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## CHAMPIONS ONCE AGAIN

Six Straight Wins Demonstrate Hazelton's Superiority and Carry Off Cup

The Hazelton hockey team are champions of the Northern B. C. Hockey League for the season 1914-15. By defeating New Hazelton and Smithers during the past week, the local team cinched the title, and the Ross cup will be located here for the next year. Saturday's game at New Hazelton was close, fast hockey. McKenzie scored for New Hazelton in the first minutes play. For Hazelton, Percy McDougall scored on a rebound in the second period, and Irwin was responsible for the deciding tally in the final session. McLeod and Duke Harris handled the game.

On Thursday night, Smithers brought down a crowd on a special train to see their team lose by a score of 8-3. The game was even more one-sided than the score would indicate, two of the Smithers goals being scored off Hazelton players. For Hazelton, Hume scored four, Percy McDougall three and Al McDougall one. Jardine and Keddy scored for Smithers. Following are the teams:

Hazelton: Taylor, O'Shea, Irwin, P. McDougall, A. McDougall, Hume, Kinghorn, McKay. Smithers: Crandall, Clark, Keddy, McFarlane, McEwen, Jardine.

Referee, McDonnell. Judge of play, O'Neil.

Following is the league standing to date:

	Won	Lost
Hazelton	6	0
New Hazelton	2	3
Smithers	0	5

Next scheduled game, Hazelton at Smithers, Feb. 10.

The local team is trying to arrange to play Smithers on Saturday 13, New Hazelton playing here Wednesday.

### Coast Hockey

Vancouver, Feb. 6:—At Portland, last night, the home team defeated Vancouver, 8-3. The result of this game leaves the championship in doubt, Vancouver having won seven games and Portland six.

### Steamer Seized

Tokio, Feb. 5:—Japanese warships have seized the Norwegian steamer Christian Bors, bound from Shanghai to San Francisco.

### Serious Explosion

Fayetteville, W. Va., Feb. 6:—An explosion occurred in the mines of the New River Coal Co. at Carlisle today. It is feared that 130 men have perished.

### W. A.

The sewing meeting in connection with the W. A., will be held at Mrs. Hoskins' house on Feb. 11th, at 3 p. m., to work for the Belgian Fund.

Friends are asked to remember that the home cookery, in aid of the same cause, is held in the old public school, every Friday.

## ARTILLERY BATTLES GENERAL

### RUSSIANS CAPTURE 3000 PRISONERS

#### ---HEAVY FIGHTING EAST AND WEST

Petrograd, Feb. 6, Report by the general staff of the Russian army:—"Combats on the Bzura and Rawka rivers continue with undiminished energy. In an offensive movement, our troops crossed the Bzura, near its mouth, captured a portion of the enemy's position near Dakhova, and dislodged the Germans from their bridge head. In the vicinity of Borgimow, Goumine and Wolaszdlowiecka, our attacks alternate incessantly with those of the enemy, under unbroken artillery fire. On remainder of the left bank of the Vistula front, the artillery fire has diminished somewhat. We blew up a bridge on the Nida, which had just been constructed by the enemy near the village of Gerniki, and repulsed several attempts by the enemy to launch an offensive on the Nida, near Rembowel.

In the northwest Carpathians, in the direction of Oujok, we continued the offensive, and took

as many as 3,000 prisoners. To the southeast of Oujok, we are still being subjected to very high pressure by the enemy's forces."

Amsterdam:—Several German submarines have been sent to Zeebrugge from the naval base at Wilhelmshaven and Cuxhaven. It is assumed that Zeebrugge will be the base of naval operations which Germany will deliver against the transports carrying England's new army across the channel to France.

Amsterdam:—The movement of the German troops to the western front continues.

Paris, Feb. 6, Official communication:—During the night of Feb. 4-5, some German contingents endeavored, but without success, to advance from their trenches before Notre Dame de Lorette. Our artillery has done some very effective shooting in the valley of the Aisne. In Champagne, to the north of Beausejour, our troops made

some slight progress during Friday. In Argonne, we have consolidated our position on the ground which we captured on Feb. 4, at Bagatelle. In Alsace the German attack to the south of Altkirch was repulsed.

London, Feb. 6:—Indignation is expressed by the French, Swedish and Italian press at the German Admiralty's announcement of a submarine blockade. The "Paper Blockade" was received with ridicule in England.

Paris, Official:—There were satisfactory artillery engagements yesterday, between Arras and Rheims. In Woevre and Argonne, artillery dispersed convoys and set fire to 24 wagons. A German captive balloon was brought down northeast of Somme.

Cairo:—600 Turkish prisoners, three guns and 90 camels, loaded with stores and ammunition have been captured by the British.

### STORY OF THE GREAT WAR TOLD DAY BY DAY

London, Feb. 1:—"Our men, in many cases, fought with bayonets in their hands and even knocked out many Germans with their fists. A story is told of one man who broke into a house held by eight Germans, bayoneted four of them and captured the rest, while he continued to suck on his clay pipe," said an official eyewitness with the British expeditionary forces, in a description of the battle of Jan. 25, when Germans attacked the British north and south of La Bassee and succeeded in capturing some of their trenches, which a French official report today says have all been retaken.

The battle, which commenced early in the morning, was preceded by the usual artillery duels. "At eight o'clock in the morning," says the eyewitness, "the Germans launched an assault against the British and French on the south side of the canal and at one point penetrated our lines. About the same time they strongly attacked our troops at Givenchy, north of the canal, and passing over our front trenches, temporarily gained a foothold in places. But as their infantry surged forward through the village, our men met them with cold steel, killing 100 with the bayonet. Fighting then proceeded for some hours at close quarters, and by noon we had

reoccupied the whole of our original trenches around the village. Germans showed the utmost determination in this quarter, delivering no less than five attacks on the northeast corner of Givenchy."

London:—The toll, taken by the German submarine U21, in a raid on Saturday afternoon in the Irish Sea, in the vicinity of Liverpool, stands at three ships, the steamers Ben Cruachen, Linda Blanche and the Kilcoan, the latter a small vessel. The crew of the Kilcoan was landed on the Isle of Man today by a coastwise steamer. In addition, a German submarine has torpedoed two British steamers in the English Channel, near Havre, the Toko Maru and the Icaria. The Irish Sea raider easily made her escape, and shipping interests are confident that she has returned to her base and have ordered resumption of normal traffic today.

The following report from the staff of the Russian army of the Caucasus was given out: "On the Sari Katysh front, on the evening of Jan. 27, one of our columns, profiting by a snow storm, crossed the crest of the mountain and seized, after a violent struggle, the village of Garness, making prisoners there the chief of the 13th Turkish division, his staff of sixteen offi-

cers, seven surgeons, and 450 others, and capturing three cannon, more than 200 rifles, a convoy train and a large quantity of war munitions and provisions. The next day the Turks attacked this column, but were repulsed by counter attack, with great loss, abandoning to us a rapid-firing gun. Elsewhere, there have been the usual fusillades."

Paris, Feb. 2, Official communication:—The night of Jan. 31-Feb. 1, was quiet. In the morning of Feb. 1, the enemy made a violent attack on our trenches on the road of La Bassee. The attack was repulsed and the Germans left a large number of dead on the field. At Beaumont-hamel, to the north of Albert, German infantry attempted a surprise against one of our trenches, but were obliged to take flight, abandoning explosives with which they had been provided.

Official.—In Argonne there has been great activity in the regions of Pontaine-Madame and the Forest of La Grurie. An attack by Germans was repelled near Bagatelle. One of our trenches, which was demolished by two mines, was evacuated without loss. In Vosges and in Alsace there is no action to report. The snowfall has been very abundant.

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## LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHS

Week's Items of General Interest In and Around the District

C. Gibbs, of Victoria, is here on a business visit.

Miss Irwin, of Prince Rupert, is visiting Mrs. R. E. Allen.

A ladies' hockey match is scheduled for this afternoon.

Gus Olson and Jim Bates came in from Omineca this week.

Miss Kate Carr, of Smithers, is spending a few days in town.

J. C. K. Sealy left for his ranch in the Bulkley last Wednesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Taylor, at the Hazelton Hospital, a son.

C. P. Richardson, of Kitselas, was a business visitor in town this week.

Frank Jackson is out of the hospital, and will leave for the coast tomorrow.

Constable C. F. Evans, of Fort Fraser, spent the first part of the week in Hazelton.

W. N. Jenkins, who has spent several months in Groundhog, left for the coast Thursday.

The Hazelton second team played at New Hazelton Tuesday night, winning from the latter team by 7-2.

A dance held after the hockey game Thursday night, was well attended. Those present had an enjoyable time.

A. N. McDonald and W. Watson are now in Atlin, having made the trip from Hazelton, via Carcross Y. T., in seven days.

While watching the hockey game on Thursday night, J. D. McDougall had the misfortune to fall on the ice, breaking his collar bone.

The special train, carrying the Smithers hockey team, ran into a hand car on Thursday, near Porphery Creek. A section foreman on the car had several fingers cut off. He was brought to the Hospital on the train.

Billy Reid, who has spent the last six months at the Coronado Group on Hudson Bay Mountain, is in town for a few days and reports some splendid showings. Two shifts are working steadily on development work, and three carloads of ore are alongside the track ready for shipment.

### A German Plot

Paris, Jan. 6:—A plot to blow up the liner La Champaigne, by a German passenger, was frustrated by a wireless message on the voyage from Mexico to Corunna. Five dynamite bombs were discovered in his trunk.

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The annual report of the Hazelton Hospital, which was placed before the patrons of that institution last week, and is now available for general distribution, shows a splendid record of achievement for the past year. The statistics show that 306 patients were treated during the year, being a slight increase over the attendance in any previous year. An interesting item in this connection is that twenty-six countries are represented in this total. One of the outstanding features of the report, is that dealing with the mortality rate, which was 3.06 per cent. This is an exceptionally low figure, and one that the most modern city hospitals seldom equal. During the year, the equipment has been supplemented by the addition of a first-class lighting and water system, a Kelly-Koett X-ray machine and an ambulance, all of which are giving splendid service and have helped to increase the efficiency for which the Hazelton Hospital has always been noted. The Superintendent and staff are indeed to be congratulated on the splendid showing made during the year, and the hearty support of the entire district is due those who are striving to maintain the high standard which has been reached.

In a recent address before the Prince Rupert Board of Trade, on "Agriculture in the North," Mr. A. H. Tomlinson, of the department of agriculture, says in part:--

"In the North we have the most extensive agricultural areas in British Columbia, containing some of the most productive soils. Stretching from Prince Rupert to McBride, taking in the Skeena valleys with their tributaries, Bulkley Valley, Francois, Ootsa and Stuart Lake districts and the small lakes; also Fraser and Nechaco Valleys.

In the district surrounding Hazelton, mixed farming should be practiced with a leaning towards grain, fodder, etc., as well as fruits on the slopes. The fact must not be overlooked that for the Skeena district, livestock must be given a place. As yet only small numbers can be provided for, but as time goes on, the farmer must increase his stock in proportion to the land under cultivation, and this will enhance the fertility of the soil.

Some splendid timber exists in parts of the Skeena valleys which it will not be wise to ruthlessly destroy, because as mines open up, such timber will be useful and needed. Eastern Canada and the United States have learned a lesson that it will be wise to conserve the best timber. Of course British Columbia is doing likewise.

Referring to markets, Mr. Tomlinson said:—"Prince Rupert is, naturally, the main shipping point as well as receiving point. There will spring up markets all along the line, especially as min-

ing, etc., develops, but the main markets for points west, especially of the Skeena district and the Islands, Bella Coola and the Naas will be Prince Rupert.

Local merchants have been and are anxious to do business and reciprocate trade with the farmers and settlers. The merchants are in a position to procure markets for northern produce, which the individual farmer cannot. Then we have also the City Market, which, if well managed, with co-operative growing and selling, should also encourage farmers and settlers to cater for local trade. At these places, for instance, the Skeena district, large and small fruits, vegetables, hay butter, eggs and poultry and meat may be raised and sent here.

The Bulkley and adjoining districts will also ship certain produce to this market; fodder and dairy products particularly.

The country nearer and in the vicinity of Prince George, will look to the mines and Prince George as a market principally. The G. T. P. Railway dining car service will call for produce of uniformity and quality. Such may be raised. It is a matter for the most enterprising districts to secure this trade.

### Minty Holds Record

From a lengthy article in the "News-Advertiser," on the passing of the "B-X" Express Co., and entitled, "A Marvellous Record," the following is taken:—"In these days of rush and hurry, the reader will, of course, want to know the record time for the round trip to Barkerville and

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### Busy at Lake Kathlyn

Jennings Brothers, who are cutting ice for the G. T. P., for use at their divisional points at Prince Rupert, Pacific, Smithers, Endako and Prince George, are loading 200 tons a day, at Lake Kathlyn. A total of approximately 6,500 tons will be shipped from that point, about thirty men being employed in cutting and loading. This is a new and important industry for the Bulkley Valley and one that promises to develop into large proportions.

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## The World's Doings in Brief

News Notes from Many Sources

### Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations.

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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 in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

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 \$10.00 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.  
N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.—58782.

It was thirty-six below in Winnipeg last week.

The second Australian contingent is reported to have arrived in Egypt to join the first contingent.

An unconfirmed report from Mexico City states that General Francisco Villa has been seriously injured.

Thirty carloads of fish were shipped out of Prince Rupert last week. This included a special train of ten cars.

More than 1,000 German newspapers, 120 of them political ones, have been forced to cease publication owing to the war.

A Copenhagen despatch reports that an attempt was made to assassinate King Constantine of Greece several days ago.

Announcement has been made at the offices of the P. G. E. that tracklayers would probably reach Lillooet by the 15th of Feb.

Residents of Vernon and Kamloops have been startled by the report that two aeroplanes have been seen over Okanagan Lake.

President Chamberlain of the Grand Trunk Pacific, states that the company has not yet definitely decided to reduce the wages of employees.

Nine prisoners of war, who were interned at the citadel at Halifax, escaped. Four have been re-arrested, but the others are still at large.

In Chicago, May wheat reached \$1.57, establishing a new record. A report that Italy is preparing to take part in the hostilities was responsible for the rise.

Orders have been placed by the C. P. R., acting as agents for the British Government, for 4,200,000 feet of B. C. fir, to be used for railway sleepers.

Emil Nerlich, a wealthy wholesale merchant of Toronto, is being held under bail of \$100,000, on a charge of helping a German officer to escape from Canada.

The Servian legation in London has addressed a letter to the press and public urging the adoption of the spelling "Serbian" and "Serbia", instead of "Servian" and "Servia".

A memorial has been introduced in the U. S. Senate, asking Congress that the Eastern Washington counties be joined with the Panhandle district of Idaho, to form the new state of Lincoln.

George E. Foster has announced that the Canadian Parliament

will be asked to vote \$100,000,000 towards the expense of carrying on the war in Europe, at the session which begins this month.

Major-General Steele, Inspector-General of Western Forces, has expressed his intention of entering action for libel against W. T. R. Preston, in connection with Preston's "Life of Strathcona".

Foley Bros. and The Northern Construction Co. have entered action against the C. N. R. for over four million dollars, alleged to be due for construction on the Port Arthur-Sudbury section of the C. N. R.

Captain Robert Bartlett, commander of the steamer Karluk, which carried the Stefansson expedition to the Arctic, expresses the belief that the eight explorers of the expedition have perished long ago.

In Hungary all deposits of natural gas that may be discovered become the property of the government.

The germ causing gangrene has been discovered by two surgeons in Paris, who have prepared a serum to counteract it.

Russia's population is increasing at the rate of 2,500,000 a year. It now stands at about 147,000,000, of which 100,000,000 are peasants.

#### LAND NOTICE

Hazelton Land District. District of Cassiar.  
Take notice that Thomas Moore, of Kitwangah, occupation rancher, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:  
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**THE MINER WAR BULLETINS**

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Paris:—Again on Friday and Saturday nights the Germans made furious attacks on the French positions at La Basse and Givenchy, says a despatch to the Havas news agency from St. Omas, in northwestern France. The Germans tried desperately to break the British line, but before the end of the battle the Scotch Highlanders drove them back at the point of the bayonet, inflicting great loss.

Wellington, N. Z.:—New Zealand has arranged to buy one million bushels of Canadian wheat, to be delivered in July.

London, Feb. 2:—Five hostile airships, according to a telephone message from Dover, were driven off by gunfire of the forts. They turned and sailed away, apparently not penetrating inland.

A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co., from Dover says, "The harbor batteries opened fire tonight, while searchlights swept the water. It is believed that German submarines were the cause of the activity."

London:—Dover batteries opened fire last night on German airships and submarines. London is in darkness, prepared for a raid. The enemy were driven off to the Eastward.

Washington:—Great Britain notified the United States today that foodstuffs of any kind destined to Germany would be regarded as contraband. A forecast of the shipping bill made after a conference at the White House between President Wilson and Senators Kenyon and Norris is, that the U.S. will not buy ships which would involve controversy with belligerent nations.

Paris, Feb. 2, official:—Yesterday was marked by the redoubled intensity of artillery fighting on our part and by a series of German attacks, all of which were repulsed with serious loss. In Belgium, the heavy German artillery was very active against the Belgian troops at Yser.

Petrograd,---An announcement has been made that in future, attacks on unfortified towns will be treated as acts of piracy.

London, Feb. 3:—That a terrible loss of life was suffered by the Germans in attempting to take British trenches, is reported in the account of a British official eye-witness of two German attacks between La Basse canal and the Bethune road, on Jan 29.

In the center, our men, firmly established in brick fields, gave the Germans a very warm reception and the latter fell back, leaving fifty dead in front of this point alone. To the south of this they temporarily gained possession of a small portion of one of our trenches, but they were immediately counter-attacked with the bayonet and every man in the trench was killed. The same thing happened when they tried to take the Bethune road, where the Germans gained another of our trenches, only to be bayoneted to a man. After the fighting was over, the enemy's dead to the estimated number of two hundred, lay back all along our line.

Paris, Feb. 3:—The official communication today says, "From the sea to the Lys, the German artillery has tried, without success to reduce our batteries."

London:—A despatch to the "Morning Post" from Petrograd says that Russian submarines, besides seriously injuring the German cruiser Gazelle recently in the Baltic, also sank a German gunboat, and as a result of their activity, German warships are no longer moving around in the Baltic with their former freedom. Copenhagen newspapers, some of which still have correspondents at Constantinople, have received reports that the Anglo-French fleet has destroyed four of the Dardanelles forts, and they also state that there is a panic in the Turkish capital, where the defeats suffered by the Turkish armies in Caucasus and in Azerbaijan are just becoming known.

Amsterdam:—French military aviators dropped bombs on Reich-Weiller, near Mulhausen, last Friday. Some damage is reported, although details are not yet known. They were pursued by German aircraft, but succeeded in escaping.

Cairo, Feb. 4, Official communication:—During Tuesday night the enemy attempted to cross the Suez Canal, near Toussoum (35 miles north of Suez). They were permitted to bring bridging material to the bank of the canal unmolested, but directly they started bridging operations, our troops attacked and the enemy fled in disorder, leaving all material in our hands. Several of the enemy were drowned.

The enemy also attacked on the El Kantara front (40 miles south of Port Said) at daylight today. They were easily repulsed, losing 16 killed or wounded and 40 prisoners. Our casualties were three men wounded. British forces had a skirmish with the Turks yesterday, in the neighborhood of Ismalia, on Lake Timsah, Suez Canal. The Turks finally retreated. The British had six men wounded. The engagement occurred during a sandstorm, but the shooting of the Turks, both with rifle and artillery, was bad.

Buenos Aires:—A Buenos Aires newspaper announces that a German auxiliary cruiser, formerly of the Woerman Line, was sunk on Jan. 7 off the Patagonian coast by the British cruiser Australia. The crew was taken to the Falkland Islands.

Paris, Feb. 4:—The following official despatch was given out

today: There is nothing of particular importance to report, except that in Champagne three German attacks were all repulsed. In Argonne, a fresh attack on Bagatelle was repulsed by our troops during the night of Feb. 2-3.

London:—A wireless despatch from Berlin, says the "Berliner Tageblatt" reports from Constantinople, that Greece is industrially making mobilization preparations and is fortifying her frontier.

Paris, Feb. 5, Official communication:—Artillery engagements have occurred in Belgium, and to the north of Arras, west of the road between Lille and Arras. We have captured from two to three metres of the enemy's trenches, north of Albert. By the very efficient shooting of our artillery in the valley of the Aisne, German batteries were silenced, caissons were blown up, men engaged in construction work were dispersed and aeroplanes put to flight. In front of Verdun, they brought down an aeroplane, taking the aviators prisoners. Heavy snowfalls are reported in Vosges. There has been painstaking trench fighting with saps and hand grenades, near Altkirch.

Amsterdam:—The Austro-Hungarian war press bureau has issued the following statement,

"Artillery and infantry fighting continues along the Nida river. We evacuated Tarnow (Galicia), after the Russians had bombarded with heavy mortars. A decisive battle is being fought in the region of Dukla, where strong Russian pressure is being felt. Fighting in the Carpathians is being seriously interfered with by deep snow.

An official despatch from Vienna, dated Jan. 30, says the Russian army's attempt to outflank Archduke Ferdinand's army near Nowa Sayre, and their attack on Cracow, has led to a counter-offensive by the Archduke against Tarnow. Tarnow is a town of 40,000 inhabitants, and lies 135 miles west of Lemberg.

New York, Feb. 5:—An announcement by the German admiralty that they will attack any vessel in waters of Great Britain after Feb. 18, will not affect the sailing of British and French lines. The British Government intimates that it will use retaliatory measures against German trade.

Petrograd, Official:—On the left bank of the Vistula, the enemy massed 84,000 men and 100 batteries of artillery on six miles of front, in an effort to break our lines. Our counter-attack, at the point of the bayonet, forced them to take the defensive. We took two lines of trenches and entered Wola. In the Carpathians, we advanced on Oujok, taking 2,000 prisoners and 10 machine guns.

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