

FRANCE IS STRONG FOR LEAGUE

ANARCHISTS HAVE BEGUN A COUNTER REVOLUTION

Overthrow Spartacans and Seize Control of Big City.

MEANWHILE SPARTACANS ARE
GAINING STRENGTH

BERLIN, Feb. 27. (By John Graudenz).—Anarchists, charging that the Spartacans are too conservative, have started a counter revolution in Germany. Reports from Dusseldorf to-day stated that anarchists had overthrown the Spartacans and seized control of the city.

Dusseldorf had only recently passed into the hands of the Spartacans.

Meanwhile the Spartacan soviet revolution has spread to all parts of the country. New uprisings, strikes and riots were reported in Saxony, Bavaria, the Rhineland and the Ruhr district.

Weimar, the present seat of government, has been cut off from Berlin. No information could be obtained to-day as to what is transpiring in Weimar. A special government train which left Weimar for Berlin on Tuesday night started by way of Leipzig but was forced to make several additional detours as the crew learned that stations ahead had been captured by the Spartacans.

The miners and industrial workers in the Halle region Saxony, have joined the Spartacans and that entire country is reported to be paralyzed. The soviet government in Munich has threatened to execute ten prominent citizens if the German government sends Prussian troops against Bavaria. The congress of workmen, soldiers and peasants' councils there to-day demanded that the assembly become a provisional national council. A deputation representing 5000 workmen, urged the proclamation of a soviet republic, opening a diplomatic relations with the Russian bolshevik government and annulment of all state debts.

The German government is reported to be divided as to what steps shall be taken to suppress the revolution. Some members demand the employment of force, while others counsel compromise. Military Governor Noske demands that the Reichstag (National Assembly) immediately authorize 200,000 additional militia. On the other hand President Ebert is understood

to favor the establishment of a national soviet as the lower legislative branch of the government, probably replacing the Bundesrat.

The remarkable situation, the first time the constitutional head of a government has offered recognition to the soviet—is the result it is said, of Ebert's belief that the Spartacans cannot be crushed and that they must be recognized or else the country will be overwhelmed with disorder.

The new revolution has reached a point where decisive action must be taken immediately, one way or the other, and an announcement of a definite government policy is expected hourly.

DR. MUEHLON REACHES
MUNICH

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Dr. Wilhelm Muehlon, former Director of Krupp works, has arrived in Munich, and is negotiating with Socialist leaders there, with view to forming a new Bavarian cabinet.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 27.—A soviet republic has been proclaimed throughout Saxony, according to dispatches from Berlin to-day. All railway traffic has been halted in that state. A general strike also was reported in Leipzig.

PARLIAMENTARY SPECIAL
STOPPED

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—The Parliamentary special for Weimar, which left Berlin yesterday, has been stopped at Leipzig. It is reported that the government courier, who left here Tuesday night, has not yet arrived at Weimar.

Important problems confronting the lumber industry will receive the attention of the Lumber Dealers' Association of Connecticut meeting in annual session today at New Haven. One thousand farmers and breeders of Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota are expected in Sioux City today for the annual convention of the Interstate Farmers and Breeders' Association. Memphis is to be the meeting place of the annual session of the Jefferson Davis Highway Association.

sharing the honors with the seamen from H.M.S. George V.

ROYAL PROCESSION DOWN
AISLE

After the ceremony, there was a procession of the royal family down the aisle of the historic cathedral. It was led by the Duke of Connaught and Queen Mary, King George and Queen Mother Alexandra, and former King Manuel, of Portugal, and his wife, who was formerly Princess Augustine Victoria of Hohenzollern. Peers and peeresses followed.

France Wants Buffer State on the Rhine

FAILING TO BE AWARDED
WESTERN BANK

PARIS, Feb. 27. (By Fred S. Ferguson).—The creation of a "buffer" state between France and Germany, by making the Rhineland provinces self-governing, was discussed by peace delegations to-day. This project, which is still in a formative stage, was introduced during the debate on the question of the boundaries of enemy countries.

France, being the only country not protected from Germany by a natural barrier, is still clinging to the idea that the Rhine should constitute its eastern frontier. The proposition for establishment of a "buffer" state was presented as a compromise.

This arrangement, it is understood, would be temporary, the new state being permitted to decide its own future by a plebiscite as soon as Germany had made full reparation.

The next plenary session of the peace conference will, it was said to-day, probably take place the middle of next month, when all the special committees will present their reports.

Especially rapid progress is being made by the committees on reparation and responsibility for the war, it is understood.

A HOLD UP REPORTED? AN
ARREST

A hold-up said to have occurred on King Street between Pandora Ave. and Cameron Streets last night is reported to-day but the authorities were reticent to-day to verify the



Princess Patricia of Connaught, whose marriage takes place to-day (February 27th).

Solemn Requiem Mass For Late Statesman

Celebrated at St. Mary's
Church

PROMINENT CITIZENS WERE
IN ATTENDANCE.

Solemn requiem mass for the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier was celebrated in St. Mary's Church at eight thirty o'clock this morning. The services which were very impressive, were attended by many including prominent and representative men and women from the Twin Cities.

The celebrant at the mass was Rev. Father T. Spetz, D.D.C.R. Rev. Father C. Kieffer and Rev. Father W. Klopper were the deacon and subdeacon respectively. The services included the regular gregorian requiem which was chanted by the St. Jerome's College choir, led by Prof. J. Roche. Mr. S. Meininger was the organist. A feature of the choir's part was a duet by Prof. Roche and Mr. Lucy.

The catafalque at the front of the sanctuary was specially adorned for the occasion. A big Union Jack was spread over it and ferns adorned it.

Among the attendants were members of the Knights of Columbus and the Mayor and members of the City Council; the former left the Knights of Columbus quarters at 8.15 o'clock and proceeded in a body to the church; the Mayor and aldermen assembled at the City Hall at the same hour and also proceeded in a body to the church. Other bodies represented were the Water Commission; Light Commission; Public School Board; City Planning Commission; the Collegiate Board; the Collegiate Institute; the Public Library Board; the Waterloo Town Council; the Daughters of the Empire and the Red Cross Society. Prominent business men, including manufacturers, financial and professional men were present. The Sisters, and pupils of St. Mary's school also attended.

Late this afternoon an arrest of a young man was made by the police but no statement on the charge was given out.

CLEMENCEAU IS BACK ON HIS
JOB

PARIS Feb. 27.—Premier Clemenceau resumed his official tasks at the Ministry of War this morning.



Commander, the Hon. Alexander Robert Maule Ramsay, who weds Princess Patricia of Connaught to-day, February 27th.

***** TEXAS FAMILY'S WAR
RECORD IS PROBABLY WITHOUT
AN EQUAL *****

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 26.—Of 12 brothers who entered the service, eight have been killed in action, one has lost an arm and a leg, another had both arms amputated, still another lost an arm, and the last has been reported wounded. This is the war record of the family of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. & Gilson, San Antonio, Texas.

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General Bliss Replies To Irish Invitations

DUBLIN WISHED TO HONOR
AMERICA

DUBLIN, Feb. 27.—General Bliss has sent Sean O'Kelly, representative of the provisional Irish republic in Paris, the first acknowledgment of the memorial addressed to all peace delegates by the Irish government, it was announced in a dispatch received here to-day.

O'Kelly, according to the dispatch, denied the statement published in certain American newspapers that the object of the Dublin municipality in inviting President Wilson to accept the freedom of the city was to embarrass him. He said the city's sole object was to honor the President and the American people.

Ukrainian Republic Gets Recognition

WILL APPEAR AT PEACE CON-
FERENCE

GENEVA, Feb. 27.—The Allies have formally recognized the Ukrainian republic and agreed in Ukraine's participation in the peace negotiations as an entente ally, it was announced by the Ukrainian bureau here to-day.

18 Italian Towns Were Damaged by Slides

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF
PROPERTY DESTROYED

MESSINA, Italy, Feb. 27.—Eighteen towns, between Tortorici and Castellumberto, have been damaged and scores of farms wiped out by landslides resulting from heavy rains, according to advices received here to-day. There has been no loss of life, owing to the fact that the inhabitants were warned in advance. The property damage is estimated at millions of dollars.

German Delegates Have Gone Home

GENEVA Feb. 27.—Swiss newspapers print a Berlin dispatch says that owing to sudden suspension of the armistice negotiations at Spa, German delegates have returned home and Hindenburg and Ludendorff are expected in Berlin shortly. There is no confirmation of this news from other sources.

Ontario Cabinet May be Reorganized Says Star

Rumored Hearst May
Drop Out.

AND HON DR CODY SUCCEEDED
HIM

TORONTO Feb. 27.—In reference to an Ontario Conservative caucus here today the Star (Liberal) says rumors are that the party may be seriously disrupted on Prohibition and other questions and that the cabinet may be reorganized with a new leader and premier. The name of Hon. Dr. Cody, present Minister of Education is being most prominently mentioned in this connection.

Babe Suffocated In An Unknown Way

INQUEST INTO CASE OF IN-
FANT FOUND ON STREET
IS CONCLUDED.

"That from the evidence submitted the child lived when born, that it was fully developed and robust and that cause of death was suffocation, in some unknown way."

The foregoing was the verdict of the jury which met yesterday afternoon in the old Council chamber, in a resumed session of inquiry into the death of the babe which was found at the corner of water and Abena streets on Saturday, Feb. 15th.

No evidence was taken at the resumed sitting. Coroner Dr. F.H. Kallfelsh stated to the jury men in opening the proceedings that no new facts had been brought to light. Crown Attorney D.S. Bowdell informed the jury that a Hespeler woman, who arrived here on the morning when the babe was found, had been detained but investigation had revealed the fact that she was not implicated in the case. She had been released. Nothing new in the way of evidence had been obtained.

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After the presentation of the jury's verdict and the formal discharge of the jury, Coroner Dr. Kallfelsh was congratulated by one of the jurymen for the satisfactory way in which he conducted the inquest.

Employers & Employees Met Together To-day

IN LONDON, IN NATION-
WIDE CONGRESS

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The first nation-wide congress of capital and labor was held in Central Hall to-day, in an attempt to work out a program that will avoid threatened industrial warfare. The Labor representatives in the congress are members of the regular trade union.

While this meeting was going on, the miners representatives were holding a conference to determine the exact date of their strike, which has already been voted by a referendum.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Laborites adopted an aggressive and definite attitude towards the government and capitalists when the industrial congress opened here to-day. It was the first time that British labor and capital were ever jointly represented in a nationwide conference. One delegate declared there will be a revolution if the demands of the workers are not fully granted.

Others counselled an official conference on economic and social matters. J. Thomas, Labor Leader, said the workers had made up their minds to procure an increasing share in the wealth produced. He said he foresaw the greatest task in the world and that he hoped the changes in Great Britain would be accomplished peacefully. The workers, Thomas declared, are determined to have shorter hours and government ownership of mines and railways.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—J. H. Thomas, M.P., and Labor leader, speaking before Lloyd George and other cabinet ministers to-day, at the industrial parliament, representing ten million organized workers, declared that the triple alliance of railway men, transport workers and miners had resolved set their faces toward the attainment of a shorter day and a larger share of profits of business, and would not be swayed from that purpose. Labor had become quite alive to its sovereign power and would attain its privileges and profits by means in its power. He had confidence that the necessary changes in condition in Britain would be brought about "in an orderly and peaceful manner."

BOLSHEVIKI HAVE PLAN FOR WAR ON THREE FRONTS

Women Have Been "Nationalized" in Several Russian Districts.

ALLIES DEFEAT BOLSHEVIKI
IN MURMANSK

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The Bolsheviks are planning a combined offensive on practically all fronts, it is revealed in captured orders of their supreme military commission, so a dispatch from Archangel reported to-day.

The attacks are to start in the Archangel region and be extended rapidly to the western, southern and eastern fronts. Only the Murmansk and Finnish fronts will be excluded from the offensive and preparations will there be made for defensive fighting.

While these reports are going on, the Allies have successfully undertaken an offensive on the Murmansk front. Reports received from Archangel to-day said the Allies had advanced more than 26 miles in that region, the Bolsheviks suffering heavy casualties.

The chief of the intelligence section of the American expeditionary force in Russia, is reported to have stated himself that the Bolsheviks have actually undertaken the nationalization of women in several districts.

Have a Ploughing Competition Besides the Regular Matches

A Suggestion Made by President of Provincial As-
sociation to Board of Agriculture.

The Board of Agriculture of Waterloo County which was in session in the City Council Chamber this morning and afternoon have taken steps to improve the plan of encouraging members to develop skill at ploughing. The suggestion to supplement ploughing matches with individual farms was made and a committee appointed to look into the matter.

This afternoon important resolutions were considered. These were submitted at the morning sitting and were as follows:

Moved by L. Master, seconded by J. Wood,

"That the Board of agriculture of the County of Waterloo strongly endorse the proposed legislation of the Hon. Dr. Cody, Minister of Education in regard to Medical Inspection of the rural Schools, and beg to assure him that this Board will be pleased to cooperate with his department in rendering any assistance possible."

Moved by A. Kerr, seconded by A.E. Bean,

"That this Board of Agriculture respectfully urge the Federal and Provincial Governments to increase the grants to agricultural societies for the purpose of increasing prizes to be awarded at our fall fairs for pure bred live stock."

President A.E.G. Smith of New Hamburg presided at the meeting and opened the proceedings. He referred to the reconstruction period, to the necessity of active work on the part of all during the critical time of readjustment and to the opportunities of the county of Waterloo, which stands so high in manufacturing and production.

The first matter to be considered on the program was that of the ploughing matches. Mr. W.C. Barrie of Galt, president of the Provincial Plowing Match Association was present and addressed the Board. Among other matters he alluded to the advisability of providing a ploughing competition on plots of about five acres on the various farms, besides holding ploughing matches. He asked what the chief points were when judging a ploughing match. Prize ploughing, or practicable farm ploughing? The present system of prize ploughing, he thought, could not be considered practicable on the farm because it required too much time.

The idea apparently found favor with the members. It was pointed out among other facts that many an able young man, practical at ploughing, refrained from attending or participating in the matches for fear of being beaten at prize ploughing. A competition at home would be an incentive to later attend the matches. The matter of financing and the question whether as to the Board of Agriculture or the Plowing Association should undertake the competition was another point that was brought up.

A committee to look into the matter was appointed and consists of the following members: G. Barbour, Crosshill; L. Master, New Hamburg; W. C. Barrie, Galt; J. R. Wood, Preston; John Manson, Ayr; J. S. Knapp, Galt, District Representative of the Department of Agriculture.

An Automobile Tour
"Where to tour?" This was another question that was brought up. Mr. Barbour thought that the fruit belt and Southern Ontario (noted for its live stock), should be visited next summer when the proposed automobile tour is made. Mr. L. Master, asked for an opinion, thought that the Niagara district would answer the purpose.

June 5th to June 15th was the time suggested by Mr. A. Kerr of New Hamburg.

The following were appointed a committee to deal with the matter: President A. R. G. Smith, Secretary J. S. Knapp, A. E. Bean of New Hamburg, the motion being made by Mr. Master and Mr. Barbour, the latter remarking that the ladies should not be forgotten when the trip is made.

After the submitting of the resolutions given above the meeting adjourned until this afternoon.

CABLE NEWS In Tabloid Form

COMMANDER BLAKESLEE DEAD
OF PNEUMONIA

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Commander E. G. Blakeslee, aide de camp to Admiral Sims is dead of pneumonia.

HAPGOOD TO GO TO DEN-
MARK

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—President Wilson, to-day nominated Norman E. Hapgood, former editor of Collier's Weekly, as American Minister to Denmark.

LUDENDORFF REACHES BER-
LIN

BASLE, Feb. 27.—General Ludendorff has arrived in Berlin, it was announced in dispatches received here to-day.

DUBLIN MAYOR SAYS PLOT
BEING FORMED

DUBLIN, Feb. 27.—"I hope the plot being hatched in London to create another Sinn Fein rebellion in Ireland will fail," said Lord Mayor O'Neil during his inaugural address here yesterday.

French Soldier Sent His Cross to Clemenceau

SAYS PREMIER MERITS ONE
WITH TWO PALMS

PARIS, Feb. 27.—An unnamed poilus has, it was learned to-day, sent Premier Clemenceau a Croix de Guerre with the following letter: "You have not been given the cross de guerre. Here is mine, bearing only two stars. You merit two palms."

Opposition in States Is Solidifying Allies

FRANCE IS NOW STRONG
FOR LEAGUE

PARIS, Feb. 27.—The opposition in America apparently is serving to break down the last vestige of opposition here to the league of nations. The people are rallying to its support, while influential newspapers which heretofore stood out for various pet projects are pointing out the necessity for the league even if it does not include their own ideas.

MINERS STRIKE POSTPONED

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Conference of national federation of miners decided to-day to postpone strike action, which were to become official March 15 for one week.