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**WEATHER REPORT FOR DECEMBER**

Compiled by Mr. C. H. Urseth, of the Bella Coola Observatory.
*Temperature:* Maximum, 30. Minimum, 23. Highest Max. (16th) 10. Lowest Min. (25th) 7 above zero. Rainfall, 2.27. Snow 21.25 in. Rainfall for the year (1916)=40.89 inches.

## Russians Gain Ground on the Riga Front

London, Jan. 10.—The Russian thrust on the Riga front has assumed importance, the offensive is being continued today. The Russians have already gained considerable ground from the Germans and according to late reports the offensive is apparently proceeding. Extraordinary violent fighting along the reaches of the A. A. river is in progress, most bitter fighting is being witnessed. Russians have made distinct advances in this sector, heavy artillery firing is in progress along this line.

## Germans Unsuccessful

Paris, Jan. 10—An unsuccessful attempt by the Germans to raid a French trench north of Ribecourt was the only incident of note, elsewhere on the front everything was calm.

## Daylight Raid, But no Enemy to Be Seen

London, Jan. 10.—A daylight raid by British troops on German positions south of Arras, the troops went as far as the third line, but no Germans were in sight.

Sydney, Jan. 16.—The total military cost to New Zealand of the military occupation of Samoa to the end of November, 1916, will be about $1,460,000.

No arrangements have been arrived at as yet between Premier Hughes and the Liberals regarding election.

Madrid, Jan. 10.—The Spanish cabinet has resigned.

Winnipeg, Jan. 10.—Forty-five returned soldiers arrived here to day en route to the Pacific coast.

Victoria, Jan. 10.—G. H. Dawson, surveyor-general for British Columbia, has resigned.

### Public Reception Given to Hon. T. D. Pattullo

A public reception was tendered by the people of Prince Rupert to the Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, on the occasion of his leaving for the capital city. The gathering was nonpolitical, but for the purpose of saying au revoire to the new minister and his family who are leaving the northern city to take up their residence in Victoria.

### Militarism in France is a Necessary Evil

Prof. Mack Eastman declares that "today the influence of democracy is greater in France than ever." France has been externally militaristic, exempting only 16 per cent of her population in peace times, while Germany with her large population, could afford to exempt 44 per cent. France, however, was not militaristic in soul, but had accepted it as a necessary evil.

## Ultimatum to Greece

### Macedonia Question Crops Up

London, Jan. 10—Greek situation approached another climax today. Allied conference at Rome formulated and despatched a note to Greece equivalent to an ultimatum demanding compliance with the Allies previous request for disarmament and neutrality within 48 hours.

Macedonia question is again uppermost in the public mind. Fresh controversy involving the disposition of Gen. Sarrail's men and future integrity of Allies, not only in the Balkans but along other fronts, will have a direct and important bearing on the early settlement of hostilities.

The old conflict between groups of easterners and westerners broke forth again and a great battle is being fought out.

Entente's reply to Wilson's peace note is expected to reach Washington tomorrow.

Austrians abandon hope of of peace negotiations and discuss calmly the continuance of war.

## Cunard Liner Rammed

New York, Jan. 10.—Cunard liner Laconia, was rammed by a small mail boat prior to sailing and was damaged to such an extent that the vessel was compelled to abandon the trip.

Serious charges have been made against the Hearst news service by the Associated Press. The latter claim that the Hearst service has been stealing and selling its foreign news.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—The chief, a lieutenant and a sergeant, with other officials in the police force, have been arrested on charges characterized as a filthy combination of crooks and police in conspiracy.

Denver, Jan. 10.—Col. Cody, famous the world over as "Buffalo Bill," is in a critical condition and sinking fast.

## *Jottings of Bella Coola and District*

S. S. Camosun, in charge of Capt. Brown, docked here Friday afternoon and after taking the mail and a number of passengers on board proceeded on her way south.

Mr. Chas. Cameron, teacher of the Lower Bella School, arrived to take up his duties after spending his vacation in Vancouver.

Thorwald Jacobsen and Paul Olsen left by the last boat to start military training. Our best wishes go with them.

Fur buyer Le Trace came down from Prince Rupert last week, and after cleaning up the town of everything in the fur line left on Monday for Ocean Falls and the north. In the collection made here by Mr. Le Trace were a number of silver and cross foxes, that are so much in the fashion at present. This may account for the ladies of the Republic to the south of us intending to spend so many million dollars in providing themselves with furs.

Samuel Colborne took passage on the southbound steamer for Vancouver last week and will be away for the best part of the winter before returning to his ranch in the Saloomt valley.

A number of neighbors and and friends called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Brynildsen on Friday last to say good-bye to their son, Birger M., who has enlisted in the 223rd Battalion. He left for Vancouver that evening on the Camosun, where he will be stationed for some time before going on to Winnipeg.

### Bella Coola General Hospital.

The annual meeting in connection with the above institution was held in the Colony Hall on Tuesday, January 9. In spite of the inclemency of the weather there was a good attendance.

The president, A. C. Christenson, in presenting his report for the year gave a brief outline of the work done, referring especially to the completion of the installation of the water system, which, as now installed, he believed would prove a complete success.

Considerable repairs to buildings had been found necessary during the year, also some furniture had been purchased for the use of the nurse in her quarters. A new linen closet had been built for the hospital but, he regretted to say, the linen supply had become sadly depleted. The president pointed out to the meeting the urgent need of funds for this and other necessary equipment for the institution.

The services of a capable nurse had been secured and he felt that the people had been very fortunate in securing Miss Bengtson to fill this position.

He considered that the hospital had done well during the past year, for which the medical superintendent, Dr. Eva Sutherland, should be specially thanked.

The president in closing his address thanked the people of the valley for their kindly cooperation and support during his term of office and concluded by wishing them a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

C. Carlson expressed the appreciation of the members of the Hospital Association of the work done during the year and suggested that subscription lists be circulated at once to raise funds for the purchase of the necessary equipment for the hospital.

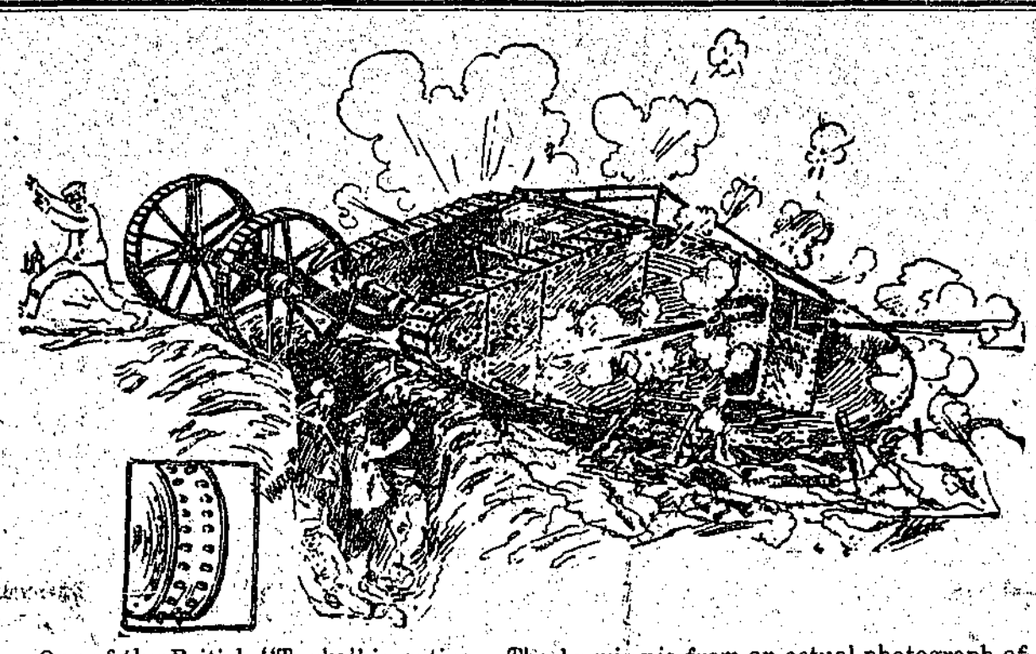
A vote of thanks was accorded the outgoing board who, individually, suitably responded.

Rev. H. Sageng also addressed the meeting. He offered his services in canvassing the valley for the hospital.

The election of officers for the year was then proceeded with. The following gentlemen being elected by acclamation: President, A. C. Christenson; secretary, Chas. Tucker; Wm. Sutherland was elected third member of the board and R. N. Livelton the fourth member.

The secretary was then instructed to circulate subscription lists for funds for the hospital, after which the meeting closed in the usual manner.

The financial statement for 1916 will be published in our next issue.



One of the British "Tanks" in action. The drawing is from an actual photograph of the travelling armored land forts that have been so effective for the British on the Somme front. The caterpillar wheels and the moveable guide wheels permit the tank to cross trenches and shell craters, crush wire entanglements, etc. Large toothed wheels, covered with armor (a section of the wheel is shown in the inset) operate the continuous track.

### Annual Meeting of Farmers' Institute

The annual meeting of the local Farmers' Institute was held at the Colony Hall on Monday last.

At two o'clock the president, T. P. Saugstad, called the meeting to order. After the minutes of the last annual meeting had been read and adopted the president stated that because of lack of time he had no written report to present and as their had been practically no work done during the last year there was very little to report. He stated that the method of election had been changed by the new rules laid down by the government. Hereafter the election of president, vice-president and sec.-treasurer will be done by the executive board from their own members. The Farmers' Institute would just elect eight directors.

The secretary reported that the Live-Stock Association organized a couple of years ago had been dissolved, that in fact it had met a natural death because the members failed to attend the meetings. He then spoke about the necessity of building silos and the purchase of ensilage cutters, the need of getting their produce to market and that to accomplish these things there was need of cooperation.

He also announced that the government had decided that on account of the financial stringency no Central Farmers' Conference would be held this year, but that an advisory board had been formed which would present the needs of the farmers to the government.

The election of eight directors was then proceeded with. O. S. Urseth and H. Schulstad were appointed tellers and the election resulted as follows: John Widsten, J. Jorgenson, A. Hammer, P. Lauretson, Ole Nygaard, O. J. Lokken, A. K. Oveson and H. O. Hanson.

Chas. Hendricks, who has spent the Christmas holidays in town left for the logging camp on Dean Channel this week.

James Larson has also returned to the camp after a visit to his parents in Washington. The work at the camp is now in full swing.

The weather during the festive season was not of the best and has continued to be on the wet side for the most part of the New Year so far. A certain amount of snow fell during last week, but the heavy rain of the last few days has caused the snow to disappear and the much wished for good-sleighing has passed with it. The local saw-mills are largely dependent on snow roads to haul their supply of logs to the mills. They are hoping for another fall of snow and the consequent good sleighing.

The Johnson saw-mill is now busy getting out some boat lumber for the local cannery. Quite a few boats will be built this year at the local plant to replace old ones. A certain number of boats are discarded every year. There is also some talk of making alterations to the cannery buildings and also additions to be made to same. The past season proved that the housing of a large salmon pack was quite a problem, this will be overcome by remodelling some of the old buildings.

The new residence of Reginald Hill is now nearing its completion and the owner with his family expects to move into it shortly.

The quietness of the year is being taken advantage of to do some needed repairs to the hospital buildings by the management. Mr. O. Schulstad is carrying out the work.

Latest report from Ocean Falls is to the effect that work on the big paper plant is going on with all speed possible to be put into the construction and the finishing off ready for an early commencement to manufacture paper. At the commencement of last year it was thought that the mills would be ready by this time, but the scarcity of labor during the past twelve months has had a great deal to do with the slowness in the construction work and it is likely that it will take the better part of this year before the plant will be in actual operation.

The Namu saw-mills are now in operation and a great deal of lumber is being got ready for two new canneries to be built in the Rivers Inlet district. The new canneries are to be ready for the canning season which opens the latter part of June.

The Indian village is now practically deserted and the natives are either out trapping or else logging. This is the old habit of poor Loo that when the New Year festivities have come and gone he starts out in pursuit of a living, and this he finds in abundance along this coast either in meat or fish.

The Provincial Legislature will meet at Victoria on the 22nd of February.

Want Road Opened Up.—When Hon. Dr. King, minister of public works, was on his way from home to the capital, following his re-election, he was interviewed at Revelstoke by the board of trade in regard to opening up a road to the Big Bend district. The minister pointed out that in the building of roads a definite plan must be laid out and followed, so that the greatest efficiency and most service could be obtained for the amount expended.

This will give anyone an idea that road work will be undertaken and carried out differently in the future than in the past. There will be a slim chance in finding a road boss with a fat cheque book travelling about the country giving out cheques promiscuously both for work done and some that never was done.

### Church Notice

Sunday School - 10:45 a.m.
Church Service - 7:30 p.m.

Preacher for Sunday—Rev. W. H. Gibson.

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"Salus populi suprema est lex."

SATURDAY, JAN. 13, 1917.


### *More Stringent Measures.*

As the war progresses in its grim path of death and devastation, the seriousness of successfully grappling with it becomes more and more impressive. The most stringent measures in the control of food and other necessaries, and the prohibition of luxuries have for a long period been enforced among the Teutonic Allies. The Entente powers on the other hand, in their free access to the markets of the world did not believe it would ever become necessary for them to go to the same lengths in these matters as their enemies.

But the third winter finds them confronted with an enemy overrunning the country of Roumanania, their latest ally, signifying a strength which is far from being crushed as yet; and at the same time a scarcity of foodstuffs in the markets of the world, which has made it necessary for Britain even to regulate the quantity and quality of the people's food.

Britain's dominions beyond the seas have not found it encumbent upon them to adopt similar measures, hoping that they being so far removed from the seat of war would not be forced to do so. And let us trust that their hopes in this respect may be realized.

But in one respect Canada must, before long, follow the example of her Allies in Europe; she will not be able to furnish her quota of soldiers under the present system and must therefore adopt conscription.

The Western provinces have responded nobly to the call for volunteers and sent forth their sons in excess of the number allotted to them, but the Eastern provinces are so far behind that the Dominion finds itself 130,000 men short of the 500,000 promised Britain by Premier Borden.

Under the present direful circumstances this promise must be kept and the men furnished.

Different methods have been suggested and adopted to deal with the situation, but they all fall short of accomplishing the object sought for.

A political party in power intending to seek the endorsement of the electorate before long is naturally reluctant to advocate and adopt stringent measures, but honor goes before expediency; the Borden government seemingly must ere long use the compelling power of law to be able to fulfill its promise. And it is preparing for the inevitable is indicated by last week's dispatches relating that Premier Borde in an informal address at Ottawa to returned soldiers intimated "that more drastic measures will be taken in mobilizing the man power of the country for the successful prosecution of the war."

Therefore we may expect conscription in force before long.

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### *Let Us Hear From You.*

We have for a long time been under the impression that the people of this community do not realize the value of a local paper.

It brings to its subscribers the happenings of the settlement and they in our case are not of much importance and may be classed as only so much gossip. But strange to relate it is the local news columns that the average reader first turns to, and in many instances the only part which he finds of sufficient interest to read at all.

Any articles dealing with matters relating to the development of the valley or to its welfare in in other respects receives scant notice, very little comment and never any action.

The Courier has, in the year just closed, discussed many matters which it deems of great importance to the life of the settlement, but rack our brains as we may we cannot call to mind one topic or subject that in our hearing has ever received a passing comment.

When we look upon the intelligent faces of our people and know that their education is probably above the average, it is hard to explain this utter deadness to matters of a public nature in the communal interests.

It cannot be that they do not see the need of work along some of the lines indicated at least, because that must be patent to any person of brains. Let us suggest it is probably due to a lack of faith in their ability to work together: they know from experience the mulititude of ideas, the difficulty of harmonizing them into one concrete whole, the obstinacy displayed by too many in even trivial, unimportant matters and the general lack of the spirit of co-operation.


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Let us at the beginning of this New Year resolve that in the future to cultivate a higher regard for our neighors, display a greater willingness to discuss our ideas together and yield to the opinions of the majority and entertain less fear of evil results from joint efforts.

There are, we must believe, many ideas abroad among our people, the discussion of which may bring good results; why not use the local paper as a medium to ventilate and discuss them? The Courier will be glad to publish communications from our people and give opportunity for the discussion of different and differing ideas in its columns.

Let the lethargy now so evident become a thing of the past, let the life currents run strong and above all let "brotherly love continue" and then we know that co-operation will be one of results achieved, and Bella Coola Coola as a home for a contented and prosperous people be a reality apparent to all beholders.

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### *Prohibition in Britain.*

It is not unreasonable to believe the gigantic convulsions of the world will bring forth changes of the greatest importance and benefit to mankind.

The aims of the Allies in this struggle have been stated so often that it should not be necessary to repeat them. but it is enough to say that if they are successful there is every reason to believe that militarism and wars of any magnitude will be things of the past. Another great reform which this war will bring about will be the destruction of the liquor traffic.

Not only most of the belligerent countries but also the neutrals have in the last years enacted prohibition or stringent measures curtailing the traffic. One of the most conservative in this reform has been staid old Britain; but the exigencies of the war is also bringing her to a realization of the danger of this domestic evil and latest devolopments show that before long she will also line herself with those who declare war upon the traffic.

Public sentiment in favor of prohibition is gaining in strength steadily and as the forceful premier is a strong believer in it, it is safe to say the liquor dealers will hear something drop before long.

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On the heels of Germany's proposal for a peace conference come stories from different quarters of the distress for lack of food obtaining in the Teutonic States. It is also stated authoritatively that the knowledge of this fact has strengthened the determination of the Allies to fight until the object for which they so reluctantly took up arms have been obtained.

It may not seem according to the spirit of christianity to welcome the news of distress even among our enemies; but when we take into consideration the fact that such a condition will hasten will hasten the day when peace upon just and righteous principles be secured, then with that great object in view every christian should hail with gladness every indication that ensures the coming of that longed for time.

Last week the Courier published two dispatches stating of the suffering for lack of food in German States, and they are corroborated by the news columns of the papers received in the last mail.

A dispatch to the London Daily

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"It is true that the entire population has long since been unable to eat its fill. He himself saw many persons in various German towns actually fall down in the streets exhausted by hunger, and in one case at least, a man dropped dead from starvation in the road before his eyes. Such sights apparently are now not uncommon in Germany.

### *Commerce Protectors.*

When we read of the havoc upon shipping caused by the German submarines, we are apt to feel an uneasiness that this is a form of warfare the British seapower is not competent to deal with. But this silent watch dog on the deep is ever alert and also resourceful.

The development of new tactics by the enemy only stimulates the activity of invention of our protectors and in due course a remedy is found by which the enemy's move is met and minimized if not utterly nullified.

Just now the statement is forthcoming by way of New York from a reliable source, that there is now in service an allied fleet of heavily armed "commerce protectors," of a new type, which statement bears out stories that skippers of the Atlantic and coastwise steamers have been bringing to port of strange appearing craft that are making their way westward. These ships made no reply to signals and could not be approached. They steered a vagrant course and were described variously as of merchantmen, transports, light cruisers and even of submarines.

Pieced together, these reports fitted in with the suspicions, now apparently confirmed of shipping men that the commerce protectors are described as large and powerful, and capable of fair speed. They were designed, it is said, to meet German submarines, and in anticipation of attempted raids similar to that made by the U-63 off Nantucket on Oct. 8. The British admiralty, it is said, determined to make impossible another such raid and the fleet of commerce protectors was the result.

Major-general Jan C. Smutz, who has been promoted for his generalship in East Africa.

### To Drain Zuder Zee.

It looks as if the world is to have one sea less. The Dutch government propose to drain the Zuyder Zee and to shut it off by a dyke running from the North Holland coast to the Frisian coast.

The sea which is very shallow and 70 miles long and from 10 to 45 miles broad, was in the time of the Romans covered with forests and was a royal hunting ground.

In 1170 came the great flood known in Dutch history as the "All Saint's Day Flood." The sea swept over the land, covered the forests, engulfed towns and cities, and drowned thousands of people. More floods followed in 1237 and 1250, and by 1410 the Zuder Zee had assumed practically its present proportions.

When the sea is drained one of the show places of Holland will disappear in the Island of Marken. The fisher folk here all wear the old national costume.

Most of the houses are constructed from the timber of old boats, and many are built on old piers, the floors of the houses being 10 to 15 feet off the ground. The work of draining the Zuder Zee will take 15 years, at an inclusive cost of about $45,000,000.

### *Notes on Manure.*

The more manure that can be made this winter and the better it is handled the larger the crops of 1917 be, for whether the season be favorable or unfavorable a soil well supplied with plant food and organic matter will be more productive than one poor in these important constituents. We may go further and say that the crops on a soil so enriched are better able to withstand periods of drought, for the soil's absorptive capacity for moisture is thereby increased and there is present within reach of the feeding roots moisture and an abundance of available nourishment for the crop's use once the weather conditions turn favorable. To a certain extent, therefore, manure make the farmer independent of the vagaries of the season.

Over the larger part of Canada the cattle and live stock generally are housed in the winter, and thus it is that during this season the large proportion of manure requiring care and special handling is produced. In the summer the larger part of the manure is naturally distributed over the pastures—unless, as on a few dairy farms, the cows are stabled and "soiling" crops used. The winter's manure, therefore, is a very important asset and its

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### SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS

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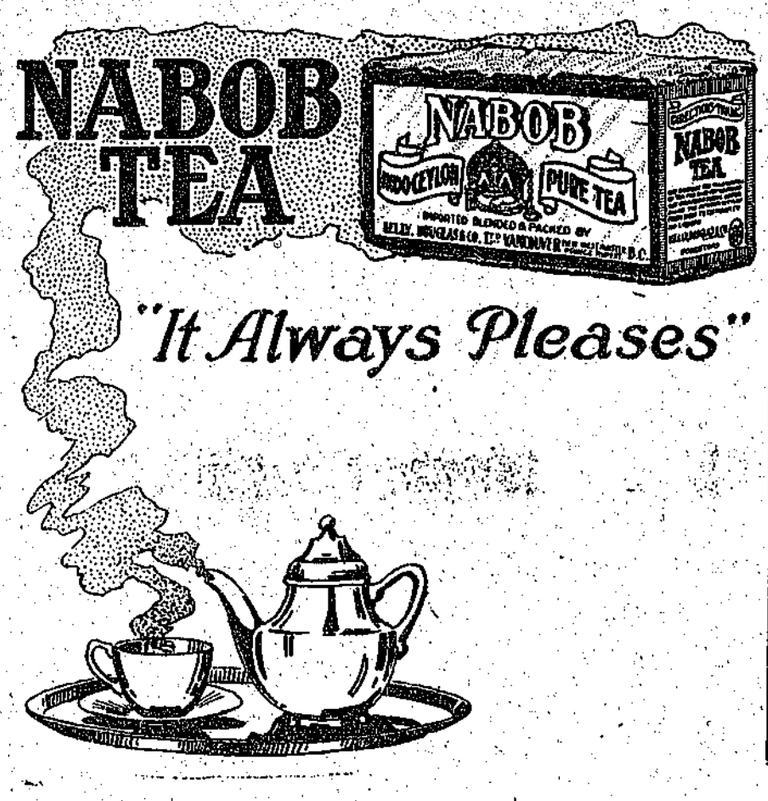

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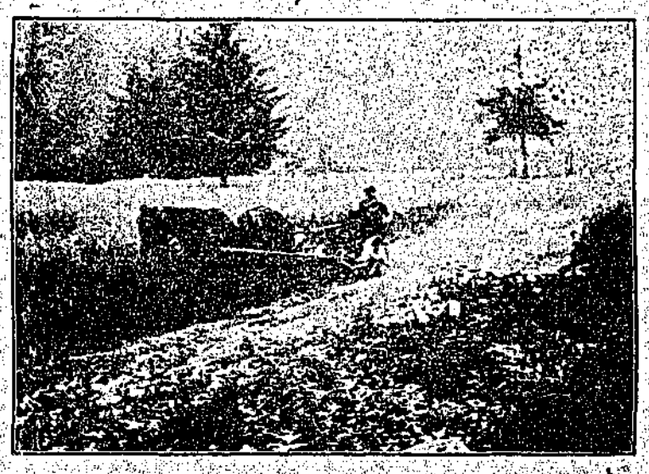

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*Temperature:* Maximum, 30. Minimum, 23. Highest Max. (16th) 10. Lowest Min. (25th) 7 above zero. Rainfall, 2.27. Snow 21.25 in. Rainfall for the year (1916) 40.89 inches.

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## Russians Gain Ground on the Riga Front

London, Jan. 10.—The Russian thrust on the Riga front has assumed importance, the offensive is being continued today. The Russians have already gained considerable ground from the Germans and according to late reports the offensive is apparently proceeding. Extraordinary violent fighting along the reaches of the A. A. river is in progress, most bitter fighting is being witnessed. Russians have made distinct advances in this sector, heavy artillery firing is in progress along this line.

## Germans Unsuccessful

Paris, Jan. 10—An unsuccessful attempt by the Germans to raid a French trench north of Ribecourt was the only incident of note, elsewhere on the front everything was calm.

## Daylight Raid, But no Enemy to Be Seen

London, Jan. 10.—A daylight raid by British troops on German positions south of Arras, the troops went as far as the third line, but no Germans were in sight.

Sydney, Jan. 16.—The total military cost to New Zealand of the military occupation of Samoa to the end of November, 1916, will be about $1,460,000.

No arrangements have been arrived at as yet between Premier Hughes and the Liberals regarding election.

Madrid, Jan. 10.—The Spanish cabinet has resigned.

Winnipeg, Jan. 10.—Forty-five returned soldiers arrived here to day en route to the Pacific coast.

Victoria, Jan. 10.—G. H. Dawson, surveyor-general for British Columbia, has resigned.

### Public Reception Given to Hon. T. D. Pattullo

A public reception was tendered by the people of Prince Rupert to the Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, on the occasion of his leaving for the capital city. The gathering was nonpolitical, but for the purpose of saying au revoire to the new minister and his family who are leaving the northern city to take up their residence in Victoria.

### Militarism in France is a Necessary Evil

Prof. Mack Eastman declares that "today the influence of democracy is greater in France than ever." France has been externally militaristic, exempting only 16 per cent of her population in peace times, while Germany with her large population, could afford to exempt 44 per cent. France, however, was not militaristic in soul, but had accepted it as a necessary evil.

## Ultimatum to Greece

### Macedonia Question Crops Up

London, Jan. 10—Greek situation approached another climax today. Allied conference at Rome formulated and despatched a note to Greece equivalent to an ultimatum demanding compliance with the Allies previous request for disarmament and neutrality within 48 hours.

Macedonia question is again uppermost in the public mind. Fresh controversy involving the disposition of Gen. Sarrail's men and future integrity of Allies, not only in the Balkans but along other fronts, will have a direct and important bearing on the early settlement of hostilities.

The old conflict between groups of easterners and westerners broke forth again and a great battle is being fought out.

Entente's reply to Wilson's peace note is expected to reach Washington tomorrow.

Austrians abandon hope of of peace negotiations and discuss calmly the continuance of war.

## Cunard Liner Rammed

New York, Jan. 10.—Cunard liner Laconia, was rammed by a small mail boat prior to sailing and was damaged to such an extent that the vessel was compelled to abandon the trip.

Serious charges have been made against the Hearst news service by the Associated Press. The latter claim that the Hearst service has been stealing and selling its foreign news.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—The chief, a lieutenant and a sergeant, with other officials in the police force, have been arrested on charges characterized as a filthy combination of crooks and police in conspiracy.

Denver, Jan. 10.—Col. Cody, famous the world over as "Buffalo Bill," is in a critical condition and sinking fast.

## *Jottings of Bella Coola and District*

S. S. Camosun, in charge of Capt. Brown, docked here Friday afternoon and after taking the mail and a number of passengers on board proceeded on her way south.

Mr. Chas. Cameron, teacher of the Lower Bella School, arrived to take up his duties after spending his vacation in Vancouver.

Thorwald Jacobsen and Paul Olsen left by the last boat to start military training. Our best wishes go with them.

Fur buyer Le Trace came down from Prince Rupert last week, and after cleaning up the town of everything in the fur line left on Monday for Ocean Falls and the north. In the collection made here by Mr. Le Trace were a number of silver and cross foxes, that are so much in the fashion at present. This may account for the ladies of the Republic to the south of us intending to spend so many million dollars in providing themselves with furs.

Samuel Colborne took passage on the southbound steamer for Vancouver last week and will be away for the best part of the winter before returning to his ranch in the Saloomt valley.

A number of neighbors and and friends called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Brynildsen on Friday last to say good-bye to their son, Birger M., who has enlisted in the 223rd Battalion. He left for Vancouver that evening on the Camosun, where he will be stationed for some time before going on to Winnipeg.

### Bella Coola General Hospital.

The annual meeting in connection with the above institution was held in the Colony Hall on Tuesday, January 9. In spite of the inclemency of the weather there was a good attendance.

The president, A. C. Christenson, in presenting his report for the year gave a brief outline of the work done, referring especially to the completion of the installation of the water system, which, as now installed, he believed would prove a complete success.

Considerable repairs to buildings had been found necessary during the year, also some furniture had been purchased for the use of the nurse in her quarters. A new linen closet had been built for the hospital but, he regretted to say, the linen supply had become sadly depleted. The president pointed out to the meeting the urgent need of funds for this and other necessary equipment for the institution.

The services of a capable nurse had been secured and he felt that the people had been very fortunate in securing Miss Bengtson to fill this position.

He considered that the hospital had done well during the past year, for which the medical superintendent, Dr. Eva Sutherland, should be specially thanked.

The president in closing his address thanked the people of the valley for their kindly cooperation and support during his term of office and concluded by wishing them a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

C. Carlson expressed the appreciation of the members of the Hospital Association of the work done during the year and suggested that subscription lists be circulated at once to raise funds for the purchase of the necessary equipment for the hospital.

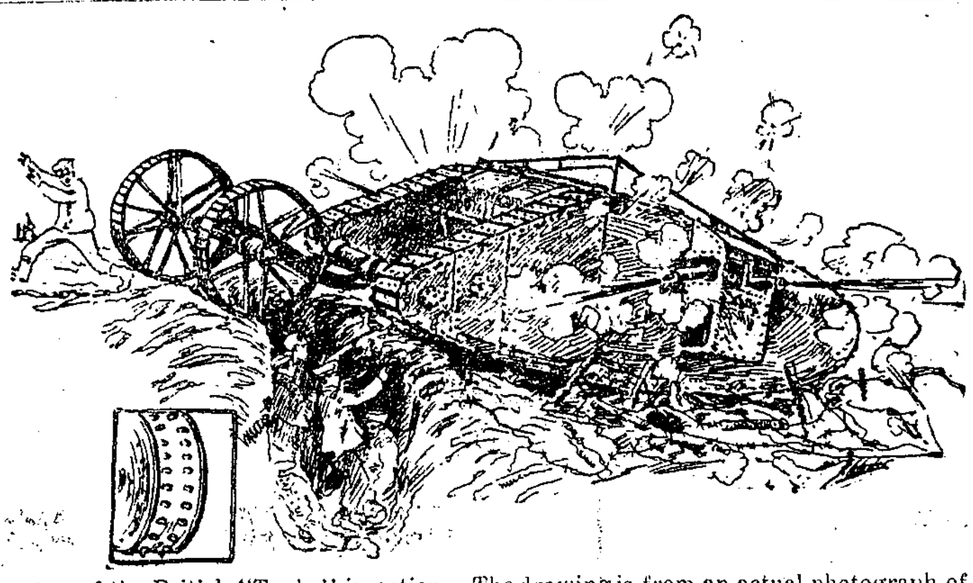
A vote of thanks was accorded the outgoing board who, individually, suitably responded.

Rev. H. Sageng also addressed the meeting. He offered his services in canvassing the valley for the hospital.

The election of officers for the year was then proceeded with. The following gentlemen being elected by acclamation: President, A. C. Christenson; secretary, Chas. Tucker; Wm. Sutherland was elected third member of the board and R. N. Livelton the fourth member.

The secretary was then instructed to circulate subscription lists for funds for the hospital, after which the meeting closed in the usual manner.

The financial statement for 1916 will be published in our next issue.



One of the British "Tanks" in action. The drawing is from an actual photograph of the travelling armored land forts that have been so effective for the British on the Somme front. The caterpillar wheels and the moveable guide wheels permit the tank to cross trenches and shell craters, crush wire entanglements, etc. Large toothed wheels, covered with armor (a section of the wheel is shown in the inset) operate the continuous track.

### Annual Meeting of Farmers' Institute

The annual meeting of the local Farmers' Institute was held at the Colony Hall on Monday last.

At two o'clock the president, T. P. Saugstad, called the meeting to order. After the minutes of the last annual meeting had been read and adopted the president stated that because of lack of time he had no written report to present and as their had been practically no work done during the last year there was very little to report. He stated that the method of election had been changed by the new rules laid down by the government. Hereafter the election of president, vice-president and sec.-treasurer will be done by the executive board from their own members. The Farmers' Institute would just elect eight directors.

The secretary reported that the Live-Stock Association organized a couple of years ago had been dissolved, that in fact it had met a natural death because the members failed to attend the meetings. He then spoke about the necessity of building silos and the purchase of ensilage cutters, the need of getting their produce to market and that to accomplish these things there was need of cooperation.

He also announced that the government had decided that on account of the financial stringency no Central Farmers' Conference would be held this year, but that an advisory board had been formed which would present the needs of the farmers to the government.

The election of eight directors was then proceeded with. O. S. Urseth and H. Schulstad were appointed tellers and the election resulted as follows: John Widsten, J. Jorgenson, A. Hammer, P. Lauretson, Ole Nygaard, O. J. Lokken, A. K. Oveson and H. O. Hanson.

Chas. Hendricks, who has spent the Christmas holidays in town left for the logging camp on Dean Channel this week.

James Larson has also returned to the camp after a visit to his parents in Washington. The work at the camp is now in full swing.

The weather during the festive season was not of the best and has continued to be on the wet side for the most part of the New Year so far. A certain amount of snow fell during last week, but the heavy rain of the last few days has caused the snow to disappear and the much wished for good-sleighing has passed with it. The local sawmills are largely dependent on snow roads to haul their supply of logs to the mills. They are hoping for another fall of snow and the consequent good sleighing.

The Johnson saw-mill is now busy getting out some boat lumber for the local cannery. Quite a few boats will be built this year at the local plant to replace old ones. A certain number of boats are discarded every year. There is also some talk of making alterations to the cannery buildings and also additions to be made to same. The past season proved that the housing of a large salmon pack was quite a problem, this will be overcome by remodelling some of the old buildings.

The new residence of Reginald Hill is now nearing its completion and the owner with his family expects to move into it shortly.

The quietness of the year is being taken advantage of to do some needed repairs to the hospital buildings by the management. Mr. O. Schulstad is carrying out the work.

Latest report from Ocean Falls is to the effect that work on the big paper plant is going on with all speed possible to be put into the construction and the finishing off ready for an early commencement to manufacture paper. At the commencement of last year it was thought that the mills would be ready by this time, but the scarcity of labor during the past twelve months has had a great deal to do with the slowness in the construction work and it is likely that it will take the better part of this year before the plant will be in actual operation.

The Namu saw-mills are now in operation and a great deal of lumber is being got ready for two new canneries to be built in the Rivers Inlet district. The new canneries are to be ready for the canning season which opens the latter part of June.

The Indian village is now practically deserted and the natives are either out trapping or else logging. This is the old habit of poor Loo that when the New Year festivities have come and gone he starts out in pursuit of a living, and this he finds in abundance along this coast either in meat or fish.

The Provincial Legislature will meet at Victoria on the 22nd of February.

Want Road Opened Up.—When Hon. Dr. King, minister of public works, was on his way from home to the capital, following his re-election, he was interviewed at Revelstoke by the board of trade in regard to opening up a road to the Big Bend district. The minister pointed out that in the building of roads a definite plan must be laid out and followed, so that the greatest efficiency and most service could be obtained for the amount expended.

This will give anyone an idea that road work will be undertaken and carried out differently in the future than in the past. There will be a slim chance in finding a road boss with a fat cheque book travelling about the country giving out cheques promiscuously both for work done and some that never was done.

### Church Notice

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## *More Stringent Measures.*

As the war progresses in its grim path of death and devastation, the seriousness of successfully grappling with it becomes more and more impressive. The most stringent measures in the control of food and other necessaries, and the prohibition of luxuries have for a long period been enforced among the Teutonic Allies. The Entente powers on the other hand, in their free access to the markets of the world did not believe it would ever become necessary for them to go to the same lengths in these matters as their enemies.

But the third winter finds them confronted with an enemy overrunning the country of Roumanania, their latest ally, signifying a strength which is far from being crushed as yet; and at the same time a scarcity of foodstuffs in the markets of the world, which has made it necessary for Britain even to regulate the quantity and quality of the people's food.

Britain's dominions beyond the seas have not found it encumbent upon them to adopt similar measures, hoping that they being so far removed from the seat of war would not be forced to do so. And let us trust that their hopes in this respect may be realized.

But in one respect Canada must, before long, follow the example of her Allies in Europe; she will not be able to furnish her quota of soldiers under the present system and must therefore adopt conscription.

The Western provinces have responded nobly to the call for volunteers and sent forth their sons in excess of the number allotted to them, but the Eastern provinces are so far behind that the Dominion finds itself 130,000 men short of the 500,000 promised Britain by Premier Borden.

Under the present direful circumstances this promise must be kept and the men furnished.

Different methods have been suggested and adopted to deal with the situation, but they all fall short of accomplishing the object sought for.

A political party in power intending to seek the endorsement of the electorate before long is naturally reluctant to advocate and adopt stringent measures, but honor goes before expediency; the Borden government seemingly must ere long use the compelling power of law to be able to fulfill its promise. And it is preparing for the inevitable is indicated by last week's dispatches relating that Premier Borde in an informal address at Ottawa to returned soldiers intimated "that more drastic measures will be taken in mobilizing the man power of the country for the successful prosecution of the war."

Therefore we may expect conscription in force before long.

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## *Let Us Hear From You.*

We have for a long time been under the impression that the people of this community do not realize the value of a local paper.

It brings to its subscribers the happenings of the settlement and they in our case are not of much importance and may be classed as only so much gossip. But strange to relate it is the local news columns that the average reader first turns to, and in many instances the only part which he finds of sufficient interest to read at all.

Any articles dealing with matters relating to the development of the valley or to its welfare in in other respects receives scant notice, very little comment and never any action.

The Courier has, in the year just closed, discussed many matters which it deems of great importance to the life of the settlement, but rack our brains as we may we cannot call to mind one topic or subject that in our hearing has ever received a passing comment.

When we look upon the intelligent faces of our people and know that their education is probably above the average, it is hard to explain this utter deadness to matters of a public nature in the communal interests.

It cannot be that they do not see the need of work along some of the lines indicated at least, because that must be patent to any person of brains. Let us suggest it is probably due to a lack of faith in their ability to work together; they know from experience the mulititude of ideas, the difficulty of harmonizthem into one concrete whole, the obstinacy displayed by too many in even trivial, unimportant matters and the general lack of the spirit of co-operation.


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Let us at the beginning of this New Year resolve that in the future to cultivate a higher regard for our neighors, display a greater willingness to discuss our ideas together and yield to the opinions of the majority and entertain less fear of evil results from joint efforts.

There are, we must believe, many ideas abroad among our people, the discussion of which may bring good results; why not use the local paper as a medium to ventilate and discuss them? The Courier will be glad to publish communications from our people and give opportunity for the discussion of different and differing ideas in its columns.

Let the lethargy now so evident become a thing of the past, let the life currents run strong and above all let "brotherly love continue" and then we know that co-operation will be one of results achieved, and Bella Coola Coola as a home for a contented and prosperous people be a reality apparent to all beholders.

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## *Prohibition in Britain.*

It is not unreasonable to believe the gigantic convulsions of the world will bring forth changes of the greatest importance and benefit to mankind.

The aims of the Allies in this struggle have been stated so often that it should not be necessary to repeat them, but it is enough to say that if they are successful there is every reason to believe that militarism and wars of any magnitude will be things of the past. Another great reform which this war will bring about will be the destruction of the liquor traffic.

Not only most of the belligerent countries but also the neutrals have in the last years enacted prohibition or stringent measures curtailing the traffic. One of the most conservative in this reform has been staid old Britain; but the exigencies of the war is also bringing her to a realization of the danger of this domestic evil and latest devolopments show that before long she will also line herself with those who declare war upon the traffic.

Public sentiment in favor of prohibition is gaining in strength steadily and as the forceful premier is a strong believer in it, it is safe to say the liquor dealers will hear something drop before long.

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On the heels of Germany's proposal for a peace conference come stories from different quarters of the distress for lack of food obtaining in the Teutonic States. It is also stated authoritatively that the knowledge of this fact has strengthened the determination of the Allies to fight until the object for which they so reluctantly took up arms have been obtained.

It may not seem according to the spirit of christianity to welcome the news of distress even among our enemies; but when we take into consideration the fact that such a condition will hasten will hasten the day when peace upon just and righteous principles be secured, then with that great object in view every christian should hail with gladness every indication that ensures the coming of that longed for time.

Last week the Courier published two dispatches stating of the suffering for lack of food in German States, and they are corroborated by the news columns of the papers received in the last mail.

A dispatch to the London Daily

(Continued on next page.)

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Telegraph from Paris, dated December 28, says:

"I have private information indirectly from Germany. A friend of mine, the head of an important Paris business firm, had a partner who is Swiss. The latter has just visited Germany and returned to Paris. He is a level-headed business man and says positively that Germany can scarcely hold out more than six months longer. The shortage of food is much more serious than has ever been said.

"It is true that the entire population has long since been unable to eat its fill. He himself saw many persons in various German towns actually fall down in the streets exhausted by hunger, and in one case at least, a man dropped dead from starvation in the road before his eyes. Such sights apparently are now not uncommon in Germany.

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### *Commerce Protectors.*

When we read of the havoc upon shipping caused by the German submarines, we are apt to feel an uneasiness that this is a form of warfare the British seapower is not competent to deal with. But this silent watch dog on the deep is ever alert and also resourceful.

The development of new tactics by the enemy only stimulates the activity of invention of our protectors and in due course a remedy is found by which the enemy's move is met and minimized if not utterly nullified.

Just now the statement is forthcoming by way of New York from a reliable source, that there is now in service an allied fleet of heavily armed "commerce protectors," of a new type, which statement bears out stories that skippers of the Atlantic and coastwise steamers have been bringing to port of strange appearing craft that are making their way westward. These ships made no reply to signals and could not be approached. They steered a vagrant course and were described variously as of merchantmen, transports, light cruisers and even of submarines.

Pieced together, these reports fitted in with the suspicions, now apparently confirmed of shipping men that the commerce protectors are described as large and powerful, and capable of fair speed. They were designed, it is said, to meet German submarines, and in anticipation of attempted raids similar to that made by the U-63 off Nantucket on Oct. 8. The British admiralty, it is said, determined to make impossible another such raid and the fleet of commerce protectors was the result.

Major-general Jan C. Smutz, who has been promoted for his generalship in East Africa.

### To Drain Zuder Zee.

It looks as if the world is to have one sea less. The Dutch government propose to drain the Zuyder Zee and to shut it off by a dyke running from the North Holland coast to the Frisian coast.

The sea which is very shallow and 70 miles long and from 10 to 45 miles broad, was in the time of the Romans covered with forests and was a royal hunting ground.

In 1170 came the great flood known in Dutch history as the "All Saint's Day Flood." The sea swept over the land, covered the forests, engulfed towns and cities, and drowned thousands of people. More floods followed in 1237 and 1250, and by 1410 the Zuder Zee had assumed practically its present proportions.

When the sea is drained one of the show places of Holland will disappear in the Island of Marken. The fisher folk here all wear the old national costume.

Most of the houses are constructed from the timber of old boats, and many are built on old piers, the floors of the houses being 10 to 15 feet off the ground. The work of draining the Zuder Zee will take 15 years, at an inclusive cost of about $45,000,000.

### *Notes on Manure.*

The more manure that can be made this winter and the better it is handled the larger the crops of 1917 be, for whether the season be favorable or unfavorable a soil well supplied with plant food and organic matter will be more productive than one poor in these important constituents. We may go further and say that the crops on a soil so enriched are better able to withstand periods of drought, for the soil's absorptive capacity for moisture is thereby increased and there is present within reach of the feeding roots moisture and an abundance of available nourishment for the crop's use once the weather conditions turn favorable. To a certain extent, therefore, manure make the farmer independent of the vagaries of the season.

Over the larger part of Canada the cattle and live stock generally are housed in the winter, and thus it is that during this season the large proportion of manure requiring care and special handling is produced. In the summer the larger part of the manure is naturally distributed over the pastures—unless, as on a few dairy farms, the cows are stabled and "soiling" crops used. The winter's manure, therefore, is a very important asset and its

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### SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS

COAL MINING RIGHTS of the Dominion, in MANITOBA, SASKATCHEWAN and ALBERTA, the YUKON TERRITORY, the NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES and in a portion of the PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

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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.

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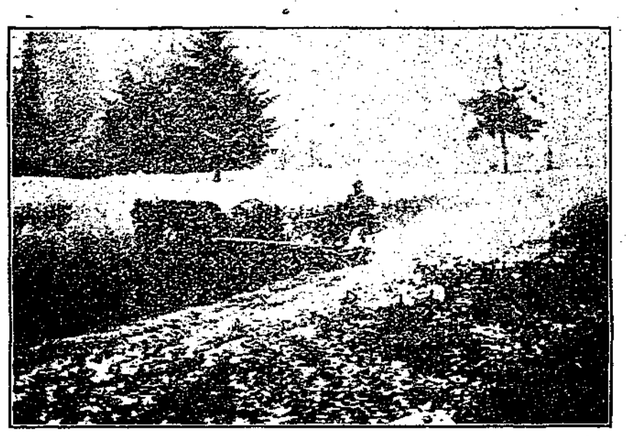

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NOTES ON MANURE—Continued.

care and handling matters worthy of our closest attention.

Three features connected with the production, care and application may be commented on.

First. The waste of manure in the barn through leaky and imperfect flooring and gutters. As regards nitrogen and potash, the fluid part of the excreta is far more valuable than the solid, both as regards quantity and availability for crop use. Thousands of dollars worth of this moist valuable plant food that ought to be in the soils of our fields saturate the ground beneath cow barns, due to bad flooring and the want of water-tight gutters. Modern barns provide against this loss by the use of concrete.

Secondly.—Use a sufficiency of absorbent litter, not only to keep the cattle dry and comfortable, but also to take up and hold all the liquid portion of the manure. If the supply of straw is limited it will repay to cut it, for by so doing its absorptive capacity will be increased three-fold. Peat moss from the surface of peat bogs makes an excellent litter of high absorptive capacity. Air-dried swamp muck is also a valuable absorbent, besides adding much organic matter and plant food to the manure; a shovelful placed in the gutter behind each cow in the morning will serve to take up the liquid and greatly facilitate the work of cleaning the stable.

Thirdly.—As to the disposition of the manure in the winter, don't leave it loose in the yard to waste by leaching, drainage and excessive fermentation. It cannot be put in the soil—its safest and best storage—but if the land is not rolling and subject to suface wash it may be drawn out and put on the land. If the land is so wet that it would be injured by the latter method, or the snow is too deep to permit of it, put out the manure in small heaps, say of 500 to 1000 pounds, so placed that the field may be uniformly dressed in the spring. Large heaps of many tons are sure to heat excessively, even in the coldest weather, and much of their nitrogen and organic matter is thus lost. Small heaps in cold weather will freeze through, losing nothing; in warm weather they will lose but little by excessive fermentation.—Seasonable Hints

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