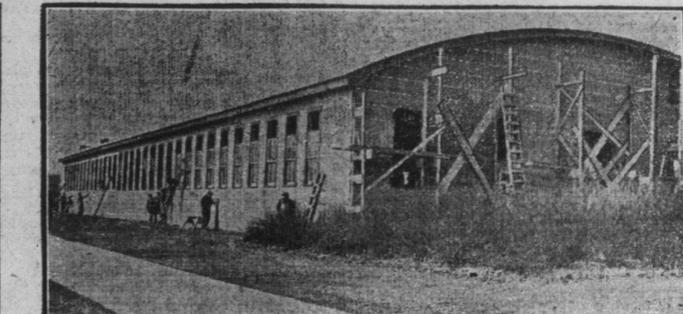


REFERENDUM NEXT SEPTEMBER

SPARTACANS DECIDE TO SETTLE ISSUE BY ARMS

Guerilla Warfare Continued During the Night.

GOVERNMENT HAS 25,000 LOYAL TROOPS BERLIN, March 8.—The Spartacans determined yesterday afternoon to break off all negotiations with the government and settle the issue by fighting. This action was taken despite the fact the government forces were extending their control of the city and apparently had broken the revolution. After a day of comparative success, the revolutionists were again on the defensive last night and the battle had become one of guerrilla warfare. The tide turned when government airplanes began dropping huge bombs on the roof of the royal stables, occupied by the revolutionists. The buildings were practically demolished and scores of sailors were killed or wounded. The remainder surrendered. Shortly afterward Alexander Platz, which had changed hands several times and where the chief Spartacan resistance was centered, was taken by storm by government troops. More than a hundred revolutionists were captured there. While the Spartacans were losing their hardwon military advantage, the general strike was gaining. Workmen



DEMOLITION HUTS, Military authorities are rapidly preparing for the demobilization of Canada's fighting men in different parts of Canada. Wooden huts, of which this is a specimen are being rushed to completion for the men's occupation.

Prussian Diet to Open

INDICATES THAT REVOLUTION HAS FAILED BERNE, March 8.—A Wolff Agency dispatch, filed in Berlin on Thursday and received here to-day, announced that the Prussian Diet would open next week. This was accepted as proof of the government's confidence that the revolution had failed.

German Austria Has Ratified the Union

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TAKES ACTION BASLE, March 8.—The special commission of the Austrian national assembly has unanimously ratified the government's plan to declare formally that the German-Austrian republic is an integral part of the German republic, a Vienna dispatch announced to-day.

Referendum to be Taken on Prohibition Issue

Will be Held Next September or Earlier. PEOPLE TO DECIDE WHAT THEY WANT Toronto, Mar. 8.—Hon. T. W. McGarry, Provincial Treasurer, speaking at a meeting of Ward Three Conservative Association at St. George's Hall last night said: "A wide open referendum on the Prohibition question will be taken in Ontario, possibly in September next or possibly sooner, for the people to determine what measure they want. I believe the people will be able to vote on the question in a very open fashion. When the boys come home, possibly in September or before, or it may be a little later, the people will decide the question for themselves, and the referendum will be wide open, as is desired by the Temperance people and the liquor interest. Whatever the decision is taken in Ontario, it will be upheld by the Government. The people will be given every opportunity of expressing in the fullest possible manner their desire on this important question. Mr. G. A. Warburton and the Committee of One Hundred were not a factor in the passing of the Ontario Temperance Act, and they will not be a factor, so far as the Government is concerned, in determining the issue of permanent prohibition."

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Rapture Will Not Stay

WORK OF THE ARMISTICE COMMISSION BERNE, March 8.—A rupture of negotiations between the German and Allied Economic Commissions will not affect the work of the Armistice Commission, which is continuing its conference, it was announced in a dispatch received from Berlin to-day. The German delegates broke negotiation with allied economic commission after insisting that the latter must guarantee to furnish Germany with enough food to last until the next harvest before Germany would consent to surrender her merchant fleet. This conference was entirely distinct from the armistice commission which deals with military problems.

Irish Leaders Say United States Will Help

O'KELLY MAKES STATEMENT PARIS, March 7.—If the Irish question is not settled by the peace conference, friends of Ireland will stop ratifications of the league of nations in the American Congress. Provisional Irish republic to the peace conference declared in a statement to-day. He expressed doubt that any league of nations could be formed and said that the Irish "have spoken gently" to President Wilson long enough. "We can stop ratification of this league of nations in Congress if the Irish question is not settled," the Irish delegate declared. "It is my opinion that there will be no league of nations, at any rate there will be no peace in Europe, because Ireland will fight and the world knows that Ireland can fight."

Nine Ontario Cities In Industrial Contest

All Trying to Land Branch of American Truck Co. PROSPECTS OF US GETTING IT ARE GOOD A Canadian branch of a big American commercial truck company is to be established somewhere in Ontario. Its headquarters are in Wisconsin. It has applied for a Canadian charter. In addition to this city, Windsor, Chatham, Hamilton, London, St. Catharines, Niagara Falls, Welland and Toronto are striving to get the industry. The matter is to be finally decided on Monday next at the company's head office. A local man, who has been busy as a mailer, trying to get the company to locate here, is hopeful that it may elope to pitch its tent in this city.

AT THE MARKET

There was a good attendance at the market this morning and buyers were easily supplied with their needs. The good condition of the roads as usual caused the farmers to come. Butter and eggs were plentiful, the former selling at 48 cents; in some cases a higher price was asked. Eggs sold at 40 cents. There was a large quantity of potatoes which sold at 30 cents a large basket and \$1.25 a bag; some sold for less. Apples were also plentiful but had there been more they would have been bought. They sold at \$1.00 a bushel, 30 to 50 cents a large basket, and \$4.00 a barrel. Cheese sold at 30 cents a pound, and honey at about 27 cents a pound. There were not many vegetables this morning. Fowls were scarce, hardly any were offered, it being just before Easter and hens are just starting to lay. Hay sold at \$21 a ton and straw at \$11 a ton. A large load of rails sold at \$6 a load and cut hard wood at \$6 a half cord. Market Clerk Sachs as usual measured the wood offered. Live veaned pigs were sold at \$6, \$8, \$10, according to size.

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Wounded Soldiers on their Way Home

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Buffalo Sharks Trim Montreal Betting Man

One Case to be Aired in Court. HOW THE GAME WAS PLAYED MONTREAL, Mar 8.—Police authorities here are wondering today just how much easy Montreal money is scattered in and around Buffalo, owing to charges against Joe E. Lachonde that he had obtained \$40,000 by alleged conspiracy and false representations, from S.P. Champoux of this city. The case resembles that of M.P. Connelly against Arthur Exremont, the jurisdiction in which is now being considered by the court. It is the old story of a bank account, a pool-room, telegraph operator, the man who is supposed to have inside "info" on the races etc. The victim accompanied the defendant, he says to Buffalo, where he won his first bet of \$2400. Thence a bet of \$2,800 was rejected by the cash-



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