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EDITORIAL

DYING FROM COLD

In Europe during the past week people have been dying from cold. The weather has been unusually severe. In Prince Rupert during that same time we have had no frost or not more than one or two degrees. Yet we are apt to think our climate is not the best possible. Even in the neighborhood of Vancouver there were frosts which tempted some of the young people to go skating.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JUNIOR CHAMBER

We offer our congratulations to the Junior Chamber of Commerce for carrying out the interesting radio auction this week and also Radio Station CFPR for giving three periods of its valuable time for the purpose. The affairs were a decided success and supplemented very considerably the efforts of the Daily News in raising the annual Christmas cheer funds. The artists and others who helped also are deserving of similar compliments.

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Predicts Great Britain, After Rearmament, Will Have Greatest Navy; Importance of Personnel

"Take the relative strength in tonnage and the class of construction — new and old — and, what is most important, consider the temperment—physical, mental and spiritual—of the crews in action and form your own conclusions as to who would come out on top in a scrap," suggested Chief Petty Officer A. G. Bird, instructor of the local unit of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, in speaking yesterday before the Prince Rupert Gyro Club at luncheon on the highly interesting and timely subject of "Fighting Ships of the World." Mr. Bird, with true naval discretion, did not express his own personal opinions although he did predict that, after rearmament, Great Britain would have the world's most formidable navy. In the course of his address, he referred incidentally to some of his own experiences in action. Interesting facts and figures in regard to relative naval strengths which he incorporated in his address, were based on the authority of "Jaynes' Fighting Ships, 1935."

First, Mr. Bird discussed aircraft carriers, the duty of which, as individual craft, was not to go into action but to avoid it. Aircraft carrier strengths, according to Mr. Bird's authority, were as follows:

Germany	1
Italy	1
Japan	11
France	1
United States	4
Great Britain	6

Battleships Mr. Bird described as "mobile forts." Their job was to fight the main battle and were valuable for intimidation purposes. The battleship strengths were:

Germany	6
Russia	3
Italy	6
Japan	9
France	11
United States	15
Great Britain	12

Battle cruisers were battleships stripped of some of their armor in order that they might have additional machinery for speed. Their threat to the enemy was also of great importance. Of these Great Britain had three.

Cruisers, ranging in tonnage from seven to ten thousand, the York, which was here last summer being a 10,000-tonner, were of value in protecting trade-routes, intimidating the enemy and due to speed and facility of handling, in turning back battleships in war time. Mr. Bird told of an engagement in the Great War when four cruisers had turned back twenty-one enemy battleships and thus aided the main fleet.

Cruiser strengths were:

Germany	8
Russia	8
Italy	26
Japan	37
France	18
United States	35
Great Britain	54

After explaining the functions of destroyers and how they had come to be named, Mr. Bird read the destroyer strengths as follows:

Germany	28
Russia	24
Italy	62
Japan	116
France	76
United States	243
Great Britain	171

The value of submarines was overestimated, Mr. Bird thought. The strengths of the nations in submarines were:

Germany	8
Russia	38
Italy	83
Japan	68
France	91
United States	96
Great Britain	60

Guests at yesterday's luncheon presided over by D. G. Borland, president of the club, were F. A. MacCallum and J. T. Harvey. Mr MacCallum spoke briefly, extending seasonal greetings to the members of the club personally and in his capacity as president of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce.

W. F. Stone was the winner of a turkey raffle but turned the bird back to be raffled again and the ultimate winner was W. M. Watts.

LEGION 'XMAS TREE ENJOYED

The Canadian Legion clubroom was the scene of merriment and the Christmas Spirit was in evidence when the annual Legion Christmas Tree was held yesterday afternoon. With 130 children all keyed up for the occasion. The arrival of Santa Claus met with an enthusiastic reception. Later the distribution of gifts, bags of candy and ice cream was carried out expiditiously with Jack Flint assisting Santa Claus very capably.

An interesting program included songs by Hilda Bond, Barbara Teng and "Alouette" by Percy Tinker jr., recitations by Audrey Caravan, Lorraine Youngman and Kathleen Doherty, and tap-dancing by Joyce Ratchford and Rosie Christian and Pat Ratchford jr. The committee in charge consisted of Mrs. H. Oden (convenor) Mrs. R. T. Anderson, president of the Women's Auxiliary Mrs. W. J. Lineham, Mrs. L. Wide, Mrs. A. Caravan and Mrs. Doherty. Mrs. J. S. Black was a very capable accompanist.

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