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NEWCASTLE AND DRESDEN BELIEVED TO BE ENGAGED

British Cruiser Reported in Battle in Pacific

ENEMY ALSO HAS MERCHANT CRUISER

Gunpower Estimated to be Against the German War Vessels

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

VALPARAISO, Dec. 25.—A wireless message from the Chilean torpedo boat Tome reports the British cruiser Newcastle cannonading 15 miles from Valparaiso. It is supposed that she has engaged the German cruiser Dresden and converted cruiser Prince Eitel Friederich.

A British squadron and Japanese warships are known to be cruising not far from this port.

The Newcastle would be more than a match for the Dresden, having the advantage of two 6-inch guns. The main armament of the Dresden is 12 4.1-inch guns, the Newcastle being eqiupped with 10 4-inch in addition to the two 6-inchers. The Dresden's speed is rated at 27 knots, but is probably below this, and the Newcastle, with her 26.6 knots, is no doubt in better condition, not having had to keep the sea so long.

The unknown factor is the Prinz Eitel Friederich. The bigger German liners were turned into auxiliary cruisers, equipped with 6-inch guns, but the Eitel Friederich being an ordinary liner, will hardly carry such heavy guns, so that the Newcastle's 6-inch pair may prove the deciding factor, inasmuch as she might stand off and sink the liner and then engage her other adversary, the Dresden.

HOLLAND MAY LATER ISSUE FORCED LOAN

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

THE HAGUE, Dec. 24, via London, Dec. 25.—The Netherlands government issued a prospectus today embodying the conditions covering the participation in the 5 per cent voluntary government loan of $110,000,000 by which it is proposed to meet the expenses of mobilization.

Should it be found impossible to raise this amount in this way an obligatory method will be devised. The prospectus says:

"Whoever participates in the voluntary loan gets from the state documentary evidence to that effect and 5 per cent interest and insures himself against the possibility of having to accept paper which will bring him only 4 per cent. While the interest on the voluntary loan is secured, that on the possible forced loan will be unsecured. The paper issued by the government for the voluntary loan will be negotiable."

STEAMER REFLOATED

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The Japanese steamer Kongosai maru, which was reported ashore at Karushima Dec 23, was refloated today. She sustained some damage to her bottom. The Kongosai maru was bound from Vancouver and San Francisco to Yokohama and Hongkong.

DESCENDANT OF JOAN OF ARC IS BRAVE

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PARIS, Dec. 25, 10:50 p.m.—Among officers mentioned in despatches from the front is Major Haldal de Lys, a descendant of the family of which Joan of Arc belonged, who commanded a battalion of the 162nd infantry regiment with the greatest bravery and utter disdain of danger from Oct. 10 to Nov. 9. He is recorded in the official journal as an officer of the greatest value.

ROUNDHOUSE DESTROYED IN FIRE

Eight Engines Disabled—Train Service Is Crippled by Blaze at Duluth, Minn.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 25.—A total of eight locomotives were disabled, four of them totally destroyed and the Duluth roundhouse of the Duluth, Winnipeg & Pacific railway practically destroyed in an early morning fire today. The loss is estimated at $150,000, including damage to engines, building and equipment.

Train service will be crippled, it was said, until engines can be brought from Virginia, Minn., to replace the disabled ones.

AUSTRALIA HAS OVER MILLION FIT FOR WAR

(Western Associated Press Special Cable.)

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 25.—A commonwealth statistician has figured that Australia has 1,131,360 males fit to fight.

WARSHIPS ALWAYS AT EMPIRE'S CALL

Australian Policy to Have Ships Available for Duty Anywhere—New Zealand Approached

(Western Associated Press Special Cable.)

MELBOURNE, N. S. W., Dec. 25.—Premier Fisher has gone to New Zealand to confer with public men there on a most important matter, said to be naval defense in the Pacific. The premier is convinced that the Australian policy of providing warships for duty everywhere for the Empire is the best one and expects to have little difficulty in persuading New Zealand that the best policy for that dominion is to combine in this matter. If New Zealand resolves on a vigorous warship program the same as Australia, Premier Fisher wishes to arrange reciprocity.

RUSSIA HAS HUGE NUMBER OF PRISONERS

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—According to a Petrograd despatch to Reuter's the number of prisoners there is 131,700 men and 1310 officer

The Slav prisoners have asked for Russian naturalization so that they may be sent against the Turks.

ITALIAN SAILORS LAND AT AVLONA

Violent Revolution Breaks Out, Massacres Result

MAY INVOLVE ITALY IN WAR

House of Turkish Governor is Destroyed by Insurgents

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Italy today occupied Avlona, the Albanian seaport. It is semi-officially announced that this action implies no purpose on the part of Italy to occupy interior points but is merely intended to prevent anarchy on the opposite coast of the Adriatic, which is but a few hours from Italian territory. Several districts of Albania are in a state of rebellion against any authority, Essad Pasha, the Turkish ruler, apparently having lost his hold on the people.

The semi-official announcement says the only object of today's occupation is to cut short constant annoyances from open or concealed enemies, besides upholding Italian interests, namely, not to allow Avlona to fall into the hands of any naval power. It is understood that the Italian government intends to safeguard these political, commercial and ethnographical interests without arrogance but without weakness, and also without being distracted from the graver conflicts arising from the European conflict.

Situation Has Become Grave.

For some time the situation in Albania has again been grave. Several districts have rebelled altogether against any authority and have become prey to the worst form of anarchy. Conditions have been rendered more grave by famine. The scarcity of food has been brought about owing to the state of war existing on the Adriatic, while Albania is bounded by two belligerent countries, Servia and Montenegro, which together with Austria have absorbed all available provisions which Albania had stored. The price of food has increased 200 per cent and in addition the quality of cereals is bad, causing serious epidemics.

Especially in the interior discontent reached such proportions that Essad Pasha lost all power. He saw his adherents gradually vanish, his troops become reduced to a few thousand.

People Welcome Italians.

Even the people of his birthplace, Tirana, always his stronghold, rebelled, killing his friends and sacking and burning his residence. Essad feeling unsafe at Durazzo, went to Proia (Akhissar), hoping there to rally sufficient troops to defeat his enemies.

In south Albania those in sympathy with Austria, Turkey and Greece, resenting the Italian influence at Avlona, through the occupation of Sazano, the Greek island to the north of the bay of Avlona, combined and, it is said, had begun an agitation in preparation for disorders when the Italian consul asked for the protection of Italian soldiers.

The marines landed today from the battleship Sardegna and were received by the populace with great enthusiasm. The force occupied strategical points in the town.

May Involve Italy in War.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

Italian intervention may embroil Italy with its recent foe, Turkey, and holds possibilities of far-reaching results.

Despatches say a violent revolution has broken out in Albania against Essad Pasha, whom Turkey established as ruler there when the Ottoman gov-

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CAILLAUX' JOB ABOLISHED WHILE ABSENT FROM FRANCE

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PARIS, Dec. 25.—A committee of the Radical party, according to reports published today, has decided to suppress the office of president of the party, which is held by Joseph Caillaux, former minister of finance. The duties of president are to be performed by the secretary.

M. Caillaux sailed from Bordeaux on Nov. 15 for Brazil on a mission, it was stated at that time, to purchase raw material and foodstuffs for France. Before sailing for Brazil, M. Caillaux was treasurer and general paymaster of the French army, with the rank of colonel.

AMERICANS ADVISED TO HAVE PASSPORTS VIZED

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 25.—Hon. J. G. Foster, American consul-general for Canada, has been advised by the state department at Washington that citizens of the United States who are leaving for points in Italy must have their passports vized by United States consular agents.

The telegram from the department received yesterday also states that the same procedure is advisable in regard to departures for any other European country.

RECKLESS COSSACKS HARASS MOSLEMS

Russians Take to Winter Quarters in Asia Minor—Troops in Immense Triangle.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PETROGRAD, Dec. 25.—The Russo-Turkish operations have been brought to a standstill by climatic conditions in Asia Minor. Here the Russian troops have spread out, covering all the roads and quartering in the villages in an immense triangle, whose sides converge for 70 miles with the base on the Russo-Turkish frontier and the apex pointing toward Erzerum.

Clad in every variety of garment to keep warm, including Turkish robes and wide flowing Kurdish coats, the Russians are huddling in every shelter hut and farmhouse of the Armenians, and packing sheds, stables and storehouses. Wherever possible the roofs have been cut out so that bonfires may be built within. The sound of battle is rarely heard by the main body of troops, which is wintering on the way to Erzerum. Virtually the only activity is on the part of restless Cossacks, who are forever on the move, engaging in brushes with the opposing cavalry.

Turks Claim Big Victory.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 2, 2:47 a.m.—A despatch to Reuters from Amsterdam gives the text of an official communication published in Constantinople on the operations of the Turkish army on the Caucasian front as follows:

"Between Okl and Id our troops gained a decisive victory. The battle is being continued with fresh success. We have captured 6,000 prisoners, including a colonel, and a large quantity of ammunition and war material."

WARNS GERMANY OF FOOD SHORTAGE

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

BERLIN, Dec. 25.—The Nord Deutsche Zeitung issues a warning against using grain to feed animals, especially rye, which is needed for bread. It says the empire's food supply must be carefully handled to guard against a shortage which would force upon the people a difficult problem.

HARWICH READY TO FACE ATTACK

Mayor Issues Instructions to Civilians to Carry Out Orders of Police and Special Committee.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

HARWICH, via London, Dec. 25.—A German attack on Harwich is indicated by the following notice issued today by the mayor of that English seaport:

"Although an attack by the enemy on Harwich fortress is not anticipated at the present time and there is no special reason for anxiety among non-combatants, it is considered desirable to notify the civilian population that in the unexpected event of belligerent operations the members of the local emergency committee and special constables will direct everyone as to the course to be pursued. All members of the civil population are hereby required to act strictly in accordance with such directions."

All visitors arriving in Harwich will be required to register.

RUSSIANS REPULSE VICIOUS ASSAULTS

Austrians Attempt to Break Line by Sheer Weight of Numbers—Gallant Feat Recorded.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PETROGRAD, Dec. 25, via London—Russian successes are claimed officially from the battle front before Warsaw and from that around Cracow, but without material change in the general situation in these regions. Especially vicious attacks have been made by the Teutons at Pinzow, 40 miles northeast of Cracow, and from Nowamias to Korszyn at the juncture of the Nida and Vistula.

In this place the Austrians simulated the tactics of the Germans and tried to force a passage by sheer force of numbers. Time after time they advanced in solid formation against the Russian front in the face of a heavy artillery fire. The result after two days' fighting was the capture by the Russians of nearly 5000 prisoners, including 50 officers and the retention by the Russians of the left bank of the

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LEIBKNECHT SENT TO BATTLEFRONT

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PARIS, Dec. 25.—Dr. Karl Leibknecht, the German Socialist who was the only member of the reichstag to vote against the war credit at a recent session, has been enrolled in the Germany army, according to a despatch from the Swiss front. This move was decided upon, says the despatch, after his protest against war in the reichstag, as the best means of stopping his opposition, a trial on a charge of high treason being considered too dangerous an expedient.

KHAKI AND BLUE RULE IN BRITAIN

Christmas Celebration is a Military Function

TROOPS LOADED DOWN WITH GIFTS

Pauperism and Unemployment Least in Thirty Years

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Christmas, 1914 will long be remembered in Great Britain as a military Christmas. Everywhere throughout the land men in kahki and in blue were the object of attention and admiration.

There was a great decrease in the customary Christmas railroad crowds of civilians visiting their homes for family reunions but almost the usual numbers of trains were running. The cars were filled with soldiers and sailors taking a brief leave to visit their families and all were travelling on passes. Many thousands of volunteers from the training camps and a considerable contingent from the continent and the fleet had two, three days for a holiday at their homes and the whole country seemed to swarm with uniforms.

London particularly was full of soldiers. Conspicuous among them were several thousand Canadians from Salisbury. Christmas in London is Sabbath-like because all the theatres are closed and the hotels and public houses keep Sunday hours. The few hours of daylight, however, were almost bright, which is a rare phenomenon in an English winter, and the soldiers and sailors appeared to find amusement in tramping the streets and parks from the fashionable west end to the suburbs.

Soldiers, Sailors Centre of Interest.

Family parties taking an afternoon stroll generally had a youth in khaki or blue as the central object, escorted by admiring relatives. Dinner in the big hotels was notable for the presence of the military and an unusual feature was the presence of men in non-commissioned uniforms, even privates mingling with officers.

All ranks of troops at the front and in the home camps were loaded down with presents. Princess Mary's fund for Christmas gifts amounted to nearly $800,000, while there were numerous funds for tobacco, puddings and other luxuries raised by newspapers and societies. Even the German military prisoners and citizens in concentration camps had presents from home and from wealthy Germans in England. The German Y. M. C. A. and the English Quakers devoted special care to the prisoners.

Hundreds of British and Belgian wounded in the hospitals were recipients of many attentions. Three thousand Belgian refugees in the Earlscourt exhibition building were given Christmas dinner and at night a huge Christmas tree was presented to them by Lord Salisbury. Twenty-five hundred of them in Alexandra palace had a similar celebration.

Tomorrow, known in England as Boxing day, sees the beginning of pantomime at several large theatres. Some of the show houses are giving free matinees for soldiers and sailors.

Pauperism at Low Record.

A special committee formed to watch conditions of distress in London has reported that there is less pauperism and unemployment in the city than in the past 30 years. This is due to the fact that nearly all the workers have enlisted. Nevertheless the general attitude was one of sadness rather than of hilarity. Economy was the watchword. Christmas trees come from Germany and mistletoe from France, hence there was a notable scarcity of both.

Christmas turkeys had slightly increased in price, but fruit was cheaper than usual, owing to the smaller continental demand.

King George and Queen Mary sent messages to the army and to the fleet and they sent Christmas cards bearing

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BELGIAN NATIONAL BANK LOSES RIGHT TO ISSUE NOTES

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

BRUSSELS, Dec. 25.—The military governor of Brussels, Gen. von Bissing, has issued a decree cancelling the right of the Belgian National bank to issue notes and conferring this right upon the Societe Generale de Belgique.

The decree explains that this step has been rendered necessary because the bankers of the national bank carried their gold stock to London, as well as the plates for printing notes and, in addition, took various illegal measures to assist the Belgian government in the war against Germany.

The national bank's existing notes remain in circulation with the compulsory legal tender to be issued by the Societe Generale de Belgique.

HEALTH OF FRANCIS JOSEPH REPORTED GOOD

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A Vienna despatch to Reuter's says that Emperor Francis Joseph is in excellent health and is spending Christmas with his family at Schoenbrunn castle.

ALLIES TAKE POSITIONS MAKE NOTABLE PROGRESS

PRINCE LOUIS RECEIVES REWARD

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 26, 3:25 a.m. On recommendation of the admiralty King George directs that Prince Louis of Battenburg who recently resigned his position as first lord of the navy on account of newspaper criticism regarding a man of German blood holding this important position, shall have a special rate of half pay during the period of the war in view of his "special services."

The pay allotted is $10,000.

CROWN PRINCE PLAYS SANTA CLAUS

Sends Pipe and Picture to Every Man of His Army—Not Likely to Forget This Christmas.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

BERLIN, via London, Dec. 25.—The crown prince has issued the following address to his troops in the field:

"The celebration of Christmas in France with the enemy; such a celebration none of us is likely to forget. I wish for all members of my brave army the blessing of God until we have with the good luck of a dutiful soldier established a peace of which we and our fatherland may be proud."

"My grandfather Crown Prince Frederick William, on Christmas day, 1870 sent to every man of his brave army, your fathers and grand fathers, a pipe with his picture. I do the same. May this humble token to my loyal companions in arms be a souvenir of our common Christmas celebration in Germany's greatest days."

ZAPATA AND VILLA CONTROL CABINET

Mexican Provisional President Makes Appointments—Civil Tribunals Administer Justice.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Provisional President Guiterrez of Mexico has completed the selection of his cabinet with the exception of the portfolios of justice and interior, appointing members of the Villa and Zapata forces. President Wilson today received a message giving the composition of the new cabinet as follows:

Foreign relations—Jose Artiz Rodrigulz.

War—Gen. Jose Isobel Robles.

Finance—F. F. Villarill.

Public works—Valentin Gama.

Communications—Jose Rodriguez Cabo.

Education—Jose Vasconcelos.

Agriculture—Gen. Manuel Palafox.

Gama and Palafox are Zapata followers, the latter formerly was his

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SENTENCE GREEK SAILOR TO DEATH

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Reuter's correspondent at Athens transmits an announcement made there today that the Greek who was sentenced to death in Constantinople is not the naval attache of the Greek legation, but is a petty naval officer who is acting as the attache's orderly.

Infantry and Artillery Attacks Are Successful

CHRISTMAS BRINGS NO REST TO ARMIES

Acres of Dead Bodies Lie Between Trenches. Village Gained

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 25. — Christmas brought no rest to the embattled European armies. It found the Russians still fighting desperately in the snows of Poland against the attacks of the Germans and their allies. The French are making spasmodic thrusts against the long German line of trenches in northern and northeastern France and the British and Belgians engaged in almost hand-to-hand warfare against the German trenches in west Belgium.

In Flanders yesterday things were generally quiet, says the German bulletin.

Hand Grenades Used Often

The French report intermittent artillery firing there. The French claim several successes along the centre and eastern lines, while the Germans declare that they have taken British trenches in Belgium.

So close are the trenches of the allies and the Germans at many points that almost the only weapons used are hand grenades, since it is impossible for the men to expose themselves even to so small a degree as would be necessary for the use of their rifles.

There have been informal truces between the British and the Germans for burial of the dead between the lines. According to a British eyewitness for many weeks along miles of the battle line the dead have lain as they fell. There are gruesome acres of bodies held erect by the barbed wires and scouts crawling over them at night report the stench is horrible.

Capture Trench Christmas Morning

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PARIS, Dec. 25.—The following official communication was issued by the war office tonight:

"Slight progress has been made in front of Nieuport. Toward Notre Dame de Lorette, north of Lens, an attack by the enemy has been repulsed.

"This morning we captured another trench near Puisalenne and we have been able to hold it, notwithstanding several counter attacks.

"Last night the enemy made a vigorous attack on La Tete de Faux, in the Vosges, but without success."

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

Report Considerable Progress.

PARIS, Dec. 25, 3 p.m.—The following official statement was issued this afternoon:

"In Belgium there have been intermittent artillery battles.

"From the Lys to the Oise on the evening of Dec. 23 we gained the fork of the roads from Loos to Rutoire and from Loos to Vermelles.

"To the northeast of Albert we took possession of a portion of the village of La Boisseg and of an advance trench to the south of that village.

"To the north from Roye to Lihu, near Lihons, we also have made some progress. These various attacks, undertaken with great spirit, have every-

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CHRISTMAS IS SPENT AMIDST IDEAL WEATHER

With weather conditions prevailing that could not be more ideal, citizens of Nelson and the adjacent district yesterday spent a quiet but pleasant Christmas day. A seasonable touch was given to the day by a fall of snow, which amounted to some few inches. The snow commenced falling in the early morning hours and continued throughout the day, creating a beautiful and appropriate mantle of white.

Everywhere throughout the city there prevailed the festival spirit. Nothing had been left undone by the relief organizations, clubs, fraternal societies and philanthropic citizens to provide good things for those who through the stress of the times found themselves unable to do so. In the evening the music of sleigh bells was general for the first time this season.

Many Christmas tree entertainments, both private, semi-private and public included, were held throughout the city and other functions were held that proved in keeping with the spirit of the occasion. The patients at the Kootenay Lake General hospital were provided with good cheer, at the jail Santa Claus visited the prisoners and they were given unusual freedom, the Y. M. C. A. held a Christmas tree for its junior members, the Salvation army band serenaded in various parts of the city and a Christmas tree was held by the corps in the evening, special services at St. Saviour's church and at the church of Mary Immaculate were large attended. At the skating rink over 300 enjoyed the splendid ice during the afternoon and evening and throughout the entire hours that it was open it was well filled, while at the curling rink many of the disciples of the roarin' game performed with the stones and brooms.

In the evening the leading attractions in the city and those which probably drew the largest crowds were the special Christmas dinners given at the Strathcona, Hume, Nelson and Queen's hotels. Many had made reservations at these various hostelries and enjoyed the hospitality of their proprietors. At the Strathcona hotel an informal dance was held in the "Hall of the Doges," which was also well patronized.

At the hospital a special Christmas dinner was served to the patients, who as far as possible sat at one board. The building had been tastefully decorated by the staff and provided a cheery, Christmas aspect. Many visitors attended the institution during the day.

At the provincial jail the members of the Salvation army provided a special Christmas service in the morning and Santa Claus proved a generous friend of the inmates. A box of candy for each prisoner was provided by the members of the W. C. T. U., while tobacco and other articles that brought cheer to the men were also provided. A concert arranged among the men themselves was held and a turkey and plum pudding dinner was enjoyed by the 30 inmates. The staff of the jail wishes to acknowledge donations from among others, Mrs. E. A. Crease, Mrs. D. G. Kurtz, Mrs. D. Wade, the Misses Beal-

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GERMAN AVIATORS MAKE ATTEMPT AGAINST PORTS

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

SOUTHEND - ON - SEA, England Dec. 25, via London, Dec. 26, 3:15 a.m.—The spectacle of a fight in the air witnessed on Christmas afternoon by thousands of spectators was one which 10 years ago would have been considered one of the wildest imaginings of fiction.

Three aeroplanes, one a German and two British, were flying overhead at 70 miles an hour, almost a mile high. The German taube was moving more swiftly than the others, which swung above it. The British were spitting fire, while the German was unable to reply on account of the strategic position of the pursuers.

When the German first came in sight the anti-aircraft guns fired several shots but after the British aeroplanes took chase it was impossible to fire without endangering them.

The spectacle lasted only five minutes. The German dodged and twisted in an effort to escape but the British were on both sides pouring rapid volleys. The speed at which the aeroplanes were traveling made the aim uncertain, but one of the British machines swooped down close to the ground and fired several shots at close range. The German returned the fire.

Official Statement Is Issued

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—German aviators made another attempt to drop bombs on British ports today. Like the attempt against Dover that of today which was directed against Sheerness was unsuccessful. An aeroplane crossed the channel and sailing high flew over Sheerness. British aircraft went in pursuit and, says one despatch, engaged the enemy for 15 minutes before thousands of spectators. The invader finally disappeared in the mist, having been hit several times.

The war office issued the following statement tonight:

"A hostile aeroplane was sighted today at 12:55. It was flying very high from east to west over Sheerness. British aircraft went up in pursuit and engaged the enemy who, after being hit three or four times, was driven off seaward."

Anti-Aircraft Guns in Action.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

SHEERNESS, Dec. 25.—A German aeroplane was sighted off Southend today. The weather was misty and the machine was flying at a great height and at high speed. Several rounds were fired from anti-aircraft guns, apparently without effect, but naval aeroplanes chased the intruder, who disappeared. Many thousands of people flocked to the sea front to witness the affair.

Passes Over Horne Bay.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

DOVER, Dec. 25, via London, Dec. 26.—It is reported here that a German aeroplane, flying at a great height, passed over the Midway river and Horne bay today. Aeroplanes and seaplanes were out scouting for many hours.

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Intending Curlers Should Join Club Today in Order to Get Placed—Rink Busy Yesterday

A meeting of the skips of the Nelson Curling club will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the curling rink, when the rinks for the president vs. vice-president and other club competitions will be drawn.

Yesterday the four sheets of ice were kept busy and many curlers enjoyed the splendid ice. Scratch games continued practically throughout the entire day.

Any desirous of joining the club, if they hand their names in today to the secretary, D. H. Proudfoot, can be placed on rinks at the meeting tonight.

BEATS STRATFORD

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 23.—Western university took two exhibition hockey games from Stratford today, defeating the classic city in Stratford this afternoon 4 to 3, and winning here again tonight 7 to 3.

DECOTEAU VICTOR IN CALGARY ROAD RACE

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

CALGARY, Alta., Dec. 25.—Alex Decoteau won the five-mile Herald Christmas day road race today in 36 minutes 15 seconds.

EDMONTON WINS

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

EDMONTON, Alta., Dec. 25.—The local hockey team opened the season here before a crowd of 1,000 this afternoon, defeating a combined team from the Calgary Chinooks and Victorias by a score of 8 to 3.

OTTAWA BEATS DARTMOUTH

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 25.—In the last minute of a 10-minute overtime period, Left Wing Behan of the University of Ottawa ice hockey team, shot a goal, defeating Dartmouth 3 to 2 tonight.

HAMILTON BEATEN

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 25.—The Columbus club team defeated the team of the Hamilton, Ont., soccer club 5 to 1 on an ice covered field here today.

KID WILLIAMS WALLOPS DALY

New York Bantamweight Takes Hard Punishment and Sheer Grit Alone Saves Knockout.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Kid Williams of Baltimore, bantamweight champion, administered a severe beating to Johnny Daly of this city in a 10-round match here today. In the first five rounds Daly took hard punishment and sheer grit and his good condition alone enabled him to escape a knockout. Williams' speed prevented Daly from using his right hand to effect. Williams weighed 116¾ lbs.; Daly was 4 lbs. lighter.

In Brooklyn a hard 10-round bout was fought between Battling Levinsky of this city and Dan (Porky) Flynn of Boston.

Both men fought hard, delivering many blows. Notwithstanding his giving Flynn 18 pounds Levinsky outpointed his opponent in every round.

LOCAL TEAMS CLASH TONIGHT

Tigers and Rovers Will Open Local Hockey Season—Fast Game Expected

The first hockey game of the season will be played here tonight with the Tigers and the Rovers as the contenders. Both teams have been putting in some strenuous practice since ice was available and as the fastest of the local boys will be seen in action a good game is expected. Many of the players have been active in local hockey circles during past seasons and the Rover line-up will consist of members of that team who are not only favorites in Nelson but who have made good elsewhere on fast teams. The Tigers have been considerably strengthened over last year's team by the addition of new blood, rearrangement and several weeks of good hard training.

The Tigers will be chosen from the following: T. Boyes, D. Stewart, S. Desireau, M. Thompson, T. Madden, C. Miller, G. Roe, F. Ogenski.

The Rover squad will be: C. E. Richardson, Fred Grant, N. B. Cummins, "Dutch" Richardson, Eddie Murphy, W. Ferguson, Eddie Bishop and E. G. Matthew.

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At the Theatres

Strong Detective Drama

The Starland theatre will present this evening an unusually attractive program, the main bill being the famous motion picture dramatization of "The Mystery of the Haunted House," a strong detective drama in three parts. This film has attracted widespread interest and big audiences wherever shown. An extremely laughable farce comedy "A Waterplane Elopement," will also be shown. A strong western drama, "The Greaser and the Weakling," featuring Warren Kerrigan, completes the bill. This afternoon the special matinee will be held at which prizes will be given to the boy or girl who makes the nearest guess of the fat man's weight. He will be in front of the theatre from 2 o'clock to 2:30.

On Monday, the second instalment of "The Million Dollar Mystery" will be shown. This is entitled "The False Friend" and is tremendously exciting. The synopsis of each instalment will be published and can also be read at the theatre.

STOLE CHICKENS IS CHARGE, JAILED

Early Morning Raid on Fairview Poultry House is Frustrated—Preliminary Trial Today.

A raid on a chicken house belonging to a Chinese truck gardener on Nelson avenue, Fairview, in the early hours of Christmas morning resulted in T. Forsyth of Nelson spending his Christmas in the provincial jail. He was arrested by Provincial Constable Hugh King and will come up for his preliminary hearing this morning in the provincial police court before Stipendiary Magistrate Cartmel.

It appears, according to the story of the Chinamen, that several raids had been made on their poultry houses during the past few months and in view of this they had prepared to await the arrival of the next intruder. In the early hours of Friday morning, it is said, the intruders arrived. The plan is said to have been for one of them to get into the poultry house, wring the necks of the birds and throw them out to a waiting confederate who placed them safely in a sack. Forsyth, it is stated, did the work in the poultry house and was trapped by the Chinamen, while the confederate who is believed to have held the sack escaped.

A blood-stained hammer found near the scene is said by the Chinamen to have been used by Forsyth in the melee during which, before he was overpowered and securely bound, he succeeded in doing some damage to his captors. The accused in the provincial jail shows signs of a hard fight. He was placed in the jail at 4:50 o'clock Friday morning.

The bag, partly filled with chickens, and one duck was also found near the scene.

PRINCE OF MONACO AND THE GERMANS

The Prince of Monaco, the ruler of the little Monte Carlo gambling establishment, has been drawn into the European war in a way that has made him exceedingly wrothy. While the German centre as operating near Reims, a chateau belonging to the prince, was used as the German headquarters. No French soldiers were near the chateau, yet Gen. von Buelow has placed a war tax of $100,000 on the neighboring village of Soissonne.

The village was unable to pay more than a quarter of this sum. Gen. von Buelow sent a messenger twice to the prince, threatening to destroy the chateau and the village on Nov. 1 unless the prince paid the amount demanded from the town.

The authorities were able to collect only 120,000 francs. Col. von Krupka after consultation with Gen. von Buelow decided to allow two delegates to visit the Prince of Monaco to ask aid.

"I am authorized by his excellency to tell you that the remaining part of the fine must be paid," the communication to the prince read. "The delegation is authorized to mention this condition to the Prince of Monaco, adding that if the sum is not paid, besides other acts, the chateau belonging to the prince and the commune of Marchais will be demolished and burned."

"Judge Between You and Me."

The prince decided to pay the tax and save the little community from the fate threatened. His words were: "I on my honor pledge myself to remit to Emperor William, if the war ends without international damage to my residence or the community, the sum necessary to complete the $100,000 which Soissonne was fined by you.

"As a sovereign prince I will treat with the sovereign who, during 15 years, has called me friend and made me knight of the Black Eagle. My conscience and dignity place me beyond feeling fear; my energy will place me beyond all regret. But if you destroy the chateau of Marchais which is the centre of science, interesting to the whole world and a centre of charity; if you reserve for the jewel of archeology and history the fate of the cathedral of Reims and, without hostile act against you on its part the world will judge between you and me."

The price also wrote a letter of protest to Emperor William.

FIRE KILLS TWO AGED WOMEN AT DALHOUSIE

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

DALHOUSIE, N. B., Dec. 25.—In an early morning fire which destroyed three buildings an aged woman, Miss Ann Macdonald, was burned to death. Another woman, Mrs. Joseph Winchester, died from shock.

MINE SINKS TRAWLER

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

GRIMSBY, Enugland, Dec. 26, via London, 2:30 a.m.—The trawler Oceana was sunk by a mine yesterday. Eight men were drowned, only the second engineer being saved.

Markets - Mining - Finance

NEW SOUTH WALES TAKES NEARLY ALL WHEAT SUPPLY

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Dec. 25—The government has seized the entire stock of wheat of New South Wales excepting the amount needed for seed supplies for the farmers. This action is aimed at speculators who, taking advantage of war conditions, have been seeking to inflate prices. The government has fixed a price for wheat of $1.20 per bushels.

MICHIGAN MILL BURNED

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 25.—The total destruction of the stamp mill of the Isle Royale Mining company by fire early today will not cause the suspension of mining operations, it was stated. The rock will be sent to the Centennial mill in this city. The loss of the stamp mill and machine shop is close to $300,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

SHIPMENT OF COTTON LEAVES FOR GERMAN PORT

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 25.—The first export of cotton to Germany from this port since the European war departed today for Bremen on the American steamer Pathfinder. The cargo is 6,550 bales, valued by the shippers at $455,000, and the rate was $3 per 100 pounds, the largest ever paid.

The hatches were sealed in the presence of the French consul and a representative of Lloyds of London. Both certified that the vessel contained only American cotton and is entitled to unobstructed passage into German waters and into a German port.

INDIAN PRINCE DIES EDUCATED AT OXFORD

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A telegram from Calcutta announces the death of his highness Sid Kang Tulka, Maharajah of Sikkim, in the eastern Himalayas. He succeeded his father, the late Sir Thotub Mangyal, only a few months ago.

Sid Kang was the first ruler of his remote state to come into direct contact with western civilization. He spent two years at Oxford university and afterward traveled extensively with an English officer. At the opening of the present war he expressed a desire to be of any service possible to the British government.

FORTY BURIED BENEATH RUINS FROM LANDSLIDE

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

ROME, Dec. 20 (delayed).—Heavy rains caused a landslide today at Valmontone, a city of about 4,000 inhabitants, 30 miles southeast of Rome. Part of the city was covered by the landslide and many buildings collapsed. Forty persons were buried beneath the ruins.

In the surrounding country the rivers have overflowed their banks, causing large losses to property.

MISSANABIE PASSENGERS ARRIVE CHRISTMAS EVE

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The Christmas ship Missanabie arrived in Liverpool in good time on Thursday, after a fairly good voyage, filled with people anxious to spend the Christmas season in the old country. The passengers landed in good time for Christmas day, an experience which did not befall voyagers of the previous two seasons, as they only arrived here on Christmas day itself.

DUKE SENDS MESSAGE TO BRITISH BOY SCOUTS

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 25.—The Duke of Connaught in his capacity as chief scout of the Royal Scouts Association of Canada, sent the following cable message to Gen. Sir Robert Baden-Powell and to the British Boy Scouts, of whom it is said that some 50,000 are now engaged in the performance of various public services connected with the war:

"In the name of the Canadian Boy Scouts I send you hearty Christmas greetings and affectionate regards to the Boy Scouts of the motherland in the most worthy part they are taking in behalf of King and Empire.

"ARTHUR."

BRITISH COLUMBIAN BELGIANS GO TO WAR

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

MONTREAL, Dec. 25.—A squad of Belgians numbering about 20 arrived here today from British Columbia and Manitoba and left tonight for Halifax and St. John, whence they sail for the seat of war.

LAY LIKE A WARRIOR TAKING HIS REST

No more impressive scene can be pictured for the burial of a great soldier like the late Major General H. I. W. Hamilton than that described by a distinguished officer and one of his personal friends. The writer says:

"He was standing with a group of others in a covered place when a shell burst about 100 yards off and he was hit on the temple by a bullet and killed on the spot. No one else was hit. It was a fine death but I know how he would feel that he was taken before his work was done. He was buried last night—a real soldier's funeral. I shall never forget it. All day we could not get near the place where he was lying, owing to the heavy shell fire, but at night we went and carried him to a little church near by and buried him there.

Amidst Shot and Shell.

"Just as we got there the attack began violently, so that we could not hear the chaplain's voice for musketry and pom-pom fire close by. Flashes from the guns lit us up now and then but no other light than a tiny torch for the parson to read by. He was doing so splendidly that it was cruel luck that he should have been the one taken out of the group."

After this letter was written the body of Major Gen. Hamilton was removed from its temporary resting place and conveyed to England for burial at St. Martin's church, Sheriton. Eight sergeants of the Norfolk regiment bore the coffin covered with the Union Jack to the grave.

Lord Kitchener, who was represented by Major Gen. Spens, sent a wreath inscribed, "In affectionate remembrance," and on the tombstone appeared these lines:

Life is mostly frost and bubble,
Two things stand like stone—
Kindness in another's trouble,
Courage in your own.

FORMER KHEDIVE OF EGYPT IN ILL HEALTH

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

GENEVA, via Paris, Dec. 25.—Two sons of the former khedive of Egypt, aged 13 and 16, have arrived here from Vienna, where their father is visiting, to enter a local college. They say the ex-khedive is in bad health.

TWELVE THOUSAND POOR ARE FED IN MONTREAL

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

MONTREAL, Dec. 25.—More than 12,000 of Montreal's poor were provided with Christmas dinner by charitable organizations, the Salvation army alone delivering 600 dinner baskets.

The army also will provide dinners in the barracks next Tuesday for 500 persons.

NURSE SEES THE KAISER

French Nurse Threatened With Death as Spy Appeals to German Emperor.

The rather doubtful privilege of an interview with the kaiser fell to the lot of a French nurse who was taken prisoner with her ambulance near Sedan. Threatened with execution as a spy, she wrote to the emperor and was received into the august presence at Charleville.

In the France de Demain, M. Hinzelin tells the story of the interview which followed. The kaiser had taken up his quarters in a couple of houses near the station of Charleville. His bedroom was protected against possible hostile aeroplane attacks by guns mounted on pivots, and whenever he went abroad for a constitutional or horseback or in motor car, he was accompanied by a strong escort. The lady was introduced into the kaiser's presence by an officer of his staff, Major von Plessen. When she entered the reception room she saw sitting at a table covered with maps and plans an officer in greenish-grey uniform. At her entrance the officer rose, clicked his heels together in the German way, and said, "I salute the ladies of France."

Like the Caricatures.

It was the kaiser, though she had some difficulty in recognizing him. He had not shaved his moustache but cut it very close. There were heavy pouches under his eyes, and his skin was yellow and drawn. He looked not like the photographs but like the caricatures of himself. As soon as she came before him he asked her to be seated, and with a strange, nervous rapidity set her a series of questions, which he answered himself. It was rather a monologue than an interrogatory.

"Why did France insist on making war on us?" he first asked, following up his question before it could be answered by a second. "Don't you know that France was the first to mobilize?"

Half swamped beneath the torrent of royal words, the nurse murmured something about the invasion of Belgium. The kaiser caught at Belgium.

"They are always reproaching us with that," he said. "Just listen to me. At Brussels we found absolute proof that a treaty existed between Belgium, France and England enabling the French and English to attack Germany through Belgium."

England's "Treachery."

"Excuse me, sir," said the Frenchwoman, trying to stem the stream of verbiage, "I have come here to protest against a charge of espionage."

But the kaiser swept her interruption aside.

"I'll tell you what I think of your fine England," he said, with growing fury. "She is treachery incarnate. She has betrayed everybody, and me first of all. If I had wished she would betray France tomorrow. How can France have made common cause with our secular foe? I expected better things of you. Yet it is true that you are proving yourselves unworthy of your ancient fame, for you have summoned savages to your assistance. Just think, bloodthirsty negroes from the flower of your army."

Here the Frenchwoman broke in: "I have never heard, sir," she said proudly, "that our black troops massacre children, shoot down old men, burn churches and desecrate sepulchres."

The kaiser had not the time to answer this charge. It is doubtful whether he even heard it. At that moment the politic von Plessen half opened the door of the audience chamber.

"Good," said the monarch hastily. "It appears to us that you have been wrongly accused, and you shall be set at liberty, but do not fail to repeat all that we have said to you."

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Mr. Blunt—No, thank you. But if you can tender this piece you have already served me I shall be greatly obliged to you.

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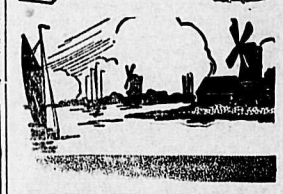

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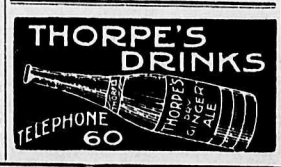

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CHRISTMAS AS USUAL AT OTTAWA

Special Efforts of Charitable Nature Made at Capital—Sir Robert Leaves for Winnipeg

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 25.—With the thermometer hovering at a point several degrees below zero the people of the capital spent a quiet Christmas. In spite of the war the "Christmas as usual" spirit prevailed, the day resembling other Yuletide seasons in all outward aspects.

Owing to the more stringent times which prevail, special efforts of a charitable character were made and the poor and needy were all provided with Christmas dinner.

The corps of engineers in training at the exhibition grounds until such time as the second contingent gets orders to leave for the front, fared well at the hands of generous citizens.

Sir Robert Borden and Lady Borden spent the day quietly at their local home and left at midnight for Winnipeg, where Sir Robert will address the Canadian club on Tuesday afternoon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Lady Laurier also spent the day in Ottawa. Many of the cabinet ministers were out of the city, including Hon. Robert Rogers, Hon. W. J. Roche, who are in the west; Hon. J. D. Reid, who is at Prescott; Hon. Martin Burrell, who has gone to Virginia for a rest; Hon. Sam Hughes, who is at Lindsay; and Hon. W. T. White, who is in Toronto.

Those who were here for Christmas included Sir George Foster, Hon. T. W. Crothers and Hon. C. J. Doherty.

At Rideau hall the usual Yuletide customs were adhered to today and on New Year's day the Duke of Connaught will hold his customary levee.

FEET FROZEN; LONG WALK IN THIN SOCKS, SLIPPERS

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 25.—George Lunker, a Greek, aged 30, is in Victoria hospital in a critical condition with both feet frozen. The feet will have to be amputated and it is believed Lunker will not survive. With two companions Lunker last night attempted to walk from London to St. Mary's, his footwear consisting only of thin socks and carpet slippers.

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THANKS CANADIANS FOR ENDURANCE

General Alderson Sends Christmas Message Praising Spirit of Members of Contingent

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Gen. Alderson, commanding the Canadian troops at Salisbury plain, has issued the following general order and has given the Canadian Associated Press permission to circulate it:

"In wishing all ranks of the contingent all that is good and happy at this season of the year, the general officer commanding would like to express his appreciation of the way in which the inevitable discomfort of being under canvas in England during the winter has been met. The spirit of all ranks in this respect has been most soldier-like and the general officer commanding has much admired it and wished the time permitted his seeing each man and thanking him for it and at the same time wishing him a happy Christmas and a good New Year."

DOUBTS IF RUSSIA HAS FRESH TROOPS

Teutonic Military Expert Is Inclined to Believe Russians Are Fighting Rearguard Actions.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

BERLIN, Dec. 25—A statement given out today by the official press bureau says:

"Despite the evident stubborn nature of the fighting along the whole eastern front Major Morats, military correspondent of the Tageblatt, says he is inclined to believe that the Russian resistance is no new offensive but is made up merely of rear post combats designed to cover the retirement of the main armies for reorganization back of the middle Vistula. This he thinks is particularly the case in southern Poland and Galicia, where the nature of the ground behind the Russians is such that time must be gained to permit them to reach the positions set for reorganization even at the risk of the rear post troops not being able to come back.

'Despite all this," says Major Morats, "partial successes by the Russians here and there are possible. He doubts whether the Russians have any available fresh troops back of their line.

"An Austrian report indicates that the Carpathians are being cleared gradually of the enemy but that the latter are stubbornly holding their own in Galicia, where Vienna has no successes to report."

SHOULD CLERGYMEN BECOME SOLDIERS?

(Toronto Mail and Empire.)

A few days ago Gen Joffre conferred upon the Abbe Frederic Lamy the highest military honor in the French republic, namely, the "Medaille Militaire." The abbe was serving as a sergeant of infantry. He was wounded five times after having displayed conspicuous bravery and then when he could no longer walk he crawled about on hands and knees giving brandy to his wounded comrades and administering the last rites of the church. There are many instances of priests' heroism on the field of battle but it will be left to France alone to supply such evidences as that of Abbe Lamy, for in all countries Roman Catholic priests confine themselves to non-combatant duties, equally dangerous and necessary though they may be. In France, however, the military law does not exempt priests from the duty of bearing arms and there are several thousand of them now at the front and hundreds have been honored by their general for gallantry.

Catholic Doctrine.

It has long been a vexed question whether ministers of the gospel should bear arms, whether indeed they were ever justified in shedding human blood. The doctrine of the Catholic church is plain on this point. Missionaries and priests can do whatever is in their power to alleviate suffering, but not in defense of their own lives or the lives of others are they permitted to fight. The Quakers, as everyone knows have a similar belief. This, too, would seem to be the principle of the Church of England as recently laid down by the Archbishop of Canterbury, although in spite of his decision on this point there are hundreds of ordained Anglican clergymen serving in the ranks in other capacities than as chaplains or with the hospital service. The other Protestant bodies in England have put no obstacles in the path of their clergy who wished to fight and there are thousands of them either under Sir John French or drilling with Kitchener's army.

Lutheran Clergy Fight.

In Germany the Catholic priests who are at the battle front are there as chaplains or in some non-combatant capacity, but there are 6000 Lutheran divines bearing arms for their country. The Belgian priests are non-combatants but in Russia many thousands of priests of the Greeck church have volunteered for service. They have not been accepted, because Russia has already more men ready to fight than she can place in the field. Although the Catholic church has always maintained that a priest has no right to bear arms in any circumstance, the French priests who are fighting have received a sort of sanction from Rome for not long ago it is reported that the Pope wrote to the Archbishop of Cologne expressing his satisfaction at a German army order which gave the French priests who might be captured special privileges. That is to say, no matter what their rank is they are to be treated as though they were officers. It reflects credit upon the French priests that they have refused to accept the courtesy and are willing to take nothing that is not shared by their comrades of equal rank.

The Uganda Precedent.

Writing in the Pittsburg Dispatch "Ex-Attache" recalls that the question of the church militant was very thoroughly debated at the great International Missionary Congress at Edinburgh four years ago. The question was whether a priest had a right to go armed and being armed the right to take life in defense of his own. A precedent for the affirmative was discovered in the situation in Uganda in 1897 when there was a dangerous anti-foreign outbreak. In response to the British commissioner's appeal for volunteers the Bishop of the diocese gave his permission for all the missionaries under his care to take rifles in hand and stand side by side with other British subjects against the fanatical natives. When criticized subsequently for his stand, the bishop vigorously defended himself and asked if a married missionary was to see his wife and children slaughtered without raising an arm in their defense. To this argument there appears to be no adequate reply.

Danger of Arming Missionaries.

On the other hand, the attitude of the Catholic church was approved by many. They said that if the missionaries were to arm themselves they would bring suspicion upon the disinterestedness of their work and the natives would think that their religion was a mere cloak for aggression. Being unarmed, they would be supposed to be absolutely sincere in spreading the gospel of peace and good will or madmen. In either case, they would be safe enough from attack on the part of the natives. There can be no doubt that as long as there are plenty of laymen to do the fighting the clergy can safely and with propriety confine themselves to the equally necessary work of caring for the wounded and ministering to the dying. There will be found few British subjects we think who would expect a clergyman to shrink from shedding blood if the safety of the Empire depended upon his militancy.

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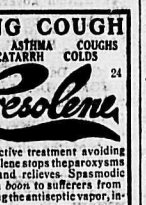

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Provincial Land Surveyor.
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Office phone L86; residence phone, R74
Office, Suite 6, McCulloch Bldg.
Baker St., Nelson, B.C.

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LODGE NOTICES

KOOTENAY LODGE NO. 16, I. O. O. F —Meets every Monday night in Oddfellows' hall at 7:30 o'clock.

QUEEN CITY REBEKAH LODGE No. 16, I. O. O. F., meets first and third Tuesdays, Oddfellows' hall, 8 o'clock.

NELSON ENCAMPMENT NO 7, I.O O.F.—Meets second and fourth Thursdays in Oddfellows' hall at 8 o'clock.

CANTON CORONA NO. 7.—MEETS every second Tuesday in Oddfellows hall, at 8 o'clock.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS MEETS Tuesday nights in K. of P. hall, Eagle Bldg.

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C.O.F. Court Kootenay Belle meets 2nd and 4th Fridays in K.P. hall, Eagle Block

A. O. F. COURT ELLEN—MEETS first and third Monday in Eagle hall at 8 o'clock.

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Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district of which the rights applied for are situated.

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Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior

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FOR SALE—160 acres on Battleford-Athabasca C.N.R. line under construction; 70 acres under cultivation, 140 acres prairie. Store and postoffice on place $10 per acre, half cash. P. O. Claassen, Fort Pitt, Sask. *214-8

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TEACHER WANTED—For Burtondale school; wages $75; duties to commence after the holidays. Apply to R. L. June, Secretary, Burton, B.C. 212-tf

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FIFTY YOUNG PIGS, growers, Marsden, Taghum. *110-117

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PRICE BROS., TAXIDERMISTS.—Birds, animals, fish and reptiles mounted true to life; for terms apply Price Bros., Rossland, B.C. *212-30

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AGENTS — "The World's Greatest War," including Canada's part. Profusely illustrated with actual battle scenes. Record seller; make seven dollars daily. Sample book free on promise to canvass. Linscott Company, Brantfor

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NOTICE.

Land Registry Act.

In the matter of an application for issue of a duplicate Certificate of Title to Lot 4, Block 4, Town of Nelson.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above mentioned lot in the name of Roderick McLeod, which Certificate is dated the 30th day of June, 1898 and numbered 998K.

SAMUEL R. ROE,
District Registrar.
Nelson, B.C., 7th December, 1914.

NOTICE.

Land Registry Act.

In the matter of an application for issue of a duplicate Certificate of Title to Lot 2245, Group 1, Kootenay District, containing 289 acres more or less.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above mentioned lot in the name of John Clinton Allison, which Certificate is dated the 12th day of November, 1910, and numbered 13701A.

SAMUEL R. ROE,
District Registrar.
Nelson, B.C., 2nd December, 1914.

WATER NOTICE.

(Diversion and Use.

Take notice that John Greenway, A. J. Thorn and M. Campbell whose address is Crescent Valley, will apply for a license to take and use ½ cubic ft. per second of water out of Goose creek also gnown as Latendresse creek, which flows northeasterly and drains into Slocan river about 1½ miles above confluence with Kootenay river. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about 4300 ft. above junction with Slocan river, and will be used for irrigation and domestic purposes upon the land described as Lots XYZ Subdivision of District Lots 6450, 7362, 7367, 7369, 303 and 6451, G I, Kootenay district. This notice was posted on the ground on the 19th day of December, 1914. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the "Water Act, 1914" will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Nelson. Objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., within thirty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper.

For the Applicants,
JOHN GREENWAY, Agent.

The date of the first publication of this notice is December, 19, 1914.

TROOPS WILL BE LOCATED AT SASKATOON

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

SASKATOON, Sask., Dec. 25.—Definite information reached here today from official sources that several units of 110 men each will be stationed at Saskatoon in the barracks provided by the provincial government.

GENTLE GERMANY

Dame Germany's straining her old diaphragm, expounding, explaining, that she is a lamb. "They drove me to battle, they forced me to fight," you hear her voice rattle, by day and by night. Haranguing the nations which neutral remain, she springs her orations, and springs them in vain. "If you are well grounded in fact," we inquire, "why have you expounded a gospel of fire? And why were you planning invasions afar, and building and manning your vessels, all wicked and wooly and anxious to fight; with fury he glances from arrogant eyes, and bravely advances on one half his size. And when the man smaller lands on his nose, and climbs on his collar and stamps on his toes, the bully cries, 'Murther! Please call the police! Let this go no further—my longing for peace—" And so she would blind us with stories like these, which stories remind us of Limburger cheese; they have a rank flavor that cannot deceive; they don't make us waver in what we believe. Convinced that the Germans were hunting for grief, no sonnets or sermons can change the belief.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1914

NO SENTIMENT IN WAR.

While Christmas was observed outside the arenas of war yesterday with various degrees of festivity the battles continued to rage in France, in Belgium, in the portion of Germany which has been invaded by the French troops, in Galicia, in East Prussia and in Russia.

Many must have hoped that the proposal for the declaration of a truce on Christmas day would meet with the approval of the belligerent nations but the *successful conduct of* war allows for consideration of nothing—outside of the rules which civilized nations have laid down for belligerents to observe—but victory.

Seldom can an armistice be granted without advantage to some one of the opposing armies. Where that advantage exists the general on the other side will naturally refuse to aid the enemy. Where none actually exists there is the fear that it might exist.

That is why there have been few armistices of anything but a local nature in this war.

There is no sentiment in modern warfare. The very nature of war forbids it. Subject to the rules of the game it is the soldier's duty to win and to beat the enemy as decisively as possible.

HOLLAND HEAVY SUFFERER.

In relation to its size Holland is probably the neutral country which has suffered most severely from the war. Not only has its trade been brought almost to a standstill but it has been compelled, in order to be prepared to protect its neutrality, to keep a large army of men under arms and has in addition provided for hundreds of thousands of Belgian refugees who have been driven over the border by the conditions in their own country.

The Netherlands is suffering on account of its geographical position. It is the natural channel for a large trade between Germany and the outside world and annually derives large profits from this business which has been reduced almost to nothing by the necessities of war which have compelled the allies to place on the contraband list most of the articles in which this trading has been carried on.

The loss of trade has brought about a heavy reduction in revenue with the result that the difficulties of raising funds have become acute. How serious the financial situation in the Netherlands has become is indicated by the announcement of the methods by which it is proposed to float a new loan of $110,000,000. The government, in effect, is telling Dutchmen who *have money for* investment that if the present loan is not subscribed the alternative will be a "compulsory" loan upon which the interest will be 4 per cent with the principle lacking in the usual guarantee, whereas 5 per cent is offered as interest on the guaranteed bonds which are now on the market.

Holland displayed splendid spirit when it generously refused to allow any other nation to aid in taking care of the Belgian refugees who had sought haven within the Netherlands borders and the government at The Hague is credited with having made an honest endeavor to preserve the neutrality of its country with impartiality.

As an example of an innocent nation suffering disproportionately heavily through circumstances over which it has no control Holland is deserving of the sincere sympathy of the world.

Canadians can build up Canada by buying goods made in Canada by Canadians.

A strict censorship has been enforced on news of battles between Villa and Carranza forces. Those fellows down south seem determined to keep abreast of *European methods*. It is not long since two of the bandit generals formally declared war.

Australia is estimated to have 1,131,360 men fit for war. The other self-governing British dominions can, if the fortune of war makes it necessary, provide the Empire with approximately the same number of men in proportion to their population. Germany should take the hint.

Col. Roosevelt has written to Dr. H. W. Coe of Portland, Ore., stating that "the public is tired of hearing from reformers and especially from me." And the American press does not seem to know whether the colonel intends to rejoin the Republican party or retire from politics.

And now comes Dr. Lenard, professor of physics at Heidelberg, with the assertion that London, "the central nest and supreme academy for all hypocrisy in the world," must be destroyed if the German mission of producing "an England thoroughly altered, improved, bettered and then matured and ripened" is to be successfully accomplished.

On Nov. 13 last the percentage of unemployment in the trades covered by the British national insurance act was 3.85, as compared with 3.93 on Nov. 6, 4.50 a month previously and nearly 7 per cent a few days after the war broke out. On Nov. 13, 1913, the percentage was 3.84, almost exactly the same as after three months of war. Business as usual means employment as usual.

Germany is said to have decided to get rid of Dr. Karl Liebknecht by enrolling him in the army. If the Socialist leader who openly opposed the last big war credit voted by the reichstag should be announced as among those killed at the front at an early date it would not be surprising. There are many opportunities for accidents apart from the hazards of battle and Dr. Liebknecht is considered a dangerous man by the Prussian powers.

WHAT THE PRESS IS SAYING.

The Crisis Past.

For the allies the crisis is past. In the stages of the war still to come they will have ample opportunity to call into play that superiority in resources on which in the long run victory must depend.—New York Tribune.

The Annexation Fad.

Just as Germany formally annexed Belgium, Turkey has formally annexed Egypt, Austria will probably formally annex Russia in a day or two. It's an innocent amusement and hurts nobody.—New York Evening Telegram.

Disappointment in Berlin.

If the Boer revolt has been suppressed the developments in South Africa will doubtless prove a serious disappointment in Berlin, where it was believed there was confident expectation that the Boers would prove a heavy handicap upon England in the course of its continental warfare. —Washington Star.

A Consistent War Lord.

William the Second's conception of the duties of a war lord is what is primarily to blame for the scourge of war in 1914. History will give him some credit for practising what he preaches. He has sent all his sons to the front, and all his relatives. He has hardly left the battle field, appearing among his soldiers and encouraging *them to greater efficiency* as he conceived it. In war, therefore, he plays the part as in peace. We can admire him somewhat as a man but as a ruler he belongs to another century.—Montreal Mail.

THE WEATHER.

	Min.	Max.
Nelson	18	29
Prince Albert	-40	-6
Dawson	-28	-16
Prince Rupert	40	44
Victoria	36	42
Vancouver	34	44
Kamloops	20	30
Edmonton	-12	-6
Battleford	-28	0
Medicine Hat	4	8
Moose Jaw	-36	-4
Winnipeg	-22	-2
Port Arthur	-18	-3
London	0	17
Toronto	-2	9
Kingston	-2	6
Ottawa	-10	-2
Montreal	-12	-2
Quebec	-22	-6
St. John	-6	2
Halifax	-8	8

ALL GLOOMY NEWS CUT FROM LETTERS

Words Desolation and Despair Are Sufficient to Send Mail to Waste in France

Only letters that are devoid of all gloomy news or utterances are permitted to reach the hands of French soldiers. This is in accord with an irrevocable rule of the military authorities. They also insist that all communications must be either unsealed or written on postcards.

One family complained that it sent letters to a son almost daily, but after *a month of war he had not received a* single word from home. Investigation showed that each one of the letters written by the boy's mother contained such words as "desolation" and "despair." She was told that her son was seeing enough desolation at the front and did not need to hear about the despair at home. The style of the letters changed, and now they are arriving promptly.

Cold weather and the shipment of warm clothing and other comforts to the soldiers tended to delay the delivery of letters. The automobile club volunteered its services and hundreds of automobiles carried packages to the trenches, until the Germans became aware of the arrangement. They captured 10 motor cars filled with packages of heavy underwear, jerseys, sweaters, tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, pipes and cigarette lighters. Some fond mothers sent preserves, cakes, cold chicken and pate-de-fois-gras. One package that met with an accident enroute was found to contain even a bottle of perfume.

CHRISTMAS AMID IDEAL WEATHER

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by for reading matter, the W. C. T. U. for candies, and P. Burns & Co., J. A. Irving & Co., R. B. Hay, Wood-Vallance Hardware company, G. B. Matthew, Thurman Bros., Tremont hotel, Klondyke hotel, Kootenay hotel and the Grand hotel for fruit, cigars and other gifts.

A large number of the junior members of the Y.M.C.A. attended the Christmas entertainment in the association building yesterday morning. Instead of a Christmas tree a fish-pond was arranged. Each member was provided with a rod and line and fished his present from the various piles of games, toys provided by the boys themselves. Preceding the fish-pond a program was given by L. O. Campbell, E. H. Evans, N. H. Johnson and D. B. Pawley. The entertainment was concluded with games of various kinds.

A Christmas tree was held in the Salvation Army citadel last evening for the Sunday school children and was a pleasing affair. The hall was *splendidly decorated for the occasion* and Santa Claus was there to distribute the presents. During the evening the children of the Sunday school under the leadership of Mrs. Buchan, superintendent, and Mrs. Forsberg presented a program of songs, recitations and drills. The smaller children gave several action songs which were greatly enjoyed.

Over 150 guests were in attendance at the dinner and informal dance which was given in the "Hall of the Doges" at the Strathcona hotel. The hostelry had been tastefully decorated in evergreens, bunting and patriotic colors for the occasion. For non-dancing guests card tables were prepared and many enjoyed this form of pastime during the evening.

For the dancing a four piece or*chestra furnished the music and many* appropriate airs were rendered during the evening.

The other hotels of the city were also tastefully decorated for the day and the theatres were well patronized, both the Gem and Starland having good houses.

ALLIES MAKE NOTABLE PROGRESS

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where conserved the ground already gained.

"To the south of the Oise our artillery has demolished the defense works of the enemy in the region of Bailley and on the plateau of Gouvran.

"On the Aisne and in Champagne there have been artillery battles and several of the German attacks have been repulsed.

"To the north of Spigneut, near Berry au Bac notably, a slight advance of our troops has been followed by a strong counter-attack which has completely failed.

Master of German Defenses.

"In the region of Perthes and Mesnil les Hurlus our progress of previous days has been followed up and strengthened. To the north of Mesnil we took possession of a forest strongly prepared by the enemy and to the east of trenches captured by us on Dec. 23. *To the northwest and* to the east of Perthes we have driven the enemy from the fragments of trenches which he was occupying and we are now masters of all his first line of defense.

"In the Argonne, in the forest of La Grurie, at Bagatelle, Fontaine Madale and St. Hubert we have repulsed five attacks and strengthened our front. Between the Argonne and the Meuse in spite of the snow and the fog we have made progress on the Bourcuille-Caquois front.

"In the region of Ouisy and the forest of Forges our heavy artillery by subduing the batteries and machine guns of the enemy have enabled our infantry to make a leap in advance.

"On the right bank of the Meuse the Germans have bombarded the south corner of the forest of Consenvoye, where we are established. At Ailly and in the forest of Apremont our artillery has forced the enemy to evacuate several trenches.

"In the lower Vosges we have advanced to within 1,500 metres of Circy on the Vesouze river."

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 25.—An official communication issued by the German army headquarters under date of Dec. 25 says:

"In Flanders yesterday things were generally quiet. To the east of St. Hubert a further portion of the British entrenchements were taken.

"Near Chivy our troops surprised a hostile company which had taken up *a position in front of ours and cap*tured 172 Frenchmen. In attempting to recapture this position the enemy suffered severe losses.

"French attacks near Souain and Perthes as well as minor attacks to the northwest of Verdun and west of Apremont were repulsed."

TWO HUNDRED VESSELS USE CANAL IN THREE MONTHS

During the first months of its commercial operation, from August 15, 1914, to Nov. 18, 1914, the cargo transported through the Panama canal amounted to 1,079,521 tons in 212 vessels, so the department of trade and commerce has been informed.

The total charge of $1.20 per net ton has been found in this period to be equivalent to a charge of approximately 75 cents per ton of cargo. Prior to the opening of the canal it cost $3.06 to carry freight across the isthmus. Over 95 per cent. of the traffic may be grouped under four heads—namely, United States coastwise trade, traffic between the Pacific coast and the United States and Europe, the trade of the west coast of South America with the Atlantic seaboard of the United States, and the trade of the United States with the Far East. Coastwise traffic employed 95 vessels, transporting 506,357 tons of cargo, amounting to 46.9 per cent. of the total cargo carried.

RUSSIANS REPULSE VICIOUS ASSAULTS

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Nida, where they are strongly entrenched.

The combatants here are old enemies. Three months ago the same Austrian troops opposed the first Russian advance on Cracow. To the north the Russians are holding their own and *are inflicting severe punishment on* the Germans. A series of energetic attacks on Bolimow, just south of Soc-pacznow (30 miles from Warsaw) are reported to have been repulsed on the night of Dec. 23.

German Attacks Repulsed.

The following bulletin was issued from general headquarters tonight:

"There has been no change on the left bank of the Vistula or in Galicia. The Germans delivered attacks on the day and night of Dec. 24 principally in the districts of Sochazow and Bolinow but all were repulsed with great loss to the enemy.

"Fighting continues on the banks of the Pilica.

"During the development of our offensive among the mountain spurs the Carpathians two of our infantry *regiments gave evidence of great gal*lantry. Under a murderous fire and wading waist deep in the icy water of the river, these regiments dislodged by bayonet charges the Austrians from their line, taking prisoners four officers and 150 soldiers."

Teutons Hurled Back.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—The war office announced today:

"In Russia on the left bank of the Vistula, the Germans have been hurled back from one of the positions which they occupied on the right bank of the lower Bzura and they have been reinforced at another point. They are continuing their attacks on Sochaczew and are trying to debouch from Bolomow.

"To the east of Skierniewice their night attacks were repulsed with very heavy losses to them. They have launched several fruitless attacks to the west of the river Rawka and are vigorously resisting the Russian offensive on the north bank of the Pilica.

"In East Prussia and near Przemysl and on the front in the Carpathians no essential changes have been noted."

ZAPATA AND VILLA CONTROL CABINET

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secretary. The other members are followers of Villa.

The Guiterrez government, messages today said, is doing away with the military tribunals and is administering justice through civic tribunals.

Mexicans Fight—Censor Strict

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 25.—Fighting has occurred between the adherents of Gen. Carranza and those of Gen. Villa in the outskirts of Vera Cruz. The Villa forces, *in unknown numbers, are* advancing, while the Carranza forces have been obliged to fall back.

A strict censorship has been enforced.

ITALIAN SAILORS LAND AT AVLONA

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ernment broke into the European war.

Essad Pasha's palace at Tirana has been pillaged and burned. Massacres are reported.

Region Prey to Civil War.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

ROME, Dec. 25.—A company of Italian sailors today occupied Avlona, a seaport of Albania on the Adriatic sea.

Recent despatches from Athens by way of Paris said that anarchy reigned at Avlona and the region along the Albanian seaport was a prey to civil war. Partisans of Kemal Bey last month forced the government to haul down the Turkish flag and hoist the Al*banian colors. Essad Pasha, command*er of the Turkish forces in Albania, then sent 500 soldiers to Avlona and they disarmed the inhabitants and restored the Turkish flag.

Italian naval forces occupied Avlona on Oct. 26 but the expedition was in the nature of a relief and sanitary organization which purposed to aid the large population which had taken refuge in the city to escape the persecutions of the insurgents. Everything was done by the Italian government to remove from the expedition anything savoring of political or territorial occupation. Pains were taken to show that the steps taken by Italy were merely for the purpose of seeing that the decision of the London conference creating an autonomous Albania was carried out.

KHAKI AND BLUE RULE IN BRITAIN

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their portraits to every soldier and sailor.

Says Christ Disapproves of Americans.

Attendance at the churches was large. Dean Inge at St. Paul's spoke of the Anglo-American peace centenary. Referring to the Canadian-American boundary he said:

"For a hundred years America and Canada have been at peace. A true peace, not snarling at each other like two ill-bred dogs. That is something. Thank God for a Christmas day. There are millions in Europe who look to America as a land of hope and I think they are justified in doing so. One cannot spend a week in America without feeling that hope and freedom give buoyancy to life there such as we rarely see at home."

The dean thought his American cousins failed to achieve a type of Christianity that Christ would approve. "Competitive industrialism," he said, "has not fulfilled this promise. The plea that business is business may cover almost as much brutality and injustice as may the maxim that 'all is fair in war.'"

JAPANESE DIET REFUSES ARMY VOTE; DISSOLVED

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

TOKIO, Dec. 25.—Owing to the rejection of the measure for an increase in the army, the emperor today dissolved the imperial diet, thus upholding the program of the ministry for military development. When the decision was announced there was a great commotion in the house and *cheers from the government side. The* premier, Count Okuma, scored the opposition for "impeding the national welfare." Failing to find a flaw in the policy of Foreign Minister Kato regarding China, they centered their attack on the army, he said. He denied that the proposals meant the expansion of the army.

The army measure was rejected by a majority of 65 but the house approved the naval increase by a majority of seven.

A rescript suspends the house of peers pending the election, which probably will be held in March.

The diet was convened on Dec. 5. Baron Kato, minister of foreign affairs, in an address at that time appealed to the diet to lay aside political strike in view of the unsettled in*ternational situation. It was the em*peror's wish, he said, that the session should not be marked by political wrangling.

There were indications, however, that the opposition could not be placated so long as the government insisted upon its program and it was evident that the struggle would centre around the question of increasing the army. The proposal to add two or more divisions to the army in Korea caused the collapse of the last Saiongi ministry and it was felt that on this occasion the army question was likely to lead to either the collapse of the cabinet or the dissolution of the diet.

Blames Party Strife.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

TOKIO, Dec. 26, 11:30 a.m.—A ministerial declaration expresses the conviction that the dissolution of the diet was in accordance with the will of the people. It declares that the end of the war is still distant and that meanwhile national harmony, necessary at this grave moment, has become imperiled by selfish party strife.

The cabinet's program, it declares, embodies the views of the national defense council regarding the necessities *of defense.*

The Japanese press generally approves the action of the emperor in dissolving the diet.

Budget Was Large.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

TOKIO, Dec. 25.—The imperial diet was dissolved today. The house rejected the army expansion proposed by the government. This led to the dissolution of the house.

The closing of the house was dramatic in the extreme. The debate extended all through the day and on into the night. The house was unable to compose its differences and there was no sign that the debate was approaching its end when shortly before 10 o'clock it was announced that Emperor Yoshito had exercised his prerogative dissolving the diet.

Considerable opposition developed in the house to the budget for 1915 which showed an estimated expenditure of $286,000,000 with a decrease of revenue of $40,500,000. Recent despatches from Tokio have stated that there was good reason to believe that unless the house adopted the budget it would be dissolved by the emperor. The merchants' association and Buei Nakano, president of the Tokio chamber of commerce, took steps a few days ago to urge the diet and cabinet to reach a compromise in the hope of preventing dissolution of the house or collapse of the ministry. They urged that a crisis in time of war would create an unfavorable impression abroad. The opposition leaders declared that *proposals for in*creases in the army would be rejected.

OFFICERS RETURN HAVE NO COMPLAINT

Pay in Kitchener's Army Considered Too Low Because of Dependents Left in Canada.

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

WINNIPEG, Dec. 25.—Keen disappointment is voiced by the officers of the first Canadian contingent who were forced to return to Canada owing to the fact that there was no place for them on the contingent.

Fifty-seven reached Halifax on the Grampian four days ago. They, however, appear to have no kick since they went over on the chance of being given commands. Of these officers Lieut. E. C. Daniels, who was attached to the 10th battalion, is now here. He leaves shortly for his home in Calgary, where he will spend a few days and then will make further endeavors to get to the front with the next contingent. Speaking of general conditions Lieut. Daniels, who acted as paymaster for the battalion for some time, says that the Canadians are well looked after and are being just as well drilled. They are a different looking lot of men to what they were when they first went over. They are fit and strong and have the appearance of seasoned soldiers.

Muscles have hardened, lungs are stronger, marches are longer and the men and officers are fast becoming well fit for the work they have to do soon. The general idea among the Canadians is that they will get over to the theatre of war in March or late in February.

The move of the Princess Patricias, however, has given many reason to believe that the "trek" to the continent will be made sooner.

In connection with the return of the 57 officers in this batch Lieut. Daniels stated that the sole reason of their return was that there was no place for them. They had all been offered commissions in Kitchener's army but the pay being so much below that given the Canadian officers they all came to the conclusion that, in view of many of them being married, with their wives left behind, they would take their chances with another contingent from Canada and after a lengthy meeting decided to return and so made application to be sent back.

It is estimated that it has cost $100,000 to take these 57 officers to and from England, expenses incurred, including their fares, uniforms, allowance and keep. Quite a number of French officers were among those who landed here.

MEN STRUCK DUMB BY ARTILLERY FIRE

Peculiar cases Treated in Hospitals at Front—One Man Cannot See.

The extraordinary effects of shell fire upon those who are forced to undergo it are being discussed at length in the British medical journals.

An English surgeon now attached to a Paris hospital reports the cases of four men who show absolutely no trace of bodily wounds, but are now under his care. Two of them were struck deaf and dumb by shell explosions; neither of them had anything wrong with their organs of speech or hearing but is suffering simply from shock. A third cannot see, caused by a nervous shock. There is nothing the matter with his eyes and complete recovery is promised after a period of *absolute quiet and rest. The fourth man's* experience left his mind a blank.

Field surgeons contribute accounts of the manner in which death comes from shell fire. In some cases men are found stiff in death in life-like attitudes so that the stiffness characteristic of death must have come on at the very moment of death whereas under ordinary circumstances a man dies first and slowly stiffens afterwards. Some of the field surgeons have attributed this to the action of a poisonous gas given off by the new explosive "turgenite." One of the pathologists at Guy's hospital, however, contradicts that theory.

TAMERLANE WON PLACE BY SWORD

A despatch from England reports that among the bodies of Indian troops that have reached the continent is a camel corps. The camel has for centuries figured in the warfare of the east but he seems a little out of place in modern Europe. History contains no more interesting example of the use of camels than that devised by the conqueror Tamerlane. This warrior, born in the summer of 1336, a son of a humble Asiatic chieftain, rose by sharpness of wit and strength of arm to be master of 27 kindoms, extending from what is now the region of Moscow clear through to India. Tamarlane was a terrible figure and a mighty warrior. In those days men fought with brute force rather than with engines of war. The sword was the chief weapon of offense.

Became Potentate.

After a mighty struggle Tamarlane made himself potentate over the *immediate nations of Asia and gave to the* city of Samarcand a brilliant place in history. One by one the Asiatic sultans came under his sway. India was a rich prize and against it Tamarlane determined to move. This was in 1398. With his hosts he crossed the Indus, marched to Delhi and stood in arms before the gates, says a writer in Strand. The Indian sultan, at the head of 50,000 soldiers, and a herd of elephants, whose tusks bore poisoned swords rushed upon the invaders. Tamarlane was sore pressed and the battle might have gone against him had he not fallen back on his camels. Hastily gathering a troop of the beasts he had them loaded with hay. Then setting the hay on fire Tamerlane's soldiers stampeded the camels toward the ranks of the Indians. The elephants at sight of the blazing hay, wheeled round and fled in terror, scattering the Indian sultan's army and insuring the success of Tamarlane.

BRITAIN WILL RELEASE ITALIAN COPPER PRICES

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

ROME, Dec. 23.—Delayed—Great Britain and France have given assurances to the Italian government that *cargoes of copper on board Italian* steamers which have been held as contraband of war will be released. In return Italy has pledged herself to prevent the re-exportation of copper. All available supplies of the metal are needed in this country for home manufacturers.

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NELSON NEWS OF THE DAY

The staff and guests at the Hume hotel last evening enjoyed an informal dance and social evening in the dining room of the hostelry. There was a good attendance and dancing was continued until the morning hours.

All motor licenses for British Columbia must be renewed by the end of the year if the owners of motor propelled vehicles are to enjoy a New Year's spin, announces Chief Provincial Constable John T. Black. The number plates for 1915 are on hand at the police office and applications must be made at once.

Today has been declared a provincial holiday throughout British Columbia and Dominion and provincial government offices will be closed. The banks will also be closed but the postoffice and the stores of the city will be open as usual.

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Clan Johnstone No. 212 will hold their annual Hogmanay dance in Eagle hall, Dec. 31 at 9 p.m. Refreshments served. 217-4

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The proceeds of the entertainment which is being given in the opera house on Tuesday evening next by the pupils of the Westward Ho school and of Miss Gladys Attree's dancing class will be donated for the purpose of purchasing warm underclothing and socks for the members of the Kootenay-Boundary detachment of the first Canadian overseas expeditionary force. The change in the cause for which the entertainment is being given is made in line with a general policy of Nelson chapter, Imperial Daughters of the Empire, which has decided to make a donation and give a series of entertainments and functions for the purpose of raising funds to purchase warm clothing for the men on Salisbury plains.

GOOD FELLOWS HAVE BALANCE IN HAND

Nearly Hundred and Fifty Children Made Happy Through Efforts of Club

"Thanks to liberal discounts on purchases and many contributions of gifts we have a balance on hand of $55 after catering to the joy of in the neighborhood of 132 children," stated a member of the Goodfellows club yesterday.

The balance in hand is to be retained by the club until such time as it is certain that every child in the city and its environs has been visited by Santa Claus. There is a chance, it is stated, that in the hurry prior to Christmas day some few may have been missed and if this is found to be the case they will receive their share. If it is found that all of the children have received their share of good things the money will be turned over to a relief organization or similar society by whom it is thought that the most good can be done.

All day Thursday members of the club, with the assistance of the members of the Local Relief society were busy at the headquarters of the society on Vernon street distributing the toys and useful gifts for the children. Included among the donations were many useful gifts, such as mittens and boots, etc., as well as toys.

The distribution for the Good Fellows club was looked after for the most part by Mrs. Hugh Ross, Mrs. N. M. Cummins, as well as other women of the Local Relief society and E. J. Patch.

Additional donations received on Saturday were from Mrs. H. B. Walkem, $5; a friend, 50c.

ROBBED BY HOLD-UPS OF FORTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 25.—F. H. Hobart, a mining man of Denver, was held up last night and robbed of stocks and bonds valued at $40,000 and $2,000 in cash. Hobart was met two blocks from the union station, where he had just arrived from Denver, by two men, who forced him into an alley at the point of a revolver.

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MUST GUARANTEE TO STAY IN CITY

Applicants for Licenses in Rossland Called on to Give Bond Remain in Business for Year.

(Special to The Daily News.)

ROSSLAND, B.C., Dec. 25.—A meeting of the Rossland city council was held in the council chambers on Wednesday. Those present were Mayor Willson in the chair, and Aldermen Armstrong, Stephens, Cranston, Dunn, Pitt and Robertson. Communications were received:

From H. C. A. Cornish, requesting the council to install a light at the corner of Washington street and Victoria avenue. Referred to the chairman of the fire, water and light committee.

From the auditor of the Great Northern railway in the form of a bill to the carnival association for taxes for the current year on the land used by the association as an athletic park. The amount, $18.90, was by motion donated to the association.

A bylaw to amend the Traders License bylaw was read the first, second and third time and adopted. The bylaw provides that before a license is granted to any person to start up business in the city they must first put up a bond with the city that he will stay in business for one year.

The Rossland school bylaw was read in committee of the whole and adopted and will be submitted to the electors at the municipal to be held on Jan. 14. Resolutions were passed naming the places at which polls will be opened and appointing the returning and the deputy returning officers.

The question of having the financial statement for the year printed was discussed to some extent and was referred to the finance committee.

Mayor Willson submitted a plan of proposed alterations to the fire hall and city offices, making changes whereby all the civic departments will be in the same building, instead of having the police department in a separate building as at present. The plans were approved by the council and a resolution was passed authorizing the work to be proceed with as soon as possible.

The following bills were ordered paid: T. H. Armstrong, $100.10; H. W. Atkinson, $10.90; W. H. Falding, 80c; government agent, Nelson, $41; Bank of British North America, $187.64; British Columbia Telephone company, $29.45; city treasurer, petty cash, $26.75; civic salary list December, $1065; school salary list, $1277.50; Alex. Cameron, $72.

School board accounts—Hunter Bros. $45.25; M. A. Henderson, $57.50; Wood Vallance company, $35; McGillivray Coal company, $535.87; Co-operative association, $3; Rossland Water & Light company, $3.60; E. K. Strachan, $25; water works department, $200; Lyman, Limited, $16; secretary's salary, $180; Goodeve Bros., $198.75; Hunter Bros., $123.10; West Disinfecting company, $126.

Board of works payroll, Dec. 12, $79.80; Dec. 19, $68.25.

TAGHUM CHILDREN GIVE ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT

(Special to The Daily News.)

TAGHUM, B. C., Dec. 25.—A most enjoyable Christmas entertainment was held in the schoolhouse at Taghum on Tuesday. The room was tastefully decorated and well filled by an appreciative audience of relations and friends. The program was opened by a short act in costume entitled "Who Killed Cock Robin?" by the junior pupils. Among other items were a recitation, "Castles in the Air," by Frank Phillips and Florence Powell; one by Lester Dickson and Mary Phillips called "Little Miss Toddlekins," and two short acts in costume, "Mother Hubbard's Tea Party" and "The Toy Shop," by all the pupils. The program was concluded by a pretty flag drill, after which refreshments provided by the inhabitants of Taghum were served. The rest of the evening was spent in games, interspersed with dancing. The teacher, Miss S. G. Timaeus, was congratulated by those present on the excellence of the program.

SLOCAN NOTES

(Special to The Daily News.)

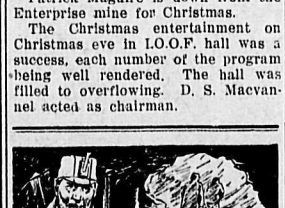
SLOCAN CITY, B. C., Dec. 25.—Kurtz Zimmerman is spending the Christmas holidays with his sister, Mrs. Hauck, of New Denver.

William Hicks came home from Sandon for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. and the Misses Elisa, Florence and Adolph Beck are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clough for the holidays.

Patrick Maguire is down from the Enterprise mine for Christmas.

The Christmas entertainment on Christmas eve in I.O.O.F. hall was a success, each number of the program being well rendered. The hall was filled to overflowing. D. S. Macvannel acted as chairman.



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CINDERELLA PLAY PLEASES CRAWFORD BAY PEOPLE

(Special to The Daily News.)

CRAWFORD BAY, B. C., Dec. 25.—On Monday the school children, assisted by Miss S. E. Watts and Mrs. Richardson, gave their Christmas entertainment consisting of a musical play entitled "Cinderella." All the children acted their parts exceedingly well. Especial praise must be given to Dorothy Dee, who took the part of Cinderella. The prince's part was taken excellently by Ernest Miller, the "two proud sisters" were M. Simpson and M. Wadds; "Herald" was Charlie Miller; "Countess," Fred Simpson and John Williams; "Fairy Godmother," Dorothy Woolgar; her attendant fairies being L. Peters, Elma Palmer, Elsie Dee, L. Woolgae, E. Mawdsley and K. Mear.

On Wednesday the Women's institute gave an entertainment, commencing with a tea, to 53 children and mothers. Santa Claus appeared, carrying two large sacks of presents for the children. Little Dick Locke, now in England, sent a small toy to each child, which was greatly appreciated Mrs. Dee made and presented to each child a Christmas stocking filled with candy, toys, etc. A novelty in the shape of an enormous cracker suspended from the ceiling was lowered down after tea and pulled by a host of children, scattering sweets galore. The evening ended with a social.

F. W. Simpson has sent in his resignation as school teacher.

GERRARD SCHOOL CLOSING PROVES ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

(Special to The Daily News.)

GERRARD, B.C., Dec. 25.—The public hall at Gerrard was taxed to its limit on Wednesday last, when the school children under the supervision of Miss McPherson gave a splendid collection of appropriate songs and dialogues. The chair was filled by Coleman O'Shaw who eulogized the progress of the school during the past year. At the close of the concert about 30 couples danced to the strains of excellent music. A turkey dinner was served.

Miss O. Olson who has been attending the high school at Nelson came in on the "flyer" Tuesday to spend Christmas with her parents.

Stanley Ryder of Chilliwack is spending Christmas here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Crawford.

Miss Clementine Valcich has returned after an extended visit to Nelson to spend Christmas with her parents.

The Gerrard bachelors are arranging a masquerade ball for Dec. 31.

ROSSLAND NEWS.

(Special to The Daily News.)

ROSSLAND, B.C., Dec. 25.—Miss Gertrude Brown left Wednesday night for Nelson where she spent the evening with Mrs. T. H. Long. She left for Slocan to spend the Christmas with friends.

H. E. Wade of Trail spent yesterday in town.

"The Prince of Peace, Heaven's Best Gift to a Warring World," will be the subject of sermons both morning and evening on Sunday next in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church by the pastor, Rev W. Robertson, M.A. Both services will be choral. In the morning the choir will render the anthem, "Alleluia," with treble chorus and bass and tenor duet. In the evening the anthem "Extol Him" with soprano solo by Mrs. Armstrong, will be given and the anthem "Who Is He That Cometh," with bass solo and quartet.

R. Dempster returned Thursday evening to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

ARROWHEAD CHILDREN VISITED BY SANTA

(Special to The Daily News.)

ARROWHEAD, B. C., Dec. 25.—A Christmas tree, accompanied by the annual visit of Santa Claus, was held in Knights of Pythias hall yesterday. The children, 46 in number, sat down to a table which reached the whole length of the hall and which was laden with sandwiches and cakes too numerous to mention, all of which had been contributed by the women. After supper games of every description were indulged in. Great credit is given to Mrs. Simpson, Mrs. Hind and Mrs. Smith and various others for their untiring efforts to make the evening a success. A dance took place afterward.

The United Ladies auxiliary held a bazaar here at which $75 was collected.

Skating and curling are occupying the attention of a large number of the population at present.

DRINK CRAZED TRAPPER FLOURISHES REVOLVER

Under the influence of liquor a trapper who resides at Molly Gibson landing on the West Arm of Kootenay lake on Thursday evening flourished a revolver before G. Creighton, postmaster at that point, and several others and threw quite a scare into the gathering before he was relieved of the weapon, according to information laid with the provincial police by Mr. Creighton. The trapper, it is stated, was relieved of the revolver by Percy Young and Mr. Creighton was sent to his home. He left with a threat to bring a rifle, but this weapon was also secured from his possession before he could obtain it, it is alleged.

The provincial police are investigating the case.

SAN FRANCISCO GIFTS TO BELGIUM ON THE WAY

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PANAMA, Dec. 25.—The steamship Camino, which sailed from San Francisco on Dec. 5 with a cargo of food and clothing for the relief of destitute people in Belgium, arrived at Balboa today. The Camino will pass through the canal tomorrow on her way to Rotterdam.

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RUSSIAN CHRISTMAS TWO WEEKS HENCE

British and Americans Hold Celebration in Petrograd But War Spectre Casts Shadow

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PETROGRAD, Dec. 25.—While all the western world is celebrating Christmas the Russian goes blandly about his business, still having 13 days in which to do his Christmas shopping. This is due to the Julian calendar, which sets back Russian time nearly two weeks behind the rest of Christendom. Probably in no other of the warring nations has the war brought such a marked change in the observance of the holiday season. Religious ceremonies, always the distinctive feature of the Russian Christmas, alone will be unchanged, and doubtless will be observed with more than usual fervor. The Christmas feeling of former years, the animated cafe life, which customarily turned the holiday season into a carnival lasting well toward the new year, will be lacking. This is Petrograd's first Christmas without vodka.

Families broken up by the fortune of war are unable to reunite on the one occasion which usually brought homeward the absent members.

Among the few celebrations today was a noonday dinner given to the Russian wounded at the new American hospital by Mrs. George T. Marye, Jr., wife of the American ambassador. Most of the inmates are only slightly wounded and consequently were able to gather at the table.

The only official observance of the day was a staff dinner by the British ambassador, Sir George Buchanan.

There was a suggestion of Christmas in the air, which was keen and crisp. Dull grey clouds hung overhead and the air was filled with whirling snow but there was little evidence of the traditional Russian winter in the unfrozen river Neva and the comparatively mild weather. The rather feeble Christmas spirit which did prevail was overshadowed by the spectre of war. In every large open space were gathered detachments of the new army. The recruits, clad in heavy fur caps and long sand color overcoats, practised war maneuvers.

SENATOR KIRCHHOFFER WAS ORNAMENT TO PUBLIC LIFE

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 25.—Sir Robert Borden, who was a colleague in parliament of the late Senator Kirchhoffer for more than 18 years, has given to the press the following tribute:

"The late Senator Kirchhoffer had a long, honorable and distinguished career in public life and during the past 18 years I have been associated with him in parliament and knew him intimately. He occupied a commanding position in the senate and as chairman of important committees he gave most valuable service to the country. He had a wide knowledge of public affairs and took a deep interest in all that concerned his country's welfare. In private life his bright and happy nature and unaffected, genial temperament made him the most delightful of companions. All his colleagues in parliament, without distinction of party, admired and respected him and their sympathy will be extended to his widow and family."

ONTARIO JEWELER FOUND DEAD ON RAILWAY TRACK

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

ST. CATHARINES, Ont., Dec. 25.—The body of Daniel Fenwick of St. Catharines, jeweler and watchmaker, was found this morning on the line of the Niagara, St. Catharines & Toronto railway between Thorold and Niagara Falls. He started for Niagara Falls last night to spend Christmas with his family but before he reached his destination the electric power of his motor car failed. Fenwick left the car to walk to the falls from a short distance east of Thorold. Death is declared due to natural causes.

PETRIE RE-ELECTED MAYOR OF ST. CATHARINES

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

ST. CATHARINES, Ont., Dec. 25.—James T. Petrie is re-elected mayor of St. Catharines for a second term by acclamation. Samuel Platt, who was nominated to oppose Mayor Petrie, failed to file his qualification papers.

Aldermen W. B. Burgerin and A. E. Jenckes were also re-elected by acclamation with J. Westwood, a former alderman of Brantford.

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LUXEMBURG MINISTER MAKES PEACE MOVEMENT

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PARIS, Dec. 2.—M. Eyschem, minister of state for Luxemburg, according ot the Berne correspondent of the Petit Parisien, recently invited the Swiss federal council to offer to mediate between France and Germany with the view of opening peace negotiations. Eyschem previously made a similar proposal to The Hague but his overtures met no encouragement from the Dutch government.

The principal argument of the Luxemburg minister of state was that neither side actually having any advantage it was a good time to talk of peace. Later on, he declared, when the fortune of war turned to one side or the other it would be too late to suggest negotiations to the nation intoxicated by what must be considered a certainty of early triumph.

POPE DEVOTES DAY TO WORK FOR PRISONERS

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

ROME, Dec. 25.—Pope Benedict devoted the greater part of Christmas day to developing his plan for the exchange of wounded prisoners.

After religious service he spent some time with relatives. He expressed great satisfaction over the many messages he has received, especially from Americans, giving strong adherence to his efforts to lessen the cruelties of the war and hasten peace.

THOUSANDS ARE FED BY CHARITABLE NEW YORKERS

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Charity and good cheer walked abroad in New York today and made the holiday in many ways one of the most memorable in the city's annals.

Scores of thousands of needy persons were fed by charitable organizations, the Salvation army and the Volunteers of America alone, according to estimates of distributions, providing 75,000 dinners for the poor. The missions and other institutions gave Christmas meals to many other thousands.

DENIES AUSTRIA HAS MADE PEACE OVERTURES

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25. — The Austro-Hungarian ambassador, Dr. Constantine Dumba, issued a statement tonight denying as absolutely unfounded published reports that Austria-Hungary is tired of the war or has made unofficial peace overtures to the allies.

The Russian ambassador, M. Bakhmetoff, tonight emphatically denied published reports that overtures for peace between Russia and Germany were under way. He said the report was absurd on its face and without foundation in fact.

The very life of those eastern hill-top gardens is in the sealed Salada package. None but the best and the youngest leaves are blended to form this wonderful tea.

GOOD BEHAVIOUR NEEDED IF WISH TO REACH FRONT

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

TORONTO, Dec. 25.—Christmas at exhibition camp was fittingly celebrated. Outside of church parades a full holiday was granted.

The Y. M. C. A. gave a continuous entertainment which was well patronized. At dinner, which was served at noon, Gen. Lessard visited each room and delivered short addresses to the men. He urged them to behave like soldiers and maintain the good name already won by them. He pointed out that only by good behaviour both here and when they reach England, could they hope to be sent to the front.

KILLED AT HOTEL

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PETERBORO, Ont., Dec. 25.—Following an altercation in a hotel last night William O'Brien, aged 26, is dead and the police are searching for Fred Grose, who they believe can explain the circumstances leading up to O'Brien's death. They were scuffling in a hallway of the hotel and the former received injuries that brought about his death shortly afterward. O'Brien was unmarried.

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NELSON NEWS OF THE DAY

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bulger are spending the Christmas vacation at Midway.

Joseph Cavendish of the Grand Forks independent rifle company is spending Christmas in the city. He will return to Grand Forks Monday.

John A. Smith of Kenora, Ont., son of Alex Smith of Nelson reached the city last evening to spend Christmas and the New Year with his parents.

At St. Saviour's church, Nelson, B.C. on Christmas day, 1914, by Rev. Fred H. Graham, rector, Percy Leslie Joy was married to Miss May Elizabeth Clease, both of Nelson.

SPECIAL MATINEE FOR CHILDREN

A special matinee performance for the children will be given at the Gem theatre this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. During the afternoon Miss Louise Byrd will sing special songs for the children.

At the evening performance Miss Byrd will sing "Yip I Addy" and other popular songs.

SANTA CLAUS VISITS CONDEMNED MAN

Spends Happy Christmas—Three Stockings Filled by Kris Kringle —Cell Decorated.

To Guisseppe Di Cesare, the Italian murderer, who confined to the provincial jail awaits the extreme penalty of the law for the murder in Rossland during the past summer of Louis Bianci, Christmas day, under the circumstances, appeared to prove most enjoyable.

On Thursday "Joe," as he is known to his friends and to the members of the staff of the provincial jail, decorated his cell for the holiday and considering the dearth of decorations available did excellent work that proved a huge surprise to those who saw it. He was the recipient of many congratulatory remarks yesterday for the appearance of his cell.

On Christmas eve Joe, expecting a visit from Santa Claus, hung two stockings at the door of his cell and in the morning he was filled with joy when he discovered that Santa had not forgotten him but had proved very generous. Both stockings were filled and a third was also in place, filled to overflowing. He was also the recipient of many other gifts during the day from friends and members of the jail staff.

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Wish all their Clients and Friends

A Merry Christmas

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YOUNG BUSINESS MAN MARRIED

Percy L. Joy of Joy Bros. and Miss May E. Clease Wed on Christmas Day.

Percy L. Joy, a member of the firm of Joy Bros. and one of Nelson's well known young business men, was yesterday afternoon married at St. Saviour's church by Rev. Fred H. Graham to Miss May Eliza Clease of Nelson.

Mr. Joy is a brother of R. G. Joy, a Nelson old-timer, and has himself been a resident of Nelson for the past six years. He is a member of the Nelson Legion of Frontiersmen Civilian Rifle association. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Joy of Margate, Kent, England.

Mr. and Mrs. Joy will take up their residence in Nelson.

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Notice

Friday and Saturday having been proclaimed Provincial holidays, the office will not be open Friday, but will be open from 11 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday to receive Fuel orders for Saturday delivery.

WISHING ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS

CHARLES F. McHARDY

PHONE 135 GREEN BLOCK

GRANITE ROAD HOUSE BURNS

Home of D. Cameron Completely Destroyed by Fire—None of Contents Saved

The residence of D. Cameron on the Granite road, 1¾ mile from the city, was, early last evening, completely destroyed by fire. Mr. and Mrs. Cameron and the children were all in the city at the time and there was no one at home. Shortly before 7 o'clock some neighbors discovered the house, which was a two-story frame building, in flames and called some others, but the discovery was made too late for anything to be done as the flames were already issuing from all the openings on both storeys. It was impossible even to save any of the furniture or other contents and the efforts of those who had gathered were confined to keeping the fire from spreading from the residence to the outbuildings. Chief Provincial Constable Black arrived on the scene soon after the blaze but it was impossible to trace the origin of the fire.

SPECIAL SERVICES HERE TOMORROW

Nelson Churches Will Celebrate Christmas—Others Will Have Musical Services

Nelson churches will hold Christmas and song services tomorrow and special services will be held in the Y. M. C. A. and by the Salvation army in honor of the occasion. The evening services at Trinity Methodist and at St. Paul's Presbyterian churches will take the form of song services with musical numbers, while at the latter church a special Christmas service will be held at which Miss Byrd will sing. At the Y. M. C. A., in addition to a short address, special music will be provided and a Christmas song service held. The Christmas service of the Baptist church was held last Sunday and the usual service will be held tomorrow.

The program for the special musical service in the Methodist church tomorrow evening is: From 7 to 7:30 o'clock, music by the church orchestra of 12 pieces, conducted by Ross Fleming; selections by the choir, organ voluntary, pastoral symphony; chorus, "And the Glory of God"; chorus, "Lift up Your Heads O Ye Gates"; solo, "Come Unto Him," Miss Lottie Annable; solo, "The People that Walked in the Darkness," E. E. Lupton; trombone solo, organ accompaniment, "The Star of Bethlehem," Ross Fleming; closing voluntary, "The Hallelujah Chorus."

ST. PAUL'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE TOMORROW

Sunday services in St. Paul's church will be of a Christmas nature. A large program has been prepared by the choir. In the evening Miss L. Byrd will sing. Order of service:

Opening voluntaries (a) "Sextette from Lucia," Donizetti; (b) "Overture to Laureal," Rossini.

Carol, "It Came Upon the Midnight," Warner Smith.

Solo, "Consider the Lillies," by Topliff, Miss Byrd.

Anthem, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains," Warner Smith.

Offertory, "Minuet," Paderewski.

Anthem, "Hail Gladdening Morn."

Carol "Seen in Yonder Manger Low," Gosg.

Finale, "March of the Magi," Warner Smith. 219-1

SWITZERLAND TO SEND SOME OF TROOPS HOME

(By Daily News Leased Wire.)

PARIS, Dec. 25, 4:20 a.m.—The Swiss government has decided to order partial demobilization, according to the Petit Parisien's Berne correspondent, who says that 250,000 men will gradually be released from duty.

CHURCH SERVICES TOMORROW.

All changes for church service announcements must be handed in or phoned to The Daily News office before 6 o'clock on Friday. If not received by this time the notices will be omitted from Saturday's issue.

ANGLICAN—St. Saviour's church Ward and Silica streets. Fifth Sunday in Advent; 8 a. m. holy communion; 11:00 a. m. matins and holy communion; 2:30 p.m., Sunday school; 7.30 p.m., evensong; 9 p.m. Churchmen's club. Rev. Fred H. Graham, B.A., rector and rural dean.

ROMAN CATHOLIC—Corner Ward and Mill streets. Low mass, 8 a. m. high mass, 10:30 a. m.; evening service, 7:30 p.m. Rev. J. Althoff.

BAPTIST—Church, Stanley street Pastor, Rev. C. W. Corey, 415 Carbonate street. Telephone L239. The pastor will preach at both services. Morning service at 11, subject, "Things to Forget"; Sunday school and organized Bible classes for adults, 2:30 p.m.; evening service, 7:30, subject, "Giving Christ His Place." B.Y.P.U. Monday evening at 8; prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8. Everybody welcome at all services.

TRINITY METHODIST—Rev. R. J. McIntyre, pastor. Subject 11 a.m., "Palestine in the Days of Christ's Advent"; anthem, "He Shall Reign"; subject, 7:30 p.m., "Is There Room for Jesus?" The church orchestra under the leadership of Ross Fleming will play from 7 to 7:30. Organ voluntary, "The Pastoral Symphony." The choir will render the following music from the "Messiah"; Choruses, "And the Glory of the Lord," "Lift up Your Heads O Ye Gates." Solos, "Come unto Me," Miss Lottie Annable; "The People That Walk in Darkness," E. Lupton. Trombone solo with organ 'Star of Bethlehem," Ross Fleming. Closing vountary, "Hallelujah" chorus. The public is cordially invited to all services.

SALVATION ARMY—Citadel, 51[illegible] Victoria street. Holiness meeting, 11 a. m.; Sunday school, 1:30 p. m. praise meeting, 3 p. m. Salvation meeting, 7:30. Capt. McLean and Lieut. Murray, in charge.

PRESBYTERIAN—St. Paul's Presbyterian church, corner Silica and Stanley streets. Mr. Agabob will conduct both services. Special music by the choir morning and evening. Miss Byrd will sing in the evening; Sunday school and adult Bible class at 2:30 p.m. Everybody welcome.

Y.M.C.A.—Special Christmas service at 4 p.m.; orchestra in attendance. Short address by N. H. Johnson. Open to both ladies and gentlemen. All are cordially invited.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH—corner of Victoria and Kootenay streets. Sunday services at 11:30 a. m. and 8 a.m. Wednesday evening service at 8 p.m. Sunday school at 10:45 a.m. Reading room in church building open from 3 to 5 p.m. daily. Visitors cordially invited.

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