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**HUNS NOW SELF-CONVICTED.**

One particular feature in those crushing armistice terms which Marshal Foch, Haig & Co., imposed on badly beaten Germany is that they not only imposed what was to all intents and purposes unconditional surrender, but they convicted the German high command, from the arch-Hun down, of one of the most despicable crimes in the whole international calendar. Clause 8 of the armistice terms, which deals with mines and traps, after providing that the German command shall be responsible for revealing all mines and delay-acting fuses disposed on territory evacuated by the Germans, and shall assist in their discovery and destruction, then hands out a little "joker" to the Huns. The remainder of the clause says: "The German command shall also reveal all destructive 100 miles or, in exceptional cases, even measures that may have been taken (such as poisoning or polluting of springs, wells, etc.) under penalty of reprisals."

The point which probably escaped

many in reading this clause, is that by signing and agreeing to these terms the Germans thereby convicted themselves of this inhuman and abhorrent crime which has occurred in hundreds of instances, not only on the western front but in Russia, Turkey and even down in South Africa. There will be no longer any need to produce evidence that the Germans committed such practices. They are self-convicted by their own peace plenipotentiaries. This nation of murderers, thieves and liars will be lucky if it escapes a state of utter anarchy. The German's have been a curse to the world. Just now they are beginning to realize they are a curse to themselves.

**Mining News**

R. W. Thomson, provincial mining engineer for this mineral district, arrived in Merritt accompanied by Jos. Errington, a well known mining expert of San Francisco, to examine the property of the Aspen Grove Amalgamated Mines Limited.  
T. J. Corwin, former manager of the Aberdeen Mines Syndicate, who is now interested in a platinum and gold proposition on the Tulameen, was in Merritt last week.

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**MANY VESSELS BUILDING FOR FRENCH GOVERNMENT**

Apart from the twenty 3,200 ton wooden steamships under way at the Foundation Company's yards in Victoria, contracts for fifty wooden steamships of smaller dimensions have been placed by the French Government with other shipbuilding concerns in Canada. These contracts, placed through Anderson & Co., of New York, have been awarded as follows:

- Davie Shipbuilding & Repairing Co., Lauzon, Que. .... 12
- Fraser, Bruce & Co., Montreal. .... 8
- Lyall Shipbuilding Co., North Vancouver, B. C. .... 8
- National Shipbuilding Corporation, Three Rivers, Que. .... 10
- New Westminster Engineer and Construction Co., New Westminster, B. C. .... 5

- Pacific Construction Co., Port Coquitlam, B. C. .... 2
- Western Canada Shipyards, Ltd., Vancouver, B. C. .... 6

**SEATTLE SHIPYARDS LAUNCH EIGHTY VESSELS DURING YEAR**

Fifty-two Steel and Twenty-Eight Wooden Ships Give Half Million Tons.

SEATTLE—Since the first of the year Seattle shipyards have launched eighty large cargo carriers with a total carrying capacity of 538,800 tons, which will probably constitute a record in ship construction which will stand for all time. This compares with 25 ships with a tonnage of 194,000 for the entire 12 months of 1917.

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VANCOUVER			
Character	Cost	Location	Owner
Hydro Therapeutic Residence	\$7,500	Military Annex, Gen'l Hosp.	Mil. Hosp. Com.
Road No. 3	8,000	Lulu Island	F. A. Dietrick
Tuberculosis Clinic	47,130	Pender Street	Richmond Municipality
Grain Elevator	70,000	Beach Ave.	Chas. P. Coles Co.
Church	35,000	1160 Georgia St.	First Church of Christ
Commercial Bldg.	25,000	Fairview and Point Grey	University of B. C.
Foundry & Machine Shop	15,000	Dufferin Street	Columbia Block & Tool Co.
Residence	5,500	1305-12th Ave. W.	Wesley Rowson
Government Shed	129,000	Government Wharf	Government
Residence	9,000	Shaughnessy Heights	S. J. Crocker
Residence	10,000	Shaughnessy Heights	G. W. Tompkins
Residence	4,000	Angus Ave.	Macaulay & Nicolls
Remodelling Offices	5,000	236 Smith St.	Vanc. Milling & Grain Co.
Brick Building	6,000	Seymour St.	B. C. Tel. Co.
Bungalows	6,000	Magoo	Allan & Richards
Refreshment Stand	\$5,000	Hastings & Carrall	B. C. Elec. Co.
Residence	7,000	2875 Alder Street	A. R. McFarland
Mill Warehouse	\$5,000	236 Smythe	Vanc. Milling & Grain Co.
Residence	7,500	1906 Trafalgar	W. A. Cantelon
Bungalow	7,500	1435 15th Ave. W.	H. D. Christie
Remodelling Building	10,000	Cor. Davie and Granville Sts.	Geo. E. Torrey
Residence	\$5,000	S.E. Cor. Maple & Magee Rd.	C.H. McFarlane
Powdered Fuel Plant	\$39,000	Powell St.	B. C. Sugar Refinery
Brick Bldg.	5000	131 Hastings St. E.	Pemberton & Son

BRITISH COLUMBIA GENERAL			
Character	Cost	Location	Owner
Fruit Storage Warehouse	45,000	Vernon	Vernon Fruit Union
Brick School Bldg.	20,400	Trail	School Board
42-Mile Extension	300,000	Clinton	P.C.E. Railway
Hastings-Barnet Road		Hastings St. E.	
Bridge Span & Trestle		Twigg to Lulu Island	
Government Shed		Victoria	Government
Bridge (2 span)	250,000	Princeton	Kettle Valley Railway
Lining Tunnel	36,000	Rogers Pass	C. P. Railway
Bridge	160,000	North Vancouver	P.C.E. Railway
Reconstruction	5,000	North Vancouver	Wallace Shipyard
Frame Bldg.	6,000	Ardley	Western Canada Power Co.
Residence	6,000	Victoria	W. S. Salsbury
Nitrogen Plant	1,000,000	Lake's Buntzen	Amer. Nitrogen Products Co.
Concentrator, etc.	50,000	Copper Mountain	B. C. Copper Co.
Railroad	1,000,000	Chu Chua	Queen Bees Mining Co.
Infermary and Service Bldg.	\$151,236	Princeton to Copper Mt.	B. C. Copper Co.
Bank Building	12,000	Tranquille	B. C. Tuberculosis Society
Bridge		Oyster River-Comox Dist.	Prov. Govern't
		Nanaimo	Royal Bank
		Englishman's River, Alberni Dist.	Prov. Gov't

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**HERE'S VALUABLE BATTERY TIP**

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Pachema Fish Company, Limited, private, authorized capital, \$10,000; registered office of the company, Victoria.

The Producer Company, Limited, private, authorized capital, \$75,000; registered office of the company, Jedway.

Gold Creek Mining and Development Company, Limited, public, authorized capital, \$1,000,000; registered office of the company, Britannia Beach.

The Pacific Coast Islands Improvement Company, Limited, private, authorized capital, \$10,000; registered office of the company, Vancouver.

The Silver Peak Mining Company, Limited, non-personal liability, authorized capital, \$10,000; registered office of the company, Vancouver.

**NORTH VANCOUVER NOTES.**

The council of the district of North Vancouver at its last meeting passed resolutions urging upon the Canadian Government the claims of the North Shore for the terminals and docks of the Canadian Northern Railway.

**NO REASON TO LET UP ON SHIPBUILDING**

When hostilities ceased, the world was still more than eighteen million deadweight tons short of the normal amount of ships. There is no reason yet to let up in activity at the shipyards.

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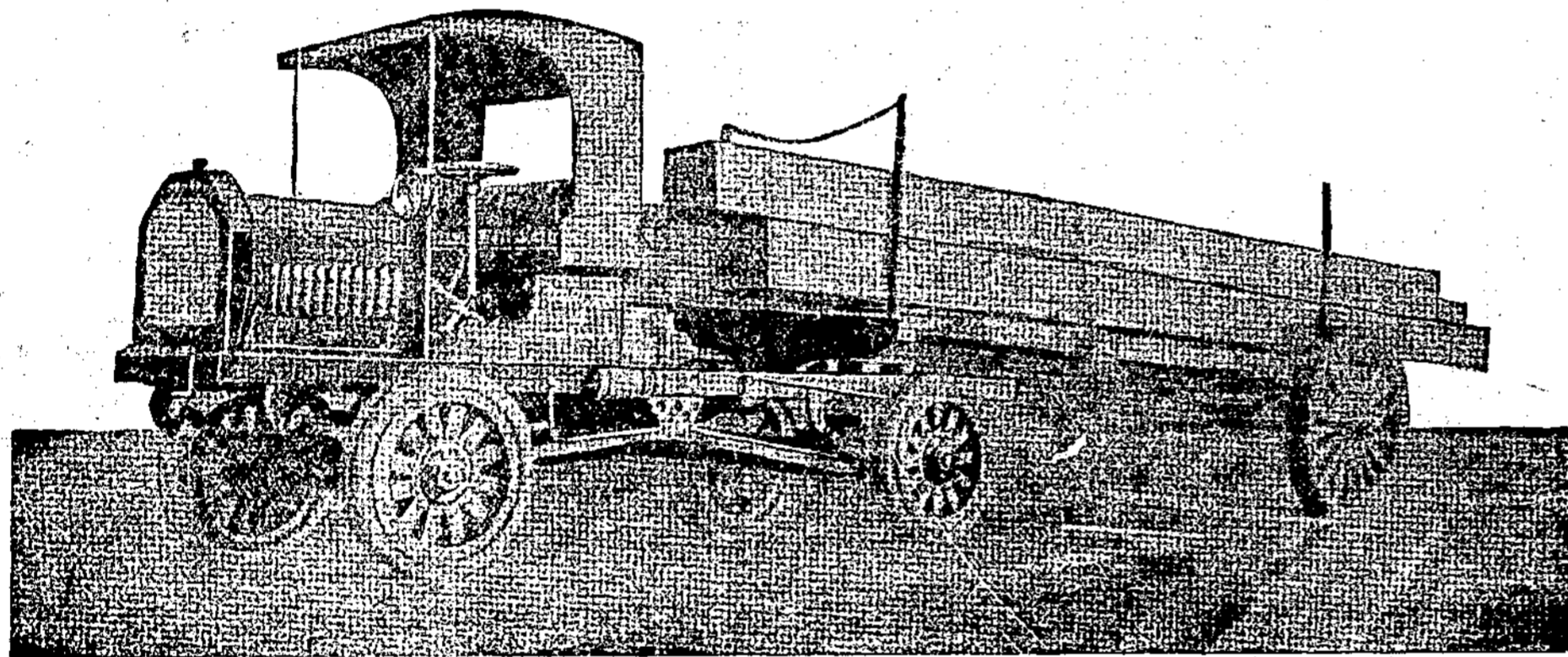
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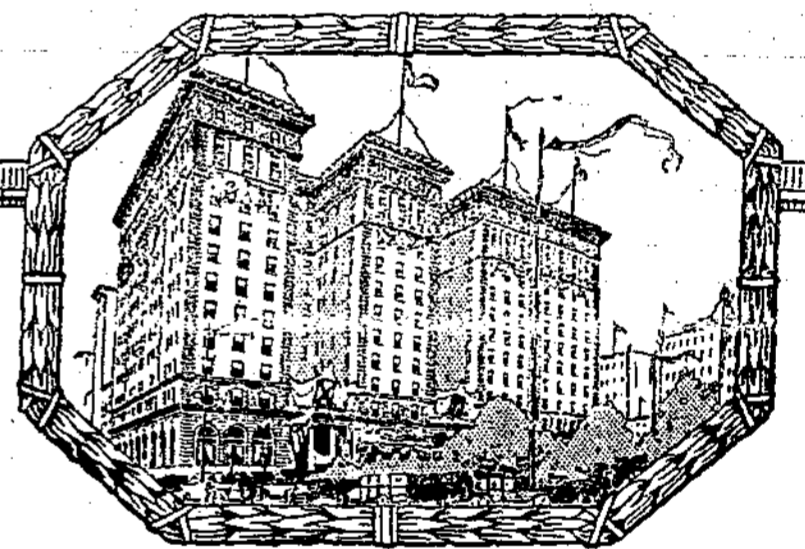
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