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THE LONDON ADVERTISER, LONDON, ONTARIO, TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 17, 1918. CANADIAN TROOPS OVERSEAS GROWING UNEASY BECAUSE OF SLOWNESS IN THE METHOD OF DEMOBILIZATION

St. Thomas City Solicitor Asks For Change in Assessment Laws-Sir Adam Beck Declares No \$20,000 Station If Assessed.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—The special committee of the Legislature to deal with matters of municipal assessment and questions of the application of the assessment act met today. Sir William Hearst said that the Government during the recess had made investigation into methods of assessment in other countries, and saw no reasons for any changes in the present act. There would be conferences between the Dominion and the provinces as to some questions of war taxation.

A bill regarding the taxing of the property of the London and Port Stanley wanted the assessment act changed so that the railway property could be taxed.

City Solicitor Doherty of St. Thomas said that the railway paid taxes before

Toronto, Dec. 17.—The special committee of the cut with the were restaurants and bathinghouses, etc., which he thought should pay taxes.

T. G. Meredith, solicitor, of London, opposed the taxation. The rail-way was a public utility and until London had taken it over and electrified it through the hydro, it was not a proposition of any account. Now St. Thomas and Port Stanley wanted to tax this line that benefitted them.

Sir Adam Beck also opposed the assessing of the properties of the railway. They had no value whatever till it was taken over. They proposed to build a \$20,000 station for it, but if they insisted on the application of the assessment act to it, they might keep the old shed they had.

The committee heard both parties' arguments.

CERTAINTY OF LLOYD GEORGE'S ELECTION CAUSED QUIETNESS TO REIGN THROUGHOUT CAMPAIGN SPARTACUS GROUP

The British Soldiers in France Showed Indifference Because FAILS IN EFFORT
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December 28. Returning from th the voting on Saturday is its extraordinary dullness. This, no doubt, was because all parties seem agreed that to be returned by a substantial majority, and, with the possible exception of labor, none of his opponents would well-come a different result. The country in fact, agreed that the man who made victory possible is best fitted to undertake reconstruction. Where divergence of opinion exists is over the character of the coalition behind him.

Women Outnumbered Men.

It is undoubtedly unfortunate that his Government is not more widely representative, especially of labor. All London papers agree that no basis is offered for an estimation of the result, because too many factors entered into the election. Firstly, there was the woman's vote, which on Saturday, by all accounts, outnumbered the men. Secondly, there was the aggressive labor campaign, whose measure of success can kes Canadians most about the abselect ampaign which closed with the abselect the voting on Saturday is its extraordinary dullness. This, no doubt, was because all parties seem agreed that because all parties seem agreed that Premier Lloyd George was certain to the premier Lloyd George was certain to the premier Lloyd George was certain to the premier that the premier was the sequent was the sequent to the proposed the proposed to the proposed

SUGGESTIONS FOR SENDING MAIL TO OVERSEAS SOLDIERS Presentations Were Made the

Sir Edward Kemp Sends Instructions to Canadian Militia Department.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—A telegram has been received by the militia department from Sir Edward Kemp, making a practical suggestion for the benefit of persons communicating with Canadian soldiers overseas during the period of demobilization. It is pointed out that during this period, owing to the movements of troops and changes in organization, difficulties will arise in delivering postal matter. The suggestion is that he name and address of the sender be learly written on the outside of all nvelopes and parcels addressed to dembers of the military forces of Canda. This will facilitate return to ender of any postal matter which it any prove impossible to deliver. The

BELGIUM'S DELEGATES



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AT INTIMIDATION

SOME WOMEN DELEGATES

Karl Liebknecht's Followers Create Great Uproar at Meeting.

DEFEAT FOR SPARTACUS PARTY.
Copenhagen, Dec. 17. — A general meeting of the independent Socialist party has decided that the party shall vote in favor of a national assembly. The Berlin correspondent of the Berlington of Copenhagen says this

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Later the chairman of the congress announced: "There is a comrade present who wishes to submit a communication." The newcomer announced that he represented 250,000 workmen who were then rathered outside the Diet building. He read a list of demands identical with the Spartacus program, including reten-

GERMAN SOLDIERS KILL

Berlin, Monday, Dec. 16—(By the Associated Press).—The central congress of delegates of soldiers' and workmen's councils, from many parts of Germany opened today in the building formerly used by the Prussian Diet. There were three women among the 450 delegates.

During the organization of the congress it became evident that the independent Socialists and the Spartacus group were greatly outnumbered. A significant development was that not one of the important posts in the congress was given to a deleg te from Berlin. The Spartacus group n ade a futile attempt to intimidate the congress. Early in the session a resolution was submitted that Dr. Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg, leaders of the Spartacus group, be invited to attend the congress as guests with advisory powers.

Resolution Defeated.

Presentation of the resolution caused a great tumult throughout the hall. The for Olympic Crew Halifax, N. S., Dec. 17.—Following the presentation yesterday to Captain Hayes and Chief Engineer Ferguson of

Hayes and Chief Engineer Ferguson of the Olympic, every officer and man in-cluded in the giant troopship's company was given a Christmas present each, comprising several useful and service-able articles. Upwards of eight hun-dred packages were distributed. The presentation was made the occasion for a gala day on the ship. Resolution Defeated.

Presentation of the resolution caused a great tumuit throughout the hall. The followers of Dr. Llebknecht and spectators in the gallery joined in the uproar which lasted twenty minutes and threatened to result in various fistic fights.

The resolution was then defeated, five

Christmas Presents

Buffalo, Dec. 17.—The arrival of the Spartacus program, including retention of all power by the soldiers' and workmen's council, no national assembly and the formation of a red guard. This

res of the military lotters and in the formation of a red guard. This of any postal matter which it may get impossible to deliver. The in Great Britain is being asked the press and by other means, the similar precautions.

There are 118 vessels in the winter storage fleet carrying 38,227,000 bushels, two-thirds of which is wheat. In the elevators today were 14,723,000 bushels, including 8,900,000 bushels of wheat, 1, including 8,900,000 bushels of oats, 1,093,000 of bar-from a window. Brussels, Dec. 17.—The Belgian Government announces that its delegation to the peace congress will be composed of Paul Hymans, minister for foreign affairs, and former minister in London: Emile Vanderveide, minister of justice and Socialit leader, and Baron Van Den Zuvel, Belgian minister ter at the Vatican and former minister of justice.

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Must Pay In Advance!

The Government has required all publishers to carry only such subscriptions as are paid in advance. The London Advertiser has been among the few papers which extended credit to subscribers, and now is obliged to ask all readers to co-operate in order to comply with the regulations.

SEE THE DATE ON THE LABEL OF YOUR PAPER, and that it indicates that your subscription is paid in advance.

Enemy's Advance On the Asserien Front Has Been Stopped -Allied Support Strengthens Spirit of the Esthonians.

Stockholm, Monday, Dec. 16.-An English squadron has bombarded Bolshevik positions along the southern coast of the Gulf of Finland, according to an official statement issued from the Esthonian army headquarters. Bolshevist forces have been repulsed, according to the report. The text of the statement

"An English squadron in the Gulf of Finland bombarded front and rear positions held by Bolshevist forces. The enemy's advance on the Asserien front has been stopped. The mobilization of the Esthonian army is progressing satisfactorily and allied support is strengthening the spirit of the people."

GERMAN JUVENILES TO GO ON STRIKE IF ASSEMBLY FAILS TO MEET DEMANDS

late, whose word is law in Ireland, outside of Ulster. So great is his power side of Ulster. So great is his power that the Nationalists have abandoned that the Nationalists have abandoned some state of Berlin that the Nationalists have abandoned some state of Berlin that the Nationalists have abandoned some state of the Sinn that the Nationalists have abandoned some state of Berlin that the Nationalists have a state of Berlin that the Nationalists have a state of Berlin that

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CANADIAN OFFICERS REACH NEW YORK ABOARD CARONIA

Parties of Returned Men.

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Nevada Went Dry at Midnight Hour

Rene Cabarets and Bars Filled to Last Minute.

Reno, Nev., Dec. 17.—When the midnight hour struck tonight, Nevada went dry, and there appeared to be little unusual demonstration in Reno. Cabarets wants Affairs Fully

VON MACKENSEN IS

Action Follows Demand Made

pest. The Hungarian Government is reported to have informed the German TWO MEN BURN TO leader that his internment was de-manded by the Allies.

Other dispatches received here from Hungary say the Rumanians have disarmed and interned the rearguard of Field Marshal von Mackensen's

GERMANY'S WHITE **BOOK WILL TELL** OF WAR'S ORIGIN

Printer in Few Weeks.

New York, Dec. 17.—The British steamships Prinzess Juliana and Caronia, bringing small contingents of military, naval and civilian contingents from England and France, came into port today. The Caronia's passengers were largely Canadian, Australian and American officers. Among the latter were Naval Lieuts. J. Fulcher of Frisco, N. C., and N. L. Muller of Cakland, Cal, who spent 45 days as prisoners aboard the German submarine Deutschland. The two men, officers aboard the army freighter Ticonderoga, torpedoed September 30, were among the few survivors of what they termed ruthless attacks by the U-boat

tria at the time the war began. FAVORS PROBING OF **OPERATIONS OF THE** PROHIBITION ACT

Wants Affairs Fully Investigated.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 17.—A declaration favoring an immediate investigation of operations in British Columbia of the prohibition act was made yesterday by John Nelson, president of the People's Prohibition association.

Sentiment among officials of the People's Prohibition organization is decidedly opposed to dropping the matter with the disposition of the case against two disposition of the case against the disposition o

DEATH IN LODGING-HOUSE AT SYRACUSE

Fire of Unknown Origin Has Disastrous WHO REFUSE TO WORK

Zurich, Dec. 17.—German soldiers at Cracow are reported to have fired upon Russian prisoners who refused to work, cilling six and wounding seven, according to the Stuttgart Tageblatt. It is stated that the incident occurred sing to the Stuttgart Tageblatt. It is stated that the incident occurred sing to the Stuttgart Tageblatt. It is stated that the incident occurred since the signing of the armistice between the signing of the armistic between the death and five others Quebec. The clear Quebec. The portion of th Results.

JADRON BOMBARDS Canadian Soldiers Becoming Dissatisfied With Slowness Of Overseas Demobilization

RESIGNS AS PROTEST AGAINST UNION GOVT.



BREAKS OUT IN BULGARIA

British Steamships Bring Back Documents Will Be Ready For Report Reaches Berlin by Way of Hungary.

> Amsterdam, Dec. 17. - A revolution has broken out in Bulgaria, according to information received by the Lokal Anzeiger from Bulgaria by way of Hungary.

Steamer Regina Is Carrying Big Party for London District

Halifax, Dec. 17 .- The steamer Re gina from London December 12 is ex- Elected to Succeed Dr. Paes, pected to arrive here December 21, with 41 officers and 2,039 other ranks. The Ontario men in the list are as fol-London, 2 officers, 236 other ranks;
Toronto, 3 officer; Kingston, 4 officers,
374 other ranks.
The Essequibo is expected to arrive here December 19, and to have 36 officers and 559 other ranks, together with 6 nursing sisters.

Lisbon, Portugal, Cantov Castro has been of Portugal in Sidonio Paes, who late Saturday night.

New York, Dec. Paes, the late presidents of the president of the preside

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 41; lowest, 25.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 35; lowest, 26. TOMORROW-FAIR AND COLD. Toronto, Dec. 17-8 a.m. Forecasts.

much change in temperature.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours workers to 8 a.m. today: Victoria algary Winnipeg
Port Arthur...
Parry Sound...
Buffalo

Major-General A. D. McRae, in Interview Today Declares That Present Demobilization Plans Are Faulty Because of Wire-Pulling and Favoritism-Some of Men Will Not Be Home For Christmas, 1919 Unless Methods Improve.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—Much uneasiness is felt among Canadian soldiers overseas, who contend that the present demobilization plans are entirely too slow, said Major-Gen. A. D. McRae, former quartermaster-general of the Canadian forces, and recently chief of staff of the British ministry of information, who reached Montreal today from overseas. At present there are approximately 285,000 Canadian soldiers overseas, with between 60,000 and 70,000 soldiers' dependents, making a total of 350,000," said Gen. McRae. After making due allowance for loss of time in transportation, etc., the average movement will not much exceed 30,000 per month, according to present arrangements, so that it will roughly require one year to take home the soldiers and their dependents now overseas, and it may be expected that some Canadians will not be intended to the condition they now have to deal with."

General McRae said the present demobilization scheme lent itself to all sorts of wire-pulling and favoritism. He favored bringing home the men in units with their flags flying and bands playing.

A readjustment in Canada's present personnel of permanent forces must take place, claimed General Mclaee who said: "The general feeling amoons"

iers and dependents in the next eight take place, claimed

"Unless our soldiers and dependents by verseas are returned expeditiously nuch dissatisfaction must be expected, for not among their relations in Canada, at least among themselves. It is felt overseas that Canada should not be called upon to do police duty, but rather that that should be left to the Americans who have experienced few of the casualties of war and to the other nations who necessarily must maintain standing armies.

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SEARCHING FOR

Man Charged With Murder

Says He Can Substantiate

His Statements.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Detectives are her today looking for the mysterious "Gold

berg," who Milo H. Piper asserts can

in Piper's name several months befor

mation which set the Chicago dilicers at work came from C. C. Palmer, chief of police of Canton, Ill., whose message to Sheriff Carl A. Stuffer at Muskegon was transmitted here. It read:

"Goldberg's office, 632 Webster Building, Chicago. Was there Saturday."

The office indicated is that of an eastern magazine firm. The detectives

ern magazine firm. The detect learned that forty employees are gaged as solicitors, none of the nam Goldberg. They are checking up firm's record to learn whether a so

her murder and burial near Muskeg Mich., in September, 1916. The infa mation which set the Chicago officers

substantiate his statement that one

MAN "GOLDBERG"

KING ATTENDS DETECTIVES ARE

FIRST SHOW IN 4 YEARS

British Monarch Selects

Lively Performance. London, Dec. 10—(Correspondence).— Until armistice week, King George had not been inside a theatre since the out-break of the war, and not partaken of intoxicants since 1915. On the night of intoxicants since 1915. On the high the signing of the armistice he had champagne with his dinner, and after perusing a long list of theatrical attractions he selected something lively—one of the most popular "girl" shows, which he seemed to enjoy.

ADMIRAL CASTRO IS PORTUGAL'S PRES.

Who Was Assassinated.

Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 17,—Admiral Cantoy Castro has been elected presi-dent of Portugal in succession to Dr. who was assassinat here December 19, and to have 36 of ficers and 559 other ranks, together with 6 nursing sisters.

She will bring 7 officers and 214 other ranks for Kingston, Ont., and small numbers for each Canadian district.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during

BURNED BY MOB

Moderate east and northeast winds; fair today and on Wednesday; not Five Persons Killed in Rioting in Streets.

> Odessa, Friday, Dec. 13-(By the Associated Press) .- Serious rioting occur-Cloudy red here last night, when elements op-Cloudy posed to the Hetman of the Ukraine burned the city prison. Five persons were killed. Eight hundred prisoners, most of them adherents of Hetman's regime, were released.

for of that name was employed there at the time the Chicago girl left on her automobile honeymoon trip with Piper. ARCHDUKE NAMED TO SUCCEED FORMER **AUSTRIAN MONARCH**

Socialists Intend To Take Sharp Measures to Prevent Crowning.

Copenhagen, Dec. 17.—At a monarchist meeting in Vienna yesterday, which was attended by a number of generals, Archduke Maximilian, brother of former Emperor Charles, was nominated as the successor to the crown.

The Socialists, a dispatch from Vienna adds, intend to take sharp weakings against the Monarchists.

leasures against the Monarchists CHANGE IN PERSONNEL OF ITALIAN DELEGATION TO PEACE CONFERENCE

Rome, Dec. 17.—Changes have been made in the personnel of the Italian delegation to the peace conference, which was unofficially announced recently, according to the Tribuna. That newspaper says that the representatives of this country at Versailles will be Premier Orlando, Foreign Minister Sonnino, Francisco Saverio-Nitti, minister of the Itreasury; Leonida Dissolati-Bergamaschie leader of the reform Socialists and