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GERMANY CONTINUES MILITARY TRAINING

PRELIMINARY STEPS TAKEN LOOKING TO ANOTHER ARMS CONFERENCE

Military Training going on in Germany Is Contrary to Peace Treaty says Military Mission

PARIS, Feb. 18.—The report of the allied military control mission on the state of Germany's disarmament was delivered to the allied war committee today. The mission sets forth the difficulties under which it worked, declaring obstructions placed by Germans in the way of investigations absolutely prevented any discoveries by direct search.

Despite the obstacles the mission declares it obtained important information from German pacifists relating to the military training that was going on contrary to the treaty of Versailles.

C.G.M.M. SHIP IS ABANDONED

Was Afire Fore and Aft and is Now Reported Danger to Navigation

INTERMEDIATE TYPE
Vessel Sailed from Halifax for West Indies on January 24 Last

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 18.—The Canadian Government Merchant Marine freight steamer Canadian Navigator, which was sighted on February 17 afire fore and aft, has been abandoned and is reported a danger to navigation. The vessel sailed from Halifax for the West Indies on January 24.

The Canadian Navigator was one of the C.G.M.M.'s intermediate type of boats. She was built in 1919 at Montreal and has been operated on the Atlantic coast. She was 319 feet long, 44 feet wide and of 22 1/2 feet depth. Her gross tonnage was 3,161 and registered tonnage, 1,929. She was smaller than the Canadian Scotfish but larger than the Canadian Rover, two familiar Pacific coast boats.



Patrick, the little son of Lady Plunkett, will fall heir to one of the largest fortunes in the world when he comes of age. His father, Lord Plunkett, is a well-known member of the British nobility.

Manslaughter True Bill Against Brother Usmar Assault Against Second

MONTREAL, Feb. 18.—The grand jury today returned a true bill against Brother Usmar, on the staff of the orphanage at Huberdeau, who is charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Hector Galarneau, a lad eight years of age, who died from scalds received in his bath at the institution.

The jury also returned a second true bill against a brother boy at liberty on bail, which charges him with having "grievously assaulted" a boy last fall and "having incited and induced other small boys grievously to assault and wound the victim."

ATLIN ROUTE TO DEASE LAKE

Good Trail to Telegraph Creek Over Which Mail is Delivered

A protest comes from Atlin against the statement made by the Stewart Board of Trade as published in this paper, in which it was said that the Stikine River was the only available route at present time to Telegraph Creek and the new gold discovery in the Dease Lake district. Telegram from the gold commissioner, C. L. Munroe, says the writer is apparently under a misapprehension as there is a good trail from Atlin to Telegraph Creek and all mail for that district is now and has been for years, delivered over that trail via Atlin during the winter months.

WHISKY RUNNER WAS CAPTURED

Seized by Coast Guard Cutter and Towed Into San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—The steamer Coal Harbor, said to be a rum runner of Canadian registry was captured by a coast guard cutter early today and towed into port.

The vessel is reported to be operated by the owners of the recently seized Quadra and the ill-fated Speedway.

Crew Arrested
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—Thirteen of the crew of the boat Coal Harbor have been arrested. Officials estimate that ten thousand cases of liquor valued at \$600,000 is aboard.

PRINCE RUPERT GRAIN OUTLET

Mentioned in Report of Grain Board in Connection With Peace Country

Prince Rupert is mentioned as an outlet for the grain of the Peace River country in the report of the grain inquiry board which recently reported at Ottawa. At the time the information was gathered there was prospect of an elevator being built here and nothing more and that was stated in the report. Stress was laid on the facilities at Vancouver.

The report mentions that the future development of the Peace River is dependent on railway facilities to the Pacific coast.

WILL REPORT SOON ON PEACE RIVER RY.

Grant Hall, Vice-President of C.P.R., Mentions Subject at Calgary

CALGARY, Feb. 18.—Grant Hall, vice-president and general manager of the C.P.R., announced here that an early report would be given in regard to railway extensions in the Peace River country. Investigations were being made and to use the vice-president's own words, the report will be made "quite shortly."

MANHART PLEADS NOT GUILTY OF MURDER

Charged with Killing Mrs. Morley of Victoria in Taxi at Seattle

SEATTLE, Feb. 18.—A plea of not guilty to charges of first degree murder was entered by Elmer Manhart in court here today. Manhart is accused of slaying Mrs. Lillian Morley of Victoria, B.C., in a taxicab here. Demurrer to information against Manhart was presented by his counsel but overruled by the court.

ANOTHER ENGINEER FOR THE ELEVATOR

Hartvig Os, engineer for C. D. Howe & Co., designers of the grain elevator to be erected here, arrived in the city from Port Arthur on this morning's train. Mr. Os will be associated with W. N. Chater in connection with the supervising of the work and expects to remain here until next fall.

ARMS CONFAB CONSIDERED

Principal Powers Have Been Approached with that end in View

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The principal powers have been approached by the United States on the subject of a new arms conference. The discussion have not reached the advanced point characterized by diplomats as formal negotiations but are being followed up quickly and persistently in all the principal world capitals.

Officials here will not discuss what are the obstacles encountered or what measures of success appears to have resulted from the exchanges up to the present.

WILL DESTROY SEIZED LIQUOR

Bootleg Brew and Other Concoctions to be Poured Down Sewers

VICTORIA, Feb. 18.—Destruction of seized liquor held by authorities in various parts of the province was authorized by the Government today. Some of the liquor is "bootleg brew" taken in blind pigs and some the genuine stuff seized because it did not bear the Government label.

Thousands of bottles of the liquid will be poured down the sewers on a liquor outpouring date to be named by officials.

Court Martial Proceedings Against Colonel Pousette in Connection with Contracts

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—Court martial proceedings against Lieut.-Col. G. Pousette, supply officer of Military District No. 10, will be instituted to investigate charges in connection with coal contracts for Tuxedo Barracks at Winnipeg. Announcement to this effect is made by Hon. E. M. MacDonald, minister of national defence.

Following submission of the report of the royal commission which investigated the charges, it is understood that the Department of Justice will also institute private proceedings against the Canadian Coal Sales Co.

FIRST HALIBUT BOAT ARRIVED IN PORT WITH CATCH

This morning it was reported along the waterfront that the first halibut boat had arrived with her catch. The matter was investigated and found to be perfectly correct. The name of the craft is not available nor is the name of the owner offered for publication. The vessel was propelled by oars and the catch consisted of one halibut tipping the scales at 15 pounds.

ACTION OF SENATE MAY CAUSE ELECTION

Reform of Second Chamber Will be Live Question When Appeal Made to Country

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—What is likely to cause an election this year is the action of the Canadian Senate. If that body persists in thwarting the will of the Commons the government may find it necessary to appeal to the people of Canada against its decision. At any rate it is pretty certain that the Senate reform question will be prominently before the people at the next election.

BOOTLEG KING IS DISMISSED

Case Against Olmsted and Guests on Conspiracy Charge Remains

SEATTLE, Feb. 18.—Roy Olmsted, reputed king of the Pacific coast rum runners, his wife and nine guests, who were arrested in a prohibition raid on his home in November, have been released and the charges of violating the prohibition laws dismissed. The dismissal does not affect the indictment charging all released except one with conspiracy to violate the National Prohibition Act.

JAP COTTON MILL STRIKE

Trouble is Said to be Partly Due to Chinese Bolshevik Activities

SHANGHAI, Feb. 18.—A strike in thirteen Japanese cotton mills involves thirty thousand workers. The strikers attacked the mills today and damaged machinery as well as injuring six persons. The trouble is believed to be partly due to Chinese Bolshevik activities.

DREDGE DUE HERE TODAY

Ground to be Broken Tomorrow and Soon Work Will be in Swing

MAIN CONTRACT NEXT
Satisfaction Expressed Here at Placing of Half Million in Estimates

W. C. Arnell received word yesterday that the dredging outfit for the gravel fill in connection with the elevator foundation would probably arrive here this afternoon. Actual work will commence in about two days, as soon as everything is in readiness.

Robert Sharp, superintendent of the foundation construction work, announced this morning that in a few days work would be in full swing.

Excavation equipment is arriving from Vancouver today and concrete mixers, etc., will be here next week. First ground will probably be broken tomorrow.

Satisfaction was expressed here at the placing of a half million dollars in the main estimates presented to Parliament yesterday. The contract for the superstructure should be let in about a month and then it will be known exactly what the total cost will be and the remainder of the sum required will appear in the supplementary estimates brought down later in the session, as was done in the case of the Edmonton elevator.

COMMITTEE ON PEACE RIVER

Sub-committees Formed at Meeting Yesterday Afternoon to Report Next Week

Mayor Newton was appointed chairman of the joint committee of the city council and the board of trade to go further into the matter of the Peace River railway route with a view to looking after the interests of Prince Rupert, which met yesterday afternoon in the Council chamber. Hon. T. D. Pattullo was present and offered his assistance in connection with the matter. The chairmen of the three sub-committees were appointed. Alderman Casey heads the committee on finances, J. C. McLennan on statistics and John Dybbavn on publicity, the chairmen to select their own sub-committees from the members of the joint committee.

It was decided to adjourn until next Tuesday evening when some concrete plan of campaign will be formulated.

DEPOSITORS TO GET SOME CASH

Moral Claim in Equity to be Recognized by Parliament is Proposal

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—Premier Mackenzie King announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the Government had decided to introduce at this session of Parliament a measure recognizing the "moral claim in equity for compensation" of Home Bank depositors. The extent of the compensation is not indicated.

The Premier declared the bill would be presented for the approval of the House and would especially specify the amount proposed to be paid.

GRANBY STOCK IS VERY LOW

Financing to be Done by Company this Spring has Bearish Effect

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Granby Consolidated has a financial problem to look after this spring. On May 1, \$2,500,000 bonds mature and the money to pay these will have to be raised. This has had a bearish effect on Granby stocks which are now held very low. The failure to pay dividends to holders of common stock for several years past has also had a discouraging influence.

It is said here that the outlook is better for Granby and the stock may improve in value soon.

KING GEORGE BETTER TODAY

His Majesty Passed a Fair Night After Attack of Bronchitis Following Flu

LONDON, Feb. 18.—An improvement in King George's condition is reported officially. He has been suffering from bronchitis following an attack of influenza. He passed a fair night and, although there is no change in his bronchial condition, generally His Majesty shows an improvement. He contracted a chill last Friday when he accompanied the Queen to a theatre.

FLOES OF ICE WRECKED DOCK

Also Swept Away Fish Traps at Western End of Alaskan Peninsula

DUTCH HARBOR, Alaska, Feb. 18.—Sweeping floes of ice partly wrecked the dock and destroyed all the fish traps at False Pass, the extreme western end of the Alaskan peninsula early this month. Captain Johansen of Seattle reports that deeply driven piles of fish traps were crushed like paper, according to information given him by natives.

Capt. Johansen is master of the steamer Starr, which is discharging cargo here.