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### LONDON RAIDED--DOVER BOMBARDED--GERMANS READY TO INVADE UKRAINA

#### BRITAIN AWAITS GERMANY'S SPRING OFFENSIVE QUIETLY

COMPLETE CO-ORDINATION OF ALLIED ARMIES MAKES FOR UTMOST FLEXIBILITY IN STRENGTHENING ANY PART OF LINE MENACED--EXPECTED THAT ENEMY WILL AGAIN ATTEMPT TO GET TO CALAIS

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, Feb. 18.—Great Britain quietly awaits the opening of Germany's promised spring offensive, which may now begin any day. It is expected that the enemy's offensive will take two forms. The first will most probably consist of concentrated aerial attacks upon London, while the other will be an attempt to break through on the Western front. This will most probably be made at four points, which are likely to be Paschendale, the Somme, the Aisne valley, and in Lorraine.

The aim of the Germans will be to capture Calais, and to advance upon Paris once more, and also to penetrate into the rich lands in the middle of France. The allied plans are matured to meet these expected attempts, and the utmost flexibility now exists for quickly strengthening any part of the whole line, from the North Sea to the Adriatic. There is complete co-ordination between all the allied armies.

#### VERACITY OF BEEF SHIPPERS IN DOUBT

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—Local newspapers are referring to the fact that whilst British Columbia fish may not be exported since they are needed for home consumption, and properly so, it is high time that the government disclosed the reasons why beef is being permitted to go to the United States. Shippers assert that it is for the use of the allies, and a move has been made to discover whether this was accurate, and the real reason.

#### JAPAN MAY INTERVENE IN RUSSIAN AFFAIRS

New York, Feb. 18.—Dr. Iyenaga, a prominent Japanese publicist, speaking at a luncheon given by the Lawyers' Club here on Saturday, said that the chaos in Russia is threatening peace in the East, and suggested the possibility of Japanese intervention in restoring order in Russia.

#### NEW ARRIVALS

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#### LONDON CITY IS RAIDED--DOVER IS BOMBARDED

German Aeroplanes Again Raid Capital City and Submarine BombarDS Dover for Few Minutes.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, Feb. 18.—Six German aeroplanes raided London last night, but only one was able to penetrate through the lines of defences, and get over the city. The British aviators at once engaged the enemy machines, and one of the raiders was brought down. Material damage, so far, is reported to be slight, and the authorities have not yet been notified of any casualties.

#### Submarine at Dover.

London, Feb. 18.—An enemy submarine bombarded Dover early this morning. The submarine was immediately fired upon by the shore batteries, and ceased the bombardment after some rounds had been fired. One child was killed, while three women, three men and one other child were injured. The damage to property was slight.

#### Raids at the Front.

London, Feb. 18.—Sharp fighting followed enemy raids in the region of Lavacquerie and at Cherisy, which resulted in heavy casualties being inflicted upon the hostile parties. One German machine gun was captured intact. British airmen also bombed the enemy aerodromes and billets behind the enemy lines.

#### GREY NUNNERY FIRE DEATH LIST IS STILL GROWING

AT LEAST FIFTY-FIVE BABIES PERISHED AND IT IS FEARED LIST MAY INCREASE TO A HUNDRED--CHARRED BODIES RECOVERED ARE UNRECOGNIZABLE--SISTERS BESIEGED FOR INFORMATION

Montreal, Feb. 16.—It was established this afternoon that at least fifty-five babies perished when the creche of the Gray Nunnery was burned. This is not the total figures, as the sisters have not yet been able to locate all the babies that were taken to places of refuge after they had been carried from the burning building. It represents the number of charred remains found by the firemen who were continuing their search this afternoon. This morning many young mothers whose children had been placed in the institution for care, besieged the sisters for information about their little ones. None of the bodies are recognizable and the only suggestion there is to enable a partial identification to be made is the part of the creche they were found in.

The monetary loss on the building will be \$125,000, of which there is \$100,000 insurance. An examination of those who first saw the flames revealed the fact this morning that they sprang from a point near which a wire that carried the current to the X-ray machine in the military hospital, joined the main wire.

All the apparatus of the military hospital, valued at many thousands of dollars, was saved by fine work by the salvage corps.

**Loss 50 to 75 Infants.**  
Montreal, Feb. 15.—Firemen were engaged this morning in searching the smouldering ruins

#### GERMAN TROOPS AGAIN BEING SENT TO EAST

Concentration of Hun Forces for Movement on Ukraina—Said To be for Use Against the Bolsheviki.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Amsterdam, Feb. 18.—German forces are again being concentrated on the borders of the Ukraine territory to attack the Bolsheviki forces in that region. Declarations looking to the active prosecution of the war against the Bolsheviki in northern Russia also, will be made at Berlin next week. Count Czernin has notified Berlin that Austrian troops must not be used against Russia, either against the Ukrainian forces or the Bolsheviki.

#### Stops Transferring.

Rome, Feb. 18.—Germany has countermanded her transfer of troops from the east to the west front because of the failure of the Brest-Litovsk peace negotiations, according to a dispatch from Russia. It is known that the Germans are making a great concentration of forces at the southern part of their eastern front, presumably for an advance through the southern provinces of Russia. It is in the Ukraina that the vast stores of wheat lie, representing the crops of the past four years, and it is anticipated that Kiev and Odessa will be the objective of the Teutons at this time. With the Russian forces disbanded, there is little or nothing to oppose their march through Volhynia and Podolia to Kiev and Kherson.

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of the west wing of the Gray Nunnery, which last night was destroyed by fire, with a loss, it is estimated, of 50 to 75 babies' lives. The nuns were busy collecting their charges from the homes of residents in the neighborhood who assisted in the rescue work and rushed children and old people, the inmates of the institution, to places of safety directly they were removed from the blazing building.

The cause of the fire is supposed to have been a spark from the switch of the X-ray machine in the soldiers' hospital, which occupied one section of the nunnery and which was immediately under the floors destroyed.

#### SOLDIERS' VOTE TO BE KNOWN BY END OF WEEK

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Ottawa, Feb. 18.—The results of the military and naval vote in Canada are expected to be known by the end of this week. While there will be no official return of it, the figures as affecting the different constituencies will probably be available.

#### RETAIL CLERKS

Meeting Monday, at 8 o'clock sharp. Carpenters' Hall.

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#### PRINCE RUPERT FER LB. ON PRAIRIE AT 10¢ PISH TO SELL

CANADIAN FISH AND COLD STORAGE CO.'S STEAM TRAWLER CARRUTHERS WILL PUT TO SEA TO SUPPLY CHEAP FISH FOOD TO RETAILERS DIRECT--PRICE MUST NOT BE MORE THAN 10¢ LB.

What is probably one of the most important decisions yet come to by the government, affecting the city of Prince Rupert, was received in town by Mr. T. H. Johnson, manager of the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Company yesterday forenoon. Orders-in-Council were formally passed yesterday morning in Ottawa, whereby it will be possible for the people from the British Columbian coast to Manitoba to purchase Prince Rupert fish at the price of 10¢ per lb. With fish ready for the pan for sale in the stores at this price, the demand for Prince Rupert's fish, which is already increasing steadily, should increase still further and by leaps and bounds.

Arrangements for this consummation have been in progress for months past. It will be remembered that towards the end of last year a meeting was called in Vancouver by the Provincial committee of the Food Controller to consider ways and means of producing cheap food, particularly fish food, for the public of Canada, which, it was hoped, would release large quantities of beef and bacon for shipment overseas, where it was so urgently required. Although the local company was not represented at this first meeting, the manager, Mr. Johnson, was called upon a few days later to discuss this matter. This present scheme is the outcome whereby in a very few days the people of Canada will be enabled to purchase a high-class fish food at an exceedingly low price. All parties concerned have made concessions to bring about this way of lessening the high cost of living.

#### A Secret Society.

The Deep Sea Fishermen's Union here met with a representative of the Food Controller, and although there were about fifty fishermen at the meeting, not a word leaked out as to what was going on. They can keep a secret. The Union had decided that the fishermen should demand 1 1/4 cts. per lb. for the trawled fish, but their patriotism appealed to, they consented to accept 3/4 of a cent per lb. unanimously.

The government will rebate two-thirds of the freight and the amount allowed for the operation of the trawler is limited to 2c. The cost of freezing, boxing, handling, and overhead charges of the company is limited to 3c, and the average cost of express freight is estimated at 1/4 c per lb. The costs of producing the fish is made up as follows, per 100 lbs.

Fishermen	.....\$ .75
Operating vessel	..... 2.00
Handling, boxing, freezing	.. 3.00
Estimated freight	..... 1.25
Retailers' profit	..... 3.00
Total	.....\$10.00

#### The Fine Flavor.

The varieties of fish which will be sold at this price comprise sole, plaice, turbot, skate, brill and witches. Anyone who has once tasted sole, fried in bread-crumbs after being filleted, will at once realize that there are better fish than halibut, or at least equally good. The flavor is splendid, and the fish is much sweeter, and none except an expert could detect the difference between sole and witches, while skate soup, properly made is a thing to marvel at.

These fish are all taken by the otter trawl, with which the "Car-

ruthers" is fitted. She will be ready for sea in a day or two, and with good weather, can bring up 160,000 lbs. of these ground fish in something like three days on fishing grounds only a matter of a few hours steaming from this port. The Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co. have done considerable exploration work in the adjacent waters, and at some very considerable expense, have found out the trawling grounds.

They are the pioneers in this method of fishing in Pacific waters and their example will be followed by others, as the demand for the ground fish increases. The present time affords an unexampled opportunity for placing these heretofore practically unknown varieties of fish upon the Canadian market, with success, and at the price of 10¢ per lb. they are sure to be popular. As occasion demands the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co. are prepared to place other of their vessels in this business. They have the vessels and the gear necessary. Before long it may be that there will be as many trawlers tied up to the Prince Rupert wharves, bow on, as there is in Grimsby or Aberdeen.

By selling the fish direct to the retailer, all superfluous costs are to be cut out, and the consumer will be enabled to buy the fish direct from the producer. This cutting out of the middleman is the only method whereby such a price could be possible, and after all, it is the middleman who is largely responsible for the high price of salt water fish in the interior provinces.

#### G. T. P. TUG LORNE ARRIVES IN PORT

Looking spick and span after her recent overhaul and refitting, the tug Lorne recently acquired by the G. T. P. to operate out of Prince Rupert, arrived from the south yesterday afternoon with her first tow. She brought in a large scow laden with lumber, whose arrival has been anxiously awaited for some time past.

At one time, the "Lorne" was the most powerful tug on this coast, and for all her twenty-two years, she is as staunch a craft as ever. She will be used chiefly for towing lumber from the Queen Charlotte Islands for shipment here to the east, and also to operate the car barges to and from other coast points, as required. For a tugboat, she is quite a big one, and at her recent overhaul was fitted up with a wireless. Her advent here will cause quite an increase in the traffic passing over the line of the G. T. P.

#### CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Prince Rupert branch will be held in the city hall on Tuesday evening, February 19, at 8 o'clock. Business: Receiving the financial statement and election of officers for ensuing year. 43  
W. E. COLLISON, Secretary.

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