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GREAT FRENCH VICTORY ON VERDUN FRONT

RUSSIA SCORNS PEACE TALK—WASHINGTON WILL NOT URGE TOWARD PEACE YET

RUSSIA TURNS DOWN GERMAN PEACE TERMS

Northcliffe Says Proposals Result of Internal Trouble—Britain Will be Far Stronger Than Germany.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Dec. 16.—The Russian government, following a spirited patriotic speech by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, unanimously passed a resolution against the acceptance of the German peace proposals.

Northcliffe's Views.

New York, Dec. 16.—Lord Northcliffe states that Germany's peace proposals are the result of grave internal dissension, on account of the shortage of food and the seriously strained relationship which exists between the various German and Austrian states and also between Austria and Germany and Turkey.

The proprietor of the Times also states that the Prussian government has learned that the British government intends in 1917 to surpass Germany's military activity of 1914, and that from the viewpoint of guns and shells, Britain's strength will be three times greater than Germany's has been at any period during the war.

PRIZE WINNERS AT THE RED CROSS SALE

The gentlemen in charge of the Red Cross sale yesterday wish to extend their heartiest thanks to the Cadets who rendered such yeoman service and to Sergt. Stokes and Private Maynard who also proved invaluable. The donors of the various prizes are also thanked for their gifts to the cause. The nugget, re-donated by W. Goldbloom, was won by W. J. Smithers, coal, donated by Albert & McCaffery, went to Mrs. A. Douglas, box of cigars, re-donated by Bert Tingley, went to J. Lorne MacLaren, fruit cake, given by La Casse Bakery, won by L. M. de Gex, water-color, donated by Jack Venables, went to E. La Casse, the Indian curio, left from Carnival, was won by Miss M. E. Easson, oil stove, given by Imperial Oil Company, went to Dr. Kergin, tea pot, given by George Tite, won by Mrs. Syrotuck, and the 5 lbs. of tea, given by Kelly, Douglas Co., went to W. Goldbloom, who re-donated it to the Red Cross Society. The beautiful oil painting, presented by Mrs. Planitz some time ago, was held over, as the gentlemen felt that more tickets should be sold before such a work of art was raffled.

See Gil's Cigar Store for the latest Xmas novelties in pipes, cigarette-holders, etc.

NEW WELLINGTON COAL. Phone 116. We have just received a shipment of 500 tons Lump Coal. We are prepared to put in your winter's coal for you.

FRENCH REPLY TO PEACE TALK AT DOUAUMONT

Advance Two Miles on Six-Mile Front—7,500 Prisoners are Taken—British Gain in Mesopotamia.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Paris, Dec. 16.—The French forces have made an advance of two miles in depth along a front of six miles on the Verdun front, north of Douaumont, where extensive gains were made some time ago. The French captured seven thousand, five hundred Germans along with several heavy guns.

In Mesopotamia.

London, Dec. 16.—The British Expeditionary Force in Mesopotamia has again assumed the offensive and has subjected the Turkish positions to an effective bombardment. Turkish trenches were captured and the British casualties were slight, the positions being reduced by artillery before the infantry attacks were carried out.

Greek Situation.

Athens, Dec. 16.—Should the Greek government disregard the Entente note which was delivered yesterday, its attitude will undoubtedly be considered hostile.

LADIES PROVIDE MANY COMFORTS FOR THE BOYS

The supply department of the Red Cross Society, in charge of Mrs. F. G. Dawson and Mrs. W. T. Kergin, acknowledges with thanks the following articles which have been received during the months of October and November, made from Red Cross supplies:—Mrs. Peyton, 2 suits pyjamas, 2 surgical shirts; Mrs. R. J. D. Smith, 3 suits pyjamas; Mrs. Youngman, 1 suit; Mrs. Weston, 2 shirts; Mrs. P. W. Anderson, 6 shirts; Mrs. Hal Peck, 3 shirts, and a donation from the Queen Mary Knitting Club of 4 suits pyjamas, making a total of 10 suits of pyjamas and 13 surgical shirts.

The following have knitted socks: Mrs. Alex. Smith, 4 pairs; Mrs. R. L. McIntosh, 1 pair; Mrs. William Millar, 2 pairs; Miss Esther Naden, 2 pairs; Miss Vienna Calderoni, 1 pair; Mrs. Tyre, 1 pair; Mrs. Willisroft, 1 pair; Miss Grace Tovey, 1 pair; Miss Katherine Pillsbury, 1 pair; Mrs. A. Cuthbert, North Pacific, 3 pairs; Mrs. King, 1 pair; Mrs. W. H. Kergin, 1 pair; Mrs. W. Willisroft, Telkwa, 2 pairs; Port Simpson Knitting Club, 26 pairs, and Queen Charlotte Knitting Club, 50 pairs. Mrs. de Gex gave a knitted scarf.

Donations were received from the Queen Mary Knitting Club, 23 pairs and Mrs. T. H. Johnston, 4 pairs, making a total of 124 pairs and one scarf.

Municipal Telephone Department NEW DIRECTORY.

The City is about to publish a new Directory. Subscribers desiring change of address or any other alteration, please notify the Supt. of Utilities in writing, no later than Dec. 20th, 1916.

THIS CARD MUST BE FILLED IN AND PROMPTLY RETURNED BY ALL MALES BETWEEN THE AGES OF 16 AND 25 INCLUSIVE.

NATIONAL SERVICE.

1. What is your full name?	2. How old are you? years
3. Where do you live? Province	4. In what country were you born?
4. Name of city, town, village or Post Office	5. In what country was your father born?
Street	6. In what country was your mother born?
Number	7. Were you born a British subject?
10. How much time have you lost in last 12 months from sickness?	8. If not, are you naturalized?
11. Have you full use of your arms?	9. Which are you—married, single or a widower?
12. Of your legs?	10. How many persons besides yourself do you support?
13. Of your sight?	
14. Of your hearing?	
17. What are you working at for a living?	
18. Whom do you work for?	
19. Have you a trade or profession?	20. If so, what?
21. Are you working now?	22. If not, why?
23. Would you be willing to change your present work for other necessary work at the same pay during the war?	
24. Are you willing, if your railway fare is paid, to leave where you now live, and go to some other place in Canada to do such work?	

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING IN THIS CARD ARE ON THE OTHER SIDE. IT ASKS 24 QUESTIONS. COUNT YOUR ANSWERS.

FAC-SIMILE OF CANADA'S NATIONAL REGISTRATION CARD.—La Patrie says of this card, which it publishes as above, "The questions on this card must be answered and addressed to the Director-General of National Service, Ottawa, in the official envelope which accompanies it, inside of ten days of receiving. It is unnecessary to use a stamp."

PREMIER BORDEN BUSY WHEN IN VANCOUVER

(Special to The Daily News.)

Vancouver, Dec. 16.—Premier Borden attended a civic luncheon here yesterday; held a military review and also made an automobile tour of the places of interest around the city. He also received two deputations and delivered two public addresses.

A strong deputation representing the Compulsory Service League, including members of the Supreme Court, Churches and other public bodies, presented a resolution advocating enforced military service in times of emergency.

CATHOLIC BAZAAR HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL

Over \$300 was realized at the sale of work arranged by the ladies of the Catholic Church, which was held in the Stork Block on Thursday. There was a large attendance and everything moved along smoothly and pleasantly. The booths were tastefully decorated. Mrs. McNeill had charge of the candy stall. Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Duffy, and Mrs. Lorne MacLaren were at the fancy work table, and Mrs. Besner had charge of the children's booth.

The supper tables were daintily arranged and laden with good things. Mrs. D. W. Morrissey presided over this department. Those waiting on tables were: Mrs. F. Henning, Mrs. MacKay, Miss Kenny, Miss Zeinantz and the Misses Astoria.

VANDERHOOF BRIDGE OPENING CEREMONY

The citizens of Vanderhoof had a gala day on Wednesday of this week when they celebrated the opening of the bridge across the Nechaco, leading into the Babine country. A bottle of wine was broken at the centre of the bridge and every resident of the district for miles around was present at the ceremony.

For every two dollars cash purchase you have a chance for three prizes. See Tite's window display.

CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD INVESTIGATION

Meeting in committee of the whole yesterday afternoon, the city council decided to investigate thoroughly the high cost of living along the lines laid down in the recent order-in-council. The investigation will begin at once, the enquiry including clothing, boots and shoes, potatoes, flour, sugar and most staple articles. The wholesalers and retailers will be asked to furnish sworn statements of costs, selling prices and stocks on hand.

MINISTER OF MINES MARRIED IN VANCOUVER

Hon. William Sloan, Minister of Mines, and Miss Catherine Fisk McDougall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. McDougall, 1149 Beach Avenue, Vancouver, were quietly married a few days ago. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. A. McLeod. Mr. and Mrs. Sloan will take up their residence in Victoria on their return from a short trip to the south.

WHITE MEETS BANKERS

(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance, has announced that his meeting in conference with the Canadian Bankers' Association yesterday was most satisfactory.

Disastrous Fire.

Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 16.—Seven of the injured victims of the disastrous fire which destroyed the Quaker Oats warehouses here, have succumbed. Three bodies have been recovered from the ruins.

The congregation of the Church of England on Sunday evening will have the privilege of hearing an address on "Trench Life in France," by Captain Percy A. Godenrath. This ought to prove exceedingly interesting as few men have had a better chance to see what trench life is like. Visitors at the service will be welcomed.

Open every evening till after 10. Xmas. McKee Bros. 294.

BUYER DID BETTER THAN THE GOVERNMENT

The Monetary Times this week publishes a letter from George R. Naden in reply to Sir George E. Foster's Empire Club speech, in which he held up this city as a terrible example. The letter is published under the headline:—"Man Who Bought It Did Better Than The Government." The following is the letter, to which the Monetary Times also devotes space editorially, commenting on the productive power and growth of production of Prince Rupert.

Prince Rupert, Nov. 24, 1916. To the Editor, The Monetary Times, Toronto, Ont.,

Dear Sir:—In your issue of the 17th inst. you give unusual prominence to a portion of a speech delivered by Sir Geo. E. Foster under the heading, "the town which lies under a curse", referring to Prince Rupert. One sentence I particularly wish to draw to your attention, viz: "Who live there now? The men who have speculated and who are hanging on by the skin of their teeth and their toe nails to see if the good Lord in some way or another will send a windfall to enable them to get out of their bad business."

It is only fair to this city that you should give space for a reply to such a base accusation, entirely unworthy of a cabinet minister whom his Sovereign has honored by Knighthood.

I wish to emphatically refute such a statement and, further, counter it by saying that the citizens of Prince Rupert are not relying on the good Lord to send them a windfall, but, on the contrary, believe that "The Lord helps those who help themselves" and are energetically developing their fisheries, minerals and other natural resources. I know of no city where there are fewer speculators pure and simple and who have no other occupation.

Nor do I know of a city where there is a greater production of the necessities of life and commerce per capita.

If you will take the trouble to

AMERICA DOES NOT LOOK FOR ACCEPTANCE

Notes Will be Sent Without Comment—Washington Believes Time not Ripe for Peace—Deportations Opposed.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, Dec. 16.—The prevailing opinion in official circles here is that the time is not ripe for a peace movement. America will not ask the Entente Allies to take up the German offer now. The notes, however, will be sent to the Allied governments, but without comment, for the present at least.

Though determined to take no action towards peace now, President Wilson reserves the right to urge mediation at a later date. Representatives at Washington of the various neutral nations are said to be in full accord with the views of President Wilson. The notes will be sent, as requested by Germany, and the reply expected from the Entente Allies to Germany is, "What are your terms?" In answer to this, Germany is expected to reply, "Come into the conference we have proposed and we will tell you our terms."

Vigorous Protest.

New York, Dec. 16.—A vigorous expression of indignation was voiced, at a mass meeting here last night arranged as a protest against the enslavement of the Belgians. The deportation of Belgians was condemned in trenchant fashion by Colonel Roosevelt, Joseph H. Choate, former Ambassador to Britain, and Archbishop Ireland. Resolutions were adopted urging the United States to emphasize the opinion that the deportations are outrageous.

PIONEER MISSIONARY RETURNS FROM ENGLAND

Rev. A. E. Price, who had charge of Church of England work at Kitwanga for twenty-two years and who later was in charge at Alert Bay, arrived on the Maquinna yesterday afternoon, having come direct from England. After spending a furlough of over a year in England, Mr. Price is on his way to Massett, where he will take over church duties. He was warmly welcomed by Bishop Du Vernet on his arrival here.

Winnipeg Mayoralty.

Winnipeg, Dec. 16.—Dyson has been elected mayor by the narrow majority of sixty-six.

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