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## DEATH OF PREMIER BREWSTER AT CALGARY

### AFTER WEEK OF SUFFERING WITH PNEUMONIA, PREMIER OF B.C. PASSES AWAY

#### ALLIED MINISTERS LEAVE PETROGRAD; SITUATION IS RAPIDLY BECOMING WORSE

ULTIMATUM HANDED RUSSIAN BOLSHEVICS BY GERMANY GIVING THEM THREE DAYS TO COME TO TERMS—GERMAN ADVANCE RESUMED BY THREE COLUMNS OF TROOPS—UKRAINE INVADED.

London, March 2.—Taken as an indication that the situation is rapidly becoming worse in Russia, the British and French Ministers along with the United States Consul have left Petrograd. Nothing but the most meagre news has arrived from the Russian capital for the last twenty four hours. The Germans continue their advance.

##### Ultimatum is Given.

London, March 2.—An ultimatum has been handed to the Russian Bolsheviki government in Petrograd by the German command on the Eastern front, who has given the Russians but three days in which to sign the peace treaty demanded by the Teutons.

The German advance into Russia has been resumed. There are apparently three columns of Germans advancing into Russia. One is near Luga, which is midway between Pskoff, and Petrograd, on'y some eighty miles away from the capital. Another is said to be at Pskoff, which is midway between Pskoff and Vitebsk, while the third is at Sebezh, eighty miles east of Pskoff.

#### JAPAN IS ASKED TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST HUNS

Allies Request Japan's Assistance to Block Hun Drive on Russia and to Protect allied Interests.

London, March 2.—The allies have requested Japan to block the Hun drive. The protection of the interests of the Entente in Russia, and rescue of the quantities of supplies of war material sent into that country to assist in arming them against the Germans, is the motive. This intervention in Russian affairs on the part of Japan is not to be regarded as an act of hostility against the Bolsheviki, but an act toward the throwing off of the German yoke. Washington, after lengthy official conferences, is still undecided.

For the first three years of the war, the allies lent every assistance they could to the Czar's government by providing arms and ammunition for her innumerable soldiers. Ship load after shipload chanced the submarine menace and were sent to Archangel on the White Sea. A new port was made further north which did not freeze up in winter and the allies also constructed a new railroad line to connect with the Russian system, to permit of a quick despatch of these supplies to the front. The ports of Vladivostok and Harbin in Siberia also received thousands of tons of war material for transportation to Europe, but the Russian bureaucracy took care that they never reached their destination. It is to save these huge quantities of supplies, which the Germans are sorely needing, that the intervention of Japan's military forces are now requested.

#### THE IRISH REPUBLIC SENDS AMBASSADOR TO UNITED STATES

Washington, March 1.—"The Irish Republic" is going to open an Embassy in Washington, with an Ambassador, and will fly the flag of the republic that was put down after a few days' battle in Dublin by the British two years ago. The establishing of the Embassy was made possible as the result of a meeting held here, in which \$2,000 was subscribed to maintain it, among the contributors being the Bolsheviki Club of New York, which gave \$10.00.

The Irish Ambassador will be Dr. Patrick McCartan. He stated that he would pay an official visit to President Wilson immediately on his arrival in Washington to establish the Embassy.



Calgary, March 2nd.—The Hon. W. C. Brewster, Premier of British Columbia passed away at 10.26 p.m. last night at the Holy Cross Hospital after a week's illness with pneumonia.

British Columbia has again to mourn the loss of one of her leading citizens in the person of the Hon. H. C. Brewster, premier of the province. It is but a few months since a former premier passed away, practically in his prime, and once again the shadow of death has clouded this land. Premier Brewster had gone to Ottawa to attend the conference of the Provincial Premiers of the Dominion, and on his way back to Victoria to attend the opening of parliament he developed pneumonia while on the train, whence he was removed at Calgary and taken to the Holy Cross Hospital there. From the daily bulletins issued, it was evident that his condition was serious, but with the best attention and skill, it was confidently expected that he would pull through. However, it was not to be, and the premier, a man beloved by all who came in contact with him, passed away last evening.

A man of wide sympathies, and large heart, the Hon. Mr. Brewster commanded the love of his friends, and the respect of his opponents in the political field. A plain man, and a true, his kindly disposition radiated friendliness, and his loss will be felt keenly by his personal friends, who were many and irrespective of party.

Premier Brewster was here last fall, when he made a trip through this central part of the province of B. C. to see for himself the aspect of the problems which confronted the government arising in this district. Coming from New Brunswick when he was a comparatively young man, practically his whole business life has been spent on the Pacific coast.

He sailed these waters in the early days, when there were but few people in the North, and since that time, has been interested in the cannery business on Vancouver Island. Mr. Brewster was a widower, and leaves one son, who is at the front, and three daughters.

#### AUSTRIA HOLDS HOLY SEE OF NO ACCOUNT

Malin, March 1.—Monsignor Pellizzio, Bishop of Padua, relates that during an hours talk he had with the Pope a few days ago his Holiness admitted regretfully that his protest against the aerial bombardment of undefended cities, which he caused the Papal Nuncio at Vienna to deliver personally into the hands of the Emperor Karl, had been utterly disregarded. More than this, up to the present time the Holy See has been denied all communications from the Bishops and clergy remaining in the Italian provinces under Austrian occupation, or any tidings whatsoever respecting the populations, although Austria boasted its determination to create for the Pope "a really free and independent position."

The Viny Ridge Knitting Club will hold a tea in the store of Mr. Killas, on Third Avenue on Saturday, March 2nd, from 3 till 6 p.m. Raffles, orchestra. Proceeds to buy wool for socks for Prince Rupert Boys in France.

#### LIEUT. C. C. PURDY, R.N.A.S. IS REPORTED MISSING

The following press dispatch came from Ottawa on Feb. 20th. "It is announced through the Naval Department, that Flight Lieutenant Claud C. Purdy, R.N.A. Service, of Chicago, Ill., is missing and believed killed."

As the mother of Mr. Purdy, late of the Bank of Commerce staff here, has recently been living in Chicago, although for years previous the family lived in Vancouver, it leaves little doubt as to the above being identified with the one so well and favorably known here.

Those who knew Mr. Purdy were not surprised when the war broke out, to hear he had joined the Royal Flying Corps. One of his mottoes was "efficiency" and he at once set about to make of himself the very best flying man possible. In due time he was put in charge of a hydroplane and had put in much useful and daring work over the North Sea and the English channel. While the details of the occurrence from which he is missing are not to

#### PEACE WILL COME THIS SUMMER. GERMANS MUST CEASE FIGHTING IF OFFENSIVE UNSUCCESSFUL

CANDID STATEMENT OF GERMAN OFFICER CAPTURED ON FRENCH FRONT.—INTERNAL SITUATION OF THE CENTRAL EMPIRES VERY UNSATISFACTORY FOR CONTINUENCE OF WAR.

Paris, March 1.—A German officer who recently fell into the hands of the Allies has made some remarkable statements. First of all he confirmed the fact that the German Army was concentrating in France and Belgium to make a final effort to crush the opposing forces before the arrival of the Americans and owing to the internal situation in Germany, where dissension is beginning to manifest itself and where the people are suffering extraordinary privations which can hardly be prolonged. As to the campaign which is about to open and the motives which render it imperative, the officer vouchsafed the following opinion:

#### UNITED STATES TROOPS REPEL GERMAN ATTACK

North of Toul, U.S. Lines attacked in Force.—Enemy effort fails completely—Many Casualties.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Paris, March 2.—The United States troops repelled a strong German attack this morning on their line forming part of the salient north of Toul. The attack by the Huns was made in force, and they suffered many casualties before reaching the allied line. Dead Huns lie in heaps out of no man's land, while the defenders suffered many casualties also.

The attack was a complete failure, and only three German prisoners remained in the hands of the Americans.

There was a severe hand to hand struggle in the front line trenches, but the invaders were ejected, and few survived to regain the shelter of their own lines. Notwithstanding their losses, not one foot of the American line was given up. Among the casualties, was one captain who graduated from West point in 1917.

#### GOLDBLOOM'S

Would like to announce to the public the opening of their new store at 651 Granville St., Vancouver, an exclusive and up-to-date Ladies Ready-to-Wear. The buyer Mrs. W. F. Gescheit also visited all fashion centres of Eastern Canada and United States and the beautiful creations that are gradually arriving, leave no doubt but what we will be able to please the ladies and do justice to every type and taste.

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hand, it is certain that it was in the performance of duty in that dangerous work that his worthy career has been terminated.

While in Prince Rupert, Mr. Purdy made a host of friends who will greatly deplore his loss. He was a sportsman right through, and always ready to give a helping hand where needed. Of the Church of England here, he was a valued member, holding the position of treasurer for the local parish, and of the diocese.

In the month of September last the morale of the German soldiers and civilians was far from brilliant. Over the Central Empires was sweeping a current of depression which gradually crept to the lofty directing spheres. Everyone was losing confidence in final victory and looking apprehensively towards the future. When Russia in the midst of the revolution gave a hint that she would accept a separate peace our Staff realised that there remained to them a road to safety, and by launching the whole of the liberated Imperial forces on the Western front they hoped a lucky blow might overwhelm the Allies before the entry of America massed on West. At once the order was given to mass at the chosen points men and guns before the British and French with all despatch and without delaying until the Allies were prepared to offer resistance. There were several reasons which actuated the Kaiser in undertaking this venture—above all the imperative necessity in which Germany finds itself of finishing a war which is ruining the two Empires. The Central Empires are in a grave situation from all standpoints. The passivity of the people has for some time seemed to be on the point of disappearing, and it is becoming absolutely essential for the Governments to re-awaken the idea of sacrifice, which is on the wave (Continued on Page four.)

#### MOTHERS

New and complete line of boys' clothing is now in stock. Smart, well made suits for boys of all ages and to be sold at moderate prices. H. S. Wallace Co., Ltd. (53)

ANNIVERSARY.—The Rev. Dr. Large of Port Simpson, is in the city and will be the special preacher tomorrow at the Methodist church at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. The choir will render special hymns, and Messrs. Davey and Fletcher will sing a duet. This is the eighth anniversary and all members and adherents are asked to make it one of the best by their presence both times on Sunday, and at the concert and social on Monday night.

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