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CROWN PRINCE MAKES TERRIFIC ATTACK

RUSSIANS BREAK THROUGH GERMAN LINES---ANOTHER AIR RAID ON ENGLAND

GERMANS MAKE ANOTHER RAID ON ENGLAND

Several Bombs Were Dropped on Warwick and Felix Stowe—Kill Eleven Persons Before Retiring.

(Special to The Daily News.)
London, July 24.—Another squadron of German aeroplanes arrived over the English coast. It is thought that they were seeking for London and took the roundabout route by the north as they did successfully the previous time. Bombs were dropped on Warwick in Essex, and in Felix Stowe in Suffolk. Eleven persons were killed, but the air raiders were soon compelled to beat a hasty retreat. The defensive measures proved effective in dealing with the invaders, and they were kept out of London. The British air squadron attacked the enemy machines and drove them in an easterly direction, out over the North Sea. The result of the attack by the British machines is not yet known.

WANTS CIVIC CONTROL OF FUEL SUPPLIES

At the meeting of the city council held last evening in the council chamber at the city hall, the most important item was a motion by Ald. McClymont "that owing to the increased price of coal, and the possibility that it may still go higher during the winter, that a committee of three be appointed from the council to investigate this increased cost and report upon ways and means to bring about a reduction, as well as the advisability of the city assuming control of the fuel situation for the general benefit of the public. Also that the Provincial Government be petitioned to investigate the cost of production of the mine and take all necessary steps to protect the public from any action of the mine owners respecting unwarranted increase of profits."

It was moved by Ald. Montgomery, seconded by Ald. Nelson, that Aldermen McClymont, McEae and McMeekin be appointed on this committee of investigation. The results of their researches will be awaited with interest by the consuming public.

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ATTENTION EAGLES
All are requested to be present at the regular meeting on Wednesday, July 25th, 1917.

MILITARY SERVICE BILL THIRD READING

(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, July 24.—The Military Service Bill is to come up for its third reading today. The food problem has also to be solved before the Government goes to the country. The collective experience of the Dominion will be employed in this work. Special interest now attaches to the big Liberal Convention to be held in Winnipeg, whose purpose is to bring about a united Canada for the winning of the war.

WATER ARREARS

A report from the city treasurer to the public works committee of the city council regarding the arrears of water rates was passed on to the council last evening. This report showed that of a total of \$4,725.91 in arrears, \$2,699.43 had been collected. Vacancy declarations had been made for the amount of \$362.40, and \$162.98 was owing by citizens on active service. Supply was cut off to those owing \$218.95. For the balance under adjustment, it was agreed that an extension of time be made till August 1st.



FLIGHT-LT. DON WATKINS

Another Ontario aviator has been decorated for destroying a German Zeppelin. Flight-Lieut. Watkins shot down a Zeppelin on the English coast on June 15th, for which deed he has been awarded the Military Cross. He is a Toronto boy.

PUBLIC MEETING

A General Meeting will be held at the City Hall on Friday, the 27th instant, at 8 p. m., to make arrangement for the proper commemoration of the 3rd anniversary of the great war.
All are invited to attend.
Dated 24th July—Fred. Peters, City Clerk. 175

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ADVANCE BY THE BRITISH NEAR MONCHY

Canadians Make Successful Raid Near Avion—German Artillery Very Active, But Firing Blindly.

(Special to The Daily News.)
London, July 24.—The British troops have made an important advance near Monchy Le Preux. South of Lens and northwest of St. Quentin, patrol encounters resulted in our favor. Hostile artillery has been very active during the night in the neighborhood of Lens and Armentieres. The German gunners are very nervous and are firing their big guns blindly. They fear that General Haig is planning some big coup and are doing their best to learn what it is. Forty German aeroplanes have been brought down during the past five days. A successful raid was made by the Canadians near Avion. It was a very bold piece of work and came off without mishap. Enemy dug-outs were bombed and many prisoners were taken.

French Front

Paris, July 24.—The German Crown Prince made one of the most violent and costly attacks of the entire campaign to the north of the Aisne on Sunday, but succeeded in winning only a feeble foothold on the French lines at one point. The battle continues with extreme violence in the region of Hurtebise and Craonne, under a bombardment of unheard of intensity. On the Verdun front there has been sharp artillery and infantry fighting throughout the day.

Russian Front

Petrograd, July 24.—The Russians yesterday attacked the Germans near Krevo and Vilna, north of the Pinsk marshes and penetrated the Teuton lines for a distance of two miles. The Russians captured more than a thousand prisoners.

In East Africa

London, July 24.—Keen fighting is in progress in East Africa. The German troops suffer heavily and in the recent operations were forced to retreat.

Another Ally

London, July 24.—Siam declares war against the Huns. The little southern Asian monarchy joins the Allies. German ships have been seized and the alien crews have been interned.

A Supreme Effort

New York, July 24.—Kaiser Wilhelm plans for a supreme effort to obtain victory. He is said to have two million men of the 1918 class already trained, who will endeavor to stem the Allied drive. Washington hears that the food situation in Germany and the Central Empires is very bad.

Done It

Washington, July 24.—The Reichstag majority of parties has forced the German Government to declare their renunciation of the annexation and indemnities policy, according to advices received here.

NOTICE

The Royal Commission appointed by the Dominion Government Fisheries Department will sit at the City Hall, Prince Rupert, on the 26th and 27th of July for the purpose of taking evidence on the Fisheries of this district. Proceedings to commence at 10 a. m., each day. All fishermen are invited to attend. 3t.

THE ELECTION ENQUIRY AT FORT GEORGE

System Pursued by Public Works Department Under the Old Government Comes Out in the Evidence.

Prince George, July 19.—Rather startling disclosures as to the system or perhaps lack of system, pursued by the provincial department of public works prior to the election of last September were brought out today in the investigation into the alleged irregularities in Fort George riding where W. R. Ross, then minister of lands, was elected by a narrow majority over John McInnis. The chief witness heard during the day was George Snell, road superintendent in this district under the old regime. Fred E. Hammond, a Salmon River rancher, had given evidence just after luncheon and testified that he had received a time check for \$26.25 for work done about a year before for which he had asked \$25. He said that Mr. Snell had said \$26.25 would "look better in the books."

Promised to "Fix it up."

L. W. Patmore, counsel for the commissioner, Judge F. McB. Young, followed this up and brought out several instances of what Mr. Snell characterized as "errors" in the books where men had been paid in one month for work done some time afterwards. According to the official documents which were produced as exhibits, Mr. Hammond said he had widened a road and the department at Victoria had refused to pay him for it. He had told Mr. Ross he had always supported the Tory party and unless he was paid this amount he would vote for McInnis. Mr. Ross about a month before the election promised to "fix it up" the night before the election. Mr. Ross said he didn't have time to bother with it then, but would right it after the election. Witness told him it would be all right, but too late to do Ross any good. Thereupon Mr. Snell told him to call at his office next morning (election day) he went to the office in the morning and Snell had a bottle of whisky which he passed around, witness taking three drinks.

Vouchers O.K.'d.

Mr. Snell when called said he knew of no case where he had O.K.'d vouchers for work to be done after the time checks were issued. Then Mr. Patmore produced several time checks and vouchers which showed different. Mr. Snell said the only reason he knew why officials would fabricate the accounts in this way was to save work. The government did not pay for Mr. Snell's auto but paid for the upkeep, he said, but the records showed he had ordered an electric starter costing \$100 for a Ford car immediately after being authorized to charge the upkeep to the government.

Witness said he had not canvassed with Mr. Ross but just happened to go with him in his car to several places where there were voters. Asked if he ever happened to do that with other candidates, he answered no, amid laughter of the crowded room. Mr. Patmore produced a copy of the Ford Times showing a picture of Mr. Snell and Mr. Ross stumping the Vanderhoof country. A wire was also put in from Ross to Snell at Lucerne, asking the latter to arrange for a car to visit Raush valley and Dunster. Mr.

WHAT MICHIGAN THINKS OF PRINCE RUPERT

The following appeared recently in a Michigan newspaper, and is of interest inasmuch as it shows the impression carried away by a visitor from the East. The article reads:

"A letter from Prince Rupert tells me that a certain Toronto girl is there, having the busiest gay social time. Did you ever see Prince Rupert? Of all the humorous towns it is the king! The rocks and the sea said to all and sundry, 'We dare you to build a city on us.' And the settlers who are not afraid, and the way-makers who will never be denied, said nothing in answer. For they knew they were going to build a city there. So they hauled great mountains of timber and boarded over Prince Rupert's foundations of rock and sea, and built wide streets, and bridged chasms, and blasted out avenues from solid rock, and reared mansions and a dandy club house and a dinky picturesque little hotel (which has just been burned, more's the pity) and there you are, with a fire station, and a police station and a post office. I have yearned for a certain cabin built on stilts over a surging little slit of sea; a crazy little cabin with a very green door on which stares my lucky number, nine. I suppose if I had that little cabin, I'd regret it until I froze to death, which very probably wouldn't be long. Prince Rupert appealed very strongly to me. I never saw such a town, and I can only congratulate that Toronto girl, who is attending all the smart functions, and ask her to go to the cute little theatre once for me. Prince Rupert is one of the very few places I should like to see again, of all the dozens I looked at last summer. Away off at the end of things, waiting for its railway to link it up to the East, and its ships to tie it firm in place between the coast of Japan, the saucy little timber and rock little thing makes me laugh at it, even while I'm loving it."

Snell's reply was charged to the government's account.

A Precedent.

W. J. Bowser, ex-premier, who is appearing for Mr. Ross, objected to Mr. Patmore's examination of a witness on the ground that he was giving hearsay evidence and Mr. Patmore was leading him. The enquiry, said Mr. Bowser, was for the sole purpose of getting evidence against Mr. Ross. He stated that Mr. Douglas Armour in the Vancouver investigation had gone "far afield" on his examination of witnesses. Mr. Patmore said the Vancouver investigation was a precedent for this one; that this was no more anti-Ross than the Vancouver one had been anti-M. A. MacDonald. Mr. Patmore was upheld in his method of examination by the commissioner.

SUN AND TIDE

Wednesday, July 25th.
Sun rises 3:26 a. m.
Sun sets 8:42 p. m.
High water 4:51 a. m. Ht. 16.9
Low water 10:50 a. m. Ht. 6.6
High water 5:18 p. m. Ht. 18.3
Low water 11:38 p. m. Ht. 7.5

CONDITIONS ARE CHAOTIC IN RUSSIA

Wholesale Desertions From the Army—Many Military Units Much Disorganized—Crisis at Hand.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Petrograd, July 24.—Premier Kerensky has been given full power to throttle the revolutionists. The crisis in Russia is rapidly approaching the climax. Ministers are discussing the advisability of proclaiming a democratic republic.

The Soldiers and Workmen's Council is apprehensive of a counter revolution, and have rallied the local organizations to support the authorities.

Conditions throughout the whole country are chaotic. The wholesale desertions from the army necessitates the strongest preventive measures. The commander-in-chief orders deserters and runaways to be shot. Many military units are in complete disorganization.

RESULTS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS

Prince Rupert High School—Advanced course, junior grade. Maximum marks, 1000. Number of candidates, 13; passed, 10. Margaret D. McCall, 735; Arthur Bramley, 729; Richard W. Pillsbury, 609; Thomas B. Black, 582; Kathleen L. Grant, 582; Frederick H. Stephens, 580; Raymond A. Fisher, 516; Alexander G. Rix, 511; Grace N. Tovey, 505; George O. Shaw, 500.

Full course, junior grade. Maximum marks, 1200. Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1. Doris M. A. Dowling, 684.

Intermediate grade. Maximum marks, 1100. Number of candidates, 2; passed, 2. Henry M. Shockley, 712; John W. Currie, 598.

Senior grade. Maximum marks, 1100. Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1. Katherine H. Pillsbury, 709.

Senior academic grade. Maximum marks, 300. Number of candidates, 1; passed, 0.

Private Study—Third class, non-professional; full course. Maximum marks, 1100. Number of candidates, 1; passed, 0.

Intermediate grade. Maximum marks, 1100. Number of candidates, 1; passed, 1. Louise J. Tallander, 674.

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