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ALLIES HAVE FORCED THE GERMANS TO FALL BACK

AUSTRIANS ADMIT EVACUATION OF BELGRADE--DRESDEN TIED UP FOR REPAIRS IS WATCHED

BRITISH TROOPS GAINING GROUND AND RETAINING IT

THE BRITISH HAVE OCCUPIED A FOREST WEST OF WYTESCHATE AND ARE HOLDING THE GROUND GAINED AGAINST ALL COUNTER-ATTACKS.

(Special to The Daily News.)
Paris, Dec. 15.—A French official statement says that the British have occupied a forest west of Wyteschate and that all the ground gained along the Yser has

been retained and the enemies' counter-attacks repulsed. All the rest of the front is quiet except in Alsace, where German artillery is active and isolated attacks from Uffholtz were defeated.

GERMANS PREPARED RETREAT FROM YSER

(Special to The Daily News.)
Rotterdam, Dec. 15.—It is reported here that the Germans are preparing to retreat from the Yser to a prepared line of trenches embracing Bruges, Thielt and Courtrai.

VIENNA DENIES PEACE RUMORS

(Special to The Daily News.)
Vienna, Dec. 15.—It is officially denied that Austria tried to conclude a separate peace with Serbia.

SELECTION OF STAFF FOR HYDRO-ELECTRIC

At the Council meeting last night the matter of the selection of engineers for the electric plant at Shawallans again came up. The superintendent of light reported that he had placed James as engineer in charge. He also put as assistants R. Gendall and G. Waddell. Mr. Gendall had been secured temporarily as an operator until the permanent governor arrived. The report further recommended that Mr. Gendall be employed if the best was to be done. There was no objection to the report on the application of engineers made by Mr. Gendall. The steam plant, it is reported, was in charge of A. Gendall, with Valentine and Gordon as second and third engineers.

A general discussion took place as to whether the appointments of the superintendent would stand. The applications voted on the Council. Mr. Duncan explained that he had only appointed the men subject to the Council's ratification. Aldermen Dybbavn and Kerr with the superintendent. The others opposed this. A vote decided to have the applications read. They were as follows: Gendall, E. M. Valentine, Black, B. A. Chisholm, A. R. Gordon, A. C. Sinclair, G. Waddell, George Klower, John Green and John Gendall.

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DISASTER IN JAPANESE MINE 800 ENTOMBED

(Special to The Daily News.)
Tokio, Dec. 15.—Eight hundred miners are imprisoned in a coal mine at Fukuoka as a result of an explosion.

AMERICAN DRESS FOR AMERICAN WOMEN

Only Exception Scheduled for 1915 Will Be Paris Fad of Top Boots Embroidered.

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 15.—At the closing session of its convention here the National Cloak, Suit, Skirt and Dress Manufacturers' Association voted for the establishment of a national bureau of publicity and made an appropriation of funds to carry on this work in connection with the style bureau.

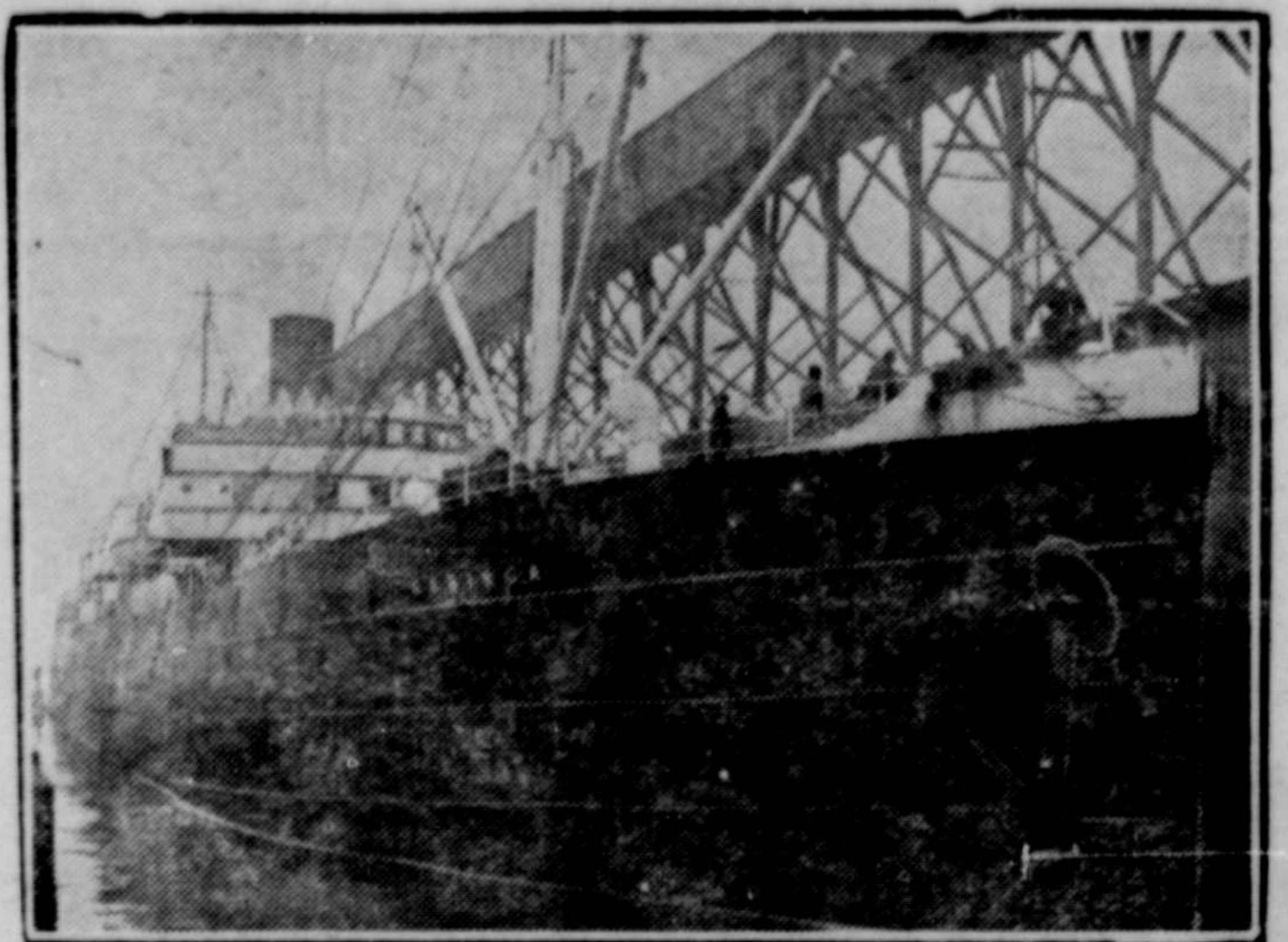
There will be just one exception to the all-American dressed women in the coming spring and summer—that will be a fad for embroidered top boots, which has been decreed in Paris.

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TORONTO MILLIONAIRE VERY SERIOUSLY ILL

(Special to The Daily News.)
Toronto, Dec. 15.—Robert Davies, the millionaire brewer and noted horse owner, is dying.

ADMIT DEFEAT

(Special to The Daily News.)
Vienna, Dec. 15.—The Austrian government, in an official statement, admits the recent defeat by the Servians. It is also reported that Belgrade has been reoccupied by the Servians.

London, Dec. 15.—The Servians, after a fierce battle, have reoccupied Belgrade, according to dispatches to Nish last night.

The Austrians admit a defeat at the hands of the Servians. In an official dispatch the Austrians say:

"In our offensive movement, directed from the River Drina, we encountered southeast of Valjevo greatly superior forces of the enemy. Our advance was not merely stopped but we were compelled also to make a more extended retirement. Our troops, which have for many weeks fought obstinately and brilliantly, suffered many losses."

GERMANS ARE SAD.

Greatly Regret Sinking of Their Four Cruisers.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—The newspapers discuss the loss of the German cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Leipzig and Nürnberg, off Falkland Islands, in a tone of keenest sorrow, but with complete resignation. They express patriotic pride in the previous achievements of these warships and express the opinion that the battle of Coronel, where they sank the British cruisers Good Hope and Monmouth, will bulk larger in naval history than the battle of the Falkland Islands.

The North German Gazette says the cruisers stood an unequal contest with honor, fully meeting the high expectations that the Fatherland had placed in the squadron's efficiency and moral power.

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BRITISH STILL AFTER THAT GERMAN CRUISER

(Special to The Daily News.)
Buenos Ayres, Dec. 15.—The Minister of Marine has announced that two British warships have entered the Straits of Magellan in pursuit of the German cruiser Dresden, which has taken refuge in Puntas Arenas, Chile.

Santiago, Dec. 15.—It is officially announced that the German cruiser Dresden is now at Punta Arenas damaged. She will be allowed to make repairs but will be compelled to sail from the port immediately after the repairs have been made.

PRICES ARE GOING UP IN GERMANY

Government Has Commandeered All Hides and Skins in the Empire.

Stockholm, Dec. 15.—The adviser in Berlin to the Swedish Chamber of Agriculture has forwarded a report on the condition of the supply of food and other commodities in Germany.

The market for hides and skins has lately shown a considerable rise in prices. The government has now commandeered all hides and skins and has formed a department to govern all this kind of business. Of dairy produce there is an extreme shortage and the price of cheese and butter is steadily rising. The government has fixed a maximum price for potatoes.

As regards grain, new regulations have been imposed, as a result of which, under certain conditions, all stocks can be commandeered by the government. The bakers are not permitted to serve rye and wheat bread in extreme scarcity of eggs and prices have risen sharply.

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(Special to The Daily News.)
Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Recruiting in Canada is still going on. It is now announced that several additional regiments are to be raised immediately and will be sent forward at once if required to reinforce the first contingent. In case they are not wanted for this purpose they will form the nucleus of a third contingent.

BURY WAS TENDERED A PUBLIC BANQUET

(Special to The Daily News.)
Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—A public banquet was given here last night to Mr. George Bury, who goes to Montreal shortly as vice president of the C. P. R. It was attended by about four hundred prominent men, including the premiers of the three Prairie provinces.

AUSTRIA OFFICIALLY ADMITS EVACUATION OF SERBIAN CAPITAL

(Special to The Daily News.)
Vienna, Dec. 15.—It is officially admitted that the Austrians have evacuated Belgrade without fighting. The Austrian troops in the Servian area are suffering from long and fatiguing battles but are otherwise in the best of spirits.

THIRTY-EIGHT RETURNED.

Halifax, Dec. 14.—Thirty-eight invalided and rejected soldiers from the first Canadian contingent returned by the Allan liner Scandinavian today.

Twenty-Three Invalided Men and Fifteen "Misfits" Sent Home.

Halifax, Dec. 14.—Thirty-eight invalided and rejected soldiers from the first Canadian contingent returned by the Allan liner Scandinavian today. Twenty-three are on the sick list, and retain their uniforms. The other fifteen are "misfits," who have been dismissed because of drunkenness and disorderly conduct, or other misdemeanors. Some of the "misfits" were not loathe to express their opinion of things military as Salisbury Plain. The majority of the fifteen, however, regret their errors and say they would only be too glad to get another chance with the troops.

LESSARD MENTIONED AS NEXT CONTINGENT HEAD

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—It is considered as quite probable that Major General Lessard may be appointed to the command of the second contingent if a Canadian officer is put in charge of that force. The commanding officer and the officers of the headquarters staff are not likely to be named until January. A choice will be first made of the officers to command the various units which will make up the contingent. The second overseas force is likely to sail from Halifax for England toward the end of January. Arrangements for transports will be completed shortly.

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GAS EXPLOSION HAS VERY SERIOUS RESULTS

(Special to The Daily News.)
Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 15.—A natural gas explosion has taken place here. It wrecked an apartment house, in which seven were killed and eight injured.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSN.

At the recent examination of the Ladies' First Aid Class the following passed: Miss Anna Birnie, Mrs. T. C. Duncan, Miss Alice Du Vernet, Miss Maud E. Eason, Mrs. E. H. Humble, Mrs. C. E. Ling, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. F. H. Mobley, Mrs. J. H. McMullin, Mrs. J. C. McLean, Mrs. E. V. Peterson, Mrs. A. T. Parkin, Miss M. E. Ray, Miss Jessie Scott, Mrs. D. Strang, Miss E. A. Suttaby, Miss L. J. Tallander and Mrs. G. A. Woodlands. The examiners remarked upon the excellence of the ladies' work, and there is no doubt there have been many enthusiastic students.

DIRECT SAILING FROM NEW YORK TO GERMANY

New York, Dec. 15.—The first steamer to sail direct from New York for a German port since the war was declared four months ago sailed out of the harbor Friday. The vessel is the Elmonte, of the Southern Pacific line, which came from Galveston for coal. She is bound for Bremen, and has aboard a full cargo of cotton, and flies the American flag.

The shippers of the cargo have accepted the suggestion of the British Admiralty, and will send the vessel through the Straits of Dover, inviting full inspection of the ship's papers and cargo.

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EDITORIALS

The following from the Monetary Times, which usually supports the government, is interesting:

"Sir Robert Borden, as Premier should insist that Major General Sam Hughes, as Minister of Militia, should cease his irresponsible chatter. If that is impossible, the Minister of Militia should be asked to resign, and resign. When the talkative minister attended the directors' luncheon at the National Exhibition, Toronto, in September, he addressed probably a hundred newspaper men. Tactfully, they gave his utterances scant notice in their journals afterwards. One remark then was that he had heard that German-Americans from Buffalo might invade Canada. 'Let 'em come,' said the minister. 'We have 10,000 men here who will trim them to a finish.' At a public meeting in London, Ont., last week, the minister is reported to have said: 'My critics will stop their yelping as a puppy chasing an express train gives up its job as a useless task,' adding that the engineer did not stop to throw stones, and promising himself some day to stop and 'shy a rock.' Interviewed by Toronto reporters later, the minister is reported as saying: 'Shut up! that is about all I want on that.

I warned you to shut up about that. Shut up! don't try to explain! His public reprimand of Major General Lesard at Toronto was also inexcusable.

Major General Sam Hughes is supposed to represent in the Cabinet the people of Canada. But he does not represent them, because there is not a citizen, except partisan-blinded politicians, who approves of the minister talking in this undignified way. Sir Robert Borden, Sir George Foster, Hon. W. T. White, and other ministers, have a high and proper appreciation of the dignity of Cabinet office in the Dominion. They appreciate also the gravity of the times. Major General Sam Hughes may be a military genius, but he seems to lack entirely any conception of the dignity of his position. Instead of creating confidence with a quiet and business-like manner, he acts as a disturbing firecracker. The way to repair matters is for the Minister of Militia to stop talking as do some spoiled 8-year-old schoolboys. The alternative is to appoint a war minister for Canada who is not too proud or too clever to emulate the ways of the war minister for Great Britain.

NO ALUM BRANCH BOYS' BRIGADE STARTED IN RUPERT. Quietly, and without any fuss or flare of trumpets, there has recently crept into our midst a branch of the greatest boys' movement in the world. Some few weeks ago Rev. H. R. Grant, of the First Presbyterian Church, ably assisted by Mr. R. McFarlane, organized the First Prince Rupert Company of the Boys' Brigade.

RAILWAYS WANT TIES. British Railways Looking Round for Further Supplies if Ordinary Sources Are Cut Off.

Cranbrook, B. C., Dec. 14.—Unrest among the lumbermen of this province over published reports that the Imperial government had let a contract in Alabama for ten million ties has been set at rest by a cablegram from Hon. George H. Perley, acting high commissioner. Mr. R. F. Green, Dominion member for Kootenay, was requested by local lumbermen to take the matter up with the Minister of Trade and Commerce and is in receipt of the following telegram:

"Following message just received from Mr. Perley: 'Have definite verbal assurance from Board of Trade that no such order for railway ties given or contemplated by Imperial government. Subsequently approached railway executive committee; no orders given by them but they added that English railway companies in view of the closing of ordinary sources of supply are looking around in case necessity arises to draw upon new territory. Would be well to have lumbermen forward fullest particulars available Canadian supply to the secretary of railway executive committee as early as possible.' (Signed) 'R. L. BORDEN.'"

ALIENS TO CLEAR SITES. Government Decides to Use Alien Enemies to Clear Sites for Experimental Farms.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—It is understood that it has been decided by the government to utilize any of the alien enemies who have been interned in Ontario and Quebec to clear sites for experimental farms in Northern Ontario and Northern Quebec along the lines of the National Transcontinental Railway.

The government has had under consideration for some time the question of such farms along the route of the N. T. R. to demonstrate the value of these lands for agricultural purposes.

The illness of Hon. Martin Burrell has delayed carrying the scheme into operation. Active steps will be taken at once in the selection of the sites and in the preparatory work of clearing.

The alien enemy may be utilized for this purpose, as under the rules of international law provision must be made for their maintenance as long as they are detained in this country.

Some eight hundred are being sent to Petawawa military camp to clear the roads.

The Boys' Brigade movement, although new to Prince Rupert, is no stranger to Canada, or to the older countries. It was in the year 1883 that the late Sir Wm. A. Smith conceived the idea of getting hold of the boy for the Church by means of military drill. He put his idea into practice, and organized the First Glasgow Company of the Boys' Brigade out of a Sunday School class of some eight boys. Today the Boys' Brigade numbers 120,000 officers and boys the world over. No movement has been so thoroughly criticized and few so much misunderstood, and yet through a storm of opposition in its infancy, the Boys' Brigade today stands the premier boys' movement in the world.

Its means are ingenious and appeal to all that a boy loves. By means of military drill and strict discipline is brings the superfluous energy of boys into subjection, and so guides that energy, that instead of it's being wasted in mischief and often harmful pleasure, it reacts upon the boy by way of gymnastics and athletics, and helps to build up a strong physical and moral body. No movement has yet been conceived that gets such a grip upon a boy. It appeals to all that is manly in him—he loves its discipline—and honors its principles. Those who have had any experience of boys knows the almost overwhelming difficulty of catching the boy at the 'teen age. This problem is the great question before our churches today. The cry of, "Why this leakage?" is almost becoming pathetic because of its repetition. The boy grows too old for Sunday School and is too often lost to the Church in consequence. The Boys' Brigade fills the gap between Sunday School and church membership as nothing has ever done. It offers the boy a religion that is practical. It gives him something that his heart longs for—a means of making a noise without looking foolish. It holds out to him a sympathetic hand and leads him over the pitfalls open to every boy, just when that help is most needed.

Thousands of men today bear testimony of the wonderful influence the Boys' Brigade has over lads. This was amply evidenced when recently its founder, Sir W. A. Smith, answered the last roll-call. Then it was not a family mourning, but from the King to the lowest subject, from India, America, Africa, and almost every part of the world, came messages and deepest sympathy, and tokens of highest appreciation of the work of Mr. Smith.

The Boys' Brigade is not a military organization, merely adopting military drill as a means of attaining discipline. Its object,

as put down in its constitution, is "the advancement of Christ's Kingdom amongst boys, and the promotion of habits of obedience, reverence, discipline and self-respect, and all that tends to a true Christian manliness." And this ideal it always puts first.

Prince Rupert is to be congratulated that it is the possessor of such a movement. Although small in numbers its influence will soon be felt. "Rome was not built in a day," nor can any organization become complete in a day. It is safe to say that no movement in the city more deserves the whole-hearted support of its citizens than the First Prince Rupert Company Boys' Brigade, and no two men deserve more sympathy in their work than Rev. H. R. Grant and Capt. R. McFarlane. If we save the boys, we save the men. H. F.

READJUSTMENT OF STRATEGIC PLAN May Follow as Result of Recent German Successes in Poland.

London, Dec. 12.—Despite the attempt, in some quarters, to minimize the German victory at Lodz, military experts admit its real importance. Lodz is the principal center for the manufacture of cloth for the Russian army uniforms and its occupation will compel Russians, more and more, to rely upon the West Riding of Yorkshire for cloth. They are now attempting to place large orders there. General Von Hindenberg's success there may indicate an entire readjustment of the German strategic plan. There is a possibility of the Germans recognizing their complete arrest on the western frontier and they may retire upon the enormously strong Rhine line of fortifications, concentrating their striking armies upon Russia. This plan, while presenting military advantages would, however, by such a humiliating admission of failure of the German western campaign, that it seems more probable that they will attempt to hold the present lines with greatly reduced forces, while withdrawing all possible men for Russia, which now becomes their principal field of operations.

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 Executive—Messrs. James H. Thompson, F. H. Mobley and G. R. Naden.

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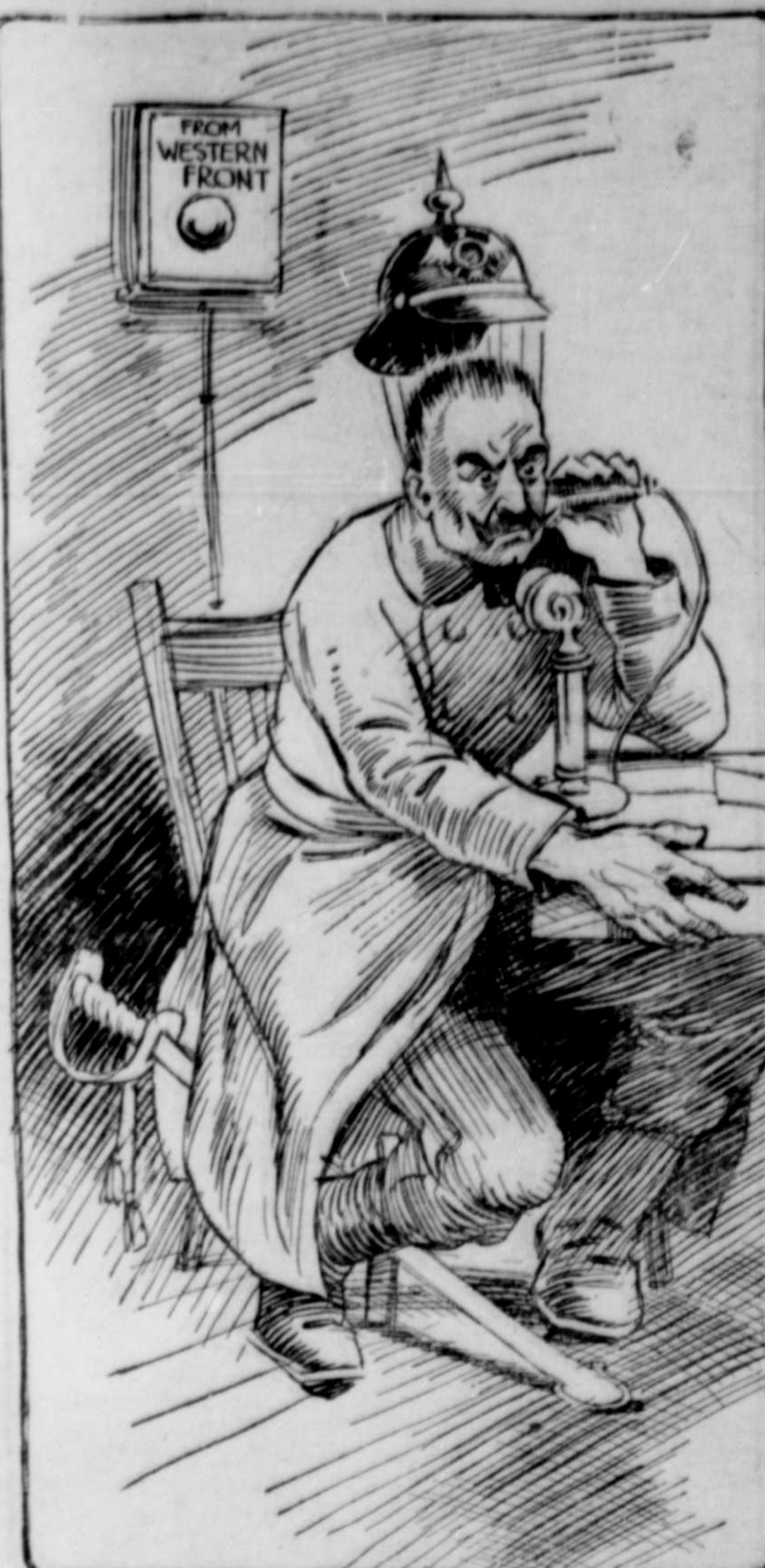
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BAD NEWS FROM THE FRONT.—The Kaiser and Crown Prince learn that the war is not what it cracked up to be.—Cartoon by James Frise.

FRENCH AND BELGIAN ARMIES WERE BETRAYED BY SPIES

RUMOR CONFIRMED THAT FRENCH GENERAL WAS SHOT AS TRAITOR—SUDDEN FALL OF NAMUR BELIEVED RESULT OF TREACHERY.

The Bulletin Des Armes, which is apparently the French official army publication, has issued a report which details the operations of the French army during the last four months. It points out that the French army today is equal in strength to what it was when the war started; in other words, that despite all the fighting French reserves have filled the losses caused by war, and is really stronger than before, having had additional experience.

It may be remembered that on July 14 last the French Chamber held a debate in which the Minister of War confessed that some of the French fortresses were not in a condition for a proper defence, and that there was a considerable shortage in equipment. Three or four days later the Austrian ultimatum to Serbia was drafted, and Germany's whole attitude indicated that she deemed the hour had come, and was fully prepared to strike. Letters from French reservists which have arrived in this city since the outbreak of the war indicated that two months after the war began French reservists were still awaiting their equipment, and hardly expected to be on the firing line for at least another month. Since then General Joffre has been steadily adding to his forces and today the position in Alsace and Lorraine indicates that the French have been heavily reinforced, and are taking the offensive.

The Bulletin Des Armes also confirms what had previously been whispered, namely, that several of the higher commanders in the French army had been dismissed. One of the rumors stated definitely that a certain General Percier, who was said to have been responsible for the exposure of the British right wing at Mons, and the general retirement of the French left, which was meant to support the British, has been shot for treachery. It was alleged that he was in the pay of the Germans, and that this accounted for the abandonment of the first line of defence on the Meuse. The Bulletin states that "the higher command renewed owing to necessary dismissals, has not committed during the past three months any of the faults noted and punished in August."

This is an extremely significant admission, for the correspondent of the Canadian Courier in

Belgium is authority for the statement that with the exception of General Leman, the defender of Liege, the officers of the Belgian army were corrupted and bought up with German money. If so, the rapid fall of Namur, Maubeuge and Antwerp is amply accounted for.

The correspondent avers that under the handsome villas of German visitors who had erected homes outside of these towns of Namur and Maubeuge, had been constructed the concrete bases of the guns which later destroyed the city. He claims that Belgian officers high in authority were entirely in the pay of the Germans, and that the whole scheme of an uninterrupted passage through the neutral country would have been effected had it not been for the people themselves and their heroic King and leader.

The tales which have been told of the German spy system lend a good deal of color to this belief. It was said at the time Namur fell that its quick capitulation was caused by treachery, and it seems curious that the German atrocities which have shocked the world all took place in the north and northwest of Belgium, where the people, following the advice of the Kaiser to his civilian subjects of East Prussia, took up arms in defence of their homes and country. One day the true story of the invasion of Belgium will be published, and the names of those men who sold their country may be held up to the same universal execration as that of Judas Iscariot. One thing is obvious. Germany expected France to capitulate directly Paris was taken, and evidently had paved the way for the promulgation of an educational campaign among the French people. One or two newspapers actually published letters from some of the politicians asking why France should fight the battles of the British Empire.

In this connection it is interesting to note that M. Caillaux, once Finance Minister of France, and accused after Agadir of having been ready to make terms with Germany which would have been financially advantageous to himself, has left France for South America. Ostensibly the reason was the scandal caused by the acquittal of Mme. Caillaux for the murder of M. Calmette. But the world may well ask whether after all this was the only reason which

prompted one of the most brilliant of the French politicians to desert his country in her hour of trial. M. Caillaux could have stayed in his country and offered it his life—an action which would have greatly appealed to the dramatic instinct of the French, and would have wiped out all prejudice against him.—Vancouver Province.

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The Council is taking up the G. T. P. It is estimated that the company requires a supply of a quarter of a million gallons. The city engineer was authorized to enter into negotiations for supplying this through a meter.

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No, it is not too late to sit for that photo which you would like to send East for Xmas. Benson Studio, 2nd Avenue.

There seems to be some more local money that wants to get lost in the laundry business. A. Macdonald and S. Holmquist applied to the City Council last night for permission to open a laundry in the Bulkley Block. It did not matter that there was a bylaw forbidding this. The request was granted.

A conference was held between a committee of the City Council and J. F. Ritchie and David H. Hays with regard to the Fourth Avenue sewer. It was agreed that the city take it over at a value of \$308. The Council endorsed this and a bylaw will be introduced to cover this.

A picture postcard of the local company now at Victoria has been received at this office from Mr. P. F. Godenrath, who is a member of the corps. The boys look fine in their new uniforms and already appear to have the upright poise of regulars.

Another body was found across the harbor today, indicating that there must have been another drowning case. The body was located by Andrew Konka and he communicated with the police, who are now trying to solve the identity of the man.

BELLA COOLA NOTES
(Bella Coola Courier)

F. A. Johnson and J. Hober, of Firvale, visited town on Wednesday. Mr. Johnson brought down a full load of farm produce consigned to Victoria as his contribution to the Belgian relief fund.

Good progress is being made on the extensive repairs to the wharf. Foreman McCloskey is now being favored with fine weather and able to get in full time. Several of the men engaged on the work have taken involuntary duckings in the cold waters of the harbor, but so far with no serious result.

The farmers of the valley are taking full advantage of the fine dry weather and are busily engaged in the hard task of land clearing. The Saloomt sawmill at Hagensborg has a number of men engaged cutting shingle bolts, and no one is idle.

The local Conservative held a meeting at the Mackenzie School on Saturday last, but as no report of the proceedings is to hand we are unable to state the nature of the business transacted. It is said several new members were enrolled, although strange to say, at the last election the Liberals polled the largest vote.

All things come to the one who waits—in the right kind of an eating joint.

Some girls never seem to learn anything at boarding school except to be snippy.

In the Letter Box

Editor, The Daily News.

Dear Sir,—Would you favor me with a space for the following letter in reply to a letter published in The News on December 11, by a person who goes by the nom de plume of "Merchant." Now, I am not enthusiastic over the mail order business and never have been. I, like many others, cling to the city and do the best I possibly can for it but when "Merchant" says we all get our living in this locality, I doubt it a great deal. Further on he says, "Who pays our taxes, helps the needy, looks after the poor or supplies the unemployed?" Well, the majority of businessmen in this town have no property and only a business license which they vote on, but do they help the poor or help the needy? I do not think so as here in Rupert we have very few poor people compared with other cities in the Dominion, where "thousands" today are starving just where the mail order houses are located. Well, let us come to the last question he asks, "Who supplies our unemployed?" I must admit that some of "our" merchants do so with the absolute necessities of life and charge a most magnificent price for whatever he sells, but in regard to work wherewith a man obtains his dollars to pay for his goods the local merchants do absolutely nothing, as will be seen by the citizens of this town having to parade on the enforced idle list for six months of every year. Only the other day some sixty men landed here from Vancouver to work on the drydock and already we have twenty citizens, at the least, who follow the same line of work idle in town here waiting anxiously for that very work—yet the stranger gets first chance. Now they are still waiting. And this kind of thing is going on at regular intervals. What are these strangers doing for the town? They get the work, get the money, and get through with the work and leave town, taking the money out of town with them. Those who have been here two or three years have to stand by for the newcomers all the time. Now if this "Merchant" is a member of the Board of Trade let him start some plan whereby his townspeople are going to benefit and if there is any work going on let the stranger within our gates come after the citizens for charity starts at home and thus show the citizen who requires work how to support the town and home merchants. We all know this to be a strenuous time and when the prices of foodstuffs come down in comparison to the standard of wages paid in this locality and the merchants start some co-operative plan—if this mail order business is still as bad then let the merchants "holler and growl."

Mr. George Morrow stated at a banquet the other week that fresh meat is still as high priced as it was in the earliest days of this city. Why? Because the butchers know the people cannot possibly get fresh meat from the mail order house. I think a little common sense on the part of the local merchants will alleviate a great deal of this trouble and keep this city out of the state that other cities in the Dominion of Canada have got into.

Hoping some person more able than myself will give some ideas to start a co-operative system, I am, yours truly,

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\$7.50 for \$6.00
\$2.00 for \$1.60
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