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The Estimates.

The provincial estimates provide for $53,500 to be spent in the Alberni District this year. No announcement as yet has been made as to the method of distributing this amount over the District. Comox gets $50,500; Nanaimo, $9,000; Cowichan, $33,500; Newcastle, $24,300, and $9,000 was set aside to maintenance account for Strathcona Park. Bridges got $500,000.

An item of $250,000 is provided under the general account for the purpose of an advance to the Minister of Finance on account of Dominion Trust Company.

Gaining Ground.

London, March 1.—A French report states that the enemy bombarded Soissons with 200 shells. In the Champagne we made progress on the whole front, from Cambres to North of Perthe. Our gains on Saturday, to the north and west of Beausejour, represented about 2,000 metres, one and one third miles.

The Belgian infantry captured a farm on the right bank of the Yser. A Belgian aviator dropped bombs on the enemy's harbor station at Ostend.

Over 1,000 German soldiers have surrendered in the last ten days.

CANNOT FIND ANY AGREEMENT

At the last regular meeting of the City Council the matter of the sending of pupils from Alberni to the Port high school was again taken up. A letter was read from the Department of Education to the effect that when the matter of building a high school was first taken up it was agreed that all pupils for the high school entrance classes, from both town should attend the new Port school.

In reply the Council stated that they had taken the matter with the local trustees, and those at the Port, and could find no record of such an agreement. Owing to this fact, and the further fact that there was a teacher at Alberni who was paid to do the work, the Council resolved to give notice that after March 31., they would not be responsible for any expenses for school purposes outside of their own district. The Department will be notified to this effect. The Canadian Financiers were again appointed as Fiscial Agents for the Corporation of the city of Alberni.

Copies of all certificates of title for real estate transfers within the limits of the corporation were ordered from the department. This will enable the City Clerk to keep track of the transfers, and not have to visit Victoria from time to time for this purpose. The copies ordered will cost seven cents each.

It was resolved to join the Union of Municipalities, as it was found that this Union has a legal counsel, and is in a position to give aid in many ways where difficulties might arise in the way of legal questions.

It was announced that Messrs. W. F. Gibson and J. E. Blandy had been appointed as Licence Commissioners, and Messrs. Harvey and Dr. Morgan as Police Commissioners. With both of these boards Mayor Huff will act by virtue of his office.

The Alberni Women's Patriotic Societies asked to have the Council assist them by stating to the transportation companies something as to the standing of the Society with a view to entitle them to free transportation on the goods which they are sending to the front.

The Council responded very heartily paying a high tribute to the excellent work which those ladies are doing in their efforts to provide comforts for the boys in the trenches.

Sundry accounts were passed and bills ordered ordered paid. The matter of a phone for the City Constable was then discussed and finally turned over to the Police Commission, and the Council adjourned.

New Wharf.

Indian Agent Cox is just now busy looking after the building of a nice little wharf on the banks of the Somass River just below the present one. The new structure is designed to take the Agency boat, and a small building has been moved on the lot to hold any surplus equipment, and furnish quarters for the engineer when the boat is in port. The pile driver is finished its portion of the work, and the whole job is rapidly taking shape.

City Scales.

During the week repairs have been in progress on the City Scales. These were rendered necessary by the fact that the old sills were rotted out. The scales are again ready for the use of the general public.

Under Fire.

Northern France, March, 2.—The Canadians were twenty-four hours under fire the first day they were in the trenches. They behaved like veterans, being keen and steady. They have been on the firing line two days.

ALLIES FORCING DARDANELLES

London, March 1.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Athens says: "The Allies have disembarked a detatchment of artillery near the destroyed forts of the Dardanelles and the British and French flags are now waving over them. The fleet continued the bombardment Saturday afternoon. The fleet has reached the light house near fort Kilid Bahr on the narrows. The forts on the European side have been silenced.

There are 50,000 Turkish troops on the European side and 15,000 on the Asiatic side.

Whist Drive.

The whist drive, given by the Alberni Women's Patriotic Society, in in the Athletic Hall, on Monday evening turned out another of the big successes which this society have to their credit. Twenty-three tables were occupied, and about $19 rewarded the efforts of the ladies.

The first prize for ladies was won by Mrs. Griffin, while Mr. E. Frost carried off the high score for gentlemen. Down at the head of the class, counting from the foot, was Mr. J. Grieve, while Mrs. Southwell captured the "consolation" for the ladies, with the lowest score.

Quite a large number from the Port present, and a general good time was the verdict. A social dance wound up the evening.

Lecturers Coming.

Word has been received to the effect that Messrs. H. Rive and J. R. Terry will be in Alberni on Monday evening next to deliver lectures under the auspices of the Farmers Institute.

Mr. Rive is Chief Dairy Inspector for the Province, and Mr. Terry is Chief Poultry Instructor, so that some interesting and valuable pointers may expected as a result of their visit. On Tuesday morning, at nine o'clock Mr. Terry will give a demonstration on preparing poultry for market. The lectures will be given on Monday evening at 8 o'clock, in the Court House, Alberni. The subjects to be treated are "Dairying," "Poultry," and "Horticulture." All interested are invited to attend.

Third Contingent.

Word was received at Alberni this week to the effect that all men desiring to join the Third Canadian Contingent would have a chance by applying to the recruiting officer at Nanaimo. Men are wanted in both the infantry and cavalry branches of the service, and anyone desiring to join will have an excellent chance provided they act at once. Several men have already taken the train for Nanaimo to try for enlistment.

At An End.

London, March 1.—It is Officially announced in Cairo that the Turks have evacuated the Sinai Peninsula, and that their attempt to invade Egypt is at an end.

Auxiliary Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Alberni Branch of the Women's Hospital Auxiliary, will be held in the English Church Hall, on Friday, March 12., at 2:30 p. m.

Grace J. Cox,
Sec.

Good Shot.

London, March 4.—There is no doubt that the steamship Thordis sank a German submarine off Beachy Head two days ago. In drydock the Thordis' keel was found to be badly damaged where she hit the submarine.

WILL BLOCKADE ALL GERMANY

The establishment of a blockade of hostile countries is Great Britain's reply to Germany's attacks on merchants shipping as announced officially by Premier Asquith in a momentous speech in the House of Commons.

The plan of the allied governments for the regulation of shipping to and from ports of hostile nations contemplates the prevention of commodities of every kind reaching or leaving those ports without, however, involving risk to neutral vessels or their crews.

The Allies will hold themselves at liberty to capture goods presumed to have come from hostile countries or deemed to be destined for them.

They have no intention, however, of confiscating ships or cargoes which are detained unless they are liable for confiscation under normal conditions of war.

Greene's Home-Bake Bread at The Alberni Trading Stores and Thomson's General Store.

German Retreat.

Petrograd, March 1.—Our offensive at Przasnysz have been vigorously pursued. We have recaptured the town of Przasnysz, which the Germans had temporarily occupied.

The German retreat is spreading over a constantly widening front, at some points assuming the character of a disorderly flight.

The prisoners we have taken up to the present number 40 officers and 3,000 soldiers; our captures are constantly increasing. Our cavalry continues in pursuit of the retiring Germans.

Hit Back.

London March 2.—The captain of the steamer Thordes reports that he rammed a German submarine after it had fired a torpedo at his ship.

Not Pleased.

London, March 2.—A news despatch from Berlin says a certain degree of pessimism prevails in Normandy over the reverses the Germans are suffering along the eastern front.

Flower Gardens.

With the coming of the bright Spring weather you will want to get out and fix up your garden. Nothing looks more beautiful than a nice flower garden, but in order to do the required work to bring the garden to this condition you will need to fortify your system with a few of those nice, juicy, tender and appetizing steaks, chops, roasts and joints which are kept constantly in stock by Mr. A Rochester. They are as pretty as a boquet, and much more sustaining.

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S. S. Dacia Seized.

A French cruiser has seized the American steamer Dacia in the Channel and taken her to Brest. This announcement is officially made.

While no official word has reached the state Department as to the seizure of the American steamer Dacia, it is known that no protest by this Government is probable until the French prize court has passed on the ship's status. This has been the general policy in all similar cases.

The voyage of the Dacia has been regarded as a test case upon which final decisions as to the right of neutrals to purchase vessels from citizens of belligerent countries might be based.

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Alberni, B. C., Canada - March 5, 1915

PURE BRED STOCK

THE activity which has recently been in evidence with regard to securing pure bred sires for the different breeds of farm stock in the District is an excellent thing. It appears that the Dominion Government is willing to supply the stock provided proper arrangements are made for the care of the same. This is accomplished by forming an association the members of which are pledged to look after the business of handling the animals secured. Two of these associations have already been formed in the valley, and as the Farmers' Institute has purchased another pure bred bull, this means that the matter of better stock is receiving that attention which it deserves.

It costs no more to keep a good animal than to feed a "scrub," and the results are so much better in the case of the better grade of animal, that there is little argument along this line. The effort to improve the grade of the local farm stock should receive every encouragement, and the Live Stock Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture is doing a good work to take these steps to assist the farmers in their efforts.

IMPORTED EGGS

THE Provincial Government has adopted a resolution calling upon the government at Ottawa to take up the matter of eggs imported from China and other foreign countries. Mr. W. H. Hayward brought the matter up by speaking to the following resolution:—"That an humble address be presented to his honor the lieutenant-governor, praying his honor to urge upon the Dominion government the pressing necessity and urgency for an amendment to the Inspection and Sale act, whereby eggs coming from China or other foreign lands shall be legibly marked when exposed for sale, stating and showing the country or place from whence they came."

In his speech in support of the resolution Mr. Hayward stated that in its tour of the province the royal commission on agriculture had found large numbers of foreign eggs, the bulk from China, were coming into the province and were being sold side by side, and often amongst, fresh eggs produced by the poultrymen of the province. Eighteen months ago the commission had been told that the Dominion government was ready to pass legislation, but nothing had been done yet, and he now asked the house to pass this resolution to urge immediate action.

To give the house an idea of the enormity of the imports he mentioned that five million eggs came in from the United States during the past year, and in the same period nearly six million eggs from China came into the province.

Amongst those who spoke in favor of the resolution was Mr. J. G. C. Wood, M.P.P. for Alberni, who said there were a great many people in the district he represented who were making their living on small poultry farms, and the matter of the importation of Chinese eggs was a serious matter, all through the province, but especially on Vancouver Island. The price which the poultrymen were receiving had decreased 85 per cent., while the cost of feed had increased 80 per cent. during the present year.

DITORIAL NOTES.

The Germans must know now that all hope of the British "Quitting" in the present war is at an end. Miss Pankhurst has stated that as soon as the war is over the militant suffragettes will resume "hostilities." With such a threat hanging over them the British Authorities will continue the war as long as there is the slightest excuse.

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One of the American Correspondents, who has been sending in a lot of "news" about the Italian situation, is named J. Kidder Davis. Judging from some of his "stuff" the question arises—why the "Davis?"

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The modern "Queen Elizabeth" appears to have as long, and rough, a tongue as the original Lady of that name. The way she "talked" to those forts at the Dardanelles was a caution to snakes—and Turks.

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Fancy leading a lot of hungry "Tommies" to a town named Garub. Of course they took it.

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Now that the Allies have concluded to hold that all cargoes destined for Germany can be taken wherever found, and no matter what the nationality of the vessel carrying the same, it is likely that the Kaiser will find that in his "blockade" he has constructed a "mine" filled with an explosive which kicks back much harder than it kicks forward.

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Reports from the Russian battle fronts would appear to indicate that some more German "victories" of the right kind are now in evidence. Those Russians appear to belong to the Come-Back family.

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Again we must lodge a protest, and demand that the war correspondents attend more strictly to their duty. It is now several weeks since the Crown Prince was "killed," and he must be feeling neglected. Somebody please "slew" him.

PRACTICAL POINTERS ABOUT ALBERNI

Alberni is reached by train from Victoria. Connections are made with Victoria, running through to Alberni on every other day. Passengers from Vancouver City can connect with this train at Nanaimo.

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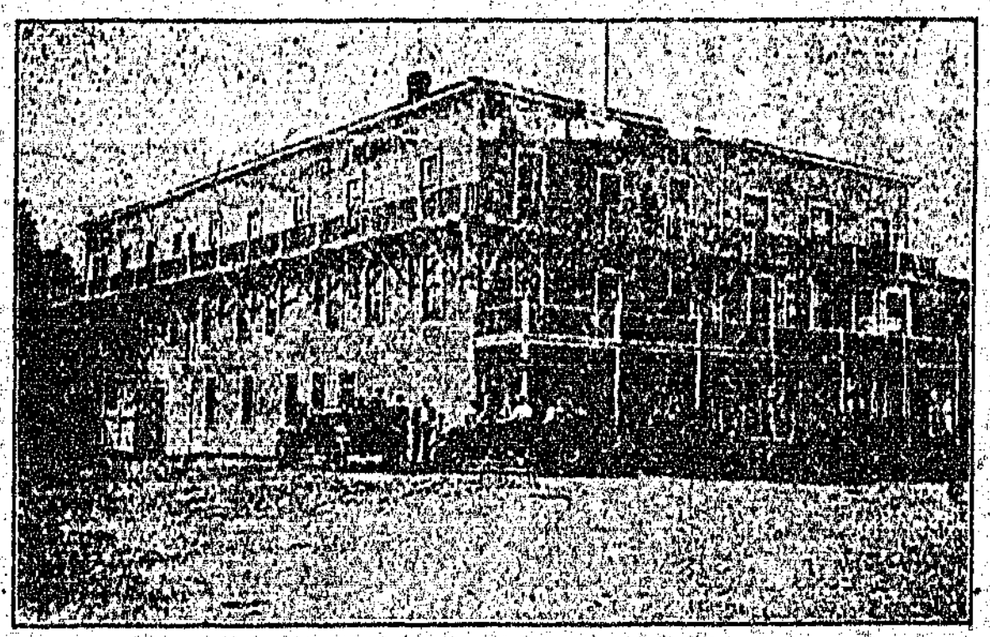

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TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register James Russell Motion as the owner in fee simple of the above lands under Tax Sale deed from the Collector of Alberni District and you are required to contest the claim of the Tax Purchaser within thirty(30)days from the first publication hereof.

DATED at the Land Registry Office Victoria, B.C. this 24th day of February, 1915.

S. Y. Wootton,
Registrar General.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

To W. J. McLeod, registered and assessed owner of Lot ten (10), Block fifty-five (55), of East half of Lot one hundred and thirteen (113), Alberni District, Map 484.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register James Hills as the owner in fee simple of the above lands under Tax Sale deed from the Collector of Alberni District and you are required to contest the claim of the Tax Purchaser within thirty (30) days from the first publication hereof.

DATED at the Land Registry Office Victoria, B.C. this 24th day of February, 1915.

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LAND REGISTRY ACT.

To James O'Neill, registered and assessed owner of Lot twenty-four (24), Block "C", of West half of West half of Lot ninety-two (92), Alberni District Map 421.

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BASKETBALL

The final game of the regular winter schedule was played on Saturday evening between the Ramblers and the Athletics. The Ramblers again took the lead with a score of 49 to 7 and demonstrated that they are the class in the local league. Now come the three "All Star" games between the Ramblers and a picked team from the other players. This should result in some excellent games, and no doubt the boys will receive an encouragement in the way of larger audiences.

The Ramblers were headed only once in the scoring during the schedule, and it will take the "pick of the bunch" to hold them down, but, with a good selection, there should be a team lined up that will make the Ramblers sit up and take notice. The next three games should be well worth taking in.

The first of the "All Star" games will be played in the McGrath Hall, Port Alberni, next Saturday, March 6. Be on hand.

Writing Joe.

There was a time when Mr. Joseph Martin, K. C., M. P. etc. took a pride in being known all over Canada as "Fighting Joe." Time, and other things, appear to have changed somewhat the ideas of the Honorable Joseph. Hence the "Evening Journal" and the new title of "Writing Joe."

The "Evening Journal" has not yet reached us, and we are compelled to rely on very few comments which have appeared in other papers regarding the same. From these it would appear that the Journal will advocate a new party, made up of all those who are against the McBride-Bowser combination. The Journal evidently wishes to be where the crowd is thickest, but so far the necessity of a coalition government is not so evident. According to the Journal the Liberal Party is badly disorganized, and "Writing Joe" proposes to take upon himself the task of putting its house in order.

Well, we can wait with a feeling of confidence that there will be no lack of interest in the scrap, now that Mr. Martin has shied his hat into the ring, and declared that as an "Independent Liberal" he is prepared to take a crack at all and sundry.

We venture to predict for the owner of the journal much more fun than profit, but then many of us have to take our dividends in this manner, so that Mr. Martin is joining quite a large family so far as this particular is concerned.

It All Helps.

It is conservatively estimated that so far, the European war has been the direct means of bringing approximately $200,000,000 to the country, and has not only averted an industrial depression, but has kept thousands of hands employed in the to the factories throughout the Dominion.

The extremely illogical trade disorders following the declaration of war, did not prevail for any great length of time, and the prospect of the British Imperial Government calling on the Dominion for breadstuffs and munitions of war, soon sent many representatives of great Canadian firms, out looking for business. This anxiety on the part of the manufacturers was not as a rule prompted by greed. It seemed to be their one aim to secure these orders, even though little profit was gleaned, as it enabled them to run their plants normally, and thus minimized the number of out-of-works, with which the country would have been deluged.

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