

## AMERICAN NOTE TO BRITAIN WAS NOT PEREMPTORY

### AUSTRIAN DREADNAUGHT WAS SUNK BY A FRENCH SUBMARINE--MORE AEROPLANE RAIDS

#### AMERICAN NOTE WAS FRIENDLY AMICABLE SETTLEMENT SURE

IN SPITE OF WARLIKE ATTITUDE OF PRO-GERMANS IN THE  
 STATES COUNTRIES UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER  
 AND SETTLEMENT IS ASSURED.

(Special to The Daily News)  
 London, Dec. 31.—Lloyd's pre-  
 sident for insuring shipping  
 against war between Britain and  
 Germany was cut in half today.  
 It now costs seven guineas per cent.

London, Dec. 31.—The official  
 statement today that the an-  
 swer to the American note will  
 be given as soon as possible and  
 be written in the same  
 friendly manner in which the  
 American note was couched.

#### Nothing Peremptory.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—  
 President Wilson said today that  
 there was nothing peremptory in  
 the note sent to Britain. The so-  
 lution will likely be found along  
 the line of the government,  
 through her consuls, guarantee-  
 ing the absence of contraband in  
 the cargoes shipped. The chief  
 difficulty is that shipments may  
 be augmented at sea.

#### MUCH RED TAPE IN CONTRABAND SEARCH

Difficulties Between Great  
 Britain and United  
 States.

London, Dec. 31.—The Times,  
 in a recent editorial, discussed  
 the difficulties between Great  
 Britain and the United States  
 arising out of necessary examina-  
 tions of American vessels for  
 contraband. It admits that there  
 is some ground for the com-  
 plaints by the American press of  
 unnecessary delays in announcing  
 the seizure of cargoes of seized ves-  
 sels and urges the government to  
 expedite the business  
 of departure from the nor-  
 mally cumbersome and secret routine  
 of diplomatic and departmental  
 procedure.

#### SERVIANS WILL MARCH AGAINST HUNGARY

(Special to The Daily News)  
 Paris, Dec. 31.—Dr. Vestnitch,  
 the Servian minister here, as-  
 serts that the Servians will not  
 push their advantage against  
 Bosnia, but will strike into the  
 heart of Hungary, where much  
 greater results can be achieved.  
 The Servian army is well sup-  
 plied with ammunition.

Nish, Dec. 31.—Crown Prince  
 Alexander, in an address to the  
 Servian army, says he is proud  
 to announce that there is not a  
 single enemy on Servian soil.  
 Peace, he said, will bring a Servia  
 greater, more powerful and hap-  
 pier than before.

#### FRENCH SUBMARINE SANK DREADNAUGHT

(Special to The Daily News.)  
 London, Dec. 31.—A French  
 submarine has torpedoed and  
 sunk one of the four largest  
 dreadnaughts of the Austrian  
 navy. She was the Viribus Unitis,  
 a ship of 20,000 tons and of 22  
 knots speed and carrying 950  
 men. She was heavily armored  
 and carried twelve 12-inch guns  
 as well as several smaller ones.  
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 year.

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#### CANADA AND BRITAIN HEAVY ARMS BUYERS

Interesting Statistics in the  
 Statement of the Exports of  
 War Munitions.

Washington, Dec. 31.—In re-  
 sponse to Senator Hitchcock's  
 resolution for information on  
 shipments of war munitions from  
 the United States, Secretary Red-  
 field has submitted a report giv-  
 ing data so far available. There  
 are 15,000 firms in the country,  
 he said, that could export munitions,  
 and it had been impossible  
 to make a complete investigation.

Heaviest shipments of ammu-  
 nition since the war began were  
 in October, chiefly to the United  
 Kingdom and France. For that  
 month munition exports to them  
 totaled \$1,104,744 worth of car-  
 tridges, \$539,860 worth of fire-  
 arms and \$1,114 worth of gun-  
 powder. Since the European war  
 began there is no record of ship-  
 ments of war munitions to Ger-  
 many, Russia, Belgium or Servia.

Germany was a heavy buyer of  
 cartridges and firearms in 1913,  
 and a heavier buyer in 1914, but  
 has taken none since the war be-  
 gan. Russia bought sparingly in  
 1913, the total value being less  
 than \$9,000, but in 1914 it rose  
 to \$750,000 worth of cartridges  
 and firearms. She has taken  
 none since the close of the fiscal  
 year 1914 on July 1.

The United Kingdom took  
 nearly \$200,000 worth in the fis-  
 cal year ended June, 1913, and  
 about \$200,000 worth in the fiscal  
 year ended June, 1914. She  
 bought a little over \$30,000 worth  
 in August, nearly \$300,000 worth  
 in September and nearly \$800,-  
 000 worth in October.

Canada was a heavier buyer.  
 In the fiscal year ended June,  
 1913, Canada took \$1,300,000 mu-  
 nitions of war, and the following  
 fiscal year nearly \$1,000,000. In  
 August, after the war began,  
 about \$100,000; in September,  
 about \$80,000 worth, and in Octo-  
 ber about the same amount.

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SCARBOROUGH GARDENS REPLACED BY TRENCHES.—Shells  
 wrecked the railway station. St. Mary's Church, Scarborough,  
 was one of the few such edifices which escaped the German  
 bombardment unscathed. The beautiful gardens fronting the  
 sea have been removed and tiers of trenches and machine  
 guns are ready to offset any attack.

#### STEP BY STEP ALLIES ADVANCE-- SEVERE FIGHTING ON THE WEST

ATTACKS AND COUNTER ATTACKS ARE FAVORABLE TO THE  
 ALLIES—FIGHTING FROM HOUSE TO HOUSE IN  
 STEINBACH, ALSACE.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Paris, Dec. 31.—The French of-  
 ficial report says that quiet pre-  
 vailed yesterday from the sea to  
 the Aisne.

In the Champagne, north of  
 Sillery and near Rheims, the Ger-  
 mans during the night blew up  
 two trenches and followed with  
 an attack, which was repulsed.

#### THE BABY KILLERS OF SCARBOROUGH

In a letter written to the mayor  
 of Scarborough, the British town  
 recently bombarded, Winston  
 Churchill says what he thinks of  
 the German navy. He referred to  
 it as an act of spleen that could  
 have no results from a military  
 point of view. After condemning  
 this useless attack on non-com-  
 batants, the First Lord closes  
 with the following biting reproach:  
 "Whatever feats of arms the  
 German navy may hereafter  
 perform, the stigma of baby-kill-  
 ers of Scarborough will brand its  
 officers and men while sailors sail  
 the seas."

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 Shooting Contest in our  
 shooting gallery in which a  
 number of turkeys will be  
 given away on New Year's  
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#### JAPAN NOT ASKED TO FIGHT IN EUROPE

(Special to The Daily News.)  
 Tokyo, Dec. 31.—Denying the  
 reports that Japanese troops had  
 landed at Vladivostok on the way  
 to Europe, the Foreign Office  
 stated that "Japan had not been  
 approached by Great Britain or  
 any other country to send an  
 army to Europe."

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#### BRITISH ATTACK EQUALS GERMANS SEEK CHILDREN

(Special to The Daily News.)

Geneva, Dec. 31.—It is report-  
 ed here that the recent raid on  
 Cuxhaven resulted in the destruc-  
 tion of one of the latest super-  
 Zeppelins by the British bombs.  
**Retaliate on Dunkirk.**

Dunkirk, Dec. 31.—Fifteen  
 were killed and thirty wounded,  
 including many women and chil-  
 dren in a raid made on this city  
 yesterday by German aeroplanes.  
 They hovered over the city for  
 half an hour. The bombs they  
 dropped were filled with shrap-  
 nel. There were four in all and  
 they escaped, although one ap-  
 peared to have been hit.

#### BRITISH TAKE MORE GERMAN TERRITORY

(Special to The Daily News.)

Melbourne, Dec. 31.—On De-  
 cember 9 British forces occupied  
 Bougainville, the largest of the  
 Solomon Islands.

#### FRENCH WAR SUPPLIES LOST IN WRECK

St. John, N. B., Dec. 31.—The  
 steamer Navarro, laden with war  
 supplies for France, has been  
 wrecked in the Bay of Fundy in  
 a fog. The vessel and cargo is a  
 total loss.

#### ALLIES' AEROPLANES DO GOOD WORK

Paris, Dec. 31.—The Prince of  
 Teck yesterday officially thanked  
 the French aeroplane corps now  
 operating on the coast of Bel-  
 gium for aiding the British war  
 vessels to get the range of the  
 German shore batteries and as-  
 sisting also in the bombardment  
 which followed.

The aircraft is showering  
 bombs on the railway depots and  
 trains and arrows on the trenches  
 of the enemy.

France, it is reported, is con-  
 structing two great air fleets for  
 the invasion of Germany in the  
 spring.

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#### URGES WAR AGAINST WAR BY WORKERS OF WHOLE WORLD

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, Dec. 31.—Karl Liebn-  
 knecht, the Socialist member of the  
 Reichstag who alone voted  
 against the German war credit,  
 publishes an appeal to British  
 Socialists in which he calls upon  
 the workers of the world to unite  
 against the war. Masses, every-  
 where, he says, loathe the war,  
 and opposition among the Ger-  
 man workers is much greater  
 than was supposed.

#### HUNGARIANS WANT TO SUE FOR PEACE

(Special to The Daily News.)

Basil, Switzerland, Dec. 31.—  
 Rioting has taken place through-  
 out Austria-Hungary in opposi-  
 tion to the war. The populace as  
 a whole is demanding that the  
 government sue for peace. The  
 police have put down a big ris-  
 ing in Vienna.

#### GENERAL SAM IS COMING TO COAST

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Gen. Sam  
 Hughes leaves tonight for the in-  
 spection of the Western forces,  
 including the forces at the Coast.

#### GERMAN REPORT

(Special to The Daily News.)

Berlin, Dec. 31.—The German  
 report says comparative quiet is  
 prevailing in the western area on  
 the coast.

An entire French company was  
 annihilated when the Germans  
 blew up their line at Algiers.

In Champagne strong French  
 attacks were everywhere re-  
 pulsive.

In western Argonne the Ger-  
 mans gained considerable ground,  
 capturing several trenches.

In Upper Alsace all the French  
 attacks have failed.

The enemy's artillery destroyed  
 Steinbach but the Germans still  
 hold the town.

In the eastern theatre in Poland  
 and in the east is unchanged.

Fighting continues in the re-  
 gion of the Bzura, the Rawka and  
 the Pilica Rivers.

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 kick usually wins the scrap.

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## EDITORIALS

The year 1914 is about to pass out in darkness and gloom. Not for a hundred years have the issues been at stake that 1914 leaves unsolved. Believers in superstition will find it hard to understand why 1913 was not entrusted with this dismal burden. It will be a remarkable coincidence if 1915 should bring somewhat similar results to those of 1815. Democracy and tyranny are again clutching at each other's throats as they were a century ago and perhaps the fates have already arranged another Waterloo. The present is dark but the future is bright because right must reign. Here's to the New Year, therefore, and may it bring us a victorious Waterloo.

The protest made by the United States to Britain is not a warlike act, as a local paper would have the people believe. Neither is it something that has just arisen. The attempt of Britain to prevent her enemies from getting supplies in the United States, which she is entitled to do by international law, has been going on for several months and an agreement with regard to cotton, oil and copper shipments from the States has already been amicably reached. The present protest is over the right to

search ships and is presented as a matter of course and will be solved as all other questions between those two countries have been. As a matter of fact, according to a treaty between those two countries they could not go to war over this issue without first submitting it to arbitration. It is worse than folly to suggest a serious disagreement.

The resolution presented to Congress to prevent the exportation of arms to the Allies can be easily traced to the proper source. The men who are supporting it in Congress both carry German names. The United States is trying very hard to prevent strained relations with Germany while the sentiment of the whole country is strongly pro-British. In this, perhaps, they are showing the usual wisdom of the "children of this world," for they are looking to future business. The President has even forbidden the manufacture of submarines for the Allies in the United States, which is going farther than the law requires. Germany would not object to the States exporting arms if they could get their share. That they cannot do so is part of the advantage that belongs to the strong.



The suggestion that the States should cultivate friendship with Germany in order that Germany might be her ally in a possible fight with Japan, is full of mischief. The American people, however, do not forget that at the time of the Spanish-American war their friends were not in Berlin but in London, and they are not likely to put much value on this bait. The principles that underlie the American democracy are the same that exist throughout the British Empire and are quite antagonistic to those of Germany. Self-interest compels those great countries to work together and with the men at the helm in both countries there is no doubt but that they will.

### GOVERNMENT STANDARD DISAPPEARING BRIDGES

(Omineca Herald.)

Once again the bridge went out and once again thousands of dollars in lumber, plank and wages went down the Bulkley.

What bridge went out; the one at Hagwilget which was built by private enterprise?

No! That bridge couldn't go out. It's "not up to the government standard."

Was it the old Indian bridge that did such great service for so many years?

No! The Indians built that.

Well, what bridge was it that went out?

Why, the one across the Bulkley from the old town to the foot of that great hill going up to the railway.

I didn't know there ever was one there.

There wasn't but the government officials have been attempting for several months to put one there that is "up to the government standard." This is about three that have already gone down stream.

Are they going to attempt another bridge?

I presume so. There's a lot of voters out of work and in a timber (?) country like this material does not cost much. Then we really must have one bridge in the district "up to the government standard."

Don't you think it would be a lot better to build it "up to the Bulkley standard?"

Hush! Mercy! You're making a suggestion to His Majesty's road and bridge builder. You are apt "to be sued for damages and put out of business in six months."

But why don't they use a good bridge with level grades and a possibility to make a good road.

Man, man! Didn't I tell you to hush? You're asking naughty questions. To get information you should go to Mr. So-and-so. He might tell you. All we are supposed to know is that "it is not up to the government standard." How or why we are not expected to know.

It costs a lot of money to

bridge the mouth of the Bulkley "up to the government standard." Is the government pretty flush just now that such things can be undertaken?

I told you several times to be quiet. Don't speak so harshly; you'll get us all in trouble. Come close and I will whisper what our suppositions are. Now mind, we are not even supposed to have suppositions to think. There is an army of government officials in the old town to do all those little things for us. But, now listen. We have been told several times by different grades of officials that roads would be cut and graded to and from the good bridge that is built on a high level. Nothing has been done yet except the cutting which we did ourselves. We suppose His Majesty's road and bridge builder foresaw the necessity of erecting a bridge across the mouth of the Bulkley "up to the government standard." "Our's not to reason why."

### FUTURE EXPOSURES MAY TELL SOME TALES

Mr. H. H. Stevens displayed a deep vein of loyalty at the meeting at Carleton Hall, South Vancouver, when he doubled up his fists and banged into Alvo Von Alvensleben, Count of the German Empire.

Von Alvensleben and Von Ellinger, said Mr. Stevens, were accorded too much courtesy by the people of British Columbia. Mr. Stevens was right. The two Germans were received altogether too kindly in Vancouver and were, even after the war broke out, treated with too much tolerance.

Just how a good British Columbia Conservative can attack the two kinsmen of the Kaiser at this late date and explain satisfactorily the intimate relations in the past between the Conservative party and Alvo and his band, is a puzzling question.

Alvo always had the entree to the Premier's office at Victoria. Alvo, when the crash came, was in very heavy on British Columbia coal lands, timber lands and wild agricultural lands. It is common knowledge that at the Tory trough in British Columbia, Alvo stood head and shoulders above many of the others and sometimes even pushed his front feet into the trough.

It is quite possible that after the story of Alvo Von Alvensleben's connection with the public men of British Columbia is told that Mr. Stevens, Mr. Bowser and Sir Richard will never again be able to wave a flag from a public platform.—Chinook.

### GREY SAYS THE UNITED STATES IS WITH BRITAIN

London, Dec. 31.—Sir Edward Grey, speaking in London, said that he was fully conscious of the "great sympathy which existed in the United States in the mighty struggle. If the British fleet and the Empire were destroyed by Germany, the Monroe doctrine, in the enemy's estimation, would not be worth thirty cents."

The wise man learns from observation rather than from experience.

### GERMANY DOESN'T WANT A FINISH WAR

New York Deduction From Von Tirpitz Interview Is To That Effect

New York, Dec. 30.—The most significant indication of the attitude of Germany's war leaders that has come from the battle front is contained in Karl Von Wiegand's interview with Admiral Von Tirpitz, head of the German navy. As a frank declaration of the beliefs the war has forced upon the Kaiser's chief advisers, Von Tirpitz's statement is more important even than the recent interview with the German Crown Prince.

Von Tirpitz speaks of Germany's ability to keep the war going as long as Great Britain desires, but his words seem to be shadowed by a spirit of desperation.

He suggests sternly that if Great Britain persists in fighting for an overwhelming decision, Germany will have to protect herself regardless of means, but simply in accordance with the first law of nature. The British must be terrorized into reasonableness, is Von Tirpitz's real message to the world.

He defines how this can be done. He wants to know what America would say if Germany ordered her submarines to torpedo England's merchant marine. It has been a recognized rule of modern warfare that unarmed ships of the enemy cannot be sunk unless all souls aboard are rescued. Von Tirpitz's proposition, however, is to make submarine raids against these trading vessels and torpedo them as warships are torpedoed, sending all souls to the bottom.

Only a condition of desperation can explain a suggestion of this character being made by the responsible head of the German navy.

### PATRIOTIC EMESIS.

Henry White, first secretary of the American Legation at London, tells a story of some German and English officers who were dining together before the war. After the dinner an Englishman, to show his respect for the German Emperor, lifted a brimming glass, in which he toasted Wilhelm II. After he sat down he waited for a time for a return toast to King George. Noting that it was not given, he asked the Germans if they were going to comply with the custom. Receiving a negative answer, the Englishman arose, and, assuming a threatening attitude, shouted:

"You'll toast my sovereign, or," as he put his long middle finger in his mouth, "up comes your blooming Kaiser."

The toast was given.—New York Times.

The secret of health lies in a careful selection of food and thorough mastication, says an expert. A case of pick and chews.

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### ASKS FOR A DIVORCE.

Lester W. David, Promoter of Ocean Falls Co., Seeks Decree.

Seattle, Dec. 30.—Lester W. David, lumberman, who failed recently with liabilities of \$1,500,000 has started suit for divorce against Allie N. David, who is now in Los Angeles.

Incompatibility of temperament, making it absolutely impossible for them to live together, and desertion, are the grounds on which separation is asked. Mrs. David, in her answer, declares no such incompatibility exists, and asks for the dismissal of the proceedings.

Mr. David promoted the Ocean Falls Lumber Company, owning a big pulp mill, valued at \$1,500,000, and located 400 miles north of Vancouver, and the Monarch Lumber Company, of Portland, Oregon. He gave as the reasons for his failure that Eastern capitalists "threw him down" when he had the properties ready for business.

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## GERMANS READY TO SACRIFICE AUSTRIA

Scheme to Detach France and Russia From the Side of Great Britain.

Paris, Dec. 30.—The French press naturally is eager to mention and emphasize all indications of ill-feeling between Austria and Germany, but, according to a *Matin* editorial, a new and significant state of mind is pervading Germany, due to the disappointment at Austria's military failures which seem likely to soon terminate in total collapse.

The *Matin's* Verdun correspondent remarks the surprising unanimity among prisoners of all grades and from all districts of Germany, captured during the last month, on the subject of Austria.

"It was Austria's fault," they say. "We are fighting Austria's battle, which her feebleness is likely to cause us to lose."

Many German officers, some of high rank, developed this attitude further, declaring that Germany had no quarrel with France, who is Britain's tool, while Russia primarily is engaged in the conflict to avenge Austrian tyranny over Serbia.

### Sacrifice Austria.

Belgium, they admit, is devoid of blame. Its devastated territory, worthless now, might be returned to the Belgians, and even the invaded French provinces and Alsace-Lorraine might be returned to France, while Russia might keep Galicia. In compensation for loss of prestige and territory, Germany, they suggest, with characteristically cynical disregard for treaties, could take the Austrian territory from Bavaria to the Adriatic, thus punishing Italy and her people for her perfidious neutrality and preparing a Mediterranean stronghold against Britain, Germany's real foe.

Austria's dismemberment would satisfy all Germany's enemies save Britain. Even Roumania and the Balkan States would support Germany in return for the bloodless occupation of the coveted country. Should Russia not be content with Galicia, Turkey also might be thrown overboard, thus winning new friends for Germany at the expense of old ones who have become a burden and a hindrance.

### Indecent Selfishness.

Such indecent selfishness, says the *Matin*, appears inconceivable, but in view of the recent tenor of German diplomacy, it is not inherently improbable, and it is exceedingly dangerous, as calculated to cause a rift in the unity of the Allies.

One incident of the highest importance, it concludes, demonstrates the utter insincerity of German methods. At the height of the antebellum crisis, Von Jagow and other German diplomats persisted in declaring, on several occasions, that Germany was ignorant of the nature of the Austrian ultimatum to Serbia.

Apart from the fact that the Bavarian minister declared that he was acquainted with the contents of the note three days before it was sent, an Austrian diplomat recently informed the *Lausanne Gazette* that the delay in the publication of the Austrian Red Book—an appropriate title, interjects the French writer sarcastically—the only national diplomatic document now unpublished, was because it "gave away" Germany too utterly for excuse or explanation.

### GERMANY NOTIFIES U. S.

Kaiser Says He Wants Consuls in Belgium Acceptable to Him.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The German government has formally notified the American State Department that American consuls in Belgium must be acceptable to the German military authorities, and that it is desirable that some of the consuls be withdrawn for the present at least.

Humility is a virtue we all admire in others.

## MILITARY HONORS FOR THE GERMAN SAILORS

Unwounded Prisoners Refused To Come on Deck To Funeral Service

Buenos Ayres, Dec. 30.—British tars honored the bravery of their German enemies by according full military honors to those of the mortally wounded of the Falkland's naval engagement who died aboard the flagship *Invincible*. British officers at Montevideo told of how they had hoped to pay even greater respect to their enemies' courage, but were balked because of ungrounded fears of the German prisoners aboard the *Invincible*.

Every British sailor was ready to laud the victory or death spirit of the Germans in Admiral Von Spee's squadron. As far as possible every effort was made to save those who went down with their ships singing and "manning the side."

These survivors, many of them desperately wounded, were taken aboard the *Invincible*, Admiral Sturdee's flagship. Four Germans died the night after the battle. According to the unanimous feeling of his officers and men, Admiral Sturdee sent an officer to the unwounded German prisoners, requesting that they attend on deck the funeral services of their comrades, and informing them that the British intended to pay full measure of military honors to their enemies. The Germans were distrustful and refused to come on deck. British officers said regretfully that the Germans openly declared the belief that the invitation was a trick to get them on deck, where they would be shot down.

"We were sorry," said a flag captain, "because we had the best intentions in the world." Nevertheless, a firing squad shot a last volley over the water graves of the Germans.

### LONG AFTER-DINNER SPEECHES

At last the worm has turned, as everybody knew it would some day. At last an after-dinner audience, bored beyond all limit by a tedious after-dinner speaker, whistled, sang, stamped feet, upset chairs, and generally kicked up such a row that the speaker was forced to quit. This demonstration was made, not because the diners necessarily disapproved of the nature of the remarks made by the speaker. What they objected to was the ceaseless flow, the endless quantity of his words. He had his audience in a corner and seemed determined to talk everybody to death. All the usual hints that diners can give a speaker had failed. They had looked bored; they had squirmed in their seats; they had ceased to offer the applause which at first had been given generously. Conversation buzzed in the far corners. But the speaker, the only man present who was oblivious to the meaning of all these signs, talked and talked—until finally the diners broke into open rebellion.

Richmond P. Hobson, of naval fame, was the speaker, and he was an invited guest of the Pennsylvania Society. The American papers are discussing the discourtesy shown the speaker by the audience, and some of them censure the speaker for his discourtesy to his hosts by making an interminable speech on an occasion where good manners called for brevity.

Something like this was bound to happen, somewhere, sometime. The patience of diners has been ever-taxed in every town and city. There are some speakers who give no quarter. When they capture an audience they like to look the doors and stop the clock, so that not a man or a minute shall escape. They go on and on, blind to the physical discomforts of the listeners, deaf to the swelling note of discontent which rises like the hum of hornets. The man who presides would like to interfere, but does not know how

to do so without gross discourtesy. The listeners do not like to make a scene. Perhaps the Hobson incident will have an excellent effect wherever the story of it goes. Some night an offender will be Hobsonized in Toronto unless after-dinner speeches are shortened considerably.—Star.

### SAYS HE WAS A SPY.

Young German Gives Himself Up to Police at Windsor.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 31.—Conscious-stricken, Anton Gaus, aged 23 years, who gave himself up to the immigration authorities declaring that he intended to enlist with the third Canadian contingent for the purposes of spying, made a statement involving certain United States German consuls, with whom he says he entered into compact to carry out certain specific instructions. The youth is held waiting instructions from the military authorities. Gaus speaks seven languages and says he left Germany four years ago to escape conscription. He resided in Chicago until recently, when, urged by his parents, decided to join, if possible, the Canadian troops.

Last week he tried to enter Canada, but was stopped by the Sarnia officials. He says he then decided to go to Windsor, and make a clean breast of the whole affair.

### Certificate of Improvement.

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### PACIFIC, PEACE RIVER AND ATHABASCA RAILWAY COMPANY.

NOTICE. Pacific, Peace River and Athabasca Railways of Canada, at its next session, for an Act, authorizing the company to lay out, construct and operate the following lines of railway: (a) Commencing at a point on tide water, at or near the head of Kitimat Arm, following the Kitimat River in a northerly direction to the summit between Kitimat and Lakeise Lake, thence in a northerly direction along the valley of the Lakeise Lake and river to the Skeena River, thence crossing the Skeena River by means of a high level bridge and over the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway with standard clearances, thence north-easterly to the mouth of the Kitsumkaikem River and following its course to the summit of Seokas River, and thence following the valley of the Nass River, at or near Aiyash, a distance of approximately one hundred and twelve miles; (b) from the junction of the Blackwater River, with the Nass River, following the course of the Blackwater River, to the summit between it and the Galianskeest River, thence south easterly along the Galianskeest River to the Skeena River, thence up the Skeena River to the mouth of Bear River approximately fifty-seven miles.

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### WATER ACT, 1914.

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition for the approval of the undertaking of the City of Prince Rupert in connection with its water development on Thulme River has been filed and will be heard in the office of the Board of Investigation at a date to be set by the Comptroller of Water Rights. Objections to the petition may be filed with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C., or with the Water Recorder at Prince Rupert. Dated at Prince Rupert, B. C., this 26th day of December, A. D. 1914.

CITY OF PRINCE RUPERT. E. A. WOODS, City Clerk.

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### THIRD ADVANCE ON WARSAW DEFEATED

London, Dec. 31.—The third German advance on Warsaw has been definitely checked. The enemy has suffered great loss, failing to break through the Russian lines. The Austrians in the Carpathians are now in full retreat. Official dispatches say that the Austrian army in Galicia is struggling in disorderly retreat through the Carpathian Mountains.

### THREE SCANDINAVIAN MONARCHS HOLD MEETING

The belief is widespread in Europe that the recent meeting of the Kings of Sweden, Denmark, and Norway is of great international significance, and that significance is factitiously enhanced by the fact that ever since the separation of Norway from Sweden nine years ago there have been strained relations between the two countries. The meeting was the outcome of a sense of common danger and a pledge of future co-operation in meeting it. The danger is made manifest by Germany's ideas of contraband and neutrality, but it lies much deeper than these: the fear of the Scandinavian peoples formerly the ruthless destruction of Belgium it has become a dread of Germany.

There is no other part of Europe in which British people have a deeper interest than they have in Scandinavia. The Scandinavians—Danes and Norsemen—played an important part in the early history of what we now call the British Islands. The three countries are separately and collectively curiously mixed up with the United Kingdom dynastically. The Queen-Mother of Great Britain is the aunt of the King of Denmark and King George is his cousin; the King of Norway is his brother and the Queen of that country is his cousin. The Crown Prince of Sweden is the son-in-law of the Duke of Connaught, and there are still other relationships.

For centuries, until recently, the histories of the Scandinavian countries have been very much jumbled together. Sweden was part of the Kingdom of Denmark until 1523, and since that date it has been independent, and has during most of the time been the dominant Scandinavian power. From 1317 to 1814 Norway was part of the Kingdom of Denmark, but it became separated as the result of the Napoleonic wars. Denmark had allied herself to Napoleon, and the kingdom suffered partition on his downfall.

Norway was simply transferred to Sweden, but she never frankly accepted the subordinate position, although she was allowed a certain amount of political autonomy. The persistent agitation for separation culminated in a peaceful but not friendly dissolution of the tie between Norway and Sweden, and the Norwegians chose in 1905 as their new King Prince Charles of Denmark, whose name is now Håkon VII. The complete reconciliation between the peoples and rulers of the three kingdoms will gratify all who are interested for any reason in maintaining the individuality of the small States of Europe.

### In the Letter Box

Editor, The Daily News.

Sir—Next Sunday has been appointed by royal proclamation, "A day of humble prayer and intercession to Almighty God on behalf of the cause undertaken by our Empire and our allies, and of those who are offering their lives for it, and for a favorable and speedy peace that shall be founded on understanding and not hatred, to the end that peace shall endure."

In forwarding an official copy of this proclamation the Under Secretary of State writes: "It is the desire of the government that this proclamation should be given due consideration by all church and collegiate and other institutions in Canada and that it should be complied with, so that all Canadian people may unite on the day appointed for the solemn purpose directed by the proclamation."

In England before the day was finally fixed upon the Archbishop of Canterbury communicated with the heads of other churches, both Roman Catholic and Protestant, and received an assurance that their Churches would take part in the observance of such a day of National Intercession.

In Canada the Archbishop of Rupert's Land as Primate of the Church of England has issued a letter to all the bishops under him, and I have endeavored to communicate with all our clergy in this diocese in regard to a proper observance of this day. As the time has been so short to prepare the minds of the people scattered throughout Northern British Columbia for such a solemn day, I ask your permission to publish this reminder.

What could be more appropriate than that on the first Sunday in the New Year all our churches of all denominations should be crowded with devout worshippers anxious not only to get right with God themselves and so make a good start, but also to further through the mighty power of prayer the cause of a righteous and abiding peace.

Yours faithfully,  
F. H. DU VERNET,  
Bishop of Caledonia.  
Prince Rupert, Dec. 31, 1914.

### THE WEATHER.

By F. W. Dowling, Observer.  
(5 a. m., December 31, 1914.)  
Barometer ..... 29.825  
Max. temp. .... 43.0  
Min. temp. .... 34.0  
Rainfall ..... .34

### HALF OF PEAK NEAR LASSEN DISAPPEARS

Great Section of Volcanic Mountain Drops From Sight.  
Red Bluff, Cal., Dec. 31.—The southwest half of an unnamed peak between Mount Lassen and Broke Off Mountain disappeared yesterday about 1 o'clock.

## "Canada's Rally to the Empire"

THE GREATEST EVENT IN CANADA'S HISTORY — THE TALK OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hart, who have spent the last couple of years in Prince Rupert, will leave shortly for California, where they will reside. Mr. Hart has been an employee of the G. T. P.

Ladd Ward, charged with forgery, was sentenced today to twelve months hard labor. He will be sent to New Westminster.

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