
on, Feb. 18.—"Der Tag" of the German paper, which begins today, an advance in British shipping rates.

Edward Grey, in the House of Commons, said there was no sign that Germany had for a long time been attempting to sink all British shipping they could.

The French, British and Belgian services are as usual. The line from Flushing, Holland, to Folkestone, on the south coast of England, has been suspended. The Dutch government has ordered the mail in Dutch vessels.

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The British government has refused to pay a compensation for sailors injured in the hospital. There are well founded rumors of a fleet of specially protected munitions from injury by mines, is building at Belfast under the patrol of the English.

BAYLEY AGAIN CHAMPION OF CANADA

(Special to The Daily News.)
over, B. C., Feb. 18.—Joe Bayley, of the lightweight division of Canada last night at Fraser Mills, defeating "Charlie Burns" in twenty rounds. The fight was a hard one, both boys showing punishment. Bayley showed much cleverer tactics.

SEE A WAY OUT.

ons Are American Ship's cargo Will Be Sold for Belgium Relief.
on, Feb. 18.—There is evidence in London today of a cargo of foodstuffs on the steamer "Wilhelmina," from Falmouth harbor, will not be a prize court but will be sold to the American Commission for Relief in Belgium.

PICTURES AT MAJESTIC.

markable moving picture of German bombardment of London, was shown last night at the Majestic Theatre. It is only a few weeks ago that the German navy made a surprise raid on the English coast, the pictures have all reached Prince Rupert. The pictures take one right through the districts, and give a vivid idea of the horrors of bombardment.

KILLED AND CAPTURED AN ENTIRE BATTALION

(Special to The Daily News.)
Petrograd, Feb. 18.—The official report states that fighting continues on the right bank of the Vistula. In Galicia, we repulsed an attack, and captured 10 officers, 1,400 men and 3 guns. At Kosiouska, an entire battalion was put to the bayonet, and the survivors taken prisoners.

MILLION SHELL ORDER GOES TO PITTSBURG, PA.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 17.—The Pittsburg Foreign Commission today asked local manufacturers for prices on a million drop forge shells for use of the British artillery. A large order was originally placed with a Canadian manufacturer, but he could not make prompt delivery and a part of it was passed on to Pittsburg. The value of the contract was given at \$1,000,000. It was stated that a considerable tonnage of what is known as projectile steel was placed here during the week.

SALVOR GOING AFTER LOST EQUIPMENT

The S.S. Salvor of Victoria, B. C., arrived at the G. T. P. wharf today enroute to the scene of her recent defeat. The Salvor, according to report, was sent to rescue the American ship Delhi, which went on the rocks off the Alaska coast. She reached her all right but after getting under way to rescue her a storm came up and the Salvor withdrew, leaving, it is said, \$16,000 worth of equipment on board the damaged ship.

The humor of the situation is the report than a little later a small gasoline boat from Ketchikan rescued the Delhi, in which the Salvor failed. It will probably cost the Salvor something to get back her equipment.

COL. L. W. HERCHMER DIED SUDDENLY TODAY

(Special to The Daily News.)
Vancouver, Feb. 18.—Col. L. W. Herchmer, ex-commissioner of the R. N. W. M. P., died suddenly today, aged 74.

IS KAISER TALKING OF MAKING PEACE

Paris, Feb. 18.—The Zurich correspondent of the France de Mairies here has wired that the Kaiser is depressed as a result of the war situation and that he recently told members of his suite that Germany must seek a way to conclude peace.

The dispatch declares that the Kaiser expressed himself as still hopeful of being able to approach Russia through a small pro-German coetric at the Russian court. The correspondent says Germany would abandon Austria if by doing so she could make a satisfactory peace for herself.



COL. JOHN SEELY,
Former Secretary of State for War, who is to command a cavalry division of the Canadian contingent. His appointment is regarded as a distinct honor for the Canadians.

BRITISH CREWS ARE LANDED AT BUENOS AYRES

(Special to The Daily News.)
Buenos Ayres, Feb. 18.—The German steamer Holger has landed here the crews of the British steamers Hemisphere and Rotaro and the ships Sumatra and Wilfred, sunk by the auxiliary cruiser Kron Prinz Wilhelm off Brazil during January and February.

DEADLETTERS UNLESS THEY BEAR WAR STAMP

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—As the debate on the address will occupy some time, and the new special taxes, apart from the tax on champagne, do not come into effect until the tariff bill is passed, the people will have an opportunity to prepare themselves for their new burdens. The tariff increases, of course, come into effect at once.

The administration of the stamp taxes will be under the administration of the Inland Revenue Department. The special stamps required are now being made.

After the new taxes come into effect letters and postcards will not be delivered unless the new war stamps are affixed in addition to the regular stamps. Those who fail to affix the tax stamps will have their letters sent to the deadletter office. The war stamps will be of special design with the words "war stamp" on the face.

The new cable and telegraph tax is a special and not a stamp tax. It will apply to all messages, regardless of length, of which the charge is fifteen cents or over. The same statement applies to the taxes on railway and steamship companies. These taxes will be collected by the companies from their customers. Their books will be open to inspection by the government.

In the case of bank cheques, the issuer of the cheque has to apply the war stamp. On bills of lading, the shipper has to pay the two-cent charge. The taxes on banks and trust and loan companies will be administered by the finance department. The taxes will be based upon returns which the companies must submit to the government.

Where The Deficit Went

The last visit of the Governor General to British Columbia was made the occasion to spend \$47,046 of the public money. The following items in connection with this were taken from the public accounts, just out, page 322:

Illuminating the Parliament Buildings	\$41,712
Furnishings for the occasion	10,982
B. C. Electric, for illumination and lamps	1,408
Automobile hire	1,304
Hire of house plants	220
Spencer, rent of carpets	2,662
Setting up and overhauling billiard tables	1,212
Refreshments for our guests	4,586
Refreshments for employees (no wine for them)	31
B. C. Horse for escort	1,000

Every good Canadian is perfectly willing to honor representatives of royalty, but will anybody say that such sums as these were at all necessary? Indeed, the unbiased mind will either say that a large portion of the money represents graft or a total disregard for public funds.

TURKEY YIELDS TO DEMANDS OF GREECE

(Special to The Daily News.)
London, Feb. 18.—Turkey has yielded to the demand for satisfaction by Greece for the insult to the Greek attaché at Constantinople.

CLOSED FOR ALL TIME.

Russian Finance Minister States That Markets of Allies Are Closed to Germany Forever.

Paris, Feb. 17.—"The meeting of the finance ministers of the Triple Entente was not merely to organize for an economic victory," declared Mr. P. Bark, the Russian Minister of Finance, in an interview with The Matin. "We must not be obliged some day after the war is ended," he continued, "to pay a sort of indemnity to the Germans by leaving open to them a means of recouping and enriching themselves at our expense in our own markets."

"Germany, having demolished the factories in Belgium, Poland and Northern France, perhaps thinks to force us to buy from her goods we cannot make ourselves. Let her be quite sure our markets are closed to her forever."

SUBMARINE STOPPED A DUTCH STEAMSHIP

London, Feb. 18.—A dispatch to the Evening News from Rotterdam says that the Dutch steamer Duiderijk, flying the Dutch flag, was stopped by a German submarine in the North Sea. The captain was compelled to show his papers, after which the vessel was permitted to proceed to Rotterdam.

CORRECTION MADE.

Mrs. McMullin wishes to correct a statement contained in the recent report of the I. O. D. E., in which credit was given to St. Andrew's Church for a donation to the soldiers. The donation was from the ladies of St. Andrew's Society.

P. R. R. and Y. CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Rowing and Yachting Club will be held in the Court House on Friday, the 19th inst., at 8:45 p. m. The election of officers for the ensuing year will take place.

WATERFRONT PROBLEM HAS ATTENTION OF BOARD OF TRADE

COLONEL THOMPSON MET THAT BODY YESTERDAY AND DISCUSSED POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS--WILL PRESENT REPORT TO THE GOVERNMENT.

A meeting was held yesterday afternoon between Col. R. H. Thompson, engineer for the Provincial government, and the council of the Board of Trade with regard to a solution of the waterfront.

Captain Babington, chairman of the committee dealing with the problem, presented a report as to the best ways of dividing up the waterfront.

Colonel Thompson went into it very fully and the pertinent questions he asked showed his insight into the difficulty.

The trouble has long arisen over the greed shown in the past to secure those leases so that the prices were sent up by auction to a figure that made it impossible to do business. The committee wanted the government to cancel the old leases that were not lived up to and set an upset price for future leases; but the colonel showed that that was no security that they would go cheap again, since there were more applicants than sites.

Captain Babington pointed out that 100 feet of waterfront was secured at \$300 per year, and 66 feet in New Westminster at \$150 per year, while in Prince Rupert a far greater price had been reached.

Only one of the several sites secured at the first sale of waterfront was improved on account of the high price reached.

Colonel Thompson asked if the existence of the government wharf was not the reason.

Captain Babington said nobody could compete with the government wharf. The price of 50 cents a ton charged was reasonable, and the same that was charged at Vancouver. What was wanted was not more public wharfs but sites for private industries and business.

The report of the committee stated that it was impossible to get waterfront from the G. T. P. on "fair" conditions. G. A. McNicholl didn't like that word. He

PRZEMYSL MAY FALL AT ANY TIME

Petrograd, Feb. 18.—The capture of Przemyśl is believed to be imminent. The city has been invested by the Russians virtually since the collapse of the first Austrian advance on Lemberg, is abandoned by its garrison and only the Austrian garrison remains. The fall of the city is expected to bring to Austria a realization that she cannot much longer endure the struggle, and it is believed will precipitate overtures for a separate peace.

THE WEATHER.

By F. W. Dowling, Observer.
(5 a. m., February 18, 1915.)
Barometer 29.876
Max. temp. 35.0
Min. temp. 32.0

said the railway was always made the goat for every wrong. The trouble was that the only claim the G. T. P. has to the waterfront is an order-in-council passed at Ottawa last session, and a quit claim deed had not yet been received. The courts of British Columbia didn't recognize a Dominion order-in-council; and the railway couldn't do anything definite until they got this quit claim deed.

With this explanation, the word "fair" was changed to "permanent" in the report.

After dealing in some detail with the report the matter was left in the hands of the special committee and Mr. Thompson, who will endeavor to arrive at a solution.

Nothing has yet been done with regard to a site for a fish wharf and Colonel Thompson has not intimated the policy of the government in this regard, but he is in hopes of presenting his report before the present session of the House closes.

WENT THROUGH LANE OF BRITISH WARSHIPS

New York, Feb. 18.—Passengers arriving here on the British steamer Megantic from Liverpool said that extra precautions apparently were being taken to protect shipping in and out of British water from torpedo or submarine attacks.

Charles A. Nelson, of Utica, N. Y., said the Megantic leaving Liverpool was closely guarded by destroyers until she was well clear of the Channel.

"It appeared as if we were going through a lane of warships," said Mr. Nelson. "The destroyers were moving back and forth at a rapid speed."

VISITING CLERGYMAN.

Father Godfrey, of New Hazelton and Smithers, is visiting in town, the guest of Father Bunoz. Father Godfrey is having a splendid new church built at Smithers.

FUNERAL SERVICE.

The funeral of George Hayes took place yesterday under the auspices of the Eagles, of which lodge he was a member. The City Band played with muffled drums. Father Bunoz officiated.

SONS OF ENGLAND.

All members of the Sons of England are particularly requested to attend lodge tomorrow night. Last meeting before members leave for active service. Smoker after meeting. 41-2

The Ladies Class of St. John Ambulance Association meets in the Board of Trade rooms at 8 p. m. tonight.

Every table and showcase loaded with \$1.00 bargains Friday and Saturday at Demers. 40-1