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WEATHER REPORT FOR APRIL

Compiled by Mr. C. H. Urseth, of the Bella Coola Observatory.
Temperature: Maximum, 55. Minimum, 32.
Highest Max. (27th) 69. Lowest Min. (17th) 26
Rainfall, 1.68.
Rainfall for the year (1916) 40.89 inches.

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War News for the Week

Saturday: London--Franco-British halted temporarily today. Official report indicates no major fighting actions, but score of local advances, counter attacks, repulses and general skirmishing, may be preliminary to a general concerted movement. British made a successful raid east of Ypres. Germans still maintain hold on Fresnoy and Bullcourt, former place almost completely encircled. Fighting resumed on a serious scale on the Macedonian front, enemy losses heavy, General Sarrail's long-waited push now progresses. Well know military expert says no certain grounds for anticipating an early peace, the road which leads to victory is a long one. Britain must call up all her able-bodied citizens. France needs support. Urges United States to supply men to keep ranks at full strength. Parliament to hold session in camera, Asquith suggests premier's speech be given to country. Premier Borden proud to know that Canada made such a splendid contribution to the Empire, says Germans are retreating because of inability to face allied advance. Britain disappointed at the result of the vote on the British Columbian Prohibition Act, but hopes that the bill will yet go into force. Infant death rate high. Mortality of potential soldiers and war workers must be checked in Britain. More babies die than soldiers in fighting, deaths include a large number of pre-natal losses due to poverty.

Paris.--Belgium flag to fly over Constantinople and Belgium to control the Dardanelles is allies revised plans for its war aims respecting Turkey.

Amsterdam.--Dutch vessels notified they can proceed to Holland. German food dictator says empire is able to await new harvest.

Monday: London.--In a series of attacks last night British troops captured several German positions, including one or two which have been sources of trouble ever since battle of Arras began. Famous chemical works north of the village of Roeux been taken possession as well as Roeux Chateau and cemetery, which have been bitter spots. Germans having fortified graves and turned underground vaults into strongholds. Southeast of Monchy we captured several pits and detached German trenches. South of Cojeul river, neighborhood of Bullcourt, British materially extended their holdings on the Hindenburg line. Bullcourt practically surrounded, over six hundred prisoners taken. Resumption of offensive movement in conjunction with British campaign in Mesopotamia officially announced. Russian troops crossed river Diala in rear of Turkish forces which has retreated before British advances and taken refuge in Jabel Hamryn hills, about one hundred miles northwest of Bagdad. In Macedonia, Serbian troops have captured and hold, despite counter attacks, several trenches on Dobropoly heights. Signs of renewed activity of the British army in Palestine are evident. Turkish positions at Gaza been bombarded. Zeebrugge, on the Belgian coast, heavily bombarded by warships Saturday morning. Two hundred thousand tons of ammunition expended in France during past six weeks. Work behind the lines involves miracles of transportation, fifty thousand tons of stone needed weekly to repair roads. Kaiser selling his wonderful jewels, the announcement that the German empress is to dispose of valuable ornaments arouses interest of gem dealers.

Washington.--President Wilson in a public address says struggle against Germany means grim business, but America had put heart into task and would respond as a united nation the call to service. Congress authorizes the Roosevelt divisions by a vote of 215 to 178.

Tuesday: London.--Zeppelin L-22 was destroyed in the North Sea by naval gunners. Sir John Jellicoe appointed chief of the naval staff. Naval battle may be coming, Germany preparing to put her fleet against the might of British navy. Aimless raids by Geman destroyers may be feelers. Britain confident her fleet will be victorious. London bus men on strike, output of munition factories seriously affected by walk out. Von Hindenburg and Bethmann Hollweg reported at outs, latter flatly refused to adopt policy of betrayal advocated by the commander, who in turn opposed government reforms. The chancellor's peace terms speech has been postponed until July.

Wednesday: Amsterdam.--Germans have about 325 submarines operating and about eighty to one hundred have been caught by British nets, according to a member of a German submarine.

Rome.--Italy has apparently begun her offensive on a large scale. From Tolmino to the sea our artillery fire is intense.

New York.--British liner Abosso, 7782 tons, sunk off Fasnet April 24, ninety lives being lost. White Star liner Baltic arrived today. The vessel twice eluded destruction from German submarines. Premier Borden and party arrived safely.

Russian Military Power Weakening

Germany Withdraws Forty Divisions From Russian Front

Petrograd, May 15.—Russia's military power weakening and crumbling says M. Gutchkoff, the brilliant member of the Duma prefaces his resignation with this dramatically, significant statement to the soldiers' delegates. Liberty and even the existence of Russia is threatened. Situation very grave. The soldiers council apparently is assuming control and may yet overthrow the government, the tentacles of this body are far reaching and are trying to organize the whole nation. Germany has withdrawn forty divisions, approximately six-hundred-thousand men, from Russian east front and are hurrying them to France to oppose Franco-British offensive.

British Grip on Hindenburg Line

London, May 15.—Northeast of Epehy and north of Ypres, raid have been repulsed. Roeux has been the storm center of fighting for the past three or four days, at Fresnoy and Bullcourt German counter attacks have been almost continuous, fighting being of greatest intensity. By possessing Roeux and maintaining unbreakable hold on Bullcourt we have a grip on two parts of the vaunted Hindenburg line. Germany lost two hundred thousand men, killed, wounded and captured, during latter half of April. Her additional losses have been proportionately great.

America's Man Strength Estimated at Ten Million

Washington, May 15—Addressing a large gathering of Red Cross workers President Wilson pleaded for complete unity of all the people of the nation. Warns Red Cross workers that a long, desperate struggle is to be expected. American man strength estimated at ten millions.

Belgians Deported

Harve, May 15.—Official news received by Belgian government is to the effect that all males between 15 and 65 in the Belgian province of Luxemburg have been deported to work in France and Germany.

Coal Strike On.

Calgary, May 15.- A formal strike order is issued. The order affects six thousand coal miners in Alberta and eastern British Columbia.

Quebec, May 15.—Six hundred invalid soldiers due to arrive this afternoon by the steamer British.

Montreal, May 15.— General Joffre's visit here is expected to have a good effect on recruiting.

Germans Launch Big Counter Attacks

London, May 16. — Germany launched a concerted counter attack on both French and British fronts today with such force that it almost suggests the general counter offensive movement. Most of the attacks were repelled, but both British and French were compelled to relinquish insignificant bits of ground. Violent counter attacks on the portions of Hindenburg line held by British around Bullcourt were repulsed. General Haig reports heavy fighting around this neighborhood and defeated enemy objectives. British carry out successful raid near Ypres.

French Troops Raid Enemy Trenches

Paris, May 16.—Gen. Petain today was named generalissimo of the French armies, with supreme command of the forces in the field. Gen. Foche succeeds to chief of staff and Gen. Nivelle will have command of certain army groups. Germans launched an attack against French lines on a wide front near Boville, following a violent artillery bombardment. Heavy fighting in various other sections of the front also reported. In Woevre and Lorraine, French raiding parties successfully cleaned up enemy trenches, taking many prisoners.

Russia Meets With Reverses

Petrograd, May 16.—Russian reverses on the Caucasian and Mesoptomia fronts reported today. Duma leaders are alive to the peril. M. Miliukoff has left for the Russian front to strive for unity of action to avoid disaster. Hun success would mean Russia's enslavement. Generals Brusiloff and Georkor resign.

Shooting Tragedy at Kimsquit

Two Women Shot Dead

News was received here on Saturday morning that a shooting tragedy had occurred the day previous. It appears that about 10 o'clock Friday morning, two Indian women, Mary Nelson and her daughter Jessie, left the Draney Fisheries cannery, where they were employed mending nets, to go to the old village, about a mile away, to engage in preparing ground for planting. Shortly before 12 o'clock Paul Pollard, an Indian lad, arrived on the ground to assist them, but found to his horror the women dead. He at once raised an alarm and within a short time many members of the tribe were on the scene. A search was made, but no trace of the murderer could be found. The mother must have been shot first as the daughter had evidently been for making off, her body lay about 30 feet away from the parent's, when she received her death wound, the bullet entering her side. Death must have been instantaneous for the mother as in her dead hand she grasped some weeds, and her body had fallen over the garden implement she had been using. One bullet entered the back of the neck and passed through the cheek, another bullet going clean through the heart. Upon receipt of the news the Dominion and Provincial constables left immediately for the scene of the murder. The Indian agent and Dr. Sutherland proceeding later.

The Inquest.

An inquest was held on the bodies of the murdered at Ocean Falls, Tuesday, by coroner J. H. McMullin of Prince Rupert. The post-mortem examination was conducted by Drs. Sutherland and Christie. The verdict returned by the coroner's jury was to to the effect that the women came to their death by gunshot wounds, fired by person or persons unknown. Dr. W. J. Quinlan acted as foreman of jury.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

The progressive whist party given by Dr. E. Sutherland and Mrs. H. G. Anderson last Saturday evening was a very pleasant affair. Quite a number of people attended and about twenty-five dollars for the Red Cross was realized. After tea was served and the players had finished the score cards were taken up and the prizes announced. Miss V. Balkwell took first prize, while Mrs. B. Brynildsen and Miss A. Brevick tied for the booby prize. The gentlemen's first prize went to Ingwald Olson and the booby prize was handed to Chas. Cameron.

News to hand from Victoria is that Mr. C. Carlson who underwent an operation there, is much improved in health and expects to return home shortly.

At the Bella Coola General Hospital on May the 9th born to Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Saugstad a daughter.

After wintering here and being overhauled the Domion fisheries launch Merlin, left for Rivers Inlet on Sunday morning. Aboard with the district overseer, Mr. G. Saugstad, were his two assistants Messrs. R. A. Teebay and Hjalmar Schulstad.

Manager of the Namu cannery Mr. F. Rudge, called here Sunday. With him was Mr. G. S. McTavish who remains here in connection with the new fish plant which the Draney Fisheries, Ltd., contemplate erecting here in the near future.

Rev. and Mrs. H. Sageng and little daughter, of Hagensborg, spent a day in town visiting friends.

Mr. P. W. Anderson of Prince Rupert, came down from the northern terminal last week, and left immediately for the upper part of the valley to look over the requirements in road and bridge repairs. According to Mr. Anderson only the most urgent work will be undertaken by the public works department this season.

The Kimsquit tribe of Indians seems to be one of the unfortunates, the latest tragedy brings to mind the drunken fracas that took place at the head of Dean Channel on the night of September 10th, 1913. The Indians were out fishing at the time and a dispute arose, perhaps in reality an old feud, with the awful result that although only five shots were fired yet four braves lost their lives.

AN UP-TO-DATE CANNERY.

The local cannery has just completed the new additional buildings to the plant. Last year, room for the cooling and storing of the salmon after being canned was quite a problem, but this is now overcome as the floor space available for this purpose has been increased by more than 20,000 square feet. The wharf space has also been considerably added to for the more economic handling of the fish, both in and out. The cabins built for the fishermen's use while at the cannery, are commodious and well-lighted. New racks for the drying and mending of nets have been liberally provided, also booms for the tying of fishing boats to. In fact a deal of attention has been paid for the fishermen's comfort.

Inside of the buildings one will notice new and up-to-date machinery of all kinds that has been installed for the efficient handling of the pack. Nothing has been overlooked to make this cannery one of the most up-to-date plants on the coast.

Of the new machinery installed are high power steam engines, high speed clinchers and a lacquering machine capable of bronzing 100,000 salmon tins a day. Rotary knives for the cutting of fish and machinery for the cleaning is also installed.

With these new improvements and extra facilities, manager J. B. Saint expects to put up a larger pack than ever before as he guarantees to can all fish obtainable.

All the new buildings were constructed by local labor as well as the material being supplied by the sawmills in this community.

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"Salus populi suprema est lex."

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 1917.

Government Seeks Power to Deal With P. G. E.

Of the many nefarious and now too apparent corrupt bargains that the McBride-Bowser government entered into, with no reasonable thought of tomorrow but only for the benefit to themselves, the Pacific Great Eastern is the outstanding one.

The president of the railway company, DeArcy Tate, boasted to the parliamentary committee that he did not put a cent into the undertaking. He claims that Tories and Liberals alike were bought and that the press of the province was subsidized in the early stages of the promotion of this road. It is the most hair-raising contribution to political history yet heard in this province so far. Mr. Tates says that in order to proceed with the railway promotion he went ahead with a campaign of bribery, and in threatening tones he hints further that he bribed Liberals as well as Conservatives. Who are the owners of this road today is a question. Millions of dollars have been obtained by such undertakings on the credit of this province and it will be up to the taxpayer to make it good.

The Brewster government is now filing an action in the courts to compel Messrs. Foley, Welch & Stewart, the contractors of the P. G. E., to either complete the road from North Vancouver to Prince George or else pay back the sum of fourteen million dollars to the province, and with this money the government will build the road itself.

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Famine and Want Facing the World.

Let us not mistake the cry of the times. Famine and want are facing the world. Famine and want are facing America. Famine and want are facing us at home as well as the peoples of Europe.

And what are we doing to avert it? Are we doing all that can be done? Are we doing anything at all out of the ordinary to avert it?

In Canada we see no organized effort whatever to increase the food supply. The government has, it is true, conducted a splendid publicity campaign to encourage production, but no organized effort has been made looking to the proper carrying out of the work.

A Patriotic Duty.

The demand for food will be heavy, and while the war lasts it should be recognized as a patriotic duty to meet the demand. Food for the army is vital. This is no time for pulling noses and damning the Kaiser. We can well afford to spend less time reading about what we'd like to do to him, and spend more time in the vegetable and field garden. Killing Kaiser Bill with one's mouth is a mighty poor occupation, when our soldiers at the front, who are really trying to do the trick, are in want for food.

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Asserts Germany Is Now Defeated.

Morally and politically Germany is defeated, according to Lieut.-General Jan Christian Smuts, the commander of the victorious expedition in German East Africa, and all that remains is the final issue on the field of battle.

"The submarine?" said the general. "Well, I am firmly convinced that the submarine campaign is not going to settle this war. At the best it is nothing more or less than a raid on our wide Imperial lines of communication. The raids will be severe and will inconvenience us greatly, but they will not lead to our defeat. No raid on lines of communication ever yet led to the defeat of any empire in the world. This summer I think we shall see the submarine effort on which Germany is relying fail, and then, earlier than many of us think, we shall hear of peace.

"What can I say about South Africa? We started this war with an internal convulsion in our own country. Unlike other parts of the British Empire, we first had to set our own house in order. This was done. We secured peace and quiet in South Africa and today, except in a small and fever-ridden district, the German flag is not flying south of the equator. Fifteen years ago a very large proportion of this population was locked in deadly conflict with the British Empire.

"The fundamental issue in this struggle in which we are engaged

is that the government of the world is not military, and that it cannot be taken over by a military machine, but only on principles of equity, justice, fairness and equality."

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Good Help.

The United States is finding a good many ways of giving immediate help to the Allies. Large corps of construction workers, engineers and artificers are going forward at once. Flying men are already at the front, and more will go. Munition workers are still busy. Ships of war are to be supplied to guard the ocean routes and escort merchant ships. American skill is working at the submarine problem. Medical and hospital corps are being recruited. United States money is pouring freely into the allied treasuries.

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There are not many Armenians left to kill. So the Turks are slaughtering the Jews in Palestine.

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Portugal has lost some ships by submarines. But her case might be worse. German merchant ships at sea when the war began thought that Portugal would be a safe country for internment. If plans had worked well she might have been forced to give them up. But instead, Portugal declared war, seized the ships, and is now hiring them out to the British government for $7,000,000 a year. If German submarines sink them the German owner will lose what equity he claims.

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Conservative Bluff.

During the Dominion election of 1911, the Conservative leaders told the people that if they re-elected a Liberal government, freer trade with the United States would ensue and the result would be ruination for the Canadian farmer as American produce would come into Canada in such quantities that the market would be flooded. At Bella Coola we were told that if reciprocity should pass the ranchers here could not even sell their spuds if they had any for sale, in fact this was the Conservatives stock argument. Now we find that wheat and flour are now on the free list between Canada and the United States, and since the tariff was taken off by the Canadian government flour has jumped three to four dollars a barrel in Canada.

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What Are We to Do?

All that heroism can inspire and all that endurance can fulfil our soldiers in the field have done and are doing. Are we doing our share at home? We go about our tranquil lives scarcely disturbed. Here and there, the swift dart of death, that strikes "somewhere in France," reaches with its double point somewhere in Canada a mother's heart. We pause a moment in our sympathy, and pass on. To and fro we go about our business. We pay our easy taxes, and subscribe to our so-called patriotic loan, so issued that the hungriest money-lender in New York is glad to clamor for a share of it: We eat, drink, and are merry, or, at least, not sad, professing a new philosophy of life as our sympathies grow dull to the pain and suffering that we do not share.

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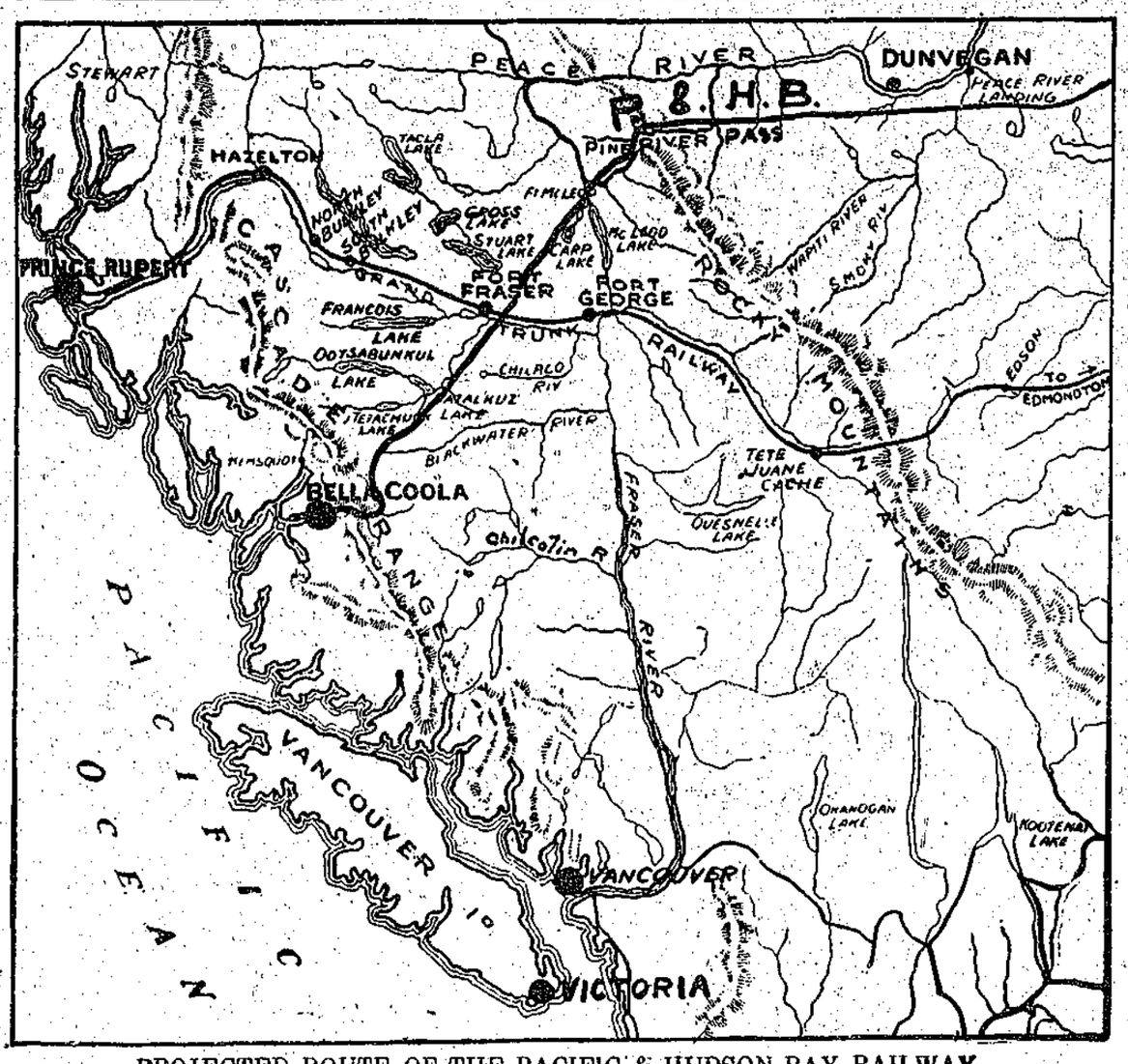

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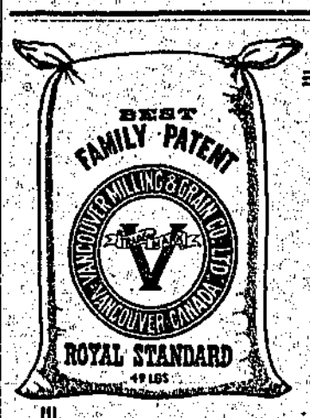

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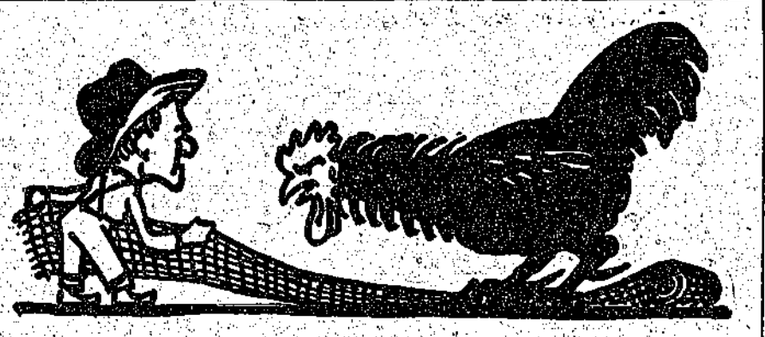

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A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto under the "Water Act, 1914," will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder, at Vancouver, British Columbia. Objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, within thirty days after the first appearance of this Notice in a local newspaper. The date of the first application of this notice is the 28th day of April, 1917.

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Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

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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.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

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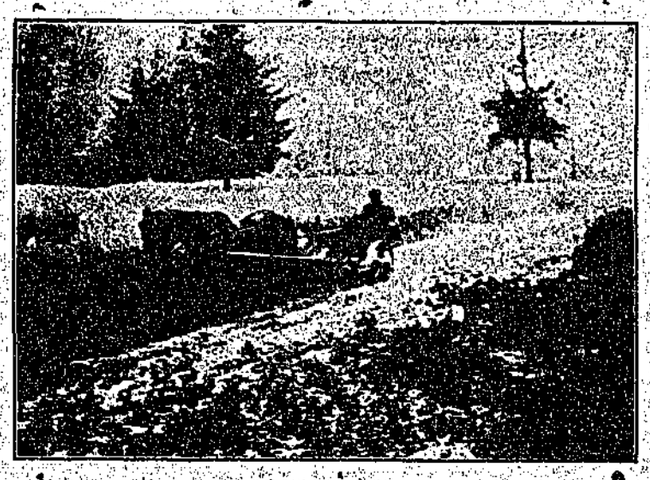

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A Subway Under a Cemetery

New York City is a poor place to sleep, even for a dead man, especially for those who until a few months ago slept peacefully in St. Paul's churchyard. Even when the noise was confined to the surface of the earth, Broadway and Fulton street was not exactly the quietest spot on the globe, but now that the subway roars under the very graves of the churchyard it is not hard to imagine the peaceful slumberers deserting the place in disgust.

The Church Street subway curves at Fulton street and dives under St. Paul's churchyard and vestry building. It consists of two circular tunnels, each twenty feet in diameter, and their passage beneath the vestry building necessitated the complete removal of the old foundations and the substitution of new foundation piers. Though the tunnels run directly beneath some of the graves in the churchyard, the work was done without disturbing the graves.

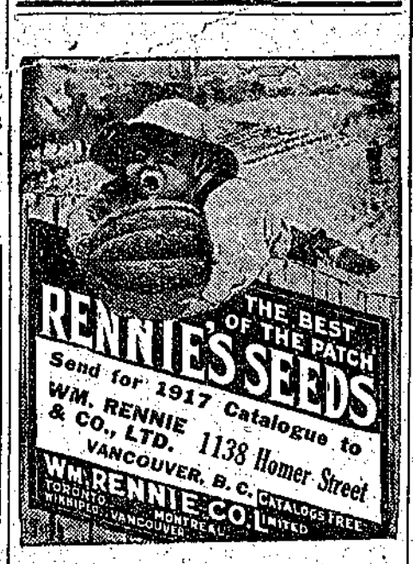
A Round About Prophecy.

The following is a war prophecy from a Renfrewshire sol-soldier interned in Germany contained in a letter just received from him by his mother: "I had a letter from my brother William in Canada, who tells me that his contract will be finished about May and that he will then go home."

The mother, who was mystified by the message, showed the communication to a neighbor, who asked about the son in Canada. "But I have no son in Canada, and it is William who is in Germany."

It dawned upon the neighbor that the interned son was offering in a judiciously cryptic manner his opinion as to the probable date for the end of the war.

Some young bucks' idea of diversified farming seems to be raising cain and wild oats.



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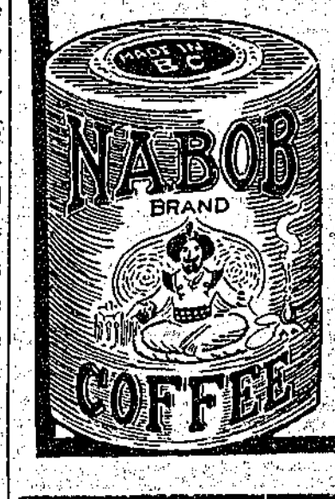

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The failure of the Quebec bridge is one of the most shining examples of elaborate plans and painstaking preparation going "aglee." Nothing was left undone to insure the success of the operation. An idea of the thoroughness of the bridge company's preparations may be had from the fact that they had kept accurate records of the weather for five years to enable them to have the elements on their side on the crucial day. Yet something went wrong in spite of all the precautions which had been taken.

The Canadian Red Cross Society shipped to England during 1916 packages to the number of 49,215. A moderate estimate of the value of the goods contained in the packages is placed at $3,460,750. The consignment ranged from 2,500,000 handkerchiefs to 20 motor ambulances.

Bella Coola Red Cross Auxiliary

ANNUAL STATEMENT.

The annual statement of the Executive Committee shows that the sum of $1041.30 was forwarded during the past year to the Canadian Red Cross Fund. This amount was raised as follows:

Monthly contributions	$ 564.90
Concerts	100.00
Empire Day Celebration	192.50
Col. from Ulcatcho Indians and Rivers Inlet, by Mr. C. Tucker	59.00
Fall Fair at Hagensborg	124.90
Total	$1041.30

The monthly collections for the Patriotic Fund raised the sum of $145.00. This, however, does not represent the total amount of contributions since several government employees make monthly donations directly to the central fund.

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Compiled by Mr. C. H. Urseth, of the Bella Coola Observatory.
Temperature: Maximum, 55. Minimum, 32.
Highest Max. (27th) 69. Lowest Min. (17th) 26
Rainfall, 1.68.
Rainfall for the year (1916) 40.89 inches.

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War News for the Week

Saturday: London--Franco-British halted temporarily today. ficial report indicates no major fighting actions, but score of cal advances, counter attacks, repulses and general skirmishing, ay be preliminary to a general concerted movement. British ade a successful raid east of Ypres. Germans still maintain hold Fresnoy and Bullcourt, former place almost completely encled. Fighting resumed on a serious scale on the Macedonian ont, enemy losses heavy, General Sarrail's long-waited push w progresses. Well know military expert says no certain ounds for anticipating an early peace, the road which leads to ctory is a long one. Britain must call up all her able-bodied tizens. France needs support. Urges United States to supply en to keep ranks at full strength. Parliament to hold session in mera, Asquith suggests premier's speech be given to country. emier Borden proud to know that Canada made such a splendid ntribution to the Empire, says Germans are retreating because inability to face allied advance. Britain disappointed at the sult of the vote on the British Columbian Prohibition Act, but pes that the bill will yet go into force. Infant death rate high. ortality of potential soldiers and war workers must be checked Britain. More babies die than soldiers in fighting, deaths inude a large number of pre-natal losses due to poverty.

Paris.--Belgium flag to fly over Constantinople and Belgium to ntrol the Dardanelles is allies revised plans for its war aims reecting Turkey.

Amsterdam.--Dutch vessels notified they can proceed to Holland. erman food dictator says empire is able to await new harvest.

Monday: London.--In a series of attacks last night British oops captured several German positions, including one or two hich have been sources of trouble ever since battle of Arras ben. Famous chemical works north of the village of Roeux been ken possession as well as Roeux Chateau and cemetery, which ve been bitter spots. Germans having fortified graves and rned underground vaults into strongholds. Southeast of Monchy e captured several pits and detached German trenches. South Cojeul river, neighborhood of Bullcourt, British materially exnded their holdings on the Hindenburg line. Bullcourt practilly surrounded, over six hundred prisoners taken. Resumption offensive movement in conjunction with British campaign in esopotamia officially announced. Russian troops crossed river iala in rear of Turkish forces which has retreated before British vances and taken refuge in Jabel Hamryn hills, about one hunred miles northwest of Bagdad. In Macedonia, Serbian troops ve captured and hold, despite counter attacks, several trenches Dobropoly heights. Signs of renewed activity of the British my in Palestine are evident. Turkish positions at Gaza been mbarded. Zeebrugge, on the Belgian coast, heavily bombarded warships Saturday morning. Two hundred thousand tons of mmunition expended in France during past six weeks. Work bend the lines involves miracles of transportation, fifty thousand ns of stone needed weekly to repair roads. Kaiser selling his onderful jewels, the announcement that the German empress is dispose of valuable ornaments arouses interest of gem dealers.

Washington.--President Wilson in a public address says struggle gainst Germany means grim business, but America had put heart nto task and would respond as a united nation the call to service. ongress authorizes the Roosevelt divisions by a vote of 215 to 178.

Tuesday: London.--Zeppelin L-22 was destroyed in the North ea by naval gunners. Sir John Jellicoe appointed chief of the aval staff. Naval battle may be coming, Germany preparing to ut her fleet against the might of British navy. Aimless raids by eman destroyers may be feelers. Britain confident her fleet will e victorious. London bus men on strike, output of munition actories seriously affected by walk out. Von Hindenburg and ethmann Hollweg reported at outs, latter flatly refused to adopt olicy of betrayal advocated by the commander, who in turn opsed government reforms. The chancellor's peace terms speech as been postponed until July.

Wednesday: Amsterdam.--Germans have about 325 submarines perating and about eighty to one hundred have been caught by ritish nets, according to a member of a German submarine.

Rome.--Italy has apparently begun her offensive on a large scale. rom Tolmino to the sea our artillery fire is intense.

New York.--British liner Abosso, 7782 tons, sunk off Fasnet pril 24, ninety lives being lost. White Star liner Baltic arrived oday. The vessel twice eluded destruction from German submarines. Premier Borden and party arrived safely.

Russian Military Power Weakening

Germany Withdraws Forty Divisions From Russian Front

Petrograd, May 15.—Russia's military power weakening and crumbling says M. Gutchkoff, the brilliant member of the Duma prefaces his resignation with this dramatically, significant statement to the soldiers' delegates. Liberty and even the existence of Russia is threatened. Situation very grave. The soldiers council apparently is assuming control and may yet overthrow the government, the tentacles of this body are far reaching and are trying to organize the whole nation. Germany has withdrawn forty divisions, approximately six hundred thousand men, from Russian east front and are hurrying them to France to oppose Franco-British offensive.

British Grip on Hindenburg Line

London, May 15.—Northeast of Epehy and north of Ypres, raid have been repulsed. Roeux has been the storm center of fighting for the past three or four days, at Fresnoy and Bullcourt German counter attacks have been almost continuous, fighting being of greatest intensity. By possessing Roeux and maintaining unbreakable hold on Bullcourt we have a grip on two parts of the vaunted Hindenburg line. Germany lost two hundred thousand men, killed, wounded and captured, during latter half of April. Her additional losses have been proportionately great.

America's Man Strength Estimated at Ten Million

Washington, May 15—Addressing a large gathering of Red Cross workers President Wilson pleaded for complete unity of all the people of the nation. Warns Red Cross workers that a long, desperate struggle is to be expected. American man strength estimated at ten millions.

Belgians Deported

Harve, May 15.—Official news received by Belgian government is to the effect that all males between 15 and 65 in the Belgian province of Luxemburg have been deported to work in France and Germany.

Coal Strike On.

Calgary, May 15.- A formal strike order is issued. The order affects six thousand coal miners in Alberta and eastern British Columbia.

Quebec, May 15.—Six hundred invalid soldiers due to arrive this afternoon by the steamer British.

Montreal, May 15.—General Joffre's visit here is expected to have a good effect on recruiting.

Germans Launch Big Counter Attacks

London, May 16.—Germany launched a concerted counter attack on both French and British fronts today with such force that it almost suggests the general counter offensive movement. Most of the attacks were repelled, but both British and French were compelled to relinquish insignificant bits of ground. Violent counter attacks on the portions of Hindenburg line held by British around Bullcourt were repulsed. General Haig reports heavy fighting around this neighborhood and defeated enemy objectives. British carry out successful raid near Ypres.

French Troops Raid Enemy Trenches

Paris, May 16.—Gen. Petain today was named generalissimo of the French armies, with supreme command of the forces in the field. Gen. Foche succeeds to chief of staff and Gen. Nivelle will have command of certain army groups. Germans launched an attack against French lines on a wide front near Boville, following a violent artillery bombardment. Heavy fighting in various other sections of the front also reported. In Woevre and Lorraine, French raiding parties successfully cleaned up enemy trenches, taking many prisoners.

Russia Meets With Reverses

Petrograd, May 16.—Russian reverses on the Caucasian and Mesoptomia fronts reported today. Duma leaders are alive to the peril. M. Miliukoff has left for the Russian front to strive for unity of action to avoid disaster. Hun success would mean Russia's enslavement. Generals Brusiloff and Georkor resign.

Shooting Tragedy at Kimsquit

Two Women Shot Dead

News was received here on Saturday morning that a shooting tragedy had occurred the day previous. It appears that about 10 o'clock Friday morning, two Indian women, Mary Nelson and her daughter Jessie, left the Draney Fisheries cannery, where they were employed mending nets, to go to the old village, about a mile away, to engage in preparing ground for planting. Shortly before 12 o'clock Paul Poliard, an Indian lad, arrived on the ground to assist them, but found to his horror the women dead. He at once raised an alarm and within a short time many members of the tribe were on the scene. A search was made, but no trace of the murderer could be found. The mother must have been shot first as the daughter had evidently been for making off, her body lay about 30 feet away from the parent's, when she received her death wound, the bullet entering her side. Death must have been instantaneous for the mother as in her dead hand she grasped some weeds, and her body had fallen over the garden implement she had been using. One bullet entered the back of the neck and passed through the cheek, another bullet going clean through the heart. Upon receipt of the news the Dominion and Provincial constables left immediately for the scene of the murder. The Indian agent and Dr. Sutherland proceeding later.

The Inquest.

An inquest was held on the bodies of the murdered at Ocean Falls, Tuesday, by coroner J. H. McMullin of Prince Rupert. The post-mortem examination was conducted by Drs. Sutherland and Christie. The verdict returned by the coroner's jury was to to the effect that the women came to their death by gunshot wounds, fired by person or persons unknown. Dr. W. J. Quinlan acted as foreman of jury.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

The progressive whist party given by Dr. E. Sutherland and Mrs. H. G. Anderson last Saturday evening was a very pleasant affair. Quite a number of people attended and about twenty-five dollars for the Red Cross was realized. After tea was served and the players had finished the score cards were taken up and the prizes announced. Miss V. Balkwell took first prize, while Mrs. B. Brynildsen and Miss A. Brevick tied for the booby prize. The gentlemen's first prize went to Ingwald Olson and the booby prize was handed to Chas. Cameron.

News to hand from Victoria is that Mr. C. Carlson who underwent an operation there, is much improved in health and expects to return home shortly.

At the Bella Coola General Hospital on May the 9th born to Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Saugstad a daughter.

After wintering here and being overhauled the Domion fisheries launch Merlin, left for Rivers Inlet on Sunday morning. Aboard with the district overseer, Mr. G. Saugstad, were his two assistants Messrs. R. A. Teebay and Hjalmar Schulstad.

Manager of the Namu cannery Mr. F. Rudge, called here Sunday. With him was Mr. G. S. McTavish who remains here in connection with the new fish plant which the Draney Fisheries, Ltd., contemplate erecting here in the near future.

Rev. and Mrs. H. Sageng and little daughter, of Hagensborg, spent a day in town visiting friends.

Mr. P. W. Anderson of Prince Rupert, came down from the northern terminal last week, and left immediately for the upper part of the valley to look over the requirements in road and bridge repairs. According to Mr. Anderson only the most urgent work will be undertaken by the public works department this season.

The Kimsquit tribe of Indians seems to be one of the unfortunates, the latest tragedy brings to mind the drunken fracas that took place at the head of Dean Channel on the night of September 10th, 1913. The Indians were out fishing at the time and a dispute arose, perhaps in reality an old feud, with the awful result that although only five shots were fired yet four braves lost their lives.

AN UP-TO-DATE CANNERY.

The local cannery has just completed the new additional buildings to the plant. Last year, room for the cooling and storing of the salmon after being canned was quite a problem, but this is now overcome as the floor space available for this purpose has been increased by more than 20,000 square feet. The wharf space has also been considerably added to for the more economic handling of the fish, both in and out. The cabins built for the fishermen's use while at the cannery, are commodious and well-lighted. New racks for the drying and mending of nets have been liberally provided, also booms for the tying of fishing boats to. In fact a deal of attention has been paid for the fishermen's comfort.

Inside of the buildings one will notice new and up-to-date machinery of all kinds that has been installed for the efficient handling of the pack. Nothing has been overlooked to make this cannery one of the most up-to-date plants on the coast.

Of the new machinery installed are high power steam engines, high speed clinchers and a lacquering machine capable of bronzing 100,000 salmon tins a day. Rotary knives for the cutting of fish and machinery for the cleaning is also installed.

With these new improvements and extra facilities, manager J. B. Saint expects to put up a larger pack than ever before as he guarantees to can all fish obtainable.

All the new buildings were constructed by local labor as well as the material being supplied by the sawmills in this community.

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SATURDAY, MAY 19, 1917.

Government Seeks Power to Deal With P. G. E.

Of the many nefarious and now too apparent corrupt bargains that the McBride-Bowser government entered into, with no reasonable thought of tomorrow but only for the benefit to themselves, the Pacific Great Eastern is the outstanding one.

The president of the railway company, DeArcy Tate, boasted to the parliamentary committee that he did not put a cent into the undertaking. He claims that Tories and Liberals alike were bought and that the press of the province was subsidized in the early stages of the promotion of this road. It is the most hair-raising contribution to political history yet heard in this province so far. Mr. Tates says that in order to proceed with the railway promotion he went ahead with a campaign of bribery, and in threatening tones he hints further that he bribed Liberals as well as Conservatives. Who are the owners of this road today is a question. Millions of dollars have been obtained by such undertakings on the credit of this province and it will be up to the taxpayer to make it good.

The Brewster government is now filing an action in the courts to compel Messrs. Foley, Welch & Stewart, the contractors of the P. G. E., to either complete the road from North Vancouver to Prince George or else pay back the sum of fourteen million dollars to the province, and with this money the government will build the road itself.

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Famine and Want Facing the World.

Let us not mistake the cry of the times. Famine and want are facing the world. Famine and want are facing America. Famine and want are facing us at home as well as the peoples of Europe.

And what are we doing to avert it? Are we doing all that can be done? Are we doing anything at all out of the ordinary to avert it?

In Canada we see no organized effort whatever to increase the food supply. The government has, it is true, conducted a splendid publicity campaign to encourage production, but no organized effort has been made looking to the proper carrying out of the work.

A Patriotic Duty.

The demand for food will be heavy, and while the war lasts it should be recognized as a patriotic duty to meet the demand. Food for the army is vital. This is no time for pulling noses and damning the Kaiser. We can well afford to spend less time reading about what we'd like to do to him, and spend more time in the vegetable and field garden. Killing Kaiser Bill with one's mouth is a mighty poor occupation, when our soldiers at the front, who are really trying to do the trick, are in want for food.

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Asserts Germany Is Now Defeated.

Morally and politically Germany is defeated, according to Lieut.-General Jan Christian Smuts, the commander of the victorious expedition in German East Africa, and all that remains is the final issue on the field of battle.

"The submarine?" said the general. "Well, I am firmly convinced that the submarine campaign is not going to settle this war. At the best it is nothing more or less than a raid on our wide Imperial lines of communication. The raids will be severe and will inconvenience us greatly, but they will not lead to our defeat. No raid on lines of communication ever yet led to the defeat of any empire in the world. This summer I think we shall see the submarine effort on which Germany is relying fail, and then, earlier than many of us think, we shall hear of peace.

"What can I say about South Africa? We started this war with an internal convulsion in our own country. Unlike other parts of the British Empire, we first had to set our own house in order. This was done. We secured peace and quiet in South Africa and today, except in a small and fever-ridden district, the German flag is not flying south of the equator. Fifteen years ago a very large proportion of this population was locked in deadly conflict with the British Empire.

"The fundamental issue in this struggle in which we are engaged

is that the government of the world is not military, and that it cannot be taken over by a military machine, but only on principles of equity, justice, fairness and equality."

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Good Help.

The United States is finding a good many ways of giving immediate help to the Allies. Large corps of construction workers, engineers and artificers are going forward at once. Flying men are already at the front, and more will go. Munition workers are still busy. Ships of war are to be supplied to guard the ocean routes and escort merchant ships. American skill is working at the submarine problem. Medical and hospital corps are being recruited. United States money is pouring freely into the allied treasuries.

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There are not many Armenians left to kill. So the Turks are slaughtering the Jews in Palestine.

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Portugal has lost some ships by submarines. But her case might be worse. German merchant ships at sea when the war began thought that Portugal would be a safe country for internment. If plans had worked well she might have been forced to give them up. But instead, Portugal declared war, seized the ships, and is now hiring them out to the British government for $7,000,000 a year. If German submarines sink them the German owner will lose what equity he claims.

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Conservative Bluff.

During the Dominion election of 1911, the Conservative leaders told the people that if they re-elected a Liberal government, freer trade with the United States would ensue and the result would be ruination for the Canadian farmer as American produce would come into Canada in such quantities that the market would be flooded. At Bella Coola we were told that if reciprocity should pass the ranchers here could not even sell their spuds if they had any for sale, in fact this was the Conservatives stock argument. Now we find that wheat and flour are now on the free list between Canada and the United States, and since the tariff was taken off by the Canadian government flour has jumped three to four dollars a barrel in Canada.

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What Are We to Do?

All that heroism can inspire and all that endurance can fulfil our soldiers in the field have done and are doing. Are we doing our share at home? We go about our tranquil lives scarcely disturbed. Here and there, the swift dart of death, that strikes "somewhere in France," reaches with its double point somewhere in Canada a mother's heart. We pause a moment in our sympathy, and pass on. To and fro we go about our business. We pay our easy taxes, and subscribe to our so-called patriotic loan, so issued that the hungriest money-lender in New York is glad to clamor for a share of it: We eat, drink, and are merry, or, at least, not sad, professing a new philosophy of life as our sympathies grow dull to the pain and suffering that we do not share.

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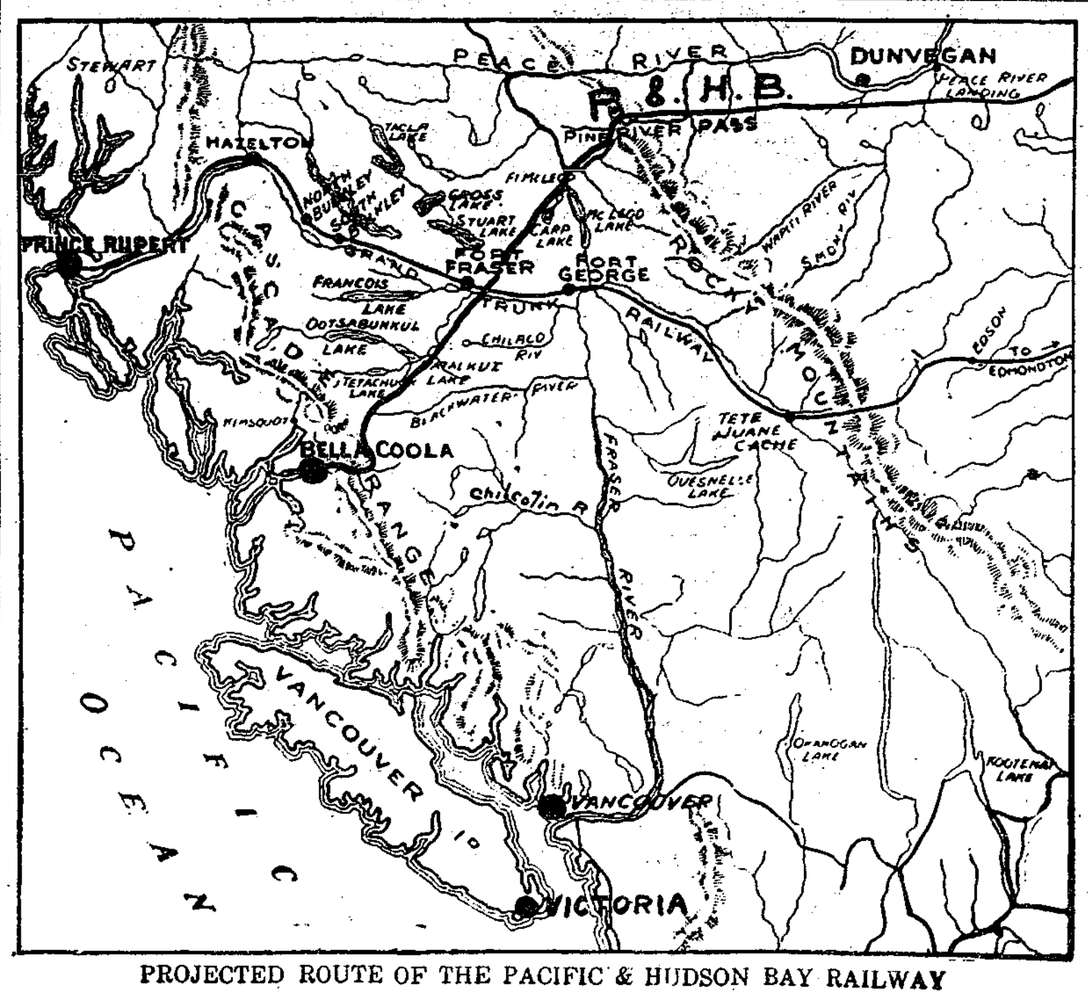

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According to estimates made recently by English authorities, the war has reduced the carrying efficiency of the world's mercantile marine fifty per cent. This reduction in carriers, together with the greatly increased volume of trade to be carried, accounts for the present soaring freight rates.

It is a common error to charge this shortage of ships to the depredations of submarines and commerce destroyers. As a matter of fact, it is the huge requisitions made on the merchant marine, by the government of Fngland and France particularly, which have caused ocean freight rates to climb. The number of vessels torpedoed is but a drop in the bucket to those requisitioned for carrying troops and the sinews of war. The truth of this was shown when the center of activity on land shifted to the Balkans and the navy, in addition to its other duties, had to transport, safeguard and supply big allied armies in the eastern Mediterranean. To do this work they requisitioned right and left and the more they requisitioned the more freights rose.

Efforts are being made to check the rise in ocean freights, but as long as the war, the basic cause of them, continues, it is hard to see how much can be effected along these lines.

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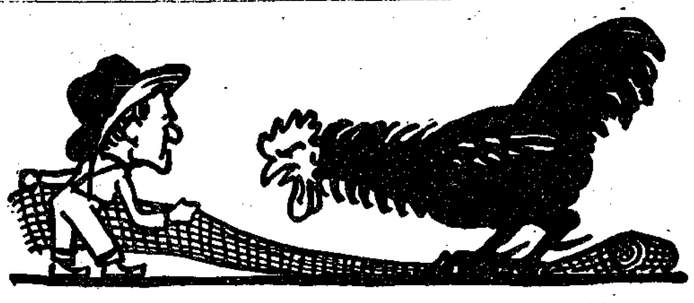

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WATER NOTICE.

(Diversion and Use.)

TAKE NOTICE that Frederick Adolphus Futcher, whose address is Vancouver, British Columbia, will apply for a license to take and use One hundred (100) miners inches of water, seventy-five (75) inches for power, and twenty-five (25) inches for domestic purposes, out of Nummamis River, which flows in a southerly direction, and drains into North Bentinck Arm, about three miles from the head of the said North Bentinck Arm, the water will be diverted from the stream at a point about half a mile from its mouth, and will be used for power and domestic purposes upon the land described as Lot Sixteen (16), Range Three (3), Coast District, and for the purpose of operating a cannery, which it is proposed to erect on the said lands. This notice was posted on the grounds on the 17th day of March, 1917.

A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto under the "Water Act, 1914," will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder, at Vancouver, British Columbia. Objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, within thirty days after the first appearance of this Notice in a local newspaper. The date of the first application of this notice is the 28th day of April, 1917.

FREDERICK ADOLPHUS FUTCHER, Applicant.
By Tupper & Bull (Solicitors), His Agents.

Ap. 28--May 19.

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.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

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

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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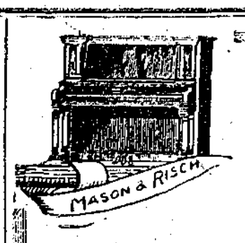
Take notice that I, Frank Inrig, of Wadhams, B. C., occupation canneryman, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described land:

Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Lot 1041 on Goose Bay, Rivers Inlet, thence east 20 chains, thence south 20 chains, thence west 20 chains to the shore, thence following the shore line to the place of commencement.

FRANK INRIG.

Dated, March 28, 1917. Ap. 7--J'ne 2



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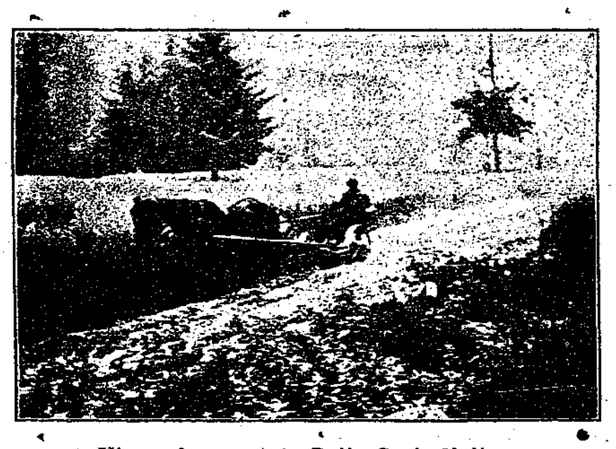

View of a ranch in Bella Coola Valley.

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A Subway Under a Cemetery

New York City is a poor place to sleep, even for a dead man, especially for those who until a few months ago slept peacefully in St. Paul's churchyard. Even when the noise was confined to the surface of the earth, Broadway and Fulton street was not exactly the quietest spot on the globe, but now that the subway roars under the very graves of the churchyard it is not hard to imagine the peaceful slumberers deserting the place in disgust.

The Church Street subway curves at Fulton street and dives under St. Paul's churchyard and vestry building. It consists of two circular tunnels, each twenty feet in diameter, and their passage beneath the vestry building necessitated the complete removal of the old foundations and the substitution of new foundation piers. Though the tunnels run directly beneath some of the graves in the churchyard, the work was done without disturbing the graves.

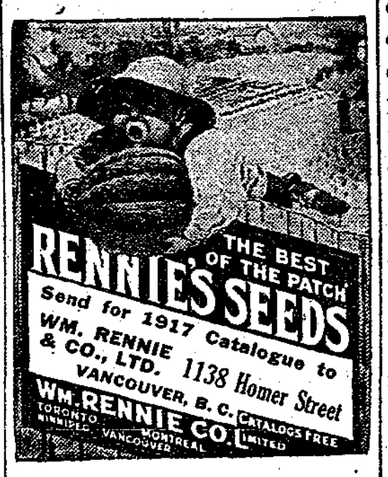
A Round About Prophecy.

The following is a war prophecy from a Renfrewshire sol-soldier interned in Germany contained in a letter just received from him by his mother: "I had a letter from my brother William in Canada, who tells me that his contract will be finished about May and that he will then go home."

The mother, who was mystified by the message, showed the communication to a neighbor, who asked about the son in Canada. "But I have no son in Canada, and it is William who is in Germany."

It dawned upon the neighbor that the interned son was offering in a judiciously cryptic manner his opinion as to the probable date for the end of the war.

Some young bucks' idea of diversified farming seems to be raising cain and wild oats.



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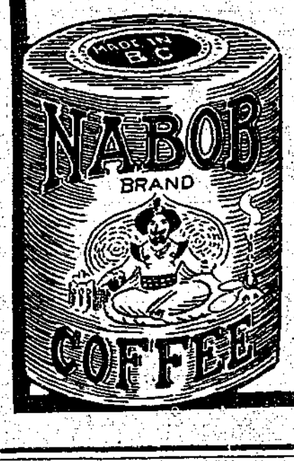

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The failure of the Quebec bridge is one of the most shining examples of elaborate plans and painstaking preparation going "aglee." Nothing was left undone to insure the success of the operation. An idea of the thoroughness of the bridge company's preparations may be had from the fact that they had kept accurate records of the weather for five years to enable them to have the elements on their side on the crucial day. Yet something went wrong in spite of all the precautions which had been taken.

The Canadian Red Cross Society shipped to England during 1916 packages to the number of 49,215. A moderate estimate of the value of the goods contained in the packages is placed at $3,460,750. The consignment ranged from 2,500,000 handkerchiefs to 20 motor ambulances.

Bella Coola Red Cross Auxiliary

ANNUAL STATEMENT.

The annual statement of the Executive Committee shows that the sum of $1041.30 was forwarded during the past year to the Canadian Red Cross Fund. This amount was raised as follows:

Monthly contributions	$ 564.90
Concerts	100.00
Empire Day Celebration	192.50
Col. from Ulcatcho Indians and Rivers Inlet, by Mr. C. Tucker	59.00
Fall Fair at Hagensborg	124.90
Total	$1041.30

The monthly collections for the Patriotic Fund raised the sum of $145.00. This, however, does not represent the total amount of contributions since several government employees make monthly donations directly to the central fund.

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We have pleasure in announcing that we have made arrangements with two of the leading weekly publications so that our subscribers may have the best of reading at substantially reduced rates.

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