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HOCKEY GAME TONIGHT

New Schedule Arranged This Week by Hockey League—City League Opens

Arrangements have been made for a game on the local rink tonight between the New Hazelton and Hazelton second teams, at eight o'clock sharp.

A meeting of the Northern Hockey league was held in Hazelton on Thursday, with representatives from Smithers, New Hazelton and Hazelton being present. The meeting was called to deal with the games defaulted by Smithers on Dec. 30 and Jan. 5. After hearing the representations of the Smithers delegates, it was decided to give Smithers another opportunity to play these games, so a new schedule was drawn up ordering Smithers to play in New Hazelton on Monday the 11th and in Hazelton the night following, with Hazelton going to Smithers on the 16th. This arrangement was perfectly satisfactory to the Smithers delegates and worked in nicely with their instructions, but on wiring a report of the meeting to Smithers, they were very much surprised to receive a telegram stating that Smithers could not send a team down and would forfeit the games.

Will Hold Ice Carnival

As there will be no senior hockey here next week, the Athletic Executive have arranged to hold a carnival on Tuesday night. Prizes will be offered for the best lady's costume best gentleman's costume, best sustained character and best children's costume. There will be races and a broomolo game, and refreshments will be served in the club rooms. Only skaters in costume will be allowed on the ice, and a good time for all is promised by the committee.

Blues vs. Grays.

The City League opened with a flourish on Thursday night when the Grays and Blues clashed in a game that was highly interesting for players and spectators alike. After three stirring periods during which it appeared to be anyone's game, the Grays came out on top with a 6-4 score.

The Blues however were without one of their best forwards and will make the other teams play good hockey to beat them again. The teams lined up as follows:

Grays—Fuller, O'Brien, Reid, Ware, Glassey, J. Rock.

Blues—McLeod, Welch, Simpson, G. Rock, McDonald, Berts, Latham.

It is the intention of the City league executive to have a league game every Thursday night.

Hockey teams have been formed at Burns Lake and Francois Lake.

RUSSIANS SINK A TRANSPORT

TURKEY RECEIVES ITALY'S ULTIMATUM
---GREAT RUSSIAN VICTORIES IN GALICIA

Petrograd, Jan. 9 :— Official communication—On the left bank of the Vistula, at the villages of Soukha, Metairie and Moghely, fighting has assumed a character more and more desperate. The Germans, notwithstanding the great losses they have sustained, continue obstinate attacks at different points. In Bukowina we occupied on Jan. 6th Kimplunog, near the Hungarian border, after an advance and fighting lasting eight days. Our troops during this fighting covered more than 120 versts (about eighty miles) and finally crossed the mountain chain at the frontier between Bukowina and Hungary.

During these operations we captured more than one thousand Austrians and also took rich spoils of war. On the Black Sea on Jan 3 our torpedo boats discovered a Turkish cruiser of the Medjidieh type, followed by a transport sailing east on the north coast of Asia Minor. Seeing themselves pursued, the Turkish vessels turned west in flight, but we followed and sank the transport, the cruiser escaping.

Paris, Jan. 8, official communication:—To the north of Soisson, we have captured German redoubts, taking two successive lines of trenches and reaching the third line. Counter attacks by the Germans failed.

In Argonne, a violent attack on the summit of the heights of Chevauchee was made by the Germans. We were at first forced to retire one kilometre (two thirds mile), but later made counter attacks and reoccupied our positions.

London—The Greek government is gravely concerned over the strained relations between Greece and Turkey. Greek diplomats in Turkey have been receiving intolerant treatment and all protests have been ignored.

STORY OF THE GREAT WAR TOLD DAY BY DAY

London, Jan. 4:—Owing to the general bad weather which prevails, operations are practically at a standstill in the western theater of war. The French forces have gained a little in some places, but there is nothing new, except several minor artillery duels.

Berlin reports that British ships and torpedo boats appeared off Westende, Belgium, yesterday. The warships retired without firing.

Indications point to the possibility of the Balkan States which are now neutral, taking part in the war. The Greek minister of finance has declared that Greece is making preparations to maintain the new territories she gained in the Balkan wars from Turkey and Bulgaria. He stated that Greece had more to fear from Bulgaria than from Turkey. It is believed that Roumania will not look on calmly while Russia advances towards Transylvania, and it is expected she will join with Russia, with the hope of securing the much-coveted easttern province of Austria-Hungary.

Petrograd, Jan. 4:—The Germans have again been repulsed with great losses, from the Bzura and Rawka rivers, says last night's announcement by the war office. An attempted surprise attack by the enemy failed completely. The German infantry charges were, for the first time, accompanied by a shower of bombs; but the Russians stood their ground.

A strong Austro-German force made an even more stubborn attack on the Russian forces holding the road to Kielce. The Russian infantry finally charged the enemy, with the bayonet, driving them back along the southwest road. Nine guns and several hundred prisoners were taken.

It is officially stated that the Russian army under General Dimitroff has captured 22,700 Austrians and 45 machine guns during the last fortnight.

It is estimated by the war office that 27 German army corps are operating against Russia. Four hundred thousand Germans and Austrians have already been taken prisoner, and their killed and wounded are three or four times heavier.

The Germans have not only crossed the Bzura, but the Russians are even on the left bank of that river. Warsaw is not in danger, and if the Germans are compelled to retreat they will find it a much more difficult problem than it was last October.

London, Jan. 5:—Highly significant news comes from the eastern battle front, where the Russians, after administering a disastrous defeat to the Austrians in Galicia, have swarmed through the passes of the Carpathians and invaded the plains of Hungary. Panic is said to have seized Vienna and Buda Pesth, where it is believed the new incursion of Russians is not a mere raid, but real invasion.

Russian despatches state that the defeat of the Austrian forces was most severe, and will compromise the strategy of General von Hindenburg in Poland.

An official despatch relating to Sunday's operations says: "There is no important change on the left bank of the Vistula. In many sections there have been the usual artillery engagements and secondary actions. There was more desperate action on Sunday night in the region of Bolimow, where the Germans, after an energetic attack, forced one of our trenches, but were immediately dislodged by our counter-attack, abandoning six machine guns and a large number of prisoners."

The statement tells of the beginning of the battle in Western Galicia, on Saturday, when the Russians captured several cannon and machine guns and many prisoners, including an entire Austrian battalion, with eleven officers. Later advices say that in this region a column of the enemy, with wounded and all documents, fell into the hands of the Russians.

On the western front, the official communication says, the only reports received have reference to upper Alsace, where engagements of a very violent nature continued in the region of Cernay (Senneseim). "Last night," says the report, "our troops lost, then regained, territory around the church at Steinbach. This morning they occupied the entire village. The German works to the west of Cernay, captured by us yesterday, were lost for a brief period, following a very violent counter-attack, but the Germans were unable to maintain it, and this position remains in our hands.

Paris says Roumania's entrance into the war on the side of the Allies, is certain, the only hindrances being diplomatic and military preparations.

Petrograd, Jan. 6:—It is officially announced that the Russian troops have gained a decisive victory over the Turks. The despatch from headquarters in the Caucasus says: "Last night our troops won complete victory over the Turks at Sari Kamysh. We have beaten two Turkish army corps, and made the entire 9th army corps, with its commander and three division commanders, prisoners. Small bodies of Turkish troops, which succeeded in escaping, were rigorously pursued and destroyed. We continue in in pursuit of other parts of the Turkish forces, which are now in full retreat.

"The Turkish losses in killed and wounded are enormous. We took many cannon, machine guns, munitions of war and revictualling convoys."

London, Jan. 6:—Fuller accounts from Tiflis indicate that Turkish expedition to Ardahan has been quite obliterated. Several thousand were captured, including four German senior officers.

Austro-Hungarian troops in the Carpathians are famished and suffering terribly from frostbites.

Many are so exhausted as to be sent home; others surrendering to the Russians without any attempt at resistance. Conditions in Hungary are desperate.

In view of reports of the early entrance of Roumania into the war, special significance attaches to the following from the Chronicle's Milan correspondent:

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FOR RELIEF OF BELGIANS

Hazelton Woman's Auxiliary Intends to Work in Aid of Distressed War Victims

Members of the Hazelton W. A. are desirous of assisting in the relief of distressed Belgians, upon whom the great war has had such cruel effect. At the first meeting of the year, to be held at the Mission House on Thursday afternoon next, the subject will be fully discussed, in order that ways and means may decided upon for the best and most expeditious attainment of the present object of the organization.

The officers of the W. A. hope that all ladies will endeavor to be present at Thursday's meeting.

Athletic Dance

The Athletic Association have announced that a dance will be held on Friday the 22nd Jan. It will be run as a pound dance, and the committee is hard at work to make it a success. Further particulars will be given next week.

LOCAL NEWS PARAGHRAPS

W. Croteau, of Telkwa, arrived Friday.

H. W. Sharpe, of Kispiox, spent the Holidays in Hazelton.

Miss Barbeau, of Prince Rupert, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. S. Sargent.

J. Morgan, the well known Ootsa Lake rancher, is spending a few days in town.

Forest Ranger Latham returned on Wednesday from a business trip to the west end of his district.

Traffic to Hazelton railway station has been resumed, the Bulkley being crossed over the ice at its mouth.

J. Kennedy and P. B. Carr came down from Smithers on Thursday to attend the meeting of the hockey league.

F. W. Dowling, superintendent of the Yukon Telegraph Service, is expected tonight, in connection with the death of operator Elphinstone at Third Cabin.

A. D. McKay, of Houston, who is renewing old acquaintances in town this week-end, reports extensive improvements in the Buck River district in the past year.

Dr. Badgero, who has been practicing dentistry here for some weeks, expects to leave this evenlng for Smithers, where he will spend some time, returning here before spring.

Kispiox Valley settlers are organizing a progressive association for the furtherance of development in their big district. The new organization will, it is expected, take form as a farmer's institute.

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A year or so ago, it was generally believed in this vicinity that the Herald, published in New Hazelton, was owned, or at least controlled, by a firm of railway contractors heavily interested in the New Hazelton townsite. For our concurrence in this belief, we owe an apology to our contemporary. We are convinced that the idea was erroneous. The members of the company in question have, undoubtedly, some claim to the possession of intelligence, while the columns of the Herald bear indubitable evidence that its policy is not dictated by any intelligence, corporate or otherwise.

While ostensibly boosting the "New Hazelton" district, our esteemed contemporary has won its chief renown as a wielder of the knocker's hammer. Persistently, in season and out of season, it has belabored with cheap sarcasm, with sneer and innuendo, any person, town or government which did not fit into the scheme of things as devised by the Herald.

Latterly the New Hazelton paper has been devoting its attention to the government officials in this district, with numerous references to the operations of the public works department; but while its articles are admirable examples of the art of accusation by inference, it has not once made a definite charge against any government official, being content, evidently, with efforts to stir up sentiment against the provincial government and its officials, without bringing forward any facts which would call for explanation or action on the part of those made objects of its malice.

We are familiar enough with the methods of conducting public business in this district to assert that neither graft, extravagance, nor undue partisanship can fairly be charged against any of the departments which have their headquarters in Hazelton. If the Herald has any grounds for specific complaint against any government official in this district, we consider it the duty of that paper to make the facts public, rather than to continue the campaign of insinuation and innuendo which has earned for our contemporary—and incidentally for the town which supports it—the unenviable reputation which is the knocker's only reward.

Where War Started

It ought not to go unrecorded that the most gigantic war the civilized world has ever known began by the simple ringing of an old church bell. The small Belgian town of Vise is situated on the banks of the river Meuse. It is within three or four miles of the Dutch frontier, across which some 700 Vise refugees hurried to the neighboring town of Meastritch, and it is eight to nine miles north of Leige (since made famous by its defensive fortifications.)

Vise was invaded by a stream of motor cars crowded with German infantry on the day war was declared.

This ruse was adopted in the hope of obtaining possession of a valuable passage without firing a shot; but before an entry to the town could be made the cure of the parish alarmed the town by ringing his church bell, thus enabling the town guard and inhabitants to delay the enemy and give the defending troops time to destroy two important bridges.

Most brutal conduct towards the townspeople followed. The burgomaster and chief citizens as well as the faithful clergymen were immediately shot. But they had done their memories should be held in honor through the coming years.

NOTICE

OMINECA ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that all assessed taxes and income-tax assessed and levied under the "Taxation Act" are due and payable on the second of January, 1915. All taxes collectable for the Omineca Assessment District are due and payable at my office, situated in the Provincial Government Building, in the Town of Hazelton, B. C.

This notice, in terms of law, is equivalent to a personal demand by me upon all persons liable for taxes.

Dated at Hazelton, B. C.,
December 24th, 1914.

H. WELCH,
Assessor and Collector
for the
Omineca Assessment District.

NOTICE

OMINECA ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE is hereby given that a Court of Revision and Appeal, under the provisions of the "Taxation Act", respecting the assessment rolls of the Omineca Assessment District for the year 1915, will be held in the Government Office, Hazelton, B. C., on Thursday, the 14th January, 1915, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

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The World's Doings in Brief

News Notes from Many Sources

London stock exchange is closed to all German securities.

In view of the abnormal prices of grain, India has restricted the export of wheat and flour, except to British possessions.

Thousands of General Carranza's troops have gone over to Villa, in the state of Tepic, Mexico.

An Englishman has been appointed comptroller of the Deutsche Orient Bank, at Cairo, by the Egyptian government.

Revolutionary agents threw a bomb at an official in Canton, China. Thirteen were killed and twelve injured. Other disorders are reported.

The fast new C. P. R. steamers Princess Margaret and Princess Irene have been taken over by the British admiralty, for use as naval scouts.

Up to mid-December, the Scandinavian nations had lost 22 ships, many lives, and cargoes valued at $10,000,000, through striking German mines.

Three new vessels are to be built for trade between New York and the Pacific Coast ports, via the Panama Canal. They will cost $3,000,000.

The output of coal in Great Britain during 1913 was 287,411,869 tons, an increase of 27,013,291 tons over the output in 1912. It is the highest on record.

An issue of $500,000 of New Brunswick 5-percent bonds, redeemable in five years, was oversubscribed within twelve days of its appearance on the market.

Cotton consigned to Germany is examined in New York by British officials, who use X-rays to determine whether contraband of war is enclosed in the bales.

Canadian railways propose to raise their rates on freight exported to the United States by five per cent, to correspond with the increase in American rates.

During the first four months of the war, fifty-four British ships were captured or destroyed by the enemy. They were valued at $11,400,000, and carried cargoes worth $18,800,000.

A Dawson despatch says a promising placer strike has been made on Central creek, in the upper White river valley, twenty-five miles below the Alaskan boundary, in Canadian territory.

The Italian occupation of Avlona, Albania, proves irritating to Austria. Italy's action has forestalled the expected offer by Germany to allow Italy to take Southern Albania as a reward for the acceptance of certain unnamed conditions.

The United States has definitely declined to join the Latin-American republics in their proposed request that the European belligerents withdraw their warships from the vicinity of American coasts.

An appreciation in the price of copper is responsible for the blowing in of two additional furnaces at the Grand Forks smelter of the Granby company. Half of the eight furnaces are now in operation.

A basis of union has been arranged by representatives of the Presbyterian, Methodist, and Congregational Churches of Canada. The united Church will be known as "The United Church of Canada."

The Indian population of Canada is still slowly decreasing. Last years figures show 100,000 aborigines, a decrease of nearly 3,000. The value of the Indians' agricultural products increased by $200,000, the total being $1,856,424.

An Admirable Map

A publication which should prove of considerable interest to the prospective settler has recently been prepared in, and is now being issued from, the Railway Land branch of the department of the Interior at Ottawa. This interesting publication, which is known as the Peace River and Northern Alberta Homestead Map, graphically illustrates by a comparatively simple system of coloring the land situation in that district, including, as it does, complete information with respect to the disposal of lands, location of timber berths and forest reserves, nature of the soil, etc.

An interesting feature of the map is the fact that it enables an observer to procure at a glance a complete grasp of the present land situation, not only with regard to those lands which have been taken up during past years, but also with respect to lands previously homesteaded but for which patent has not yet been issued. It thus enables a person to trace the progress during comparatively recent years of settlement in the Peace river district.

The aim in the preparation of the map has been to show the land situation up to September of last year, and in view of the rapid exhaustion of free homesteads throughout the older provinces, the information should prove of particular interest to prospective settlers.

In addition to the information with respect to lands which have been homesteaded and otherwise disposed of, the publication contains complete information regarding railways, general topography of the country, etc.

Copies may be obtained free of charge upon application to F. C. C. Lynch, superintendent of railway lands, Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

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Your neighbor can make one too.
Your town will be what you want to see;
It isn't your town—it's YOU.

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Reserve existing on the W. ½ of E. ½ of lot 715 and the W. ½ of the E ½ of lot 718, Range 5, Coast District, by reason of a Notice which appeared in the British Columbia Gazette on the 27th day of December, 1907, the said lands having been formerly covered by Expired Timber License No. 41194, is cancelled, and the said lands will be open to entry by Pre-emption on Saturday, the 2nd of January, 1915.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Government Agent, at Hazelton, to whom all applications should be made.

10-18 R. A. RENWICK,
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THE MINER WAR BULLETINS

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"The Russians are making rapid strides in Austria's eastern provinces, Bukowina, where they have encountered but faint-hearted resistance."

A well informed Roumanian correspondent of the Ilsecolo at Rosenthal says: "The invaders are sweeping down along Roumania's borderland, where their patrols, composed of Roumanians belonging to Russian Bessarabia are to be found chatting amicably with the sentries at frontier outposts. The Russians are actually in possession of Suezawa and Kimpoling, two cities of historic memory for Roumanian peoples, and both within a few miles of the Roumanian border. Their infantry and artillery entered the former place on Sunday, after it had been occupied by a mere patrol for a space of twenty-four hours.

Petrograd, Jan, 7:—The Russians have completely wiped out two Turkish army corps, which were trapped in the terrible passes of the Caucasian range, where, under German officers they contested the sovereignty of Russia on Russian soil. The Ninth Turkish Army Corps, formerly stationed at Erzerum and considered the pick of the Turkish army, led the invasion, supported by another army corps drawn apparently from Yuan. All that now remain of 50,000 Turks are a few hundred prisoners.

Copenhagen, Jan. 7:—A desdespatch to the Tidende from Constantinople says the former German cruiser Goeben, which flies the Turkish flag, struck two Russian mines in the Bosphorous and was seriously damaged. She has two big holes on her water line, and it will take two or three months to repair her. This fact has been kept secret from the people of Constantinople.

An official Turkish communication says that two Turkish cruisers were in action yesterday in the Black Sea, against a Russian fleet of seventeen units. Despite the Russian numerical superiority, the Turkish ships were not destroyed.

London, Jan. 7:—The correspondent to the Daily Mail in France, reports that a Zeppelin skirted the French sea coast near Gravelines, twelve miles southwest of Dunkirk, on Wednesday morning, and then turned westward toward England. It is also rumored that two others preceded it. Throughout the whole day Dunkirk was menaced by raids, but owing to the vigorous fire of the town guns, but few bombs fell. At one time six aeroplanes were hovering over the town, but all were forced to retreat. Apparently no damage was done.

It is reported that the Kings of Bulgaria and Roumania will hold a conference at an early date on Roumanian soil.

An American engineer, who has just returned to Denmark from Germany, states that the Kaiser is mentally impaired by the strain under which he has been suffering since the war began, and that constant friction exists between him and the general staff.

Vancouver, Jan. 7:—Karl von Mackenzen, a brother of General von Mackenzen, and Doctor Redlich, were arrested Monday afternoon by the local police, following a raid on the Makenzen ranch, at Port Kells. They were suspected of being implicated in a plot to facilitate the passage of German reservists from Canada. After being detained for two days they were released.

Rome, Jan. 8:—Italy has fixed a time limit in which Turkey must apologize formally for the Hodeida incident, and salute the Italian flag or suffer consequences. The Italian government will not be satisfied unless reparations include: the release of the British consul, who was seized in the Italian consulate, punishment of violaters of the consulate, and a military salute to the Italian flag. Turkey has until Jan. 10 to reply, after which date Italo-Turkish relations will be of a very delicate character.

The Greek cruiser Hellehas arrived at Durazzo, Albania, for the purpose of protecting the Greeks there, in case the insurgents should capture the town.

Berlin, via London, Jan. 8:—German army authorities have issued a general order prohibiting in future the troops in the field from fraternizing with forces of the enemy, as they did in the western theater of war at Christmas. To such an extent was this fraternizing carried on, that at one place where the Germans and British played football on Christmas day, they agreed to suspend hostilities for two days more.

Berlin:—Preparations are being made for a resumption of the offensive campaign against Servia. The Austrian army corps on the Danube have been reformed and reinforced.

Paris, Jan. 8:—Official communication: "Reports were received this evening of violent German attacks in the region of Lassignay, in Argonne, at the crossing of the road from Le Four de Paris to Varennes and that from La Haute Chevauche, in the region of Verdun, and on the ridge which dominates Steinbach.

All these attacks have been repulsed.

There is a remarkable change in the people of Berlin—in fact, all Germany — according to an American who has reached London. He says there is a tense, anxious look on the faces of the German people, in marked contrast to the confidence shown at the beginning of the war, that one feels the impression is growing that all is not well, that reported victories are not all victories, and that others have been secured at immense cost.

Paris, Jan 8:—The war office today gave out an account of the operations in Belgium and Northern France during recent days, covering the period from Dec. 25th to Jan. 6th. The account says : — Notwithstanding the wretched state of the roads and the bad weather, three important actions took place, all of which were successful. These included the occupation of St, Georges, the development of our gains in the region of Perthes, and the taking of Steinbach.

In addition to this, on the whole of our front, our aggressive activity has not ceased to manifest itself by gains, which will be given in detail later.

Cause of Death Unknown

Coroner Hoskins and a jury on Tuesday heard evidence in the inquest into the death of Francois Lake John and his wife, two Indians who died suddenly at Francois Lake. The testimony of other Indians, who were present when the victims died, tended to show that death resulted from drinking wood alcohol, but the jury considered the evidence insufficient to justify a verdict to that effect, and found that the deceased came to their deaths from unknown causes.

Poolroom Licenses

Cheif of Police Minty has received instructions from Victoria that in future no applications for pool room licences will be entertained unless the applicant is on the B. C. voters list, and no licenses will be transferred. In case of a sale of pool room a new license must be applied for and granted before opentng for business.

The Rev. C. E. Batzold, of Smithers, will preach at the Methodist Church on Snuday evening, Jan. 10th, at 7:30 p. m. and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at the conclusion of the regular service.

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Otterson in Seattle

We note by a Seattle exchange that George W. Otterson, the mining and hydraulic engineer, who is well known here through his connection with the Kildare Company, has been called into consultation with Engineer Dimock regarding sluicing operations on the Cedar river dam, where an effort is to be made to close the pores of the glacial material through which the water is seeping. The fine earth is to be washed from the upper level of the bank along the sides of the dam.

Card of Thanks

Dr. H. C. Wrinch, medical superintendent of Hazelton Hospital, requests The Miner to express his appreciation and thanks to the ladies and gentlemen who arranged the successful masquerade dance in aid of the Hospital funds, and also to those whose contributions of refreshments added to the success of the occasion.

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