

GERMANY ANNOUNCES HER PEACE CONDITIONS

RUSSIAN GOV'T GIVES UP MUCH TERRITORY WHICH FORMERLY BELONGED TO CZAR'S EMPIRE

Both Germany and the Bolshevik Administration Agree to Call the War at an End—Russia Renounces Every Claim to Interfere in Internal Affairs of Independent Regions—Germany and Austria-Hungary Reserve Right to Define Further Fate of Dvinsk Territory in Agreement with Will of Population.

Livonia and Esthonia Will Be Policed by Germany Until Date When Constitution of Respective Countries Shall Guarantee Their Social Security and Political Order—Russia Will Conclude Peace With Ukraine and Red Guard and Russian Troops Must Evacuate Ukraine and Finland—Regulation of Black Sea and Position of Turkey.

London, Feb. 23.—A Russian wireless government statement received here tonight says: Germany will renew the peace negotiations and will conclude peace on the following conditions: "Both to declare the war ended. "All regions west of the line indicated at Brest-Litovsk to the Russian delegation, which formerly belonged to Russia, to be no longer under the territorial protection of Russia. "In the region of Dvinsk this line must be advanced to the eastern frontier of Courland. "The former attachment of these regions to the Russian state must in no case involve for them obligations toward Russia. Russia renounces every claim to interfere in the internal affairs of these regions. "Germany and Austria-Hungary have the intention to define further the fate of these regions in agreement with their populations. "To Evacuate Two Provinces. "Germany is ready, after the completion of Russian demobilization, to evacuate the regions which are east of the above line. So far as it is not stated otherwise, Livonia and Esthonia must immediately be cleared of Russian troops and Red Guards. "Livonia and Esthonia will be occupied by German police until the date when the constitution of the respective countries shall guarantee their social security and political order. All inhabitants who were arrested

for political reasons must be released immediately.

Turkish Situation.

"Russia will conclude peace with the Ukrainian peoples republic. Ukraine and Finland will be immediately evacuated by Russian troops and Red Guards.

"Russia will do all in its power to secure for Turkey the orderly return of its Anatolian frontiers. Russia recognizes the annulment of the Turkish capitulation.

"The complete demobilization of the Russian army, inclusive of the detachments newly formed by the present government must be carried out immediately.

"Russian warships in the Black Sea, the Baltic Sea and the Arctic Ocean must immediately be sent either to Russian harbors and kept there until the conclusion of peace or be disarmed. Warships of the Entente which are in the sphere of Russian authority must be regarded as Russian ships.

"Merchant navigation of the Black Sea and Baltic Sea must be renewed, as stated in the armistice treaty. The clearing away of mines is to begin immediately. The blockade of the Arctic Ocean is to remain in force until the conclusion of a general peace.

Commercial Treaty.

"The Russia-German commercial treaty of 1914, must be enforced again in addition there must be a guarantee for the free export, without tariff, of ores and the immediate commencement of negotiations for the conclusion of a new commercial treaty, with a guarantee of the most favored nation treatment at least until 1925, even in the case of the termination of the provisorium, and, finally the sanctioning of all clauses corresponding to paragraph 11 of clauses 3, 4 and 15 of the Ukraine peace treaty.

"Legal and political relations are to be regulated in accordance with the decision of the first version of the German-Russian convention. So far as action on that decision has not been taken, especially with respect to indemnities for civil damages, this must be in accordance with the German proposal. And there must be indemnification with expenses for war prisoners, in accordance with the Russian proposal.

"Russia will permit and support so far as she can, German commissions for war prisoners, civil prisoners and war refugees.

"Russia promises to put an end to every propaganda and agitation, either on the part of the government or on the part of persons supported by the government, against members of the quadruple alliance and their political and military institutions, even in localities occupied by the Central Powers.

"The above conditions must be accepted within forty-eight hours. The Russian plenipotentiaries must start immediately for Brest-Litovsk and sign at the place within three days a peace treaty, which must be ratified within two weeks.

"The foregoing, adds the Russian official statement, is dated Berlin, February 21, and is signed by Von Kuhlmann (the German foreign secretary) and Lieutenant-General (name omitted) commander-in-chief of the army.

The terms were accepted by Russia.

WEST INDIA SERVICE.

The steamers Chignecto and Chaudron, of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, having been requisitioned by the Ministry of Shipping, it has been necessary to revise the itinerary of the remaining steamers, Chaleur and Caracut. In place of the regular fortnightly service which has been given for the past four years, there will be a sailing alternately from Halifax and St. John every third Friday at 8 a. m. Passengers may embark the previous evening as customary. The steamer which sails from Halifax will return to Halifax without calling at St. John, and the steamer leaving St. John will return to that port only.

FUEL ECONOMY IS STILL NECESSARY

Freight Situation. Although Somewhat Easier is by No Means What It Should Be—Steel Restrictions in U. S.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—In its summary of the iron, steel, metal and machinery markets for the week ending Feb. 19, Canadian Machinery and Manufacturing News makes the following observations:

"The freight situation, although somewhat easier, is not by any means what it should be. The improvement in the weather has been of material assistance in the movement of material, but much still remains to be done before the congestion is materially relieved. The coal situation is less acute and supplies are coming in from the border in larger volume. Strict economy, however, needs still to be exercised in order to conserve available supplies and head off further drastic restrictions in consumption of fuel.

"The steel plants will benefit by the milder weather both in regard to easier operating conditions and heavier supplies of fuel. No substantial relief, however, is to be expected until next month when conditions will be more favorable. Advice from Washington state that restrictions are to be placed on the manufacture of steel for export. While this may not affect Canadian consumers engaged on war contracts, other consumers will likely be affected. The pig-iron situation is unchanged. The non-ferrous metal markets are devoid of any particular interest except

GERMAN RAIDS IN FRANCE AND FLANDERS REPULSED

Fruitless Attempt Made by Teutons Saturday to Dislodge British from Positions on Hill No. 70 and Elsewhere—British Pursue Retreating German Main Body in East Africa and Marching on Meva.

London, Feb. 23.—The Germans have been raiding the British positions at various points, according to the report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters in France tonight. The statement says:

"A hostile raid attempted early this morning against our positions on Hill 70, was repulsed with loss. Another raiding party, which attacked one of our posts last night north of Poelcapelle, was driven off by rifle fire before reaching our position. A few prisoners were brought in by our patrols on various parts of the front. "The enemy's artillery was active

during the day, between Gouzeaucourt and the Scarpe Valley and a number of points between Lens and Armentieres and northeast and north of Ypres."

Another Raid Repulsed.

London, Feb. 24.—"A raid attempted by the enemy last night in the neighborhood of Broodseinde was repulsed," says today's official report. "The hostile artillery was active throughout the first half of the night in the Paschendaele sector."

"On Friday night hostile raids against Belgian posts in the neighborhood of Merckem were successfully driven off."

In East Africa.

London, Feb. 23.—An official statement on operations in East Africa says: "The main German force, dislodged from the Lujenda Valley, Portuguese Nyassaland, moved south to

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"In the coastal area," continues the statement, "our column is approaching Meva, which is held by detachments from the enemy force located south west of Portamella."

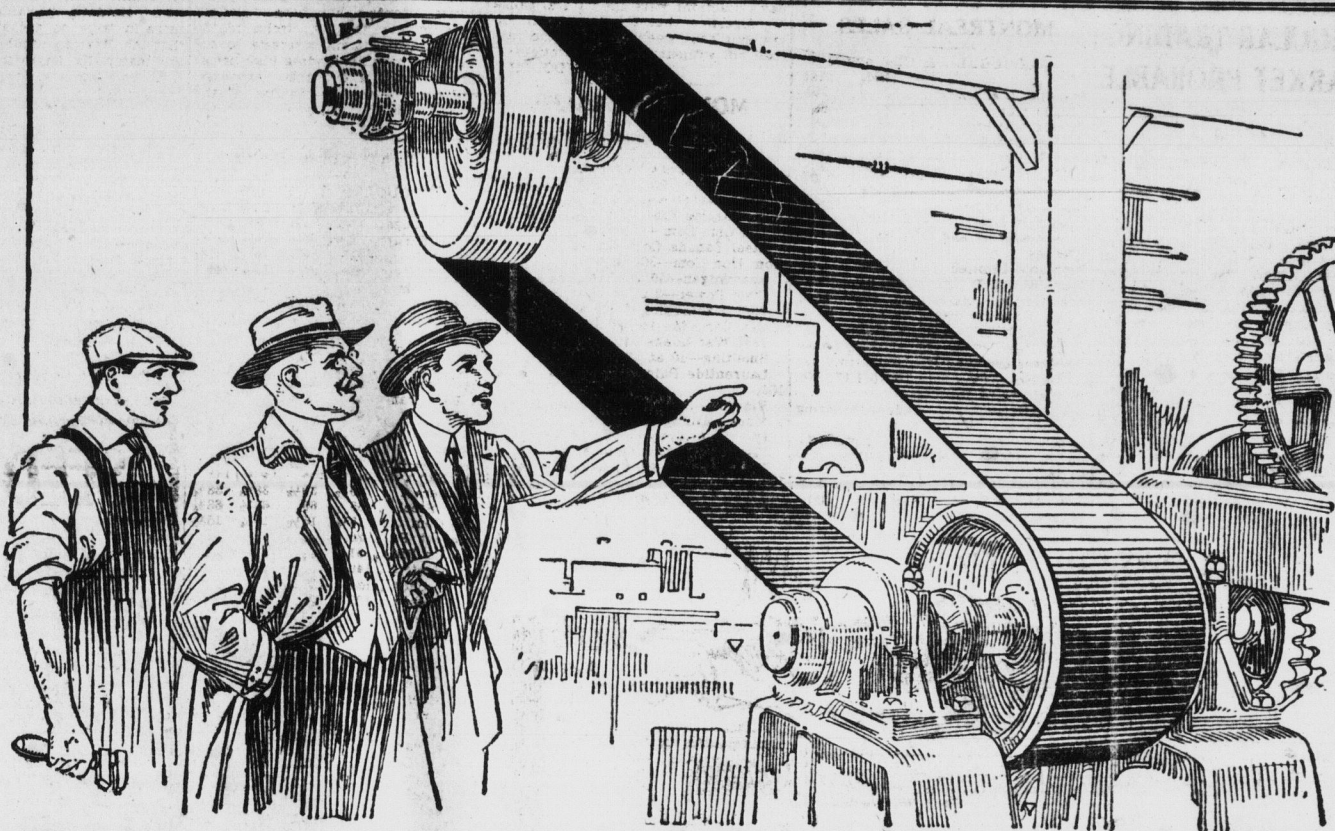
FUNERALS.

The funeral took place Saturday morning at 8.45 of Mrs. Bridget Heffernon from the residence of Mrs. Edward Lowney, 86 Sheriff street, to St.

Peter's church, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. J. F. Cogan, C. S. S. R. Interment was made at the old Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of John Knox took place Saturday afternoon from his late residence, 160 Sydney street. Services were conducted by Rev. F. S. Dowling. Interment was made in Fernhill.

The funeral of Mrs. Miles Carroll was held at 2.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from her home 43 Garden street. High mass was said at the Cathedral and interment was made in the New Catholic Cemetery.



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