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DANISH PAPER SAYS WAR MUST END THIS YEAR

After investigation, Danes say Germans cannot last after end of 1916—Feeble attacks at Verdun.

(Special to The Daily News.) London, May 10.—The Danish newspaper Ribestifts Tidende, after a month of investigation into conditions in Germany, announces that the belief is prevalent that Germany will be unable to continue the war after the end of 1916.

This newspaper states that the rations to German soldiers were reduced six weeks ago and that desertions from the ranks are numerous, while Socialism is spreading amongst the troops. There is now a slackness in discipline in the ranks. The shortage of horses has forced the reduction of gun teams, but ammunition and arms are still produced in incredible quantities. Two Rhemish-Westphalian firms are producing steel by a very rapid process, without the use of wolfram.

Feeble Attacks.

Paris, May 10.—The German artillery fire at Verdun is lessening and no infantry attacks were made last night, the offensive being confined to feeble grenading to the south of Fort Douaumont. The Germans suffered a reverse in an attempted surprise attack last night south of Moulin. The French were prepared, and beat back the enemy.

DR. L. W. KERGIN GONE TO THE MEDITERRANEAN

Dr. W. T. Kergin has just received word from his brother, Lieut. L. W. Kergin, R. A. M. C., that he is bound for the Mediterranean on S. S. Egypt. Lieut. Kergin did not know at the time of sailing whether he was bound for Egypt or for Mesopotamia.

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NOTHING DOING IN VICTORIA ENQUIRY

Victoria, May 5.—Dr. H. E. Young (Atlin) has refused to serve on Premier Bowser's hand-picked committee to investigate the Victoria election scandal. The committee, comprising Alexander Lucas (chairman), Dr. Young, Lieut. MacKenzie, Parker Williams and Jack Place, was appointed last Monday. It has not held a meeting yet, even to formally organize. It has been somewhat of a mystery why the committee has not started to inquire into the Liberal charges. But now the cat is out of the bag. Lucas let the news out, it is said, by saying Dr. Young could not serve. The real facts are the physician refuses to serve. There are limits to what some of the members will do for the "cause," evidently.

The committee, picked as it was by the premier, could but do its best to protect the Bowser machine, if it were to follow in the footsteps of the hard-working committee which is investigating the Vancouver election scandal, also revealed by the Liberal investigations. In the Vancouver case the government would appear in the light of prosecutor, and has produced several jailbird and thug witnesses from Seattle to try to disparage the Liberal Association in Vancouver and blacken the character of M. A. Macdonald, the Liberal candidate, who gave the government candidate, C. E. Tisdall, such a trimming in the by-election.

Subterfuges Adopted.

But, evidently, the government was not prepared with Seattle witnesses in the Victoria case, and so, on one subterfuge or another, its work is expected to be delayed. It will be at least a week before it can get down to business, and the life of the legislature is expiring fast. The committee will have no power after the session ends.

The premier was notified several days ago that Dr. Young would not serve, but has made no move to put another on the committee in his place. One of the first men the Liberals will ask to produce before the committee, if it gets down to business, will be Frank Slavin, ex-prize fighter, who conducted a blind-pig here on election day, and in connection with which the Hudson's Bay Co. sent Scotch whiskey to Conservative headquarters, which was paid for by Harry Price, the secretary.

Interesting Correspondence.

Price, too, would be called, in which case certain correspondence between the secretary here and Victor Love, the secretary of the Vancouver Conservative Association, would probably be alluded to and also produced, if possible. Does the government really fear what this inquiry will bring out?

However, the premier, with a great show of bravado on the floor of the house, invited the Liberals to do all the investigating they could. But if the premier expected his majorities on the committees to interfere, they

BALFOUR SAYS GRAND FLEET IS NOW INCREASED

First Lord Says Further Naval Attacks Unlikely—Copenhagen Reports German Fleet in The North Sea.

(Special to The Daily News.) London, May 10.—The Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Admiralty, has written letters to the mayors of Yarmouth and Lowestoft, in which he states that the recent German naval raid on those towns was intended to complete the deception of the Irish revolutionary leaders, who had been promised that there would be a German naval attack upon the coast of England simultaneously with the rebellion in Ireland.

Mr. Balfour stated that future raids were unlikely as there had been an increase in the British grand fleet and also in the number of British submarines, which permitted of a redistribution of the British naval forces in the North Sea, which ensured much greater security.

Germans at Sea?

Copenhagen, May 10.—A large German fleet, accompanied by submarines, is reported in the North Sea today.

ALICE ARM WORK IS STILL HELD UP

Frank Martin, one of the pioneers of Prince Rupert and an old timer along the coast, is in town from Alice Arm, where he intends to locate. Though the Spanish group is the only producer there in the meantime, Frank is convinced that the new camp will show up well, though the last thing the mining men want is a boom.

The strike being the most important feature in that district at present, Frank outlined to The Daily News yesterday the cause of the trouble. It seems that when the road contractors signed up a gang of about eighty Italians in Victoria at \$2.50 per day for rock men and \$3.00 for timber men, for a ten-hour day, there were already 150 local men on the ground. The Italians were disappointed at finding that they were not going to work in a new country and that there were men on the ground who could do the work, but, as they owed the company for transportation and were broke, they yielded to pressure and went to work for \$3.00 per day. After working for fifteen days they came out because of a

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have not been especially successful, though the opposition has found it very hard sledding. Anyway, Dr. Young does not want to serve, and Lucas is afraid to call the committee without Dr. Young, or someone in his place, for the government would not have a majority then, though there would be a quorum.

REVOLUTION IS LOOKED FOR IN TURK CAPITAL

Peace Conference in the Sultan's Palace at Constantinople—Brave British Defence at Kut-El-Amara.

(Special to The Daily News.) Saloniki, May 10.—A Grand Council has been called in the Sultan's palace at Constantinople to discuss peace. The preachers in the Mosques are calling upon the Turkish people to prepare for liberation. A revolution against German rule is expected.

Great Defence.

London, May 10.—Khalil Pasha the Turkish commander at Kut-El-Amara, is reported to be showing the utmost consideration for General Townshend and the British prisoners who recently surrendered to him, after undergoing a siege for months.

The Turkish commander expressed great admiration for the great defence of the British and Indian troops. The soldiers were on short rations for weeks before surrendering and all their horses had been killed.

T. P. WOODLAND HAS BEEN KILLED IN ACTION

The name of T. P. Woodland is now added to Prince Rupert's Roll of Honor, G. A. Woodland having received word that his brother, who left here with the second contingent under Major McMorde, has been killed in action on the western front. Mr. Woodland while in Prince Rupert was employed at the drydock. The sympathy of all citizens will go out to Mr. and Mrs. Woodland in their bereavement.

AUTO ACCIDENT

At the police court this morning, Kenny Rood was fined \$5.00 for failing to report an automobile accident within six hours of its happening, as required by the Motor Traffic Act. In passing sentence, the magistrate advised accused to procure a copy of the act and to read it carefully.

HALIBUT RECORD

For the year ending April 30th, 1916, there was 9,785,154 pounds of halibut landed at Prince Rupert by American schooners. This huge total is ample evidence of the effect of the new regulations which came into force in March, 1915.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Mariners plying in the vicinity of the North Channel, Queen Charlotte Sound, are warned to keep a lookout for a raft of logs adrift near Browning Island. About one mile from the Mainland in the North Channel, on Sunday, April 3rd, when in tow of the tug B. C. Boy, the raft broke adrift. It contains approximately 500,000 feet and is about 60 feet wide by 100 feet long, standing 16 feet high.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL MEETING

The Trades and Labor Council met in the Carpenters' Hall last evening, when W. E. Thompson presided, in the absence of the president.

The report from the committee appointed to enquire into the conditions of school fire escapes showed that Inspector Lord had sent in his report to the school board, which body had not yet given a copy of the report to the Trades Council. The secretary was instructed to write to Hon. Wm. Manson, asking him to get a copy of the report from the Minister of Education, provided the committee could not procure a report locally.

The local organizer reported that the carmen of the G. T. P. shops were successful in forming a local union under the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America.

The question of the action of The Lord's Day Alliance in regard to Sunday labor in the city will be discussed at next meeting. The question of compensation for the liquor interests was brought up last night, but no action taken, pending further information from delegates directly interested.

The question of conscription in Canada was discussed as the outcome of a communication from President Watters of the Trades Congress of Canada in connection with the appeal of the National Service League to the Dominion House for a form of conscription. It was finally decided, after discussion, "That the Trades Council communicate with President Watters informing him that they would support him in any steps he thinks necessary to take to prevent any form of conscription." The question was then referred to the different locals for report.

The recent action of the city council in changing the working system of the hydro-electric and the auxiliary station brought forth severe criticism. The secretary was instructed to communicate with the city council protesting against the proposed changes in the working of the plant, it being the feeling of the meeting that the action was detrimental to the principle of public ownership.

INDEPENDENT CANNERY

Captain Gosse, the well known canneryman, is interested in a syndicate which proposes to go ahead and build a cannery this season on the Skeena. Fred Mitchell will be in charge and is already on the ground. It is reported that the formality of obtaining permission from the government is not hindering the start of the work, which will be rushed along to handle this season's run. The cannery will buy from independent fishermen.

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SHIPPING BILL WILL AID DOCK PROMOTER ONLY

Brewster Says Bill Does Not Guarantee That Vessels Will Be Devoted to Lumber—Victoria Enquiry.

(Special to The Daily News.) Victoria, May 10.—H. C. Brewster, in a speech in the Legislature on the Aid to Shipbuilding Bill, criticised the government scheme because of its guaranteeing the bonds of private concerns and plants, without any guarantee that the vessels will be devoted to the lumber carrying trade. Mr. Brewster said that the end of the war will release an enormous tonnage.

Vancouver Merchants Criticism.

Vancouver, May 10.—Vancouver merchants at a meeting last evening, criticised the Shipping Bill and made a demand that the measure be held in abeyance until an enquiry has been held. They claim that the bill will not benefit the lumber industry but only the dockyard promoters.

Victoria Enquiry.

Victoria, May 10.—The Victoria enquiry, which has been delayed for over a week, began yesterday. Magistrate Jay testified that he handed Slavin and McBride, who were accused of running a blind-pig on election day, over to the military authorities at their own request.

PATRIOTIC NORTHERN MEN HAVE ARRIVED

T. E. Hankin, Lloyd Simpson, Dougald McDonald and J. W. Morin, of Telegraph Creek, arrived from the north last night and are now at the Central Hotel. Those four hardy sons of the north are on their way south to enlist for active service. All of them had a hard trip over winter trails out to the coast before reaching the boat for Prince Rupert, Tommy Hankin having covered three hundred miles on snowshoes from away up north. Tommy has three brothers already serving with the colors. It speaks volumes for the patriotism of those men that they should make such a journey in order to serve their King and country.

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