

RIOTERS IN CENTRAL GERMANY TO RENEW DISORDERS

STREET RAILWAY EMPLOYEES
WILL DEMAND FIFTY-TWO
CENTS FROM MAY FIRST

Notice Has Been Served On Company by the Street Railway Union—Present Wage Scale Is 48 Cents an Hour.

A wage scale of 52 cents an hour is asked by street railway employees in a request which they have forwarded to the company. The document has not been received by the officials late today. The present agreement under which the road is being operated expires April 30th.

HYDRO COMMISSION MAY
SEEK TO SUPPLANT GAS
FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES

Majority of City Council Opposed to Investigation of Local Company's Affairs by Hydro Commission—Other Aldermen Claim Gas Supply Should Be Controlled by Public Utilities Commission.

A majority of the city council are opposed to the proposal to have the Hydro-Electric Power Commission make a report on a city gas company, a proposal which may be adopted by the council at the next meeting of the council.

Those favoring the scheme point out that the commission already has four gas companies under its control, and has a staff of competent gas experts who would be able to make a thorough report on the condition of the company.

Other aldermen believe that such a plan eventually would lead to the plant being taken over by the hydro commission, and they are opposed to this.

"Competition is the life of trade," said Ald. Harley, "I would not believe in eliminating in this manner the competition to the hydro. As soon as this Chippewa development is completed the hydro power commission will have a big surplus of power. Undoubtedly it will make a strong case for the hydro trade. Every effort will be made to

supplant gas for household purposes. In that event it would be well to have a little competition, and not to have the gas under the control of the hydro."

Ald. Watt said he would not favor a report from either the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board or the hydro. He suggested that the city appoint its own investigators, if an investigation was made, as he believed it should be.

Ald. Drake, on the other hand, favored placing the company under control of the public utilities commission, if it could be purchased at a reasonable price.

No definite information could be obtained today as to whether the company will refund the money collected in service charges.

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was an increase of four cents over what the men had previously received. They agreed to give the men any surplus above the 48 cents, which might accumulate.

This surplus amounted to very little on the average, and the men received little more than 48 cents an hour. They are not asking a dollar for the 25 cents. This is likely to lead to complications as, according to the reports of the railway board, the road is not making any more money than last year. In fact, the operation in February resulted in a slight loss. How they will manage to pay a higher wage schedule in the face of this is something which will cause them considerable worry.

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French armored car patrolling the streets of Düsseldorf since the allied occupation of several German cities.

GOVERNMENTS
NOT DEVELOPING
NEW OIL FIELDS

Aeroplane Service Planned, But \$120,000 Appropriation Is Cancelled.

Topographical and Geological Parties Must Travel Slowly by Snow.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

OTTAWA, March 26.—Apart entirely from alleged defects in the regulations governing oil production in the Northwest Territories, there is strong complaint here regarding what is described as an imprudent policy on the part of the Government with respect to the work of establishing base lines, to which claims may be "fired."

The work is of high importance, and time is the essence of its success. It is necessary that the parties reach the district as early as possible, so that their work may be completed before the short season of navigation begins.

No Aeroplane Service. It had been proposed that the air board of Canada should furnish three hydroplanes and that these should establish a service between Edmonton and Port Norman for purposes of carrying men and supplies connected with government operations. The planes, it is stated, had actually been ordered and were being shipped to the north.

The service was in the neighborhood of \$120,000. It might be considered that this item should be regarded as a very important one among other estimates totalling \$586,000. Taking into account the importance of the work, and the fact that the planes would be used for other purposes, it might have been looked upon as insignificant. But the process of making estimates, and of bringing about needed "retrenchment," the item was cut from the militia appropriations, and there will be no aeroplane service to the north this summer, excepting that which the private companies may provide for themselves.

Travel by Snow. The six parties above mentioned will have to travel by snow. The process, probably much more expensive than that provided by the proposed air service, is being carried out by the use of sleds and dogs. The length of time it takes the sleds to drift on their way, as compared with the period which would be occupied by fast air service, it would appear that the "retrenchment" in question will be more than compensated for in other directions.

WANT ISSUE AUTHORIZED. Washington, D. C., March 26.—The Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads have asked the interstate commerce commission to authorize the issuance of \$250,000,000 of joint 14-year 7 1/2 per cent gold bonds secured by the 97 per cent of new bonds of each road. This plan is offered as a substitute for the one recently rejected by the commission in connection with the application for capitalizing the Burlington's surplus.

BRITISH ARTIST DIES. London, March 26.—Marcus Stone, the artist, died yesterday.

Mr. Stone was born in 1840. He received medals from the International exhibitions in Philadelphia, Chicago, Paris, Berlin and Vienna.

EGGS MAY DROP TO 25 CENTS ON MONDAY. TILLSONBURG, March 26.—Local housewives had the pleasure of purchasing strictly fresh-laid eggs at 30 cents per dozen retail from local merchants today. Some were purchased direct from the farmers for 25 cents. These are the cheapest Easter eggs here in a good many years.

Despite the big drop in price, E. Weston stated that in February and March \$100 had been paid to producers where \$100 had been paid in previous years, owing to the direct fact that the hens have never gone on strike despite falling prices. Eggs are being offered in abundance, and a retail price of 25 cents is predicted for Monday.

This latest British aeroplane ambulance is capable of carrying four patients. The picture shows a patient being admitted to the cabin.

THE WEATHER. Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 56; lowest, 44. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 56; lowest, 42.

TOMORROW—MILD, SHOWERS. Toronto, March 26.—8 a.m. Forecasts. Today—Comparatively warm, with local showers. Sunday—Southeast winds, with occasional rain.

Temperatures. The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: High. Low. Weather. Victoria 52 40 Fair. Winnipeg 44 32 Cloudy. Port Arthur 44 32 Fair. St. John 44 32 Fair. Toronto 44 32 Fair. Montreal 44 32 Fair. Quebec 44 32 Fair. St. John 44 32 Fair.

The weather has been quite mild in many places, while an area of high pressure, accompanied by lower temperatures and light snow, has come in over the Western Provinces from the northward.

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German Communists Driven Out
Of Strongholds Plan a Counter
Attack On the Security Police

JAPAN SENDING WAR VESSELS TO KAMCHATKA

Reinforcements to Rioters at Mansfield and Eisleben Are Sent—Armed Workmen From Halle and Other Towns Moving to Assistance of Radical Element—Agitation in Munich Continues—Railroad Station at Breslau Is Robbed.

Halle, Saxony, March 26.—Reinforcements of the Communist rioters at Mansfield and Eisleben were in progress this morning. Armed workmen were moving from Halle and vicinity in the direction of these two towns. Their declared purpose was to join their comrades, notably the party which, after many hours of fighting, had been driven out of Eisleben by the security police. According to information from both police and Communist quarters, the purpose of the movement was the surrounding of the police at Eisleben.

The fugitives from Eisleben were reorganizing today on the hills northwest of that town, Communists here reported.

FOOD SHORTAGE EXISTS. Overbrieggen, Switzerland, March 26.—Reports that the Communist forces, which have been fighting in Eisleben against the security police for three days, had been driven out of that city were brought here last night by men breathless from running the twelve miles which lie between Eisleben and this little town. They said that the Communists were retreating across the fields, for the most part in good order, but had thrown away their guns and other had been taken prisoners.

The tidings were received without emotion by men and boys who stood rifles in hand, ready to report for duty to the commander of the Communist forces. In a few minutes, however, these men and boys began to straggle away, apparently to join their Communist comrades in another stand against the police.

In spite of the fact that heavy fighting was going on only a few miles away church bells were ringing in this little village last evening, women were praying in the churches and children were laughing and playing about the streets.

All communication between this town and Eisleben has been cut off and automobiles cannot be secured to go to Eisleben unless the full price of the machine engaged is deposited. As a consequence of this disruption of traffic there is a food shortage here.

ORDER IS RESTORED. Berlin, March 26.—Order has been restored at Eisleben and Hettstedt. It is announced by the German Government that the rioters at Hettstedt, blew up the railway station, however, before they retired to the hills surrounding the town and set up machine-guns which are reported to be firing at security police in the city.

Halle was quiet last night. It was reported, and municipal and utility plants were again in operation. Organizations known as "councils of action" are being organized at Eisleben. Government troops have not participated in the operation of suppressing the rioting at Eisleben and Hettstedt. It is officially declared, and the work of restoring order has been carried on by Prussian security police and local organizations.

AGITATION IN MUNICH. Part of the Communist agitation in Munich is continuing, according to dispatches from the foreign office, which report the breaking up by the police of a meeting of the Communist Party in Munich.

Perfect Vacuum Is Obtained by Utah Professor

Hot Discussion At Convention of Independent Labor Party.

8-HOUR DAY DISCUSSED

G. C. Halcrow Says He Is Disgusted With Labor's Attitude.

WELLAND, March 26.—Despite the protests of George G. Halcrow, Labor member of the Legislature for East Hamilton, and Charles Swartz, Labor member of the Legislature for Niagara Falls, the Independent Labor Party of Ontario, at its annual convention here today passed a resolution that practically projects the eight-hour day question into provincial politics.

The resolution, which was sponsored by James Marsh and John W. Bruce of Toronto, trades union organizers, specially interested in the strike on the Queenston-Chippewa canal development work last summer, calls upon the Labor group in the Legislature to force into the House the majority report of the committee of the Legislature, which dealt with the grievances of the strikers, with a view to learning if the Government will administer the findings of the committee. Messrs. Marsh and Bruce stated that they had information to the effect that the report, which had not reached the House, contained a favorable finding from their viewpoint.

Resolution Carried. Messrs. Halcrow and Swartz opposed the resolution, which was carried. The Merritt delegates sponsored a resolution virtually demanding the resignation of Attorney-General W. E. Roney. The resolution was to the effect that Frank Greenlaw, a member of the House, should take his seat for St. Catharines, should take his seat for St. Catharines.

NOMINATED DIRECTOR. London, March 26.—Edward Robert Paslow, Canadian business man, with extensive Mexican and Brazilian interests, has been nominated a director of the Bank of England.

U. S. Naval Aircraft and Five Occupants Missing Since Last Tuesday.

Pensacola, Fla., March 26.—Though discouraged by the failure of their two days search to reveal some trace of the missing craft, naval officers today had not given up hope of finding the lost naval balloon with its five occupants, which has been missing from the air station here since last Tuesday.

Aeroplane, dirigible, eagle boats and submarine chasers continued to scour the air and coast in the vicinity of the place the balloon was last reported.

As the search progressed, the belief grew that Chief Quartermaster G. K. Wilkerson and his four student companions had succeeded in reaching shore at some isolated place, possibly an island, and might not be heard from for days.

SUPERINTENDENT OF MOLSON'S BRANCHES DIES IN MONTREAL.