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WEATHER CONDITIONS STOP THE FIGHTING

BOTH SIDES STUCK IN OCEAN OF MUD -- GERMANS RESUME ATTACK NEAR RIGA

MUD CAUSES A CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES

Armies on Either Side Apparently Unable to Move—Germans Refrain From Usual Counter Attacks.

(Special to The Daily News.)
London, Oct. 15.—The heavy rains and storms have turned the plains of Flanders into a sea of mud, and neither of the hostile armies seem able to move. Whether the weather or the condition of the ground were the sole reasons which impelled the Germans to refrain from meeting the latest British advance with their usual and customary speedy counter attacks is considered doubtful in view of the many corroborative reports which have been received of the lowered state of the morale of the German Army.

In East Africa.
The occupation of an important junction point, flanking the German line of retreat in German East Africa by the British troops is announced by the War Office today. There is no news from the French front.

Viscount Grey Coming West.
It is rumored that Viscount Grey, the former Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, will visit America.

COHOES AT \$1 EACH

The fish arrivals in port this morning were rather light. The Lincoln had 10,000 lbs. halibut; Tahoma, 5,000, and the Eureka 5,000 lbs. These were United States vessels and their catches were bought for 17 1/2 cents per lb. The Canadian vessels were the Margalice with 2,000 lbs.; Royal, 2,000, and the Muirnaig with 3,000 lbs. halibut. Their prices varied from 17 1/2 to 18 1/2 cents per lb. There were about 100 cohoes offered today and also a limited amount of spring salmon. The cohoes were bid up to \$1.00 each, going to the Cold Storage, and the springs sold for 16 1/2 cents per lb.

The appeal for funds for "Our Day" which will be collected on October 20th has the approval and support of Their Majesties the King and Queen, and of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra and is being made simultaneously throughout the British Empire.

THE CRADLE

Born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital, on October 15th, to Mr. and Mrs. Vick, Port Essington, a son.

If you are not qualified for active service, you can certainly qualify for "OUR DAY." The collection on October 20th will enable you to do something practical towards Victory. Get ready.

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TONIGHT AND TOMORROW
Marguerite Clark
—IN—
"THE VALENTINE GIRL"
TOPICAL BUDGET

WORDS BUT NO DEEDS FROM FOOD CONTROLLER

Ottawa, Oct. 9.—The general opinion at the capital is that Food Controller Hanna is a clear thinker, but not a prompt doer. What the public wants is somebody who will fix prices, not a temporizer who feeds us from time to time with beautifully-worded essays on the Duty of Starvation.

Food Controller Hanna's latest statement is that he cannot fix prices of the staple articles of food without ruining a host of middlemen in every town, village, city and hamlet in Canada. This is an exaggeration. The middlemen will stand a little ruining. They use the war as an excuse for making the people pay through the nose for the necessities of life. Their interest in the war is as a means of getting rich quick. They are in no hurry to have it end. Food Controller Hanna does not want to ruin these gentlemen, who could be docked of fifty per cent of their profits and still have a fat thing. He prefers to ruin the large army of consumers, the toilers in shops and factories, at counters and office desks, the wage-earners who do not share in this artificial war prosperity which Big Business is now enjoying. Food Controller Hanna's idea is that these are the people who ought to suffer.

Food Controller Hanna's high analytical mind finds that seven main factors govern the present prices of food. These seven main factors Mr. Hanna places before the public in his usual crisp way and puts up as good a case as can be expected of a man who seeks to make the worst appear the better reason. The Food Controller has stated the premises correctly, but his conclusions are all wrong. His seven main factors are no news to the public at large. All Food Controller Hanna has done as a clear thinker is to make them a little clearer. Logic, misapplied at that, is not what the people ask from Mr. Hanna—not logic but action. Little thanks are due to Mr. Hanna for telling us seven things that we know quite well before. What Food Controller Hanna is asked to do is to remedy a condition, not inform us it exists. All the logic that Food Controller Hanna has in his system is no answer to the fact that bacon sells for thirty-eight cents a pound in Detroit and for fifty-five cents a pound in Toronto which is Sir Joseph Flavelle's home town.

Food Controller Hanna mentions as one of the seven factors the unrestrained competition between the great foreign buyers of food stuffs in our markets. This fact has already been investigated by the Trades and Labor Congress, which has suggested from time to time that the army needs be met first, and the home needs be met second, and that then the surplus shall be available for export. It should not be the privilege of the food profiteers who squeeze the home market in times of peace to desert it for a more remunerative market in times of war. In return for his fat graft in normal times he has a duty to sell the public what they need at reasonable prices in time of crisis.

A competent Department of Agriculture at Ottawa would know to the last pound what was the production of Canada, and would regulate its disposal equally among those who have claims upon it, the claims being taken in the order of their importance. A competent Department of Agriculture would also see to it that the surplus production in one province was available in another (Continued on page three.)



SHOWER KINDNESS UPON THEM
Flowers and cigarettes for a disabled British prisoner, just arrived in England from Germany.

LONDONERS VOTE FOR CIVIC COAL YARD

London, Ont., Oct. 13.—London ratepayers decided yesterday that a coal yard would be a good thing to include among the city's various municipal enterprises. A by-law authorizing the expenditure of \$25,000 was submitted, and being the only measure to be voted on the number of ballots cast was small. The promoters, however, were quite satisfied, as it is a difficult thing to get out a large vote between elections, and especially as the result was so decisive—a majority of 1,170 in favor of the bylaw. The credit for the movement is due to organized Labor, the Trades and Labor Council having fought for the proposal from the first. It carried, too, in spite of very little help from the local press. A series of advertisements in opposition to the scheme had a contrary effect to that intended. These advertisements were disguised as news, a method which did not find favor with the public, who also thought there must be something in the Labor men's allegations as to profits when so much money was available to defeat the bylaw.

"THE VALENTINE GIRL"

The play to be shown at the Westholme Theatre tonight gives Marguerite Clark another opportunity to distinguish herself. And in his play she takes full advantage of the occasion. As the "Valentine Girl" she acts her part to perfection and certainly makes the most of it. The play itself is well written and constructed, and the plot is coherent throughout. The photoplay is of such an attractive nature that it will be repeated tomorrow night as well. In addition, there will be shown a Topical Budget, showing scenes of current interest over a wide radius.

NO GRAIN FOR BREWING

(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, Oct. 15.—The Cabinet Council has before it an order prohibiting the use of grain of any kind in Canada by brewers or distillers.

The favorite household coal is Ladysmith Wellington. Phone 15, Prince Rupert Coal Co.

N. J. OGILVIE NOW HEAD OF GEODETIC SURVEY

Noel J. Ogilvie succeeds the late Dr. W. F. King, C. M. G., as Superintendent of the Geodetic Survey of Canada. Mr. Ogilvie received his commission as a surveyor in February, 1905. In 1906 he was in charge of a survey party on the international boundary survey of the 49th parallel of latitude, covering all branches of this work, including triangulation and phototopography. In 1907-8 he represented Canada for H. B. M. Boundary Commissioner on the inspection of the survey of the 49th parallel of latitude from the Pacific Ocean to the summit of the Rockies.

He was in charge of H. B. M. Boundary Commissioner in 1909-1914 of the survey of the international boundary between Alaska and British Columbia, commonly known as the Alaskan boundary. In 1914 Mr. Ogilvie was given the title of Assistant Superintendent of the Geodetic Survey. Recently he was in charge of the geodetic survey of the British Columbia coast.

Mr. Ogilvie has had his headquarters near Prince Rupert for the last two summers during his survey work, and made many friends here during his stay.



PASTOR IN NAVY
The Rev. Edwin Smith, Canadian clergyman from Tillamouth, becomes a lieutenant in the fleet.

PEOPLE OF FINLAND ARE NEAR TO FAMINE

Stockholm, Oct. 13.—"People in many sections of Finland are eating bread made of rye flour and pine bark in equal parts," said Dr. Chas. Ignatius, of Helsingfors, today.

"Bread rations per capita are only five ounces daily, and if this inadequate amount is to be maintained it will be necessary to import flour and cereals within a few weeks."

Dr. Ignatius is on his way to New York as a representative of the Finnish Government. He hopes to obtain a license for shipment of 60,000 tons of flour already purchased. He declared that if help cannot be obtained from the United States it will mean actual starvation for many thousands, and as much suffering for Finland as for Belgium and Poland.

CHINAMAN ACCUSED OF STEALING OPIUM

Wong How, a Chinaman, was brought into the city yesterday from Queen Charlotte City. He was accused of the theft of \$53 out of the trunk of another Chinaman, and three cans of opium were also found in his possession, which he is alleged to have purloined as well. He was brought up before Justices Barge and Leary at Queen Charlotte City and committed for trial at the higher court.

MILITARY SERVICE ACT

(Special to The Daily News.)
Montreal, October 13.—The Proclamation calling the men to the colors here caused a general rush of young men to report for service, or to apply for exemption.

Quiet in Vancouver.
Vancouver, Oct. 13.—The era of Conscription started quietly in Vancouver. The real rush was during the past week, when seventeen hundred men enlisted.

STEWART NOTES

Twenty men are at work under Foreman Frank Martin in the construction of a road up the Salmon river valley. This road will provide access to a number of mining properties on which work is now going forward, and over which the first shipments of high grade ore from the Bush mine will be shipped during the coming winter.

S. P. Fitzgerald is leaving shortly to visit his molybdenite claims across the Naas divide, he expects to return with a large number of samples representative of the claims which carry a good grade of ore.

Charles Williams and Roy Armentrout who lost their lives above the Salmon river glacier last week, were returning from a trip to Williams' trapping cabin. They were overtaken by a snow-storm and perished. The bodies were buried where they were found, four thousand feet up in the mountains and a cairn of stones erected to mark their last resting place.

In spite of the wet weather which has been far beyond the average, prospecting still continues and numbers of locations are being made. The increase in active mining having stimulated the search in the neighborhood of properties on which development work is going on.

ANNOUNCEMENT—for the famous La Camille Corset, phone for appointment. Mrs. Demers, Stephens Block, phone Red 548.

GERMAN ATTACK ON ISLANDS IN GULF OF RIGA

German Troops Landed Protected by Big Guns of the Fleet—Taken to Presage Move On Petrograd.

(Special to The Daily News.)
London, October 15.—The most striking military move made by Germany on her eastern front since the attack which resulted in the capture of the city of Riga and its environs, was started on that same front, when the German troops were landed on the Oesel and Dagoe Islands, lying in the mouth of the Gulf of Riga. Heavy units of the main German battle fleet were brought up to assist and to cover this undertaking, some of the dreadnoughts appearing off the coast and covering the landing operations with their big guns. Their guns outranged the Russian shore batteries and soon silenced them. Strong opposition was put up by the Russian forces, which hampered the German operations in every way, but a considerable number of Germans appear to have obtained a footing on the northeastern coast of Oesel Island, and also on the shores of Dagoe Island.

Petrograd dispatches allude to this German movement as a stubborn effort to clear the entrance of the Gulf of Riga near the Courland mainland, and possibly as a forerunner of an ambitious push for Petrograd. The imminence of the early Russian winter season lends color to the assumption that notwithstanding the German High Command taking these steps as a preliminary to their march on to Petrograd, they would hardly essay a campaign this year. However, the demobilized state of the Russian armies might make the operation a short and easy one in comparison with the task the German armies might have to face next spring, when they headed for Petrograd, if the plans of the Russian Government for the regeneration of the army are carried through.

JOE GREER COMING BACK TO RUPERT

Mr. Jos. Greer, of Smithers, has resigned as agent for the G. T. P. at Smithers and on Tuesday next will leave with his family for Rupert where he will join the Rhyant Company. Joe will be much missed in Smithers where he has been for several years. The best of wishes from the district go with him to his new business.—Omineca Herald.

* Commencing Sunday, *
* October 14th *
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* m.; 7 p. m. to 9 p. m. *
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