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## BOLSHEVİK ARMIES MAKE PROGRESS TOWARDS BLACK SEA PORTS

### U. S. Railway Workers Lay Wage Claims Before President Wilson Today

#### BLACK SEA PORTS

##### ARM OF RED ARMY: PROGRESS STEADY

Hope to Capture Sebastopol and Theodosia and Seize Petrovsk Railway.

**CUT COMMUNICATIONS**

London, Feb. 12.—The pursuit by the Bolsheviks of the remnants of General Denikin's forces into the Crimea, the launching of an expected Red attack on the north Russian front in the Dvina sector, and the conclusion of the Letish operations against the Reds, are pointed to by the military observers as the most salient developments of the past week's operations in Russia as reported to the war office here.

On the western sector of the south Russian front the resistance of the volunteers against the Bolsheviks appears entirely to have collapsed with the Red occupation of Odessa. The Reds now are pushing toward the Dniester along a front of 120 miles.

The reports show that the Bolsheviks suffered disaster in their attempts to force the line of the Don and Manich rivers, having lost heavily in men killed or made prisoners. The Reds, however, are making rapid progress in the Stepp region, probably attracted by the possibility of occupying Sebastopol and Theodosia, Black Sea ports in the Crimea, and seizing the Petrovsk Railroad. The taking of this line would constitute a serious threat to the anti-Bolshevik communication with the volunteer fleet in the Caspian Sea, which has its base at Petrovsk.

The British detachment is withdrawing from Batum to Constantinople. The advice do not state whether the situation at Batum, which recently had been regarded as threatening, had improved, warranting the withdrawal of the British, or if it had grown worse and the British were compelled to withdraw.

There have been no operations of great moment in the Polish front. Following the virtual dissolution of Admiral Kolchak's armies in Siberia, Vladivostok did not resist occupation by the Reds. Authority there has been taken over by the provincial Zemstvo. The city is reported quiet.

#### ALLIES AGREED ON EXTRADITION

Expected That Their Position Will Be Set Forth Soon in Statement.

London, Feb. 12.—The allied supreme council today, after discussing the situation arising from Germany's violent protest over the extradition demands, agreed on the question of extraditing these demands, it was stated tonight.

It had been reported that there were differences between France and Great Britain as to whether the demands should be modified.

It is probable that the position of the allies will be set forth soon in a statement. This may take the form of another communication to Germany, or possibly one to Holland. As far as can be ascertained, however, nothing definite has been decided regarding any further steps to be taken toward Holland.

The council in dealing with other questions, decided that financial experts of the allied governments, many of whom are here, should meet soon to discuss the problem of international exchange in an effort to devise a plan for its stabilization. It was not settled when the first meeting of these experts should be held.

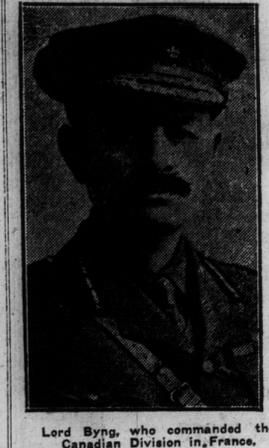
The council decided finally that its headquarters should remain in Paris. For the convenience of the British governmental authorities, however, it will continue to sit here for the present, and probably thru the coming fortnight. It is expected that Premiers Lloyd George and Nitti will be in constant attendance. Premier Millerand will probably be called home before long, in which case France will be represented by Philippe Berthelot, political director of the foreign office, and Paul Cambon, ambassador to Great Britain.

Altho Marshal Foch and General Weygand arrived at No. 10 Downing street just before the first session of the council today they did not attend either of the two meetings held. Belgium was represented by Premier Delacroix.

#### INFLUENZA AT COBALT CAUSES MANY DEATHS

Cobalt, Ont., Feb. 12.—The influenza situation in Cobalt continues serious, and the evening Chairman, E. I. Holette of the influenza committee ordered an emergency hospital opened to handle the steadily increasing number of cases. A telegram asking for more nurses has been sent to the headquarters in Ottawa of the Victorian Order of Nurses. At Millage, 104 a family of three children was wiped out by pneumonia. The children, a boy and two girls, aged, respectively, five, three and two years, were the son and daughters of V. Desjardins, and their mother is reported to be in a serious condition from the same disease. The death total so far is 28.

#### Report That Lord Byng of Vimy Is the Next Governor of Canada



Lord Byng, who commanded the Canadian Division in France.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—(By Canadian Press.)—An important British paper, The Essex County Standard, announced a couple of weeks ago in an issue that has just reached Canada, the fact that Lord Byng, of Vimy, would be the next governor-general of Canada.

The paper in question, which is well-known in the British Isles, claims to have certain exclusive information that there is a strong desire in present British political circles that the next governor-general of Canada shall be a man with military experience and one who has come into close contact with the Canadian troops.

It will be remembered that Lord Byng, then Sir Julien Byng, was at one time commander of the Canadian troops in the field.

#### DRAFT NEW FRANCHISE ACT FOR THE DOMINION OF CANADA

**Cabinet Committee Almost Completes Work—Women's Names on New Lists—New Act, It is Rumored, Will Make Sources of Campaign Funds Public.**

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—(Special)—The cabinet committee in charge of the drafting of a new franchise act has, it is understood, almost completed its work. The proposed act is based on the assumption that former acts are to all intents and purposes obsolete. The war time election act is not in good repute. The act of 1913 providing for by-elections and the old Dominion act has become largely unworkable owing to important changes in recent years in the method of preparing provincial lists which were used as the basis for federal voting.

**Conferral on Women**

The federal franchise, for instance, has been conferred on women. But in Quebec women have not yet been declared eligible to vote for representatives to the legislature. Other provinces have adopted new methods of providing that the franchise be conferred on women. It is stated that the new act will provide for the preparation of the Dominion lists, but that wherever possible provincial lists may be made the basis of the federal.

**Lists by Enumeration**

The wartime election act and the by-elections act both provided for the preparation of lists by enumeration. The new act will, it is understood, perpetuate the principle.

If a recent provincial list exists anywhere the enumerators would have power to strike off persons who might be entitled to vote in the provincial but not in the federal elections, but to add names of persons federally but not provincially qualified. Where no provincial lists exist brand new lists would have to be prepared.

**Master of Qualifications**

In the matter of qualifications, many of the objectionable features of the wartime election act will be abolished and the provisions of the by-elections act will be adopted. As a condition of fact the right to vote depends primarily on citizenship and under the amended naturalization act it is in the power of the secretary of state to refuse to grant naturalization status to an alien who is not an individual already naturalized of his citizenship for cause.

Under the by-election act personal naturalization is required. That is to say, an alien could not qualify for the federal franchise thru marriage with a British subject or thru the naturalization of a parent. This reservation, however, did not apply to persons born on the North American continent. Under the by-elections act, moreover, provision was made where, by a woman, otherwise qualified, who had lost her citizenship thru marriage with an alien could secure the franchise.

**Campaigns Funds Public**

A further provision of the new act, it is rumored, will be a requirement that the sources of campaign funds be made public.

Strong pressure is being brought to bear to have the principle of proportional representation applied in future federal elections and the calling of "speakers' conference" has been mooted. Whether the principle is applied or not, it is fully believed that the next redistribution will increase the representation of urban centers.

#### FOSTER SLIGHTLY ILL

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Owing to a rather bad cold, Sir George Foster has been compelled to cancel his proposed visit to New York. He was to have addressed the Canadian Society in New York.

#### McGILL PROFESSOR COMING TO TORONTO

Montreal, Feb. 12.—Professor J. A. Dale, who has occupied the chair of education at McGill University since its foundation in 1908, has resigned in order to accept the invitation extended to him by the University of Toronto, to become director of its social service department, with the title of professor of social science. He will take up his new duties shortly.

#### CHEAPER LIVING OR HIGHER WAGES

Railwaymen Will Today Present Alternatives to President Wilson.

#### UNIONS FEAR REFUSAL

Washington, Feb. 12.—President Wilson will be asked tomorrow by spokesmen for more than 2,000,000 railroad employes that definite assurance be given of an immediate reduction in the cost of living. As an alternative, the union representatives will claim increased wages, demands for which were not pressed at Mr. Wilson's request last summer.

Representatives of the workers base their hope for higher wages largely on the increase in the cost of living since the last general wage increase in 1918.

Immediately after the announcement from the White House that the president would see a union committee of three personally, a meeting of all union heads interested in the controversy was called. The employes will be represented by B. M. Jewell, acting president of the railway union; Timothy Shea, acting president of the American Federation of Labor; E. J. Manion, president of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers; and Timothy Shea, acting president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen. The conference will be held on the south lawn of the White House where Mr. Wilson spends a portion of his morning.

There was unmistakable evidence tonight among the union officials of a fear that the president would refuse to grant their wage demands. A few said frankly they could see no hope to a settlement favorable to them.

**Cannot Meet Demands.**

While the controversies with the other unions were quietest, Director General Hines conferred with representatives of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and Shop Laborers, who have called a strike of their 300,000 members Tuesday, officials of Brotherhood of Railroad Station Employees and chiefs of the Longshoremen's Union.

The conference with the Maintenance of Way workers resulted practically in placing their demands in the same category with those now before the president. Mr. Hines told the committee frankly that he would not agree to their demands for higher pay at this time, but informed them of his willingness to leave the case open pending decision of the president.

**Will Consider Fair Proposition.**

Detroit, Feb. 12.—A "fair proposition" put forward by President Wilson in the railway wage controversy will receive the serious consideration of officers of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way and Railway Shop Laborers, it was announced at headquarters here tonight.

#### NEW RESERVATION FAILS TO ATTRACT DEMOCRAT SUPPORT

Some of "Mild" Republicans Also Threaten to Join Irreconcilables.

**LITTLE PROGRESS MADE**

Washington, Feb. 12.—Little progress was apparent today in negotiations over the new article ten reservation to the peace treaty proposed forward yesterday by Republican senators.

In addition to its failure to command the Democratic support for which its sponsors had hoped, it was said the new draft had been found unacceptable to some reservationists on the Republican side who threatened to join the irreconcilable opponents of ratification. Demosnstrations proposed were made in the original Republican reservation.

A canvass of the 49 Republicans is understood to have shown that only about thirty could be counted on to vote for ratification with the changed reservation, under which the United States would decline to guarantee the integrity of league members by force, economic boycott, or "any other means," except when congress acted. Sixty-four votes are necessary to ratify, and doubt was expressed generally whether thirty-four, the number of Democrats, could be counted on to support the reservation. Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, who has declared the revised draft would embody a surrender of the treaty's friends.

Numerous other proposals to solve the article ten difficulty were discussed during the day, the leaders on both sides conferring among themselves on the subject. Senator Hitchcock also saw several Republicans of the mild reservation group, but it was declared that no conclusions were reached.

#### MORTALITY FROM FLU HAS REACHED ITS PEAK

Washington, Feb. 12.—The mortality rate due to the influenza epidemic this year was about half of that in 1918, said a statement today by the public health service, announcing that the present epidemic apparently had reached its peak.

"A comparison," the statement said, "of the excess mortality rate per 100,000 population for the respective peak weeks of 1920 and 1918 shows: Chicago, 1,886, compared with 4,620; Milwaukee, 1,484, as compared with 3,718; Washington, 2,072, as compared with 4,789.

"These rates may be taken as a fair indication of conditions throughout the country, and are in line with some cities in Massachusetts and New York State, exclusive of New York City, practically all of the reports indicate a decline."

#### VLADIVOSTOK REBELS NOT IN VENGEFUL MOOD

Washington, Feb. 12.—Major-General Graves, commander of the American expeditionary forces in Siberia, informed the war department today that Vladivostok was quiet and there was apparently no desire for revenge on the part of the revolutionists. The Zemstovs are in full control, with themselves as president. The number of the revolutionists, including those at Vladivostok and Nikolai, was estimated at 15,000.

The revolutionists brought great rejoicing on the part of a great majority of the people, General Graves said. Reports received by Zemstov headquarters indicated that Blagozhenchik fell to the revolutionists six days ago and that Habarook is expected to fall.

#### Fire Rages in Woodstock, N.B., Town is in Great Danger

Moncton, N.B., Feb. 12.—Word was received here this morning thru the manager of the N. B. Telephone Company that the town of Woodstock is in great danger from a fire raging there. The telephone office and Hayden's Theatre are already destroyed and fire is raging thru the town.

#### Sims Says American Public Cannot Stand Any Criticism

Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 12.—A warning that the United States may be "up against it" in the next war if she has to face an enemy's navy single-handed was uttered tonight by Rear Admiral William S. Sims, in an address delivered before the Jersey City Lincoln Association.

"We got away with this job this time," said Admiral Sims, "but we may be up against it next time with a navy that is not busy fighting the navies of other countries at the same time."

The admiral declared that any criticism he had ever made had been made for the benefit of the navy, but that Americans do not like to be criticized.

"America cannot and does not ask for criticism," he declared. "You know that. They argue: 'We're all right, and if we're not, we don't want to hear it.' This is a dangerous attitude and has cost us thousands of lives. Assumption has been made that I have criticized the record of the navy. I have gone beyond the limit in praising the men for their work. I have told the truth—some of this was not liked."

The admiral said he wrote from England with an idea of "toning down" some of the news. "I wanted to modify," he said, "some of the headlines that were appearing in our papers and were being reprinted on the other side. These headlines, or articles, assumed that the United States was the potent factor at that time. We then had only three per cent of the fighting forces. It was the same response: 'We're all right, and if we're not, we don't want to hear it.'"

#### TORONTO IRISHMEN HEAR ULSTER'S DELEGATES TELL OF IRELAND'S GRIEVANCES

Four Thousand Toronto Patriots of Erin Give Enemies of Sinn Fein Overwhelming Reception at Massey and Victoria Halls and at Cooke's Church.

"An Irishman always has a grievance," said one of the speakers last night at a great meeting in Massey Hall to welcome the Ulster delegation. But not even a South of Ireland man could have conjured up any kind of grievance against the wonderful ovation the delegation received from quite four thousand Ontario Irish men and women, who packed the hall from stage to gallery. The enthusiasm was tremendous, and, like all Irish gatherings, there was not a dull moment. Irishmen and supporters of Ulster's cause had come from all parts of the province to attend the great meeting. In fact, so great was the influx of visitors that someone remarked that Yonge street yesterday afternoon could easily be mistaken for Belfast, so often was the Irish accent heard. If even the delegates had a doubt in their minds as to the sympathy and support of Ontario Irishmen of this stand against the separation of Ireland from the empire, it must have been quickly dispelled last evening.

The delegates had other supporters besides their fellow-countrymen. Mayor Church was in the chair, the Bishop of Toronto supported him and offered up a prayer for guidance. Then there was Dr. C. Sheard, M.P.; Dr. Noble, chairman of the school board; Howard Ferguson, M.L.A., and a full muster of clergymen, representing every denomination in the province. Two Salvation Army officers were also on the platform.

**Outspoken Speeches.**

The speeches for the most part were very outspoken, and to the point. All the references to the United States interference in Irish matters were loudly cheered. The British government were severely taken to task for meddling in the country, one speaker declaring all Ireland wanted was the iron hand of the late Lord Salisbury to govern her for a few years. In short, matters or words were not minced last night, and also much of the matter of the speeches had been said earlier in the day at the Empire Club, new views and some new ideas were brought to light. One point was conclusively proven from all the speeches—whether laymen or clergy—Ulster will fight to the death to prevent Ireland becoming a republic.

#### MANITOBA PREPARES LIST FOR ELECTIONS IN JULY

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 12.—The government has started the preparation of election lists for the provincial elections, which will be held in July, probably the 26th. The term of the government automatically expires Aug. 6, 1920.

The lists will contain about twice the number of names in any previous list, owing to the fact that women will be given the right to vote. Proclamation for the revision of the lists will be issued almost immediately after the session of the legislature.

#### FIVE COMMUNIONS ATTAIN OVER HALF TOTAL OBJECTIVE

With Still Two Days, Campaign Gives Cause for Optimism.

**ONTARIO \$4,000,000**

Dominion ..... \$5,972,279  
 Ontario ..... 4,022,941  
 Toronto ..... 1,572,992

Collectors for the united national campaign have reason to congratulate themselves on yesterday's results. Up to midnight last night, \$5,972,279 had been collected thruout the Dominion, or considerably more than half the \$11,440,000 objective. Of this amount, Ontario had obtained \$4,022,941, or nearly four-fifths of the total. It must be remembered, however, that Ontario had one day's lead over the other provinces. The Anglican communion alone showed a return of less than half the sum sought by it.

G. H. Wood, chairman of the national executive, said last evening: "There is good reason for the feeling of optimism which prevails tonight at inter-church headquarters and at the headquarters of each of the five co-operating communions. With the returns well up to schedule, it means that in spite of inroads of the 'flu' in working forces and in the ranks of the members to be canvassed, the results so far are beyond expectations."

Dr. John MacNeill, pastor of Walmer Road Baptist Church, pointed out last night that Toronto Baptists will require to "dig a little deeper" if they are going to win out in their challenge to the rest of the convention of Ontario and Quebec. Toronto Baptists have undertaken to raise one dollar for every dollar raised outside. Up to last night the rest of the convention show \$197,000 of subscriptions as against Toronto's \$193,000.

#### LEAGUE SHOULD SEND ENVOYS TO RUSSIA

Lord Robert Cecil Proposes Two International Commissions to Probe Affairs.

London, Feb. 12.—Most of today's session of the house of commons was occupied in a discussion on a motion of William James Thorne, Labor member for West Ham, in favor of a revision of the peace treaty, which he subjected to severe criticism. The most interesting suggestion emanated from Lord Robert Cecil, that the league of nations should send two international commissions to Russia to ascertain the exact conditions and to fix the provisional boundaries of the border states.

Arthur J. Balfour, lord president of the council, who made a general defense of the treaty and the government's share therein, said he feared Lord Robert's suggestion would not lend a new heaven on earth in Russia. He also denied that the government was encouraging Poland in a policy of adventure.

The motion of William Thorne was rejected 254 to 60.

#### GENERAL STRIKE EXPECTED AT DUTCH PORTS MONDAY

The Hague, Feb. 12.—A general strike of dock workers is expected to begin next Monday at Rotterdam and Amsterdam. The crews of the Noordam and other steamers which ply between Dutch and American ports have refused to answer to muster call. All vessels now in port are endeavoring to put to sea before the strike starts.

The workers' associations, representing 15,000 men, have issued their ultimatum to the employers, demanding increased pay on pain of a strike, but the employers thus far have refused to accede to the demand.

#### SIR SAM HUGHES FAVORS DOMINION TORY CONVENTION

Considers Provincial Gathering Would Arouse Jealousies and Misunderstandings.

**NO LEADER NEEDED**

Sir Sam Hughes, now resting at the Wellesley Hospital, gives his views on the subject of reorganization.

He joyfully referred to the exaggerated reports of his illness. He has been run down since 1916, but is improving rapidly.

There certainly should be a convention, said Sir Sam, Dominion-wide, of the old Liberal-Conservative party. A provincial convention for Ontario in Dominion politics would never do. The people would never submit to the tail end of the Hearst party organizing a convention.

He was emphatic in saying other provinces should have the same say as the province of Ontario.

Whom would you have call this convention?

Sir Sam's reply was prompt: "There must be no hole and corner work in calling this convention. Scores, nay thousands of people have discussed details aspect of the case, and it would never do for any individual interested in or aspiring to leadership to call it."

One suggestion Sir Sam threw out: "Let there be a committee of Liberal-Conservative senators, one each from Ontario and Quebec, and one from each of the other provinces. From Ontario, Hon. Richard Blain, Brampton, and Hon. John Fisher, of Paris, have the confidence of everyone, while from Quebec, the names of Hon. Rufus Pope and others have been suggested. Either Richard Blain or Rufus Pope should take the lead in calling the committee of senators."

"Revive all the old associations, one in each riding, the riding association must be the unit of representation in the big convention."

In reply to the question as to how the delegation should be appointed, Sir Sam, speaking offhand, said there (Continued on Page 5, Column 2).

#### COAL IS DISCOVERED IN PRESCOTT QUARRY

Excited Rumors Rife on Probable Extent of the Find.

**FOUND BY AN ACCIDENT**

Prescott, Ont., Feb. 12.—While drilling for rock samples on their new property, the Prescott Quarry Company engineer struck a vein of coal. Samples were taken and forwarded to Montreal for analysis. The extent of the vein or quality of the coal is yet uncertain. The vein was discovered at a depth of about 40 feet. The property, recently acquired by its present owner, was for the purpose of quarrying stone, the stone being found to be of unusually fine quality. Should analysis of the coal prove satisfactory and a coal deposit found to be extensive, it will be of great benefit to this section of Canada. Excitement and wild rumors are rife in Prescott town on the probable extent of the find and the natural results to follow if a coal mine were to be operated in the vicinity. The property is about three-quarters of a mile east of Prescott town in Edwardsburg township, between G.T.R. tracks and River St. Lawrence.

#### BROKER IN MONTREAL UNDER SURVEILLANCE

New York, Feb. 12.—The trail of the man "higher up" in the conspiracy to vital more than \$5,000,000 worth of bonds and securities from Wall street brokerage houses has led to several cities in the United States and Canada, where the directing heads of the gang, thru dishonest brokers, have disposed of stolen stocks and bonds worth millions.

A dozen detectives from Deputy Commissioner Lahey's staff hurried out of town tonight, when word came from different points that men named in the confessions of the four messenger by prisoners had been located. Among names mentioned to the police is that of a Montreal broker, already under surveillance for some days.

#### ENGLISH OVERCOATS.

A delayed shipment of very high-class English overcoats arrived today at Dineen's 140 Yonge street. These coats were ordered from the British manufacturer to be forwarded last September, but through untoward conditions, did not reach Toronto until a day or two ago. Though late, the Dineen Co. are very glad to have them, as they were bought at old prices, which means a great saving on present prices. Every coat is value for \$110.00. Choice of this lot, \$85.00. Colors principally greys, greens and brown mixtures, double-breasted with belt at back. Beautiful soft wool cloths; a gentleman's stylish overcoat. Drop in and see them at Dineen's 140 Yonge street, also see Yonge street display.