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GERMAN FIGHTS GERMAN ON RUSSIAN FRONT

RUSSIANS ATTACK HUNS IN CONFUSION—AUSTRIA OFFERS HUMILIATING TERMS

RUSSIAN RUSE LEADS TO HUNS FIGHTING HUNS

Russians Quietly Withdraw and German Flanks Attack Each Other—Dedagatch Ruined by Sea Attack.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Petrograd, Jan. 21.—There has been heavy fighting on the northern front at Jacobstant. During a German flank attack. The Russian forces withdrew, unperceived by the enemy, with the result that the German flanking columns came into collision and inflicted severe losses upon each other before the mistake was discovered.

In the confusion, the Russians attacked the Germans and expelled them from their positions.

Huge Russian Front.

From Dvinsk to the centre of Persia there are four great Russian armies fighting, the right wing being on the River Dvina and the left in Persia, while the central armies are in Bessarabia and the Caucasus.

Dedagatch in Ruins.

Dedagatch, the Bulgarian port in the Aegean Sea, and an important railroad terminal, is in ruins by bombardment by the Allied fleets on Tuesday.

G. T. P. OFFICIALS ARRIVED FROM THE EAST YESTERDAY

There arrived on the train yesterday afternoon, W. P. Hinton, general freight and passenger agent of the G. T. P. with headquarters in Winnipeg; G. A. McNicholl, assistant general freight and passenger agent; H. H. Hansard, solicitor for the company, accompanied by E. A. James, of Winnipeg, who is interested in mining and fishing enterprises on the coast.

The officials will remain in town until Saturday, when they will leave for the south. Mr. Hinton is enthusiastic as to the future on the prairies and in British Columbia.

HUMILIATING TERMS OFFERED TO MONTENEGRO

Absolute Surrender of Country Demanded—Blockade of Germany Tightening—Compulsion Passes.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Paris, Jan. 21.—The rupture in the Austro-Montenegrin peace negotiations is due to the humiliating terms proposed by the Austrians. Austria demands that the Montenegrin troops lay down all arms; that the populace surrender all weapons; that all men of military age be interned; that Austria be allowed to make a thorough search of the country and that Montenegro surrender all towns, cities and means of transportation.

Times Urges Blockade.

London, Jan. 21.—The Times this morning prints on its front page Abraham Lincoln's blockade proclamation, issued during the American civil war, and calls upon the cabinet to proclaim a similar blockade of the German coast.

There are signs that the blockade is tightening, as ships are unloading general cargo and quantities of American beef consigned to Stockholm, in Sweden.

Compulsion Carried.

The Asquith military compulsion bill passed the House of Commons at midnight.

SPLENDID CONCERT IN PRESBYTERIAN HALL

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church are to be congratulated upon the success which attended their concert last night. The program was of a high standard and the large audience thoroughly enjoyed every item, encores being the order of the evening.

Ald. Thomas McClymont made an ideal chairman, and the first part of the program being devoted to Burns, he appropriately confined his opening address to a few features in the life of Scotland's national bard.

During the evening solos were rendered by Miss Barnsley, Mr. A. Clapperton, Mr. Meth Davies and Mr. C. A. G. Armstrong; a quartette by Mesdames Grant and Carmichael and Messrs. Armstrong and Clapperton; Pianoforte selections by the Misses Stephens; violin solo by Miss King; reading by Miss McColl; mandolin and guitar trio, Mrs. G. A. Bryant and Messrs. Duffy and Edmunds; duets by Messrs. Clapperton and C. D. Jones, and a very clever and amusing sketch by Miss Freeman and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Paterson. The accompaniments were sympathetically played by Mrs. C. A. G. Armstrong and Mr. W. V. Davies. "God Save the King" brought a most enjoyable evening to a close.

High class shoe repairing; war prices. G. Hill, opposite post-office.



"BRITANNIA'S CALL TO HER SONS"

This striking cartoon, drawn for the London Chronicle by a famous Dutch artist, is very appropriate to the moment in Canada. Britannia is embracing a young soldier with the exhortation, "Free Son of Canada, do Your Duty to Your Home Land."

GOVERNMENT REFUSES SHELL INVESTIGATION

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Jan. 21.—Hon. Arthur Meighen, in replying to the charges made against the shell committee by Hon. Wm. Pugsley, says that the charges are exaggerated.

The government refuses an enquiry, on the grounds that the shell commission is responsible only to the imperial authorities.

CHEAP FUEL

Good wood cut to any length, \$5.00 cord. 2 feet—\$4.50, 4 feet—\$3.50. Also best lump coal, J30. PONY EXPRESS.

Remember the Liberal annual meeting in Liberal headquarters on Friday night.

The halibut schooners are beginning to come along regularly again. The Athena brought in 75,000 pounds yesterday, while the Ann St. Leon, a Canadian boat, came in with 5,000 pounds.

F. G. Dawson left this morning on a business trip up the coast.

CANADIAN FOURTH DIVISION FOR FRANCE

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Jan. 21.—It is officially announced that the fourth Canadian division is to leave England shortly for the French front.

It may be taken that the fourth division is already in the trenches. In all probability there are many of the Prince Rupert boys in this draft.

GENERAL VILLA IS TAKEN PRISONER

(Special to The Daily News.)

El Paso, Jan. 21.—Francisco Villa, the famous Mexican bandit, has been captured at the Hacienda San Gerinimo by the Carranza forces under Marquez, the officer who recently captured General Rodriguez.

Best quality of household lump and nut coal—Prince Rupert Coal Co. Phone 15.

There will be some rousing speeches at the Liberal meeting on Friday in the Stork Block.

ANNUAL MEETING LIBERAL ASSOC'N.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE LIBERAL ASSOCIATION OF PRINCE RUPERT WILL BE HELD IN THE ASSOCIATION'S ROOMS, STORK BLOCK, 2ND AVE., ON FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 21ST, COMMENCING AT 8:15 O'CLOCK. OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR WILL BE ELECTED. AT THE SAME TIME THERE WILL BE A PROGRAM OF SOME GOOD, ROUSING SPEECHES.

EVERYBODY WELCOME

BOARD OF TRADE DISCUSSES SHIPBUILDING WITH MINISTER

GOVERNMENT HAS NO DEFINITE PLANS — WOODEN VESSELS CANNOT COMPETE WITH STEEL SHIPS FOR CARGOES — BUILDING, NOT CARRYING, IS FAVORED.

The council of the Board of Trade was last night in conference with Hon. C. E. Tisdall, with regard to the proposed shipbuilding enterprise on the coast. Geo. W. Nickerson, who presided, introduced Mr. Tisdall in a few brief sentences.

Mr. Tisdall said that he thought the best method of procedure would be to have simply an informal talk, discussing the various aspects of the question. The government had arrived at no definite conclusion and were open for suggestions on the subject. He pointed out that freight rates on such B. C. products as lumber and canned salmon to Europe had been trebled since war began.

The question which chiefly interested the south was the shipping of lumber, which at present was a drug on the market through the lack of bottoms. Opinion there seemed to be centered upon the building of wooden vessels with auxiliary power, not as an ideal type of vessel but as a matter of expediency, owing to the fact that there is no steel to be had.

W. P. Lynch said that he was not an expert in the shipping or shipbuilding business, but it appeared to him to be an opportune time for British Columbia to start building. There was today a huge demand for ships, and vessels still in the yards in the eastern States had been sold at 50 to 100 per cent more than ever before. He figured that the initial cost of getting ready to build ships was a big item, which the present high prices for ships would help to offset, thus giving B. C. its great chance to break into the business. If they were ever going to build ships here, now was the time to begin, as, after the war is over and shipping released, the opportunity to get in when rates were high would be gone.

With regard to building steel ships, he instanced Seattle, at which point a New Jersey firm had built ships cheaper than on the Atlantic seaboard, while Seattle was no better off for steel than Vancouver or Prince Rupert. In the future, Canada would be a great exporter of food stuffs to Europe, the great demand after the war being for the necessities of life. He thought it was a case of now or never, and Prince Rupert already had a long start in the shape of a splendid drydock. (Mr. Tisdall—"No doubt about that.")

Asked by Mr. Tisdall about the question of return cargoes, Mr. Lynch said that he felt that B. C. should devote itself purely to the building of ships. In regard to the operating of them, he was certain that the ships built here would simply be ocean tramps, which would perhaps leave here with lumber, and not return for

probably three years. They would have to seek trade wherever it could be found.

He did not favor the guaranteeing of bonds by the government covering the whole undertaking. He felt that the only way in which the scheme could have a chance of success was to have the men interested put up a large proportion of the hard cash themselves. They would then have to hustle to make good. In closing, he pointed out that, while B. C. lumber is a drug on the market, Washington and Oregon are able to ship their supplies to Australia in British ships.

Captain Babington said that, with Captain Copp, he thought that the only plan was to build wooden ships. We had the material, and he thought the lumbermen and hardware men could be induced to take stock in the company for supplies furnished. He had discussed the question with a skilled ship builder, who was strongly of the opinion that wooden ship-building should be started at once.

M. J. Hobin asked Mr. Tisdall if he had any idea as to how long shipping would be tied up after the war. Mr. Tisdall said he thought for about six months. Mr. Hobin said he understood that wooden ships could not compete with steel ships for charters in open market. Mr. Tisdall said that was perfectly true. Mr. Hobin understood that Lloyds would not carry insurance on wooden ships. Mr. Tisdall said that was not the case, though they would not carry them for such a long period as steel ships. Mr. Hobin said the sailors for windjammers could not be procured today and he thought that the building of wooden ships would be a losing

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