

Canada Soon to have Naval Fleet all of its Own

Hon. C. C. Ballantyne Makes Interesting Announcement at Montreal—Naval Air Force as a Start

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In the course of an informal talk before the Sons of the Empire at the Windsor Hotel Saturday night, the Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, minister of marine and fisheries and naval service, indicated his belief and hope that in the near future Canada will have a strong, sound naval policy of her own. His vision was of a Canadian fleet forming part and parcel of the great imperial fleet, but at the same Canada's unit and under the absolute control of Canada. This fleet would work in conjunction and closest harmony with the imperial fleet, and in time of war would pass under one united command.

"That is as far as I can go until the government announces its policy," said the minister. Although the minister made no announcement of the fact, it is understood that the Naval Air Force now being formed is an important part of the government's policy, and that its programme will include adequate and efficient measures to cope with any future submarine activity off Canadian coasts as well as with other kinds of enemy naval activity. In other words, the safety of Canadian shores and shipping will be the first consideration while providing in conjunction with Great Britain, for the strategical considerations involved in the term of an offensive defense.

—Dr. Con Webster, Mrs. Webster, their son Donald and little daughter Dorothy, of Pictou, were in Windsor for a short time Thursday afternoon en route to the Doctor's old home in Yarmouth. They were accompanied in their auto as far as Kentville by Mrs. Johnson, of Tatamagouche. On their return they will bring home their daughter Miss Helen, who has been spending her vacation in Yarmouth with her grandmother, Mrs. Webster—Herald.

Kingston Village

Rev. N. A. Whitman, of Billtown, was calling on friends here recently.

Rev. Wm. H. Robinson, and wife and Mrs. D. M. Welton, of Wolfville, have been visiting at the home of their relative Mr. E. P. Messenger.

Miss Jessie Woodbury, and her friend Miss Johnson, of the Kentville Sanatorium, spent the week end Sept. 8th., with her mother Mrs. Phoebe Woodbury.

Miss Annie Watson, of Margaretville, is teaching the Kingston Village school and Miss Jessie Swallow Torbrook, teaches the school at Tremont.

Mrs. Ormand Tufts, has been the guest of her brothers Amos and Pearley Smith recently.

Miss Mildred Welton, returned to the U. S. Thursday 12 h. inst.

Mrs. Mary Balcom, of Nictaux Falls, has been visiting relatives at Kingston and here.

Mrs. John Morse, and daughter Myrtle, of Melvern Sq. was the guest of her sister Mrs. J. A. Banks, recently.

Miss Melita Marten of St. John, has been visiting at the home of her uncle Mr. W. E. Baker.

Mrs. Warner of Everette mass is the guest of her sister Mrs. Ellard Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bishop and son of Wolfville, were the guests of friends here recently.

Rev. Lloyd Dixon, of Aldershot, spent a day with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ruggles recently.

Roosevelt vs. the Kaiser

The war loving Hohenzollern, family like war for others rather than risk themselves in the contest. Contrast the record of Roosevelt family.—Theodore wounded; Archibald wounded; Quentin killed; Kermit decorated for bravery in battle and the father trying ever since the war started to get into the midst of it. The Roosevelt family is doing its part, and the patriotic, red-blooded American has reason to thrill with pride when he contrasts the young Roosevelt with the young Hohenzollerns.

Keep Minard's Liniment in the house.

"Drums Afar"

War is the background for most of our thoughts today, and a novel without a war tinge would seem almost out of keeping. In "Drums Afar" the new novel by John Murray Gibbon, the war interest is kept subdued till the latter part of the story, which indeed vibrates with echoes of the great conflict Canada plays its part in this international romance, the author obtaining some vivid local colour from a Patriotic Fund Campaign Described in a subtitle as an international romance. "Drums Afar" has as its hero a happy-go-lucky young Englishman who after three years of Oxford University with vacations in Germany and France, becomes director of an illustrated weekly newspaper in London. The charms of an American girl lead him to the United States, where he arrives just on the outbreak of the war. All the pictures of life at Newport, Rhode Island at Chicago and at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, the drums of war are heard beating ever louder. On the one hand is the call of the Mother Country; on the other is the prospect of luxurious ease in a country of mixed races which at the time of the story was aiming to be neutral. It is the influence of Canada however, which brings the hero to his great decision a decision which first entangles and then disentangles the skeins of love woven into the story. "Drums Afar" is published in London and New York by John Lane, and in Toronto by S. B. Gun- dary of Oxford University Press, who also published "Hearts & Faces," the well known novel by the same author.

FOR SALE: English Setter, 18 months o'd. F. W. Gibson Kentville. 1 ins x

Launching at Canning tomorrow afternoon. Will you be there.

LOST:—Strayed from Joseph Ben- net's mountain pasture during summer a three year old heifer, white body, mixed red and white head and neck marked, crop off right ear, slit in crop hind gad in left ear. If found please inform.

Mrs. EVERARD EATON, Lower Casar.

One more week for special values in furniture at E. H. DODGE'S.

Died In France

The death in action of Harry Simmonds which we made mention of in our last issue was heard with regret here where he was well known. He worked for years in the N. S. Carriage Co. before leaving town. His death took place almost immediately after landing in France and but a few hours after reaching the front trenches on August 30th. He was a brother of Conductor Simmonds and his mother resides at Rockingham. This is the third death in the family within the year. A brother of the deceased was killed in the explosion, December 6th, and only on Sunday Sept. 8th a sister, Sadie a trained nurse at the Harlem Hospital, Lennox Avenue, New York, passed away. She had been in New York about two years. Conductor and Mrs. Simmonds went to Halifax last week to meet her remains but on account of international difficulties the body was not allowed to be sent home.

The sad news of the death of that noble boy Charles, son of Capt. Charles McBride of Waterville, was received during the week. Killed in action is all the news we have yet received.

Among the large number of new subscribers we have recently placed on our list is that of a former, long time subscriber at Kentville Mr. Isaac Strong, is now settled at Ryley Alberta, living with his daughter Mrs. A. Ch. r, who has recently moved from Edmonton, to her house and shop at Ryley. Mr. Strong longed for the Kentville, news after going west and has sent for the 'Advertiser' He likes it there, and has better health than while residing at Hortonville. Mr. Strong's familiar face is missed by his old associates at Kentville.

Notice to Apple Dealers and Growers

I have just received a shipment of "Gifford" Fruit Sizers, and am prepared to make immediate delivery. This is a perfect working machine and gives splendid satisfaction. For further information apply to.

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