

# THE DAILY NEWS

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## AUSTRIAN AMMUNITION DEPOTS EXPLODED

### VON MEYER SAYS AMERICAN NAVY IS IN BAD SHAPE—MORE ITALIAN SUCCESSES

#### AUSTRIAN AMMUNITION DEPOTS ARE EXPLODED BY ARTILLERY

ITALIAN GUNS EXPLODE AUSTRIAN DEPOTS—MANY PRISONERS TAKEN IN ALPS—AUSTRIAN BRIGANDAGE IN THE ITALIAN REAR—REINFORCEMENTS LEAVE TRENT FOR RIVA FRONT.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Rome, June 15.—Italian artillery has exploded the Austrian ammunition depots at Corte and damaged the Austrian works at Cassasi. The bombardment of the Malbergette fortress resulted in the explosion. The Austrians made an unsuccessful attempt to set the forest of Monfalcone on fire. The Italian Alpinists, in the Volla Alps, made an extensive capture of prisoners and booty.

**Austrian Brigandage.**  
Rome, June 15.—The Austrian authorities are fostering brigandage in the rear of the Italian army by the landsturm disguised as gendarmes. They fired on isolated Italian soldiers, officers and convoys of Red Cross ambulances from ambush.

**Austrian Reinforcements.**  
Innsbruck, June 15.—Twenty-five thousand Austrians left Trent today to engage the Italians on the Riva front.



"BOATING ON THE RHINE."—British Tommies in flat-bottomed boat on a little stream back of the British line in Flanders. The soldiers have facetiously named the stream "The Rhine."

#### VON MEYER CLAIMS AMERICAN NAVY IS UNFIT FOR SERVICE

EX-SECRETARY OF NAVY SAYS FLEET NEEDS 18,000 MEN AND BIG RESERVE—CLAIMS SUBMARINES ARE CRIPPLED AND INSUFFICIENCY OF DESTROYERS.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
New York, June 15.—George Von Meyer, Secretary of the Navy, under President Taft, in urging navy reform, says that twelve of thirty-three battleships are unfit for service, that the submarines are crippled and that there is an insufficiency of destroyers.

He also claims that the Atlantic fleet is lacking 5,000 men and that the navy needs 18,000 additional men and a naval reserve of 50,000 men.

**Rumor Denied.**  
London, June 15.—The Admir-

alty has issued an official denial to the story that the Agamemnon or any other unit of the fleet has been sunk in the Dardanelles. It states that all losses have been reported.

#### NEW DERBY STAKES.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Newmarket, Eng., June 15.—The New Derby Stakes, which was opened for all cancelled Derby entrants, was won by Pomern, owned by Sol Joel.

#### PROMISSORY NOTES NOT COLLECTABLE

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Vancouver, June 15.—Judge James has given the decision on promissory notes, which were given for the Y. M. C. A. new building campaign three years ago. They are not collectable at law, as there was no consideration. The hundred thousand dollars subscribed, which is now overdue, is affected by the decision.

#### INCREASED WATER SUPPLY AT GOVERNMENT WHARF

The report of the Fisheries Committee regarding an increased water supply to the government wharf was read last night at City Council.

The city engineer reported to committee that it would cost \$6 to put in the necessary sections, and that the department had no funds at present for work. He suggested that the municipal government be asked to do the necessary work meantime, and that the city would repay the debentures were sold.

The committee recommended the matter be referred to the municipal government through Manson, M. L. A.

#### THE WEATHER.

5 a. m., June 15, 1915.  
Temperature ..... 30.192  
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Temp. .... 50.0  
F. W. Dowling, Observer.

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#### GREAT BASEBALL GAME AT RECREATION PARK

Prince Rupert defeated the Hazelton ball team last night by 7 to 3 in the first of a series of three games. Eighteen strikeouts by Prince Rupert's star pitcher about tells the story of the game.

The local pitcher had Hazelton's heavy hitters eating out of his hand, four measly bingles being all they could gather off him, one, a two-bagger by Donahue, being the longest hit of the game.

But for a costly error, Hunt would have scored a shutout. Hazelton has a finely balanced team, composed of veteran players. Aside from a slight nervousness at the start, the youngsters on the local team showed up well, and clouted the ball like major-leaguers. Benny Hannifin, although unused to the position, caught a fine game.

The same teams will meet at 6:40 tonight, and, as Prince Rupert is out for all three games, a grand battle is assured.

#### REAL GOOD SHOW AT WESTHOLME THEATRE

A very interesting show was presented at The Westholme last night. The three-reel Broadway feature, "The Pawns of Mars," is a high-grade military drama, with a thrilling aeroplane episode.

The two-reel comedy, "Beauty Unadorned," is brimful of fun, with a fake count and a fake prima donna providing the smiles.

The Gazette is very fine, showing the capture of a company of Germans, and maneuvers by the British navy.

#### TRANSIENT PHOTOGRAPHERS.

Regarding the request to the City Council by local photographers for a bylaw covering transients, the city solicitor stated that the Council did not have statutory authority to pass such a bylaw, as photography is not a trade within the meaning of the Act. The report was adopted.

There will be a strawberry supper in the Baptist Church on Tuesday, June 15, from 5 to 8 o'clock. Admission 50c. 134-38

#### PUGILISTIC ENCOUNTER ON COMOX AVENUE

Before Magistrate McMullin this morning, Alba O'Neill was accused of assaulting Lena Sylvia in a resort on Comox Avenue. Accused pleaded guilty.

Mr. Patmore, for the complainant, claimed that it was no ordinary assault case, and that the penalty of \$20 and costs, asked for by Mr. Alex Manson, was not enough, as the case called for imprisonment.

Dr. Cade, who was called to testify as to the injuries, stated that the bruises on the complainant's head and body must have been caused by very heavy blows.

Lena Sylvia, whose face resembled a war map of Europe, with the trenches marked in, was then called. Under a searching cross-examination at the hands of A. M. Manson, the complainant did her case more harm than good, and the magistrate, without calling any more witnesses, fined the accused. Miss O'Neill left the court smiling, evidently satisfied that she had got \$20 worth.

#### QUESTION REGARDING TAX SALE EXEMPTION

A letter from C. E. Bainter was read at the City Council meeting last night asking that property owned by boys who are at the front, on which taxes are in arrears, be exempt from the next tax sale.

The matter was referred to the city solicitor and the Finance Committee for report.

#### THE CRADLE.

Tippens—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tippens, McMordie Apartments, on June 14, a son.

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#### ARCHBISHOP LANGEVIN DIED THIS MORNING

(Special to The Daily News.)

Montreal, June 15.—Archbishop Louis Philippe Adelpard Langevin, of St. Boniface, Man., died here this morning. The late archbishop was born at St. Isidore Laprairie, Que., on August 23, 1855.

Deceased was one of the best known scholars of the Roman Catholic Church in Canada, and on many occasions visited Europe in the interests of the Church.

In 1904, he started a new religious teaching order of nuns, "The Missionary Oblate Nuns of the Sacred Heart and Mary Immaculate." During his distinguished career he founded 28 parishes, 24 educational convents, 3 hospitals, 2 orphanages and 6 Indian boarding schools.

#### BASEBALL FANS FROM HAZELTON AND TELKWA

Quite a number of the Hazelton baseball fans came along with the team last night. Amongst them were C. Hicks-Beach, R. G. Moseley, Geo. Burns and Clyde Sinclair, of Hazelton, and Dr. Wallace, John Salt and C. D. Phillips, of Telkwa.

#### OBITUARY.

The death occurred at the General Hospital this morning of Richard Hughes, aged 47, after a month's illness. Deceased was a fisherman from Haysport. The remains were removed to the parlors of the B. C. Undertakers. The funeral announcement will be made later.

#### PICNIC PARTIES.

Launch Rose Belle II. is back to her old berth at the government wharf and ready for the season's business. Moderate rates for Sunday picnics. Phone Red 400. 124-1m.

#### JACK JUDGE ROY BARNES UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

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#### THE MAYOR INVITES CIVIC INVESTIGATION

At the Council meeting last night the Mayor stated that there had been a great deal of outside criticism regarding the City Hall staff and also the financial affairs of the city.

In regard to the first question, the Mayor stated that the Council some months ago had cut down the staff to the minimum, and he believed that any further reduction would interfere with the effective carrying on of the city's business.

With regard to the renewal of the treasury certificates, he was satisfied that everything had been done that could be done under the circumstances. He courted the fullest enquiry on the part of representative citizens into the city's affairs, and suggested that the Board of Trade, the Trades and Labor Council, the Retail Merchants' Association and the Real Estate Exchange be invited to form a committee of enquiry to investigate to the fullest extent everything that had been done, and that the committee furnish a written report, suggesting any improvements they thought necessary.

Alderman Montgomery, seconded by Alderman Maitland, moved that the Mayor be authorized to carry out his suggestion. The motion was carried unanimously, and the city clerk was instructed to communicate with the secretaries of the various bodies.

The Mayor said he would be pleased to have the committee composed of his most critical opponents.

#### MAJESTIC TONIGHT.

The Majestic presents a splendid blend of comedy and drama tonight and tomorrow. The program opens with a two-reel Mexican drama entitled "The Americano," followed by "The Boarding-House Feud," a real good comedy. "In the Shadow of Death" is a thriller, while "Done in Wax" is a comedy of the rollicking order.

#### CITY MARKET.

All kinds of Beef, Pork and Eggs.

#### ENGINEER'S DEATH IS SHROUDED IN MYSTERY

(Special to The Daily News.)

Vancouver, June 15.—The mystery surrounding the death of Jesse Magoon, the B. C. E. R. engineer, deepens. The coroner's inquest shows that the murderer endeavored to set fire to the building.

Tony Rocci, a section hand, has been arrested on suspicion. An unknown visitor to Magoon's room is sought by the police.

#### YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL.

**Northwestern League.**  
Vancouver, 12; Victoria, 4 (called in seventh inning on account of darkness).

Aberdeen, 9; Seattle, 7.  
Spokane, 4; Tacoma, 5.

**American League.**  
St. Louis, 7-4; New York, 12-5.  
Cleveland, 4; Boston, 4.  
Detroit, 2; Philadelphia, 1.  
Chicago, 8; Washington, 2.

**National League.**  
Philadelphia, 4; Pittsburg, 1.  
New York, 5; Cincinnati, 5 (game called on account of darkness).

Brooklyn, 2; St. Louis, 1.  
**Coast League.**

No Coast League games played.

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### THE CRISIS.

The Victoria Colonist expresses regret that "The Globe has lent its columns to the ignominious army of slanderers of British Columbia." The organ of the McBride government charges that in reprinting and commenting upon the statements contained in a pamphlet issued by the Ministerial Union of the lower mainland of British Columbia arraigning the land and colonization policy of the government, The Globe "prints statements concerning the province of British Columbia and its actual position, which, if believed by the public generally, would destroy the credit of the province and every business enterprise within its borders, would cause investors and settlers to shun it, and in other ways to damage that might be irreparable."

The Globe has no desire to destroy the credit of British Columbia or of any other province of the Dominion. The enemies of British Columbia are not to be found in The Globe office or in the ranks of the clergymen who have dared to come out in the open and attack the looting of the public domain, but among the exploiters who—aided by legislation that could not have suited their purpose better had they themselves drafted it—have locked up from settlement millions of acres of the best land of British Columbia. The animus of The Colonist against Moses Cotsworth and the clergymen whom it characterizes as "a certain Ministerial Association" may be explained by the fact that the pamphlet gives facts coupling up many of the most influential men in British Columbia with wholesale exploitation, which has prevented rather than stimulated development. That may be a legitimate reason for an attack on the authors of the pamphlet, but it is scarcely a sufficient excuse for the charge that The Globe is attempting to

destroy the credit of British Columbia.

In every editorial article regarding the economic and political crises in British Columbia published in these columns, condemnation of the almost criminal folly of its rulers has been preceded by the statement that the Pacific province is a region of wonderful natural wealth, which ought to sustain a population of millions by the operation of its mines, its fisheries and by farming and lumbering. No half-million people in the world's history ever had a greater heritage from which to produce wealth than the residents of British Columbia. The opportunity of production has been largely denied and a great part of the accessible land closed to the actual settler by the villainous system that has enabled a few men to secure individual holdings which would be regarded in Europe as principalities.

The Colonist's reply to the assertion of the clergymen that "about 90 per cent of the available agricultural land of British Columbia has been alienated" is that it is not true or anything like true, but the statement would be an absurd one in any event, "for it presupposes that 'speculators' will buy land and continue to pay indefinitely a tax of 4 per cent upon its value. A speculator in land buys it only to sell at an advance, and how could he possibly sell it at an advance and at the same time hold it? The Globe, swallowing the allegations of Mr. Moses Cotsworth, proves too much for its own case."

That raises the very kernel of the question. The clergymen who have set their seal of approval on Mr. Cotsworth's charges point out that, as reported in The Colonist on January 26, 1915, Sir Richard McBride said there was between \$14,000,000 and \$15,000,000 due to the British Columbia government by land purchasers in

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arrears. A few days later, Mr. Ross, another member of the government, put these arrears at \$9,000,000. As a matter of fact, in January, 1914, the arrears totalled \$13,000,000, as shown by official records, and they have materially increased in the interval. The government which permits the accumulation of such huge arrears of purchase installments is assuredly not likely to be very keen about collecting taxes from its friends the speculators. The result is that the exploiters can hold land indefinitely for an advance by paying in many cases no more than the initial fifty cents an acre.

The McBride government has now taken power to postpone the payment of any money due or accruing to the Crown, so that the speculators may have their chance. The issue is plain. If the speculators get their chance British Columbia will continue to linger in its present condition of suspended animation. If the speculator is given short shrift and the people who desire to use the land are given their chance there is no future to which British Columbia may not aspire. The speculator has driven off both capital and labor and left the land unused. What does British Columbia owe to him?—Toronto Globe.

### PROHIBITION INCREASES TEA-DRINKING IN RUSSIA.

Well-informed members of the tea trade say that the figures for the year show an astonishingly large increase of tea drinking throughout the world. Prohibition is largely to account for this, and, when a great country like Russia prohibits the sale of strong drink and the people turn to tea, it means an immense drain on the resources of the gardens whence comes the world's supply. In the last few months the cost of tea has risen 10 or 12 cents a pound.



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## CANADA TO SHIP TO ENGLAND LIVE SHELLS

Ottawa, June 14.—Canada is going to begin at once to ship loaded shells to England. Heretofore, nothing but empty shrapnel has been sent but all the contracts for empty 18-pounder shells having been filled, loaded and fixed ammunition 18-pounder high explosive shells are to be sent to feed the Allies' guns in France and Belgium.

The larger sized shells, the 45- and 60-pounders, are still to be shipped empty. These facts were announced Saturday by H. A. Bertram, secretary to General Bertram.

### ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, NEW RAILROAD TOWN

Seward, June 15.—That more than a thousand tents and other sorts of dwellings have been erected at Anchorage, the new railroad city, and that the population of the place now is about 2,200, is the statement of Capt. J. W. Porter, who has just returned after some time spent over there making observations of the weather, ice and other conditions for the Engineering Commission. The gangs are working now all the way to Eagle River, some sixteen or eighteen miles.

### PROSPECTING NEW AREA NORTH OF SEWARD

Seward, June 15.—Several men are now prospecting the country for Placer around Juneau Creek and expect that something good will be found there, according to T. R. Meredith, who has just come in. Lodge has located placer on a creek called Pass Creek, which runs into Juneau Creek. Bell and Gombard have located good looking ground in the Resurrection water shed just over the divide.

### AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT COMMANDEERS GRAIN CROP

Geneva, June 14.—The Austrian government has commandeered the entire grain crop of the country, according to Vienna dispatches received here.

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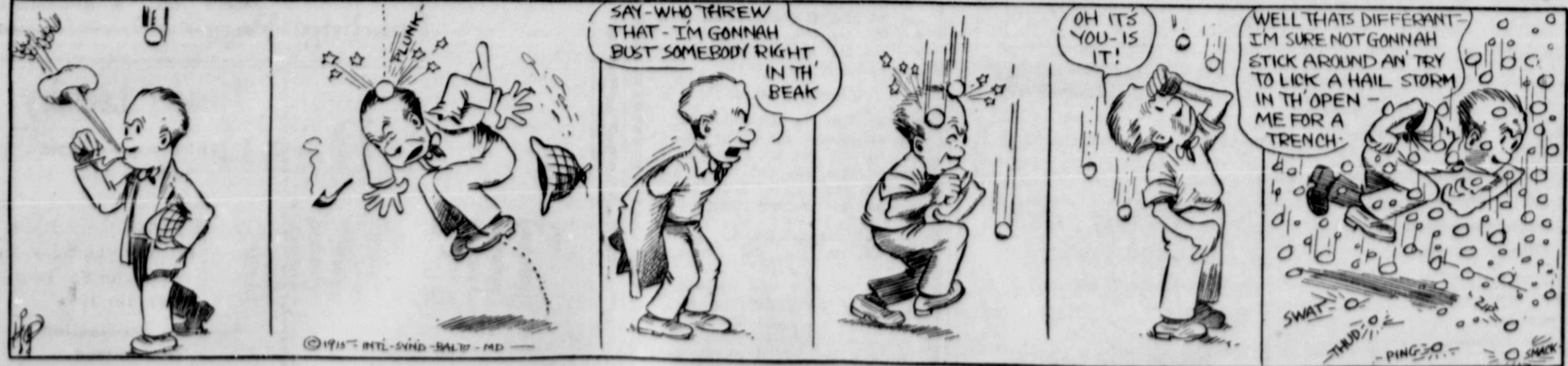


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