

ITALIAN LABOR TROUBLES.

Barricades erected by Government forces in Milan, Italy as protection against the striking Communists.

## SHORT ITEMS OF THE NEWS OF THE WORLD

Plumbers in Vancouver strike for \$8 a day.

Wm. Groves, more than 100 years of age, died at Rentrew.

Some dealers predict a turkey shortage for Thanksgiving.

McGill University is about to launch a campaign for \$5,000,000.

Mrs. Wm. Adams, of New Waterford, N.S., has strangely disappeared.

Toronto Board of Control will ask Drury for rent regulation legislation.

Lawyer applies for a habeas corpus writ in "desertion from service" case.

Dutch steamship companies are merging to extend Holland's marine trade.

Frank Merritt, 71 years old, of Weiland, was fined \$1,000 for breach of the O. T. A.

The death is announced of C. N. Williamson, the novelist, at Bath, England.

The American Shipping Board steamer, Dacan, is ashore at Trepassy Harbor, Nfld.

The French Government is inquiring into reported Bolshevik loans to French papers.

Thirty-three delegates will motor from London to the Brotherhood convention at Washington.

The League of German Women will not send delegates to the International Congress at Christiania.

Negotiations between the Norwegian Government and Litvinoff, the Bolshevik agent, have been broken off.

In haste to recover his hat, Willard Tippet, of Peterboro, stepped from a moving motor car and was fatally hurt.

Robert Simpson, assessment commissioner, announced that the population of Sarnia is 13,870, a gain of 1,221.

Mr. William Henry Rogers, an esteemed resident of Cobourg for the past thirty years, dropped dead in Victoria Park.

It is reported from Geneva that Britain will submit to the Brussels Financial Conference a plan for an international loan to Germany.

The seven teachers of the Prince of Wales' College, Prince Edward Island's Normal College, walked out, demanding about \$30 a week salary.

John Brick, aged 66, succumbed to burns received in a silo fire in Ennismore township, in which a fourteen-year-old boy, Edward Corkery, perished.

Mr. Frank Wakelin, on the 13th Concession of Brock, near Cannington, had his barns and contents destroyed by fire on Monday night. Cause unknown.

The will of the late Jacob Kauffman, manufacturer, of Kitchener, has been filed for probate and shows the total value of the estate left to be \$911,674.00.

Some time between Sunday and Monday morning, Robert Thompson's store on Wallace street, Listowel, was broken into and a large quantity of merchandise stolen.

The C. P. O.S. liner Empress of Britain reported having passed outside Belle Isle Straits two very large bergs and a group of others, 65 in number, and all of them large.

Ill luck has befallen the St. John-built vessel. Lloyd's Agency announces the total loss of the steamer, War Fundy, at Grundkollgrund, in the Gulf of Bosnia.

Burglars broke into Mr. Fred Brandon's store on the main street of Cannington last night and stole about \$1,000 worth of dry goods and clothing. Three suspects are under arrest in Toronto.

By a tremendous majority of the ratepayers of Oakville passed the by-law to provide for the building of a new \$15,000 fire hall. There was only a light vote polled—212 for the by-law and 30 against.

Rev. Prof. C. V. Pilcher, M. A., B.D., has been appointed permanent professor of Old Testament Literature at Wycliffe College. Rev. W. R. R. Armitage, M. A., will act as tutor in New Testament Greek.

Fire totally destroyed the barns of Dr. Alfred Morren, V.S., Barrie, together with contents, including his automobile and a fine pair of hounds. The loss is approximately \$5,000, with but small insurance.

Fourteen-year-old Douglas Tobin, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tobin, Sarnia, was instantly killed as the result of a collision he had with a heavily loaded wagon while he was riding a bicycle.

Six or seven members of the staff of the Prince of Wales' College, a P.E.I. Government institution, have resigned because the Government did not meet their demands for a 33 1/3 per cent. increase of salary.

Brantford Great War Veterans have protested to the Attorney-General the appointment of W. M. Charlton as Crown Attorney for Brant, and the rejection of ex-service lawyers who were applicants for the post.

The towns of Hespeler and Preston are both growing. Assessment returns just given out show that the former has a population of 3,028, a gain of 50, while the latter has 5,377 inhabitants, 150 more than in 1919.

Five children of Edward Nelson, ranging in age from five to fourteen years, were burned to death when fire destroyed Nelson's farm home near Merdill, Wis. The children were asleep upstairs. The parents whose bedroom was downstairs escaped.

Trial of Jules W. ("Nicky") Arnstein, charged with grand larceny and receiving stolen property in connection with Wall Street bond thefts was set for October 25 by Justice Mulqueen in the New York Court of General Sessions.

A unique ceremony was held in the City Hall, Niagara Falls, when William ("Red") Hill, a veteran river man, was presented with his third bronze medal of the Royal Canadian Humane Society Medal. Hill is the only man in the British Empire to be awarded three medals.

## NEW SCHEME OF ROUTE TO SEA

Would Be An All-Canadian Route, And Joint Body Cannot Consider It.

Ottawa, Oct. —The proposal to provide a route for ocean-going ships from Montreal to the Great Lakes, by way of the Ottawa River to a short distance below Ottawa and then through a deep water canal across to the St. Lawrence at Cardinal, was laid before the International Joint Waterways Commission when it opened its session here this afternoon. The members of the commission present were: Hon. A. Powell, St. John, N.B., acting chairman; Sir William Hearst, representing Canada; Senator C. Gardner and Senator C. D. Clarke, representing the United States. The plan was submitted by John Bingham, president of the Ottawa Board of Trade, and Noulan Cauchon, consulting engineer.

The advantage claimed for this route as against deepening of St. Lawrence River canal system, are that it would be much less expensive; there will be no great engineering difficulties to be overcome; there would be fewer locks, and it would reclaim 2,000 square miles of farm lands in Eastern Ontario now in swamps. These advantages, it was claimed, would more than offset the greater distance the boats would have to travel.

It was further argued that it would be an all-Canadian route, free from international complications. It was estimated that it would be cheaper by nearly \$100,000,000 than the St. Lawrence River scheme.

In regard to the power possibilities of the St. Lawrence route, it was claimed that Canada could not make use of it at present, and consequently it would be conveyed to the United States. It would be better to develop the St. Lawrence power from time to time as it was required. The commissioners were deeply interested in the proposal, but pointed out that as it was a purely Canadian project, the international body was hardly the right one to consider it.

## WHEAT AND CORN AGAIN IN SLUMP

Reach New Low Levels On Chicago Market.

Corn Slump Carries Down Hog Prices.

Chicago, Oct. —Wheat and corn to-day repeated yesterday's tendencies and declined three to six cents more a bushel to new low levels on the Chicago market. Oats, barley and rye also declined, but to no great extent.

Coincident with the wheat reductions came announcement from Minneapolis of further reductions in the price of grain. The price of wheat fell to \$1.90 to \$1.11 a barrel, in carload lots. Corn declines carried down the price of hogs—"finished corn"—and the top was \$15.85, with the average nearer \$15.

December delivery of wheat closed to-day at \$1.89 1/2, compared with yesterday's \$1.95, and December corn ended the day with 84 3/8, compared with 86 cents yesterday, and \$1.11 7/8 a year ago.

Corn for October delivery closed at 89 1/2, a cent and a half under yesterday, and far below the \$1.40 quoted a year ago.

## VENGEANCE GANG IS FOUND GUILTY

Egyptian Anti-British Murder League Tried.

Blamed for Many Assassinations.

Cairo, Oct. —Twenty-five members of the so-called "Vengeance Gang," alleged to be an anti-British society organized to conduct assassinations of political personages, have been convicted of conspiracy by a court before which they had been on trial for several weeks. The sentences will be promulgated later. Four of the accused persons were acquitted.

Among those convicted was Abdul Rahman Bey Fahmy, former Provisional Governor, and at one time a servant of the executive. He was charged with being a member of the "Vengeance Gang," and also with incitement to murder.

## CUBA'S CANE CROP

Havana, Cuba, Oct. — Prediction that Cuba's cane crop would be inferior to the one of 1919, and that its product would not reach the market before February 1922, was made in a bulletin issued last night by the sales commission which represents holders of a considerable portion of this year's unsold crop.

## SNIPING FROM DUBLIN CHURCH

Soldiers Shooting at Him Alarm Neighbors.

Dublin, Oct. —Roused by the sharp cracks of rifles and machine guns, residents of Cork, near the Capuchin Church, hustled from the upper rooms of their homes into the cellars early to-day as bullets sang overhead. The fire was directed against the church by soldiers who had spotted a sniper. An official statement said that the soldiers were fired upon and merely returned the fire. The church itself bears the marks of many bullets.

The soldiers made raid after raid in Dublin to-day. One of the places broken into was the Redmond headquarters. There were no arrests. No arms nor ammunition were found. At Wexford, the Mayor, the Registrar and a merchant were arrested in a military raid on a Sinn Fein Arbitration Court.

The Freeman's Journal is authority for the statement that Chief Inspector Smythe, of the Royal Irish Constabulary, has gone to Belfast to organize the Ulster Volunteers.

On the arrival in Dublin this morning of the mails from the provinces, and from England, a military party entered the central sorting station and carried away all the letters. Business men, inquiring for their mail, were informed that the military authorities had all of it, but that delivery would take place after the letters had been examined. A similar method of obtaining information already has been employed by the Government in other Irish centres.

Another sensational raid was conducted in the city during business hours to-day, when armed men held up and robbed the Richmond street branch of the Provincial Bank. They carried off £2800 and escaped.

The residents of Cork had another terrifying experience early this morning. The cause of the trouble was a brush between the military and unidentified persons, who fired on curfewpatrols. The patrols replied with heavy fusillades of machine guns, sweeping all areas with searchlights.

Armed bands attacked the police barracks at Skibberin last evening, taking prisoner 15 policemen and seizing arms and ammunition. The barracks was burned. There were no casualties.

## ISOLATES GRIP; TO GIVE REMEDY

Paris, Oct. —Dr. Du Jaric de la Riviere told the Paris Council of Public Hygiene and Health to-day that he has practically isolated the microbe of grip. He describes it as an ultramicrobe of filtering virus organism not larger than a ten-thousandth of a millimetre and so small that the most powerful microscopes cannot detect it in the liquids in which it lives.

By a process of successive filtrations, Dr. Du Jaric has isolated the microbes without seeing them in the blood of sick people, and has re-infected monkeys. He says he expects to have a definite cure before winter, when an epidemic similar to that of 1918 is predicted.

## FARM CONDITIONS

New Fall Wheat Fair—Threshing Results Good.

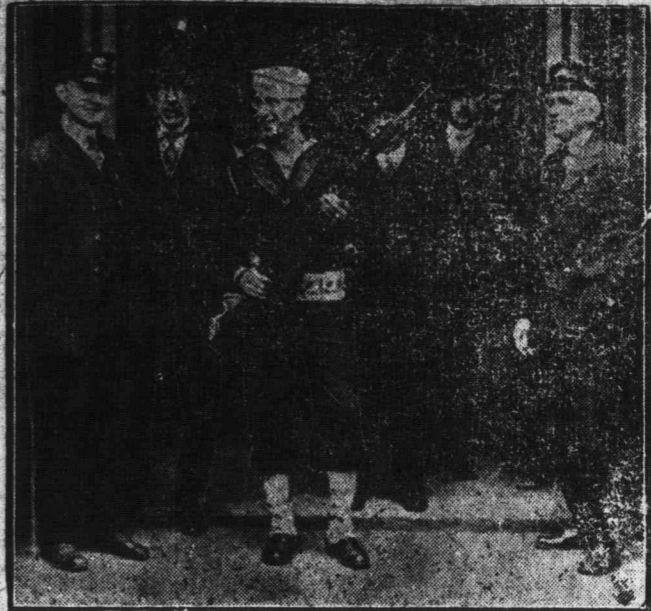
The following is a summary of the weekly reports made by the Agricultural Representatives to the Ontario Department of Agriculture:

The milk flow was somewhat reduced by the unusually warm weather of the latter part of September, but is about normal for the season.

Little pigs are bringing from \$16 to \$18 a pair in Brant. The recent action of a number of milk powder plants in western Ontario, which have shut down or have changed operations in handling their milk, has caused dairy farmers to again look upon swine raising with favor. Bacon hogs are now selling at from \$20 to \$25.50 a cwt.

The new fall wheat is said to be looking in fair condition, generally speaking. All grains except spring wheat continue to show well in the threshing—better than was estimated at harvesting. The quality is also good as a rule.

A man told the Willesden magistrate that out of a wage of £3 0s, 4d, he gave his wife £3 and kept the fourpence for himself.



HOW UNCLE SAM "D OLLS UP" HIS GUARDS.

Entrance to the New York Customs House, guarded since the Wall Street explosion. The group consists of a coast guard, customs inspectors, and federal detectives.

## Call Down Germany Over Aid to Poland

Paris, Oct. —The Council of Ambassadors yesterday despatched a note to Germany demanding the immediate release of the ships loaded with munitions for Poland which are being held in the Kiel Canal by the German authorities. The note specifically mentions the Danish ship Dorrit, but there are two other ships which also are being held.

Germany has taken the position that she is neutral in the Russo-Polish war, and that therefore she could not permit the passage of the ships, which are destined for Danzig. The Ambassadors point out in their note that Germany's attitude constitutes a direct violation of the treaty of Versailles, inasmuch as the treaty specifies that the Kiel Canal is a free waterway for all nations of the world.

The note is couched in the strongest terms, and leaves no room for further discussion on the part of Germany.

## THINK BURNING OF BISMARCK A BIT OF GERMAN TREACHERY

Inter-Allied Commission Will Probe Loss of Giant Ship.

Paris, Oct. —The Inter-Allied Commission in Berlin will be requested to investigate the circumstances of the burning at Hamburg of the German steamship Bismarck, which was building at a shipyard in the port of Hamburg, and was to have been delivered to the Allies under the terms of the peace treaty. Berlin despatches on Tuesday announced the burning

of the Bismarck which was to have been a steamer of 56,000 gross tons, nearly 2,000 more than the tonnage of the Vaterland, now the Leviathan, which would have made her the world's largest steamer, and added that no explanation was given in the Hamburg advices as to the cause of the fire.

The Bismarck had been virtually completed and would have been surrendered to the Inter-Allied Naval Commission within a few weeks, according to the provisions of the treaty of Versailles.

The French Government will also ask Germany for explanations regarding the burning of the Bismarck, the foreign Office stated to-day.

## SOVIETS EAGER TO GIVE TERMS

Moscow Ready to Meet All Demands.

Famine Ahead Far Worse Than Recent One.

Paris, Oct. —In comment to-day upon the successes of the Poles and General Wrangel against the Russian Soviet troops, the opinion was expressed by the French Foreign Office that the situation of the Soviet Government had never been so precarious as it was at present.

The Soviet authorities, it was declared, had never been as ready as now to make concessions, as was shown by their present eagerness to fulfill the agreement entered into at Copenhagen between the French Government and the Moscow Government for the repatriation of French citizens from Russia. Previously great reluctance has been displayed by the Moscow officials to carry on the undertaking.

The French Government, while the Polish drive was at the height of its success, however, informed Moscow that it would take such measures as it deemed necessary if all French subjects were not permitted to leave Russia before October 1st. Several hundred of these reached Paris last night on a special train, and 500 more crossed the Finnish frontier yesterday.

In interior Russia, the Foreign Of-

fice advices showed, it was said, that the situation was desperate owing to the threatened famine, which it was predicted would make the two previous winters seem to have been seasons of abundance by comparison.

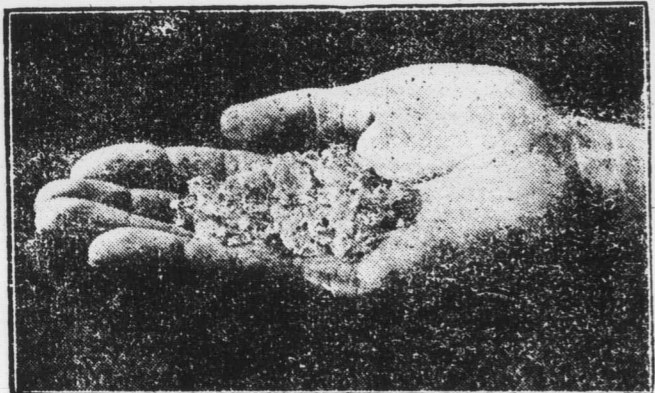
## PLAN TO CLIMB MOUNT EVEREST

London, Oct. —A plan to climb the highest mountain peak in the world, Mount Everest, is under consideration by a committee of the Royal Geographical Society and the Alpine Club. The mountain's height is 29,002 feet.

To ascend Mount Everest it probably will be necessary for the party to approach the mountain by way of Tibet and thus reach a side of the peak that can be ascended part way at least. Exploration by white men is not permitted in Nepal, which surrounds part of the base of the mountain.

## FUEL CONTROL LIKELY SOON

Ottawa, Oct. —Regulations designed to control the fuel situation in view of a possible coal shortage during the winter months are under consideration by the Board of Railway Commissioners. It is likely that they will be formally adopted and promulgated within the next day or two.



A FORTUNE IN THIS HAND.

On the palm of this man's hand are \$150,000 worth of diamonds, cut and set. The picture was taken at an establishment in Brighton, England, where 500 partly disabled soldiers are now employed.



EXPELLED SOCIALIST ASSEMBLYMEN.

The five socialists who for the second time have been expelled from the New York Legislature. Left to right, they are: Samuel Orr, August Claessens, Louis Waldeman, Samuel de Wit, and Charles Solomon.