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WILSON AWAITING GERMANY'S NEXT MOVE

BRITAIN OFFERS SAFE CONDUCT TO BERNSTORFF -- NO BREAK WITH AUSTRIA

BRITAIN GIVES BERNSTORFF SAFE CONDUCT

Wilson Wants Nothing Done Which Will Bring Reproach — Congress Records Official Break in Relations.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, Feb. 6.—While awaiting the result of Germany's published intentions, which will determine the United States in its policy of peace or war, President Wilson is anxious that nothing shall be done which is not fully justified by the law of nations and humanity. He wants no word spoken and no deed done which will merit reproach even from Germany.

Congress went through the formality of recording Wilson's action in breaking off relations with Germany and the Republicans promised their support in whatever line of action the President might see fit to take.

The British government is willing to grant safe conduct to Count Von Bernstorff and the three hundred German consuls in the United States, through the British blockade by the shortest and most direct route.

The Swiss legation here is arranging the details of the departure of the officials who will presumably go through Holland and Denmark.

DAUGHTERS OF EMPIRE HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of Queen Mary Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, was held Monday afternoon. The Regent, Mrs. Du Vernet, presided and in her address acknowledged her indebtedness for the success of the year's work to capable officers, urging upon all members the necessity of economy in this time of war, the desirability of buying all we need in our country and the duty of placing our country's welfare always before our own desires. She deplored the lack of respect shown in public places when the National Anthem was being played and appealed to the members to set an example by respectfully standing whenever it was played and not use it as a sign to put on hats and coats.

The following officers were elected for the year:—Regent, Mrs. Du Vernet; 1st Vice-Regent, Mrs. Dawson; 2nd Vice-Regent, Mrs. Holby; Secretary, Mrs. Duncan; Treasurer, Mrs. McClymont; "Echoes" Secretary, Mrs. Reilly; Standard Bearer, Mrs. Jennings; Councillors: Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. de Gex, Mrs. McMullin, Mrs. Eggert, Mrs. Tite, Mrs. Collison, Mrs. Reddie, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. A. M. Manson and Mrs. Dowling.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PRINCE RUPERT NOTICE

1917 Dog Taxes.
These taxes are now due and payable. Same are to be paid to the Chief of Police or Health Inspector, who will issue 1917 brass tag.

Owners of dogs who have not taken out these Licences by March 1st next will be prosecuted without further notice. ml
CITY COLLECTOR.

WESTHOLME

OPERA HOUSE
Tuesday and Wednesday
Owen Moore and Marguerite Courtot in
"ROLLING STONES"

TOPICAL BUDGET

VIENNA AND WASHINGTON ARE FRIENDLY

No Break in Relations Between Austria and the States—Liners Arrive Safely—Relief Ship Sunk.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Vienna, Feb. 6.—Following the news of the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany, Ambassador Penfield, on behalf of the United States, conferred with the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister here. After the conference, he notified President Wilson that relations between the United States and Austro-Hungary had not been affected by the change.

Shipping Movements.

New York, Feb. 6.—The American steamers Philadelphia and Finland have reached Liverpool safely, and the arrival of the St. Paul at New York, leaves the Kroonland and the New York as the only American passenger vessels still at sea. The St. Louis will probably sail from New York for Liverpool today.

It is reported that the crews of the interned German and Austrian vessels in New York harbor wrecked their engines, doing damage to the extent of \$4,000,000.

Spanish Note.

Madrid, Feb. 6.—Spain's note to Germany, in reply to the notice of the new submarine campaign, will be delivered in Berlin today.

Relief Ship Sunk.

London, Feb. 6.—The Belgian relief steamer Lars Jurse, which was sailing under Danish registry, has been sunk. The vessel had a cargo of wheat on board. The British steamer Hurstwood has been sunk without warning.

REPEAL WANTED FOR PLURAL VOTING CLAUSE

At the city council meeting last evening, the following resolution, passed at a meeting of the Trades and Labor Council on January 23rd, was read:—

Whereas, it is found that the present provisions of the Municipal Clauses Act, which provides that incorporated companies have votes as companies, and that also the members of said companies have individual votes, thus giving a plurality of votes to one business concern, is not in harmony with true democracy and is a menace to just representation.

Therefore, be it resolved that the council petition the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Prince Rupert to use their best endeavor to have this clause in the Municipal Clauses Act duly repealed.

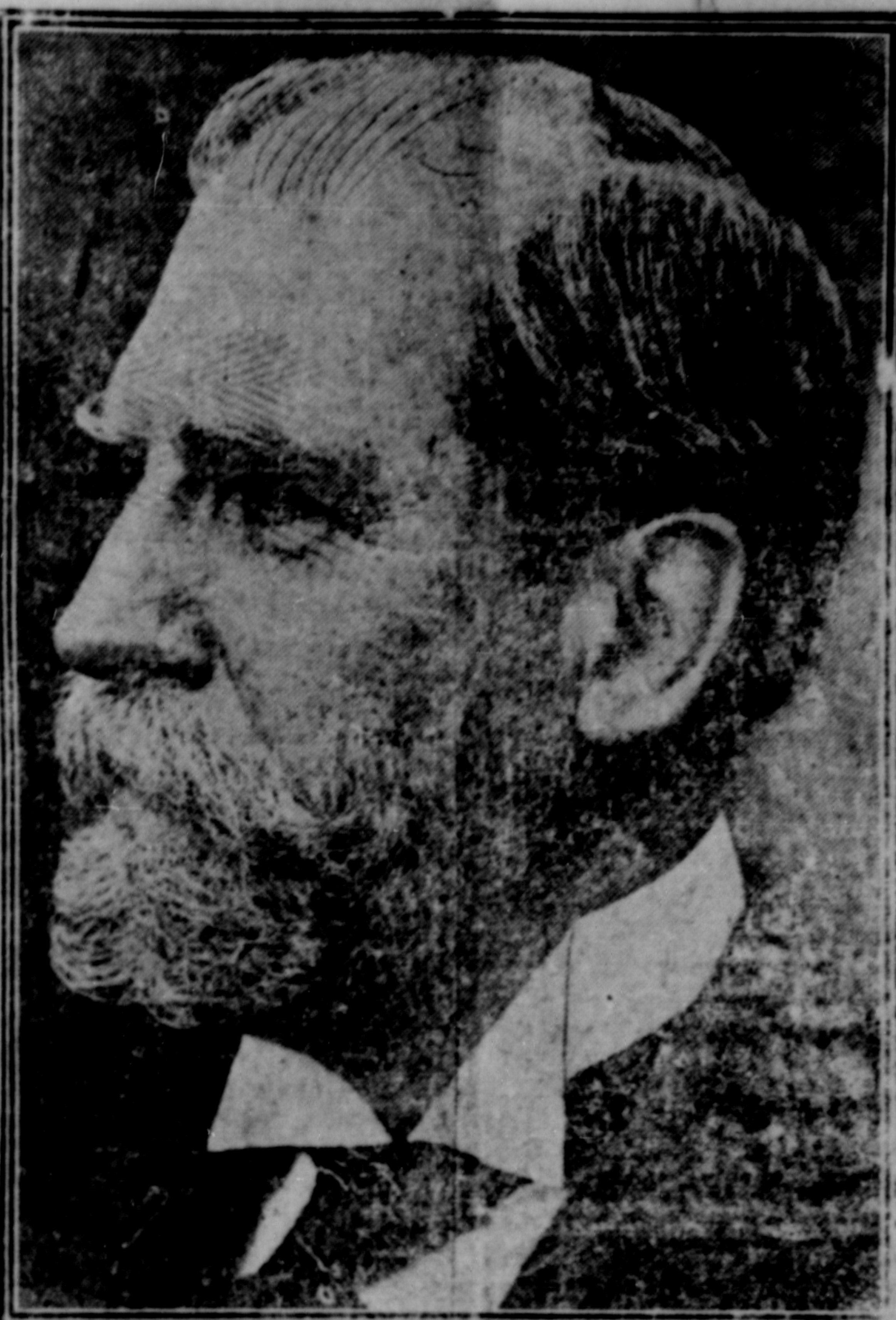
Ald. Casey, seconded by Ald. Montgomery, moved that the resolution be concurred in and that the city solicitor be instructed to petition the provincial government requesting that the particular clause be repealed. This carried unanimously.

RED CROSS NOTES

The Red Cross Society acknowledges with thanks the sum of \$14.50 from the ladies of Seal Cove for the month of January. The society is very grateful for these monthly amounts.

The Prisoners of War branch again acknowledges the receipt of \$5 from Queen Charlotte City, through Mrs. Beattie, to send parcels to Pte. A. Bristow, a prisoner in Germany.

Selling out at cost, phone 493, Cavenaille & Hannan.



CHARLES EVANS HUGHES

President Wilson's opponent in the presidential campaign, who made his first public appearance since the election as the guest of honor at a university banquet on Thursday last, Mr. Hughes said: "We are all Americans tonight, standing behind our president, on whom this great responsibility rests. It is not a time to em-

barrass in any degree with private utterances those charged with this responsibility. They have the facts; they have the duty to perform. They have the sincere loyal co-operation of every American. The exigency of no nation can fix the limits of American rights." Mr. Hughes' speech brought the students to their feet singing "The Star-Spangled Banner."

MAYOR WANTS WATER POWERS FOR THE CITY

Mayor McCaffery presented to the city council last night a report on his trip south. He placed before the government the following legislation which the city desires enacted during the coming session:—

To bring down legislation whereby the provincial government would pay the local improvement and other taxes on the lands in the city of Prince Rupert in which the government holds an equity.

The mayor reported that he believed that the government would agree to pay these taxes.

He also asked for special legislation in regard to the having of the Reserve Fund bylaw made legal. This he also believed would be granted.

He also urged the government to place a reserve on the Wark Channel water power, and any other water powers tributary to this city, and, in addition to placing a reserve on same, to hold such powers without payment until such time as the city had developed same. The mayor said he would be able to report on this fully at a later date.

While in the south, Mayor McCaffery had a consultation with J. D. Ross, head of the Electric Light Department in Seattle, regarding the plant at Shawatlans. On this matter he will report fully later.

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.

Tie makers wanted at Lake tf, Kathlyn, phone 384.



The most recent photograph of Premier Lloyd George. The plucky little Welshman is seen here wearing a characteristic smile and no one would imagine that he carries the cares of an Empire at war upon his shoulders.

MAYOR SUGGESTS THAT CITIZENS GET TOGETHER

Ald. Casey, at the city council meeting last night, drew attention to the action being taken by the Board of Trade in regard to the drydock, and said that it was likely that the retail merchants would take similar action. He thought that the council should co-operate with any public bodies which showed a desire to get things moving along this line. The Grand Trunk Pacific had signified a willingness to lease the plant and had made arrangements with Mr. Cotton to this end. Everything seemed favorable to the closing of the deal until it came to Sir Robert Borden and he did or said something which caused the whole matter to stop. "We have waited patiently for the outcome of Sir Robert's blockade," said Ald. Casey, "and I think that the mayor should consider the merits of the whole case and submit some plan of procedure to the council at the next meeting." He said that, by co-operating with the other bodies they might at least find out why Sir Robert Borden blocked the business and what the government or the G. T. P. intends to do in the matter.

The mayor said that the council could not follow the lines of the Board of Trade in regard to the making of this port the headquarters for the G. T. P. steamers, as the council as a body could not take any such action. However, individually and collectively, he had no doubt that the members were willing to get together with any body which planned to bring business to the city. He thought the citizens as a whole should get together in the matter. They saw, in the report from Ottawa recently, how much good it had done to get together on fishing matters and he felt that united action in regard to other matters would have as good results.

expert that the huge quantities of cod thrown overboard had fouled the feeding grounds to such an extent as to seriously interfere with fishing. He congratulated Ald. Montgomery on the splendid work he had done.

PRINTING TENDERS

The following tenders for the printing of tax sale and local improvement notices were opened at the council meeting last night:—A. O. Franks, \$125; McRae Bros., Ltd., \$116.50, and Raik Press, \$136.85. The lowest tender was accepted.

GOVERNMENT TO BUY MORE ROSS RIFLES

McLean Wants Public Arsenal Established—Sam Hughes Says Gen. Alderson Knows Nothing About Rifles.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—The Government has decided to purchase more Ross rifles. A. K. McLean objected to the government doing business with a private company and advocated the establishment of a public arsenal. He claimed that the people favored national factories for the making of munitions and the manufacturing of material for war. This scheme would bring about the elimination of huge profits to private manufacturers out of the Empire's life and death struggle.

The Premier refused to accept an amendment to this effect proposed by A. F. McLean.

Sir Sam Hughes declared that the Germans controlled certain British rifle factories and stated that General Alderson, who commanded the first Canadian division and was the first to condemn the Ross rifle, did not know the first thing about a rifle.

THE SNOW PLOW CREW HAD STRENUOUS TIME

Passengers who arrived on the delayed train yesterday afternoon were, to put it mildly, glad to see Prince Rupert. They had spent practically three days in snow-drifts and in the latter part of that time they did not have too much to eat, as supplies were running short and there was no possibility of getting fresh stocks of food. The men on the snow-plow had the toughest time they ever experienced on this division. At one time they had three engines attached to the "stuck" plow and were unable to move it. Oil fuel got low in two of the engines and had to be borrowed from the others, while the only water available was from the melting of snow. Three men were kept busy shovelling snow to fill the boilers and it seemed as if it required several tons of snow to make a quart of water. Latest reports are that shortly after the plow came through, with the passenger train behind it, slides came down as heavily as ever. There is some doubt as to whether the train due to arrive this evening will get in. The snow-plow crew, after such a long spell of strenuous work, were given a rest spell which they had certainly earned.

Mrs. J. H. Kelly will show her collection of war souvenirs at the Red Cross rooms on Friday. They are well worth seeing.

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