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OLD AND NEW YEAR

The year 1915 will, for the most part, be looked back to with mixed feelings. It broke with the European world in arms, and has passed with the war still raging on a bigger scale than ever. In a sense therefore many people may say that they were glad to see the end of 1915. But when one turns to 1916 the prospect is not much more encouraging. We can only reckon and estimate everything from the war, and as to this we can only say positively that it is a year nearer the end. The allied cause did not make the progress that was expected and Germany scored successes that the general public never dreamed were possible. For a time in the summer months Russia's vast armies were in deadly peril, and in the end Germany possessed the whole of Russian Poland. Then towards the end of the year the Central Powers rolled over Serbia, and claimed the way to Constantinople and the east. Meantime the spring drive by the French and British troops did not come off. In the autumn a vigorous offensive was launched, which after promising a big success was definitely checked. The Germans still hold almost the whole of Belgium and maintain their hold on the north of France. They have conquered Poland, and with the assistance of Bulgaria overrun Serbia. The British expedition to the Dardanelles has been abandoned and generally it must be confessed that Germany still holds her supremacy in the field.

This is the position with the beginning of the year 1916, and there will have to be a sudden turn in the fortunes of the campaign if the war is to be ended before the year ends. It is possible that this turn may come sooner than we expect. In spite of the territory Germany has gained she

has been foiled in her chief plans. Moreover she is every day losing the advantage of preparedness with which she started the war. First of all the German commanders failed to reach Paris. Next their attempt to reach Calais and the English Channel. Then came the attempt to crush the Russian armies, which while it failed of its chief object, actually resulted in the most considerable successes of the war. However the German armies gradually lost the offensive, and have been forced to fight desperately and not always successfully to maintain their positions. Their military successes secured them Bulgaria as an ally in the Balkans, and enabled them to crush Serbia and open out communication with Constantinople. And yet on every front they are confronted with an enemy daily growing in strength, while Germany herself has commerce has been destroyed, her shipping driven from the seas, and all her overseas possessions stripped from her. Great Britain is more unquestionably supreme than at any time in her history. If Britain had supplied no more than the fleet in this struggle against Germany, she would have contributed her share. But she has in addition played a not insignificant role in the field, and has raised an army commensurate with her population. In other words her army now measures up to continental military standard, and to serve it the great factories of the country have been turned into munition shops. With New Year Britain will have an army and an equipment perhaps better than that with which Germany started the war. Germany has weakened under the continuous drain upon her strength while Britain has been building up. The real struggle will begin in 1916 and while perhaps it would be too much to expect that it will end in 1916, yet we may reasonably hope that there will be a big turn in favor of the Allies.

Locally the prospects are a little better than they were a year ago. The mines are working better all round, and there is more talk of developments in the district. At the same time there is nothing like the volume of business there was three years ago, and it is not likely that there will be until the war is over. In the meantime it is a matter of getting along as well as we can, and as far as possible helping each other. We can only repeat what we have so often claimed that local patriotism in buying is good business. The more money there is kept circulating in town the better it will be for all concerned.

Haliburton St. Methodist.

11 a.m., "The New Year."
2:30 p.m. Sunday School and Bible Class.
7 p.m. Choral Service. The music of last Sunday will be repeated.
Epworth League Monday evening at 7:30, subject, "The Service of Song."
Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

The announcement by Mayor Taylor of Vancouver, that he would enter the larger field of provincial politics might have caused some sensation had it not been expected. The Mayor stated that it had been his intention to be an independent candidate at the general election, but inasmuch as the selection of a Liberal candidate would necessitate an election, he had decided to offer himself as an opponent of both the new Minister of Public Works, and Mr. M. A. Macdonald, the Liberal nominee.

KOLEHEMAINEN ENTERS RACE

New York, Dec. 30.—Hannes Kolehmainen, the Finnish long distance runner, will not let mere matrimony interfere with his plans to run in the senior cross-country championships here Jan. 3. The famous Finn was married last night to Miss Alma Johnson, age 20 years, of New York.

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The Matter of the Winding-Up Act, Being Chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, and the Amending Acts, and in the Matter of People's Loan and Deposit Company.
The creditors of the above Company are required on or before the 15th day of January, 1916, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to Joseph H. Maunder, Yorkshire Building, Vancouver, B.C., the Official Liquidator of the said Company, and if so required by notice in writing by the said Official Liquidator, or by their solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims at the Chambers of the District Registrar of this Court at Vancouver, at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Monday, the 24th Day of January, 1916, at the hour of 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of the said District Registrar at Vancouver, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the debts and claims.

Dated this 21st day of December, A.D. 1915.

J. C. DOCKERILL,
Deputy District Registrar.

A UTOPIAN SCHEME

Rome, Dec. 31.—The Tribuna considers Utopian the suggestion that Pope Benedict be invited to preside at a congress which will be called to decide upon terms of peace since no Pope has left the Vatican since the loss of Temporal power.

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TOM COWLER MATCHED WITH NEW YORK BOXER

New York, Dec. 30.—Articles were signed today for a ten-round bout on Jan. 11 between Tom Cowler, the British heavyweight, and Al Reich, former national amateur champion. The manager of the National A. C. of Denver, Col., yesterday wired Harry Pollock an offer of a guarantee of \$1600, with an option of 40 per cent. of the gross receipts, for Reich to box Gilbert Gallant, of Chelsea, a 12-round bout on Jan. 17. Pollock declined the offer as when Reich boxed Benny Leonard in Madison Square Gardens about that date. Charley White, the Chicago lightweight, has resumed training after a month's layoff. It is claimed that he has several big matches in sight, the first probably being against Ted Lewis in New York.

WELSH IS FAVORITE OVER FRANK WHITNEY

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 30.—Refused the use of the auditorium for next Saturday night, Frank Whitney will meet Freddie Welsh under a big circus tent. The bout will go ten rounds. The tent will seat 5000 and indications are that the fight will be to capacity limit. Though the betting has not fairly started on the bout, the prevailing odds today are 7 to 10, with Welsh the favorite.

"MYSTERIOUS" BILLY SMITH IS ALL IN.

Portland, Dec. 30.—"Mysterious" Billy Smith, former waterweight champion and one of the top-notchers in the ring some years ago, failed in his attempt at a "come-back" last night before the Rose City A.C. He met Jack Root in a scheduled six-round contest, but failed to finish. The former champion was badly punished in the early rounds and in the sixth round was too tired to finish, the referee stopping the contest. Root refused to hit hard in the last two rounds.

TENNIS OFFICIAL WILL RETIRE
New York, Dec. 30.—Robert D. Wrenn, president of the United States Lawn Tennis Association for the past several years, announced last night he would retire from active participation in lawn tennis affairs at the expiration of his present term of office. He has had charge of several important tournaments of the association and was national lawn tennis champion in 1893, 1894, 1896, and 1897.

BAR AMERICAN JOCKEYS
Berlin, Dec. 30 via London.—The employment of American jockeys on Hungarian race horses virtually has been stopped through a resolution proposed by the Hungarian Jockey Club, which excludes foreign jockeys from all races the stakes of which are below 20,000 crowns. The resolution is worded so as to affect "foreigners," but Americans are almost the only foreigners riding on Hungarian tracks.

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