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VICTORIOUS BRITISH GENERALS WELCOMED IN LONDON Police Negotiations Fail With Burlington Municipality to Fight Government--Strike Continues In Courts for Its Radial Rights

LONDON WELCOMES SIR DOUGLAS HAIG AND HIS GENERALS

Field Marshal Passes Thru Densely Crowded Streets to Buckingham Palace.

GREETED BY THE KING

Parliament Will Vote Thanks of Whole Empire to Conquering Troops.

London, Dec. 19.—Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, commander-in-chief of the British armies in France and Belgium, attended by Generals Plumer, Rawlinson, Birdwood, Byng and Horne, who were his mainstays in aiding to defeat the Germans, reached London today and was accorded a notable welcome.

The train bringing the field marshal to London was accompanied from Dover by about twenty airplanes, which also hovered over the procession which passed thru the densely crowded thoroughfares from the station to Buckingham Palace, where King George welcomed the returning warriors.

At the station the generals were met by the Duke of Connaught, representing the King; the prime minister, the secretary of war, members of the army and air councils, representatives of the admiralty and many other distinguished persons.

The Grenadier Guards with their regimental colors and band were drawn up at the station to act as an escort to the field marshal, and amid loud cheers as the carriage, with the "Conquering Hero Come," Sir Douglas was escorted to a royal carriage in waiting to take the field marshal to the palace.

Were Loudly Cheered. As the carriage emerged from the station yard, the bells of St. Martin's rang out and the crowds again broke into tumultuous cheering. Thronged had taken possession of Trafalgar Square long before the royal carriages containing the field marshal and his generals came into view. When they came abreast the historic square, a mighty cheer, such as had rarely been heard there, rose. All the generals clearly evinced delight at the cordiality of the reception. As the carriages passed along Cockspur street, Pall Mall and St. James street, the enthusiasm was unbounded.

At Marlborough House there was a brief halt, during which Sir Douglas saluted Dowager Queen Alexandra, who was standing outside her residence. Piccadilly and its approaches were densely packed with people, and the field marshal again was cheered to the echo as he drove along the famous thoroughfare. Likewise at Hyde Park, down Constitution Hill and onward to Buckingham Palace, there were stirring scenes. Many soldiers and sailors on leave participated in the demonstrations.

Entertained by King. The carriages passed along the front of the palace to the entrance at the southern gates, where they drove up to the grand entrance. Here Field Marshal Haig and the generals passed into the palace and were received by King George, Queen Mary and the members of the royal family. After the reception they were entertained at luncheon in the state room.

DOMINION TO HAVE DIRECTOR OF LABOR His Duties to Include Ways of Lessening Unemployment.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—In view of labor conditions in Canada incident to military demobilization and the sudden cessation of the production of war munitions, the government has passed an order-in-council providing for the appointment of an official to be known as "director of labor research and employment" whose duties will be:

- 1. The treatment of provincial governments as to the establishment and maintenance of employment offices, as a standardization of such offices and their co-ordination into a national system. 2. To supervise labor clearing houses. 3. To negotiate the annual agreements between the Dominion and provincial governments required under the Employment Offices and Co-ordination Act. 4. To study and report on employment and ways and means of lessening unemployment, including wages and hours, etc.

STEAMER ARRIVALS.

Table with columns: Steamer, At, From. Includes entries for Liverpool, Cadiz, Havre, and St. John.



When the home-coming soldiers arrive at North Toronto, every kind of motor car and truck is pressed into the job of hurrying the happy men thru the crowds to their destinations.

Haig's Tribute to His Men.

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"We know from your welcome that you express the feelings of gratitude and admiration which Great Britain entertains for the wonderful men whose unequalled courage and endurance thru more than four years of struggle have brought us at length by victory to peace. You have given us today a foretaste of the home-coming which I hope very soon will be theirs."

"I realize Dover has known something of war. The oldest of Cinque Ports has worthily maintained the Dover patrol, whose magnificent exploits have so ably assisted the British armies in the field and have given us a record of which we might well be proud."

On behalf of the lord lieutenant of the county, Lord Harris then presented a second address of welcome from the men of Kent.

R.A.F. MECHANICS GET DISCHARGE PAY Will Receive a Gratuity in Addition to Clothing Allowance.

As the discharging of the R. A. F. mechanics proceeds, there has been considerable doubt among the men as to what they are entitled to on receiving their discharge. Capt. Seymour, R.A.F., explained yesterday what will be done for the men in this connection when they leave the force.

Each man will be given a pass to his home and \$14.40 clothing allowance, and will be allowed to retain his uniform. He also gets a gratuity amounting to about \$7. If he has served with the R. A. F. for one year he will get 15 days pay of rank; if for two years, 30 days pay. This corresponds to the Canadian post-discharge pay allowed to the C. E. F. men.

Separation allowance ceases on the day the temporary discharge is issued, as the man is then free to return to civilian life.

When questioned as to whether records of all Canadian officers in the R. A. F. were available at Toronto headquarters, the officer said that all men who had enlisted as cadets in Canada and who had trained here were on record, but not those who enlisted and received their training overseas, or who went to England in C. E. F. units and who afterwards transferred to the aviation. The latter men are kept track of from the air ministry in London.

The Radial Kaiser and the Railway Chairman Docile. Sir Henry Dryden: Now, Sir John Gibson, I wish you'd run your radial service to Burlington. The board would greatly appreciate such condescension on your part. Sir John: I'll cut out the service and tear up the rails first. That blyat and agreement is only a scrap of paper to me. Sir Henry: Don't be so annoyed with me, Sir John. I'll tone it down by telling the villagers to go to the courts. I'm sure I don't want to worry you, Sir John. Sir John: You'd better not. I wasn't attorney-general and lieutenant-governor and a Knight-Commander without knowing how to put these pretentious little villagers in their place. Sir Henry: Yes, let them go to the courts, not come here to annoy you.

POLICE STAND TO GUNS THE STRIKE IS STILL ON

Reject Proposals of Government and Commissioners, That They Return to Duty and in Meantime Allow Their Charter to Remain in Abeyance.

The striking policemen are standing to their guns. They refuse to surrender their charter, which is the only rock on which they and the commissioners now split, and the strike is still on. The Ontario Government have taken a hand in the trouble in an effort to effect a settlement, but their proposal has also been rejected because it stipulates that the men's charter should remain in abeyance pending an investigation into the entire administration of the Toronto police department.

The board of police commissioners, C. A. Boret, president of the board of trade, Chief Constable Grassett, Deputy Chief Dickson and representatives of the police had a three-hour conference with Sir William Howland and Hon. G. H. Ferguson at the parliament buildings early in the night. The police delegates later left to report the result of the conference to the main body meeting in Victoria Hall.

EIGHT DAYS' LEAVE TO MEN IN ENGLAND

Canadian Soldiers to Have Happy Christmas—Free Railway Travel.

London, Dec. 19.—Christmas amongst Canadian troops in England will be a happy time all around. Eight days leave, with free railway warrant, is being granted to the troops in camps here, only this arrangement is not allowed to interfere with the return of any man to Canada. A good many who have been longing to get back some times, show now unwillingness to undertake the journey, complaining they have not had a chance of seeing England or relatives. However, those whose passage has been arranged already must sail forthwith.

Sixteen hundred Canadian prisoners who have now reached England were dealt with at Dover and Ripon. This makes about the half total number of Canadian awaiting repatriation. Three shiploads of Canadians will spend Christmas Day on the water retreating home. These vessels leave Friday and Monday. London is terribly overcrowded, but it is unlikely there will be any Canadians, either officers or men, unable to find proper accommodation. During the last few weeks better facilities have been inaugurated dealing with soldiers on leave. The American societies, for instance, put all their hostels at the disposal of Canadians. The Beyond Seas Association is giving a mammoth entertainment and dance in Abbot Hall on Christmas Day for overseas officers, the guests numbering two thousand.

WILL PROSECUTE BEN H. SPENCE

Secretary of Dominion Alliance Charged With Importing Harmful Literature.

Ben H. Spence, secretary of the Dominion Alliance, who appeared before the courts in connection with the importation of a book called "The Fiddlers" and was remanded pending further investigation, will again be brought before the magistrates on a charge of disseminating literature prejudicial to the enlistment. According to a despatch from Ottawa, Crown Attorney J. S. Corley has been ordered to undertake the prosecution on behalf of the crown. Mr. Spence is at present suffering from influenza and it may be some days before he is able to appear in his own defence. "The Fiddlers," which apparently takes its name in connection with the importation of a book called "The Fiddlers" and was remanded pending further investigation, will again be brought before the magistrates on a charge of disseminating literature prejudicial to the enlistment.

IMMURED IN CELL WITH INSANE MAN BY BRUTAL TURKS

Former Secretary of Armenian Relief Committee Relates His Experiences.

Salonica, Dec. 19.—Turkey's hostility toward relief of the Armenian and Syrian refugees during the war is strikingly illustrated by the experience of Charles A. Dana, former executive secretary of the Armenian and Syrian relief committee at Beirut and Constantinople, and Dr. Williams Neeson, former American vice-consul at Tripoli, Syria. Both were representatives of the American Presbyterian mission board, and were thrown into jail by the Turks and kept without food or water for many days. They have just arrived here after a week's journey from Constantinople.

IDA SUMS UP THE SITUATION

BY IDA L. WEBSTER. Kaiserism on the Toronto Police Force has been killed, just as surely as Kaiserism in Europe, the only difference being that it took merely a handful of determined men to put the evergreen wreath upon its head in this city, while, in the other case, the remedy called for lives.

The police commissioners have at last had the knowledge forced upon them that this is a free country, and that all men must be treated alike. Men must not be snatched curs, Col. Denison and his colleagues have been made to bow to the voice of public opinion, and in the bowing they have lost their side-time automatic hold. The citizens of Toronto rose to the occasion, and acted as the citizens of possibly no other city would have done. They preserved absolute order, and as a result they were in sympathy with the policemen.

Whatever the union decides to do, they may be depended upon to do the right thing, not only toward the committee, but toward the public. Now all that anyone can ask for is the resignation of the chief and his co-workers. After that, a peaceful and excellent police force forever.

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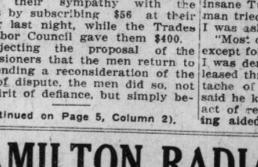
Burlington, Dec. 19.—Burlington is a fine, prosperous town of twenty-two hundred people, while nearly two thousand more good citizens live in the immediate vicinity. The town has three railways, two steam and one electric, connecting the municipality with Hamilton, and yet whoever goes to or from Burlington must walk or procure a vehicle. Not a single passenger is carried to or from this prosperous town by these three railways. If anyone wishes to ride into Hamilton on the radial railway which passes thru the town, he must walk to Burlington Beach, two and a half miles away. For years the town was dependent altogether for passenger service upon the Hamilton Electric Radial Company. The two steam roads are controlled by the Grand Trunk and the Dominion Board of Railway Commissioners decided a year ago that the radial railway provided a sufficient passenger accommodation between Hamilton and Burlington. Two weeks ago Sir John Gibson, ex-lieutenant-governor and ex-attorney-general of Ontario, who was the directing genius of the great electric concern which controls the Hamilton Electric Radial Company, notified the good people of Burlington that they must pay substantially double the fares prescribed by law and fixed by the agreement between the town and the company, or the cars would stop running. The cars have stopped running; they run between Hamilton and the beach, but they stop two and a half miles away from Burlington. The Dominion Board of Railway Commissioners has ordered the radial company to run its cars, but the company pays not the slightest attention to the order of the board. The board has been notified that the company is paying no attention to its mandate, and confesses that it is practically impossible to enforce Ontario law. "Meanwhile Sir John Gibson, the Hamilton Electric Radial Company and its officials, and the parent corporation, the Dominion Power and Transmission Company, are hugely enjoying the situation, and are saying to the Town of Burlington and to the Dominion Railway Commission alike: "Well, what are you going to do about it?" It does not look at present as though the Dominion Railway Commission was going to do much of anything. The Town of Burlington however, is going to find out which is the more powerful in this country. Sir John Gibson and his corporations or the government of Canada. At present they are inclined to think that Sir John is the all-powerful czar, but they will attempt to find out definitely and once for all whether he is above the law. The Board's Order. On Dec. 10, after hearing the evidence and arguments of counsel upon the complaint of the Town of Burlington against the Hamilton Electric Radial Company, the Dominion Board of Railway Commissioners made the following order, which is legally in effect today, although treated by the company with absolute scorn and contempt, and which reads as follows: It is ordered that the radial railway company be, and it is hereby directed to carry out and perform the terms of said agreement by putting into force and effect forthwith the following train service, namely: To leave Burlington 6 a.m. 8 a.m. 10 a.m. 1 p.m. 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. To leave Hamilton 7.10 a.m., 8.10

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THE STRIKING PEELERS' CHORUS

When constabulary duty goes undone, A policeman's lot is most a happy one, Happy one, Happy one, A Striking Job and Garb!



See Hok: What are you in that get-up for, Mister? Stout Lord: I'm directin' traffic in the poissens's strike, ma freen.