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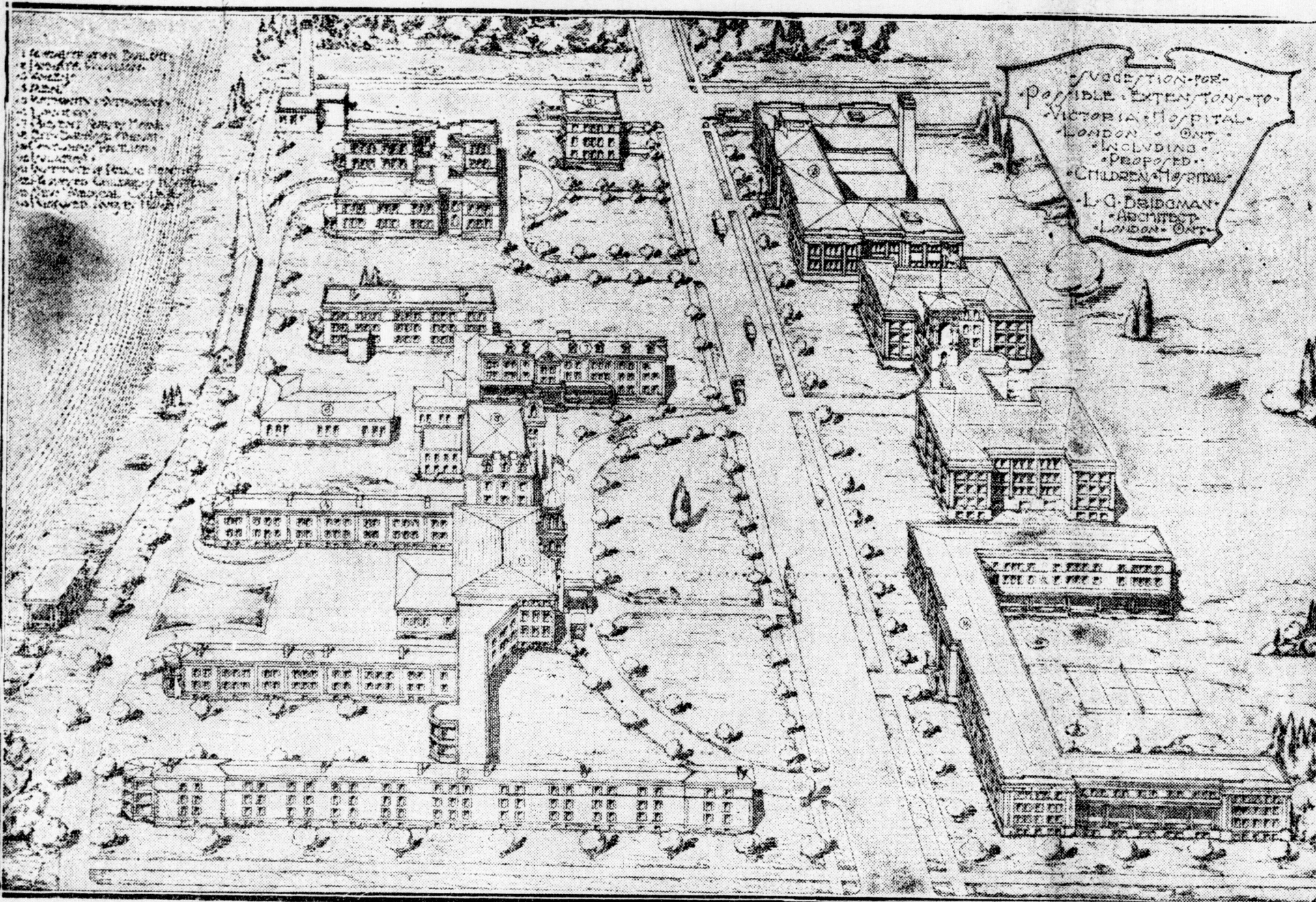
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## NO INTERFERENCE BY GOVT. WITH BOARD OF COMMERCE

WHAT OTTAWA AVENUE WILL LOOK LIKE WHEN MEDICAL SCHOOL AND OTHER PROPOSED NEW BUILDINGS ARE COMPLETE



View is looking westward from Colborne street. On the south are the present hospital buildings. On the north, No. 14 is the proposed new Nurses' Home; No. 12 is the new Children's Hospital, and No. 13 is the Medical School, now under course of construction.

### PROVINCES MAY HAVE TO DECIDE QUESTION OF AN EIGHT-HOUR DAY

Government Seeks Information Regarding Canadian Delegates.

LEFT FOR PARIS

Tom Moore and F. A. Acland Sailed on Liner Delayed by Storms.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—By Canadian Press.—Cables were sent to Paris today to discover the whereabouts of Canadian delegates to the governing body of the international labor office. Atlantic storms have given rise to a disappointing situation.

The two delegates, F. A. Acland, deputy minister of labor, representing the Dominion Government, and Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress, representing organized labor, sailed from New York for Cherbourg on the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria. Apparently they were in plenty of time for the opening of the conference in Paris on the 26th. But, delayed by the rough weather at sea, the Kaiserin was late. When last seen she had put in one of the English channel ports. There is therefore, no question of the safety of the delegates; but it is questioned here if they have been able to reach Paris before the opening of the conference. The situation is regarded as particularly disappointing in view of the fact that the international labor conference held in Washington during November, Canada made a strenuous fight for representation of the governing body.

To Determine Legislation. What its conclusions have been will largely determine whether labor legislation will be introduced at the coming session of the House of Commons. Canadian Government delegates assented to five out of six conventions adopted by the conference.

When the two delegates left Ottawa, they expected to be absent at least six weeks. Deliberations of the governing body, it was thought, would cover probably a fortnight or three weeks. These dispatches tend to indicate, however, that although only in session since Monday, the governing body is nearing the end of its deliberations.

So far as Canada is concerned, there is the additional question of the jurisdiction of the Dominion Parliament. This is particularly the case in regard to the eight-hour day convention. The department of justice still has the problem under consideration. It has been much searching of authorities, under the B. N. A. Act, the Dominion Parliament has no power to legislate on the question of an eight-hour day. The question is one of giving effect to an international obligation. The question apparently is whether the Dominion Parliament can legislate on the question of an eight-hour day. The question is one of giving effect to an international obligation. The question apparently is whether the Dominion Parliament can legislate on the question of an eight-hour day.

### SPARE POOR, BUT KILL ALL RICH, IS LATEST WORD SENT TO REDS

Bolshevik Proclamation Calls For No Mercy On Capitalistic Class.

TWO CATEGORIES LISTED

The Anti-Bolshevik Soldiers Forced to Fight Will Be Spared.

London, Jan. 30.—(By the Associated Press).—A Bolshevik proclamation, which is being spread among the Red soldiers in North Russia, calls for the unnecessary killing of prisoners. It has been received by the British war office, after having come into the hands of the North Russian Government.

The proclamation divides the "whites" into two categories—the first, designated as the real enemies of the soviet republic, as capitalists, their sons, and officers; the second, those who fight against the soviets only because they are either forced to do so or are ignorant. Red soldiers are warned not to kill those in the second category, but to "kill the first category."

Regarding the first category, the proclamation declares: "Naturally, mercy to officers, big landowners or capitalists, who are all permanently or consciously enemies of ours, is out of the question. Death to these scoundrels, who are responsible for the bloodshed in the North Russian civil war. There is no mercy for them, nor can there be any."

### THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—FAIR, QUITE COLD.  
Toronto, Jan. 30.—8 a.m.  
Forecast: Fair, with light winds, fair, and becoming colder.  
Saturday—Fair and quite cold.  
Temperatures.  
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:  
Stations. High. Low. Weather.  
Toronto. 32. 22. Clear.  
Ottawa. 30. 20. Cloudy.  
Montreal. 30. 20. Cloudy.  
Quebec. 30. 20. Cloudy.  
Halifax. 30. 20. Snow.  
Minus (—) means below zero.

Weather Notes.  
A disturbance of low pressure moved yesterday over Northern Ontario and moved quickly eastward to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, causing strong winds and light snow in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. Another area of high pressure has come in over Manitoba from the northward, and the outlook is for colder weather in Ontario. Temperatures are slightly below zero in the west.

### GOVERNMENT NOT TO INTERFERE WITH BOARD OF COMMERCE IN ITS METHODS OF INVESTIGATION

Textile Manufacturers' Appeal in Protest Against Questionnaires, Not To Be Acted Upon in Any Way, Decides the Dominion Cabinet—Board Will Be Permitted To Act Its Own Way in Securing Necessary Information.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Ottawa, Jan. 30.—The Government has decided not to interfere as between the board of commerce and the textile manufacturers in the matter of the so-called appeal of the latter body against the questionnaires which the board is required by the board to answer.

The Government, which had previously decided that it would not interfere with the board of commerce in its methods of investigation, has now decided that it will not interfere with the board of commerce in its methods of investigation. The board of commerce has the right to act its own way in securing necessary information.

It is stated this morning that the Government will take no action in the matter at all. The cabinet takes the view that anyone who desires recourse to the board of commerce must go to the board for such recourse. The Government has power to rescind an order of the board, but in this case no order is involved. The statute provides that the board may ask for information and that those from whom it is sought "shall" give it on penalty of heavy fines.

Certain members of the building trades have complained against the request of the board to supply information as to the cost of the price of charged for their materials, and some have flatly refused to give such information. The board has reminded them, however, and such concerns may be now assured that they have no appeal to the Government.

### ITALIAN SOLDIERS ATTEMPT TO LYNCH INSULTING SAILOR

Incident Occurs When the Steamer Africa Docks At Singapore.

SLAVS AND GERMANS Trouble Led To a Clash That Has Created a Grave Situation.

Rome, Jan. 30.—Italian soldiers clashed with Slav and German sailors on board the steamer Africa of the Trieste Lloyd Line at Singapore recently, when one of the sailors insulted Italy, according to a report to the Messaggero. It is said the incident was of considerable importance, as it led to the arrest of the sailor and the creation of a grave situation.

Four hundred Italian soldiers being brought back from Siberia had been landed on the steamer Africa, when they saw the steamer Nippon, when they saw the Africa, which was the first steamer flying the Italian flag they had seen in years. The soldiers' cheers were echoed by the Italian passengers on the Nippon, where the sailors were "Down with Italy!" from somewhere near the stern of the vessel.

### MOB IN LOUISIANA Compels Juror to Agree to Verdict

Ducked in Mudhole and Publicly Whipped.

Monroe, La., Jan. 29.—Because a juror failed to agree to a verdict of guilty in the case of Edwin Calhoun, negro, alleged confessed slayer of N. E. Arnold, a young white farmer, a mob publicly whipped the recalcitrant juror and then dipped him in a mud hole, said reports reaching here tonight from Tallulah, where the trial was held.

After his chastisement, the juror returned to the juryroom and agreed to a verdict of murder in the first degree. He then was ordered to leave town by a delegation of citizens.

### High Prices Will Remain For Some Time to Come

London, Jan. 30.—Lower prices will be slow in coming, said Reginald McKenna, former chancellor of the exchequer, and now chairman of the London City and Midland Bank, addressing stockholders today. Any attempt to bring about a decrease in the cost of living, he said, would mean disaster.

"The spending power of the public has increased from 1,125,000,000 pounds sterling in 1914, to 2,535,000,000 at present," he said. "This, with loans to the state, has raised bank deposits, and consequently increased the buying capacity of the public. With increased currency, prices of commodities have soared, but increased production will bring prices down."

"I would urge a reduction of the country's expenditures to a figure less than the tax revenues, by which means alone the issuance of currency can be restricted, and London re-established in her old position as a financial centre and the free gold market of the world. It is my opinion that this country's rate of taxation is higher than any other in the world, and is dangerously near the point where thrift, business enterprise and the needed development of capital may become seriously impaired."

### G. T. R. SUPERINTENDENT HAS RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURE OF \$350,000 IN THIS DISTRICT

Two New Stations To Be Built and Improvements Made To Local One — Paris to London Rails To Be Replaced With 100-Pound Ones.

Superintendent C. F. Forrester of the Grand Trunk railway, upon his return to the city from the east today, that he had recommended the expenditure of approximately \$350,000 on new stations and other improvements in this district to the head office at Montreal. Mr. Forrester stated that the greatest amount will be spent on the laying of new 100-pound rails between here and Paris, on a stretch 50 miles long. These rails will be placed on 25 miles of track between here and Paris.

Two new stations will be erected, one at Chaboussay at a cost of several thousand dollars and another at Hawtree, on the Port Dover line. Mr. Forrester's estimates also call for the re-modelling of fifteen stations in the London division.

### BRITISH AND U. S. OFFICERS TAKEN BY BOLSHEVIKI

Capture Is Believed To Have Taken Place West of Irkutsk.

London, Jan. 29.—Eight American and two British officers are believed to have fallen into the hands of the Bolsheviks, according to the Daily Mail's correspondent at Harbin, whose statement does not give details, and is not precise. It apparently indicates that the capture of the officers occurred to the west of Irkutsk, but no date is given.

The dispatch adds that Gen. Semenov's force has been reduced by desertion to about 2,000, that the fact of Admiral Kolchak's collapse may be taken as a fact, and that virtually the whole of the population of Siberia is ready to accept Bolshevism.

### CANADA'S RECORD IN GREAT WAR IS ONE OF WHICH TO BE PROUD

London, Jan. 30.—Revised figures compiled by British statisticians on the contributions of the various allied nations to the fighting forces during the war, place Canada well in the lead of the overseas dominions not employing native troops. The Dominion is credited with 640,886 effective, Australia coming next in the list with 416,699. India's army composed largely of native troops, was 1,401,350.

The statement shows that Great Britain during the period of the war placed a grand total of 8,654,467 men in the field. The contribution of the United States was 2,000,000 men.

The casualties of the troops of the British Empire, including Canada, India, Australia and other colonies, total: Killed, 851,117; missing and prisoners, 142,057; wounded, 2,067,442.

### U. S. FIRMS OFFERING TO COVER DISCOUNT TO MAINTAIN TRADE

Connecticut Jewelry Company Agrees To Accept Canadian Checks At Par.

REGRETS HIGH RATES

American Business Houses Notice Decided Falling Off in Trade.

Quebec, Jan. 30.—The fact that the exchange rate between Canada and the United States is beginning to worry some of the American merchants, who find orders from Canada dropping off yesterday by a letter received by a Quebec Jeweler from a cutlery manufacturer in New York.

"We have decided to issue this price list to our Canadian customers on the same basis as to our United States wholesale distributors, and as further evidence of our desire to co-operate in these difficult times we have decided for the present and until further notice to accept Canadian checks at par in payment of our invoices. We hope to make it as easy as possible for our friends to do business with us, and that the present unfavorable exchange conditions will shortly right themselves."

### ALLEGED HOLD-UP MEN ARRESTED IN WINNIPEG

Assault Chinaman Who Does Not Have Money Enough To Suit Them.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Winnipeg, Jan. 29.—Twelve alleged hold-up men who have been terrorizing citizens all winter with brutal and petty holdups, are under arrest tonight.

Members of the gang struck laundry over the head with the butt of a revolver because he did not have enough money. On other occasions Chinese laundrymen were tied to each other and beaten without mercy after being gagged. Police said autos were used by the gang.

### What's Doing Tonight?

THEATRES.  
Grand—"The Naughty Wife."  
Patricia—"William Russell in 'Sacred Silence,' and vaudeville."  
Majestic—Stanley Meredith, also Constantine Talmadge in "Happiness is a Mode."

OTHER EVENTS.  
Informal Dance—London Institute of Musical Art, 8:30 p.m.  
Skating Party—Auspices of Y.M.C.A., Westminster Rink.  
L. P. Smoker—Hyman Hall, 8 p.m.  
O. H. A. Hockey—Glencoe vs. Intermediates, Lyle street rink.  
Methodist National Supper—First Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m.  
Union Mothers' Club—Lord Roberts school, 8 p.m.  
St. George's R. A. Chapter—(Masonic) at home in Masonic Hall.

### C. P. R. LIKELY TO DOUBLE TRACK ROAD FROM HERE TO GUELPH JCT. DURING YEAR, OFFICIALS DECLARE

Plan Not Yet Approved by Head Office, But Need Is Urgent As Traffic Is Hampered—London To Windsor Probably Will Be Similarly Treated.

The double-tracking of the C. P. R. Railway between here and Guelph Junction will likely be included in the plans for the coming year, according to local officials of the road. Owing to the heavy traffic between here and Guelph, it is understood that it is essential that another track be laid to the junction during the coming summer. It is planned to have a double track between Toronto and Windsor during the next few years.

Not Yet Approved. The double-tracking of the 22 miles between here and Guelph would mean the expenditure of many thousands of dollars. So far the plan has not been approved by the head office of the road, but it is a common secret in railway circles that the company will do this work as soon as possible.

During the past few years the traffic between Toronto and Windsor has increased greatly, and the company has already double-tracked the section here between Toronto and Guelph. The traffic between here and Guelph has been greatly hampered during the past year or more by the single track between here and Guelph, and at times it has been exceedingly difficult to keep the freight traffic moving between these two points.

### SOLDIER CHAUFFEUR MAKES HIS WAY TO LONDON WITH CAR DESPITE SNOWDRIFTS BLOCKING THE ROADS

Drives His Auto Over Street Railway Route and Says the Roads of France Were Worse At Times.

"Where there's a will there's a way," goes an old adage, and the will of the motorist driver showed up at the Byron "San" found a way on Thursday afternoon to get his Red Cross bus to London, although the Pipe Line road was piled high with snow drifts and had not heard the honk of a motor car for weeks.

Mr. Chauffeur drove the machine to the Byron street car loop, and from there ambled the first to London.

### LLOYD GEORGE WILL SUGGEST REFERENDUM ON NATIONALIZATION

Coal Mines Question May Be Left To Electors To Decide.

London, Jan. 30.—Premier Lloyd George is about to offer the miners a proposition that a referendum of the 20,000,000 electors of Great Britain be taken on the question of the nationalization of the coal mines, it is asserted by the Evening Globe today.

### CANADA IS AWAITING BRITAIN'S ACTION ON ARMENIAN RELIEF

Sir Geo. Foster Knows Nothing of Reported \$5,000,000 Contribution.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—In reference to the report from Washington that Canada is expected to contribute \$5,000,000 for relief purposes in Central Europe, Sir George Foster, acting premier, stated last night that no definite decision had been reached. Canada, he said, was waiting to see what action would be taken by Britain and the United States before deciding upon the size of its contribution.