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Industrial Anarchy Reigns in Great Britain and Ireland

Strike Situation Rapidly Becomes More Serious and Commercial Chaos Prevails—Lloyd George Hastens Home to Try to Effect Settlement—Great Shipyards and Engineering Works Along the Clyde Are About to Close Down—Strike Committee at Belfast Assumes Character of Industrial Soviet.

NO STRIKE SETTLEMENTS EXCEPT AT MANCHESTER.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—Up till early this morning there was no news of a settlement of any of the strikes which have been called throughout the country, except at Manchester, where the striking dock workers have agreed to resume work.

LABOR UNION LEADERS CHARGED WITH WEAKNESS

LONDON, Jan. 29.—Weakness and subordination of convictions to personal interests is charged against many of the union leaders by Food Controller George Roberts in an interview printed in The Mail today. He says that this is one of the chief causes of the present anarchy in industrial circles of Great Britain. Mr. Roberts, who is a veteran labor leader and who was recently Minister of Labor, said "It is time that union leaders make a definite and determined stand. If subordinates refuse to honor their leaders' agreements, leaders must resign."

BELFAST STRIKE COMMITTEE BECOMES BOLSHEVIST IN NATURE

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The Belfast strike committee, which wields immense power has taken upon itself, with the involuntary acquiescence of civic authorities, some of the attributes of an industrial soviet, says The Mail despatch.

STRIKE ALONG CLYDE BECOMES MORE SERIOUS

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The strike on the Clyde was reported today to be growing more serious. Almost all the big shipyards and engineering works are on the verge of closing down or are carrying on their work with small forces.

PRINCE MAXIMILIAN TO BE NOMINATED FOR THE PRESIDENCY

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 29.—Prince Maximilian of Baden, former German Imperial Chancellor, will be nominated by the German Social Democrats and German Democrats as their candidate for the presidency of the German republic, according to a Berlin despatch.

THREE MEN DROWNED AT QUEBEC

QUEBEC, Jan. 29.—Three men were drowned, about four o'clock this morning, when a C.P.R. shunting engine jumped off the Point Au Carry wharf, in the harbor, while in the act of taking a freight car off the car ferry. None of the bodies have been recovered. The dead are Jacques Dery, who leaves a wife and 7 children, also Alphonse Lamontagne and Wm. Beaudry.

PEACE COUNCIL TOOK UP POLISH QUESTION TODAY

PARIS, Jan. 29.—The Supreme Council of the Peace Conference had before it for consideration on assembling this morning the Polish question and instructions are to be given the Allied mission to Poland, recently authorized and about to leave on its eastward journey.

MAY TRY TO COMPROMISE WITH WILSON ON DISPOSAL OF HUN COLONIES

LONDON, Jan. 29.—Stating that President Wilson made an important speech at Tuesday's meeting of the Supreme Council of the Peace Congress, during the discussion of the future of Germany's colonies, the Paris correspondent of The Mail adds, "President Wilson persists in his desire to secure some form of international control and the Allies are seeking a plan, while giving practically all the power desired by nations who want German colonies for their own, will still provide some shadow form of internationalization for the purpose of satisfying Mr. Wilson's ideals."

TWENTY-ONE SHILLINGS PER WEEK

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The pay of one million soldiers of the British Army who will be retained until a peace footing again is reached, probably will be twenty-one shillings a week and food and lodging, according to a statement today.

PROHIBITION AMENDMENT RATIFIED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The ratification of the prohibition amendment to the federal constitution effective Jan. 16th, 1920 was proclaimed today in a proclamation signed at the state department by Acting Secretary Polk.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S SPEECH HAS DISQUIETED SOME GERMAN CIRCLES

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—President Wilson's speech of Saturday last before Peace Congress together with reported decision of Supreme Council at Tuesday's session that German colonies must not be given back to Germany, has disquieted some German circles. The Boursen Zeitung for instance says: "If President Wilson is correctly reported he confesses openly that he too like Premiers Clemenceau and Lloyd George, does not desire Germany in future community of nations as an equal among equals but as a nation watched by overseers. Vorwaerts says:—"The League of Nations is making a lovely beginning. The decision of western powers to take German colonies for themselves is born of spirit diametrically opposed to that proclaimed by President Wilson. We Germans would prefer an honest policy of stand and deliver to policy of imperial aggrandizement adorned with ethical and oratorical phrases. But since America has not yet agreed to pact we shall later see whether America can do anything except make speeches."

SATISFACTION IN TREND OF PRODUCE PRICES

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Victims of high cost of living found further satisfaction today in trend of produce prices. Butter at wholesale dropped three to four cents since yesterday and potatoes declined five to ten cents per bushel. Cheese and eggs showed no material change.

LLOYD GEORGE HAS GONE TO ENGLAND TO DEAL WITH LABOR TROUBLES

PARIS, Jan. 29.—Lloyd George has gone back to England to deal with labor troubles.

MILLION MEN TO BE RETAINED BY BRITAIN TO CARRY OUT PEACE PLANS

LONDON, Jan. 29.—Britain will keep a million men in the army to carry out peace plans and will pay them police pay. The British navy pay is also to be greatly increased.

CANADIANS NOW ALL OUT OF GERMANY

LONDON, Jan. 29.—It is confirmed that the Canadians are now all out of Germany and the third division will sail for home about March, others following quickly.

MANUFACTURERS WISH TO RETAIN WAR TARIFF

TORONTO, Jan. 29.—Canadian manufacturers, replying to Western Grain Growers, say it is no time now to upset things by making tariff changes.

No Daylight Saving Here

County Councillors Do Not Want It This Year

Hastings County Council this morning passed a resolution to petition the government not to enact daylight saving in Canada this year. The county council concurred in a memorial of Kingston City Council to the government calling for the deportation of all interned alien enemies as soon as peace is declared. The motion was made by Mr. Kells, seconded by Mr. Taylor. A petition of Mr. A. J. Hendricks of Frankford to install a gasoline pump on the side of the county road was referred to the county road superintendent. Residents of Trenton and others petitioned the government to build a bridge over No. 1 dam on the Trent River opposite Gilmour's. Formerly there was a bridge there before the dam was built. The dam was constructed so as to bear a bridge. The warden and clerk were instructed to sign the petition on behalf of the county. The members of the county council will all sign it. The work of repairing the bridge

on the county road at Eldorado has been finished.

The council concurred in a petition of Toronto council asking for the discontinuance after 1918 of the Provincial War Tax of one mill.

Public School Inspector J. H. Minns of Centre Hastings in his report referred to the growth of interest in agricultural subjects.

Mr. H. J. Clarke, School Inspector for South Hastings wrote the council thanking the members for the readjustment of his expense account—Received and filed.

A recommendation was read from Mr. G. S. Henry, stating that the annual Good Roads Convention would be held on March 5th, 6th and 7th and asked the council for membership fees and for the members to attend same.—Referred to Ways and Means Committee.

Prince Edward County Council asked Hastings Council to co-operate with that county in petitioning the Legislature to amend the Highway Act by having a divisional engineer appointed in each district to have supervision of standard highways.—Referred to special committee on communications.

The council decided to concur in the request of Victoria County Council in petitioning the Legislature in reference to amending the Act relative to the dog tax and the killing of sheep by them.

Hastings Has Great Future

Development Council Formed to Further the County's Industries—Meeting Held Last Night—Mineral Resources Especially Emphasized—Need of Cheap Power.

Hastings has been generally regarded as a county with a past, but at a meeting of the County Councillors and other local representatives held in the Belleville Club last evening the future of Hastings county was discussed with glowing optimism. This optimistic outlook is not based upon any dream of theorists, but upon a very material and practical foundation, which might be summed up in the plain words of John Walter Evans, M.E., President of the Tivoli Electric Steel Company of Belleville, in opening his address last evening: "There are few locations in Ontario having the variety and abundance of minerals that are to be found in the county of Hastings."

Should Spend a Million

After reviewing the history of attempts made in the past to develop the resources of Hastings county, and enumerating the various mineral properties with which he was personally acquainted, Mr. Evans said a grant should be made.

Dominion Government of \$1,000,000, of which \$75,000 to be applied in thoroughly testing the working of the iron, the balance to be used in determining the value of other economic minerals, of which there are many occurrences on the surface.

If this work were carried on it would give employment for hundreds of men. Among the returned soldiers there are men possessing knowledge of minerals, prospecting and mining, who could be made up into parties under the supervision of competent men, to prospect for minerals.

Mr. Evans said that work on the enormous iron deposits of the county should begin at once, and he suggested that the Imperial Munitions Board should allow two of the ten electric furnace units now in Toronto to be moved to Belleville for the treatment of ores.

County's Vast Possibilities

E. Guss Porter, M.P., who was the first speaker, said that Hastings possessed all the natural facilities to make it one of the greatest of the counties in the Dominion. The possibilities in agriculture, manufacturing, lumber, pulp, cattle and sheep raising were such as to demand immediate attention from the Government. He urged the people of the county to combine in this matter and to take a deeper interest in the resources that lay at their hands. He suggested the establishment of an organization to be named "The County of Hastings Development Council."

Prof. Stanley Graham of Queen's University spoke in detail of the mineral wealth of the county, of which he knew from actual experience. He believed that a Government survey would bring the county back into favor as a mining district.

Make It a Manchester

Joseph James of Actonville spoke of the resources in water powers. He said that while he believed that the Hydro had done good work in Ontario, they should not kneel down and worship a fetish. "We must have cheap power. We have the natural facilities, and if public ownership can't make it, we are not going to worship Adam Beck or anyone else. If we could develop the power going to waste in the Mohr Valley, we could make this county a little Manchester of industry. Power can be produced here at \$5. per horsepower. The Government must come in and help us to develop our resources," said Mr. James.

Settlement of Soldiers

R. J. Graham, speaking as a manufacturer, said the Government might well consider Hastings county as a settling ground for returned soldiers instead of the clay belt.

John Elliott, manager of the Standard Bank, in speaking on organization, said that the meeting was one of the most unique ever held in Belleville. He urged immediate action in organizing the proposed Council.

Development Council Formed
A resolution was passed for the immediate formation of an organization.

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PEASANT REVOLT IN ROMANIA

VIENNA, Jan. 29.—Peasants and Socialists have revolted in Roumania.

ALL RUSSIAN GOVTS. REFUSE TO MEET ALLIED REPRESENTATIVES

PARIS, Jan. 29.—Bolshevik and other Russian governments decline to confer with the Allies. The Germans may refuse the Peace Conference terms.

OSHAWA VS BELLEVILLE

Oshawa Juniors play here tomorrow. (Thursday) evening. Oshawa's manager, Bradley, says he is going to turn the score on Belleville, but Belleville is confident of victory.

Judge Willis presided over the meeting, and there were present representatives from every department of life throughout Hastings county and mining experts from outside districts.

The condition of Mr. Max Herity is reported by the hospital this afternoon to be practically unchanged.

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