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## FRENCH CONTINUE TO ADVANCE AT VERDUN

### ZEPPELIN WRECKED IN NORWAY -- CIVIL POPULATION NOW EVACUATING METZ

#### METZ IS BEING EVACUATED BY ITS CIVILIANS

Important Development if News is Authentic—French Continue to Advance on the Verdun Front.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Amsterdam, May 4.—It is reported that Metz is being evacuated by the civilian population. Metz is the capital of Lorraine and has a population of sixty thousand. It is situated fifteen miles north of the fighting line and is fifty miles east of Verdun. Metz is the strongest of the German fortresses.

#### French Advance.

Paris, May 4.—The French continue to advance in the region of Deadman's Hill. Yesterday's gains in this region have been increased and all have been consolidated by the French.

In one trench there were only two live Germans left when the French infantry entered it after the heavy artillery had done its work.

There is active fighting west of the Meuse; at Avoncourt wood and at Vaux. One hundred prisoners and four machine guns were captured from the Germans in yesterday's fighting at Deadman's Hill.

#### More Russians Arrive.

Another contingent of Russians has arrived at Marseilles and proceeded to camp at Mirabeau.

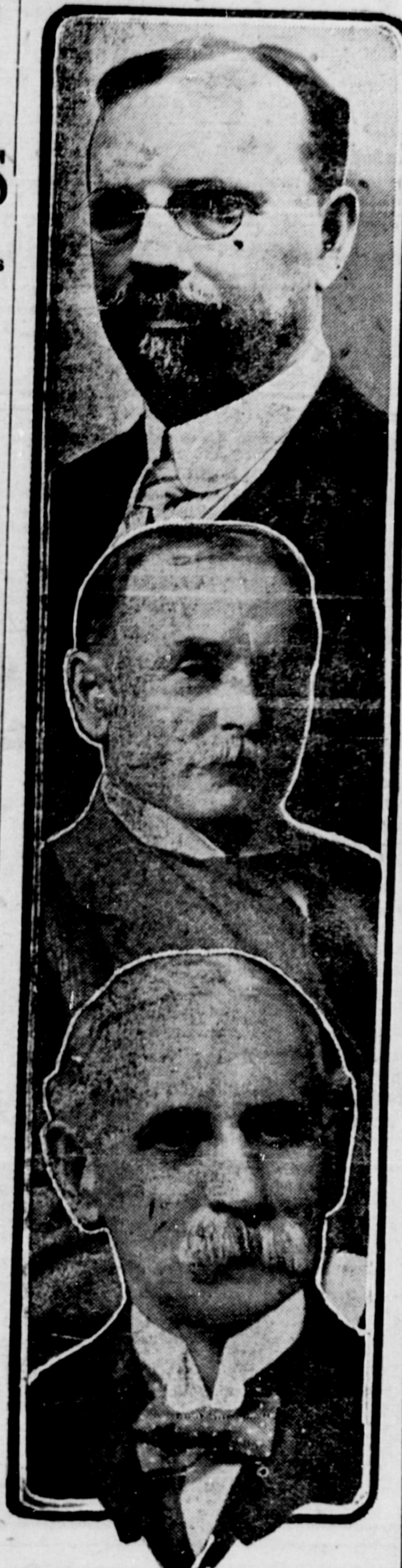
#### SEVERE TEST FOR YOUNG AVIATORS

G. R. Halliday, a well known Victoria young man, has returned from an aviation school in Los Angeles after passing the final tests. He entered the school on January 19th and had his pilot's certificate in three months. He will shortly leave for Ottawa en route for England where he will enter the Royal Naval Air Service.

Mr. Halliday describes the test as severe, the young aviator having to ascend after dark; travel a considerable distance and alight within a given area guided only by a bonfire. Another test was to describe two sets of figure eights in the air and alight within 135 feet of a given mark. He states that there are several young Canadians in training for the British Air Service in Los Angeles. Since Mr. Halliday left the south the first of Prince Rupert's aviators, Alex Young and C. C. Purdy, will have entered the school.

Charles Balagno has resumed taking pianoforte pupils. Terms reasonable. Phone Blue 408.

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Leading Lawyers in Kyte Probe.

The three counsel who loom up most prominently in the shell contract probe at Ottawa are (top to bottom) Wallace Nesbitt, for the Shell Committee; E. F. B. Johnston, appointed by the Opposition, and I. F. Hellmuth, who is chief investigator.

#### FOUR MORE REBELS SENTENCED TO DEATH

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, May 4.—Following the passing of sentence of death upon the Irish insurgents Pearse, Connolly, McDonagh and Clarke, there is a demand that Sir Roger Casement be tried for high treason.

#### NOTICE

Owing to a large number of requests the management of the Westholme Theatre announce that they will show "My Old Dutch" after "Still Waters" in the second show only FRIDAY NIGHT.

The Board of Trade will hold its regular monthly meeting in the rooms on Friday at 8 p. m.

J. D. McAuley, travelling freight and passenger agent of the G. T. P. with headquarters at Juneau, Alaska, is in the city. He is enthusiastic over the opportunities for traffic in Alaska.

#### ZEPPELIN L-20 IS WRECKED ON NORWAY COAST

Crew of Sixteen Interned—Vessel was Damaged by British Guns—Another Raid on East Coast.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, May 4.—Zeppelin L-20 one of the German air fleet which raided the northeast coast of England on Tuesday night, when there were thirty-six casualties, has been driven ashore in a gale in Hafso Firth, in Norway. She broke in two and drifted out to sea.

The craft was completely destroyed and the sixteen members of her crew have been interned. The Zeppelin was so badly injured by British gun fire that she was unable to reach Germany.

#### Another Raid.

Five or six Zeppelins visited a large area on the east coast of England last night, flying high to keep out of the range of the anti-aircraft guns. They dropped one hundred bombs. Three women were killed.

#### HERO OF YPRES WILL LECTURE IN WESTHOLME

Sergeant Wells, of the 7th Battalion, who lost an arm at Ypres when in charge of his platoon and who spent four months in Germany as a prisoner of war, created great enthusiasm in Vancouver last Monday evening by his recital of the doings of the Canadian boys at Ypres. Along with his lecture, the returned soldier shows six reels of war films taken under government supervision and make up the finest views of Canada's army ever shown in the Dominion. The pictures were taken by Lieut. Dwyer of the 30th Battalion.

It will interest Prince Rupert people to know that the gallant sergeant will lecture in the Westholme Theatre here on May 12th and 13th, when his war pictures will also be screened.

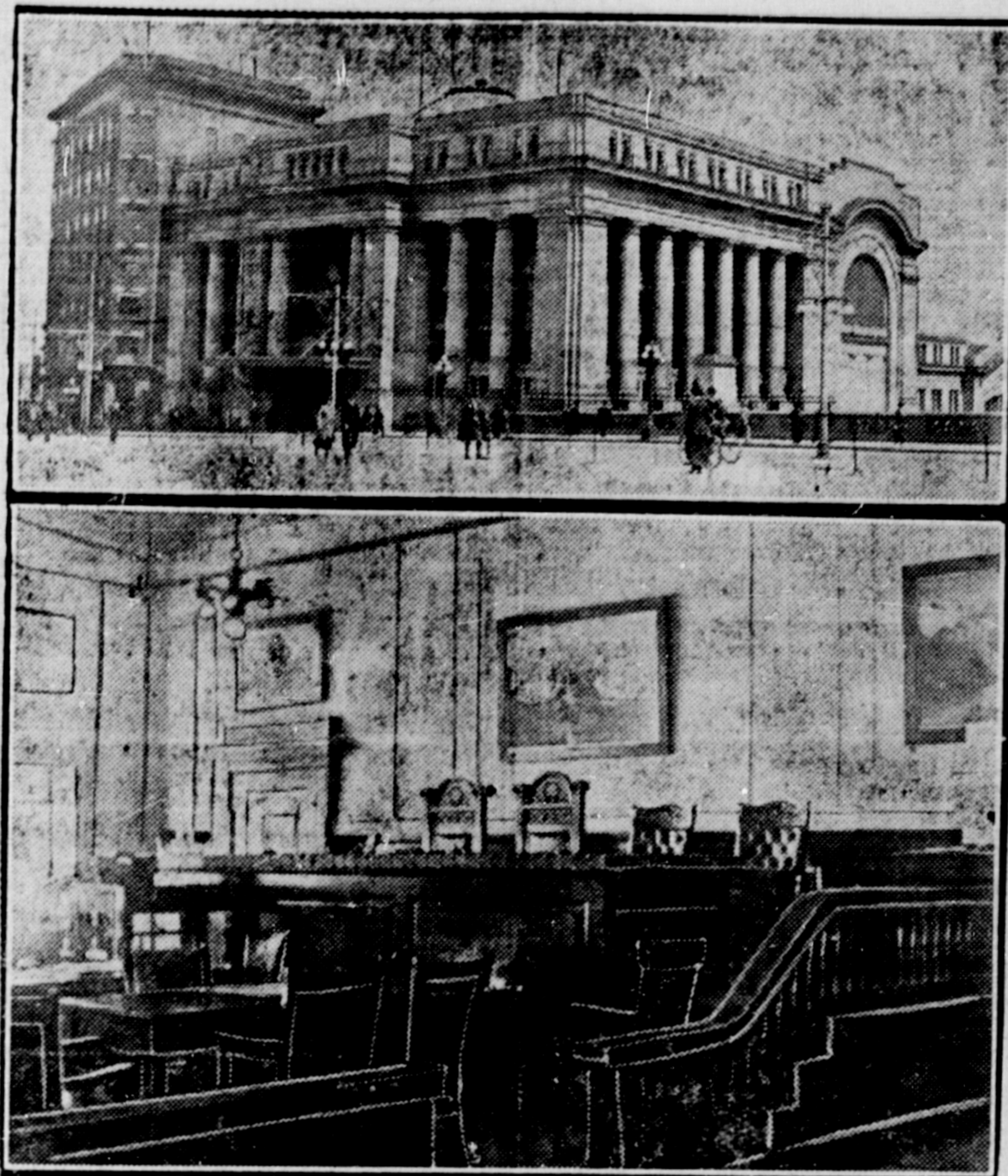
He will be accompanied north by Corporal White who won the D. C. M. for conspicuous bravery under fire. Sergeant Wells was exchanged for a German prisoner as he was entirely unfit for further active service.

P. W. Doherty, manager of the Royal Bank, returned from Port Alberni this morning accompanied by Mrs. Doherty and their two children.

At the Westholme tonight, Mr. C. D. Jones will sing Tosti's "Good Bye," with violin obligato and "Let Me Like a Soldier Fall," from Maritana.

Valhalla Society will give a dance in K. of P. Hall on Thursday, May 4th. Dancing at 9:30. Gents, 75 cents; ladies free. Refreshments. 105.

The American schooner Kong Sverre brought in 25,000 pounds of halibut this morning.



WHERE HUGHES PROBE IS PROCEEDING

Station Building at Ottawa and the room in which the commission of judges is taking evidence in regard to the charges brought against Sir Sam Hughes by Mr. Kyte.

#### FIRST CONVOCATION OF B. C. UNIVERSITY

(Special to The Daily News.)

Vancouver, May 4.—The first convocation of the Provincial University took place today in the presence of a brilliant company, including Lt.-Governor Barnard, Premier Bowser, Hon. Thomas Taylor and the heads of the universities. Forty students received their B. A. Degrees.

#### HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY APPOINTS OFFICE-BEARER

At the annual meeting of the Horticultural Society, held in the city hall last evening, the following office-bearers were elected: President, M. M. Stephens; Vice-President, Mrs. F. G. Dawson; Secretary-treasurer, R. H. Shockley; Executive, Mrs. R. L. McIntosh, Mrs. G. H. Arnold, F. McD. Hunter, Canon Rix and W. T. Kirkpatrick.

M. M. Stephens thanked the society for again electing him president, though he had rather that Mrs. Dawson had been president this year. He referred to the good work which had been done by A. H. Tomlinson and M. H. Howitt, and said that, in Mr. Neale, he felt that they had a worthy successor to Mr. Tomlinson.

Mr. Neale said that he hoped to see more people taking an interest in gardening and assured the society that he would render every assistance possible.

A general discussion on the various phases of gardening followed.

#### SUN AND TIDE

Friday, May 5, 1916.

Sun rises.....4:53 a. m.  
Sun sets.....8:25 p. m.  
High water ..2:43 a. m. Ht. 20.1  
Low water ...9:30 a. m. Ht. 4.1  
High water ..3:48 p. m. Ht. 17.4  
Low Water ...9:30 p. m. Ht. 9.1  
Captain McGee, M. M. S. A.

#### GOVERNMENT ASKED TO TAKE OVER G.T.P.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, May 4.—Prior to the passing of the supplementary estimates including a loan of eight millions by the government to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad, Sir Robert Borden received a letter from Chairman Smithers asking that the government take over the road.

#### CATHOLIC CLUB WHIST AND DANCE

The young people of the Catholic Club held a thoroughly enjoyable whist drive and dance in the Catholic Hall last evening. The prizes in the whist were won by Miss Coffe and Joe Garon.

About seventy-five took part in the dancing, the music for which was provided by Trooper Alec Grey, of the 11th C. M. R. Dancing was kept up until about 1:30 this morning and everybody had a splendid time. The members of the committee are to be congratulated upon the success which attended the function. During the evening the young ladies of the committee provided light refreshments.

#### STRIKING PICTURE

The New York Sunday Times which arrived by last mail has the most remarkable war picture yet published. It is a view of a German attack on the British positions on the western front and was snapped from a British aeroplane. The German troops are distinctly outlined following in the wake of clouds of gas, while British shells can be seen bursting right amongst the Germans.

#### HUNDREDTH ZEPPELIN

According to the Munich Neueste Nachrichten Germany has now completed her hundredth Zeppelin, seventy-five of which have been built since the outbreak of the war.

#### TIMBER LANDS PURCHASED AT BARGAIN PRICE

Huge Fraud Discovered by Public Accounts Committee—Valuable Timber Land is Given Away.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Victoria, May 4.—A fraud on the land department has been revealed before the Public Accounts Committee. It appears that the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber Company obtained by powers of attorney, and misleading surveyors' reports, 5,760 acres of valuable timber lands containing 345,765,000 feet of timber, for \$17,916 as second-class agricultural land at \$2.50 per acre. The land was valued for registration purposes at \$421,800. The deal was put through by the law firm of Eberts & Taylor.

#### Shipping Bill.

The shipping Aid Bill was introduced by the Hon. Lorne Campbell yesterday. It provides for a loan on mortgage at six per cent. up to fifty-five per cent. of the cost of the ships or loans equal to that amount on security, to companies building a ship for the British Columbia foreign trade. One per cent. of the gross earnings is to go to the province for an administration fund.

#### FOURTEEN FRESH RUSSIAN DIVISIONS

The Idea Nationale, of Rome, reports that Von Hindenburg is now faced on the eastern front by fourteen new divisions of Russian troops. The new divisions are composed entirely of young soldiers and they are splendidly supported by the latest powerful artillery.—Central News.

Harry Hayes, one of the most popular of Prince Rupert waterfront men, has been promoted to the rank of corporal in the 102nd Battalion, according to word received from Comox today.

The Cold Storage Company bought the fares of thirteen of the schooners which came in yesterday and the San Juan Company the other two.

#### WESTHOLME

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Anita Stewart in the 8th Episode of

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