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Recover Lost Positions

Petrograd, Jan. 3.—Russian and Rumanian forces retired at some points in Moldavia. On the west frontier in Casimo, close to the Hungarian frontier, Rumanians regained lost ground.

Switzerland Fears Huns Preparations on Their Frontier

Paris, Jan. 3.—Skirmishing around small posts in the woods of La Petre and Jarey, north-west of Hiray, was the only fighting that occurred on the western front yesterday. The night was generally calm.

Switzerland, fearful of Hun designs, thinks the feverish trench digging on their frontier predicts a thrust at Lyons by way of that country. Such an attack would turn France's defenses. Swiss agree that they must watch carefully all their frontiers. Germany could strike at Verdun from the rear and flank if she succeeded in forcing her way through Switzerland.

Our patrols entered enemy's trenches east of Armentures in several places. During the night enemy artillery was active north of Ancre. Artillery activity continues on both sides in various places on the front, most marked on Loos salient and neighborhood.

England on War Bread

London, Jan. 3.—British press hopes that the Allies reply to President Wilson's note will be a case of plain speaking, with clear statements which they would consider peace negotiations.

Government will shortly buy out and control drink trade.

England began eating war bread yesterday, except in color the bread shows slight difference from the ordinary wheat bread. Scotland has another week's supply of white bread and then goes on the war bread.

Marine casualties during last month total 115 steamers, valued at \$152,939. The majority were British steamers.

The final draft of reply of Entente Allies to President Wilson's peace note has already been approved by France and Great Britain and will be forwarded to Italy and Russia, the reply to be published at the end of this week.

No Milk for Four Weeks

London, Jan. 3.—A despatch from Amsterdam says: "We are starving, tell everybody outside of Germany, if soldiers can stand it, we cannot. Women of Germany cannot go on seeing our children suffer privation and hunger. Death better than such a life." The misery in little towns in northwestern Germany is terrible despite continual smuggling of food stuffs from Holland. People in Cologne have had no milk for four weeks. Every day rioting takes place between buyers and often between buyers and police.

Central Powers Believed to be in Desperate Straits

London, Jan. 4.—Authentic official information (substantiating press reports) of the seriousness of internal conditions of the Central Powers, is believed to have been partly instrumental in Allies decision to turn a deaf ear to peace pleas. Evidently the Teutonic motion is within measurable distance of a halt, the limit of endurance of their much suffering people is rapidly approaching a climax. The feeding of the population is a huge problem.

The reply to President Wilson's peace note was fully drafted today and expected to be positive, candid and sincere.

Total British casualties from December 1 to 31, inclusive, is 815 officers and 36,350 men. Over a thousand wounded Canadians have been moved to Buxton to recuperate.

Borden Predicts Drastic Measures

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—Controller Harold Fisher was elected mayor of Ottawa.

Premier Borden in an informal address at the Chateau Laurier to returned soldiers, intimated that more drastic measures will be taken in mobilizing the manpower of the country for the successful prosecution of the war.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—Distribution of the National Service Cards commenced here this week. Judges Fortin and Lamontagne and Arch-Bishop Bruchesi were the first to sign.

Winnipeg, Jan. 4.—Trades and Labor Council advise labor men to oppose registration by not signing.

Quebec, Jan. 4.—150 invalided soldiers expected here today.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Scarcity of tonnage may interfere with sending overseas fifteen hundred miles of steel rails for France.

During 1916, Canada recruited 178,537 men for overseas service.

Joseph Armstrong, M. P., for East Ambton, will probably be the successor to the late Hon. Casgrain as postmaster-general for the Dominion.

Kitchener, Ont., Jan. 4.—Military pickets are still on duty at the News Record office, Dominion Button Works and the residence of the mayor-elect.

Discuss Peace Answer

Berlin, Jan. 4.—Ambassador Gerard and Bethmann-Hollweg discussed the entente's answer to Germany's peace proposals. It is believed that the American ambassador learned what was the possibility of Germany acting favorably on renewed request on conditions of peace should the United States make such move.

Parker-Williams Resigns

Victoria, Jan. 4.—J. H. Hawthornthwaite, Socialist, accepted the offer of nomination in the coming by-election at Newcastle caused by the resignation of Parker-Williams.

New German Submarine

New York, Jan. 4.—Reports of new German submarines capable of laying mines while submerged and new reports of a mysterious German raider now roaming the Atlantic, have been brought here by Holland-American liner Nieuw Amsterdam.

Berlin Receives Reply

Amsterdam, Jan. 4.—Allied reply to the peace proposals of the Central Powers has been presented to the foreign office by the Swiss minister.

London, Jan. 4.—Many Canadians with the Imperial forces have been awarded a military cross.

The substitution system will make nearly four million men available.

The London Daily Mail has an editorial condemning the Saloniki expedition in defiance of military traditions.

Paris, Jan. 4.—Artillery active north and south of the Somme, our troops took many prisoners.

Over half a million men have been captured by allied armies during 1916.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

During the two months having elapsed since our last issue the settlement of Bella Coola has pursued its even and peaceful ways. No noteworthy event has taken place. Even though the most stupendous tragedies are taking place in the outside world Bella Coola, hid away in the fastnesses of the mountainous regions of the uttermost portions of the western world, is as far as material things are concerned, very little affected by the war. In fact, we believe that people here who fail to read the news if such there be, would not as far as there immediate surround-

ings or experiences are concerned be aware that anything unusual was transpiring.

S. S. Camosun arrived on time last Friday afternoon about five o'clock, with a light load.

In the winter schedule which went into operation Nov. 15, the S. S. Camosun also includes Bella Bella, Surf Inlet and Swanson Bay, in her calls in addition to the ports on the summer route.

Capt. Dickson, who for so many years has been a familiar figure on the Union S. S. Co.'s steamers on the northern coast, has resigned his position as cap-

Greetings!

We take this opportunity of expressing our hearty appreciation of the loyal support extended to us by our readers and advertising patrons during the past year.

The Courier looks forward with optimism to the future of Bella Coola, and trusts that each of you may be generously benefitted by greater developments and further business activities during the present year.

We thank you for the many evidences of your friendship and extend to you all our cordial wishes for

A Happy New Year

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tain of the Camosun and enlisted for the war.

During his long service he has come in contact with a large number of people residing on the coast and has by his courteous manners, helpful ways and geniality made himself eminently popular, and it is no exaggeration to state that he will be missed very much. Our best wishes follow him in his new career.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Morrison went away on Sunday to take up their residence for a time, which we hope will not be long, at Ocean Falls.

Mr. Morrison has accepted a position with the Pacific Mills Ltd. in its survey service.

Mrs. Morrison, who for so long a time has taken an active and leading part in Sunday school, church and benevolent work in our midst, will be sadly missed.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Gadsden on December 24th, at the hospital, a girl.

The mother and child are doing well.

We regret very much to learn that Miss Ruth Nordschow is at the hospital suffering from a serious illness. We are glad to know, however, that the crisis seems to be past and that she is slowly improving.

Our fellow-townsmen Thorwald Jacobsen, who enlisted a short time before Christmas, is back again in Bella Coola in the capacity of recruiting sergeant.

He is abroad at all times impressing upon young and old their duty of enlisting.

Birger Brynildsen and Paul Olsen have enlisted and will leave for Vancouver on this week's steamer.

The corporation of the Bella Coola General Hospital holds its annual meeting at the Colony Hall, Hagensborg, next Tuesday.

The election of officers and other business will be transacted.

The Farmers' Institute holds its annual meeting at the same place next Monday.

Planning for next year's work should be one of the chief features of the meeting.

Many questions of great importance and vital to the welfare of the settlers are awaiting discussion and intelligent handling and should enlist the interest of everyone who intends to stay in Bella Coola. Everybody, men and women, is earnestly urged to attend.

National Service Week

Don't Delay in Filling Out Your Card

The first week of the year which is the "National Service Week" is now drawing to a close and is a week in which everyone in Canada has an interest. The men are interested because it is obligatory upon each of them, between the ages of 16 and 65 years, to fill out one of the cards for this purpose. The women are interested because their co-operation is being invited, in seeing that their men-folk attend to this important duty. The children are interested because their school teachers have explained to them the meaning of National Service and the way in which father and the big brothers, at home have to reply to the various questions.

To write in the answers and return the card promptly is a good New Year's resolution for every man throughout the Dominion and it has the advantage of being easy of fulfillment. Prompt mailing of the answers is particularly desirable.

National Service means that we are to get into that frame of mind which will cause us to think of the needs of the country, to realize that the interests of the State have a greater claim on us than our self-interest. This applies to everyone, from the highest in the land down to the lowest. The Prince of Wales' motto "I serve" may well be the motto of every citizen of the British Empire at this time.

There are many ways of serving the nation besides going to the front. The man on the farm and the mechanic in the workshop may be serving the nation as usefully as the man in the trenches. Every man should be doing the work which represents his most efficient service to his country.

The war is teaching us, or should be teaching us, great lessons. Terrible as are its effects, those who have faith in Canadian manhood hope and believe that the nation will emerge from this experience a stronger and a better people. If the meaning of National Service is thoroughly grasped and properly understood, if the Government's call for information is responded to in the right spirit, this year will be the banner year in Canada's history.

A National Call for Information!

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1. What is your full name?	2. How old are you? years
3. Where do you live? Province	5. In what country were you born?
4. Name of city, town, village or Post Office	6. In what country was your father born?
Street	7. In what country was your mother born?
Number	8. Were you born a British subject?
10. How much time have you lost in last 12 months from sickness?	9. If not, are you naturalized?
11. Have you full use of your arms?	15. Which are you—married, single or a widower?
12. Of your legs?	16. How many persons besides yourself do you support?
13. Of your sight?	
14. Of your hearing?	
17. What are you working at for a living?	
18. Whom do you work for?	
19. Have you a trade or profession?	20. If so, what?
21. Are you working now?	22. If not, why?
23. Would you be willing to change your present work for other necessary work at the same pay during the war?	
24. Are you willing, if your railway fare is paid, to leave where you now live, and go to some other place in Canada to do such work?	

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING IN THIS CARD ARE ON THE OTHER SIDE. IT ASKS 24 QUESTIONS. COUNT YOUR ANSWERS

Write your Answers on the Card
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"Salus populi suprema est lex."

SATURDAY, JAN. 6, 1917.

A Happy New Year.

After a rest of two months the Courier again resumes its visits to the subscribers. Rejuvenated and invigorated by the vacation which by the staff has been spent in out-door work the publisher hopes to be able to present a paper which will prove interesting and helpful to the readers.

And in meeting with you at this particular season of the year we extend to you the compliments of the season in a hearty greeting of a Happy New Year.

This may not, under the prevalent distressing conditions, be exactly the most appropriate kind of a greeting neither does it seem proper that any one should be quite happy at this time when there is so much distress in the world; but the greeting is accompanied with the hope that the year which is now dawning may bring about a happy change, that peace may be declared, our boys return from the battlefields and the vocations of peaceful times be resumed.

And let us all in this year try to so conduct ourselves that we do our little share towards bringing happiness to others and thus in the most effective way bring happiness to ourselves. And may we now and hereafter, more than in the times past, take more thought of the things unseen and eternal.

It is our belief that despite unfavorable circumstances if this be our earnest endeavor we shall experience a Happy New Year.

The Proffer of Peace.

The chief interest the last few days has centred in Germany's proffer of peace.

It seems that after more than two years of warfare of the most intense kind, for which she had most carefully prepared herself beforehand, and after ruthlessly and wantonly having attacked her smaller neighbors, Serbia and Belgium, Germany has all of a sudden been seized with a high regard for humanity and a great concern for the protection of the weaker nations. With these laudable objects ostentatiously in view she calls upon her enemies to enter into peace negotiations.

Her recent seemingly change of heart does not impress her adversaries to any serious extent. Each and every one of her

several enemies have turned her offers down with scorn.

It has been stated in pro-German papers circulating in Bella Coola that Britain is conducting this war with a view of exhausting her allies as well as Germany in order that when the war is over she will be the mistress of both land and seas in the whole world; and that her allies are growing restive and are complaining that it is Britain's fault that the war is not brought to a close.

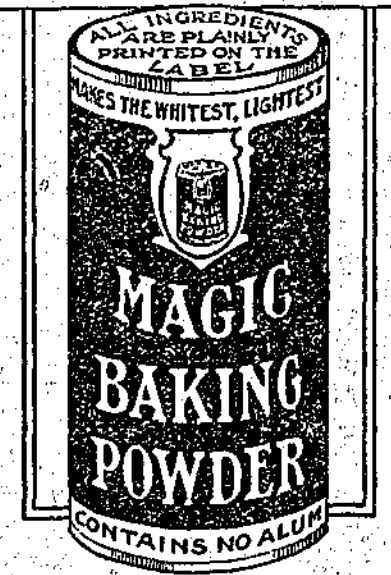
That our pro-German friends are laboring under a false impression may be gathered from the fact that Russia and France preceded Britain in refusing to agree to entering into any negotiations with the great criminal of civilization. And Italy through her responsible ministers, amid the cheers of the representatives of the nation, declared likewise her refusal to be drawn into a conference with her enemy.

It goes without saying that the desire for peace is strong in all the belligerent countries, but having taken up the sword in a righteous cause, namely, the protection of the weaker nations and in defense of the sanctity of treaties, Britain and her allies will not lay down their arms until this great crime against humanity and civilization be punished to such an extent that it will never occur again.

All the Entente Allies are agreed that lasting peace cannot be assured until Germany has been brought to her knees. At the beginning of the war she boldly and brazenly defended her violation of her treaties, her solemnly pledged word, by stating that they stood in the way of her ambitious desire for a place in the sun, that her word was of no consequence where she deemed it necessary to violate it to attain valuable objects; in fact, that necessity knows no law. That being the case she must be brought to a condition where her neighbors will be in a position to compel her to abide by her treaties, and we are sorry to say she is not in such a state as yet, although the indications are that before long she will be glad to accept peace on righteous terms.

It is not unreasonable to infer

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that her recent peace offers have been prompted by a feeling that she is getting into desperate straits and that she will be able to obtain better terms now than at a later time.

Hon. M. A. Macdonald, the Attorney-General, has again been vindicated. He had an even harder contest to encounter in the last by-election than in the two previous elections where he in each instance received over-whelming majorities.

In this last election where he sought confirmation of his appointment as Attorney-General in Hon. Mr. Brewster's cabinet, he was opposed not only by the Bowser machine supporting an opposition candidate from the Liberal party, but also by such friends and supporters of this candidate from within his own party.

This vindication was of such a substantial size that we can feel reasonably confident that the pre-election accusation of Macdonald's connection with the alleged plugging affair in Vancouver be forever set at rest.

All indications go to prove that the people of British Columbia of all parties now that the election is over and its issues settled for a long period, are well satisfied with the trend of affairs in administrative circles. There seems to be no exception to the confidence felt in the ability and honesty of the government now in power. And deserving of and backed by this confidence we predict that the government will inaugurate a new era in the development of the resources of our province and the administration of its affairs.

The Farmers' Institute.

Next Monday the local Farmers' Institute will hold its annual meeting.

We have of late been somewhat dissatisfied with the conduct of the affairs of the Institute, and indications are to the effect that others share our feelings.

And that being the case it is feared that the interest of former years felt for it will not be forthcoming at this time and as a consequence but few will attend.

It cannot be too strongly urged upon the farmers of the valley the importance of giving the Institute their best and most careful consideration.

It is the one organization which should be a bond between the farmers, uniting them in efforts for the common good.

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National Service Cards and addressed envelopes for their return to Ottawa have been placed in the hands of all Postmasters for distribution amongst the persons required to fill in such cards. Every male person of the prescribed ages is required to fill in and return a card enclosed in an envelope within ten days of its receipt.

Any person who fails to receive a card and envelope may obtain the same upon application to the nearest Postmaster.

R. B. BENNETT,

Director General.

Ottawa, 15th December, 1916.

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Peace Talk.

President Wilson has issued a note to the belligerent countries asking them to state their terms for peace or in other words asking them what they are fighting for.

His note has caused considerable surprise and indignation among intelligent people especially those of the Entente powers.

His critics, which are a host, find it hard to understand that the head of one of the greatest and most enlightened people of

the world, should officially publish his ignorance of what these nations are fighting for.

The president's profession that "each side desires to make the rights and privileges of weak nations and small states as secure against aggression or denial in the future as the rights and privileges of the great and powerful states now at war," is especially irritating. He seems to forget it was Germany and Austria's assault upon the weaker nations that brought on the greatest war in history. That Britain and Russia at least went into the war for the purpose of defending the weak whom they had promised to protect.

While the president was dictating this extraordinary statement as to the common aims of the warring nations, Germany was still practising her inhuman methods in the treatment of the weak by deporting the Belgians by the thousands from their devastated country to work for their conquerors in a state of slavery.

At this writing we have not learned what Britain and her Allies will say in reply to this, in their estimate, insulting note, but it has been suggested that it should be on the same lines as President Lincoln's reply to a similar request from France during the Civil War; namely, that the war will end with the overthrow of those who began it and the principles for which the Union was making its heavy sacrifices had been vindicated.

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Dated, November 30, 1916. Jan. 6—March

A SOLDIER'S FUNERAL.

A descriptive series by our soldier correspondent, Archie D. Darlington, late of Shushartle Bay, B. C.

Standing alone and still in the darkness outside the sleeping camp I was rather a dreamy sentinel and not so keenly alert as the regulations demand.

It is surprising how fanciful one can become between the hour of 1 a. m. and daylight. When everything is so quiet and one can see just ten yards—no more—into the blackness, and no human voice, only the sound of the wind in the bushes breaks the stillness of the night, then one remembers old—sometimes sad—songs, and the old friends of years; and one's thoughts travel backwards, likely to linger on the places which association endears. Either that, or we build lofty castles of fantastic architecture and unstable construction, which, with foundations as flimsy as the gaseous ether, come crashing to the ground in the soft light of dawn; and the notes of "reveille!" echoing from camp to camp along the line of coast, bring the mind with an uncomfortable jerk to the more concrete present; even as, resounding through horse lines and barrack square and in the straight lanes between the canvas tents, they call the sleeping soldiers to duty.

My thoughts were of an unknown comrade who, the day before, had been laid in the little

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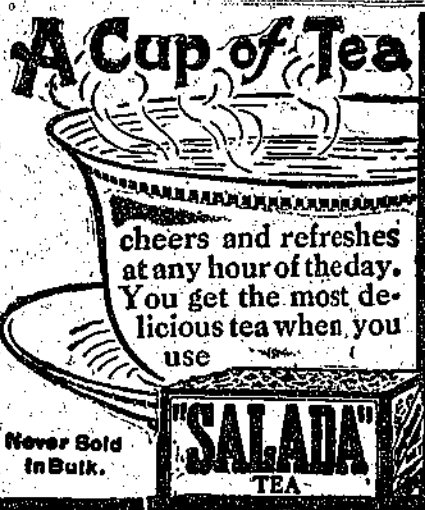
A SOLDIER'S FUNERAL—Continued
and are worthy of all the deep respect posterity can give them. And here, with the solemn pomp attending a soldier's last journey, a comrade of the 1st Battalion was laid to rest.

The afternoon was hot and the sun glared from a sky of clear azure. Further down the hill the engineers were throwing grenades. In a distant rise the helios flashed, and from the clear air above came the hum of an aeroplane in swift flight towards the sea.

The music was, at first, faint upon the air, soft and beautiful from afar, but grim enough in its meaning to those of us who stood there waiting and guessed perhaps a mother's agony or a wife's despair. The sound gradually grew in volume, the slow, majestic cadence of the "Dead March" in Saul, speaking of eternity; an army child, believing that it arouses sleeping ranks of soldiers bivouacked on the other side of Jordan, who rise to conduct a new comrade to his quarters. The air engenders pagan beliefs! It grows yet louder, and the voices of the sappers and the helio-signallers become hushed. At last all sounds are lost in the music as the slow-moving procession draws near the church. There was a tense and thrilling moment when the firing squad and small cortege passed; and stiff salutes as the gun-carriage bearing the flag-draped coffin came abreast; that is the order, you must pay the same compliment to a dead private soldier, as you would to the king!

A khaki-clad padre read the service! then at its conclusion came three sharp, punctuated orders: "ready!" "present!" and "fire!" again, after a pause. Yet again for the third time. And the crack of the volleys echoed down the valley. Then a momentary stillness, broken by a simultaneous click of spurs and iron-shod heels as the sweet notes of the "Last Post", the soldiers' requiem, sounded.

Another lad had commenced his journey through limitless eternity and we left the cold clay for Mother Nature to do with as she would.



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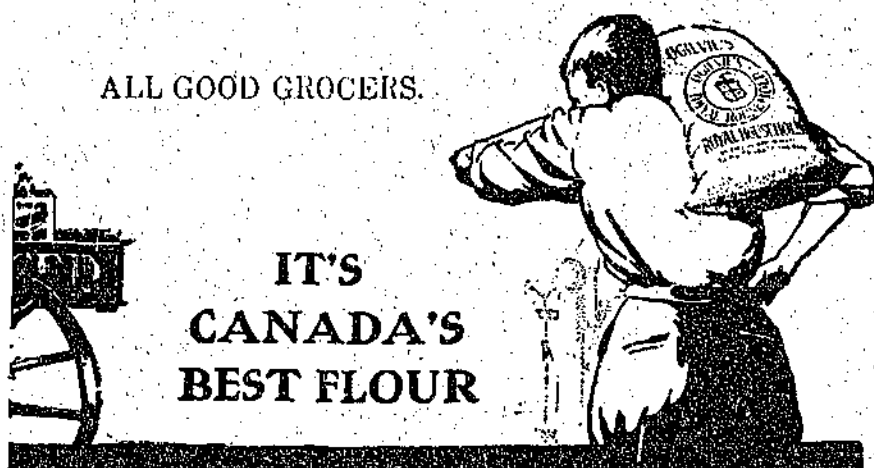
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Recover Lost Positions

Petrograd, Jan. 3.—Russian and Rumanian forces retired at some points in Moldavia. On the west frontier in Casimo, close to the Hungarian frontier, Rumanians regained lost ground.

Switzerland Fears Huns Preparations on Their Frontier

Paris, Jan. 3.—Skirmishing around small posts in the woods of Le Petre and Jarey, north-west of Hirey, was the only fighting that occurred on the western front yesterday. The night was generally calm.

Switzerland, fearful of Hun designs, thinks the feverish trench digging on their frontier predicts a thrust at Lyons by way of that country. Such an attack would turn France's defenses. Swiss agree that they must watch carefully all their frontiers. "Germany could strike at Verdun from the rear and flank if she succeeded in forcing her way through Switzerland.

Our patrols entered enemy's trenches east of Armentures in several places. During the night enemy artillery was active north of Anere. Artillery activity continues on both sides in various places on the front, most marked on Loos salient and neighborhood.

England on War Bread

London, Jan. 3.—British press hopes that the Allies reply to President Wilson's note will be a case of plain speaking, with clear statements which they would consider peace negotiations.

Government will shortly buy out and control drink trade.

England began eating war bread yesterday, except in color the bread shows slight difference from the ordinary wheat bread. Scotland has another week's supply of white bread and then goes on the war bread.

Marine casualties during last month total 115 steamers, valued at \$152,939. The majority were British steamers.

The final draft of reply of Entente Allies to President Wilson's peace note has already been approved by France and Great Britain and will be forwarded to Italy and Russia, the reply to be published at the end of this week.

No Milk for Four Weeks

London, Jan. 3.—A despatch from Amsterdam says: "We are starving, till everybody outside of Germany, if soldiers can stand it, we cannot. Women of Germany cannot go on seeing our children suffer privation and hunger. Death better than such a life." The misery in little towns in northwestern Germany is terrible despite continual smuggling of food stuffs from Holland. People in Cologne have had no milk for four weeks. Every day rioting takes place between buyers and police.

Central Powers Believed to be in Desperate Straits

London, Jan. 4.—Authentic official information (substantiating press reports) of the seriousness of internal conditions of the Central Powers, is believed to have been partly instrumental in Allies decision to turn a deaf ear to peace pleas. Evidently the Teutonic motion is within measurable distance of a halt, the limit of endurance of their much-suffering people is rapidly approaching a climax. The feeding of the population is a huge problem.

The reply to President Wilson's peace note was fully drafted today and expected to be positive, candid and sincere.

Total British casualties from December 1 to 31, inclusive, is 815 officers and 36,350 men. Over a thousand wounded Canadians have been moved to Buxton to recuperate.

Borden Predicts Drastic Measures

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—Controller Harold Fisher was elected mayor of Ottawa.

Premier Borden in an informal address at the Chateau Laurier to returned soldiers, intimated that more drastic measures will be taken in mobilizing the manpower of the country for the successful prosecution of the war.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—Distribution of the National Service Cards commenced here this week. Judges Fortin and Lafontaine and Arch-Bishop Bruchesi were the first to sign.

Winnipeg, Jan. 4.—Trades and Labor Council advise labor men to oppose registration by not signing.

Quebec, Jan. 4.—150 invalided soldiers expected here today.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Scarcity of tonnage may interfere with sending overseas fifteen hundred miles of steel rails for France.

During 1916, Canada recruited 178,537 men for overseas service. Joseph Armstrong, M. P., for East Ambton, will probably be the successor to the late Hon. Casgrain as postmaster-general for the Dominion.

Kitchener, Ont., Jan. 4.—Military pickets are still on duty at the News Record office, Dominion Button Works and the residence of the mayor-elect.

Discuss Peace Answer

Berlin, Jan. 4.—Ambassador Gerard and Bethmann-Hollweg discussed the entente's answer to Germany's peace proposals. It is believed that the American ambassador learned what was the possibility of Germany acting favorably on renewed request on conditions of peace should the United States make such move.

Parker-Williams Resigns

Victoria, Jan. 4.—J. H. Hawthornthwaite, Socialist, accepted the offer of nomination in the coming by-election at Newcastle caused by the resignation of Parker-Williams.

New German Submarine

New York, Jan. 4.—Reports of new German submarines capable of laying mines while submerged and new reports of a mysterious German raider now roaming the Atlantic, have been brought here by Holland-American liner Nieu Amsterdam.

Berlin Receives Reply

Amsterdam, Jan. 4.—Allied reply to the peace proposals of the Central Powers has been presented to the foreign office by the Swiss minister.

London, Jan. 4.—Many Canadians with the Imperial forces have been awarded a military cross.

The substitution system will make nearly four million men available.

The London Daily Mail has an editorial condemning the Saloniki expedition in defiance of military traditions.

Paris, Jan. 4.—Artillery active north and south of the Somme, our troops took many prisoners.

Over half a million men have been captured by allied armies during 1916.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

During the two months having elapsed since our last issue the settlement of Bella Coola has pursued its even and peaceful ways. No noteworthy event has taken place. Even though the most stupendous tragedies are taking place in the outside world Bella Coola, hid away in the fastnesses of the mountainous regions of the uttermost portions of the western world, is as far as material things are concerned very little affected by the war.

In fact, we believe that people here who fail to read the news if such there be, would not as far as there immediate surroundings or experiences are concerned be aware that anything unusual was transpiring.

S. S. Camosun arrived on time last Friday afternoon about five o'clock, with a light load.

In the winter schedule which went into operation Nov. 15, the S. S. Camosun also includes Bella Bella, Surf Inlet and Swanson Bay, in her calls in addition to the ports on the summer route.

Cap't. Dickson, who for so many years has been a familiar figure on the Union S. S. Co.'s steamers on the northern coast, has resigned his position as cap-

Greetings!

We take this opportunity of expressing our hearty appreciation of the loyal support extended to us by our readers and advertising patrons during the past year.

The Courier looks forward with optimism to the future of Bella Coola, and trusts that each of you may be generously benefitted by greater developments and further business activities during the present year.

We thank you for the many evidences of your friendship and extend to you all our cordial wishes for

A Happy New Year

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tain of the Camosun and enlisted for the war.

During his long service he has come in contact with a large number of people residing on the coast and has by his courteous manners, helpful ways and geniality made himself eminently popular, and it is no exaggeration to state that he will be missed very much. Our best wishes follow him in his new career.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Morrison went away on Sunday to take up their residence for a time, which we hope will not be long, at Ocean Falls.

Mr. Morrison has accepted a position with the Pacific Mills Ltd. in its survey service.

Mrs. Morrison, who for so long a time has taken an active and leading part in Sunday school, church and benevolent work in our midst, will be sadly missed.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Gadsden on December 24th, at the hospital, a girl.

The mother and child are doing well.

We regret very much to learn that Miss Ruth Nordschow is at the hospital suffering from a serious illness. We are glad to know, however, that the crisis seems to be past and that she is slowly improving.

Our fellow-townsmen Thorwald Jacobsen, who enlisted a short time before Christmas, is back again in Bella Coola in the capacity of recruiting sergeant.

He is abroad at all times impressing upon young and old their duty of enlisting.

Birger Brynildsen and Paul Olsen have enlisted and will leave for Vancouver on this week's steamer.

The corporation of the Bella Coola General Hospital holds its annual meeting at the Colony Hall, Hagensborg, next Tuesday.

The election of officers and other business will be transacted.

The Farmers' Institute holds its annual meeting at the same place next Monday.

Planning for next year's work should be one of the chief features of the meeting.

Many questions of great importance and vital to the welfare of the settlers are awaiting discussion and intelligent handling and should enlist the interest of everyone who intends to stay in Bella Coola. Everybody, men and women, is earnestly urged to attend.

National Service Week

Don't Delay in Filling Out Your Card

The first week of the year which is the "National Service Week" is now drawing to a close and is a week in which everyone in Canada has an interest. The men are interested because it is obligatory upon each of them, between the ages of 16 and 65 years, to fill out one of the cards for this purpose. The women are interested because their cooperation is being invited, in seeing that their men-folk attend to this important duty. The children are interested because their school teachers have explained to them the meaning of National Service and the way in which father and the big brothers at home have to reply to the various questions.

To write in the answers and return the card promptly is a good New Year's resolution for every man throughout the Dominion and it has the advantage of being easy of fulfilment. Prompt mailing of the answers is particularly desirable.

National Service means that we are to get into that frame of mind which will cause us to think of the needs of the country, to realize that the interests of the State have a greater claim on us than our self-interest. This applies to everyone, from the highest in the land down to the lowest. The Prince of Wales' motto "I serve" may well be the motto of every citizen of the British Empire at this time.

There are many ways of serving the nation besides going to the front. The man on the farm and the mechanic in the workshop may be serving the nation as usefully as the man in the trenches. Every man should be doing the work which represents his most efficient service to his country.

The war is teaching us, or should be teaching us, great lessons. Terrible as are its effects, those who have faith in Canadian manhood hope and believe that the nation will emerge from this experience a stronger and a better people. If the meaning of National Service is thoroughly grasped and properly understood, if the Government's call for information is responded to in the right spirit, this year will be the banner year in Canada's history.

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Street.	7. In what country was your mother born?
Number.	8. Were you born a British subject?
10. How much time have you lost in last 12 months from sickness?	9. If not, are you naturalized?
11. Have you full use of your arms?	15. Which are you—married, single or a widower?
12. Of your legs?	16. How many persons besides yourself do you support?
13. Of your sight?	
14. Of your hearing?	
17. What are you working at for a living?	
18. Whom do you work for?	20. If so, what?
19. Have you a trade or profession?	22. If not, why?
21. Are you working now?	
23. Would you be willing to change your present work for other necessary work at the same pay during the war?	
24. Are you willing, if your railway fare is paid, to leave where you now live, and go to some other place in Canada to do such work?	

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SATURDAY, JAN. 6, 1917.

A Happy New Year.

After a rest of two months the Courier again resumes its visits to the subscribers. Rejuvenated and invigorated by the vacation which by the staff has been spent in out-door work the publisher hopes to be able to present a paper which will prove interesting and helpful to the readers.

And in meeting with you at this particular season of the year we extend to you the compliments of the season in a hearty greeting of a Happy New Year.

This may not, under the prevalent distressing conditions, be exactly the most appropriate kind of a greeting neither does it seem proper that any one should be quite happy at this time when there is so much distress in the world, but the greeting is accompanied with the hope that the year which is now dawning may bring about a happy change, that peace may be declared, our boys return from the battlefields and the vocations of peaceful times be resumed.

And let us all in this year try to so conduct ourselves that we do our little share towards bringing happiness to others and thus in the most effective way bring happiness to ourselves. And may we now and hereafter, more than in the times past, take more thought of the things unseen and eternal.

It is our belief that despite unfavorable circumstances if this be our earnest endeavor we shall experience a Happy New Year.

The Proffer of Peace.

The chief interest the last few days has centred in Germany's proffer of peace.

It seems that after more than two years of warfare of the most intense kind, for which she had most carefully prepared herself beforehand, and after ruthlessly and wantonly having attacked her smaller neighbors, Serbia and Belgium, Germany has all of a sudden been seized with a high regard for humanity and a great concern for the protection of the weaker nations. With these laudable objects ostentatiously in view she calls upon her enemies to enter into peace negotiations.

Her recent seemingly change of heart does not impress her adversaries to any serious extent. Each and every one of her

several enemies have turned her offers down with scorn.

It has been stated in pro-German papers circulating in Bella Coola that Britain is conducting this war with a view of exhausting her allies as well as Germany in order that when the war is over she will be the mistress of both land and seas in the whole world; and that her allies are growing restive and are complaining that it is Britain's fault that the war is not brought to a close.

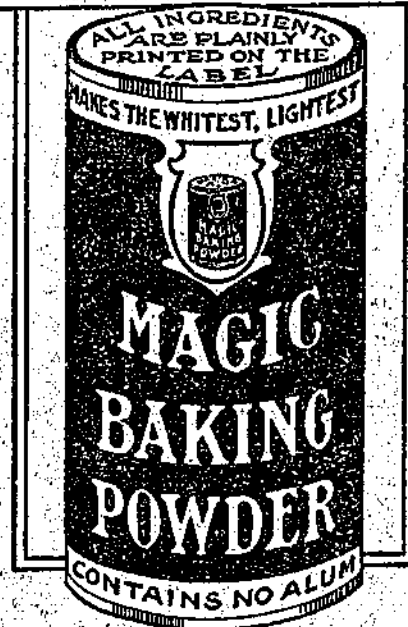
That our pro-German friends are laboring under a false impression may be gathered from the fact that Russia and France preceded Britain in refusing to agree to entering into any negotiations with the great criminal of civilization. And Italy through her responsible ministers, amid the cheers of the representatives of the nation, declared likewise her refusal to be drawn into a conference with her enemy.

It goes without saying that the desire for peace is strong in all the belligerent countries, but having taken up the sword in a righteous cause, namely, the protection of the weaker nations and in defense of the sanctity of treaties, Britain and her allies will not lay down their arms until this great crime against humanity and civilization be punished to such an extent that it will never occur again.

All the Entente Allies are agreed that lasting peace cannot be assured until Germany has been brought to her knees. At the beginning of the war she boldly and brazenly defended her violation of her treaties, her solemnly pledged word by stating that they stood in the way of her ambitious desire for a place in the sun, that her word was of no consequence where she deemed it necessary to violate it to attain valuable objects; in fact, that necessity knows no law. That being the case she must be brought to a condition where her neighbors will be in a position to compel her to abide by her treaties, and we are sorry to say she is not in such a state as yet, although the indications are that before long she will be glad to accept peace on righteous terms.

It is not unreasonable to infer

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that her recent peace offers have been prompted by a feeling that she is getting into desperate straits and that she will be able to obtain better terms now than at a later time.

Hon. M. A. Macdonald, the Attorney-General, has again been vindicated. He had an even harder contest to encounter in the last by-election than in the two previous elections where he in each instance received over-whelming majorities.

In this last election where he sought confirmation of his appointment as Attorney-General in Hon. Mr. Brewster's cabinet, he was opposed not only by the Bowser machine, supporting an opposition candidate from the Liberal party, but also by such friends and supporters of this candidate from within his own party.

This vindication was of such a substantial size that we can feel reasonably confident that the pre-election accusation of Macdonald's connection with the alleged plugging affair in Vancouver be forever set at rest.

All indications go to prove that the people of British Columbia of all parties now that the election is over and its issues settled for a long period, are well satisfied with the trend of affairs in administrative circles. There seems to be no exception to the confidence felt in the ability and honesty of the government now in power. And deserving of and backed by this confidence we predict that the government will inaugurate a new era in the development of the resources of our province and the administration of its affairs.

The Farmers' Institute.

Next Monday the local Farmers' Institute will hold its annual meeting.

We have of late been somewhat dissatisfied with the conduct of the affairs of the Institute, and indications are to the effect that others share our feelings.

And that being the case it is feared that the interest of former years felt for it will not be forthcoming at this time and as a consequence but few will attend.

It cannot be too strongly urged upon the farmers of the valley the importance of giving the Institute their best and most careful consideration.

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Peace Talk.

President Wilson has issued a note to the belligerent countries asking them to state their terms for peace or in other words asking them what they are fighting for. His note has caused considerable surprise and indignation among intelligent people especially those of the Entente powers. His critics, which are a host, find it hard to understand that the head of one of the greatest and most enlightened people of

the world, should officially publish his ignorance of what these nations are fighting for.

The president's profession that "each side desires to make the rights and privileges of weak nations and small states as secure against aggression or denial in the future as the rights and privileges of the great and powerful states now at war," is especially irritating. He seems to forget it was Germany and Austria's assault upon the weaker nations that brought on the greatest war in history. That Britain and Russia at least went into the war for the purpose of defending the weak whom they had promised to protect.

While the president was dictating this extraordinary statement as to the common aims of the warring nations, Germany was still practising her inhuman methods in the treatment of the weak by deporting the Belgians by the thousands from their devastated country to work for their conquerors in a state of slavery.

At this writing we have not learned what Britain and her Allies will say in reply to this, in their estimate, insulting note, but it has been suggested that it should be on the same lines as President Lincoln's reply to a similar request from France during the Civil War, namely, that the war will end with the overthrow of those who began it and the principles for which the Union was making its heavy sacrifices had been vindicated.

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THOMAS J. WHITESIDE.
Dated, November 30, 1916. Jan. 6—March

A SOLDIER'S FUNERAL.

A descriptive series by our soldier correspondent, Archie D. Darlington, late of Shushartie Bay, B. C.

Standing alone and still in the darkness outside the sleeping camp I was rather a dreamy sentinel and not so keenly alert as the regulations demand.

It is surprising how fanciful one can become between the hour of 1 a. m. and daylight. When everything is so quiet and one can see just ten yards—no more—into the blackness, and no human voice, only the sound of the wind in the bushes breaks the stillness of the night, then one remembers old—sometimes sad—songs, and the old friends of years; and one's thoughts travel backwards, likely to linger on the places which association endears. Either that, or we build lofty castles of fantastic architecture and unstable construction, which, with foundations as flimsy as the gaseous ether, come crashing to the ground in the soft light of dawn; and the notes of "reveille!" echoing from camp to camp along the line of coast, bring the mind with an uncomfortable jerk to the more concrete present; even as, resounding through horse lines and barrack square and in the straight lanes between the canvas tents, they call the sleeping soldiers to duty.

My thoughts were of an unknown comrade who, the day before, had been laid in the little

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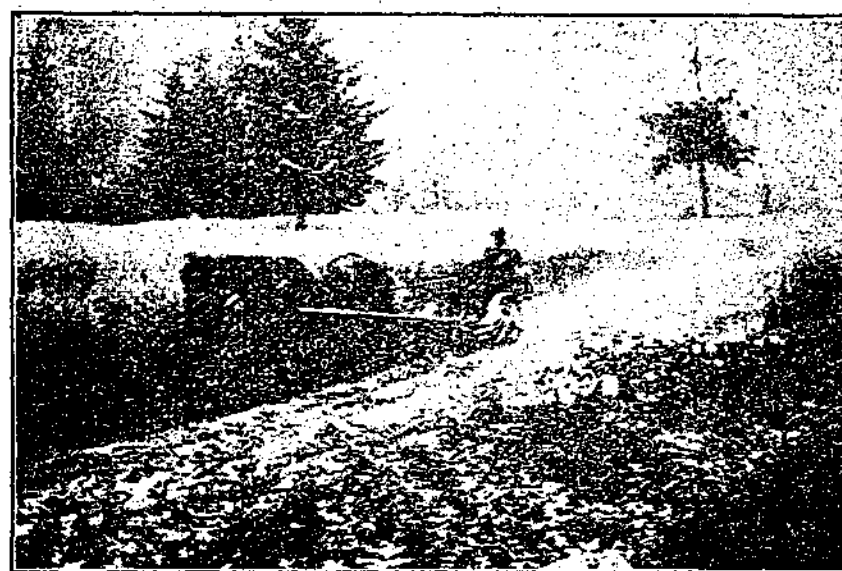


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The music was, at first, faint upon the air, soft and beautiful from afar, but grim enough in its meaning to those of us who stood there waiting and guessed perhaps a mother's agony or a wife's despair. The sound gradually grew in volume; the slow, majestic cadence of the "Dead March" in Saul, speaking of eternity; an army child believes that it arouses sleeping ranks of soldiers bivouacked on the other side of Jordan, who rise to conduct a new comrade to his quarters. The air engenders pagan beliefs! It grows yet louder, and the voices of the sappers and the helio-signallers become hushed. At last all sounds are lost in the music as the slow-moving procession draws near the church. There was a tense and thrilling moment when the firing squad and small cortege passed; and stiff salutes as the gun-carriage bearing the flag-draped coffin came abreast: that is the order, you must pay the same compliment to a dead private soldier as you would to the king!

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