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GASOLINE LAUNCH TO BE DRAWN FOR

PROCEEDS OF DRAWING TO BE FORWARDED TO RELIEF FUND

Capt. L. Adamson Will Donate Handsome Little Launch For Benefit of Those in Distress Through War Situation

That Sidney is not lacking in public spirited men is once more clearly demonstrated by the following generous offer made by Captain L. Adamson, one of our highly respected citizens.

This week Capt. Adamson called at the Review Office and informed the editor that he was the owner of a handsome little gasoline launch, valued at \$300, which he desired to present to the general relief fund for the benefit of those in distress brought about by the conditions of the war in Europe.

Of course the value of the launch would be of much more benefit to the committee than the boat itself, so it was decided to issue tickets for a drawing, and in this way the three hundred dollars can be quickly raised, and the holder of the lucky number will become the proud possessor of one of the handsomest little launches in these waters and all he will be asked to pay for it is the small sum of \$3.00, as that is the price it has been decided to sell the tickets at. One hundred tickets in all will be printed in duplicate and numbered and will be placed on sale at the Sidney Trading Co., D. M. Evans tailor shop, the Sidney Hotel and the Review Office. These tickets will no doubt be sold very quickly and in next Friday's issue of the Review the date on which the drawing will take place will be announced. A committee of prominent business men of the town will have charge of the drawing arrangements, and the plan followed at the Vancouver Auto Club show will be adopted, as it seems to be the fairest. This plan is as follows: The one hundred duplicate tickets will be placed in a box and well shaken up. Then a member of the committee, or some one selected by the ticket holders present, will be asked to draw out one at a time until he has drawn ten tickets. These ten will then be placed in the box, after all the others have been discarded, and again shaken up. The drawer will then proceed to take the ten tickets out one by one and the last number to be taken from the box will be declared the winner of the launch.

The launch in question can be seen any day lying at anchor in Robert's Bay, and was purchased this summer by Capt. Adamson through the agency of Mr. C. F. Williams, the local boat builder. She is an eighteen long, six foot beam Hinton Special, and carries a three horse power four cycle engine attached to a reversible propeller. The boat is practically new and before being turned over to its

new owner was thoroughly overhauled and repaired by Mr. Williams, who in addition to the other repairs, such as applying a coat of paint, putting the engine in first class shape, etc., placed a new canvas top thereon at an additional cost of \$50. The boat is guaranteed to be in first class condition by the present owner and Mr. Williams states that as she now stands she is well worth \$375 and he is of the opinion that she could not be duplicated for that price.

The offer of this handsome little boat by Captain Adamson is a very generous one and we feel certain that the patriotic citizens of this district will come forward and purchase the tickets very rapidly when they realize that every cent paid for tickets will be immediately forwarded to a very worthy cause.

Canada's Gifts

Following are the gifts of Canada and her Provinces to the Mother Country:
Dominion—1,000,000 bags of flour.
Ontario—250,000 bags of flour
Quebec—4,000,000 pounds of cheese.
Nova Scotia—500,000 tons of coal.
Prince Edward Island—100,000 oats.
Alberta—500,000 bush. oats.
New Brunswick—100,000 bushels of potatoes.
Manitoba—50,000 bags of flour
British Columbia—1,200,000 cans salmon.
Saskatchewan—1,500 horses.

THANKSGIVING SERVICES

The Methodist harvest services will be held next Sunday morning and evening. Rev. Robert Wilkinson, pastor of Wilkinson Road Methodist church, Victoria, and chairman of the Victoria district, will preach at both services. The churches will be suitably decorated and special music will be prepared by the choir. Miss Dora Patrick and Mrs. Miller will render solos in addition to the anthems. Rev. J. Wesley Miller will conduct the harvest festival services at Wilkinson Road church the same Sunday.

SAANICH CANNING CO. DONATES ONE HUNDRED CASES OF CLAMS

The members of the Saanich Canning Company in their desire to show their appreciation of the justness of the situation in which England finds herself at the present time, and believing that their patriotism can best be proven by some practical exhibition, have donated to the British Columbia Government for export to Great Britain, one hundred cases of their well known local brand of canned clams. Each case contains twenty-four two-pound tins. This shipment has already left Sidney for Victoria where it will be added to the shipment of salmon donated by the British Columbia Government as a

contribution to the relief fund. These contributions may be used by the British Government as they deem advisable, either as food supply for the army at the front or to relieve the food shortage at home.

We are pleased to see that our local enterprising firm have displayed their zeal in this particular way. Many other firms, not only in British Columbia, but throughout other parts of this broad Dominion, are making contributions of money or goods, and it will therefore be a source of great satisfaction to the people of this district to know that the Saanich Canning Company are not behind others in this respect.

THE WAR SITUATION.

During the past few days the pleasing information comes over the wires that the allies are gradually driving the Germans out of France and Belgium, and the enemy is now retreating with more rapidity than they advanced on Paris. Reading between the lines the reports seem to indicate that the Prussians and Bavarians are disagreeing, in fact several fight are reported to have taken place between them, while the Austrians seem to be losing favor in the sight of their German ally on account of their lack of success against the Russians, the Germans putting the entire blame of their defeat on the Austrians. From this it would seem that it will not be very long until the Prussians are fighting the battle alone, the other German states having at best considerable jealousy against the Prussians who are almost as high handed at home and as domineering as they have proven themselves to be in France and Belgium.

The French and British troops are being reinforced regularly and are

pressing the Germans hard, the latter apparently retreating in disorder. A few days more will find the allies attacking the German defences, which is considered a rather quick change for both of the great armies.

The pessimist still thinks the war will last two or three years, while the optimist believes the war will be over by the end of the year.

The British and French troops are working bravely together and always with success, in fact the reports of success are coming through so often now that we are beginning to look for them as a regular day to day feature on our military menu.

The navy has been active again in a small way but in a very effective manner. Many more proofs are coming to our notice daily of the unanimity of the Empire, and these make pleasant reading to all Britishers.

All the gifts offered to the Empire by the Dominion have been accepted with the exception of the offer of apples from Nova Scotia. "Why?" do I hear a lady in the audience ask? Because they are Spies. Curtain.

AUSTRIANS ARRESTED WHILE TRYING TO LEAVE DOMINION

Clever Plan of Foreigners Nipped in the Bud By Constable Macdonald on Tuesdab of This Week When Twelve Men Are Taken Prisoners-of War

It is not often that Sidney has a sensation of the magnitude of that which took place on Tuesday evening, and yet so quietly were things arranged that very few people in town were aware that our local provincial constable had successfully captured twelve stalwart Austrians who were on the point, as they thought, of slipping quietly out of Canada into the United States where they would have had very little difficulty in joining the German or Austrian forces in the great war in Europe.

Early Tuesday morning there appeared on the streets of Sidney a well dressed gentleman who made casual inquiries as to the boat service between Sidney and Roche Harbor on San Juan Island. On finding that there was no regular service he approached several of the owners of launches here and finally succeeded in making arrangements with one gentleman who professed to own a launch, for the carrying of a gang of ten or twelve men over to Roche Harbor. The stranger spoke fairly good English, but the foreign accent led the "launch owner" to quietly hunt up Constable Macdonald and tip the situation off to him.

While in conversation with the launch owner the stranger stated that he expected his party to reach Sidney on the six o'clock train and that they would like to leave here as soon after as possible. He also gave out some other information that proved of great value to the police and Constable Macdonald immediately got into touch with the department at Victoria with the result that nine Austrians were taken into the gentle arms of the law as they attempted to board the train for Sidney.

The other three must have left Victoria by the B. C. Electric and made the mistake of getting off at Saanich-ton, from which place they evidently walked to Sidney and arrived just in time to meet the train—and three or four constables that had been summoned from Victoria for this special occasion.

They were a surprised lot, as they were under the impression that their getaway was remarkably easy, and they could not understand how their scheme had been discovered so quickly. However, they did not make any

fuss about it and went quietly along to the lockup. They were taken into Victoria the next morning and along with the nine captured there, together with seventeen others that had been gathered in on Sunday evening will be taken out to the farm kept for the purpose of giving employment to foreigners who do not know when they are well off.

RECEIVES SENTENCE OF TWELVE MONTHS IN JAIL

D. Stewart, An American Citizen, Found Guilty on the Charge of Stealing.

Some two or three weeks ago Mr. Frank Warrington paid a visit to Miak Island, where he has had in storage for some time past a large quantity of fishing tackle, including nets, floats, sinkers and lines, and made the discovery that some person or persons unknown had broken into the storeroom and carried away with them a considerable portion of the outfit. He immediately informed Constable Macdonald, of the Provincial police force, who instituted a search for the missing articles with the result that D. Stewart, formerly of San Francisco, but for the past three or four months a resident of Galiano Island, was taken into custody. On making a search of the premises which the prisoner occupied a considerable portion of the goods was recovered.

The preliminary trial took place before Justices of the Peace J. B. Kelly and J. J. White and on the evidence produced they sent Stewart up for trial. He elected for a speedy trial and the case was heard in Victoria one day last week when the prisoner was found guilty and sentenced to one year in the provincial jail.



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