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Canadians Exaggerated

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FOOD FOR HUNS
IN EXCHANGE FOR
SHIPS AND GOODS

Conference Arranging For Renewal of Negotiations

THE TERMS PROPOSED

Germany Must Hand Over Ships but Allies Will Provide Food Until Next Harvest in Exchange for German Products

Paris, March 7.—(By the Associated Press)—The council of the great powers took action today toward relieving the rather acute situation created by the interruption of the negotiations at Spa concerning the taking over of German ships and supplying Germany with food.

Final action was deferred until tomorrow but meetings in conference between Premier Lloyd George and Premier Clemenceau and Col. Edward M. House of the American peace delegation, a resolution drawn by Lord Robert Cecil, member of the British peace commission, was tentatively approved for adoption.

This resolution provides that on the delivery of the ships the Allies shall undertake to revictual the German fleet with coal, potatoes, nitrates and other products which Germany has and the Allies want. The agreement reached between the British, French and American members of the council leads to the expectation that the council will accomplish a settlement tomorrow and that negotiations at Spa will be resumed.

Must Revise Treaties. Paris, March 7.—(By the Associated Press)—The report of the commission on Belgian affairs, charged with investigation of the differences between Belgium and Holland, was submitted to the council today.

The three treaties are identical, except as to the signatures. Belgium and Holland signed one, and Holland and Belgium each signed one with Great Britain, France, Austria, Russia and Prussia. Three of these powers have disappeared and the treaties have become "scraps of paper," which Germany is loath to sign.

The proposed revision of the treaties will restore Belgium's complete sovereignty and eliminate the military occupation which afforded no protection and is now distasteful. Holland will be dismissed before the treaty is finally approved.

Italy Gives Her Version of the Laibach Affair. New York, March 7.—The Italian bureau of information issued a statement here tonight giving Italy's version of the Laibach affair, which resulted in a charge that Italy was hampering the work of distributing food to the Czechoslovaks and which were ordered investigated by an inter-Allied commission of the peace conference today.

According to the statement, the first trouble arose about the middle of February when civilians and soldiers of the Serbian army stopped a train load of Italian flags from the train, despoiling them and insulting the passengers. The officer in charge, it was asserted, made a formal protest to the Serbian officer in charge, but no action was taken to punish the offenders.

Shortly thereafter, the statement continues, Italian officers attached to the inter-Allied commission in charge of the distribution at Laibach of food supplies concentrated there by the United States for the relief of war sufferers were "questioned" by the local Slovaks government. This, it was declared, was another way of saying they were expelled. Thereupon, the statement says, Italy closed her frontier, as by the action of the local Slovaks government "was unable to act with the other members of Allied commissions in administering their part of the common trust of food relief, and could not assume responsibility for supervising the food sent from Italy."

Italy, it was declared, continued to send food to the Czechoslovaks, although action by the Serbian military commander at Laibach compels Italy to send this food by another and longer indirect route.

Mrs. Frelow Lyman. After a lingering illness, the death of Mrs. Frelow Lyman occurred today at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Taylor, 174 Guilford street, West St. John, in the seventy-eighth year of her age. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Joseph Taylor, Mrs. F. J. Miller and Mrs. William Belyea, and one brother, Charles Sweet, all of West St. John. The many friends of the family extend their deepest sympathies to those left. The funeral will take place from her daughter's residence, 174 Guilford street, on Monday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

PICCHED BATTLE RAGED
STREETS OF BERLIN

Artillery, Flame Throwers, Gas and Trench Weapons of all Kinds Used; Government Troops Prove Successful; Workmen Decide to Extend Strike to Electric Power Plants and Waterworks

London, March 7.—(By the Associated Press)—The fighting in Berlin on Thursday night was described by the Exchange Telegraph Company from Copenhagen as being the whole night there were sounds of heavy detonations of cannon and explosions in the districts where fighting was taking place. Flame-throwers and trench weapons of all kinds were employed in the struggle which was particularly violent around the police headquarters, which the Spartacists made desperate efforts to capture. Late in the evening government troops under Gen. Von Lottwitz, reported to number fifty thousand, entered Berlin and occupied a great part of the centre of the city, it is said.

At a stormy meeting held on Thursday evening the soldiers and workmen's councils decided to extend the strike to the electric power plants, the gas and waterworks, it is reported.

Strike Called Off. Berlin, March 7.—(6.30 p.m. by the Associated Press)—The general strike in Berlin will be called off today. The labor federations at a meeting early this evening recommended that the workmen return to work Saturday.

Funerals. The funeral of Ernest Wells took place today from the General Public Hospital at 10.45 this morning. Rev. H. A. Goodwin conducted the service, and interment was made in the Methodist burying ground.

The funeral of Richard Lodge took place from his residence, Quispama, to the Episcopal church, Goswala, Point St. Charles, Randolph, N. B., Rev. W. T. Dunham conducted the service and interment was made in the Good Shepherd burying ground.

Mrs. James Thomson. The death of Mrs. James Thomson occurred in Boston yesterday morning. Mrs. Thomson was the widow of the late James Thomson, a prominent merchant, N. S. Rev. A. M. Thomson, Presbyterian pastor of this city, is a son-in-law of the late Mrs. Thomson. She was born in the State of New York and lived in the States. Rev. Mr. Thomson left today for Picton on the train to make arrangements for the funeral at that place.

Gift to Soldier. A very pleasant time was spent on Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Gilchrist, 94 St. James street, when a gift was presented to Mr. Wilson of this city. After an evening spent in games, music and dancing, the gift was presented to Mr. Wilson, who responded with very appropriate remarks.

Patients Improving. Word was received yesterday from Montreal that Major McLaughlin is steadily improving. Lieutenant Carr, who is at the St. John military hospital, is improving steadily and feels more like himself today. It was reported from the General Public Hospital today that Clarence Campbell, who was run over by a horse and left on a ferry boat recently, is somewhat better.

Second Crusher Here. The second stone crusher for the public works department arrived in the city today and will be unloaded in West St. John, where it will be set up and operated. The new machine is from Hamilton, Ont.

Nineteenth Anniversary. Portland Methodist church expects next Sunday to celebrate its nineteenth anniversary. The officials have been fortunate in securing for the occasion the services of Rev. Hamilton Wigle, president of the Ladies' College, Sackville. When doing circuit work, Mr. Wigle was one of the most popular and ablest preachers in his conference.

Western Hockey. Victoria, B. C., March 8.—Hockey. Vancouver, 6; Victoria, 5. Phelix and Pherdinand.

Weather Report. Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. P. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

FRENCH COAL MINES IN GOOD CONDITION BUT FACTORIES ARE GONE. Paris, March 7.—Most of the iron mines in the rich Briey coal basin are in good condition and can be worked again as soon as arrangements for employing the men are made, according to a report of a commission which has been making a study of the mines, but the buildings and machinery are gone.

Labor Action Augers Well
For League of Nations

WARWICK WELCOME AT PORTLAND FOR OUR SOLDIERS

Received Like Brothers, Says Lt.-Col. Mercereau

COL. GUTHRIE ARRIVES

Famous Sign Soon Will Disappear From His Office Door—Tributes to the Private Soldiers Who Won the War

Portland, Maine, March 8.—The 370 wounded Canadian soldiers who arrived here on the hospital ship Essequibo late yesterday were on their way home to all points in Canada today. The New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Quebec troops got away last night.

The men were in much better condition physically than those on the first ship to arrive here two weeks ago. There were only four serious cases. Less than a score were confined to cots, and there were no deaths following the tremendous developments in England as well as in Paris during the last two or three months. First, there has been the work done at Paris by the commission on international labor legislation which has just completed its discussion on the draft convention for the promotion of international legislation on labor conditions. The fruits of this work at Paris will not be fully apparent for some time yet. They really give more promise of making effective the proposed league of nations than any other development so far out of the whole peace conference. Then, the second aspect of what is going on in Europe, which is equally important with that afforded at Paris, has been the momentous occasion of labor uprising in the United Kingdom.

A Critical Period. "Any one who stays in England for any length of time," he said, "these days must come to the conclusion that the old motherland is passing through one of the most critical periods of her whole career; and it is a period which will culminate in the establishment of a new social and economic order for the work people of the British Isles."

"I do not think there is any intention or desire in any responsible section of British trade unionism or work people—even the most extreme—to imitate Russian or European Bolshevism, but I do think there is a great common emotion in the minds of the working classes, not only in England, but the world over, leading them to think and say to one another that the hour has struck when a definite and united movement must be made toward the reconstruction of the whole basis of national life. These people are resolved that they will not return to pre-war industrial conditions."

Must Call Them Brothers. "We thought we were coming to a foreign country," said Col. Mercereau, "and we were met by the people of this city in a spirit of brotherly affection. We have always called the Americans cousins, but now we must call them brothers. We will always remember our homecoming to Portland and I appreciate this reception given our boys."

Major Edwin E. Graham of Digby, N. S., a chaplain attached to the 18th Battalion of the Royal Highlanders who won the Military Cross eighteen months ago at Passchendaele, and the D. S. O. at the battle of Arras last August, was hobnobbing about in canteens. He had a bullet wound in his leg, but is now coming along in good shape. He took part in the Dardanelles campaign in the spring of 1916.

Captain J. W. McDonald of Picton, N. S., of the New Scots Highlanders, who was shot through the side of the chest on Aug. 10 last, wore the military cross.

MUCH WORK ALONG THE C. P. R. LINES

Spring Programme Includes New Dwellings for Employees and Extensive Repairs and Renewals on the Railway

The C. P. R. has issued a programme of work planned for the New Brunswick district and it includes building operations, extensive trackage replacement, several concrete culverts and the erection of bridges at various points. This work will be carried out during the spring and summer months.

Three dwellings will be erected at Brownville Junction for divisional officers and ten dwellings at McAdams for C. P. R. employees. All of these buildings are of a standard type. The turntable at McAdams will be replaced with a heavier and larger one, which will be able to handle the larger engines now in use on the railway. Forty-five miles of rails will be renewed between St. John and Megawick. Fifty miles of existing track will be laid mostly in the Maine sections of the railway. A trestle bridge near Newburg Junction, north of Woodstock, will be replaced with a twelve foot concrete arch. Several old trestles on their branch, the N. B. Coal & Railway line at Minto, will be removed and concrete culverts installed, and in addition the usual programme of repairs will be carried out on bridges, culverts, buildings, etc.

The C. P. R. have carried on experimenting in planting trees along their line in places where snow usually drifts in the winter and causes trouble, and the results have been so satisfactory that plans for more extensive planting in this district have been made. At least two miles are under consideration and the work of planting will be done under the direction of the C. P. R. forestry staff, who have jurisdiction along the eastern lines.

Presenting the C. P. R. have forty-nine dwelling houses for their employees at McAdams and the additional ten will take care of many more families.

PRIVATE W. H. ELLIS
DIED OVERSEAS

Survived Three Years of War but Fell Victim to Disease—His Son and Son-in-Law With Him in 4th Siege Battery

Mr. William H. Ellis of 177 Pitt street, received a telegram this morning announcing the death of his son, Private W. H. Ellis, who was overseas with No. 4 Siege Battery. He died of broncho-pneumonia, at 48 Casulty station on Feb. 28. The family did not even know that Pte. Ellis was ill, and were expecting him home this month. He went over almost three years ago with the 4th Siege Battery and had been through all the battles in which it was engaged. The last letter received from him was from Germany, where the battery was then stationed. Pte. Ellis is survived by his wife, two sons, William A. Ellis of East Brantford, Mass., Sgt. Major A. M. Ellis, with the 4th Siege Battery, and one daughter, Mrs. Walter Warren, of this city. His mother, Mrs. Mabel Ellis, of 806 Carleton street, and four brothers, Charles, Edwin and Albert H. Ellis of this city, and Fred of East Brantford, Miss one sister, Mabel Ellis also survive. Pte. Ellis was employed with the James Robertson Company before going overseas. Mrs. Warren's husband also went overseas with the 4th Siege Battery and is still on the other side, with her brother, Sgt. Major Sir Richard Turner. The family had three representatives in the war. The news that he had survived the battles only to die of disease when he was being expected home is doubly sad, and universal sympathy goes out to the bereaved relatives.

Ontario Will Take Referendum on Prohibition. Toronto, Ont., March 8.—Hon. T. W. McGarry, provincial treasurer, speaking at a meeting of Ward 9 last evening said that a wide open referendum on the prohibition question will be taken in Ontario, possibly in September next or sooner for the people to determine what measure they want.

New Brunswick Delegates. Fredericton, N. B., March 8.—Five delegates will be sent from New Brunswick to represent the Temperance Alliance at the meeting of the dominion prohibition committee at Ottawa on Friday next. The delegates are: Donald Fraser, Plaster Rock; Rev. W. D. Wilson; Rev. G. M. Young, Fredericton, and A. McLeod, Moncton.

Widow Brutally Killed; Brother-in-Law Accused by Neighbors. Boston, March 7.—The body of Mrs. Adele Schowry, a widow, with three children, was found by the police tonight near the door of her home in the south end. It bore eleven knife wounds. Two women who live in the same block told the police that the woman had been murdered by her brother-in-law, a discharged soldier, after Mrs. Schowry had refused to marry him. Late tonight no arrest had been made.

Chown's Statement. Toronto, March 8.—There was a very rare condition of the atmosphere here because of the disappointment over change of orders in respect to the date of departure of troops, was the assertion of Rev. Dr. Chown, general superintendent of the Methodist church in Canada, who returned home a few days ago, with Rev. F. Albert Moore and Captain Headwood, who were on a commission of the Methodist church of reparation and reconstruction. They were the last camp which the members of the commission visited before their return to Canada.

The night we were there, a thousand men had expected to sail the next morning for Canada," said Dr. Chown, "but the orders were revoked at six o'clock that evening, but during the night some way was found to send some 400 home. The officers were much troubled about it."

From the feeling exhibited by the men during his addresses and those of Rev. Dr. Moore, Dr. Chown said that it was

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